



2022 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

Town of Rangeley

AUDREY HODGE

Audrey Hodge was born in Rangeley, Dec. 7, 1925, daughter of James and Katherine (Russ) Wilcox Sr. and attended local schools. She continued her education at Golden Beauty School and at the Maine School of Commerce in Auburn. She worked at the Oquossoc Angling Association, the Town of Rangeley, and the Rangeley Inn for many years. She was an active member of the Church of the Good Shepherd where she was a member of the Episcopal Church Women. She enjoyed playing cards and working on puzzles.



LIZBETH 'BETH' BRUNSWICK

Around 1993, Beth led the fundraising campaign to construct Rangeley Family Medicine. She encouraged Rangeley Health and Wellness to expand its vision to include Physical Therapy and Fitness. In 2001, she again led a capital campaign to construct the Wellness Pavilion on Dallas Hill Road. Services now include behavioral health, massage, programs for children and seniors, and many other community services. Beth's tenacity and consistency were unwavering and built the strong foundation from which RHW will prosper for generations to come. It could be argued that her greatest and most creative fundraising idea of all time was RHW's Annual Summer Concert. Inspired by her love of music, Beth was instrumental in leading RHW through twelve major concerts. The Beth Brunswick Memorial Fund for Child Development was established in her memory to create a safe place for all children to learn, grow and develop. This community wide effort will serve as a lasting memory of Beth's love for children, wellness, and the Rangeley region.



EDWARD J. KFOURY

Oquossoc and the beauty of the Rangeley Lakes Region was always an inspiration to Ed. This was where his soul called home. He worked tirelessly with his wife by his side on creating the Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust and revitalizing the Cupsuptic Campground to ensure that future generations could appreciate and enjoy the unique natural wonders that embody the spirit of the area. He owned Mooselookmeguntic House, the Gingerbread House Restaurant, The Gallery at Stony Batter, and Stony Batter Enterprises. His lasting legacy will be found in the Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust which preserves over 14,000 acres of western Maine.



SUSAN KOOB

Originally from Connecticut, Susan moved with her family to Camp Antlers in Oquossoc as a young girl. She attended and graduated from Rangeley High School and the University of Maine with a master's degree in early childhood education. A devoted educator, Susan excelled in her gift of teaching special education in Rangeley, Phillips, and Kingfield schools until her retirement in the early 2000's. She was a registered Maine Guide with a passion for fly fishing that took her around the world, casting for salmon in the waters of Maine, Alaska, Chile, and Coopers in Labrador. Beyond the love of family, teaching, and fishing, the 35 panoramic years she shared with her husband Larry, living on the shores of Mooselookmeguntic Lake, her devoted dogs, and all animals gave her the utmost joy.



The Town of Rangeley is honored to dedicate this year's Annual Town Report to these fine citizens. Thank you for your many years of dedicated civil service.

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Appointed Officials

TOWN MANAGER

E. Joseph Roach

ASSISTANT TOWN MANAGER

Traci Lavoie

FINANCE DIRECTOR/TAX COLLECTOR/TREASURER

Rebekah Carmichael-Austin

TOWN CLERK/REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Marti Belt

ASSESSOR

Rob Duplisea

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Denise Mercier
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Ethna Thompson
Scott Wilson
Valerie Zapolsky

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Jerry Brown
Noel Dolbier
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RANGELEY REGION ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY COMMITTEE

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Laura Reynolds
Kate Williamson

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Al Clinch
Monika Liedl
Colin Madrid
Ethan Shaffer
Greg Whalen

ZONING BOARD of APPEALS

Dennis Marquis
Brian St. Louis
Ryan Wilbur

Elected Officials

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Cynthia Egan
Shelly Lowell
Ethan Shaffer
Ethna Thompson
Samantha White

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Colin Madrid

H. A. FURBISH TRUST

Traci Lavoie
Dennis Marquis
Carl Symes

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Michelle Laliberte
Lindsey Savage

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Albert Clinch
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Thomas Haggan

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LABOR, AND PENSIONS
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ON INTELLIGENCE
SPECIAL COMMITTEE
ON AGING

Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the U.S. Senate. I am grateful for the trust that Mainers have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments for our state.

Last year, I secured more than \$500 million for 285 projects from Aroostook County to York County that will promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; improve public safety, infrastructure, and community resources; and protect our environment. To address the crisis of soaring inflation and high energy prices, I led efforts to provide \$2 billion in supplemental funds to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. In the new Congress that begins in 2023, I expect to be the Vice Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and will continue to champion investments to support Maine's communities and families.

Strengthening our economy and supporting good jobs remain a top priority. Along with the Governor and the rest of the Maine Delegation and the associations representing the lobster industry, I worked to protect our hardworking lobstermen and women by pausing for six years the onerous federal regulations that jeopardize our lobster fishery's very existence. Another ongoing threat to Maine's small businesses is the shortage of workers. That's why I led an effort to push the Administration to nearly double the number of H-2B visas that are critical to our hospitality industry. Additionally, when the Administration proposed to cut the construction of a destroyer to be built by Bath Iron Works, I restored this funding to protect Maine jobs and our national security.

When Maine Veterans' Homes announced last year that it planned to close its facilities in Caribou and Machias, I opposed that decision which would have had such a devastating effect on rural veterans and their families. I am glad that the decision was reversed, and I have secured \$3 million to help with upgrades to these facilities. My *AUTO for Vets Act* also became law, which will help disabled veterans maintain their independence by supporting the purchase of a new adaptive vehicle once a decade.

This past year, Congress demonstrated how effective it can be on behalf of the American people when both parties work together. A few of the bipartisan achievements that I was involved in include the *Respect for Marriage Act*, which will provide certainty to millions of loving couples in same-sex marriages while protecting religious liberties, and the *Electoral Count Reform Act*, which establishes clear guidelines for our system of certifying and counting electoral votes for President and Vice President.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and I have honored that work ethic by showing up for every vote. During my Senate service, I have cast more than 8,500 consecutive votes, never having missed one. I remain committed to doing all that I can to address your community's concerns in 2023. If I may be of assistance to you in any way, I encourage you to contact one of my six state offices.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
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Dear Friends,

I've often thought that Maine is just one big small town connected by long roads. Well, in the past year or two, those roads have gotten steeper and bumpier as we dealt with an unprecedented pandemic and the resulting economic troubles.

As we faced the historic challenges, something impressive happened. We came together and lent a hand to our neighbors wherever we could to keep things running and spirits high.

Down in Washington, Congress tried to help Maine communities get through this struggle, so that our state would come out stronger. To do that, we put in the work and set some things into motion that are already helping Maine people. That's why you hired us, after all.

The pandemic made something we'd known for a while clear: those roads and networks that connect our big town needed repair, improvements, and expansion – from bridges to broadband. So, while Maine was uniting towards a common purpose, Congress came together to pass the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* – legislation that makes generational investments in physical infrastructure, broadband connections, harbors, and the energy grid. These efforts will lay the foundation for Maine's 21st century economy and make sure even the most rural areas aren't left behind.

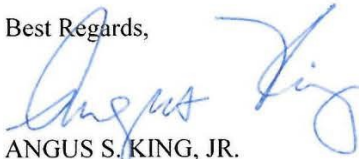
Over the last two years, as we drove up and down our state, you couldn't help but see storefronts in trouble and prices rising as the economy struggled through a global recession. And again, while you focused your efforts on getting through the difficult times, Congress took meaningful action. We passed the *American Rescue Plan* in 2021, which enabled Governor Mills and the state of Maine to better meet the health and economic difficulties of the pandemic. At a critical moment it expanded healthcare efforts to confront COVID and invested in the state to keep the economy in far better shape than most others nationwide.

Congress didn't stop there. This year, we took even more concrete steps to cut costs, create jobs, and provide more affordable, cleaner energy. The bipartisan *CHIPS Act* will bring home the manufacturing of the technical components known as "chips" that are used in everything these days – from smartphones to microwaves to cars – and in doing so reduce prices and create good American jobs. We also passed the *Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)* to lower healthcare costs, allow Medicare to negotiate drug prices, and cut energy bills with new rebates for things like heat pumps and solar panels.

Beyond these major investments, we also passed vital legislation to improve the day-to-day lives of Maine people and Americans nationwide. On a bipartisan basis, we expanded health care for veterans exposed to toxins, strengthened protections for marriage equality, supported Ukraine as it fought off a bloody Russian invasion, secured our elections and the peaceful transfer of power, and delivered millions in federal investments to projects up and down our state.

So, as Maine worked to get through hard times, Congress took steps to support our state – and we're already starting to see brighter days ahead. I'm proud to have played a small part down here; it's a true privilege to listen to you, work with you, and build a brighter future for all the incredible people up and down the roads that connect our big small town. Mary and I wish you a happy, and safe 2023.

Best Regards,



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

Dear Friends,

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

In August, I voted for the *Inflation Reduction Act* because it represented a dramatic turnaround from misguided efforts to pass sweeping, ill-designed legislation that tried to accomplish too many things through budget gimmicks, setting up problematic fiscal cliffs in numerous programs and refusing to make the difficult decisions to allow for a fiscally responsible bill.

The *Inflation Reduction Act*, which was signed into law by the president, was fiscally responsible and targeted four key priorities: reducing our national debt and putting our country back on a more sustainable path, lowering the cost of prescription drugs, and making health care more affordable, investing in an all-of-the-above energy strategy to significantly increase oil, gas, and renewable energy production to lower energy costs for Americans, and cracking down on the tax avoidance of billion-dollar multinational corporations. This bill was the first major legislation in the last decade to use the reconciliation process to create a fiscally responsible budget to reduce deficits. The Congressional Budget Office estimated it would reduce deficits by approximately \$300 billion.

As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I also helped pass the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act, which among other things, included key wins for Bath shipbuilders, UMaine, and servicemembers and their families. For shipbuilders, the bill secured authorization for a third DDG-51 destroyer; established a new contract for up to 15 DDG-51 destroyers over the next five years, many of which will be built at Bath Iron Works; and included funding for shipyard infrastructure. The bill also authorized over \$25 million for defense research programs, including UMaine's large-scale manufacturing program. Finally, the bill authorized a 4.6% pay increase to help servicemembers and their families deal with rising costs due to inflation.

Additionally, at the end of 2022, Congress passed a spending bill to fund the government through September of 2023. The bill funds nearly \$27 million in funding for community projects across the Second Congressional District, a lifeline for our lobster industry that freezes any regulatory action for at least six years, and secures millions in additional funding for the Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to help Mainers heat their homes.

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

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I look forward to building on momentum from recent legislative wins for Mainers and continuing to work on your behalf in 2023. Do not hesitate to reach out and voice an opinion on legislation, let us know about local events, or seek assistance navigating federal agencies or programs. It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully,

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Dear Maine Resident:

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

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

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

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

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

Thank you,

A stylized blue ink signature of Janet T. Mills.

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your State Senator. I am humbled by the trust you have placed in me to be a voice for you, your family, and our community in Augusta. I continue to work tirelessly on your behalf.

Many of you have reached out regarding the increasing costs we face, as well as the countless ways the pandemic has impacted every aspect of your life. As your State Senator, I have advocated for policies that would improve life for Mainers during this trying time. In the 131st Legislature, my goal is to promote policies that empower people to build to a better future; in this era of diminishing personal liberty, restrictive regulations, and soaring costs, common sense solutions have never been more essential.

The pandemic has brought us many challenges, however, some beneficial changes will become permanent, such as the use of technology to allow persons from all over our state interactive access to their government. Online access makes it easier for you to share your perspectives with the State Legislature. I strongly encourage you to engage; we need to hear from real people in the public hearing process.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. Please do not hesitate to reach out with your comments or questions, or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy. I look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa M. Keim".

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I would first like to thank the residents of Rangeley for helping to elect me as your State Representative. I take this responsibility very seriously. With nearly 2,000 pieces of legislation submitted for the upcoming session, I know I will be very busy.

Legislative leadership has appointed me to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Labor & Housing as well as the Joint Standing Committee on Environment & Natural Resources. On my two separate committees to use jurisdiction to consider all new bills pertaining to the Department of Labor. As well as overseeing bills pertaining to air and water quality, natural resource protection, hydropower & dams, and wind energy development, including the oversight of the Department of Environmental Protection.

I was elected to the Maine Legislature on the promise to represent you, the people of District 73. To do this, I will be seeking your input regularly and want to hear from you with your comments and concerns. Please call me anytime at **(207) 400-7233** or email at Michael.soboleski@legislature.maine.gov to keep me updated on those concerns. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by signing up at the town office or emailing me directly with your request.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael A. Soboleski".

Michael A. Soboleski
State Representative

House District 73

Franklin County Sheriff Scott R. Nichols



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January 25, 2023

Greetings to our friends in Rangeley.

As we enter 2023, I am happy to report that the town of Rangeley continues to benefit from the patrol services of the Sheriff's Office. In 2022, we found ourselves adjusting to an increased workload county wide due to our partners in the State Police completely ending their patrol services in Franklin County.

We answered 150 calls for service in the Town of Rangeley – 32 incidents, 14 arrests, 15 accidents and 89 traffic stops. This is significant considering Rangeley does have a police dept. whom we continue to provide support to. We have a team of dedicated patrol deputies and detectives whose sole purpose is to provide the best possible services regardless of the circumstance, Rangeley's citizens have not suffered. Our deputies' main priorities continue to be the protection of our citizen's personal safety and their property - ever mindful of their civil liberties. Patrolling the town of Rangeley and maintaining a visible presence helps to keep a check on crime.

Rangeley like many other towns, has its share of opioid and alcohol abuse. Citizens also find themselves dealing with domestic violence or mental health crises. Fortunately, there are resources available in our county to help those who may be struggling. **Western Maine Behavioral Health** provides crises intervention as an immediate response to mental, emotional, and behavioral distress. They also offer an **Options Saves Lives Program** to help those who want to quit their addiction to drugs. Their web page can be reached at <https://wmbh-me.com/services>. **Safe Voices** is a nonprofit who are members of the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence. They are a wonderful resource to call if you find yourself in a situation where you are seeking non-emergency help. Their web page can be reached at <https://safevoices.org/>. On our website you can find many other online links to services offered throughout Franklin County.

Our Detention Center provides the best possible services available to a small county by identifying inmates who suffer from addiction and or some type of mental health issue. Once identified, they are given access to appropriate programs that will help them with their condition, which hopefully reduces recidivism.

Our Criminal Investigation Division team of investigators are busy all the time working on major crimes such as sex crimes, burglaries/theft, online fraud, drug crimes and domestic abuse. I wish I could give you more detail about the amount of work our drug investigators are involved with, however given the nature of the business, let us just say that our investigators not only are charging violators here, but also provide intelligence to other agencies that allow them to make arrests in their jurisdictions.

Our investigators and deputies can always use your help though, please feel free to reach out to us anytime on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/franklincountysheriffmaine>) or our web page (<https://www.franklincounty.maine.gov>). The interaction we enjoy with the public on these platforms is truly amazing and we've been able to solve crime with your help through these resources. At times an informant does not wish to be involved or named, we understand that an honor that request.

In closing, I want to thank all of you for the support that you have provided over the years to the Sheriff's Office. We could not be as successful as we have been without you as our partner. Contact me anytime at 207-778-2680 or email me at snichols@franklincountymaine.gov. if you wish to talk or through our online services.

I pray the year 2023 will be a blessing to you all.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Scott R. Nichols", is written over a horizontal line.

Sheriff Scott R. Nichols

Board of Selectmen



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Shelly Lowell
Ethan Shaffer
Samantha White

Joe Roach, Town Manager
Traci Lavoie, Secretary

Greetings From the Board of Selectmen,

For Selectmen Ethna Thompson, Shelly Lowell, Ethan Shaffer, our newest board member Sam White and myself, it was another busy year for the Board serving our Rangeley citizens. This past year, the Selectmen held over 40 meetings relating to ordinances, budget, tax increment financing, and project engineering, just to name a few. We weren't the only busy board however, we truly appreciate those of you who have served on the various Town committees, commissions, and boards over the past year. Your involvement is crucial to assure meeting Rangeley's ongoing needs and goals. Want to get involved? Please go to www.townofrangeley.com and check out the various committees and boards.

Last year, the Board of Selectmen presented on the Town Warrant the chance for voters to approve extra pay from Federal ARPA funds to our employees who worked directly with the public during the COVID public emergency period and to vote on the Town's participation in the Maine Public Employees Retirement System. Both Articles passed decisively, which was a nice show of appreciation for our current employees and MainePERS will help the Town attract and retain future employees.

The Selectmen also pursued some unfinished projects, such as major repairs of the Town swim dock, which will begin in 2024, and a playground upgrade at the Rangeley Town Park, which was slated for a new setup years ago with the Park improvement project, but a shortage of funds allowed only playground safety upgrades. We look forward to seeing children enjoy a new, super-fun playground soon. The Board spent time discussing Oquossoc Park and the needed improvements to that area, including the basketball and tennis/pickleball courts. A Master Plan has been developed to accomplish these repairs over the next few years. An Oquossoc Village Planning Study was also requested regarding traffic, pedestrian safety and other matters named in the Rangeley Comprehensive Plan. We will be able to tap into our Tax Increment Financing (TIF) funds so not all costs will need to be raised to pay for these types of projects. TIF money also allows us to pursue grants to offset costs. Speaking of the Comprehensive Plan, the Board continues to focus on meeting the Plan's goals and outcomes. More members are needed for the Rangeley Comprehensive Plan Review Committee, and until we have enough folks to serve on it, the Selectmen have placed a Review of the Comprehensive Plan on all Town committee/board/commission Agendas, so these groups review their progress and unmet/ongoing goals to update the Selectmen.

Other matters involved the Board meeting with AVCOG (Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments) regarding a climate resiliency plan, Rangeley looks to save money where we can and research green energy possibilities in the years to come.

I've covered just a few highlights. Serving as a Selectman for the Town of Rangeley is never dull, the to-do list is never ending yet that's why we serve- our love for this very special Town we live in.

Lastly, I'd like to close by thanking our Town Employees for all their hard work and dedication. The Board truly appreciates all you do. To our First Responders- thank you for your sacrifices and for being there when the calls come in to respond and assist those in need. These professions take a special person, and we are grateful.

Very Sincerely Yours,
Cyndy Egan, Chairman

Report of the Town Manager

REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER 2022

Greetings, Rangeley Residents.

It has been a productive year. In addition to providing regular day-to-day services, our team has been planning for the future of Rangeley. We have worked on a Fiscal Sustainability Plan for the Wastewater Department, developed a detailed Capital Improvement Plan for the Transfer Station, and we are working on implementing new Code Enforcement software. We have nearly spent the funds from the Road Construction Loans that were borrowed several years ago for needed road upgrades and we are beginning to plan for future road projects.

Rangeley and the Plantations worked with Consolidated Communications to apply for a federal grant to bring reliable fiberoptic broadband service to the region. This effort had no significant cost to the town and the service is now available to most residents. Underground service will be built out during the summer of 2023.

With the help of our consultants and the MaineDOT, we have begun the Oquossoc Village Transportation Study. In a separate but well-timed effort, we are developing a plan to rehabilitate Oquossoc Park. The Town has partnered with the Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust and the Scenic Byways Committee to apply for grant funding for improvements to the gateways at Depot Street and at the Routes 4 & 16 intersection in Oquossoc.

The year has seen some changes in staffing. I want to thank all employees past and present for their contributions to the Town. Employees are the heartbeat of our operation – they make things happen!

I am thankful for the dedication of our many committee and board members. Their work is crucial to a healthy local government.

As always, I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen for its vision, faith, and support.

Please feel free to reach out to me or Traci at the Town Office with any questions or concerns you may have.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. Joseph Roach, Town Manager

2022 Audit



Auditor's Report

STATEMENT A

TOWN OF RANGELEY, MAINE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2022

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,561,221
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	
Taxes	14,230
Liens	111,996
Other	119,572
Tax acquired property	16,439
Inventory	47,494
Prepaid expenses	893
Total current assets	<u>7,871,845</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets:	
Land and other assets not being depreciated	3,757,232
Buildings and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	26,009,714
Right of use lease assets, net of accumulated depreciation	-
Total noncurrent assets	<u>29,766,946</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>37,638,791</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	12,191
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>12,191</u>
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>\$ 37,650,982</u>

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STATEMENT A (CONTINUED) TOWN OF RANGELEY, MAINE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2022

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 141,030
Accrued expenses	33,995
Current portion of long-term obligations	696,219
Total current liabilities	<u>871,244</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Noncurrent portion of long-term obligations:	
Bonds payable	4,442,360
Accrued compensated absences	48,553
Net OPEB liability	39,390
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>4,530,303</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>5,401,547</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Prepaid taxes	31,536
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	30,201
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>61,737</u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	24,644,552
Restricted: Nonexpendable	31,524
Expendable	1,055,000
Unrestricted	6,456,622
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>32,187,698</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION	<u>\$ 37,650,982</u>

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STATEMENT B

TOWN OF RANGELEY, MAINE

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Total Governmental Activities
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 1,070,363	\$ 112,990	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (957,373)
Public safety	822,180	304,450	-	-	(517,730)
Public works	2,175,949	463,516	31,896	-	(1,680,537)
Public facility	32,357	-	-	-	(32,357)
County tax	714,605	-	-	-	(714,605)
Education	3,572,101	-	-	-	(3,572,101)
Parks and recreation	43,423	4,850	-	-	(38,573)
General assistance	199	-	-	-	(199)
Unclassified	580,322	-	-	-	(580,322)
Capital outlay	177,434	-	-	-	(177,434)
Interest on long-term debt	116,894	-	-	-	(116,894)
Total government	<u>\$ 9,305,827</u>	<u>\$ 885,806</u>	<u>\$ 31,896</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(8,388,125)</u>

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STATEMENT B (CONTINUED) TOWN OF RANGELEY, MAINE

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Changes in net position:	
Net (expense) revenue	<u>(8,388,125)</u>
General revenues:	
Taxes:	
Property taxes, levied for general purposes	7,648,489
Excise taxes	455,388
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	1,361,475
Interest income	81,638
Miscellaneous	302,722
Total general revenues	<u>9,849,712</u>
Change in net position	1,461,587
NET POSITION - JULY 1, RESTATED	<u>30,726,111</u>
NET POSITION - JUNE 30	<u><u>\$ 32,187,698</u></u>

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STATEMENT C

TOWN OF RANGELEY, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2022

	General Fund	Capital Projects	Airport Improvement Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,735,575	\$ 2,363,198	\$ -	\$ 462,448	\$ 7,561,221
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):					
Taxes	14,230	-	-	-	14,230
Liens	111,996	-	-	-	111,996
Other	119,572	-	-	-	119,572
Tax acquired property	16,439	-	-	-	16,439
Inventory	47,494	-	-	-	47,494
Prepaid items	893	-	-	-	893
Due from other funds	1,395,370	2,203,931	-	905,922	4,505,223
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 6,441,569	\$ 4,567,129	\$ -	\$ 1,368,370	\$ 12,377,068
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable	\$ 141,030	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 141,030
Accrued expenses	33,995	-	-	-	33,995
Due to other funds	3,109,853	-	719,608	675,762	4,505,223
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,284,878	-	719,608	675,762	4,680,248
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Prepaid taxes	31,536	-	-	-	31,536
Deferred property tax	92,327	-	-	-	92,327
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	123,863	-	-	-	123,863
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)					
Nonspendable	64,826	-	-	31,524	96,350
Restricted	-	-	-	1,055,000	1,055,000
Committed	-	4,567,129	-	-	4,567,129
Assigned	-	-	-	267,206	267,206
Unassigned (deficit)	2,968,002	-	(719,608)	(661,122)	1,587,272
TOTAL FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	3,032,828	4,567,129	(719,608)	692,608	7,572,957
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	\$ 6,441,569	\$ 4,567,129	\$ -	\$ 1,368,370	\$ 12,377,068

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STATEMENT D

TOWN OF RANGELEY, MAINE

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2022

	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Total Fund Balances	\$ 7,572,957
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds, net of accumulated depreciation	29,766,946
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds shown above:	
Taxes and liens receivable	92,327
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds	12,191
Long-term obligations are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:	
Bonds payable	(5,110,013)
Notes from direct borrowings payable	(12,381)
Accrued compensated absences	(64,738)
Net OPEB liability	(39,390)
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds	<u>(30,201)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 32,187,698</u>

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STATEMENT E

TOWN OF RANGELEY, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	General Fund	Capital Projects	Airport Improvement Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES					
Taxes:					
Property	\$ 7,641,673	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,641,673
Excise	27,176	428,212	-	-	455,388
Intergovernmental	404,791	-	-	988,580	1,393,371
Interest income	61,289	17,299	-	3,050	81,638
Charges for services	885,806	-	-	-	885,806
Miscellaneous	36,157	16,840	-	249,725	302,722
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>9,056,892</u>	<u>462,351</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,241,355</u>	<u>10,760,598</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
General government	823,588	-	-	-	823,588
Public safety	725,825	-	-	-	725,825
Public works	1,820,189	-	-	-	1,820,189
Public facility	32,357	-	-	-	32,357
County tax	714,605	-	-	-	714,605
Education	3,572,101	-	-	-	3,572,101
Parks and Recreation	3,878	-	-	-	3,878
General assistance	199	-	-	-	199
Unclassified	315,521	196,205	-	68,596	580,322
Debt service:					
Principal	221,335	243,337	-	-	464,672
Interest	35,899	80,995	-	-	116,894
Capital outlay	332,370	1,746,113	-	763,232	2,841,715
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>8,597,867</u>	<u>2,266,650</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>831,828</u>	<u>11,696,345</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>459,025</u>	<u>(1,804,299)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>409,527</u>	<u>(935,747)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Bond proceeds	-	2,150,000	-	-	2,150,000
Transfers in	-	765,250	-	5,000	770,250
Transfers (out)	(125,000)	(645,250)	-	-	(770,250)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(125,000)</u>	<u>2,270,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>2,150,000</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	<u>334,025</u>	<u>465,701</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>414,527</u>	<u>1,214,253</u>
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - JULY 1, RESTATED	<u>2,698,803</u>	<u>4,101,428</u>	<u>(719,608)</u>	<u>278,081</u>	<u>6,358,704</u>
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - JUNE 30	<u>\$ 3,032,828</u>	<u>\$ 4,567,129</u>	<u>\$ (719,608)</u>	<u>\$ 692,608</u>	<u>\$ 7,572,957</u>

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STATEMENT F

TOWN OF RANGELEY, MAINE

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Statement E)	<u>\$ 1,214,253</u>
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities (Statement B) are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to be allocated to those expenditures over the life of the assets:	
Capital asset acquisitions	2,669,801
Capital asset disposals	(5,520)
Depreciation expense	<u>(993,186)</u>
	<u>1,671,095</u>
Deferred outflows of resources are a consumption of net position by the government that are applicable to a future reporting period and therefore are not reported in the funds	<u>(2,092)</u>
Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term obligations in the Statement of Net Position	<u>(2,150,000)</u>
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds:	
Taxes and liens receivable	<u>6,816</u>
Repayment of long-term debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position	<u>730,517</u>
Deferred inflows of resources are an acquisition of net position by the government that are applicable to a future reporting period and therefore are not reported in the funds	<u>(17,778)</u>
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds:	
Accrued compensated absences	(5,577)
Net OPEB liability	<u>14,353</u>
	<u>8,776</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities (Statement B)	<u>\$ 1,461,587</u>

Department Reports



Finance Department

FINANCE DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR 2022

Your Finance Department at the Town of Rangeley has the privilege of serving our citizens daily and assisting them with property taxes, sewer billing, various registrations including vehicle and IFW, accounts payable and receivable, and payroll along with financial reporting and other various financial duties.

In 2022, the Finance Office continued to enjoy the leadership of Rebekah Carmichael-Austin, our Finance Director. Rebekah has been with the Town for 10 years and is a key part in the successful operation of the Town's finances. Some, but not all, of her duties include IFW agent, tax collection, investments, loan, and bond management, overseeing all town accounts, and tracking fixed assets for the Town.

Here in the Finance Department, we strive daily to ensure that the financial aspect of your municipal government runs smoothly and efficiently. We enjoy seeing our customers come in and helping make their business at the Town a pleasant experience. We're here to answer any question you may have and assist in any way possible!

Excise Tax & Agent Fees

	FY22
Vehicle Excise Tax Collected	\$ 428,212
Boat Excise Tax Collected	\$ 14,014

Maine Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

	FY22
Boats, ATV, Snowmobile Registrations	\$ 147,228
Hunting, Fishing Licenses	

Taxes

	Valuation	
	FY21	FY22
Land & Building	\$	\$ 518,702,400
Personal Property	\$ 3,865,900	\$ 4,075,800
Exemptions	\$ 7,100,000	\$ 11,720,750

Tax Rate Distribution

Tax Due Dates: 9/1 & 2/1

Mil Rate: 14.83 / \$1000

Municipal Services	51%
Education	41%
County Tax	8%

Tax Commitment	FY22
Appropriations	\$ 4,575,223
RSU 78	\$ 3,710,069
County Tax	\$ 714,605
Total Appropriations	\$ 8,999,897

Revenues	
State Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 98,198.00
Homestead Exemption Reimbursement	\$ 78,097.00
BETE Reimbursement	\$ 2,663.00
Other Revenue	\$ 990,135.00
Total Deductions	\$ 1,169,093.00

Real Estate Liens and Tax Acquired Properties

Real Estate Liens

<u>Name</u>	<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Costs</u>	<u>Total</u>
Ash, Andrew	1459	\$ 75.29	\$ 1.78	\$ -	\$ 77.07
Ash, Andrew	1696	\$ 75.23	\$ 1.78	\$ -	\$ 77.01
Ash, Andrew	75	\$ 90.57	\$ 2.14	\$ -	\$ 92.71
Barmakian, Luke	110	\$ 28.06	\$ 0.71	\$ -	\$ 28.77
Benedict, Kevin	165	\$ 1,401.44	\$ 93.04	\$ 71.33	\$ 1,565.81
Betts, Margaret	188	\$ 2,963.03	\$ 196.69	\$ 71.33	\$ 3,231.05
Copp, Christopher	484	\$ 268.50	\$ 14.45	\$ 71.33	\$ 354.28
Deschainsne, Jeff	2562	\$ 265.48	\$ 19.07	\$ 147.07	\$ 431.62
Dugan, Bernard & Deschainsne, Jeff	2562	\$ 342.57	\$ 22.53	\$ 71.33	\$ 436.43
Frick, Patricia	763	\$ 35.69	\$ 1.14	\$ -	\$ 36.83
Hillsea Road, LLC	1488	\$ 1,535.64	\$ 82.63	\$ 71.33	\$ 1,689.60
Klopotoski, Stanley	667	\$ 625.83	\$ 19.96	\$ 54.84	\$ 700.63
Lanza, Gary	1176	\$ 33,220.04	\$ 2,189.63	\$ 147.07	\$ 35,556.74
Lauter, Jacqueline	2093	\$ 516.08	\$ 13.52	\$ 44.42	\$ 574.02
Patton, Thomas	1616	\$ 89.07	\$ 0.80	\$ -	\$ 89.87
Sullivan, Thomas	2078	\$ 5,774.80	\$ 383.35	\$ -	\$ 6,229.48
Thompson, Ryan	2129	\$ 741.49	\$ 32.87	\$ 71.33	\$ 845.69
Thompson, Ryan	2131	\$ 949.12	\$ 63.00	\$ 71.33	\$ 1,083.45
Violette, Richard & Rachel	2209	\$ 315.06	\$ 16.18	\$ 71.33	\$ 402.57
Viridi Wireless LLC	2658	\$ 912.05	\$ 60.55	\$ 71.33	\$ 1,043.93
Williams, Louis	2306	\$ 12.75	\$ 0.44	\$ -	\$ 13.19
Total					\$ 54,560.75

Tax Acquired Properties

<u>Name</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Costs</u>	<u>Total</u>
35 Hotel Road	\$ 17,032.01	\$ 2,200.82	\$ 135.84	\$ 19,368.67

Sewer Liens and Outstanding Personal Property Tax

Sewer Liens

<u>Name</u>	<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Costs</u>	<u>Total</u>
Thompson, Ryan	3280	\$ 1,530.00	\$ 153.30	\$ 69.39	\$ 1,752.69
Thompson, Ryan	464	\$ 472.50	\$ 50.25	\$ 69.39	\$ 592.14
Total					\$ 2,344.83

Outstanding Personal Property Tax

<u>Name</u>	<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
45th Parallel	225	2018	\$ 190.05	\$ 71.85	\$ 261.90
45th Parallel	225	2019	\$ 202.50	\$ 62.39	\$ 264.89
45th Parallel	225	2020	\$ 209.25	\$ 42.69	\$ 251.94
45th Parallel	225	2021	\$ 207.60	\$ 29.87	\$ 237.47
45th Parallel	225	2022	\$ 222.45	\$ 18.66	\$ 241.11
Blue Orchid	140	2018	\$ 35.56	\$ 9.37	\$ 44.93
Blue Orchid	140	2019	\$ 66.15	\$ 20.38	\$ 86.53
Blue Orchid	140	2020	\$ 68.35	\$ 13.95	\$ 82.30
Blue Orchid	140	2021	\$ 67.82	\$ 9.76	\$ 77.58
Blue Orchid	140	2022	\$ 72.67	\$ 6.10	\$ 78.77
Lyons Appliance	78	2020	\$ 15.35	\$ 3.13	\$ 18.48
Lyons Appliance	78	2021	\$ 15.22	\$ 2.19	\$ 17.41
Lyons Appliance	78	2022	\$ 16.31	\$ 1.37	\$ 17.68
Timepayment Corp	208	2021	\$ 17.97	\$ 1.88	\$ 19.85
Timepayment Corp	208	2022	\$ 53.39	\$ 4.48	\$ 57.87
TLB Enterprises	186	2018	\$ 13.94	\$ 5.27	\$ 19.21
TLB Enterprises	186	2019	\$ 14.85	\$ 4.58	\$ 19.43
TLB Enterprises	186	2020	\$ 15.35	\$ 3.13	\$ 18.48
TLB Enterprises	186	2021	\$ 15.22	\$ 2.17	\$ 17.41
TLB Enterprises	186	2022	\$ 16.31	\$ 1.37	\$ 17.68
VIASAT, Inc	179	2022	\$ 34.11	\$ 2.87	\$ 36.98
Total					\$ 1,887.90

Town Clerk

Residents of the Town of Rangeley,

It has been a privilege to serve the residents of our wonderful Town for the past year. With assistance from my fellow employees, as well as the support of our boards and committees, the Clerk's office has been able to fully serve our citizens and visitors.

In the year of 2022, the Clerk's office recorded the following life events:

Births	7
Marriages	28
Deaths	16

The Clerk is also the Registrar of Voters and has the duty of helping to ensure a clean and fair election process. Two elections were held in 2022: the annual town meeting and State Primary on June 14th and the State General Election on November 8th.

<i>Ballots cast</i>	
June town meeting	351
June State Primary	201
November General Election	702

The Clerk has a variety of other responsibilities which include dog registrations, mercantile and vendor licensing, assisting at the front counter, cemetery records and plot sales, as well as the care and preservation of our Town's municipal records. I look forward to continuing to serve our community!

Sincerely,

Marti Belt

townclerk@rangeleyme.org

Planning Department

Dear Citizens of the Town of Rangeley,

The Planning Department oversees land use planning in Rangeley and is responsible for code enforcement, building inspection, and E911 addressing. The Department provides staff support to the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Ordinance Committee. It also maintains records on property parcels in the Town, which could include: building permits, plumbing permits, conditional use permits, subdivisions, or other related documents.

Permits issued from January 1st thru December 31st, 2022, are as follows:

New Dwelling Structure	44	Demolition Permit	11
New Commercial Structure	11	Dock Permit	5
Repair/Replace (Residential)	10	Sign Permit	10
Repair/Replace (Commercial)	1	RV Permit	4
Addition/Alteration (Residential)	26	Shoreland Zoning Permit	6
Addition/Alteration (Commercial)	11	Conditional Use Permit (New/Amended)	3
Zoning Variance Request	5	Subdivision (New/Amended)	1
Total Permits			148

Multiple permits may be for the same property.

The Planning Department has continued work on Town Code updates and revisions that have been started in years previous. This includes Chapter 38, zoning ordinances, and the beginning research of new ordinances to address innovations happening in the construction and development industries. There are vacancies on the Zoning Board of Appeals and Ordinance Committee. Please consider serving on one of these boards as it allows an opportunity to provide the community with assistance in realizing development plans as well as providing insight for ordinances in progress. Public attendance is always welcome for any board.

Permits are required for most building projects, whether they be local, or state mandated. In general, a permit is not needed for normal maintenance repairs or to replace cosmetic materials including roofing, siding, or windows and doors (within the existing opening). Please contact the Code Enforcement Office with any relevant questions before commencing work.

Appointments are encouraged to guarantee a meeting to discuss projects and answer any questions.

Respectfully,

Karl Kolze
Acting Code Enforcement Officer
ceo@rangeleyme.org

Plumbing Inspector

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Sandy River Plt, ME 04970
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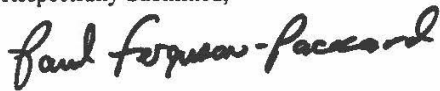
Dated: January 3, 2023

Greetings Town of Rangeley Selectpersons,

This report is for Local Plumbing Inspector activity for the calendar year 2022. There were no violations issued in this period. Shown below is the number of internal (plumbing) and external (septic system) permits that were issued in this time period, and the previous years are shown for comparison purposes.

	2022	2021	2020	2019
Internal Permits:	45	65	39	31
External Permits:	33	57	32	19
Voided Permits:	0	0	0	0
Total:	78	122	71	50

Respectfully Submitted,



Paul Ferguson-Packard

Assessor's Report

Assessor's Report

We have enjoyed serving the Town of Rangeley as its Assessor/Assessor Agents over the last year. We are available at the Town Office two days per week. Please call the office to schedule an appointment. Annually, the Assessor's Office reviews valuations and adjust the valuations that include any additions and deletions. We are also responsible for maintaining accurate records of property ownership. Part of the assessment process includes conducting an annual "ratio study", which compares the actual selling price of property to assessments. The most recent study conducted for the state valuation purposes indicated the assessed values, on average, to be at approximately 100% of market value.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

Most homeowners whose principal residence is in Maine are entitled up to a \$25,000 reduction in valuation (adjusted by the community's ratio of valuation to actual market sales). To qualify, homeowners must fill out a simple form declaring their Rangeley property as their principal residence by April 1 in the tax year claimed. Once the application is filed, the exemption remains until the owner sells or changes their place of residence. Forms are available in the Assessor's Office.

VETERANS EXEMPTION

Any person who was in active service in the armed forces of the United States during a federally recognized war campaign period and, if discharged or retired under honorable conditions, may be eligible for a partial exemption from taxes on their primary residence.

The Veteran must have reached age 62 or must be receiving a pension or compensation from the United States Government for total disability, either service or non-service connected.

RECOGNIZED WAR PERIODS

World War I - April 6, 1917 through November 11, 1918;

World War I - (service in Russia) - April 6, 1917 through March 31, 1920;

World War II - December 7, 1941 through December 31, 1946;

Korean Conflict - June 27, 1950 through January 31, 1955;

Vietnam Era – February 28, 1961 through May 7, 1975. For the period, February 28, 1961 through August 4, 1964, federal law restricts the definition of the Vietnam Era war period to relating only to veterans who served in the Republic of Vietnam.

Persian Gulf War – August 2, 1990 to the date that the U.S. Government recognizes as the end of the Persian Gulf War. This period also includes Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn.

OTHER RECOGNIZED SERVICE PERIODS

February 28, 1961 through August 4, 1964 (Maine property tax exemption applies to all veterans who served during February 28, 1961 through May 7, 1975, regardless of where they served);

August 24, 1982 through July 31, 1984; and December 20, 1989 through January 31, 1990.

Applications forms can be obtained in the Assessor's Office and must be filed with military discharge documentation on or before April 1st of the year it will go into effect.

BLIND EXEMPTION

Residents of Rangeley who are certified to be legally blind by their eye care professional are eligible for a partial exemption from taxes on their primary residence in the town.

Respectfully Submitted,
Matthew Caldwell CMA & Roger Peppard CMA

RJD Appraisal Assessor Agents

Fire and Rescue



RANGELEY FIRE RESCUE

ESTABLISHED 1894

Chief Michael Bacon

(207) 864-3800
FireChief@rangeleyme.org

Residents of Rangeley,

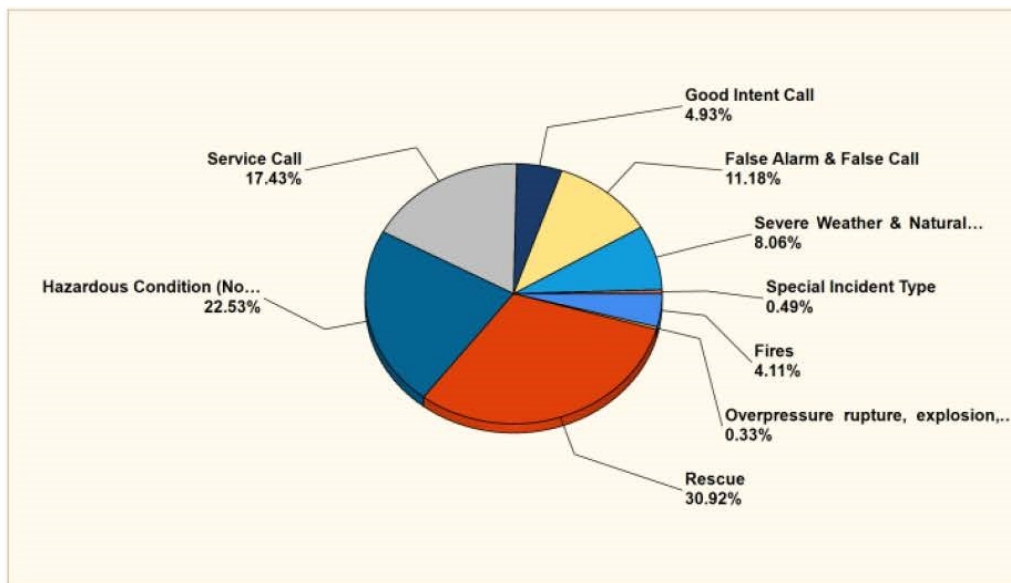
This year Rangeley Fire Rescue responded to 608 calls for service and conducted 995 hours of training.

This year we saw the delivery of the New Pierce Engine 3 which will serve the town for the next few decades. Engine 3 is the primary response apparatus for the department.

Rangeley and the surrounding communities continue to see an increase in new construction, real-estate sales and tourism. With the increase in total volume of residents and tourists we continue to see a steady growth in emergency calls with an increase of 50.12% over last year.

Yours in Service,

Chief Michael A. Bacon



MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	25	4.11%
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overhear - no fire	2	0.33%
Rescue	188	30.92%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	137	22.53%
Service Call	106	17.43%
Good Intent Call	30	4.93%
False Alarm & False Call	68	11.18%
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	49	8.06%
Special Incident Type	3	0.49%
TOTAL	608	100%

RANGELEY STATION 1
15 School St - Rangeley ME 04970



OQUOSSOC STATION 2
15 School St - Rangeley ME 04970

Police Department



RANGELEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Russell C. French

Sgt. Jared Austin

policechief@rangeleyme.org

207-864-3579

Dear Citizens of Rangeley and Oquossoc,

In 2022, your police department responded to or initiated over 2900 calls for service.

The bulk of our services are “Community Focused”; centered on meaningful community contacts, maintaining high visibility, and partnering with you, our residents, to keep our community safe.

We have had a great year, and I thank all of you for your continued support.

In closing, I would like to thank the Rangeley Fire Department, the entire Town Staff, NorthStar Ambulance Service, the Franklin County Sheriff’s Department, and our local United States Border Patrol for their assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Russell C. French

***INTEGRITY* LEADERSHIP * SERVICE ***

2022 Calls For Service

Building Checks	1323	Follow Ups	12
Community Policing	404	Police Information	9
SRO Duties	275	Reported Theft/Burglary	9
Paperwork Service	187	Disabled Motor Vehicles	9
Assist Citizens	130	Motor Vehicle Complaints	9
911 Hang Ups	107	Harassment	8
Motor Vehicle Stops	76	Snowmobile Complaints	7
Motor Vehicle Accidents	59	OUI	6
Background Checks	55	Trespassing	5
Assist Other Agencies	23	Mental Health Crisis	5
Animal Complaints	23	Violation Protective Order	5
Lost/Found Property	23	Unwanted Subjects	4
Suspicious Activity	18	Criminal Mischief	4
Medical Assists	18	Noise Complaints	3
ATV Complaints	17	Fireworks Complaints	3
Alarms	17	Missing Persons	3
Assist Fire Dept.	17	Assaults	2
Parking Enforcement	16	Domestic Violence	1
Welfare Checks	14	All Other Calls	51
Disturbances	13		
Civil Complaints	13	Total	2983

Highway Department

End of Year Report 2022

Greetings Citizens of Rangeley,

The services we provide are essential to a good quality of life for citizens and visitors alike. We take public services seriously, and we aim to keep our roads as safe as possible.

Our usual maintenance includes sweeping streets, ditching, painting of our parking spots and crosswalks, patching potholes, grading, keeping our trees trimmed back, cold patching, making sure our three-plus miles of sidewalks are safe for pedestrians, plowing, sanding, and we also maintain our airport during all seasons. These are just a few things that the Public Works Department does.

In this year, we completed Phase One of the Evergreen Cemetery Expansion project. The recently cleared four-acre section has now been de-stumped and the new base has been graded. The next steps will include surveying, fine grading, and road installation. The Loon Lake Road project is complete and has held up well throughout the first winter with its surface pavement.

Most of the planned road loan projects are complete and we are planning for the next round of road improvements for the next few years. I have met with our engineer to begin planning in more detail for these roads so that we can prepare for upcoming budgets.

As always, we will be doing more roadwork this year, so anyone that wishes to have material brought to your lot or home – please complete a fill permit at the Town Office and we will be happy to bring you some when we are in the area. The employees in the Public Works Department are a great group and deserve a multitude of thanks! I want to take this time to thank my crew and other crews for all their hard work. This group of people makes my job a lot easier. I want to thank the taxpayers for all their support in the work we do.

Respectfully,

Earl Ross

Highway Foreman
Road Commissioner

Wastewater Department



Chick Hill PCF



Chick Hill PCF 2022 Annual Report

2022 Report	2021(Jan-Dec)	2022(Jan-Dec)
Flow to Plant(G)	27,518,600	36,051,900
Precip(G)	5,271,732	8,573,320
Available for Processing(G)	32,789,972	44,625,220
Summer Spray(G)	20,082,200	26,201,800
Winter Spray(G)	11,991,832	11,950,000
Total Processed(G)	32,074,032	38,151,800
Average Daily Flow(G)	75,393	78,629
Septic Sludge(G)	662,350	ND
Natural Snow(in)	82.21	109.64
Precip(in)	28.10	46.41

Cheers to another year down the drain! 2022 marks the 52nd year of continuous operation of Chick Hill PCF. We might be getting some greys, a little wrinkly and bought a new sports car but rest assured Chick Hill is still being run by outstanding operators who strive to achieve excellence in every aspect despite some hurdles that occurred in the past year. Our doors are always open and any questions concerning our beautiful facility, current projects or even our amazing staff don't hesitate to contact us at Chick Hill.

231 Frenchies Way
Rangeley, Maine 04970
wwtphill@gmail.com
P-207-864-3542

Solid Waste Department

ANNUAL REPORT Rangeley Transfer Station for 2022

Dear Rangeley Residents,

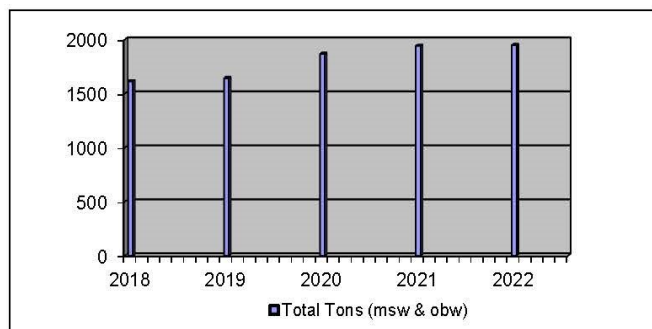
It's our 33rd year of operations at the Rangeley Region Transfer Station. I would like to thank both new and longtime residents for their support and participation of our programs and services.

We have three programs for keeping hazardous materials out of our waste stream.

- 1) our Universal Waste shed that collects mercury containing items like Rechargeable batteries,Fluorescent bulbs, Thermometers, Thermostats. There is no charge for this so please recycle.
- 2) Recycling of computers, monitors, and TV's. This is MANDATORY BY LAW.
- 3) Our Household Hazardous Waste Day. This will be held on Saturday August 8th this year. Rangeley/Dallas residents can also bring their material to the Mexico Region 9 School on June 10th, or the Carrabassett Valley Transfer Station on July 8th. All collections are from 9am to noon

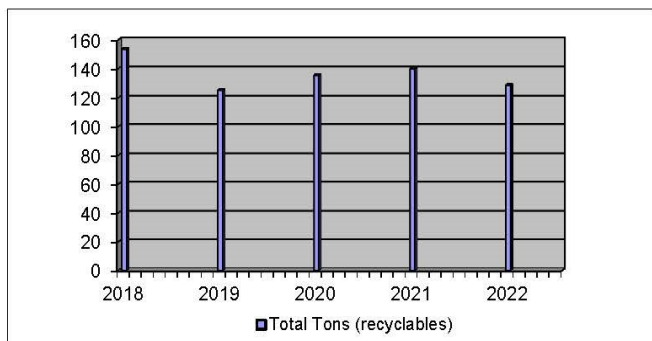
Household trash (msw) this year was 1526 tons (up 42 tons from last year), and Oversize Bulky Waste was 421 tons (down 36 ton). Tonnages continue to rise and with increasing costs we are trying to increase what we can recycle.

We shipped out 182 tons of shingles (down 41 tons), and recycled 151 tons of metal (up 3 tons), and 33 tons of tires (up 4 ton).



We recycled 128 tons (up 12 tons) of Zero-sort material. Average cost decreased to \$64.37/ton (down \$26). Materials that can be recycled are:

- 1) Cardboard: boxes/brown bags/juice cartons
- 2) Paper: magazines/catalogs/newspapers/junk mail
- 3) Plastic: #1-7/large rigid plastic/cups/jugs.
- 4) Metal: cans/pie plates/empty spray cans/foil
(If Metal kept separate, it earns the Town money)
- 5) Glass: any color bottles and jars



Please don't waste the potential value of these resources. This was our fifth full year of zero-sort recycling and the response for it has been positive. We just ask you make sure it's recycle materials only. Thanks for your support. Our Household Hazardous Waste collection kept 35 gallons of toxic materials out of the landfill helping to keep Maine's groundwater safe, while the Bargain Barn kept 4.8 tons of re-usable items from being sent out as trash. We de-freonized 166 refridgerator/air-conditioners (up 10 units), and we still recycle used motor oil and used cooking oil.

I thank my co-worker Patrick O'Neil and attendants Roger Lowell and Carmen Steward. All the residents and businesses that reduce, reuse, and recycle. The Highway Crew who keep the roads open and sanded in the winter. The Rangeley School personnel who help keep the entire school recycling and Town Manager Joe Roach for their support.

Richard Brown Solid Waste Manager
and Recycling Coordinator

E-mail: recycle@rangelevme.org

Stephen A. Bean Municipal Airport

Report of the Airport Manager 2022

Greetings Residents,

The Airport is in good condition. The Airport Commission and I continue to focus on the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which may change from year to year as priorities are identified and defined. Each year, I present our proposed CIP to the MaineDOT and the FAA for discussion and approval. There are no major changes anticipated to our existing CIP, although we may choose to adjust the timing of certain projects. LifeFlight of Maine has recently installed a new camera system on the beacon tower that provides them a real-time photo snapshot of the runway areas. The Airport Commission is a remarkable resource and I appreciate their guidance very much. Thank you to the Town staff and contractors who maintain the facility throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. Joseph Roach, Airport Manager



Parks and Recreation Department



Recreation Department Summertime Fun 2022



Community Partners and Resources Submissions



American Red Cross



Franklin County Service Delivery July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

Disaster Response

In the past year, the American Red Cross has responded to **8 disaster cases** in **Franklin County**, providing assistance to **26 individuals**. Most commonly, these incidents were home fires. Red Cross workers were on the scene to provide food, clothing, lodging, emotional support, and more to families during their hours of greatest need. Our teams also provide Mass Care to first responders. Things like food, water, and warm drinks strengthen the brave people of your local Fire and Police Departments as they answer the call to keep your residents safe.

Town/City	Disaster Events	Individuals
Chesterville	1	3
Jay	4	16
New Sharon	1	1
Strong	1	3
Wilton	1	3

Home Fire Campaign

Last year, Red Cross staff and volunteers worked throughout Franklin County to educate residents on fire, safety and preparedness. We made **1 home safer** by helping families develop emergency evacuation plans.

Blood Drives

We collected **638 pints** of lifesaving blood at **23 drives** in Franklin County.



Training Services

Last year, **292 Franklin County residents** were taught a variety of important lifesaving skills such as First Aid, CPR, Babysitting Skills and Water Safety.



Service to the Armed Forces

We proudly assisted **22 of Franklin County's Service Members, veterans, and their families** by providing emergency communications and other services, including counseling and financial assistance.

Volunteer Services

Franklin County is home to **4 American Red Cross Volunteers**. We have volunteers from all walks of life, who are trained and empowered to respond to disasters in the middle of the night, to teach safety courses, to help at our many blood drives, and so much more. The American Red Cross is proud that **90% of its staff** is made up of volunteers; they are truly the heart and soul of our organization.



HealthReach Community Health Centers

HealthReach
Community Health Centers



Contact: Communications Department
Tele: (207) 660-9914

PR@HealthReach.org

DATE: December 2022

- FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -

HealthReach celebrates 2022 as a Year of Excellence, thanks its stellar team

WATERVILLE – As we look forward to the New Year, it is always good to reflect on the past – to learn what lessons we can, and to recognize success so it can be expanded upon. The staff of HealthReach Community Health Centers are pleased to celebrate *many* successes from 2022. Here are a few recognitions we are proud to share with our communities:

- HealthReach as an organization was once again recognized by the US Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA), as a Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH), as a Health Center Quality Leader, and for Advancing Health Information Technology (HIT) for Quality.
- Dr. Amy Madden, HealthReach Medical Director, was recognized by Home Hope & Healing as their *Physician of the Month* for the month of May 2022. We are pleased to see Dr. Madden's dedication to her patients and quality of care recognized by external partners.
- Rep. John "Jack" Ducharme III, HealthReach Board member, was recognized by the Maine Primary Care Association and received the *MPCA 2022 President's Award* for his efforts to support community health centers across Maine. Jack rallied members of the Maine House of Representatives to improve the financial sustainability of rural healthcare.



2022 HRSA badges earned
by HealthReach

Our special thanks go to Amy, Jack, and the rest of the HealthReach team for their extraordinary accomplishments in 2022. Our patients are lucky to have you in our community!

Residents of Central & Western Maine have enjoyed quality care at HealthReach practices for nearly five decades. If you are seeking a new healthcare provider and health home, consider your local HealthReach health center in Albion, Belgrade, Bethel, Bingham, Coopers Mills (Whitefield), Kingfield, Livermore Falls, Madison, Rangeley, Richmond, or Strong.

HealthReach Community Health Centers is a group of twelve Federally Qualified Health Centers located across Central and Western Maine. Dedicated clinicians deliver high-quality healthcare – inclusive of behavioral health and dental services – to citizens from 9 of Maine's 16 counties. To ensure access for everyone, HealthReach accepts Medicare, MaineCare, and major insurance providers. In addition, an Affordable Care Program is available to both uninsured and underinsured residents. Assistance is available for applications to programs that help with the cost of your healthcare and medications, including Maine's Health Insurance Marketplace.

A private non-profit with a 48-year history, HealthReach is funded by patient fees, grants, and by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as part of an award totaling \$4,815,606 with 82.2% financed by non-governmental sources. The contents above are those of the author, and do not necessarily represent the official views of or an endorsement by, HRSA, HHS, or the U.S. Government.



Dr. Amy Madden



Rep. Jack Ducharme

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Life Flight Foundation



January 2023

Traci Lavoie, Assistant Town Manager
Town of Rangeley
15 School St
Rangeley, ME 04970

Dear Traci,

Every town, city, plantation, and municipality in Maine is unique but a common thread ties us all together: **no matter where we live, Mainers recognize our great state as one large, connected community with shared attitudes of hard work, compassion, and the willingness to help a neighbor in need.** Similarly, the state's emergency critical care and medical transport system has its own community, with the shared goal of providing every Mainer the opportunity for the best possible outcome on what is often the worst day of their life. **Each partner plays an integral role, including LifeFlight, and together we form the chain of survival.**

LifeFlight of Maine is the state's only emergency air ambulance service, with three helicopters, an airplane, and specialty ground vehicles equipped as fully functioning mobile intensive care units. Our Crews bring advanced skills, medical technology, pharmacy, and blood directly to a patient's side, wherever they may be. We do this in partnership with the many 911 dispatchers, fire/rescue, EMS, public safety, law enforcement, and hospitals across the state.

Since its founding 24 years ago, LifeFlight has safely transported more than 35,000 patients regardless of location, insurance status, or the ability to pay for care. These transports include patients of all ages and across all points in Maine. **Since 1998, 104 residents of Rangeley have been cared for by LifeFlight.**

LifeFlight, a non-profit organization, is among the most efficient providers of critical care air medical services, with the lowest costs and charges in New England. To maintain these standards, we rely on support from various funding sources, including individuals, businesses, foundations, and communities. Each year we reach out to every municipality in the state and invite them to support our Community Giving Campaign to ensure that the LifeFlight teams can continue to answer the call for help for Mainers, 24/7/365.

Last year, 194 communities donated a total of \$124,234. **This year, we need Rangeley, and all communities to come together to help us reach our collective goal of \$125,000. Your last gift was \$2,000. Will you please consider giving that same amount this year?**

Your support helps LifeFlight operate and maintain a safe, fast, and reliable fleet, provide critical care education to the team and partners around the state, upgrade and replace advanced medical equipment, and enhance Maine's aviation infrastructure. **In a serious emergency, every minute counts, and in meeting Maine's need for critical care, the gifts we receive from Maine communities are symbolic of the thread that ties all Mainers together.**

We have enclosed FAQs about LifeFlight, a map of Maine transport locations, and a map of Maine communities that have supported us. **Please contact Ashley MacMillan at The LifeFlight Foundation at amacmillan@lifeflightmaine.org or 207-357-5508 with any questions.** If you need additional information or a specific town application form is required with this request, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Tom Judge
Executive Director
LifeFlight of Maine

Ashley MacMillan
Director of Annual Giving
LifeFlight Foundation

P.S. If a past request was recently approved and an invoice is required, please contact us so we may submit the invoice.

LifeFlight Foundation – PO Box 899, Camden, ME 04843 – lifeflightmaine.org

Rangeley Water District



Annual Report- 2022

The Rangeley Water District presents a report to the public for the year 2022. The District was chartered by the state of Maine in 1992 but was founded as the Rangeley Water Company in 1905. Countless updates have been made since the water system's humble beginnings, including many sections of ductile iron pipe, valves, hydrants, and meters. The most significant improvements were made in 1997, with the inclusion and installation of a new gravel packed well, miles of new transmission lines, and a 500,000-gallon concrete reservoir.

Continuing the District's dedication to system upgrades, and improvements, 450 feet of 8-inch water main was replaced under the east section of Cross Street in Rangeley. Along with the new water main, six new curb stops, three 8-inch gate valves, one 6-inch gate valve, and one new fire hydrant were also installed. The Water District worked in conjunction with the Town of Rangeley on the Cross Street project, which resulted in a full resurface, and new drainage on this section of road. Also in 2022, financing, and engineering services were procured for a redundant water main project to take place in the summer of 2023. The Rangeley Water District continues to strive to improve system quality and lessen the chances of interruption in water service within its boundaries.

The plant in Lower Dallas Plantation produced 27,871,200 gallons of water for consumption and fire protection. Water production totals vary from year to year, and 2022 was on par with totals within the previous 5 years. Our office has continued to handle closings as properties continue to change hands steadily within the District. It is, has, and always will be a pleasure to serve our community. Our operators and trustees welcome any and all feedback from our rate payers, and members of the public.

Ethan C. Shaffer, Operator II

Trustees:

Christopher Farmer Esq. (Chair) June, 2025

Keith Savage (Clerk) June, 2023

Thomas Haggan (Treasurer) June, 2025

Michael Flewelling June, 2024

George A. Roth Jr. June, 2023

Contact Information: P.O. Box 989, Rangeley, Maine, 04970 - 15 Vernon Bean Way

Superintendent : Albert J. Clinch III

Email: rwdsuperintendent@myfairpoint.net

Operator Class II: Ethan C. Shaffer

Email: rwdoperators@myfairpoint.net

Office: 207-864-5680 Fax: 207-864-5998

Website: Rangeleywaterdistrict.org

After Hours Emergency Cell: 207-491-5211

Safe Voices



Working to End Domestic Violence

We have been so fortunate to receive funding and community support from the Town of Rangeley in the past, and this kind of engagement from the communities we work in means so much to our mission and our staff. This year, I am writing to again request funding support.

In addition to the inflation that we are all experiencing (town and city governments included), we have also seen a 40% increase in our call volume compared to pre-pandemic levels. The need for our services is higher than ever, and the demands on our budget bear that out. The support we get from our municipal partners helps bridge the gaps in our funding and ensure that we can provide the services survivors need the most, when they are most needed, no matter when that may be.

Safe Voices has served residents of Rangeley for 45 years, offering a variety of advocacy services for victims of domestic abuse. In the last year we provided support and safety planning to 2,224 individuals throughout our catchment area. We safely housed 90 adults and 47 children. All of these services are **free and confidential**, with the exception of our Violence Intervention Program for those who use abusive behaviors in their relationships.

This year we are requesting \$500 from the Town of Rangeley to continue this vital work and have our services available to residents, including:

- A 24-hour Helpline for victims, families, service providers, & others affected by domestic abuse
- A 17-bed emergency shelter and six-bed safe house for survivors of sex trafficking and exploitation in Androscoggin County, and a new six-to-eight bed emergency shelter with two attached transitional apartments in Franklin County.
- Transitional services, including housing navigation to help survivors find safe, stable housing
- Rural outreach programs: Outreach offices located in Lewiston, Farmington, and Rumford
- Court advocacy: Assistance and support with criminal and civil proceedings
- Education groups for those who batter: The Violence Intervention Program is a 48-week program certified by the Maine Dept. of Corrections
- Community prevention and education in Androscoggin, Franklin, and Oxford Counties

If there is other information that would be helpful, or you would like a representative from Safe Voices to attend any of the town's finance or budget committee meetings or the annual town meeting, please do not hesitate to contact me at 207-215-3222 or by email at gkendall@safevoices.org.

With gratitude for your town's consideration,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Grace Kendall".

Grace Kendall

Director of Development & Engagement

2022 Town Meeting Results



2022 Town Meeting Results

TOWN OF RANGELEY SELECTMEN'S TOWN MEETING WARRANT RESULTS

June 14, 2022

Franklin, ss State of Maine

To: Russell French, A Police Officer in the Town of Rangeley, in said County of Franklin, State of Maine.

GREETINGS: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Rangeley, in said County and State, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the **Rangeley Town Office** in said Town on **Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 7:45 a.m.** in the forenoon then and there to act by secret ballot on Article A1 to RV1 as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

ARTICLE A1: To elect a moderator to serve for the annual meeting, and to permit the moderator to appoint an alternate, as necessary.

ARTICLE A2: To elect under the provisions of Title 30-A, M.R.S.A. § 2528, the following Town Officers:

Two Selectmen, for terms of three years:

BEAULIEU, JACOB	144
NUTTALL, DONALD	101
SHAFFER, ETHAN	205
WHITE, SAMANTHA	186

Two Park Commission members for terms of three years:

WRITE-INS	TBD
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Two RSU #78 School Board members for terms of two years:

LEMAY, DANIELLE	250
WRITE-INS	TBD

RSU 378 School Board members for term of one year:

ALEXANDER, KAYLA	251
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Two Sewer Commission members for terms of three year:

ADKINS, JONATHAN	311
WRITE-INS	TBD

Three Budget Committee members for terms of three years:

WRITE-INS	TBD
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Three Budget Committee members for terms of two years:

WRITE-INS	TBD
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To vote by ballot the following warrant articles for the ensuing year in accordance with Title 30-A Section 2528, of the Revised Statutes of Maine for the year 1964 and amendments thereto.

BUSINESS ARTICLES

ARTICLE B1: Shall the Town fix the following two dates when taxes on real estate and personal property shall be due and payable, and after which interest shall accrue?

First Installment:	September 1, 2022
Second Installment:	February 1, 2023

YES	296
NO	42

ARTICLE B2: Shall the Town set a rate of 4 % interest to be assessed by the Town after the due dates on delinquent taxes?

YES	264
NO	81

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ARTICLE B3: Shall the Town authorize the Tax Collector to accept tax payments prior to the commitment of taxes? No interest is to be paid on prepayment of taxes.

YES 318
NO 23

ARTICLE B4: Shall a rate of 4% interest be assessed on unpaid sewer charges?

YES 257
NO 85

ARTICLE B5: Shall all Fiscal Year 2021/2022 overdrafts be closed from fund balance?

YES 270
NO 53

ARTICLE B6: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized, on behalf of the Town, to sell or dispose of any personal property or equipment and material owned or seized by the Town on such terms as they deem proper, and to return funds to reserve accounts associated with affected sales if applicable?

YES 294
NO 49

ARTICLE B7: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized, on behalf of the Town, to (1) rent, sell, and/or dispose of any real estate acquired for non-payment of taxes thereon on such terms as they deem advisable and execute Municipal Quit Claim Deeds for the same, except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36-M.R.S. §943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s); or (2) to keep any parcel or part thereof for municipal purposes and use?

YES 273
NO 68

ARTICLE B8: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Treasurer be authorized to borrow in anticipation of taxes?

YES 235
NO 103

ARTICLE B9: Shall a rate of 3% interest to be paid on abated taxes and/or abated sewer service charges pursuant to MRSA 36 Section 506-A?

YES 264
NO 74

ARTICLE B10: Shall tax abatements and applicable interest be appropriated out of overlay?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

YES 286
NO 45

ARTICLE B11: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Treasurer be authorized to accept, on behalf of the Town, gifts, and cash donations, and to appropriate said gifts and donations for the purpose designated?

YES 292
NO 50

ARTICLE B12: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to carry forward specific account balances from the current year to the same accounts for the ensuing year for the specific purpose of each account? The express purpose of this Article is to allow the continuation of ongoing Voter approved programs.

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

YES 339
NO 20

ARTICLE B13: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager be authorized to enter into leases, contracts and agreements on terms and conditions deemed necessary and appropriate?

YES 291
NO 55

2022 Town Meeting Results

ARTICLE B14: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager be authorized to apply for and/or accept funds from any grant opportunities, pursuant to the Grant Policy of the Town of Rangeley, that they deem beneficial to the Town of Rangeley and to appropriate funds to their designated purpose?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

YES 333
NO 16

ARTICLE B15: Shall the Town authorize monies to be expended from the Cemetery Fund(s), as prescribed by policy, ordinance and/or law (if any apply), with the sole intent of care and maintenance of the Town of Rangeley Cemeteries?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

YES 333
NO 17

ARTICLE B16: Shall the Town vote to appropriate all of the money received from the State for snowmobile registrations to the Rangeley Lakes Snowmobile Club for the maintenance of their network of snowmobile trails, on conditions that those trails be open in snow season to the public for outdoor recreation purposes at no charge and to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with the Club under such terms and conditions as the Municipal officers may deem advisable for that purpose?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

YES 327
NO 24

ARTICLE B17: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate from surplus a sum not to exceed \$25,000, pursuant to the undesignated fund balance policy, as they deem advisable to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during the fiscal year 2023?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

YES 317
NO 30

ARTICLE B18: Shall the Town vote to appropriate all motor vehicle excise tax revenue to the annual loan payments for completed and future road projects?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

YES 329
NO 21

ARTICLE B19: Shall the Town vote to authorize the municipal officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of last year's annual budget during the period from July 1, 2022, to October 1, 2022, or until a budget is passed for the 2022-2023 year in the event any budget article fails, where such expenditure is legally required or necessary to provide an essential service. *

YES 292
NO 48

ARTICLE B20: Shall the Town vote on all warrant articles by Secret Ballot at the 2023 (Fiscal Year 2024) Town Meeting? *

YES 250
NO 98

ARTICLE B21: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to expend up to \$50,000 from the first installment of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (*aka* American Rescue Plan Act or ARPA funds) from the federal government for the purpose of providing a one-time retroactive premium payment to employees who worked during the Covid-19 State of Emergency? *

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

YES 271
NO 66

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ARTICLE B22: Shall the Town vote to join the Maine Public Employees Retirement System (MainePERS) as a Participating Local District effective July 1, 2022, and:

- a.) To offer Special Plan 2C to its full-time police officers and firefighters who work at least 40 hours per week, 52 weeks per year.
- b.) To offer Regular Plan AC to all other full-time employees who work at least 40 hours per week, 52 weeks per year.
- c.) To exclude all other employees who work less than full-time, including its elected/appointed officials, from participating in MainePERS.
- d.) To allow its eligible employees who are currently employed by the Town on July 1, 2022, who elect to join MainePERS, to purchase credit for any and all years of prior service upon the employee's full payment of all associated costs. The Town will not participate in the purchase of prior service and so employees are responsible for paying the full liability associated with this service.
- e.) To adopt the provisions of 5 M.R.S. §18252-C as enacted by PL 2021, Chapter 286 as allowed by MainePERS Rule Chapter 803 for its non-participating employees with optional membership who previously declined to participate in MainePERS ("eligible employees") and to comply with the following requirements:
 - i. Beginning in 2022, to annually offer eligible employees who have been employed for less than 5 years, and in 2022 eligible employees who had reached 5 years of employment between November 1, 2021, and November 1, 2022, the opportunity to join MainePERS on a prospective basis during an open enrollment period from September 1st through November 1st and to provide MainePERS with documentation of each election made by eligible employees under this provision: and
 - ii. To withhold employee contributions for employees who join under this provision on an after-tax basis and to remit them to MainePERS.
- f.) To authorize the Town Manager to sign the agreement between the Town and Maine Public Employees Retirement System.

YES 278
NO 56

ARTICLE B23: Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager to take any actions and execute any documents necessary to enter a Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase agreement for the purchase of a Pumper Truck at the total cost not to exceed \$750,000*, with a term not to exceed 7 years, reserving in the Board of Selectmen the discretion and authority to set the further terms of said agreement? *

RECOMMENDATION: Citizen Petition

YES 205
NO 132

TRANSFERS OUT, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT & RESERVE ACCOUNT ARTICLES

ARTICLE C1: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$180,000 for the Capital Reserve Budget. *

	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>Request</u>
A. Fire Dept Reserve	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$50,000
B. Public Works Reserve	\$75,000	\$25,000	\$50,000
C. Police Reserve	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
D. Technology Reserve	\$25,000	\$0	\$0
E. Sewer Reserve	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
F. Downtown Revitalization	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$0
G. Solid Waste Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$0
H. Cemetery Reserve	\$15,000	\$0	\$25,000
I. Town Park Reserve	\$50,000	\$0	\$10,000
	<u>\$330,000</u>	<u>\$120,000</u>	<u>\$180,000</u>

RECOMMENDATION: Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$180,000

Vote: 5-0

YES 276
NO 46

2022 Town Meeting Results

ARTICLE C2: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to expend monies from Reserve Accounts for their intended purposes?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend article to pass

YES 297
NO 43

ARTICLE C3: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$7,000 for the express use of Capital Equipment? *

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$7,000

Vote: 3-2

YES 263
NO 83

ARTICLE C4: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$5,000 for the express use of the Rangeley Health Ride?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$5,000

Vote: 5-0

YES 317
NO 33

EXPENSE BUDGET ARTICLES

	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u> <u>Request</u>
A. Selectmen / Legislative	\$82,683	\$85,153	\$80,060
B. Administration	\$205,316	\$219,402	\$223,844
C. Assessor	\$76,419	\$76,977	\$77,402
D. Finance	\$144,197	\$149,506	\$151,466
E. Planning	\$136,085	\$160,332	\$133,586
F. Buildings - Town Hall	\$38,055	\$51,933	\$76,474
G. Buildings - Public Safety	\$85,362	\$83,569	\$82,100
H. Town Clerk	\$82,497	\$77,302	\$64,719
I. Property/Casualty Insurance	\$51,674	\$55,317	\$58,895
J. TIF	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000
	<u>\$900,275</u>	<u>\$974,691</u>	<u>\$963,546</u>

ARTICLE EX1: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$80,060 for Selectmen/Legislative?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$80,060

Vote: 5-0

YES 268
NO 81

ARTICLE EX2: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$223,844 for Administration?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$223,844

Vote: 5-0

YES 281
NO 68

ARTICLE EX3: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$77,402 for Assessor?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$77,402

Vote: 5-0

YES 271
NO 77

ARTICLE EX4: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$151,466 for Finance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$151,466

Vote: 5-0

YES 270
NO 78

ARTICLE EX5: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$133,586 for Planning?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$133,586

Vote: 4-1

YES 254
NO 92

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ARTICLE EX6: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$76,474 for Buildings – Town Hall?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$76,474

Vote: 5-0

YES 289
NO 60

ARTICLE EX7: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$82,100 for Buildings – Public Safety?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$82,100

Vote: 5-0

YES 296
NO 53

ARTICLE EX8: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$64,719 for Town Clerk?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$64,719

Vote: 5-0

YES 281
NO 61

ARTICLE EX9: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$58,895 for Property/Casualty Insurance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$58,895

Vote: 5-0

YES 300
NO 42

ARTICLE EX10: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$15,000 for Tax Increment Financing District administration?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$15,000

Vote: 5-0

YES 268
NO 69

	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u> <u>Request</u>
A. Fire and Rescue	\$323,253	\$284,280	\$287,128
B. Police Department	\$296,827	\$288,331	\$337,182
C. Animal Control	\$5,067	\$5,591	\$5,708
D. E.M.S.	\$64,436	\$66,495	\$70,507
E. Fire Hydrants	\$146,295	\$146,295	\$149,955
F. Health Officer	\$0	\$3,869	\$3,950
	<u>\$835,878</u>	<u>\$794,861</u>	<u>\$854,430</u>

ARTICLE EX11: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$287,128 for Fire and Rescue?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$287,128

Vote: 5-0

YES 289
NO 55

ARTICLE EX12: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$337,182 for Police Department?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$337,182

Vote: 5-0

YES 269
NO 76

ARTICLE EX13: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$5,708 for Animal Control?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$5,708

Vote: 5-0

YES 292
NO 51

ARTICLE EX14: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$70,507 for E.M.S.?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$70,507

Vote: 5-0

YES 317
NO 27

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ARTICLE EX15: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$149,955 for Fire Hydrants?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$149,955

Vote: 5-0

YES 298
NO 43

ARTICLE EX 16: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$3,950 for Health Officer?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$3,950

Vote: 5-0

YES 273
NO 69

	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u> <u>Request</u>
A. Highways	\$711,540	\$723,432	\$1,007,811
B. Sanitary Sewers	\$521,857	\$514,406	\$521,607
C. Solid Waste	\$380,376	\$402,398	\$452,788
D. Airport	\$42,494	\$41,941	\$41,785
E. Parks & Recreation	\$225,143	\$224,558	\$238,941
F. Cemeteries	\$37,583	\$52,150	\$51,818
G. Public Services Director	\$106,215	\$109,554	\$112,576
	<u>\$2,025,208</u>	<u>\$2,068,439</u>	<u>\$2,427,326</u>

ARTICLE EX17: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,007,811 for Highways?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$1,007,811

Vote: 5-0

YES 303
NO 44

ARTICLE EX18: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$521,607 for Sanitary Sewers?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$521,607

Vote: 5-0

YES 305
NO 44

ARTICLE EX19: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$452,788 for Solid Waste?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$452,788

Vote: 5-0

YES 302
NO 45

ARTICLE EX20: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$41,785 for Airport?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$41,785

Vote: 5-0

YES 270
NO 80

ARTICLE EX21: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$238,941 for Parks and Recreation?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$238,941

Vote: 5-0

YES 289
NO 60

ARTICLE EX22: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$51,818 for Cemeteries?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$51,818

Vote: 5-0

YES 300
NO 49

ARTICLE EX23: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$112,576 for Public Services Director?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$112,576

Vote: 5-0

YES 243
NO 102

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ARTICLE EX24: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$35,117 for Public Facilities Maintenance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$35,117 Vote: 5-0

YES 310
NO 37

ARTICLE EX25: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$25,550 for Culture? *

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$25,550 Vote: 4-1

YES 242
NO 105

ARTICLE EX26: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$2,000 for General Assistance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommend \$2,000 Vote: 5-0

YES 295
NO 55

DONATION REQUEST ARTICLES

Note: All requests in excess of \$5,000.00 are by Citizen Petition.

ARTICLE DN1: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$9,600 for the Rangeley Lakes Cross Country Ski Club to support its operation.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES 219
NO 127

ARTICLE DN2: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$14,000 for the Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust Water Quality Protection and Invasive Plants program.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES 258
NO 84

ARTICLE DN3: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for Rangeley Family Medicine.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES 284
NO 57

ARTICLE DN4: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,500 for the Maine Forestry Museum.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES 230
NO 112

ARTICLE DN5: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000 for Trail Maintenance and Grooming of the snowmobile trail system in the Rangeley area by the Rangeley Lakes Snowmobile Club.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES 243
NO 99

ARTICLE DN6: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000 exclusively for Marketing and Advertising of Rangeley by the Rangeley Lakes Chamber of Commerce.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES 187
NO 157

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ARTICLE DN7: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$44,581 for the Rangeley Public Library.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	265
NO	79

ARTICLE DN8: To see what sum, if any, Rangeley voters will raise/appropriate and or transfer moneys to support the Rangeley Region Health and Wellness Partnership for the ensuing year. The request is for \$10,199

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	263
NO	77

ARTICLE DN9: To see what sum, if any, Rangeley voters will raise/appropriate and or transfer moneys to support the Rangeley Region Health and Wellness Partnership for the ensuing year for the Behavioral Health Coordinator service. The request is for \$10,000.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	241
NO	97

ARTICLE DN10: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000 for Life Flight.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	296
NO	47

ARTICLE DN11: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$500 for Safe Voices.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	188
NO	154

ARTICLE DN12: The Rangeley Friends of the Arts (RFA) is asking the Town of Rangeley to raise and appropriate \$10,000 for operational support of an After School Arts program at the Rangeley Lakeside Theater for the benefit of students in grades 5-9.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	226
NO	123

ARTICLE DN13: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$1,000 for the Red Cross.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	241
NO	105

ARTICLE DN14: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$100 for Maine Public Radio.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	218
NO	150

ARTICLE DN15: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$200 for Community Concepts.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	184
NO	160

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ARTICLE DN16: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$3,000 for SeniorsPlus.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	288
NO	60

ARTICLE DN17: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$2,000 to the Oquossoc ATV Club.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	184
NO	163

ARTICLE DN18: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$750 to Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	255
NO	92

ARTICLE DN19: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$531 to Western Maine Transportation Services.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	268
NO	81

ARTICLE DN20: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$7,500 for the Rangeley Housing Development Corporation Meal Site.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	305
NO	41

ARTICLE DN21: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,750 for the Rangeley Community Radio Project for the 2022/23 fiscal year.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

YES	200
NO	143

REVENUE BUDGET ARTICLE

ARTICLE RV1: Shall the Town vote to appropriate funds from non-property tax revenues for the approved articles in EX1 through DN21, which includes \$275,000 from unassigned fund balance, and the remainder to be raised by property taxation. *

Estimated Revenues: \$1,063,675 _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

YES	240
NO	93

2023 Warrant Articles



2023 Town Meeting Warrant

WARRANT FOR VOTE JUNE 13, 2023

TOWN OF RANGELEY

SELECTMEN'S TOWN MEETING WARRANT

June 13, 2023

Franklin, ss State of Maine

To: Russell French, A Police Officer in the Town of Rangeley, in said County of Franklin, State of Maine.

GREETINGS: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Rangeley, in said County and State, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the **Rangeley Town Office** in said Town on **Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 7:45 a.m.** in the forenoon then and there to act by secret ballot on Article A1 to ORD2 as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

ARTICLE A1: To elect a moderator to serve for the annual meeting, and to permit the moderator to appoint an alternate, as necessary.

ARTICLE A2: To elect under the provisions of Title 30-A, M.R.S.A. § 2528, the following Town Officers: two Selectmen, for terms of three years; two Park Commission members for terms of three years; one RSU #78 School Board member for a term of three years; one RSU #78 School Board member for a term of two years; two Sewer Commission members for terms of three years; three Budget Committee members for terms of three years; two Budget Committee members for terms of two years, and one Budget Committee member for a term of one year.

To vote by ballot the following warrant articles for the ensuing year in accordance with Title 30-A Section 2528, of the Revised Statutes of Maine for the year 1964 and amendments thereto.

BUSINESS ARTICLES

ARTICLE B1: Shall the Town fix the following two dates when taxes on real estate and personal property shall be due and payable, and after which interest shall accrue?

First Installment:	September 1, 2023
Second Installment:	February 1, 2024

ARTICLE B2: Shall the Town set a rate of 8% interest to be assessed by the Town after the due dates on delinquent taxes?

ARTICLE B3: Shall the Town authorize the Tax Collector to accept tax payments prior to the commitment of taxes? No interest is to be paid on prepayment of taxes.

ARTICLE B4: Shall a rate of 8% interest be assessed on unpaid sewer charges?

ARTICLE B5: Shall all Fiscal Year 2022/2023 overdrafts be closed from fund balance?

ARTICLE B6: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized, on behalf of the Town, to sell or dispose of any personal property or equipment and material owned or seized by the Town on such terms as they deem proper, and to return funds to reserve accounts associated with affected sales if applicable?

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ARTICLE B7: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized, on behalf of the Town, to (1) rent, sell, and/or dispose of any real estate acquired for non-payment of taxes thereon on such terms as they deem advisable and execute Municipal Quit Claim Deeds for the same, except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36-M.R.S. §943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s); or (2) to keep any parcel or part thereof for municipal purposes and use?

ARTICLE B8: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Treasurer be authorized to borrow in anticipation of taxes?

ARTICLE B9: Shall a rate of 4% interest to be paid on abated taxes and/or abated sewer service charges pursuant to MRSA 36 Section 506-A?

ARTICLE B10: Shall tax abatements and applicable interest be appropriated out of overlay?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

ARTICLE B11: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Treasurer be authorized to accept, on behalf of the Town, gifts, and cash donations, and to appropriate said gifts and donations for the purpose designated?

ARTICLE B12: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to carry forward specific account balances from the current year to the same accounts for the ensuing year for the specific purpose of each account? The express purpose of this Article is to allow the continuation of ongoing Voter approved programs.

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

ARTICLE B13: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager be authorized to enter into leases, contracts and agreements on terms and conditions deemed necessary and appropriate?

ARTICLE B14: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager be authorized to apply for and/or accept funds from any grant opportunities, pursuant to the Grant Policy of the Town of Rangeley, that they deem beneficial to the Town of Rangeley and to appropriate funds to their designated purpose?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

ARTICLE B15: Shall the Town authorize monies to be expended from the Cemetery Fund(s), as prescribed by policy, ordinance and/or law (if any apply), with the sole intent of care and maintenance of the Town of Rangeley Cemeteries?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

ARTICLE B16: Shall the Town vote to appropriate all of the money received from the State for snowmobile registrations to the Rangeley Lakes Snowmobile Club for the maintenance of their network of snowmobile trails, on conditions that those trails be open in snow season to the public for outdoor recreation purposes at no charge and to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with the Club under such terms and conditions as the Municipal officers may deem advisable for that purpose?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

ARTICLE B17: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate from surplus a sum not to exceed \$25,000, pursuant to the undesignated fund balance policy, as they deem advisable to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during the fiscal year 2024?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

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WARRANT FOR VOTE JUNE 13, 2023

ARTICLE B18: Shall the Town vote to appropriate all motor vehicle excise tax revenue to the annual loan payments for completed and future road projects?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

ARTICLE B19: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of last year's annual budget during the period from July 1, 2023, to October 1, 2023, or until a budget is passed for the 2023-2024 year in the event any budget article fails, where such expenditure is legally required or necessary to provide an essential service. *

ARTICLE B20: Shall the Town vote on all warrant articles by Secret Ballot at the 2024 (Fiscal Year 2025) Town Meeting? * *

ARTICLE B21: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to expend the remaining funds (\$68,621.61 plus any interest accrued) received from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, *aka* the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), from the Federal Government for the purpose of purchasing and installing a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system from the Wastewater Treatment Facility?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass

TRANSFERS OUT, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT & RESERVE ACCOUNT ARTICLES

ARTICLE C1: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$395,000 for the Capital Reserve Budget. *

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2023-2024</u> <u>Request</u>
A. Fire Dept Reserve	\$25,000	\$50,000	\$75,000
B. Public Works Reserve	\$25,000	\$50,000	\$75,000
C. Police Reserve	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
D. Technology Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$0
E. Sewer Reserve	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$30,000
F. Downtown Revitalization	\$25,000	\$0	\$70,000
G. Solid Waste Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$50,000
H. Cemetery Reserve	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
I. Town Park Reserve	\$0	\$10,000	\$50,000
	<u>\$120,000</u>	<u>\$180,000</u>	<u>\$395,000</u>

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$395,000

Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE C2: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to expend monies from Reserve Accounts for their intended purposes?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends article to pass

ARTICLE C3: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$35,000 for the express use of Capital Equipment? *

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$35,000

Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE C4: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$5,500 for the express use of the Rangeley Health Ride?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$5,500

Vote: 5-0

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WARRANT FOR VOTE JUNE 13, 2023

EXPENSE BUDGET ARTICLES

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2023-2024</u> <u>Request</u>
A. Selectmen / Legislative	\$85,153	\$80,060	\$94,208
B. Administration	\$219,402	\$223,844	\$310,032
C. Assessor	\$76,977	\$77,402	\$77,722
D. Finance	\$149,506	\$151,466	\$111,371
E. Planning	\$160,332	\$133,586	\$164,518
F. Buildings - Town Hall	\$51,933	\$76,474	\$61,515
G. Buildings - Public Safety	\$83,569	\$82,100	\$89,618
H. Town Clerk	\$77,302	\$64,719	\$64,968
I. Property/Casualty Insurance	\$55,317	\$58,895	\$72,101
J. TIF	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$11,000
	<u>\$974,691</u>	<u>\$963,546</u>	<u>\$1,057,053</u>

ARTICLE EX1: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$94,208 for Selectmen/Legislative?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$94,208 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX2: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$310,032 for Administration?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$310,032 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX3: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$77,722 for Assessor?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$77,722 Vote: 4-0-1

ARTICLE EX4: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$111,371 for Finance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$111,371 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX5: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$164,518 for Planning?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$164,518 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX6: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$61,515 for Buildings – Town Hall?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$61,515 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX7: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$89,618 for Buildings – Public Safety?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$89,618 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX8: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$64,968 for Town Clerk?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$64,968 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX9: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$72,101 for Property/Casualty Insurance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$72,101 Vote: 4-0-1

ARTICLE EX10: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$11,000 for Tax Increment Financing District administration?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$11,000 Vote: 4-0-1

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	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2023-2024</u> <u>Request</u>
A. Fire and Rescue	\$284,280	\$287,128	\$324,802
B. Police Department	\$288,331	\$337,182	\$352,034
C. Animal Control	\$5,591	\$5,708	\$6,281
D. E.M.S.	\$66,495	\$70,507	\$91,863
E. Fire Hydrants	\$146,295	\$149,955	\$161,989
F. Health Officer	\$3,869	\$3,950	\$4,618
	<u>\$794,861</u>	<u>\$854,430</u>	<u>\$941,587</u>

ARTICLE EX11: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$324,802 for Fire and Rescue?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$324,802 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX12: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$352,034 for Police Department?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$352,034 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX13: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$6,281 for Animal Control?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$6,281 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX14: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$91,863 for E.M.S.?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$91,863 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX15: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$161,989 for Fire Hydrants?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$161,989 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX 16: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$4,618 for Health Officer?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$4,618 Vote: 5-0

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2023-2024</u> <u>Request</u>
A. Highways	\$723,432	\$1,007,811	\$1,054,434
B. Sanitary Sewers	\$514,406	\$521,607	\$456,784
C. Solid Waste	\$402,398	\$452,788	\$485,474
D. Airport	\$41,941	\$41,785	\$47,950
E. Parks & Recreation	\$224,558	\$238,941	\$358,702
F. Cemeteries	\$52,150	\$51,818	\$37,803
G. Public Services Director	\$109,554	\$112,576	\$0
	<u>\$2,068,439</u>	<u>\$2,427,326</u>	<u>\$2,441,147</u>

ARTICLE EX17: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,054,434 for Highways?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$1,054,434 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX18: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$456,784 for Sanitary Sewers?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$456,784 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX19: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$485,474 for Solid Waste?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$485,474 Vote: 5-0

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ARTICLE EX20: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$47,950 for Airport?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$47,950 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX21: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$358,702 for Parks and Recreation?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$358,702 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX22: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$37,803 for Cemeteries?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$37,803 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX23: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$34,527 for Public Facilities Maintenance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$34,527 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX24: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$16,000 for Culture? *

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$16,000 Vote: 5-0

ARTICLE EX25: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$2,000 for General Assistance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends \$2,000 Vote: 5-0

DONATION REQUEST ARTICLES

Note: All requests in excess of \$5,000.00 are by Citizen Petition.

ARTICLE DN1: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$9,600 for the Rangeley Lakes Cross Country Ski Club to support its operation.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN2: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$14,000 for the Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust Water Quality Protection and Invasive Plants program.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN3: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for Rangeley Family Medicine.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN4: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,800 for the Maine Forestry Museum.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN5: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000 for Trail Maintenance and Grooming of the snowmobile trail system in the Rangeley area by the Rangeley Lakes Snowmobile Club.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

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ARTICLE DN6: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000 exclusively for Marketing and Advertising of Rangeley by the Rangeley Lakes Chamber of Commerce.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN7: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$44,581 for the Rangeley Public Library.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN8: To see what sum, if any, Rangeley voters will raise/appropriate and or transfer moneys to support the Rangeley Region Health and Wellness Partnership for the ensuing year. The request is for \$9,180.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN9: To see what sum, if any, Rangeley voters will raise/appropriate and or transfer moneys to support the Rangeley Region Health and Wellness Partnership for the ensuing year for the Behavioral Health Coordinator service. The request is for \$10,000.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN10: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000 for Life Flight.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN11: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$500 for Safe Voices.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN12: The Rangeley Friends of the Arts (RFA) is asking the Town of Rangeley to raise and appropriate \$10,000 for operational support of an After School Arts program at the Rangeley Lakeside Theater for the benefit of students in grades 5-9.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN13: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$1,000 for the Red Cross.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN14: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$100 for Maine Public Radio.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN15: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$2,000 to the Oquossoc ATV Club.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN16: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$500 to Tri-County Mental Health Services.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

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ARTICLE DN17: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$7,500 for the Rangeley Housing Development Corporation Meal Site.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

ARTICLE DN18: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,750 for the Rangeley Community Radio Project for the 2023/24 fiscal year.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

REVENUE BUDGET ARTICLE

ARTICLE RV1: Shall the Town vote to appropriate funds from non-property tax revenues for the approved articles in EX1 through DN18, which includes \$500,000 from unassigned fund balance, and the remainder to be raised by property taxation. *

Estimated Revenues: \$1,368,475

RECOMMENDATIONS:

ORDINANCE ARTICLES

ARTICLE ORD1: Shall the voters of the Town of Rangeley repeal the current Chapter 38 Zoning Ordinance of the Town Code and replace with the proposed Chapter 38 Zoning Ordinance?*

ARTICLE ORD2: Shall the voters of the Town of Rangeley adopt the proposed moratorium for Commercial Solar Arrays?*

Given under our hands this 11th day of April, 2023.

RANGELEY BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Cynthia Egan, Chairman

Ethna Thompson, Vice-Chairman

Ethan Shaffer

Shelly Lowell

Samantha White

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B19 Essential Services (Page 3 of Warrant) -

- Schools & Education
- Roads & Public Works
- Land Use & Environmental Protection
- Public Safety & Health
- Licensing & Permitting & Economic Regulations
- Administration & General Government
- Requirement to Administer and Enforce Ordinances

B19 (Page 3 of Warrant) - If any operating budget article does NOT pass, that department will be given the equivalent of 3/12ths of the prior year's approved budget to allow time for a Public Hearing to adjust the budget. We will then host a Special Town Meeting to see if the amended budget will pass. If the failed operating budget article has any annual payments due or required debt service payments, those payments will still be made on time.

B20 (Page 3 of Warrant) - Town Meeting is as a form of local government practiced in New England . The general form is for residents of the town to gather, either in person or by secret ballot, once a year and act as a legislative body, voting on operating budgets, ordinances and other matters for the community's operation for the following 12 months.

B21 (Page 3 of Warrant) - Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (*aka* American Rescue Plan Act or ARPA funds) are monies issued from the Federal Government, not raised through local appropriations.

Recipients may use funds to:

- **Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure**, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, to support vital wastewater and stormwater infrastructure, and to expand affordable access to broadband internet.

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C1 Capital Reserve Balances March 31, 2023 (Page 3 of Warrant) -

A. Fire Dept Reserve	\$ 266,160.88
B. Public Works Reserve	\$ 334,571.34
C. General Reserve	\$ 376,844.54
D. Police Reserve	\$ 16,736.64
E. Technology Reserve	\$ 57,585.46
F. Sewer Reserve	\$ 408,806.08
G. Downtown Revitalization	\$ 124,661.64
H. Solid Waste Reserve	\$ 132,428.47
I. Cemetery Reserve	\$ 97,986.20
J. Town Park Reserve	\$ 161,068.70

Other Reserve Account Balances:

Computer – \$2,302.27	Community Cable – \$20,508.37
Maintenance Equipment – \$13,398.52	Town Book Restoration – \$14,946.25
3 School Street – \$3,310.70	Pond/Lake Dam – \$42,820.34
Radio Tower – \$52,585.80	Comfort Station – \$32,343.05
Town Office Renovations – \$2,468.93	

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C3 Capital Equipment (Page 3 of Warrant) -

- Sewer V-Plow and Set Up \$15,000
- Sewer F-150 Lease \$20,000
- TOTAL: \$35,000

EX24 Culture (Page 6 of Warrant) -

- Veteran's Monument \$ 1,000
- Flags \$ 1,500
- StreetScape \$ 3,500
- Fireworks \$10,000
- TOTAL: \$16,000

RV1 (Page 8 of Warrant) - When budgeting, it is important to consider what amounts should be used to lower taxes. It is suggested that actual revenues received in the preceding full year are used to base the budgeted revenue and usage of fund balance on (meaning for FY22, actual numbers from FY20 would be used). This recommendation is based on the fact that prior to the close of the current fiscal year, the total amounts of revenues received and the amounts slated to carry forward are not available, nor have those numbers been audited at the time the new budget is being determined. Selectboard put \$500,000 from Undesignated Funds toward this amount for FY'24.

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ORD1 - Chapter 38, Zoning (Page 8 of Warrant) — Please obtain a draft copy of the ordinance in its entirety at the Town Office or townofrangeley.com.

Section	Explanation of Change
38.1.2	Removed language regarding possible future Board of Env. Protection setback reductions.
38.1.3	Added variance language.
38.1.4	Added clarification that Selectmen have final determination regarding sending amendments to Town Meeting. Added statute reference regarding petitions.
38.1.7	Removed Timber Harvesting Repeal wording.
38.1.8	Amendments to Chapter 38 apply to applications not pending.
38.1.9	Added availability of Chapter to the public provision.
38.2.1	Chapter administered by CEO appointed by Selectmen. Removed language referencing Conditional Use Permits and Planning Board.
38.2.2.1	Added exception for single-story detached accessory structures 200 square feet or less.
38.2.2.3	Added all submission requirements pertaining to the application.
38.2.2.4	Plumbing permit required prior to issuance of permit for structure requiring subsurface disposal system.
38.2.2.6	CEO shall note date of receipt of applications.
38.2.2.7	Best practices required in Shoreland Zone.
38.2.2.8	Replace 10 working days with prompt written notice.
38.2.2.2.1	Updated procedure for administering permits. CEO shall notify applicant within 10 days if the application is complete.
38.3	Planning Board reconsideration process replaced Nonconformance.
38.4	Compensation of the Board of Appeals shall be as determined by the Board of Selectmen.
38.4.3	Updates to Administrative Appeals. (Original Article 38.7.2 – Petition for Reconsideration) has been removed.
38.5	Nonconformance is now here.
38.5.2.3	Additional requirements for Shoreland Zones. See Articles 38.5 and 38.7.
38.5.3	Removed Further Limitations language.
38.6.3.3	Planning Board shall make interpretations where needed as to the exact location of District boundaries.
38.6.3.9	Route 17 Split Lot Overlay. This was approved by Town Meeting in 2020.

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ORD1 - Chapter 38, Zoning – CONTINUED

Section	Explanation of Change
38.6.6	Land Use Table Updates. Uses are now in alphabetical order. Motels & Hotels now separated. Rte 17 Overlay column included. Non-profits, Clubs removed. Timber harvesting removed. Permitting authorities for certain uses have been updated. Manufactured Housing now is Modular Housing.
38.8.1	Buffers required for all districts.
38.8.2	Lighting standards updates for Dark Skies compliance.
38.9.4	Addition of Accessory Dwelling Units.
38.9.6	Mobile home setbacks increased from 10 ft, 15 ft, 10 ft.
38.9.6.3.1	Mobile home minimum lot size increased to 6500 square feet.
38.9.7	Cluster Development – Woodland Zone shall contain at least 10 acres.
38.10.2	Definitions. Several sign definitions were introduced into the Sign section.
38.10.6.3	No source of illumination shall exceed 1600 lumens.
38.12	New Definitions: Accessory Dwelling Unit, Days, Day-Care Home updated, Family, Hazard Tree, Increase in Nonconformity of a Structure, Light Industrial and Heavy Industrial updated, Junkyard updated (MRSA), Lodging House, Signs definitions also printed here, Marina updated, Mobile Home updated, Modular Housing, Native, Open Space Use updated, Parking Space removed and replaced with Parking Facility, Recreational Facility replaces Public Recreational Facility and Private Recreational Facility, Reviewing Authority, Riprap, Storm Damaged Tree, Structure updated, Tree, Trailer, Utility removed, Two-Family Dwelling, Upland Edge of a Wetland, Vegetation, Woody Vegetation

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ORD2 - Commercial Solar Array Moratorium (Page 8 of Warrant)

WHEREAS, the Maine Legislature recently enacted several laws intended to encourage development of renewable energy projects in the State of Maine;

WHEREAS, as a result of these new laws, developers are proposing unprecedented numbers of commercial solar arrays throughout the state;

WHEREAS, the Code of the Town of Rangeley, Maine (the “Town Code”) does not include any regulations related to commercial solar arrays, and this use would likely fall under the category of “essential services,” which receive no substantive review and are subject to few approval standards; and

WHEREAS, the unregulated location and operation of commercial solar arrays within the Town of Rangeley raises legitimate and substantial concerns about environmental, health and safety impacts of such uses, as well as visual impacts and other considerations related to the appropriate siting of these arrays;

WHEREAS, the Town’s current ordinances are insufficient to prevent serious public harm that could be caused by the unregulated development of commercial solar arrays;

WHEREAS, a moratorium is necessary to allow the Town to analyze and plan properly for increased development of commercial solar arrays; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board and Code Enforcement Officer shall study the current Town Code to determine appropriate amendments to address commercial solar arrays; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that such a study, review, and development of recommended Ordinance, changes will take at least one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date the Town enacts this Moratorium Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the town meeting of the Town of Rangeley, that the following Moratorium Ordinance on Commercial Solar Arrays be, and hereby is, enacted and, in furtherance thereof, the town meeting does hereby declare a moratorium on the location, operation or licensing of commercial solar arrays within the Town.

For the purposes of this Moratorium, “commercial solar array” is defined as a solar energy collection structure of any size that primarily serves an offsite user such as the electric power grid or a use on a non-adjacent parcel.

This Moratorium Ordinance shall take effect once enacted by town meeting, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Code, but shall be applicable as of July 1, 2023 as expressly provided below. The moratorium shall remain in effect for one hundred and eighty (180) days from the effective of this Ordinance, unless extended, repealed, or modified by the Board of Selectmen, for the express purpose of drafting an amendment or amendments to the current Town Code to protect the public from health and safety risks including, but not limited to, compatibility of **commercial solar** arrays with existing and permitted uses in residential, commercial and industrial zoning districts.

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ORD2 - Commercial Solar Array Moratorium – CONTINUED

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Moratorium Ordinance shall apply to commercial solar arrays that are proposed to be located within the Town on or after the July 1, 2023 applicability date of this Ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that notwithstanding the provisions of 1 M.R.S.A. § 302 or any other law to the contrary, this Moratorium Ordinance, when enacted, shall govern any proposed commercial solar array for which an application for a building permit, Certificate of Occupancy, site plan or any other required approval has not been submitted to and granted final approval by the Code Enforcement Officer, Planning Board or other Town official or board prior to July 1, 2023, the applicability date of this Moratorium Ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that no person or organization shall develop or operate a commercial solar array within the Town on or after the July 1, 2023 applicability date of this Moratorium Ordinance without complying with whatever ordinance amendment or amendments the town meeting may enact as a result of this Moratorium Ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that during the time this Moratorium Ordinance is in effect, no officer, official, employee, office, administrative board or agency of the Town shall accept, process, approve, deny, or in any other way act upon any application for a license, building permit or any other type of land use approval or permit and/or any other permits or licenses related to a commercial solar array; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that those provisions of the current Town Code that are inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent that they are applicable for the duration of the moratorium hereby ordained, and as it may be extended as permitted by law, but not otherwise; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if commercial solar arrays are established in contravention of this Moratorium, each day of any continuing violation shall constitute a separate violation of this Moratorium Ordinance, and the Town shall be entitled to all rights available to it in law and equity, including, but not limited to, fines and penalties, injunctive relief, and its reasonable attorney's fees and costs in prosecuting any such violations; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that should any section or provision of this Moratorium Ordinance be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such a declaration shall not invalidate any other section or provision.

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		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Selectmen/Legislative
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 22,200.00	\$ 22,200.00	\$ 25,240.00	Stipends for Board of Selectmen, HA Furbish Trust, Ordinance Comm; Selectboard voted to add stipends for CRIC and RREOC
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 9,878.00	\$ 7,010.00	\$ 2,168.00	FICA/Medicare, Workers Compensation Insurance
10	TRAVEL/TRAINING	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	Mileage, Training, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,075.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 950.00	Office & Computer Supplies, Postage
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 48,600.00	\$ 48,900.00	\$ 64,850.00	Legal & HR, increase for HR Consultant due to Office Staff forming Union
36	ADVERTISING	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	PaperTalks
	TOTALS:	\$ 82,753.00	\$ 80,060.00	\$ 94,208.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 14,148.00	
	Percentage Change:			17.67%	
				Increase	
				Decrease	
				No Change	

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Administration
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 132,384.00	\$ 136,356.00	\$185,897.00	Salary, Wages, Overtime, increase reassigns Office Asst from Finance
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 75,212.00	\$ 76,138.00	\$114,035.00	FICA/Medicare, Health Insurance, 457 Match, Workers Comp Insurance
10	TRAVEL/TRAINING	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 3,450.00	\$ 3,600.00	Mileage, Training, Dues & Subscriptions, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	Office Supplies, Computer Supplies, Postage
20	UTILITIES	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	Telephone (Office phones, internet)
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 3,706.00	\$ 4,400.00	\$ 4,500.00	MMA Dues
	TOTALS:	\$219,402.00	\$223,844.00	\$310,032.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 86,188.00	
	Percentage Change:			38.50%	
				Increase	
				Decrease	
				No Change	

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Assessing
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 675.00	\$ 675.00	\$ -	
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 52.00	\$ 52.00	\$ -	
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	Office & Computer Supplies, Postage
20	UTILITIES	\$ 300.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 400.00	Telephone & Internet
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 74,450.00	\$ 75,375.00	\$ 76,722.00	Assessing contract, Software, and Registry of Deeds
	TOTALS:	\$ 76,977.00	\$ 77,402.00	\$ 77,722.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 320.00	
	Percentage Change:			0.41%	
				Increase	
				Decrease	
				No Change	

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Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Finance
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 95,052.00	\$ 95,552.00	\$ 58,060.00	Salary, Wages, Overtime, Stipends, decrease for reassigned Office Asst to Administration budget
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 15,069.00	\$ 14,268.00	\$ 8,525.00	FICA/Medicare, health Insurance, 457 match, Workers Compensation
10	TRAVEL/TRAINING	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00	Mileage, Training, Dues & Subscriptions, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 8,100.00	\$ 8,800.00	Office & Computer Supplies, Postage
20	UTILITIES	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	Telephone & Internet
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 23,185.00	\$ 26,496.00	\$ 28,936.00	Audit, Software, Payroll Processing
37	LIEN COSTS	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	Lien Costs
	TOTALS:	\$149,506.00	\$151,466.00	\$111,371.00	
	Difference of:			\$ (40,095.00)	
	Percentage Change:			-26.47%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Planning
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 76,692.00	\$ 78,539.00	\$ 88,186.00	Salary, Stipends (Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals)
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 10,116.00	\$ 9,863.00	\$ 37,500.00	FICA/Medicare, Health Insurance, 457 Match, Workers Compensation Insurance
10	TRAVEL/TRAINING	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,300.00	Mileage, Training, Dues & Subscriptions, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 2,300.00	Office & Computer Supplies, Postage, Minor Equipment, E911 Signs
20	UTILITIES	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	Office & Cell Phones, Internet
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 61,724.00	\$ 36,884.00	\$ 31,232.00	AVCOG Dues, Consultant Services, Software
36	ADVERTISING	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	Public Hearings, Zoning Amendments, Conditional use Permits, Zoning Amendments, etc..
	TOTALS:	\$160,332.00	\$133,586.00	\$164,518.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 30,932.00	
	Percentage Change:			23.16%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Buildings-Town Hall
DIV					
10	TRAVEL/TRAINING	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 7,950.00	\$ 7,050.00	Office, Computer, Building, & Cleaning Supplies, Equipment Rental (Postage Machine)
20	UTILITIES	\$ 13,400.00	\$ 13,418.00	\$ 10,125.00	Telephones, Electricity, Heating Fuel, Water, Sewer
10	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 16,700.00	\$ 31,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	Building, Computers (all town office computers), Photocopier
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 13,933.00	\$ 24,006.00	\$ 23,340.00	Website, Software, and Janitorial Services
	TOTALS:	\$ 51,933.00	\$ 76,474.00	\$ 61,515.00	
	Difference of:			\$ (14,959.00)	
	Percentage Change:			-19.56%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

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Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Buildings-Public Safety
DIV					
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	Building & Cleaning Supplies
20	UTILITIES	\$ 20,275.00	\$ 23,300.00	\$ 32,760.00	Electricity, Heating Fuel, Water, Sewer, Propane Generator, Cable TV
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	Building & Equipment
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 2,690.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 90.00	
46	DEBT PRINCIPAL	\$ 42,500.00	\$ 42,500.00	\$ 42,500.00	Public Safety Bldg (Last Payment on 11/1/2024)
47	DEBT INTEREST	\$ 5,104.00	\$ 3,210.00	\$ 1,268.00	Public Safety Bldg
	TOTALS:	\$ 83,569.00	\$ 82,100.00	\$ 89,618.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 7,518.00	
	Percentage Change:			9.16%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

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		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Town Clerk
DIV					
01	WAGES	\$ 43,729.00	\$ 48,529.00	\$ 48,529.00	Wages, Part Time, Overtime
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 24,708.00	\$ 7,919.00	\$ 7,924.00	FICA/Medicare, Health Insurance, 457 Match, Workers Compensation, HRA
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,950.00	\$ 2,870.00	Mileage, Training, Dues & Subscriptions, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 2,850.00	\$ 3,200.00	Office, Computer & Election Supplies, Postage
20	UTILITIES	\$ 800.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	Telephone & Internet
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 2,015.00	\$ 2,071.00	\$ 2,045.00	Town Report, Software
36	ADVERTISING	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	Board/Committee/Commission notifications, dog license reminders, etc.
	TOTALS:	\$ 77,302.00	\$ 64,719.00	\$ 64,968.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 249.00	
	Percentage Change:			0.38%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Property/Casualty Insurance
DIV					
30	PROPERTY	\$ 7,275.00	\$ 10,234.00	\$ 11,955.00	
30	AUTOMOBILE	\$ 23,495.00	\$ 24,825.00	\$ 24,825.00	
30	POLICE PROFESSIONAL	\$ 4,075.00	\$ 3,047.00	\$ 4,030.00	
30	PUBLIC OFF & EMP LIABILITY	\$ 6,265.00	\$ 7,131.00	\$ 7,150.00	
30	CRIME/FAITHFUL PERFORMANC	\$ 900.00	\$ 848.00	\$ 7,850.00	
30	MOBILE EQUIPMENT	\$ 4,696.00	\$ 4,919.00	\$ 7,845.00	
30	ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING	\$ 671.00	\$ 671.00	\$ 671.00	
30	GENERAL LIABILITY	\$ 7,940.00	\$ 7,220.00	\$ 7,775.00	
	TOTALS:	\$ 55,317.00	\$ 58,895.00	\$ 72,101.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 13,206.00	
	Percentage Change:			22.42%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

2023 Warrant Article Information

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	TIF: Tax Increment Financing
DIV					
30	TRAINING COST	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 500.00	
30	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
30	ADVERTISING	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 500.00	
	TOTALS:	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	
	Difference of:			\$ (4,000.00)	
	Percentage Change:			-26.67%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Fire and Rescue
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 146,671.00	\$ 149,810.00	\$160,878.00	Salary, Wages, Part Time, PerDiem
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 38,979.00	\$ 39,508.00	\$ 47,589.00	FICA/Medicare, Health Insurance, 457 Match, Workers Compensation, Volunteer Firefighter
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 9,150.00	\$ 9,150.00	\$ 9,650.00	Mileage, Training, Dues & Subscriptions, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 26,500.00	\$ 25,400.00	\$ 31,750.00	Office, Computer, Postage, Building, Cleaning, Operating, Diesel, Safety, Uniforms, Minor Equipment, Health/Immunizations, Emergency Management
20	UTILITIES	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 10,480.00	\$ 16,325.00	Telephones, Electricity, Heating Fuel, Water
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 49,500.00	\$ 49,500.00	\$ 55,000.00	Buildings, Vehicles, Equipment, Radios, SCBA, Turnout Gear
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 3,280.00	\$ 3,280.00	\$ 3,610.00	Dispatch and software
	TOTALS:	\$284,280.00	\$287,128.00	\$324,802.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 37,674.00	
	Percentage Change:			13.12%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Police Department
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 194,298.00	\$ 200,520.00	\$212,745.00	Salary, Wages, Part Time, Overtime
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 54,233.00	\$ 95,612.00	\$102,114.00	FICA/Medicare, Health Insurance, 457 Match, Income Protection Ins, Workers Comp
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 5,275.00	\$ 5,300.00	Mileage, Training, Dues & Subscriptions, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 15,700.00	\$ 16,275.00	\$ 17,375.00	Office, Computer, Postage, Operating, Safety, Uniforms, Minor equipment, Hearing Tests
20	UTILITIES	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 7,000.00	Telephone (Office, Cells, Internet)
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00	Vehicles, Equipment
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	Software, Dispatch
	TOTALS:	\$288,331.00	\$337,182.00	\$352,034.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 14,852.00	
	Percentage Change:			4.40%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

2023 Warrant Article Information

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Animal Control
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,300.00	Stipend
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 171.00	\$ 168.00	\$ 196.00	FICA/Medicare, Workers Compensation
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Mileage
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	Operating, Safety Uniforms
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 2,570.00	\$ 2,690.00	\$ 2,935.00	Animal Shelter
	TOTALS:	\$ 5,591.00	\$ 5,708.00	\$ 6,281.00	
	<i>Difference of:</i>			\$ 573.00	
	<i>Percentage Change:</i>			10.04%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	E. M. S.
DIV					
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 66,495.00	\$ 70,507.00	\$ 91,863.00	
	TOTALS:	\$ 66,495.00	\$ 70,507.00	\$ 91,863.00	
	<i>Difference of:</i>			\$ 21,356.00	
	<i>Percentage Change:</i>			30.29%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change
	Increase in contract				

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Fire Hydrants
DIV					
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 146,295.00	\$ 149,955.00	\$161,989.00	
	TOTALS:	\$146,295.00	\$149,955.00	\$161,989.00	
	<i>Difference of:</i>			\$ 12,034.00	
	<i>Percentage Change:</i>			8.03%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Health Officer
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 2,660.00	\$ 2,740.00	\$ 3,312.00	Stipend
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 209.00	\$ 210.00	\$ 306.00	FICA
10	TRAVEL & TRAINING	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	Mileage and training cost
20	TELEPHONE	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	Cell phone
	TOTALS:	\$ 3,869.00	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 4,618.00	
	<i>Difference of:</i>			\$ 668.00	
	<i>Percentage Change:</i>			16.91%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

2023 Warrant Article Information

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Highway
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 230,708.00	\$ 266,024.00	\$ 278,730.00	Salary, Wages, Overtime, PerDiem
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 103,574.00	\$ 140,108.00	\$ 135,764.00	FICA/Medicare, Health Insurance, 457 Match, Income Protection, Workers Compensation
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,900.00	Training, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 177,950.00	\$ 180,950.00	\$ 212,485.00	Office, Computer, Postage, Cleaning, Operating, Diesel, Safety, Uniforms, Minor Equipment, Sand/Salt Stockpile, Material, Patch, Culverts, Health/Immunizations, Equipment Rental, Hearing Tests
20	UTILITIES	\$ 37,050.00	\$ 37,130.00	\$ 43,855.00	Telephone, Electricity, Street Lights, Heating Fuel, Water, Sewer
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 113,100.00	\$ 128,100.00	\$ 128,100.00	Buildings, Vehicles, Equipment, Radios, Routine Road Maintenance
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	Engineering Services
36	ADVERTISING	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	Advertising
38	FEES	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	
46	DEBT PRINCIPAL	\$ 42,500.00	\$ 203,920.00	\$ 213,450.00	Increase due to road loan
47	DEBT INTEREST	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,400.00	
	TOTALS:	\$ 723,432.00	\$ 962,882.00	\$1,054,434.00	
	<i>Difference of:</i>			\$ 91,552.00	
	<i>Percentage Change:</i>			9.51%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Sanitary Sewers
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 140,636.00	\$ 154,460.00	\$ 165,480.00	Salary, Wages, Part Time, Overtime, Stipends(Sewer Commission)
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 91,460.00	\$ 97,072.00	\$ 108,300.00	FICA/Medicare, Health Insurance, 457 Match, Income Protection, Workers Compensation,
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 2,420.00	\$ 2,920.00	\$ 3,420.00	Mileage, Training, Dues & Subscriptions, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 16,800.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 20,160.00	Office, Computer, Postage, Building, Operating, Diesel, Safety, Uniforms, Minor Equipment, Lab, Health/Immunizations, Equipment Rental, Hearing Tests, Gas
20	UTILITIES	\$ 67,300.00	\$ 68,260.00	\$ 93,454.00	Telephone, Electricity, Heating Fuel, Water, Propane Generator
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 42,950.00	\$ 44,300.00	\$ 44,300.00	Buildings, Computers, Vehicles, Equipment, Septic/Sludge, Pump Stations, Collection Systems, Spray Fields, Sewage treatment Plant,
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 8,650.00	\$ 8,650.00	\$ 19,370.00	Dispatch, Engineering Services, Testing and Monitoring, Licenses, Meter Reading
36	ADVERTISING	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 500.00	Advertising
37	LIEN COSTS	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	Lien Costs
38	PERMITS	\$ 550.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	Permits
46	DEBT PRINCIPAL	\$ 134,382.00	\$ 124,469.00	\$ -	
47	DEBT INTEREST	\$ 7,158.00	\$ 3,376.00	\$ -	
90	ABATEMENTS	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	Sewer Abatements
	TOTALS:	\$513,906.00	\$521,607.00	\$456,784.00	
	<i>Difference of:</i>			\$ (64,823.00)	
	<i>Percentage Change:</i>			-12.43%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

2023 Warrant Article Information

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Solid Waste-Transfer Station
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 89,750.00	\$ 92,810.00	\$ 107,145.00	Wages, Part Time, Overtime. 3% increase for non-union employees.
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 48,098.00	\$ 50,540.00	\$ 55,030.00	FICA/Medicare, Health Insurance, 457 Match, Income Protection, Workers Compensation
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 1,245.00	\$ 1,695.00	\$ 1,260.00	Mileage, Training, Dues & Subscriptions, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 6,216.00	\$ 5,485.00	\$ 7,930.00	Office, Computer, Postage, Building, Cleaning, Operating, Diesel, Safety, Uniforms, Minor Equipment, Health/Immunizations
20	UTILITIES	\$ 4,637.00	\$ 7,237.00	\$ 6,740.00	Telephone, Electricity, Heating Fuel, Water
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 5,875.00	\$ 6,775.00	\$ 9,225.00	Buildings, Vehicles, Equipment, Septic Sludge, Routine Road Maintenance
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 3,970.00	\$ 4,060.00	\$ 4,170.00	Testing/Monitoring, Licensing, Building Lease
36	ADVERTISING	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	Advertising
50	WASTE DISPOSAL	\$ 242,357.00	\$ 284,036.00	\$ 293,824.00	Tipping Fees, Transportation, Tire Disposal, Recycling, Defreonizing, Hazardous Waste, Fluorescent Tubes
	TOTALS:	\$ 402,298.00	\$ 452,788.00	\$ 485,474.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 32,686.00	
	Percentage Change:			7.22%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Airport
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 6,210.00	\$ 6,330.00	\$ 6,330.00	Salary, Stipends (Airport Commission)
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 476.00	\$ 485.00	\$ 485.00	FICA/Medicare
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	Mileage
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 3,675.00	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 7,120.00	Office, Postage, Operating, Diesel, Minor Equipment
20	UTILITIES	\$ 9,260.00	\$ 11,050.00	\$ 12,965.00	Telephones, Internet, Electricity, Heating Fuel
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 11,100.00	\$ 10,150.00	\$ 10,150.00	Bldg, Equipment, Runway, Beacon, Lighting
30	INSURANCE	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,300.00	Property, Mobile Equipment, Electronic Data Processing, General Liability, Boiler & Machinery, Airport Liability
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 8,720.00	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 8,600.00	AWOS (Stanwyck Avionics quarterly inspections), Janitorial Services, RSI
38	PERMIT FEES	\$ 700.00	\$ 650.00	\$ -	No longer have to have a Storm Water Permit
	TOTALS:	\$ 41,941.00	\$ 41,785.00	\$ 47,950.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 6,165.00	
	Percentage Change:			14.75%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

2023 Warrant Article Information

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Parks and Recreation
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 64,337.00	\$ 72,753.00	\$ 140,860.00	Wages, O/T Stipends, Part-time Wages
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 31,289.00	\$ 33,828.00	\$ 73,840.00	FICA/Medicare, Health Insurance, 457 Match, Income Protection, Workers Compensation
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 735.00	\$ 735.00	\$ 735.00	Mileage, Training, Dues & Subscriptions, Meals & Lodging
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 24,810.00	\$ 28,910.00	\$ 31,805.00	Office, Computer, Postage, Operating, Diesel, Safety, Uniforms, Minor Equipment, Program Supplies, Equipment Rental, Hearing Tests, Gas
20	UTILITIES	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,565.00	\$ 1,590.00	Electricity, Water, Sewer
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 12,300.00	\$ 12,600.00	\$ 14,400.00	Buildings, Vehicles, Equipment, Athletic Facilities, Boat Facilities, Town Park
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	Grounds Maintenance, Consultant Services
36	ADVERTISING	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 100.00	Advertising
46	DEBT PRINCIPAL	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	
47	DEBT INTEREST	\$ 23,087.00	\$ 22,250.00	\$ 21,335.00	
	TOTALS:	\$ 224,558.00	\$ 238,941.00	\$ 350,665.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 111,724.00	
	Percentage Change:			46.76%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Cemetery
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	Stipend
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ -	\$ 153.00	\$ 153.00	FICA/Medicare
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00	Operating
20	UTILITIES	\$ 550.00	\$ 565.00	\$ 1,000.00	Water
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 17,550.00	\$ 17,550.00	\$ 3,100.00	Buildings, Routine Road Maintenance, Infrastructure
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 29,500.00	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 29,000.00	Grounds Maintenance
	TOTALS:	\$ 52,150.00	\$ 51,818.00	\$ 37,803.00	
	Difference of:			\$ (14,015.00)	
	Percentage Change:			-27.05%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Public Services Director
DIV					
01	COMPENSATION	\$ 70,455.00	\$ 72,565.00	\$ -	No money to be appropriated, will hire Parks & Rec Director instead
05	FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 36,509.00	\$ 36,796.00	\$ -	
10	TRAVEL TRAINING	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,565.00	\$ -	
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 310.00	\$ 870.00	\$ -	
20	UTILITIES	\$ 780.00	\$ 780.00	\$ -	
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
	TOTALS:	\$ 109,554.00	\$ 112,576.00	\$ -	
	Difference of:			\$ (112,576.00)	
	Percentage Change:			-100.00%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

2023 Warrant Article Information

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Rangeley Comfort Station
DIV					
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	Operating Supplies
20	UTILITIES	\$ 5,050.00	\$ 5,455.00	\$ 4,865.00	Electricity, Heating fuel, Water and Sewer
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	Maintenance on building
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 9,281.00	\$ 10,156.00	\$ 10,156.00	Testing, monitoring, janitorial services
	TOTALS:	\$ 17,831.00	\$ 19,111.00	\$ 18,521.00	
	<i>Difference of:</i>			\$ (590.00)	
	<i>Percentage Change:</i>			-3.09%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Oquossoc Comfort Station
DIV					
15	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00	Operating Supplies
20	UTILITIES	\$ 2,950.00	\$ 2,950.00	\$ 2,950.00	Electricity, Heating Fuel, Water and Sewer
25	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	Maintenance on building
35	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 9,281.00	\$ 10,156.00	\$ 10,156.00	Testing, monitoring, janitorial services
	TOTALS:	\$ 15,131.00	\$ 16,006.00	\$ 16,006.00	
	<i>Difference of:</i>			\$ -	
	<i>Percentage Change:</i>			0.00%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Culture
DIV					
60	VETERANS MONUMENT	\$ 550.00	\$ 10,550.00	\$ 1,000.00	Veterans Monument
	STREETSCAPES	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	Christmas Tree Lighting and street scapes
	FIRE WORKS	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	Fireworks/we also have an anonymous donor that will match up to a certain amount.
	FLAGS	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	Flags
	TOTALS:	\$ 12,050.00	\$ 25,550.00	\$ 16,000.00	
	<i>Difference of:</i>			\$ (9,550.00)	
	<i>Percentage Change:</i>			-37.38%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

2023 Warrant Article Information

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	General Assistance
DIV					
60	GENERAL ASSISTANCE	\$ 700.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
	TOTALS:	\$ 842.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
	Difference of:			\$ -	
	Percentage Change:			0.00%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Donations
DIV					
	RED CROSS	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
	COMMUNITY CONCEPTS	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -	
	RANGELEY HOUSING DEV CORP	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	
	CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLUB	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 9,600.00	
	RLHT-MILFOIL PREVENTION	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	
	FORESTRY MUSEUM	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,800.00	
	SNOWMOBILE CLUB	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	
	RANGELEY FAMILY MEDICINE	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
	SEXUAL ASSAULT PREV	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ -	
	CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	
	RFA	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
	SENIOR PLUS	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	
	MAINE PUBLIC RADIO	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	
	RRHW	\$ 21,332.00	\$ 20,199.00	\$ 19,180.00	
	WESTERN MAINE TRANSPORT	\$ 531.00	\$ 531.00	\$ -	
	LIFE FLIGHT	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
	WRGY	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 4,750.00	
	AWAP (SAFE VOICES)	\$ 750.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
	PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$ 43,029.00	\$ 44,581.00	\$ 44,581.00	
	OQUOSSOC ATV CLUB	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
	TRI-COUNTY	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	
	TOTALS:	\$ 222,342.00	\$ 224,711.00	\$ 220,011.00	
	Difference of:			\$ (4,700.00)	
	Percentage Change:			-2.09%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

2023 Warrant Article Information

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Capital Purchases
DIV					
40-01	ROAD PROJECTS	\$ 282,478.00	\$ -	\$ -	Crosswalk: Main Street near Rangeley Lakes Builders Supply-\$15,000,to be expended from excise
40-02	EQUIPMENT	\$ 50,600.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	Sewer-VPLOW and set up
40-04	VEHICLE PURCHASE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	Sewer F-150 lease
40-07	INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	
	TOTALS:	\$343,078.00	\$7,000.00	\$35,000.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 28,000.00	
	Percentage Change:			400.00%	
					Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

Municipal Budget 2024

		FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Selectmen Request	Transfers Out/Capital Reserve and Rangeley Health Ride
DIV					
65-01	FIRE RESERVE	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	In FY'22 & FY'23 money was taken from another reserve to offset what was being asked, in FY'23 \$75,000 was put in this reserve
65-02	PUBLIC WORKS RESERVE	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	In FY'22 & FY'23 money was taken from another reserve to offset what was being asked, in FY'23 \$75,000 was put in this reserve
65-03	POLICE RESERVE	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	
65-04	SOLID WASTE RESERVE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00	
65-11	TOWN PARK RESERVE	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	In FY'23 money was taken from another reserve to offset what was being asked
65-13	SEWER RESERVE	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	In FY'22 & FY'23 money was taken from another reserve to offset what was being asked
65-15	CEMETERY RESERVE	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	In FY'23 money was taken from another reserve to offset what was being asked
65-16	DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ 70,000.00	
	TOTALS:	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 180,000.00	\$ 395,000.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 215,000.00	
	Percentage Change:			119.44%	
60-05	RANGELEY HEALTH RIDE	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,500.00	
	TOTALS	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,500.00	
	Difference of:			\$ 500.00	
	Percentage Change:			10.00%	Increase
					Decrease
					No Change

2023 Sample Ballot



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OFFICIAL BALLOT BUDGET REFERENDUM RANGELEY, MAINE JUNE 13, 2023

Marti Bell
Town Clerk

Instructions to Voters

- ♦ To vote for a candidate of your choice, complete the oval at the left of the person you want to choose, like this: (●)
 - ♦ You may vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot by writing the name in the proper space and completing the oval at the left.
 - ♦ To have your vote count, do not erase or cross out your choice.
 - ♦ If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot. **DO NOT ERASE.**
- A. To vote IN FAVOR of the question, complete the oval to the left of the word YES.
B. To vote AGAINST the question, complete the oval to the left of the word NO.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR TWO	RSU #78 SCHOOL BOARD THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR ONE	BUDGET COMMITTEE THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR THREE
☐ ATKINSON, ANTHONY	☐ ALEXANDER, KAYLA	☐Write-in
☐ CAISSE, WENDYLL	☐ ENGLAND, SARAH	☐Write-in
☐ EGAN, CYNTHIA	☐Write-in	☐Write-in
☐ JANNACE, JAMES	RSU #78 SCHOOL BOARD TWO YEAR TERM VOTE FOR ONE	BUDGET COMMITTEE TWO YEAR TERM VOTE FOR TWO
☐ LOWELL, SHELLEY	☐ SEAMAN, KAREN	☐Write-in
☐ MASON, ALISON	☐ WILBUR, ROBERT	☐Write-in
☐Write-in	☐Write-in	BUDGET COMMITTEE ONE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR ONE
☐Write-in	SEWER COMMISSION THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR TWO	☐Write-in
PARKS COMMISSION THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR TWO	☐ CLINCH, ALBERT	
☐ FERRARA, JAMES	☐ HAGGAN, THOMAS	
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BUSINESS ARTICLES

ARTICLE B1: Shall the Town fix the following two dates when taxes on real estate and personal property shall be due and payable, and after which interest shall accrue?

First Installment: September 1, 2023
Second Installment: February 1, 2024

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B2: Shall the Town set a rate of 8% interest to be assessed by the Town after the due dates on delinquent taxes?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B3: Shall the Town authorize the Tax Collector to accept tax payments prior to the commitment of taxes? No interest is to be paid on prepayment of taxes.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B4: Shall a rate of 8% interest be assessed on unpaid sewer charges?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B5: Shall all Fiscal Year 2022/2023 overdrafts be closed from fund balance?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B6: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized, on behalf of the Town, to sell or dispose of any personal property or equipment and material owned or seized by the Town on such terms as they deem proper, and to return funds to reserve accounts associated with affected sales if applicable?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B7: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized, on behalf of the Town, to (1) rent, sell, and/or dispose of any real estate acquired for non-payment of taxes thereon on such terms as they deem advisable and execute Municipal Quit Claim Deeds for the same, except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36-M.R.S. §943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s); or (2) to keep any parcel or part thereof for municipal purposes and use?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B8: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Treasurer be authorized to borrow in anticipation of taxes?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B9: Shall a rate of 4% interest to be paid on abated taxes and/or abated sewer service charges pursuant to MRSA 36 Section 506-A?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B10: Shall tax abatements and applicable interest be appropriated out of overlay?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B11: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Treasurer be authorized to accept, on behalf of the Town, gifts, and cash donations, and to appropriate said gifts and donations for the purpose designated?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B12: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to carry forward specific account balances from the current year to the same accounts for the ensuing year for the specific purpose of each account? The express purpose of this Article is to allow the continuation of ongoing Voter approved programs.

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B13: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager be authorized to enter into leases, contracts and agreements on terms and conditions deemed necessary and appropriate?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B14: Shall the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager be authorized to apply for and/or accept funds from any grant opportunities, pursuant to the Grant Policy of the Town of Rangeley, that they deem beneficial to the Town of Rangeley and to appropriate funds to their designated purpose?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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BUSINESS ARTICLES

ARTICLE B15: Shall the Town authorize monies to be expended from the Cemetery Fund(s), as prescribed by policy, ordinance and/or law (if any apply), with the sole intent of care and maintenance of the Town of Rangeley Cemeteries?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B16: Shall the Town vote to appropriate all of the money received from the State for snowmobile registrations to the Rangeley Lakes Snowmobile Club for the maintenance of their network of snowmobile trails, on conditions that those trails be open in snow season to the public for outdoor recreation purposes at no charge and to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with the Club under such terms and conditions as the Municipal officers may deem advisable for that purpose?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B17: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate from surplus a sum not to exceed \$25,000, pursuant to the undesignated fund balance policy, as they deem advisable to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during the fiscal year 2024?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B18: Shall the Town vote to appropriate all motor vehicle excise tax revenue to the annual loan payments for completed and future road projects?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B19: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of last year's annual budget during the period from July 1, 2023, to October 1, 2023, or until a budget is passed for the 2023-2024 year in the event any budget article fails, where such expenditure is legally required or necessary to provide an essential service. *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B20: Shall the Town vote on all warrant articles by Secret Ballot at the 2024 (Fiscal Year 2025) Town Meeting? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE B21: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to expend the remaining funds (\$68,621.61 plus any interest accrued) received from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, aka the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), from the Federal Government for the purpose of purchasing and installing a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system for the Wastewater Treatment Facility?

RECOMMENDATION: The article to pass.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

TRANSFERS OUT, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT & RESERVE ACCOUNT ARTICLES

ARTICLE C1: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$395,000 for the Capital Reserve Budget. *

	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024 Request
A. Fire Dept Reserve	\$ 25,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 75,000
B. Public Works Reserve	\$ 25,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 75,000
C. Police Reserve	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
D. Technology Reserve	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
E. Sewer Reserve	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 30,000
F. Downtown Revitalization	\$ 25,000	\$ 0	\$ 70,000
G. Solid Waste Reserve	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 50,000
H. Cemetery Reserve	\$ 0	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
I. Town Park Reserve	\$ 0	\$ 10,000	\$ 50,000
	\$120,000	\$180,000	\$395,000

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$395,000 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE C2: Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to expend monies from Reserve Accounts for their intended purposes?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends article to pass.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE C3: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$35,000 for the express use of Capital Equipment? *

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$35,000 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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TRANSFERS OUT, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT & RESERVE ACCOUNT ARTICLES

ARTICLE C4: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$5,500 for the express use of the Rangeley Health Ride?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$5,500 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

EXPENSE BUDGET ARTICLES

	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024 Request
A. Selectmen / Legislative	\$ 85,153	\$ 80,060	\$ 94,208
B. Administration	\$219,402	\$223,844	\$ 310,032
C. Assessor	\$ 76,977	\$ 77,402	\$ 77,722
D. Finance	\$149,506	\$151,466	\$ 111,371
E. Planning	\$160,332	\$133,586	\$ 164,518
F. Buildings - Town Hall	\$ 51,933	\$ 76,474	\$ 61,515
G. Buildings - Public Safety	\$ 83,569	\$ 82,100	\$ 89,618
H. Town Clerk	\$ 77,302	\$ 64,719	\$ 64,968
I. Property/Casualty Insurance	\$ 55,317	\$ 58,895	\$ 72,101
J. TIF	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 11,000
	\$974,691	\$963,546	\$1,057,053

ARTICLE EX1: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$94,208 for Selectmen/Legislative?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$94,208 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX2: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$310,032 for Administration?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$310,032 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX3: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$77,722 for Assessor?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$77,722 Vote: 4-0-1

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX4: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$111,371 for Finance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$111,371 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX5: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$164,518 for Planning?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$164,518 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX6: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$61,515 for Buildings - Town Hall?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$61,515 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX7: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$89,618 for Buildings - Public Safety?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$89,618 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX8: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$64,968 for Town Clerk?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$64,968 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX9: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$72,101 for Property/Casualty Insurance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$72,101 Vote: 4-0-1

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX10: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$11,000 for Tax Increment Financing District administration?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$11,000 Vote: 4-0-1

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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EXPENSE BUDGET ARTICLES			
	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024 Request
A. Fire and Rescue	\$ 284,280	\$ 287,128	\$ 324,802
B. Police Department	\$ 288,331	\$ 337,182	\$ 352,034
C. Animal Control	\$ 5,591	\$ 5,708	\$ 6,281
D. E.M.S.	\$ 66,495	\$ 70,507	\$ 91,863
E. Fire Hydrants	\$ 146,295	\$ 149,955	\$ 161,989
F. Health Officer	\$ 3,869	\$ 3,950	\$ 4,618
	\$ 794,861	\$ 854,430	\$ 941,587

ARTICLE EX11: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$324,802 for Fire and Rescue?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$324,802 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX12: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$352,034 for Police Department?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$352,034 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX13: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$6,281 for Animal Control?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$6,281 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX14: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$91,863 for E.M.S.?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$91,863 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX15: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$161,989 for Fire Hydrants?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$161,989 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX 16: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$4,618 for Health Officer?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$4,618 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024 Request
A. Highways	\$ 723,432	\$ 1,007,811	\$ 1,054,434
B. Sanitary Sewers	\$ 514,406	\$ 521,607	\$ 456,784
C. Solid Waste	\$ 402,398	\$ 452,788	\$ 485,474
D. Airport	\$ 41,941	\$ 41,785	\$ 47,950
E. Parks & Recreation	\$ 224,558	\$ 238,941	\$ 358,702
F. Cemeteries	\$ 52,150	\$ 51,818	\$ 37,803
G. Public Services Director	\$ 109,554	\$ 112,576	\$ 0
	\$ 2,068,439	\$ 2,427,326	\$ 2,441,147

ARTICLE EX17: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,054,434 for Highways?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$1,054,434 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX18: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$456,784 for Sanitary Sewers?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$456,784 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX19: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$485,474 for Solid Waste?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$485,474 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX20: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$47,950 for Airport?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$47,950 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX21: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$358,702 for Parks and Recreation?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$358,702 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

ARTICLE EX22: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$37,803 for Cemeteries?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$37,803 Vote: 5-0

☐ Yes

☐ No

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EXPENSE BUDGET ARTICLES

ARTICLE EX23: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$34,527 for Public Facilities Maintenance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$34,527 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX24: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$16,000 for Culture? *

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$16,000 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE EX25: Shall the Town vote to raise and/or appropriate \$2,000 for General Assistance?

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen recommends: \$2,000 Vote: 5-0

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

DONATION REQUEST ARTICLES

Note: All requests in excess of \$5,000.00 are by Citizen Petition.

ARTICLE DN1: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$9,600 for the Rangeley Lakes Cross Country Ski Club to support its operation.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE DN2: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$14,000 for the Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust Water Quality Protection and Invasive Plants program.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE DN3: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for Rangeley Family Medicine.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE DN4: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,800 for the Maine Forestry Museum.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE DN5: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000 for Trail Maintenance and Grooming of the snowmobile trail system in the Rangeley area by the Rangeley Lakes Snowmobile Club.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE DN6: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000 exclusively for Marketing and Advertising of Rangeley by the Rangeley Lakes Chamber of Commerce.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE DN7: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$44,581 for the Rangeley Public Library.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE DN8: To see what sum, if any, Rangeley voters will raise/appropriate and or transfer moneys to support the Rangeley Region Health and Wellness Partnership for the ensuing year. The request is for \$9,180.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

ARTICLE DN9: To see what sum, if any, Rangeley voters will raise/appropriate and or transfer moneys to support the Rangeley Region Health and Wellness Partnership for the ensuing year for the Behavioral Health Coordinator service. The request is for \$10,000.

RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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	ARTICLE DN10: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000 for Life Flight.	
21	RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation ☐ Yes ☐ No	
24	ARTICLE DN11: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$500 for Safe Voices.	
	RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation ☐ Yes ☐ No	
40	ARTICLE DN12: The Rangeley Friends of the Arts (RFA) is asking the Town of Rangeley to raise and appropriate \$10,000 for operational support of an After School Arts program at the Rangeley Lakeside Theater for the benefit of students in grades 5-9.	
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43	RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation ☐ Yes ☐ No	
	ARTICLE DN13: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$1,000 for the Red Cross.	
51	RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation ☐ Yes ☐ No	
	ARTICLE DN14: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$100 for Maine Public Radio.	
	RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation ☐ Yes ☐ No	
	ARTICLE DN15: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$2,000 to the Oquossoc ATV Club.	
	RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation ☐ Yes ☐ No	
	ARTICLE DN16: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will raise and appropriate \$500 to Tri-County Mental Health Services.	
	RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation ☐ Yes ☐ No	
	ARTICLE DN17: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$7,500 for the Rangeley Housing Development Corporation Meal Site.	
	RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation ☐ Yes ☐ No	
	ARTICLE DN18: To see if the Voters of the Town of Rangeley will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,750 for the Rangeley Community Radio Project for the 2023/24 fiscal year.	
	RECOMMENDATION: Selectmen no recommendation ☐ Yes ☐ No	
	REVENUE BUDGET ARTICLE	
	ARTICLE RV1: Shall the Town vote to appropriate funds from non-property tax revenues for the approved articles in EX1 through DN18, which includes \$500,000 from unassigned fund balance, and the remainder to be raised by property taxation. *	
	Estimated Revenues: <u>\$1,368,475</u>	
	☐ Yes ☐ No	
	ORDINANCE ARTICLES	
	ARTICLE ORD1: Shall the voters of the Town of Rangeley repeal the current Chapter 38 Zoning Ordinance of the Town Code and replace with the proposed Chapter 38 Zoning Ordinance?*	
	☐ Yes ☐ No	
	ARTICLE ORD2: Shall the voters of the Town of Rangeley adopt the proposed moratorium for Commercial Solar Arrays?*	
	☐ Yes ☐ No	
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Standing Monthly Meeting Schedule

Below is the list of standing monthly meetings held by the Town of Rangeley:

Board of Selectmen	1 st & 3 rd Monday	6:00 pm
	Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/91015267554	
Sewer Commission	2 nd Tuesday	6:00 pm
	Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/94614405939	
Park Commission	3 rd Thursday	6:00 pm
	Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/95735638410	
Planning Board	2 nd & 4 th Wednesday	6:00 pm
	Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/98586998964	
Ordinance Committee	1 st & 3 rd Wednesday	5:00 pm
	Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/98821818682	
Airport Commission	Last Monday of the month	4:30 pm
	Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/98192248595	
School Board	2 nd & 4 th Tuesday	6:00 pm
	Rangeley Lakes Regional School provides Zoom link information	
Veteran's Memorial Committee	Quarterly-1 st Wednesday of the month	2:00 pm
	Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/96995649702	

Public Notice will be posted when date and time of meeting is determined for the following:

Budget Committee	(weekly) Feb. 1 st – May 20 th	TBA
	Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/93447511918	
Zoning Board	As Needed	TBA
	Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/9437752027	

In accordance with the Town's Remote Participation Policy, Zoom is only available to the public if one or more of the Board or Committee members will be participating remotely.

For meeting information, including agendas, minutes, and video links (when available), please go to:
www.townofrangeley.com.

Meeting videos are available on our YouTube Channel: Town of Rangeley

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firechief@rangeleyme.org

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(207) 864-0938
www.mainehealth.org

Franklin County Sheriff
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ceo@rangeleyme.org

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Opportunity Committee
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Sewer Treatment Plant
(207) 864-3542
Transfer Station
(207) 864-5610

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Rangeley Chamber of Commerce
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