

Manager's Report  
June 30, 2016

School Appropriation – I received a call from Superintendent Jim Boothby in regard to the appropriation for the 16/17 fiscal year. It seems that there was an error in the warrant articles at the School District meeting which has resulted in the situation in which the district will be billing us approximately \$165,000 less than was allocated in our budget. They will likely be using fund balance of their own to make up the difference in their budget – the only other option is to go back out for another budget vote and referendum which would be unlikely. If they use fund balance then the Town will be in the same situation at the end of 2016/17 that we are in this year in that we will have a credit balance to carry forward to apply to the education costs for the 17/18 fiscal year. Since it was an error that will not be able to be covered by fund balance in 17/18, we would at least be starting from a baseline budget number to cover any increases.

Fireworks – I have had calls from a number of residents who have animals or family members who are sensitive to noise expressing concern over the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July and the potential for people to be shooting off fireworks. Please remember that consumer fireworks are not permitted in the Town of Bucksport and violations of that will result in fines.

Noontime Rotary Club Electronic Waste Recycling Event – This event will be held from 7 a.m. until noon at the Home Depot parking lot in Ellsworth on Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. The event is open to residents of any Maine community for the purpose of accepting electronic waste. While the event is free, donations are gratefully accepted. Items such as televisions, computers, monitors, printers, laptops, digital picture frames, game consoles, photocopiers, fax machines, cell phones, microwave ovens, CD players/DVD players, lead acid batteries, servers, network equipment, ballast and mercury thermostats.

Yellow Schoolhouse – A solution to the problem of the outhouse at the Yellow School house not having an appropriate pit as well as a graywater system for the kitchen sink has been resolved and the project will be in compliance of subsurface wastewater laws when completed.