

MANAGER REPORT

February 11, 2016

Budget – The 2016-17 budget is consuming a good deal of time. I have received drafts from some of the department heads and anticipate receiving the rest by the beginning of next week.

14-15 Audit – RHR Smith representatives were in the office on Wednesday, February 11th for the final audit visit related to the 14/15 audit. We should be receiving the report within the next couple of weeks. I will be pleased to get this behind us.

Senior Resource Committee – I attended the Senior Resource Committee at the Senior Center on January 27th. I am pleased to report that Senior Center Director Sue Ann Craig has received a \$2,500 grant from the Jim & Betty Jacobs Trust for a variety of senior activities. In addition, they have established a Senior Resource Committee Meal & Activity Fund to assist seniors in sharing meals or activities if on a limited income. The Senior Center is also offering a series of Healthy Living Workshops beginning on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month beginning March 8th.

Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities - This organization is in the running for a grant from Bangor Savings Bank Community Matters More program and the highest vote getters will be awarded grants. I would encourage everyone to go online at <http://www.bangor.com/Community-Support/Community-Matters-More.aspx> and vote for Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition. Voting ends on February 29th.

GrowSmart Maine and the Maine Downtown Center Hosted February 3rd Community Celebration – I attended the February 3rd Community Celebration at the Alamo and saw 6 great presentations by groups who are working on projects that are great examples of the high level of positive energy and participation in the Town of Bucksport. The Comp Plan, Save Wilson Hall, Heart & Soul, Wednesdays on Main, the Arts Festival and The Main Street Group all presented information on their efforts thus far – and all have great plans for the future.

Schedule – I will not be in the office next week but will be in Monday through Friday of the following week. I will be available by cell phone or email.