



**Easton Board of Selectmen**

Doug Blackstone, Scott Allen, Mike Corey - Chairman, Bruce Flewelling & Paul Dudley - Vice Chairman



**Michael Corey - Chairman of the Easton Board of Selectmen**

**2010-2011**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

Of the Municipal Officers

Of the Town of EASTON, MAINE

For Fiscal Year Ending February 15, 2011

Polls will be open at the Town Office on Monday, April 4, 2011

From 9:00 AM – 6:30 PM.

Town Meeting opens at 8:00 PM, April 4, 2011

at the Easton Elementary School Cafeteria

Please bring this report with you to the Town Meeting.

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*I have never been hurt by what I have not said. Calvin Coolidge*

## Municipal Employees



Jim Gardner, Town Manager



Cheryl Clark, Town Clerk



Bob Clark, Highway Foreman



Matt Pelletier, Highway Operator/  
Mechanic



Hillary Trainer, Recreation Director



Kim White, Fire Chief



Dwight Flewelling, Custodian

# MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Douglas Blackstone .....	Term Expires 2013
Michael Corey, Chairman .....	Term Expires 2012
Paul Dudley, Vice Chairman .....	Term Expires 2012
Scott Allen .....	Term Expires 2011
Bruce Flewelling .....	Term Expires 2011

## SCHOOL BOARD

Gaylen Flewelling, Chairman .....	2013
Mary Lee Keep .....	2013
Sandy Flewelling .....	2012
David Hopkins .....	2012
Thomas Osgood .....	2011

## BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR THE 2011-2012 FISCAL YEAR

Gaylen Flewelling	Carrie Hull	Randy Bacon
Paul DeMerchant	Diane Green	Kim White
Jeff Blackstone	Ira Dodge	Mary Wilcox
Travis Carter	Vaughn Martin	Brian Flewelling
Tom Osgood	Mark Sotomayor	Carl Mullen
Tabitha Dudley	Jonah Alexander	Tammy Beaulier-Fuller
Skip Babineau		Terry White

## PLANNING BOARD

David Hopkins .....	Term Expires 2013
Kevin Marquis .....	Term Expires 2012
Skip Babineau .....	Term Expires 2012
Torr Harmer .....	Term Expires 2011
Richard Green .....	Term Expires 2011

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Stuart Cumming .....	Term Expires 2013
Clair Carter .....	Term Expires 2012
Suzanne Flewelling .....	Term Expires 2012
Vacant .....	Term Expires 2011
Storer DeMerchant .....	Term Expires 2011

**RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Hugh Turner  
Lynda Foren-Turner  
Ellen Trask  
Tammy Beaulier-Fuller

Rebecca Allen  
Brian Flewelling  
Bruce Flewelling  
Lynn Flewelling  
Sheri Carter

Marilyn Brown  
Travis Carter  
David Fuller  
Tabitha Dudley

**REVOLVING LOAN FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Cynthia Flanagan

Brian Flewelling

**EASTON FIRE DEPARTMENT  
OFFICERS**

Kim White .....	Fire Chief
Paul DeMerchant .....	Asst. Fire Chief
Loren White .....	Asst. Fire Chief
Carl Mullen, Jr. ....	Captain
James Desmond .....	Lieutenant
Jack Shannon, Jr. ....	Lieutenant
Greg White .....	Training Officer
Darrell White .....	Training Consultant

**MEMBERS**

Gary Barnes  
Mark Copeland  
Kyle White  
Dana Cyr  
Cody Tompkins  
Heather Copeland  
Carl Mullen, III  
Marissa Parlin

Adam Perkins  
Dustin White  
Tony Brown  
Forrest Dudley  
Chris Flewelling  
Mark Kearly  
Corey White

Gary Dyer  
Matt Blodget  
Derrick Cyr  
Ben Hickey  
Daniel Davenport  
Randy Ladner  
Loren White, Jr.  
Herbert DeMerchant



# TOWN EMPLOYEES

Jim Gardner ..... Town Manager  
 Tax Collector  
 Town Treasurer  
 Public Safety Director  
 Health Officer  
 General Assistance Administrator  
 Road Commissioner

Cheryl Clark ..... Town Clerk  
 Excise Tax Collector  
 Registrar of Voters  
 Election Warden

Kevin Marquis ..... Animal Control Officer

Anthony Levesque ..... Plumbing Inspector & Code Enforcement Officer

Hillary Trainer ..... Recreation Director

Bob Clark ..... Highway Foreman

Matthew Pelletier ..... Highway Department

Kim White ..... Fire Chief  
 Emergency Management Director

Dwight Flewelling ..... Custodian

Suzanne Flewelling ..... Ballot Clerks

Joan Turner

Georgette Ireland ..... Superintendent of Schools  
 High School Principal

Wendy Malefant ..... Elementary School Principal

Terry Clark ..... Attendance Officer



*Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great. John D. Rockefeller*

## REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER

It gives me great pleasure to provide the Town Manager's report for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 (16 February 2010 – 15 February 2011) to the fine citizens of Easton. I would first like to thank everyone in the community for their warm welcome as I transitioned into my new position. Being the oldest grandchild of the late Ken & Bea Hayden, my early childhood days were spent in Easton so I had the luxury of knowing how great the community was before I arrived.

I bring with me 12 years of experience as a Town Manager and a financial system that is very transparent so each and every citizen in Easton can understand the budget. My goal is to make government effective and efficient so that we may prosper in a positive way. I am very impressed with the Town employees as they have shown a great determination and dedication in making sure that customer service is second to none. With this type of attitude I can see a positive future between the manager and town employees.

Over the next few weeks I am hoping to tour the businesses in the community and am very excited for spring to arrive so I can experience the planting season. We will work hard as government to entice new businesses to locate into our town and open up new opportunities for individuals to move into our community.

I normally save my final comments for this part of my report because it gives me a chance to just reflect on life in general. I would first like to recognize Lewis (Jr.) Hayden whom recently past away. Mr. Hayden was very kind to our school system by donating \$1,000,000 with the interest each year used for scholarships. I would also like to recognize the Happy Days Club (senior citizens) for the fabulous meal I enjoyed in January and the wonderful conversations.

In closing, to the great citizens of Easton, remember the door to the Town Manager's Office is always open to each and everyone. It is with your keen insight and ideas that we will move forward in a productive way. To my bosses, the Easton Board of Selectmen, thank you for giving me the chance to be manager of the best community in Aroostook County.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jim Gardner  
Town Manager



*A successful man is one who can lay a firm foundation with the bricks others have thrown at him. David Brinkley*

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Easton Highway Department had a very busy year. Ditch work was done on the Allen, Station, Bangor and Mahany Roads. Culverts were replaced on the Bangor, Station, Forest, Graham, Duncan and Gray Roads. Trees were cut back on the intersection of the Bangor and West Ridge Roads to improve sight distance. Road signage was replaced throughout the Perry, Graham, Fuller and Mahany Roads. School crossing signage was replaced on the Bangor Road. Station Road saw a reconstruction of the road a distance of 1600 feet and 500 feet of new pavement. Also, the Gray Road had about 8/10 of a mile of new pavement. We had a rain event in mid-December that caused damages to the Bowers Road and the rain event also indicated that larger culverts are needed on the Mahany, Getchell and Graham Roads. We will be applying to Federal Emergency Management Agency for a grant to hopefully help with the damages and new culverts needed due to the rain event.

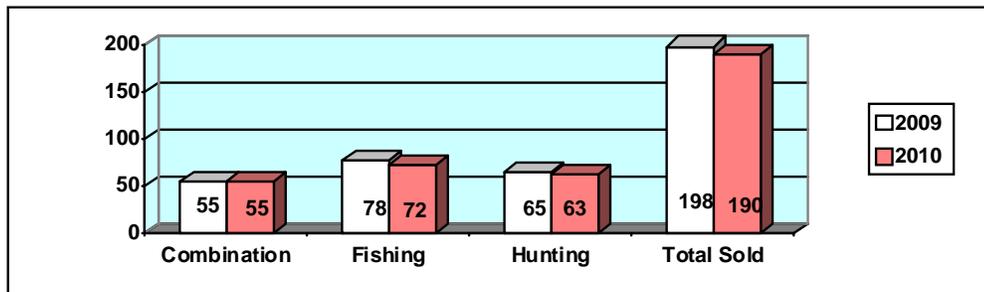
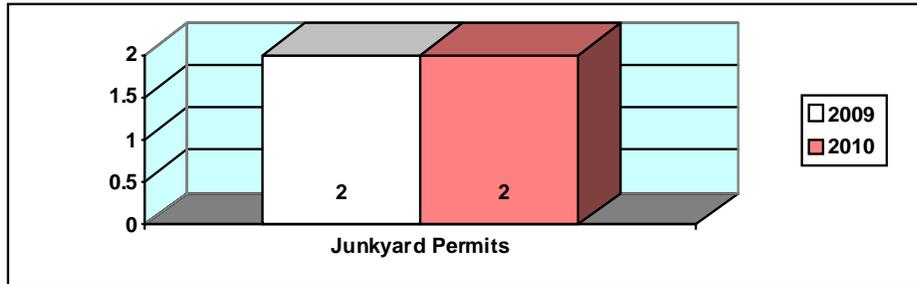
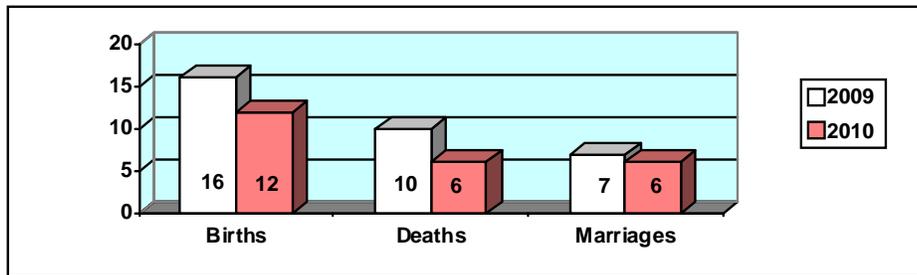
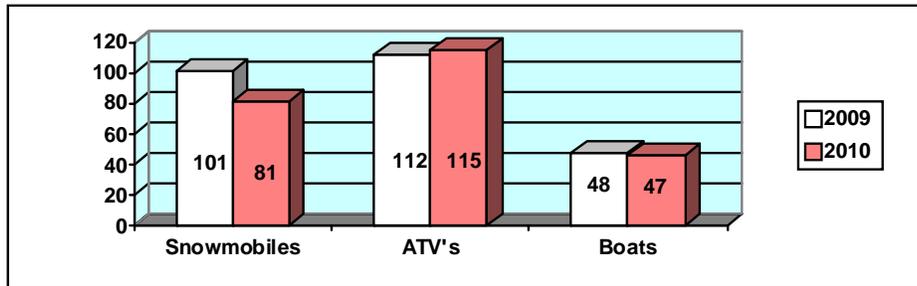
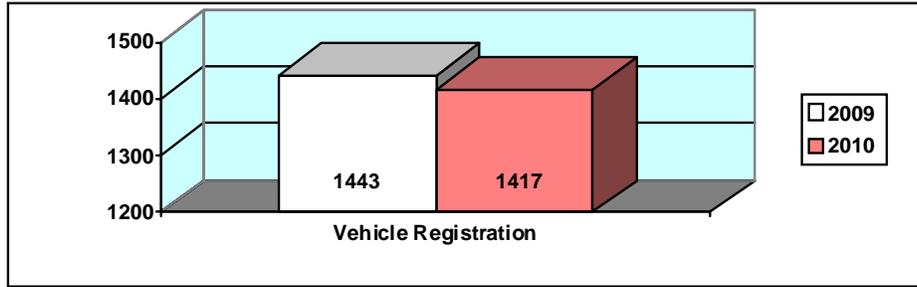
Along with the above mentioned projects we also stayed up with our yearly duties and preventive maintenance programs. Easton Highway Department asked that all new mailboxes be placed out of the right-of-way and please try and not plow your snow across the road way as this is hazardous not only to town snowplows but also the general public. Matt and I would like to thank the Town Office personnel, all part-time employees and the Town Selectmen for all the support during the last year

Respectfully Submitted  
Bob Clark  
Highway Foreman



*Success consists of going from failure to failure without loss of enthusiasm. Winston Churchill*

# REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK



**NOTE: Proof of insurance is required when registering motor vehicles. You must show your insurance identification card at the time of registration. Also, all tractor excise tax must be paid by April 1, 2011 or it will be included as Personal Property on your 2011 taxes.**

# FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Auto/Motorcycle Accidents ..... 7  
First Responder/Rescue Calls ..... 3  
Grass ..... 2  
Structure Fire ..... 2  
Electrical Stove Fire ..... 1  
Mutual Aid ..... 2  
Unnecessary ..... 1  
Powerline/Tree Fire ..... 1  
Chimney Fire ..... 3  
Training ..... 23  
Meetings ..... 13

Respectfully submitted,  
Kim White, Fire Chief



*A man who carries a cat by the tail learns something he can learn in no other way. Mark Twain*



## EASTON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

The 2010/2011 school year will be my 10<sup>th</sup> and last year as Easton's Superintendent/Elementary School Principal. The years have raced by and I am extremely proud of the excellent faculty, staff and students in the Easton schools.

During these past 10 years, the Easton schools have continued a tradition of excellence. The Easton schools have consistently ranked among the top schools in the state assessment test scores. Easton Jr/Sr High School and Easton Elementary School have met the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) requirements found in the Federal No Child Left Behind Law each of the 10 years. Recently, when compared over a three year period to other high schools in Maine, Easton Jr/Sr High School was the 8<sup>th</sup> ranked high school in the state for student proficiency scores on the state assessment exams. Easton Jr/Sr High School was ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in the state for its graduation rate when compared with all other Maine high schools according to the Department of Education data.

These excellent academic results have not been produced easily. The decade has been one filled with many significant challenges. The state completely restructured its school funding formula midway through the decade. The new formula, known as Essential Programs and Services (EPS) has resulted in small rural schools losing significant funding when compared to the original equity funding formula. Exacerbating the negative impact of the new funding formula has been the worldwide financial recession of the last three years. The state, by law, is required to fund 55% of the identified costs of education. However, due to the recession, the state share has never reached that 55% level and currently is at 42% of the statewide cost for education. The state allocation for Easton would be more than \$935,000 in the upcoming fiscal year if the state was meeting the law and fully funding education. However, the latest projection from the Department of Education had Easton's allocation for 2011/2012 at \$579,646. If this projection is in fact the allocation, then this would be a \$161,438 loss in state aid from the 2009/2010 budget. It would be a \$355,354 loss from the amount of state aid that Easton should be receiving if the state was able to pay their full share.

These are extremely challenging financial times for everyone. The Easton School Department has worked very hard to continue to offer the best possible education while dealing with these challenges. For the fourth year in a row, I have implemented a freeze on spending early in the school year to preserve as much of our current budget as possible. The staff has been marvelous in dealing with these freezes. The educational experiences of our students have continued to be at a very high quality despite the freezes. It is my goal to again build a budget for the next school year that is affordable to the local tax payers and continue to provide sufficient resources for an excellent education for all Easton students.

In spite of the many external challenges to our schools, this year has been a very successful one. Our students continue to score academically with the best schools in the state. Our athletic teams and co-curricular programs continue to do very well. Our jr. high soccer teams both had excellent seasons. Both the jr. high boy's and girl's basketball teams had winning seasons with lots of student athlete participation. The high school soccer teams did not make the playoffs, but were both very competitive and improved greatly by the end of their seasons. The Girl's Varsity basketball team had their best record in the last ten years, just missing the playoffs by one position. The Boy's Varsity basketball team finished the season in 9<sup>th</sup> place and will playoff with Deer Isle-Stonington for a chance to make it to the Bangor Tournament.

Our other co-curricular groups have continued to produce very successful results. The music program has 10 of our students qualifying for All-Aroostook Band and/or Chorus.

All-Aroostook High School Band -	Meghan Frank, Jessica Bennett
All-Aroostook Middle School Band -	Jacob Flewelling
All-Aroostook High School Chorus -	Cassandra Buck, Taylor Lawrence
All-Aroostook Middle School Chorus -	Elise Allen, Kerrigan Arnett, Breann Clayton, Sara Gilman, Sydney Waters
All-State Jazz & All-State High School Chorus -	Taylor Lawrence

For the third year in a row Easton High School has a state officer for the National Honor Society with Sydney Trask serving as the State President. Our Math Team is currently in 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Aroostook League competition and has always done very well at the State Small School Championship. The FFA club had state champions in two categories during the spring competition. Cody Tompkins won in the Job Interview category and our Farm Business Management team consisting of Luke Fuller, Luke Budreau, Corey White and Carl Mullen were also state winners. I am sure that, once again, our One-Act Play will compete very well and receive honors at the regional competition. Our art program continues to grow and the students are producing a very high caliber of art. Easton can be very proud of their young people and their accomplishments.

Next year will be a very difficult year financially. But, as in the past, the Easton School Board and I will work very closely with the Town Council and the Town Manager, Jim Gardiner to develop a budget that will continue to allow the Easton students to receive a great education. Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Superintendent/Elementary Principal for the past 10 years. It has been an incredible experience for me and I will always be grateful for the opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frank Keenan  
Superintendent of Schools



*A mind that is stretched by a new experience can never go back to its old dimensions. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.*

## NOTICE TO ALL DOG OWNERS

All dogs six months or older as of January 1, 2011 or whenever they turn six months must be licensed. Any owner that licenses their dog after January 31, 2011 will be charged an additional \$25.00 late fee. A valid rabies certificate must be presented at the time of licensing. On April 1, 2011 the assessors will present the dog warden with a warrant listing of all unlicensed dog owners and this will result in an additional warden's fee being charged. If you no longer have your dog, please notify the clerk's office. It is unlawful to allow your pet to be without a leash. Approximately 7 dogs were taken to the Aroostook Humane Society in 2010.

Cheryl Clark  
Town Clerk

## REPORT OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Time flies! Truer words were never spoken. While going through a pile of old town reports, I came across my first ACO report. 1993. WOW ! Over the years many new laws have been added and some of our laws have been rewritten to be more concise.

Laws you should be aware of:

- Your dog must be under your control at all times.
- You are liable for any damages caused by your animal when it leaves your property. If your animal is in the roadway and is struck by a passing vehicle, YOU are liable for the damages to the vehicle.
- If your animal is chasing or killing livestock, the livestock owner may destroy your animal and YOU are liable for the damages.
- If you keep a dog that is aggressive, and the dog bites or mauls people or pets, YOU have a big problem on your hands. Maine has a dangerous dog statute. Fines start at \$250.00. There is also a criminal side to this ordinance. If you have a dog that falls into this category, please get a copy of the statute and read it. Title 7 part 9 s3952

Owning a pet is a serious responsibility. Before you become a pet owner, consider seriously the responsibility. You are giving this animal a home for life. **IT IS SERIOUS BUSINESS.**

Kevin Marquis  
Animal Control Officer, Easton



*A man is not old until regrets take the place of dreams. John Barrymore*

## **EXEMPTIONS FOR VETERANS AND WIDOWS OF VETERANS**

A PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION IS AVAILABLE to Veterans age 62 or over, to Veterans under 62 if they are certified by the Veterans Administration Office to be totally disabled, or to the un-remarried widow or minor child of any veteran who would be entitled to such exemption if living, or who is in receipt of a pension or compensation from the Federal Government as the widow or minor child of veteran.

Persons not already receiving this exemption who wish to apply should do so at the Assessor's office no later than April 1, 2011. Persons receiving such an exemption are not required to apply annually.

The maximum property valuation exemption for veterans or their widows whose service period was prior to or during World War I, is \$6,000. For Veterans or their widows whose service period is after World War I, the maximum property valuation exemption is \$5,000.

## **PROPERTY TAX AND RENT REFUND “CIRCUIT BREAKER” PROGRAM**

There is available each year a direct payment by the State of Maine to certain householders (whether they rent or own their homestead) known as the Property Tax and Rent Refund “Circuit Breaker” Program that is administered by the State of Maine Bureau of Taxation. You may apply directly to the State of Maine for this program between August 1, 2010 and June 1, 2011. Persons may obtain proper application forms at [www.maine.gov/revenue/forms/homepage.html](http://www.maine.gov/revenue/forms/homepage.html), by calling (207) 624-7894, or by writing to Maine Revenue Services, State House Station 24, Augusta, ME 04333-0024.

## **HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION**

Residents who have owned a home in Maine for the past twelve months qualify for a homestead exemption of up to the just value of \$10,000. Applications are available at the Town Office.



*A good head and a good heart are always a formidable combination. Nelson Mandela*

# RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

## Year-in-Review

“Time’s flying by, moving so fast...better make it count ‘cause you can’t get it back’...this is how I feel about this past year; where does the time go? I hope that recreation activities bring as much joy and new experiences to you and your families as it does to my life.

This past summer was fun-filled and busy. Two mornings a week we offered day camp; themes included such titles Water Day (with a giant inflatable water slide), Christmas in July & Halloween. Mondays at day camp were a “mini-trip” day, allowing us to visit places around our community including the Citadel Radio Station, Mantle Lake Park, the ice-skating rink, the UMPI Wind Farm, Goughan’s Farm & Rocking S Ranch. Swimming lessons were available, and we hosted several week long camps, including Adventure Camp, 100% Science Fun, Pizza Pizzazz cooking camp, gymnastics, basketball and Dutch Soccer camp. New this year we offered a horseback riding camp & a Project Wilderness program. Afternoons were filled with swimming, gardening and hiking. Other special events included the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Girls’ Night Out, a Boys Only event, Hershey Track and Field and a County Fun Day at Birch Point in St. David with area recreation departments. We had a record number take part in the Hershey Track and Field Program. Wacky Wednesdays (field trip days) are the highlight of the summer; this year we visited the water slides twice, had a day-trip in Bangor to visit the Discovery Museum & Blackbeard’s, went on a safari and played scenario paintball at Megiddo Paintball and spent a day at Turner’s camp. The summer staff, Sydney Trask, Taylor Burt & Cody Tompkins helped the summer programs run smoothly; they were willing to do everything asked of them! The Minor League baseball team had a successful summer with their coach Sandy Flewelling. The Major Leaguers qualified for the play-offs again this year! Thanks to Brian Flewelling and Mark Sotomayor for coaching the team. New programs this year were the “County Junior Olympics” and a white water rafting trip that was the highlight of the summer for many young people and their parents too! We were able to offer discounted tickets to Funtown/Splashtown to our community this year and many people took advantage of the significant savings. If you are planning your upcoming summer vacations be sure to consider this option.

We kicked off the fall break with a Fun with Science Day. We tried our hand at some new concoctions including making a squishy ball, invisible pictures and film canister rockets and some old favorites; super bubble ooze & magic muck. We also got a *little* messy in “clean” mud and made a barn mural. Thanks to our hosts the Bonners; Theresa is always up for a new adventure! Harvest trips included: Hunter Brothers’ Farm, Greenland Point Adventure Center, Haystack, Goughan’s Farm and Kings Landing Historical Settlement. The children also had an opportunity to participate in a horse camp and Fabulous Fall Cooking Camp. We also offered three soccer levels. Our soccer teams enjoyed the beautiful fall weather with many soccer games. Thanks to Travis Carter, Leslie Ferris & Sydney Trask who were instrumental in making this season run smoothly!

Basketball season is in full swing with the recreation ball season being held after the “regular” season to make better use of gym time. Leslie Ferris is working with the young ladies on the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade team. The 5 & 6 grade boys have a hectic 15-game season under way for coaches Travis Carter & Harvey Brown. The first and second Grade Little Bears enjoyed their introductory year to basketball and were able to play a few scrimmages. Thanks to Roxanne Poole & Ryan Czosnek for working with these future athletes. The cheerleaders looked sharp again this year; they also had a busy schedule as most of them played ball, too! Thanks to Brittane Blodget & Brittany Tompkins for teaching these girls some great cheers. A huge thank you goes out to all the parents who helped us carpool to games and to Randy Bacon, Dan Warren, Leslie Ferris and Traci Halvorson for officiating.

*I’d rather regret the things I’ve done than regret the things I haven’t done. Lucille Ball*

With the help of Michelle Philips in physical education classes, we were able to participate in two basketball competitions. This year's qualifiers for the Maine Recreation and Parks Hot Shot Regional Competition were Cecilia Morin, Ashley Cowley, Brenley Fredette, Joseph Anderson, Carson Flewelling, Joshua Peers, Paige Flewelling, Elise Allen, Sara Gilman, Jacob Flewelling, Hunter Brown, Jon Fredette, Mariah Cyr, Taylor Brown, Kylee Carter, Jared Hafford, Nicholas Clark, Harvey Brown, Carla Halvorson, Abigail Poole, Rosie Kawalansky, Justine Guerrette & Carl Mullen. Kylee Carter & Logan Halvorson were both runners-up in the regional Elks Hoop Shoot contest.

The recreation department's senior group has been putting the Recreation Room at the Manor to good use. Typically, the group meets three times per week including a nutrition class (taught by Christine Finnemore from the Maine Cooperative Extension), an exercise class and one specialty program including holiday parties, game days, movie showings, crafts and more. The group can often be seen "hitting the road". In the past year we have visited the Hampton Inn, attended Wellness Day at the Caribou Rec. Department, toured the Citadel Radio Station, had a wonderful all-you-can-eat breakfast at the Sugar Moon Cookhouse in Divide, NB, toured McCain Foods and the new Border Patrol Station, had a very informational tour at UMPI's Wind Farm and visited with the buffalo at the Homestead Lodge in Oxbow. Other favorite events included a Pamper Day, Christmas luncheon in Washburn, The Living Well taught by employees of TAMC and a New Year's Tea. The ladies in the group are also experts at most restaurants in the area; we consider it our responsibility to try each and every one of them!

My personal thanks goes out to everyone who has helped with an event, transported children, volunteered to provide snacks and to those who served on the Recreation Committee. Thanks to Cheryl Clark who along with her own job is the best "editor in town". Huge kudos to Leslie Ferris & Dellas Adams for the many bus rides! I also want to thank the Easton School Department for the use of the facilities; Mr. Keenan, Mrs. Malefant & Mrs. Hall are always willing to help. I look forward to another year of new experiences! As always please to contact me with program ideas and suggestions.

Yours in Recreation,  
Hillary Trainer  
Recreation Director



*A true friend never gets in your way unless you happen to be going down. Arnold H. Glasow*



Little Bears Basketball - 1st & 2nd Grade



Little Bears Basketball - 3rd & 4th Grade



**Recreation 5th & 6th Grade Girls Team**



**Recreation 5th & 6th Grade Boys Team**

## HAPPY DAYS CLUB SENIOR CITIZENS REPORT

The Happy Days Senior Citizen's Club began the year of 2010 with meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of every month with blessings for the delicious pot-luck dinners.

Officers for the year were: President, Nina Trask; Vice President, Lianna DeMerchant; Secretary, Eldora Carter; Assistant Secretary, Ezalee Smith; Treasurer, Ida Doak and Assistant Treasurer, JoAnn Johnson. We have an attendance of between 12 and 18 and would still like to see more men come at least for the meal.

Guest speakers for the year were: Mona Lynch from the Aroostook Area Agency on Aging who spoke on elder abuse and protective services, Carrie Hull from Katahdin Trust Bank who spoke on scams and identity theft, etc., Margo Cerrato (Senior Manager) and Lorena Sullivan of the Presque Isle Dialysis Center, Regena Cameron and Rebecca Legassie on R.S.V.P., Richard Langley who spoke on wills, trusts, and cremations, Kevin Pelletier who spoke on his trips to Haiti, Kyle White who spoke on fire emergencies and preparedness, and Lois Ladner who told of her adventures in China several years ago. All speakers provided interesting and needed information for the club. Our meetings are always started with the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of "My Country 'Tis of Thee" whenever there is a piano player in attendance.

Donations were made to Project Graduation, the Ronald McDonald House, the Aroostook Area Agency on Aging, the Kendall Bolster and Brenda Greenleaf Scholarship Fund in memory of Olive Bolster, and the Presque Isle Dialysis Center.

John Trask volunteered to update the memorial plaque with the names of: Clarence Richardson, Aldine Wortman, Hilda Langley and Olive Bolster.

There were no meetings in June and July and also in November and December.

Bus trips were made to Anderson's Restaurant in New Brunswick, Canada in April and to Rosette's Restaurant in Frenchville in September.

The Town's donation of \$1,000 in May was very much appreciated; also the School Boards loan of a school bus and drivers Dellas Adams and Vance Smith to drive us on our trips is sincerely appreciated. We have enjoyed the year and encourage all Easton seniors to come and meet with us.

Respectfully submitted  
Eldora Carter



*I don't need a friend who changes when I change and who nods when I nod; my shadow does that much better. Plutarch*



## REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS 4/1/10

Real Estate:

Land Value	\$13,002,400.00
Building Value	<u>46,686,100.00</u>

Total Real Estate Value \$59,688,500.00

Personal Property:

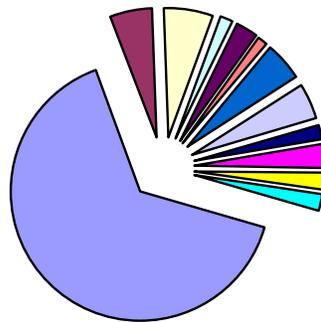
Industrial	\$115,207,000.00
Business Equipment	1,084,100.00
Farm Machinery & Equipment	<u>250,000.00</u>
Total Personal Property	116,541,100.00

Total Valuation	176,229,600.00
Tax Exempt Property	- 134,889.00
Homestead Exemption	- <u>2,161,275.00</u>

Total Taxable Value = \$173,933,436.00

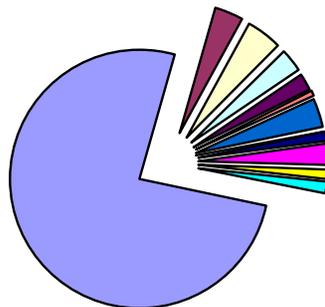
Municipal Tax Rate per \$1,000 = .01465 (mil rate) \$2,548,124.84

**Appropriations By Department**



Education	\$2,200,346
Gen'l Gov't	\$180,200
Highway	\$213,050
Town Rd. Improv.	\$50,000
Tri-Com Landfill	\$100,000
Insurance	\$36,500
County Tax	\$161,000
Overlay	\$151,908
Recreation	\$58,240
Reserves	\$101,000
Other	\$68,991
Fire Dept.	\$69,700

**Expenditures By Department**



Education	\$3,546,180
Gen'l Gov't	\$169,974
Highway	\$204,232
Town Rd. Improv.	\$139,901
Tri-Com Landfill	\$94,910
Insurance	\$25,996
County Tax	\$160,941
Overlay	\$2,557
Recreation	\$56,626
Reserves	\$109,346
Other	\$65,047
Fire Dept.	\$67,945

*Do you know the difference between education and experience?  
Education is when you read the fine print; experience is what you get when you don't. Pete Seeger*

## 2009 TAX LIENS

Adams, Michael J. & Suzanne J.	558.78	
Adams, Michael J. & Suzanne J.	64.17	
Adams, Michael J. & Suzanne J.	4.70	
Adams, Michael J. & Suzanne J.	50.08	
Beaton, Mark S.	70.50	
Bevins, Harvey L. & Debbie E.	378.81	
Bevins, Harvey L. & Debbie E.	23.48	
Bevins, Harvey L. & Debbie E.	701.12	
Bouchard, Kelley D.	253.64	Bal.
Eldridge, Edgar F. Jr.	184.67	
Guyette, Paul	104.93	
Hart, Paul L. & Janet L. Ouellette	233.19	
Hart, Paul L. & Janet L. Ouellette	292.66	
Ireland, Michael II & Alison	162.76	
Johnston, Carol & Eugene	189.44	
Kearney, Vickie	78.25	
Kennedy, Raymond	280.14	
Knox, Kevin & Tabitha Lunney	600.00	Bal.
Kretschmer, Elizabeth A.	54.78	
Kretschmer, Elizabeth A.	11.03	
Lennon, Loretta A.	367.78	
Nichols, Heirs of Clayton	679.21	
Nichols, Lawrence W.	84.59	
Osgood, Walter & Cathy	709.02	
Page, Heirs of R L	3.13	
Page, Heirs of R L	200.32	
Plourde, Roderick	216.05	
Rooney, Timothy	115.81	
Tarbox, Heirs of Eugene E.	323.96	
York, Rodney & Danielle Caron	56.55	Bal.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,053.55</b>	



*When a friend is in trouble, don't annoy him by asking if there is anything you can do.  
Think up something appropriate and do it. Edward W. Howe*

## LIST OF TAXES DUE (2010)

Adams, Michael J. & Suzanne J.	569.15	
Adams, Michael J. & Suzanne J.	60.07	
Adams, Michael J. & Suzanne J.	4.39	
Adams, Michael J. & Suzanne J.	46.88	
Bainton, Arthur B. & Julie A.	87.90	
Beaton, Mark S.	109.14	
Beaulieu, Shawn A. & Jeffrey	16.11	
Bevins, Harvey L. & Debbie E.	402.14	
Bevins, Debbie E. & Harvey L.	21.98	
Bevins, Harvey L. & Debbie E.	656.32	
Bouchard, Kelley D.	240.26	
Brock, Julie A.	607.24	
Busse, April	294.46	
Callioras, Steven J.	695.88	
Cleaves, Robert E. & Susan L.	869.48	
Cleaves, Robert E. & Susan L.	172.87	
Cornerstone Enterprises LLC	304.72	
Creasia, Michael S.	133.32	
Creasia, Michael S.	188.99	
DeVany, Robert T.	435.84	
Eldridge, Edgar F. Jr.	172.87	
Finnemore, Troy F.	477.59	
Finnemore, Troy F. & Kimberly A.	996.93	
Gray, Linwood R. & Sara J.	1,333.88	
Guyette, Paul	145.77	
Hammond, Douglas J.	219.02	
Hart, Kathleen	65.93	
Hart, Paul & Janet L. Ouellette	218.29	
Hart, Paul & Janet L. Ouellette	273.96	
Henderson, Ruthie	13.92	
Hewitt, Mark	284.21	
Howlett, Michael R.	968.80	Bal.
Ireland, Michael II & Alison	152.36	
Johnston, Carol & Eugene	224.88	
Jordan, Deloris I.	434.63	Bal.
Kearney, Vickie	73.25	
Kennedy, Raymond	262.24	
King, Andrew	838.71	
Knox, Dana & Ethel	609.81	
Kretschmer, Elizabeth A.	51.28	
Kretschmer, Elizabeth A.	49.08	
Ladner, Heirs of Fern	290.07	
Lamoreau, Cole & Rae	372.84	
Lamoreau, David M. & Penelope L.	65.93	
Lennon, Loretta A.	344.28	

Lumbard, William H.	159.69		
Maust, Robyn M. & Laurette A. LaFrance	121.60		
Mills, Rodney	43.95		*
Mills, Rodney	282.75		*
Monroe, Michael	1,171.76	Bal.	
Nevers, Sheryl F.	180.06	Bal.	
Nichols, Heirs of Clayton	635.81		
Nichols, Lawrence W.	123.79		
Osgood, Walter & Cathy	699.54		
Page, Heirs of R.L.	2.93		
Page, Heirs of R.L.	187.52		
Parlin, Leighton J. & Glenna Tompkins	18.42	Bal.	*
Patterson, Patrick T.	452.69		
Philbrook, Marcus & Vonda	140.64		
Plourde, Randy A. & Colleen R.	498.83		*
Plourde, Raymond N.	1,066.48	Bal.	
Plourde, Roderick	249.78		
Robbins, Warner C. & Anna V.	119.40		
Robbins, Warner C. & Warren C.	272.49		
Rooney, Timothy	108.41		
Scott, Robert e. Jr. & Pamela A.	1,468.90	Bal.	
Shaw, Gerald & Vera M.	610.17		
Shaw, Miles & Barbara	4.39		
Smith, Jonathan C. & Marcia L.	472.46		
Tarbox, Heirs of Eugene E.	301.79		
Tibbetts, Adam	403.61		*
Tompkins, Deborah J.	138.44		
Wardwell, Cindy	182.39		
Wells Fargo Bank NA (Trustee)	690.02		
Woollard, Debi-Jo	95.23		
York, Rodney & Danielle Caron	99.62		
Young, Lennie K.	387.49		
Young, Lennie K. & Deborah L.	51.28		
Young, Lennie K. & Deborah L.	51.28		

**TOTAL****\$26,351.28**

\* Paid after books closed.



*I'm an idealist. I don't know where I'm going, but I'm on my way. Carl Sandburg*

# TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF MAINE

COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK

TO: Bernard Hussey, Citizen of the Town of Easton, in the County of Aroostook.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, in said County to assemble at the Municipal Building in said Easton, on Monday, the fourth day of April, 2011 at 9:00 in the morning, and then and there to act on Articles 1 & 2. The polls will open at 9:00 AM and close at 6:30 PM.

And then to notify and warn the said inhabitants to meet at the Elementary School Cafeteria, in said town on Monday the fourth day of April, 2011 at 8:00 in the evening, then and there to hear the results of the secret ballot on Articles 1 & 2 and to act on Articles 3 through 41 all of the Articles being set out below, to wit:

Art. 1: To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2: To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 3: To see if the Town will fix a date when taxes shall be due and payable and fix a rate of interest to be charged on all unpaid taxes.

**Selectmen Recommend: That all taxes be due and payable October first, 2011 and that interest be charged on all unpaid taxes starting November first, 2011 at 7.00 percent.**

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 4: To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any Real Estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes, thereon such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quitclaim deeds for such property.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 5: To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to accept as gifts any acceptable property donated to the Town during the fiscal year ending February 15, 2012.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 6: To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to sell and assign un-matured tax liens for not less than the amount, interest and costs included.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 7: To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to sell any outdated capital equipment after advertising in local newspapers.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 8: To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to appoint a budget committee to meet as required, to recommend the necessary appropriations for the fiscal year ending February 15, 2013.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 9: To see if the Town will appropriate in estimated revenue from motor vehicle excise taxes, all state revenue sharing funds, all state snowmobile reimbursements, dog license fees, sludge disposal fees, bus repairs income, Odd Fellows rental fees, supplemental taxes, license fees and other miscellaneous income to be received in fiscal year ending February 15, 2012 to reduce the tax commitment by \$185,000.00.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 10: To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to use the overlay as an abatement account.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 11: LD1 Tax Art. – Written Ballot – To see if the Town will vote to increase its property tax levy limit.

Art. 12: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$179,850.00 for Town Administration.

	2010-2011 Appropriated	2010-2011 Actual	2011-2012 Proposed
Salaries	\$94,500.00	\$97,807.38	\$97,550.00
Board Salaries	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
MSRS Deferred Comp.	2,700.00	2,561.22	1,200.00
Medical Insurance	16,000.00	12,207.31	29,000.00
State Retirement	3,400.00	3,446.58	4,100.00
Medicare/FICA	1,500.00	1,610.84	1,500.00
Car Allowance	3,000.00	2,981.88	3,000.00
Office Supplies	4,000.00	4,245.38	4,000.00
Telephone	2,000.00	1,670.69	2,000.00
Electricity	11,000.00	10,233.25	4,500.00
Training/Travel/Dues	1,000.00	916.44	4,500.00
Fuel	7,500.00	6,253.70	7,500.00
Postage	3,000.00	2,087.68	3,000.00
TRIO Maintenance	1,300.00	521.39	4,500.00
Web Site	500.00	410.00	2,000.00
Legal	5,000.00	1,311.60	0.00
Audit/Financial	7,500.00	6,850.00	0.00
Advertising	2,000.00	826.82	0.00
Printing	2,300.00	2,301.15	0.00
Miscellaneous	3,500.00	3,860.72	3,000.00
Cleaning/Trash Disposal	4,500.00	3,869.58	4,500.00
Selectmen's Discretionary	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>1,062.68</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$184,200.00	\$171,036.29	\$179,850.00

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to be added to the computer reserve and to carry over any balance.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 14: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$10,500.00 for the operation of the Odd Fellows' Hall.

	2010-2011 Appropriated	2010-2011 Actual	2011-2012 Proposed
Maintenance	\$5,000.00	\$6,088.12	\$5,000.00
Fuel Oil	3,500.00	2,151.52	3,500.00
Telephone	500.00	381.96	500.00
Electricity	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,264.25</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
TOTAL	\$10,500.00	\$9,885.85	\$10,500.00

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 15: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$217,350.00 for the Highway Department.

	2010-2011 Appropriated	2010-2011 Actual	2011-2012 Proposed
Salaries	\$95,000.00	\$82,697.90	\$90,000.00
MSRS Deferred Comp.	2,500.00	2,536.72	2,600.00
Medicare/FICA	1,800.00	1,235.64	1,800.00
State Retirement	3,000.00	3,124.41	3,150.00
Medical Insurance	21,000.00	26,741.57	29,000.00
Gas/Oil/Diesel	28,000.00	17,524.19	28,000.00
Sand/Salt	37,000.00	42,435.71	38,450.00
Repair/Equip/Tires	16,500.00	14,988.85	16,500.00
Shop/Tool Supplies	4,000.00	4,167.20	4,000.00
Blades & Chains	3,900.00	3,907.45	4,000.00
Telephone	800.00	690.39	800.00
Electricity	2,800.00	2,876.77	2,800.00
Heating Fuel	5,000.00	3,779.13	5,000.00
Miscellaneous	5,500.00	3,409.68	4,000.00
Building Maintenance	6,000.00	5,181.95	7,000.00
Drug Testing	<u>250.00</u>	<u>210.10</u>	<u>250.00</u>
TOTAL	\$233,050.00	\$215,507.66	\$237,350.00
Transfer-Town Rd.	<u>(20,000.00)</u>	<u>(11,275.79)</u>	<u>(20,000.00)</u>
TOTAL HIGHWAY	\$213,050.00	\$204,231.87	\$217,350.00

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 16: To see if the Town will raise \$75,000.00 for the Town Road Improvement Fund.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 17: To see if the Town will appropriate \$160,000.00 from the Town Road Improvement account for summer road maintenance and to carry-over any unexpended balance.

	2010-2011	2010-2011	2011-2012
	Appropriated	Actual	Proposed
	\$140,000.00	\$139,900.68	\$160,000.00

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 18: To see if the Town will raise the sum of \$60,000.00 to be placed in the equipment reserve account.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 19: To see if the Town will accept approximately \$43,000 from the state block grant program for town road improvement in accordance with the requirements outlined in public law, chapter 492, L.D. 1691-1981.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 20: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$72,000.00 for the Fire Department.

	2010-2011	2010-2011	2011-2012
	Appropriated	Actual	Proposed
Salaries	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$41,200.00
Car Allowance	400.00	400.00	400.00
Telephone & Dispatch	3,500.00	3,429.87	3,500.00
Training & Materials	1,000.00	927.41	1,000.00
Dues	350.00	620.50	650.00
Medicare	3,000.00	2,833.55	3,100.00
Repairs	6,000.00	6,825.94	7,000.00
Gas/Oil/Diesel	3,000.00	1,648.61	3,000.00
Supplies	6,000.00	8,519.14	6,000.00
Hepatitis Vaccination	200.00	0.00	200.00
Miscellaneous	400.00	423.82	400.00
SCBA Annual Inspections	1,250.00	930.27	1,250.00
Safety Coats, Gloves, etc.	3,000.00	47.50	2,700.00
Insurance	<u>1,600.00</u>	<u>1,338.30</u>	<u>1,600.00</u>
TOTAL	\$69,700.00	\$67,944.91	\$72,000.00

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 21: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$161,800.00 for other services:

	2010-2011	2010-2011	2011-2012
	Appropriated	Actual	Proposed
Tri-Community Landfill	\$100,000.00	\$94,909.58	\$106,000.00
Ambulance Service	15,000.00	13,815.00	14,500.00
Protection/Animal Control	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,600.00

Plumbing/Code Enforcement	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,150.00
Assessing	8,000.00	8,000.00	9,250.00
Beautification	3,000.00	2,231.23	3,000.00
General Assistance	1,000.00	1,703.21	1,500.00
Legal (See Gen. Govt)	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
Audit (See Gen. Govt)	0.00	0.00	8,500.00
Advertising (See Gen. Govt)	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
Town Report (See Gen. Govt)	0.00	0.00	2,300.00
Street Lights (See Gen. Govt)	0.00	0.00	8,000.00
Selectmen's Discretionary (See <u>GG</u> )	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$130,500.00</b>	<b>\$124,159.02</b>	<b>\$161,800.00</b>

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 22: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,400.00 for insurance.

	2010-2011	2010-2011	2011-2012
	Appropriated	Actual	Proposed
	\$36,500.00	\$25,996.46	\$28,400.00

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 23: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$24,257.00 for outside requests:

	2010-2011	2010-2011	2011-2012
	Appropriated	Actual	Proposed
ME Municipal Assoc.	\$2,500.00	\$2,420.00	\$2,500.00
Catholic Charities	842.00	842.00	842.00
A.C.A.P.	249.80	249.80	249.00
Temp. Shelter for the Homeless	1,249.00	1,249.00	1,249.00
N.M.D.C.	3,900.00	3,604.02	3,590.00
Memorial Day Services	500.00	500.00	500.00
Aroos. Soil & Water	750.00	750.00	1,000.00
Aroos. Agency on Aging	686.00	686.00	686.00
American Red Cross	416.00	416.00	416.00
Aroos. RC&D	160.00	160.00	160.00
Pregnancy Care Center	200.00	200.00	200.00
Aroostook Child Abuse	200.00	200.00	200.00
Central Aroos. Humane Society	1,998.40	1,998.40	2,125.00
ME Public Broadcasting	100.00	100.00	100.00
Presque Isle Chamber of Commerce	250.00	250.00	250.00
Maine Tourism	290.00	290.00	290.00
Martha/Mary's Kitchen	100.00	100.00	100.00
Veteran's Cemetery	100.00	100.00	100.00

Senior Citizens	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Snowmobile Club	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Field Day	0.00	0.00	7,200.00
Easton ATV Club	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
TOTAL	\$14,491.20	\$14,115.22	\$24,257.00

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 24: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$66,030.00 for Recreation.

	2010-2011	2010-2011	2011-2012
	Appropriated	Actual	Proposed
Salaries	\$34,840.00	\$35,011.00	\$37,330.00
MSRS Deferred Comp.	1,100.00	929.25	1,000.00
Health Insurance	7,650.00	8,056.72	15,000.00
Medicare	600.00	520.78	600.00
Retirement	1,150.00	1,135.15	1,300.00
Rec Programs (Summer)	2,500.00	2,600.15	4,500.00
Equipment & Supplies (Sports Equ)	1,500.00	1,535.92	3,100.00
Prestile Recreation Area	500.00	0.00	0.00
Winter Activities	2,000.00	2,211.78	0.00
Telephone	900.00	631.75	1,200.00
Electricity	2,000.00	1,244.96	0.00
Miscellaneous	1,500.00	1,707.25	0.00
Rec. Area at School	1,000.00	39.50	1,000.00
Training/Travel (Trips & Special)	1,000.00	1,001.71	1,000.00
Senior Citizens	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Snowmobile Club	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Field Day	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
Easton ATV Club	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$66,740.00	\$65,125.92	\$66,030.00

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 25: To see if the Town will raise & appropriate \$2,500.00 for the Municipal Building Repairs account and to carry over any balance.

	2009-2010	2009-2010	2010-2011
	Appropriated	Actual	Proposed
	\$5,000.00	\$5,887.93	\$2,500.00

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 26: To see if the Town will raise \$5,000.00 and appropriate \$11,500.00 from the cemetery account for care of all Town cemeteries and to carry forward any balance.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 27: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to expend \$63,800.00 from the surplus account for the purchase of SCBA equipment for the Fire Department.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 28: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to expend \$20,000.00 from the surplus account for the purchase of an RMO Hot Patcher for the Highway Department.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 29: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to expend \$23,000.00 from the surplus account for the purchase of property located at 39 Center Road for the expansion of the Estes Park Cemetery.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 30: To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to carry-over the following unexpended balances for fiscal year 2011.

Selectmen’s Discretionary	Planning Board Account
Education	Septic Systems
General Assistance	Insurance Reserve
Town Road Improvement	Historical Society
Beautification	Computer Reserve
School Retirement Reserve	Municipal Building Repair
Town Retirement Reserve	TRIO Reserve

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

2011 Carry-over Balances	
Town Road Improvement	\$58,238.71
Selectmen’s Discretionary	\$6,937.32
General Assistance	\$4,025.23
Planning Board Account	\$1,308.47
Septic Systems	\$2,371.03
Education	\$437,698.37
Historical Society	\$1,444.59
Equipment Reserve	\$106,671.33
Insurance Reserve	\$3,000.00
Beautification	\$3,016.74
Computer Reserve	\$5,000.00
Town Retirement Reserve	\$8,753.56
School Retirement Reserve	\$10,000.00
Municipal Building Repair	\$5,887.93

Art. 31: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to spend an amount not to exceed 1/6 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of the 2012 annual budget during the period from February 15, 2012 to annual town meeting.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 32: To see if the Town will allow the Board of Selectmen to authorize the Town Manager to apply and accept an award from the State of Maine Small Community 90-10 Matching Grant for pollution abatement construction, to correct, on a priority basis, defective residential septic systems on the Prestile Stream banks or on the banks of other streams or bodies of water, and further authorize the Town Manager to execute the necessary documents pursuant to the application, receipt, implementation, management, and completion of such projects.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 33: To see if the Town will allow the Board of Selectmen to authorize the Town Manager to submit a Community Development Block Grant Application to the Maine State Planning Office and if said application is approved, to further authorize the Town Manager to execute all necessary documents pursuant to the application, receipt, implementation, management and completion of the project.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 34: To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the town on abated taxes at 6 (six) percent for the fiscal year 2012 pursuant to M.R.S.A. 506A.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 35: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of town-owned personal property with a value of \$4,000.00 or less under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 36: To see if the Town will vote to accept from the State of Maine funds in the following categories:

Civil Emergency Funds  
 Municipal Revenue Sharing  
 Local Road Assistance  
 State Aid to Education  
 Snowmobile Registration  
 Tree Growth Reimbursement  
 General Assistance Reimbursement  
 Education Tax Relief Block Grant  
 Veteran Exemption Reimbursement  
 Property Tax Relief Funds  
 State Grants or Other Funds

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 37: To see if the Town, in accordance with 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506 will authorize the Tax Collector and Town Treasurer to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed and to pay no interest thereon.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 38: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to appropriate \$15,000.00 from unappropriated surplus as they deem advisable to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during fiscal year 2012.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 39: To see if the Town will vote to expend all proceeds from the State of Maine Grant In Aid Snowmobile Program estimated to be \$7,797.00 to the Easton Trailbreakers Snowmobile Club.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 40: Shall the Town of Easton vote to approve 2011-2012 Community Development Block (Grant) applications for the Business Assistance Program, the Economic Development Fund Loan and the Community Enterprise Program. To submit same to the Department of Economic and Community Development, and if said program is approved, to authorize the municipal officers to accept said grant funds, to make such assurances, assume such responsibilities, and exercise such authority as are necessary and reasonable to implement such program.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**

Art. 41: Shall the Town of Easton vote to approve 2011-2012 Rural Development Grant applications for the Rural Business Enterprise Grant Program for \$99,999 and for Rural Business Enterprise Loans for up to \$300,000 each and to submit same to the USDA, and if said program is approved, to authorize the municipal officers to accept said grant funds, to make such assurances, assume such responsibilities, and exercise such authority as are necessary and reasonable to implement such program.

**Budget Committee Recommends: Yes**



**GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS 1ST DAY OF MARCH, 2011 A.D.  
EASTON SELECTMEN**

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**Michael Corey**

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**Paul Dudley**

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**Douglas Blackstone**

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**Scott Allen**

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**Bruce Flewelling**

**ATTEST:**

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**Cheryl Clark, Town Clerk**

**STATE OF MAINE**

**COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK**

Pursuant to the within warrant, I certify that I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, qualified as therein expressed, to meet at the time and place for the purpose therein named, by posting this day an attested copy of the within warrant at:

Katahdin Trust Co.  
Country Farm's Market  
Easton Elementary School  
Easton High School

The same being public and conspicuous places in said town, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011, which is at least 7 days next prior to said meeting.

Dated: March 25, 2011

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**Bernard Hussey**

# SAMPLE BALLOT

**STATE OF MAINE  
FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTION, TOWN OF EASTON  
MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2011  
9:00 AM TO 6:30 PM**

Make a cross (X) or a check mark (Ö) in the square at the left of the name of the nominee for whom you wish to vote. Follow directions as to the number of nominees to be elected to each office. You may vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot by writing in the proper blank space and marking a cross (X) or a check mark (Ö) in the proper square at the left. Do not erase names. Names written in must show the municipality of residence of each write-in candidate.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN (TERM ENDING APRIL 2014)**

**VOTE FOR TWO**

Allen, Scott

Easton

Flewelling, Bruce

Easton

Easton

Easton

**SCHOOL BOARD (TERM ENDING APRIL 2014)**

**VOTE FOR ONE**

Osgood, Thomas

Easton

Easton

Easton

Easton































## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Easton Town Office	488-6652 or 488-7706 Fax 488-7706
Town Manager	
Town Clerk	
Estes Park Cemetery	
Mount Shiloh Cemetery	
Pine Tree Cemetery	
Easton Grange Apartments	
Easton Odd Fellows' Hall	
Easton Highway Department .....	488-7705
Easton Fire Department	
<b>EMERGENCY ONLY</b> .....	<b>911</b>
All other calls .....	488-6652
Easton Animal Control Officer .....	488-6846
Easton Recreation Department .....	551-7737
Easton Odd Fellows' Hall .....	488-7708
Easton School Department	
Elementary School .....	488-7701
High School .....	488-7702
Easton Post Office .....	488-5751
Crown Ambulance .....	911
Pinetree Waste Management .....	532-4264
Tri-Community Landfill .....	473-7840
Plumbing Inspector & Code Enforcement Officer (Tony Levesque) .....	472-3800
Maine State Police .....	532-2261
<b>EMERGENCY ONLY</b> .....	<b>911</b>
Aroostook County Sheriff's Department .....	532-3471
<b>EMERGENCY ONLY</b> .....	<b>911</b>

## **REPRESENTATIVE TO THE LEGISLATURE DISTRICT 6**

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Senator Roger L. Sherman ..... 532-7073  
 Augusta (Sessions Only) ..... (207) 287-1505  
 email address: rsherm\_2000@yahoo.com

## **TRI-COMMUNITY LANDFILL HOURS:**

	Private	Commercial
Monday-Friday	8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	8:00 AM – 3:30 PM
Saturday	8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Closed all federal and state legal holidays and Sundays.

## **OTHER TOWN INFORMATION:**

Easton Clean-Up: Twice a year the Town will provide a collection point for junk such as appliances, tires, wood, furniture, etc. The town trucks will then haul the material to the landfill. No commercial loads will be accepted.

Pinetree Waste, Inc.: Commercial pick-up on Wednesday and residential pick-up on Thursday.

Odd Fellows' Hall: Scheduling of the use of the Odd Fellows' Hall can be done at the Town Office.



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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 STATE HOUSE STATION

AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

(207) 287-1440

TTY: (207) 287-4469

February 2011

Dear Friends & Neighbors:

As you are likely aware, on November 2, 2010 Maine's electorate changed the balance of power in Augusta with high expectations for an improved business climate that will translate into a more hospitable environment for job creation. It is also apparent that citizens are demanding improved educational opportunities for their children on the primary and secondary school levels, coupled with first class University and Community College systems. For far too long regulation after regulation has been imposed onto spirited entrepreneurs, thereby making it extremely difficult and time consuming to make their venture more lucrative. Maine should be a place where families, commerce, and industry can thrive, not merely survive.

Keeping the desires of my constituents in mind, I am humbled by the faith and confidence you have instilled in me to be your voice in Augusta. The responsibility is one I take very seriously, as I wish to stay closely connected to those I serve. Although much of my time over the coming months will be spent at the State House, I would encourage you to provide me with your e-mail address so that it can be added to the list of those currently receiving my regular electronic newsletter. These frequent disseminations are comprised of topics of interest related to State government and other public service announcements.

Now in my second term in office, House Speaker Robert W. Nutting appointed me to the influential Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee. Aroostook is fortunate to have two legislators on this panel, since it will be fervently working to reach a consensus on many policy concepts introduced to bring the State's coffers into balance for the next biennium. Already, this group diligently and expeditiously deliberated a supplemental budget plan put forth by the LePage administration that received strong bipartisan support upon its final enactment. Associated details can be found online at <http://www.maine.gov/legis/ofpr/>.

A few initiatives that I have personally sponsored during the First Regular Session of the 125<sup>th</sup> Legislature are L.D. 120, "**An Act To End Taxpayer-funded Campaigns for Gubernatorial Candidates**," L.D. 241, "**An Act To Promote Energy Independence and Renewable Energy Production**," and L.D. 322, "**An Act To Repeal the Informed Growth Act**." You can view the language of these bills, as well as their progress through the legislative process by visiting the House of Representative's Web site at <http://www.maine.gov/legis/house/>.

Again, thank you for the privilege of being your State Representative.

Most sincerely,

Tyler Clark

State Representative

District 6 Blaine, Bridgewater, Easton, Fort Fairfield, Mars Hill and Westfield

## TOWN OF EASTON OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday .....	8:00 AM to 4:30 PM
Tuesday .....	8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Friday .....	8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Easton Board of Selectmen meet as needed but generally on the first and third Monday of the month at the Town Office at 7:00 PM.

Easton School Board meets the second Monday of the month at the Easton Elementary School Library at 7:00 PM.



**RECYCLE!!!**