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January 9, 2009

Dear Citizens of Wells:

In 2008, Mainers entrusted me to serve another term in the U.S. Senate. I am deeply honored and pledge to continue to work with my colleagues, both old and new, and with President Obama to forge bipartisan solutions to the economic crisis and the many other challenges facing our nation. I appreciate this opportunity to report on some highlights of my recent work in the U.S. Senate.

The number one priority continues to be to strengthen our struggling economy. We must look at additional ways to get our economy back on track. Last summer, I introduced an economic recovery bill, which included a proposal for \$50 billion in infrastructure funding to create jobs and improve our nation's aging transportation infrastructure. Anyone who drives in Maine recognizes the deteriorating state of many of our roads and bridges. Investing in our infrastructure not only creates jobs but also leaves communities with lasting and needed assets. My proposal also includes \$1 billion in additional funding for the Workforce Investment Act and tax incentives to help small businesses and to encourage energy conservation.

One of the energy provisions of the legislation was signed into law last year. It provides a \$300 tax credit to help individuals purchase clean-burning wood pellet stoves in order to provide an affordable alternative for heating their homes.

Soaring energy prices throughout much of 2008 highlight the critical need for our nation to achieve energy independence. As a nation, we should set a goal of energy independence by the year 2020—an ambitious goal that will require a multi-faceted approach, but one that can be achieved through resolve and commitment. I joined a bipartisan group of 20 Senators that has developed a comprehensive bill to expand production of American energy, promote conservation, and spur the development of alternative sources of energy. To immediately mitigate the effects of high prices, I fought to increase funding for programs that help our seniors and low-income families such as the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and the Weatherization Assistance Program.

As the Ranking Member of the Senate Homeland Security Committee, I am committed to ensuring that our nation is as safe as possible and that government is prepared to respond to disasters. Maine certainly has had its share of natural disasters during the past year. This year, my homeland security priorities include renewing a port security law that I coauthored and strengthening security at labs containing dangerous pathogens.

Other priorities include supporting the vital work being done at Bath Iron Works, the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, and other defense-related businesses throughout Maine – all of which are making significant contributions to our national security. We must also continue to improve and expand access to affordable health care – particularly in our rural communities – expand aid for education, protect our environment.


While this is just a brief summary of my recent work in Washington over the past several months, please know that I will continue to work as hard as possible representing Maine in the U.S. Senate. I am grateful for many blessings, including the opportunity to continue representing Wells and Maine in the United States Senate.

If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my York County office at 207-283-1101, or visit my website at <http://collins.senate.gov>.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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January 16, 2009

Dear Friends:

I want to thank you for the opportunity to offer warm greetings to the Town of Wells as we begin this New Year. As a nation, as a state, and as many individual towns and cities, we face historic challenges together. At this time when we consider where we have been, and most especially the year to come, I appreciate this opportunity to share with you my thoughts on some of my goals and priorities for 2009.

Indisputably, our economy is the foremost challenge facing us today. We are confronted by both an economic crisis with a recession that has already lasted for more than a year, and a financial crisis, the magnitude of which has reached monumental proportions. With the economy having contracted 0.5 percent in the third quarter of 2008 alone and the national unemployment rate having surged to nearly a 16 year high of 7.2 percent, there is no question we are in a painful downturn. In Maine, unemployment rose to 6.3 percent in November, and during that month alone, new unemployment claims increased 23 percent from the same period last year, while ongoing and emergency claims were up 74 percent.

That is why I have made recommendations with respect to a critically-needed economic stimulus plan in letters and phone calls to President-elect Obama, Vice President-elect Biden, and Senate Leadership. Specifically, I am urging an extension of unemployment benefits; an increase in federal funding for food stamps given their use is reaching an all-time high; increases in federal funding for the Federal Medical Assistance Percentages as Medicaid remains the second largest component of state budgets; and a substantial investment in infrastructure projects, including water purification and wastewater treatment projects.

Moreover, as Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, I have introduced legislation to help restore economic growth by thawing frozen credit markets so that small businesses can continue to be the driving force of our nation's economy. My bill, the *10 Steps to a Main Street Recovery Act*, incorporates ten achievable, commonsense measures that could be implemented immediately.

Additionally, I will continue to champion the New Markets Tax Credit that has had such a tremendous impact here in Maine. For example, Bangor Savings Bank and Coastal Enterprises, Inc. have developed an initiative that utilizes New Market Tax Credits – which provide investments for businesses of all sizes in low-income communities – to fund a loan pool for small- and medium-sized businesses at below market rates. This program has proved so successful that, in addition to recently helping secure the largest New Market Tax Credit allocation of any organization in the entire country, it could become a model nationally on how to bring New Market Tax Credits to small businesses in low-income communities. These efforts to spur capital investment in Maine's business community demonstrate what can be accomplished when local entities work together to support economic development.

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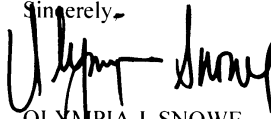
There are, of course, many other issues that require solutions. Affordable housing is scarce in Maine, as funding has been stagnate for many government programs designed to create housing for low-income residents. For a number of years, I have been a cosponsor of a bill to establish a National Affordable Housing Trust Fund, which would be a dedicated funding source for the production, preservation, and rehabilitation of 1.5 million affordable homes in ten years. This past year the bill was signed into law. As a longtime advocate for affordable housing and homelessness issues, I believe that such a fund will be critical and beneficial for Maine and the entire nation, and am pleased that in the Fund's first fully funded year, Maine could receive \$10 million for the development and rehabilitation of housing for those with extremely low incomes. The bill also contains provisions to ensure that communities can mitigate the harmful effects of foreclosures – and, as a result, Maine stands to benefit from \$37.4 million in direct funds for neighborhood stabilization.

There are also steps we can take that can help hard working Maine families save money while decreasing both our dependence on foreign oil and greenhouse gas emissions. One of my continuing goals for this new Congress is to increase funding for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP). The WAP is the government's largest residential energy conservation program and provides important assistance to low-income families facing high energy bills. Since the program's inception, more than 5.8 million homes have been weatherized using federal, state, utility, and other monies. Each of these households now has more money to spend on other necessities; in fact, for every dollar spent, WAP returns \$2.72 in energy and non-energy benefits over the life of the weatherized home.

These are but a few of the multiple issues to be addressed in the New Year while we also continue to grapple with such pressing matters as providing increased access to quality health care, and strengthening our nation's homeland security. And, of course, we remember today – and every day – the extraordinary contributions and courage of our brave men and women in uniform in Iraq, Afghanistan, and around the world.

Again, you may be assured I will continue to work tirelessly on behalf of the people of Maine and America and – in so doing – I deeply appreciate the input of all those who share their insights, concerns, and opinions with me. I encourage you to visit my Senate website at www.snowe.senate.gov for additional details on my efforts, to obtain helpful government information, and to share any concerns or legislative input you may have. You may also visit with members of my staff at my Regional Office located at 227 Main Street in Biddeford, or by calling 207-282-4144 or toll free in Maine at 1-800-432-1599.

Sincerely,



OLYMPIA J. SNOWE
United States Senator



ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TOWN OF WELLS
MESSAGE FROM SENATOR RICHARD A. NASS

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It is a great honor to represent the people of Wells in the State Senate. I will work hard to make sure your concerns are heard in Augusta.

The 124th Legislature faced many challenges when we began our work in January. One of the first items we dealt with was a \$150 million revenue shortfall in the current budget. In an attempt to fill the gap, the Governor called for 10% across the board cuts in most state government agencies, which trims slightly less than half the shortfall. The Legislature was tasked with finding an additional \$80 million in savings just to get through the current fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

Later in January, the Governor introduced the budget for the next biennium. With an estimated shortfall of \$800 million, lawmakers will have some very tough decisions to make. These circumstances, however, present the Legislature with an opportunity to retool state government, reduce the size of the bureaucracy, carefully review the effectiveness of current programs, and set the state government on a course for long term sustainability. As the Legislature deals with the current budgetary problems, it is equally important to find a longer term strategy to get Maine's economy growing.

I am confident that we will be able to cut wasteful spending while preserving the safety net for Maine's most vulnerable citizens. While some lawmakers may look to raising taxes to increase revenue, I am adamantly opposed to such measures. In November, Maine people rejected a new tax on beverages, beer, wine and health insurance claims and sent a clear message to Augusta that no new taxes would be tolerated. I am firmly committed to addressing Maine's budget crisis without further burdening Maine's taxpayers.

Thank you for entrusting me with the privilege of representing your interests in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me if you, or a member of your family, have a problem navigating the state bureaucracy. I can be reached in Augusta at 287-1505 or at home 477-2607.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Nass
State Senator
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February 2009

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

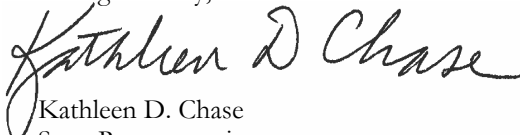
Severe economic turmoil has citizens across the State and nation reprioritizing their spending, while government officials seek to address increased demand for public services due to rising unemployment and stagnant wages. Presently in our second full month of session, Augusta lawmakers have already tended to some of the resulting hardship by bringing Maine's coffers back into balance for the remainder of FY '09. Still ahead is the 2010-11 biennial budget with an amassed shortfall totaling in excess of \$835 million. I am pleased that substantive tax increases have been avoided to resolve these challenges; however, it concerns me that the Speaker of the House has stated that all potential remedies must be considered in upcoming negotiations. Realizing that household incomes are already stretched to their limits, now is not the time for members of the Legislature to demand more of your hard-earned money.

Although there is much work to be done in the coming weeks at the Capitol, I wish to thank the people of Wells for allowing me the opportunity to serve as their State Representative once more. As the new ranking minority member of the Committee on Taxation, I am responsible for briefing my fellow caucus members on the various bills referenced to this working group. It is an honor to serve on this important panel, and I am pleased that tax reform seems to be a central focus yet again. In spite of failed efforts during the 123rd Legislature, I am optimistic that a bipartisan agreement can be reached to bring relief to Maine's employees and small business owners.

Among the hundreds of pieces of legislation submitted for consideration by policymakers, I wish to highlight two that I have personally sponsored. L.D. 634, "***An Act To Create a Mandatory Sentence for Repeat Offenders of Sex Offenses against Victims under 12 Years of Age,***" seeks to require that a court sentence a person convicted of committing a sex offense against a child under 12 years of age for a second or subsequent time to a minimum imprisonment term of at least 25 years. Additionally, none of this sentence may be suspended. The other measure I wish to point out is L.D. 661, "***Resolve, to Provide Equitable Tolls on the Maine Turnpike.***" If enacted, the Maine Turnpike Authority would be compelled to implement a method of toll collecting that levies a standard and equal cost per mile for the miles driven on the Turnpike by drivers using a commuter pass, also known as an E-Z Pass. As you may know, you can monitor these initiatives and any other tendered proposition by visiting the Legislature's Web site at <http://www.maine.gov/legis/>.

Please be aware that my responsibility of being your voice at the State House is not taken lightly. I welcome your input for the various matters that will be deliberated and ask that you not hesitate to call upon me if you encounter an impasse with any State agency.

Most graciously,


Kathleen D. Chase
State Representative



MESSAGE TO THE CITIZENS OF WELLS

Dear Neighbors:

It is an honor to serve as your State Representative during the 124th session of the Maine State Legislature. I am your voice in Augusta and hope to hear input from many of you.

Maine faces a challenging year in 2009. Similar to many other states, Maine is facing significant budgetary revenue reductions due to the economic downturn. Today more than ever, it is important that we continue to make government as efficient as possible, while preserving services for those less fortunate. However, we must also invest wisely in education and job development so that our state's future remains bright.

Despite our many financial challenges, this year and next present many great opportunities. Federal economic stimulus dollars will give us the opportunity to make investments in areas including education and infrastructure. In addition to the two-year budget, we are also working on energy policy to increase building efficiency and alternative energy, while reducing our dependence on oil. We are also focusing on expanding access to affordable health care, improving education, growing jobs and reforming taxes.

I do not view my role as Representative to be one that is limited to Augusta. It is important to me to be present in the community and communicate with you directly.

Please do not ever hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns or if you need assistance with State Government. I can be reached by e-mail at RepDawn.Hill@legislature.maine.gov or by phone at 337-3689.

Once again, I am honored and grateful for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dawn Hill".

Dawn Hill
State Representative

TOWN CLERK

Vital Statistics Recorded:

Births	52
Deaths	90
Marriages	90

Record of Receipts for the fiscal yr 07/08:

Copies	\$ 6354.50
Burial Permits	210.00
Filings	90.00
Marriages	2,760.00
Business	15,135.00
Lodging	27,100.00
Permits (Junkyard, Solid Waste)	700.00
Background Check	450.00
Advertisements fees (Liquor/amuse)	3,430.00 1,820.00
Dogs	9,124.00
Fines	4,535.00
Sportsmen/ R.Vehicles/Sales Tax	81,040.90
Agent Fee	3,105.25
Clams	4,565.00
Excise tax (Boats)	12,402.60
Kennels	546.00

Total Receipts **\$ 173,368.25**

Record of Disbursements

STATE TREASURER	
Inland Fish & Wildlife	\$81,040.90
Animal Welfare Board	5,579.00

TOWN of WELLS

ACO Account	6,053.00
Town Treasurer	60,297.75
Legal ads 02-401-inc	3,430.00
Boat Excise	12,402.60
Clamming Licenses	4,565.00

Total Expenditures **\$173,368.25**

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica N. Keyes, CCM

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS

According to the Laws of the State of Maine, each owner of a dog age six months or older, shall on/or before January 1, annually, cause such dog to be licensed in the Municipal Clerk's office in the town where such dog is kept. Applicant must provide proof that such dog has been immunized against rabies. There will be an additional charge of \$ 15.00 for each dog licensed after the January 31st deadline. Owners of unlicensed dogs may be subject to a Warrant fee of \$25 per dog after the Selectmen issue a Warrant to the Animal Control Officer after the 1st of February.

A fee of \$ 11.00 shall be paid for each license issued on all dogs capable of producing young, male or female. Each dog shall be considered capable of producing young unless a certificate issued by a veterinarian stating that the dog has been made incapable of producing young. When such certification accompanies the application, the fee shall be \$ 6.00.

Kennel licenses are issued for a collection of dogs kept in a single location under one ownership for breeding, hunting, show, training, field trials and exhibition purposes. The dogs must be kept in a "proper enclosure" which must be inspected and certified by an officer in charge of animal control. Said certification must be presented to the clerk prior to the issuance of a kennel license.

Licenses may be obtained through the mail. Simply send the required certificates along with a check made payable to TOWN OF WELLS and S.A.S.E. to the Town Clerk's Office.

The Town of Wells has an ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE. It is unlawful for any owner to permit any dog to roam or run within the limits of the Town. Dogs must be leashed or under voice control at all times on all public ways and private property. Any dog found running at large shall be impounded at the Animal Shelter on Old Holland Road, West Kennebunk. Owners may reclaim their dog by first licensing, if applicable, and by paying a fine of \$30.00 to the Town. Fines payable at the Town Clerk's Office or at the Wells Police Department on holidays and weekends. Owners will also be responsible for any additional cost incurred by the dog at the shelter.

Wells has a "pooper-scooper" regulation which requires owners to remove any feces left by their dog.

REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED for fiscal year 07/08:

141	Males/Females
1,262	Neutered/Spayed
8	Kennels
0	Police/Guide Dog
7	Replacement tags
0	Transfers

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica N. Keyes CCM

TAX ASSESSOR

The assessments for the 2007-2008 fiscal year were based on condition and ownership of property on April 1, 2007, which was the state-wide assessment date. By mid-September, all of the new construction that was on site as of April 1st and any changes and adjustments that were made since last April 1st were entered into our Vision Appraisal computerized assessment program, along with updates to the current use programs (Tree Growth, Farm Land , Open Space and Homestead) and the business equipment tax program (Personal Property).

The taxes for the 2007-2008 fiscal year were committed and due on October 5, 2007. The next several months were spent dealing with assessment questions from taxpayers who have 185 days from the date of commitment to question or challenge an assessment. The list of formal abatement requests included 1 from an office condominium, 2 from oceanfront properties, 2 from industrial properties, and 1 from a property influenced by proximity to water and view. The issues regarding the office condominium, the oceanfront properties, and one of the industrial properties were resolved. The other industrial property case was appealed to the Board of Assessment Review and our decision to deny was upheld.

The owner of the property influenced by proximity to water and view advanced her appeal of the Board of Assessment Review decision to uphold our denial to Superior Court, where our denial was once again upheld based on the record and written argument.

During the winter months, we made a concerted effort to enroll as many taxpayers as were eligible for the Homestead, Veteran and Blind Exemption Programs by April 1st, the 2008 assessment date. During this same time, we contacted the mobile/rv parks for ownership updates of their site rentals and the local businesses for updated lists of their business equipment. This is the first year that eligible local businesses were able to apply for, and benefit from, the Business Equipment Tax Exemption program offered by the Maine Revenue Service. Those businesses not eligible for BETE were, for the most part, eligible to file for the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement program.

In the springtime, we started our yearly property review for the 2008-2009 fiscal year tax commitment. The Town of Wells is 62.75 square miles in size. With the growth that our town has experienced in recent years, it takes at least three months or so to cover this area. While two of us were out doing our review, the other two staff members are processing the information that was received after our contact with the mobile/rv parks and local businesses. These processes were still ongoing at the end of the 2007-2008 fiscal year on June 30, 2008.

There were many concerns voiced by taxpayers during 2007-2008 regarding the slumping real estate market. We did our last revaluation in 2005. Sale prices continued to increase in 2006 and during the first half of 2007. Sale prices started going down in 2007 and continued on that trend into 2008. By April 1st of 2008, we were basically back where we started at the 2005 level. As of January 2009, which is when this report was prepared, sales are all over the board, some higher than assessed value, some at assessed value and some lower than assessed value. We continue to monitor the situation on a monthly basis and are looking for a solid trend prior to making any adjustment to valuations.

Our staff includes myself, Keeley-Anne Lambert, CMA as Assistant Assessor, Tammi Hollins, CAT as Assessing Clerk and Lil Marquis as part-time Assessing Clerk. We would like to take this opportunity to recognize Tammi, our Assessing Clerk, for passing her Certified Assessment Technician exam. Along with our capable part-time clerk, the Assessors Office now has three state-certified staff members ready, willing and able to address the concerns of the taxpayers of Wells.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya J. Freeman, CMA
Assessor, Town of Wells

**ASSESSOR'S ANNUAL REPORT
2007-2008 Fiscal Year**

TAX COMMITMENT

Municipal Budget	\$13,421,810.00
Less Unappropriated Surplus	\$1,329,900.00
Less Est. Receipts & St Rev Shar	\$5,293,105.00
 Adjusted Municipal Budget	 \$6,798,805.00

BREAKDOWN OF TAX RATE

Municipal	\$6,798,805.00
CSD (School)	\$14,022,015.00
County Tax	\$1,287,400.52
Overlay	\$655,165.39
 Total Assessment	 \$22,763,385.91
Homestead Reimbursement	\$137,558.85
Net Assesment for Commitment	\$22,625,827.06

Tax Commitment
\$22,625,827.06

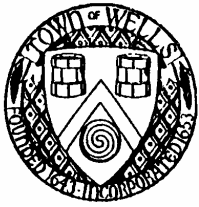
Valuation
\$2,846,015,983.00

Mil Rate
.00795

Supplemental Taxes
\$48,545.96

Abatements
\$27,112.23

Year	Town Valuation	Tax Rate per \$1,000
2001-2002	\$1,256,924,058.00	\$11.87
2002-2003	\$1,652,034,307.00	\$10.78
2003-2004	\$1,692,610,689.00	\$10.75
2004-2005	\$1,813,403,503.00	\$10.48
2005-2006	\$2,618,123,433.00	\$7.89
2006-2007	\$2,730,772,815.00	\$7.95
 2007-2008	 \$2,846,015,983.00	 \$7.95



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As another fiscal year closed for the Wells Code Enforcement Office the full swing of the 2008 summer was beginning. The economic slow-down that was starting to claim the rest of the country had not raised an eyebrow here yet. Building was strong, especially with single family renovation projects.

Old Marsh Golf Course started developing its infrastructure and golf greens in the fall of 2007. By the spring of 2008 single family home building permits were being issued. Construction of the club house and maintenance building had also started. Several years ago the Town of Wells reached a court settlement with the previous owner. As part of that settlement, instead of applying and waiting for a growth permit for each dwelling as other developers and citizens did; the Old Marsh Developer agreed to pay \$15,000.00 for each dwelling in lieu of waiting for a growth permit to be issued. This agreement could not become null and void if the growth ordinance ever expired. The growth ordinance did in fact have a “sunset” date of June 30, 2008. By that date the citizens would need to vote to continue a growth ordinance or dissolve the growth ordinance. At the April 25 & 26, 2008 Town Meeting, the citizens of Wells voted to no longer have a Growth Ordinance. Currently, the \$15,000.00 that is paid over and above the building permit fees for each dwelling unit in the Old Marsh Subdivision continues to be collected and is put into a separate account that the Selectmen manage. Construction will continue through the summer of 2009 and 2010. The total number of dwellings to be built is 131.

The Code Office has started to automatically schedule an inspection 90 days after a building permit had been issued. When that day approaches, if we have not already had an inspection, we will contact the contractor/owner and ask the status of the project. Looking at the past history of many projects over the years, it was found that an inspection never taking place was not uncommon. Therefore, we are now going through every file to see the status on those permits, dating back as far as 1999 and many are still open permits. As part of that process; we have to first find out if the projects that were permitted have actually been built. Research is then done, noting in the system if any inspections did take place, possibly visiting the property and closing out the permit. We then scan that permit into archives under the appropriate map and lot file. The system is backed up nightly so the data is available as part of the everyday operating system in the Code Office. Over time, it is the hope that it will alleviate some of the storage issues this office has. Currently, this office is holding at least 50,000 permits just in its office. It also has about 20 storage cabinets in the back storage area on the first floor of town hall. The process we use to scan is changing a document into a PDF file. The simplicity of that portion of technology

will most likely never change; therefore we have no reason to believe it will not be retrievable or unreadable with some type of imaging program through time.

Inspection based complaints and as part of customer service continues to be something we thrive to be better at. Stop work orders were unusually high this past year. Sometimes those issues become time consuming because the violator is difficult to make contact with and many times the structures do not meet the building code or zoning requirements as well.

We are finding as building continues and neighborhoods change, complaints seem to be higher. Complainants demand customer service to be effective and quick. The office looks at things objectively with all parties concerned. It also gives us the opportunity to analyze what may or may not be working from a zoning standpoint. Those thoughts and ideas are noted to bring before appropriate committees at a later date that could alleviate some of the strain in those neighborhoods with change.

The Code Office also found it did a large number of administrative meetings in the office and on site with developers and contractors regarding purposed projects and land purchases. It seems people are looking for innovative and creative ideas for existing structures and vacant land.

The Code Office issues building permits with many conditions attached, which has raised questions. Those conditions if they are read by the permit holder are actually portions of the code to help insure it is built compliant to the code with the most common errors that happen in the field. We do not expect everyone to know the code; therefore we hope this is a helpful tool and quick reference if needed.

The Code Office stays focused primarily on customer service and continues to pride itself on reaching out to the public by bringing in speakers, organizations and agencies to educate our peers and local tradesmen. Gathering information on new products we may hear of and working with who we consider to be the “experts,” the contractors and tradesmen in the field. Communicating and consistency in our expectations of one another in the field and in the office has proven to build mutual respect in what the Code Office does and what the person on the other side is trying to achieve.

Code Enforcement is thankful for the ongoing support from the community, giving us the opportunity to implement what we hope is “good change” from a friendly greeting at the counter to an inspection in the field. The process and procedures in this office has earned the Town of Wells Code Enforcement Office respect from our neighboring towns, our peers from State and Local organizations/committees and most importantly, the people that work and live in Wells.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodine L. Adams
Code Enforcement Officer

OFFICE OF CODE ENFORCEMENT

Permits issued for physical year July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

New single family homes:	56	\$13,100,944.00
New single family/foundation only:	44	\$1,111,800.00
Amendments to new single family homes:	7	\$284,000.00
Replacement of existing dwellings:	10	\$1,480,000.00
Single family additions and alterations:	246	\$4,120,938.30
New single family extensions:	5	\$380,000.00
Home occupations:	11	\$550.00
RV enclosures decks & add a rooms:	76	\$714,134.56
New seasonal cottages:	7	\$429,400.00
Sheds over 400 s. f.:	3	\$12,800.00
Sheds at or under 400 s. f.:	42	\$98,331.35
Mobile Home Replacements:	6	\$441,000.00
New duplexes:	8	\$1,183,000.00
Duplex Additions/alterations:	2	\$4,100.00
Multi family alterations/additions:	5	\$53,350.00
New Multi-family foundation only:	5	\$250,000.00
New Commercial:	8	\$7,305,000.00
Change of Use/Commercial:	1	\$1,200.00
Commercial amendment:	1	\$10,000.00
Commercial additions/alterations:	33	\$779,322.00
Demolitions:	33	\$85,525.00
Flood Permits:	14	\$175,000.00
Signs:	35	\$17,500.00
In-ground / above swimming pools:	13	\$186,545.00
Internal plumbing permits:	179	
Subsurface permits:	49	
TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED:	899	TOTAL VALUE \$32,224,440.21

Total field inspections performed by the Code Office: 3,161

Responsibilities and responses not related to issued permits

Complaints: 167
Violation Notices sent: 47
Stop Work Orders: 63
Consultations in the field: 123
Meetings in the office: 417
Lodging Complaints: 21

FIRE DEPARTMENT

To my fellow neighbors of Wells,

As I sit here and write the annual report for your Fire Department, I must report to you that our department members are doing a great job for this town. Although we are in need of more members and help, those that are members at present are making a difference in our community.

It must be acknowledged by our department that our administrative assistant Debra Nolette has been an outstanding employee. Deb has gone above and beyond her job description and duties. She takes on more tasks than is required. Many people in our community have commented to me about how professional and courteous she is to them. I wanted to publicly thank her for all that she is doing for us and to commend her for her dedication and outstanding job performance.

This past year, we saw the retirement of Allan Pinkham from the Fire Department. Captain Pinkham was with the Town's Fire Service since 1956. We wish him well in his retirement. We also saw Firefighter James Ward leave the Fire Department. Jim is now working at the Transfer Station.

Firefighter Ben Morey left us for the Bangor Fire Department. Ben was originally from that area and wanted to be closer to his family. We wish Ben well. Nathanael Pierce was hired to replace Ben. Nathanael is from the China, Maine area and has been a good asset to us. He has affinity for the water and enjoys the water rescue portion of being a firefighter.

During the year, several firefighters completed basic and advanced training courses that are pertinent to the duties and jobs of firefighters and/or officers. Roger Green, one of our call Captains, successfully completed Fire Officer I/II. Roger is our second officer to complete this course. Mark Robinson and Mike Greenwood completed the bridge course to Firefighter II. They have been with us for several years now and this course added to their skills and knowledge base. Brian Donahue, one of the newer call members, completed Firefighter I/II. Brian has been very active with us since he joined in the fall of 2007. Brian brings with him a background as a crane operator and his mechanical experience has been an asset to us.

To keep up with the current changes in fighting forest fires, Deputy Chief Shannon Bridges and Firefighters Robert Hendrick and Nathanael Pierce attended the State Forestry Academy held each year in Waterville.

As we have done for the last five years, our department recognizes those members who have gone above the minimum requirements. We have a program in our department that recognizes those individuals with outstanding dedication to our community and bestowing them the honor of Firefighter of the Year and Fire Officer of the Year. During 2008, we recognized Robert Spear as the Firefighter of the Year for the time he put into becoming qualified as a call member. His dedication to helping us maintain our vehicles was outstanding. For the second time in the history of the Fire Department, we recognized one of our officers and awarded Captain Ramon Nolette as Fire Officer of the Year. Many of you may recognize his name. Ramon has been with

us for over 33 years. Ramon is one of the most senior members and has been instrumental in assisting our new members in becoming comfortable and trained within our department.

We continue to receive small grants from Maine Forestry to outfit our firefighters with lightweight personal protective equipment. These lightweight shirts and pants have helped reduce the stress while extinguishing woods and brush fires.

First and foremost, Wells Fire Department wants to thank each resident and visitor for their continued support. Keep in mind; we are always looking for folks to join us, in any capacity, to become part of our team. We are continuously seeking additional people to become firefighters, drivers and scene support. There are duties assisting with station projects, fire prevention and education in our schools and day cares. We are also seeking those residents who may have an interest in becoming part of the emergency management functions. All you have to do is contact any member or stop by the Fire Station located at 1563 Post Road.

Below is a list of some of the actions done throughout the year:

Telephone pole fire	2
Building fire	21
Fires in structure other than in a building	1
Cooking fire, confined to container	4
Chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney or flue	4
Fuel burner/boiler malfunction, fire confined	0
Fire in mobile home used as fixed residence	2
Motor Home/Camper	3
Passenger vehicle fire	4
Road freight or transport vehicle fire	3
Forest, woods or Wildland fire	7
Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	8
Bark Mulch Fire	4
Grass fire	4
Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	7
Railroad tie fire	0
Outside equipment fire	0
Other Fire	2
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	274
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	56
Gas/vapor Explosion	1
Service Call	118
Good Intent Call	81
False Alarm & False Call	82
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	4
Special Incident Type	7
 Total Incidents	 699

Mutual aid was given to our neighboring communities 36 times and we had aid given to us 63 times. This is such an excellent example of how the fire service in York County helps each other.

In conclusion, our members have given to our community over 18,410.77 hours of training, responses and activities. Of those 18,410.77 hours, the department trained for 4,242.31 hours. Our Department conducted 75 inspections for the year. These inspections are for new construction, follow ups for change of uses, complaints and for safety. As you can see, we are very active in many tasks.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the members of the Fire Department for their dedication and commitment to our great town.

Emergency Management Report

The last several years have been extremely busy with the Emergency Management functions of the Town. As the Emergency Management Director for Wells, the challenges of the storms proved to be interesting and somewhat overbearing. However, we triumphed through them and continue to work with Maine Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agencies to repair our seawalls, improve our infrastructure and comply with the federally mandated training. These efforts have proven successful and allowed us to repair the seawall and other areas such as the Coles Hill Bridge, Skinner Mill Road Bridge and the culvert on Route 1 near Huston's Corner. As we continue to face an ever increased amount of incidents dealing with snow, floods, ice and wind, we ask all of you to be properly prepared. As residents of the Town, please remember to have your personal emergency kits consist of enough supplies for 72 hours and contact numbers to alert family members and friends should you have to relocate.

Lifeguard Report

The lifeguards have had a very busy year. They had several new members who decided to become lifeguards or transferred from other towns to join us. Each year the lifeguard squad is put through a test to ensure they have maintained their skills and physical fitness levels. In the last two weeks of June, you will see the squad practicing their water skills in the ocean, their physical fitness programs and numerous classroom sessions to prepare for the upcoming summer.

Brian Blanchard completed the summer as the Lifeguard Captain and in the fall he entered into the Coast Guard Service. Brian will be missed by us. He will be replaced by the Assistant Lifeguard Captain Jack Voishnis. Jack will be taking over the duties for the upcoming 2009 season.

Captain Voishnis is always available to answer any questions or explain how the squad operates. We would like to thank those neighbors along the beaches that have allowed us to park or store our rescue boards during the season. Your cooperation and assistance makes their jobs easier.

During the year, our lifeguards rendered assistance or aid 122 times. This includes persons in distress in the water near the jetties, first aid, missing persons and vehicle accidents located along the roads near the beaches. In addition to watching the water and beach for people in need of assistance, the lifeguards provide a valuable service for our Piping Plover Program. The birds are on our endangered species list and the town is required to provide a program to ensure the birds

habitat is not disturbed. Their pro-actions of education, keeping patrons from the nesting areas and informing visitors of the dog ordinance provide a great service for the town.

Healthy Beach Report

Maine Healthy Beaches is a statewide organization under the University of Maine Cooperative Extension/Sea Grant under the Departmental Environmental Protection and the Department of Health and Human Services that established a procedure to monitor the water quality of Maine's coastal swim beaches. Since 2003, Wells has participated in the Maine Healthy Beaches Program (MHP) to ensure the quality of our beaches.

Water samples are taken at eight different locations along the beaches in Wells. These samples are tested for *Enterococci*, and other disease causing bacteria. This is an indicator of the level of fecal contamination in the salt water. During the summer months the MHB Program routinely monitors coastal beaches for *Enterococci*, a US EPA-approved indicator of fecal contamination for marine recreational waters. Enterococcus indicates the possible presence of human disease-causing organisms. Studies conducted over the past two decades have shown *Enterococci* survive longer (0-45 days) in salt water compared to other fecal indicator bacteria, and *Enterococci* densities in recreational marine waters are most strongly correlated with GI illness. In other words, as the level of *Enterococci* bacteria increases, so does the risk of contracting GI illness. The risk of getting sick increases with prolonged exposure or with an increase in the number of times water is swallowed. Most of the studies used to determine this safety level define "swimming" as submersion of the head in water. This has the potential to make people sick.

When the program began in Wells, the on-duty firefighters and lifeguards took the samples for monitoring. Since then there has been a group of local citizens that have become trained and done a wonderful job in taking the water samples for the town. Samples are collected and brought to the fire station where they are collected by the carrier to be delivered to the lab for testing. All the data collected by the volunteers is entered by the fire department onto the MHB website. The lab then enters the results on the web for each site. Having this data healthy beach/advisories/closing etc. on the internet allows any citizen the opportunity to check the water quality on Maine beaches that are involved in the program. The web site: www.mainehealthybeaches.org.

I am happy to say that the water quality on Wells beaches is generally very good. Periodically, there are advisories or closings posted in certain areas due to higher than acceptable bacterial counts. This is just a safety precaution while we do a retest sample of that area. Usually this happens when there has been a large amount of rain in a short amount of time causing runoff. Our retests have most always come back fine. It is important to help keep our beaches clean.

I would like to thank all the firefighters, lifeguards and volunteers for their help in making this program such a success.

Thanks to the Wells Volunteers:

Anne Supenia (Volunteer Coordinator)

Karen Hull

Dana Willard

Rhoda Frederick

Barb Krew

Jan Robinson

Judy King

Ed Healy

Janis Shihab

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel M. Moore

Fire Chief/EMA/Lifeguard Director/Healthy Beach Coordinator

HARBOR MASTER

The year 2008 was probably one of the better years the Harbor had. Construction of the new Harbor Master building was started in May and completed in late July. The contractor, Littlefield Brothers Inc., built a building that most likely would be left standing after a tornado. It is not only built right, but it is very well insulated which makes it warm in the wintertime. Kudos to Littlefield Brothers!

During the summer of 2008 the Harbor was not very busy. Due to the high price of fuel, most boaters were not as active as normal.

The Town is actively trying to get the Harbor dredged, because the condition of the Harbor is getting worse during the winter months, as we continue to lose moorings due to sand buildup.

Outside of the dredging needs, the Harbor is doing very well.

Respectfully submitted,

Roland "Chick" Falconer
Harbor Master

WELLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

USAGE

- The 2007-2008 Fiscal Year was another busy year for the library with over 73,900 patrons visiting the library.
- **The number of new library cards issued increased by 18%** over last fiscal year, and total circulation increased by 4%.
- Approximately 16,075 people used our Internet computers. This does not include approximately 50 people who used the word processing computer, 300 children and students who used the CD game computers, and over 1000 people who used our wireless internet service, available from any location in our 11,143 square foot building.
- Both year-round patrons and visitors of all ages are also attending a variety of programs at the library. A total of **183 programs** were presented throughout the year representing an **increase of 8% increase from last year.**
- From the collection of Wells Public Library borrowers can choose from nearly 45,000 items including books, magazines, audiocassettes and CDs of books, VHS and DVD formats, children's family activity kits, and a growing collection of music CDs. We continued to increase our CD and DVD circulating collections, and continued the intensive weeding of materials that are outdated, in poor condition, and/or no longer used.
- **We processed 10,020 Interlibrary Loans this year, an increase of 23%**, and extended our Interlibrary Loan (ILL) van delivery service to a 4th day.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN OF MATERIALS through MINERVA

- **With our MINERVA online system, the Wells Public Library is open “virtually” every minute of every day!** It is possible to do all of the following online: search our catalog, view a patron record showing items checked out and requested, renew books, place a request or a hold on one or more item, and cancel requests previously placed.
- It is possible for patrons to see online when their requests are in transit or ready for pick up here at Wells Public Library. Just by visiting the Library's web site and clicking on the MINERVA button patrons can view and request items from any of the over 75 MINERVA Libraries and other Libraries in the Maine Info Net system - over 6 million Maine Library items! Most of the items requested will be delivered via State Van Delivery Service to the Wells Public Library within a few days and patrons receive notification that their item has arrived by phone or e-mail. Our patrons also enjoy courtesy reminders via e-mail when items are about to become due or are overdue.
- For patrons without access to a computer or who just wish for the staff to take care of placing their holds for them, we are very happy to do that in person or over the phone.

ADULT PROGRAMS

- **The Ethel M. Weymouth Art Gallery** located in the newspaper and magazine area continues to feature works by local artists on a monthly basis. On the first Saturday of the month the Friends of the Library sponsor an opening and reception for each new art exhibit. The public is welcome at these events which include a discussion between the artist(s) and the audience followed by refreshments. We are grateful for the time and efforts given by local artist Virginia Souza who is the Art Gallery liaison.
- Other adult programs included performing arts and musical programs, film programs, Reader's Theatre, author and historical presentations, a re-enactment of Mark Twain, and a program entitled “Living Green and Saving Money.” The majority of these programs were co-sponsored

by the Friends of the Library and by the Wells-Ogunquit Adult Community Education, and some were also co-sponsored by the Historical Society.

- The library also held monthly book discussions on the first Tuesday of every month in collaboration with the Wells-Ogunquit Adult Community Education. A special thank you to Asst. Dir./Youth Services Librarian Cindy Schilling for coordinating as well as facilitating these discussions.

CHILDREN'S AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

- Family programs generously sponsored by the Friends included a February vacation "B.J. Hickman Magic Show" program and April vacation program from Portland storyteller Jean Armstrong.
- Over **500 people attended the children's summer programs**. These included "The Mysteries of Monarchs" and Martha Dana and her life-sized puppets. Wells Police Detective Wayne Cronin talked about his work and how it differs from television and Animal Control Officer Bobbie Mescavage captivated everyone at the "13th Annual Wells Public Library Pet Show," where once again, every participant was a winner.
- Over 173 children ages 3 – 18 registered for our summer reading program which was entitled "Get a Clue @Wells Public Library." As in past years, we also offered a chance for a sweepstakes prize to all of our youthful readers who could enter each time they visited the Library to check out non-video materials. We had over 600 entries by the end of the summer and we are thankful to the many local businesses that donated prizes.
- In the spring of 2008 a "**Literature in the Garden**" program was held after school for third and fourth graders each week at the Library. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, this was a Junior Master Gardener, Golden Ray Series, 4-H Youth Development Program led by Master Gardener DiAnne Forrest. DiAnne was assisted by Barbara Allen and Diana Abbott.
- The library sponsors three regularly scheduled weekly programs throughout the school year: Mother Goose (Monday at 10:30 for ages 0-2 years,) Toddler Time (Wednesday at 10:30 for ages 2-3 years,) and Storytime/Craft (Wednesday at 1:00 for ages 3-5 years.) A Saturday morning Family Storytime designed for the entire family is held on the third Saturday of the month at 10:30.
- Wells-Ogunquit Adult Community Education collaborated with the Library to present 3 special programs for children and their families. These included the "Pumpkin P.J. Story Hour" in October, "Evening Fireside Stories" on a frosty night in January, and "Hooray for Dr. Seuss!"
- Cooperative and outreach efforts with the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District continued and the Library welcomes visits as well as displays from school and community groups of all ages. We invite members of the public to contact us if they have a special collection which they would be willing to share with the public in either our front door or standing locked glass display cases.

Some of our OTHER SERVICES

- A valuable resource that is accessible from a link on our library website is **MARVEL: Maine's Virtual Library**. This is a collection of **free searchable research databases** including magazines, newspapers, journals, dictionaries, encyclopedias, and images. Over 65 databases are available at the click of a button containing information for all ages, interests, and occupations.
- Once again the Friends of the Wells Public Library sponsored the **Portland Museum of Art and Children's Museum passes** and the "Small is Beautiful" outreach program.
- The Friends continued to sponsor the **Bill Ryan Memorial Children's Book Art Collection** which houses original artwork from Maine illustrators. This collection, established in memory of dedicated Trustee and Friend of the Library member Bill Ryan, can be found on the walls of the Library children's area. This year's new addition to the collection was an illustration from the

book *Iron Hans: A Grimms' Fairy Tale* retold by Stephen Mitchell and illustrated by Ogunquit artist Matt Tavares.

- The Friends also sponsor an **ongoing book sale near the front entrance** which contains a wide variety of books to purchase at a minimal cost.
- The Library continued to sponsor the **AARP Tax Aid program** for low income and senior taxpayers from February 1 through April 15.

VOLUNTEERS

- Weekly **volunteers continue to be one of the Wells Public Library's greatest assets**. The staff honored our volunteers at a "Breakfast at Tiffany's" themed brunch during April's "National Volunteer Week." As is done each year, the staff of the Library made the food for the feast, and each volunteer received a special gift.

TRUSTEES

- The Library appreciates the hard work and guidance provided by the Board of Trustees, Chaired by Dr. Patricia Prendergast, to ensure that the Library continues its standard of excellent service. (See the Library Board of Trustees Annual Report.)

OUR STAFF

- The staff at Wells Public Library continues to show exceptional dedication and teamwork in facing challenges, be they brought on by short staffing situations, new technology enhancements, or other challenges that arise in this rapidly changing field. Staff continues to participate in professional development and to work as a team as we strive for more successful and efficient ways to carry out our mission. We continue to grow as a center for lifelong learning meeting the informational and recreational needs of the community.

We hope that you visit us often, both in person and at our website. We invite you to share your ideas and avail yourself of our diverse collection of materials in many formats, our adult, children's, teens, and family programming, and our technological and other services. All of us at the Wells Public Library appreciate your continued support and look forward to serving you each day!

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine LaForgia Canterbury
Library Director

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Once again it is time for an annual report. As usual with these things, the report period itself covers a fiscal year (in this case, the one that began July 1, 2007) although this is being written in 2009. Last year when I did this, the year in which I was writing the report did not differ significantly in many ways from the year about which the report was written. This year, however, to say that 2009 does not differ from the last part of 2007 and the first half of 2008 could be seen either as a sign that I don't know much about economics, or that I was making an effort to mislead the public.

The Staff

Michael Huston remains the Director of the Office of Planning and Development, and Shannon Morey the Planning Assistant. As in the past, we have worked on the forms to try and make them user friendly, as well as to make certain that changes are made to them when the Town Meeting votes to make changes in the Wells Code. Most of the forms that one needs may be found on line, along with a fee schedule and of course the Code itself.

I got to move back to the second floor of the Town Office, where my office remains. We have added some filing cabinets; a new printer to enable us to make full size copies of plans; and updated all of the plans and files for which it was necessary.

The Work

The 2007-2008 year saw no new large scale projects, although there were several smaller ones, and some amendments to some approved ones. Some of the projects that had been in the pipeline were approved, including Chapel Crossing, which will be a large residential subdivision with some professional buildings off of Chapel Road. The slowdown in the economy has stretched out the timeline for this project.

Because the Town voted to do away with the Growth Ordinance, we expected that there would be some new subdivision activity with larger numbers of housing, or perhaps with more rental units within the proposed developments. Thus far, there has been no action related to that. It is encouraging, I believe, that there has also not been any effort on the part of developers with "affordable" housing units to change those units to market rate. Although the need for such workplace housing will continue to be high, and essentially unmet in the Town of Wells for the near future, there are units in the pipeline that should help to decrease the gap between what it needed and what is available.

This office of course, provides staff for the Planning Board; for the Staff Review Committee; and for the Board of Selectmen when requested. The work of the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee will be winding down, but there will be work to do with regard to amendments to the Wells Code.

The Planner is also the representative for the town on several regional committees or projects, including the Route One Corridor Commission; the Executive Committee of Southern Maine

Regional Planning; and *ad hoc* groups that turn up. Shannon ably represents the Department on the Town's Technology Committee, and the town by virtue of her work with several projects sponsored at least in part by the Wells Reserve.

The Committees

The Planning Board is an appointed group of Wells residents who take their jobs seriously. This seven person group (5 regular and 2 alternate appointees) has never been shy about speaking out to developers and to the staff about how they see a project moving along. The turnover on the Board has, for the most part, ceased. The caliber of the individuals serving on this important committee is very high.

The Staff Review Committee consists of the Planner, head of the Code Enforcement Office, and someone representing the Police Chief, Fire Chief and Road Commissioner. By ordinance, the SRC can review certain smaller projects and/or amendments.

The Planning Board meets the second and fourth Monday of every month in the Littlefield Meeting Room; all meetings start at 7:00PM, and we try to televise them. The public is always invited. The Staff Review Committee meets the first and third Tuesday of every month; those meetings begin at 9:00AM, are also held in the Town Office, and the public is most welcome to attend. These meetings are not televised.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Huston
Town Planner



POLICE DEPARTMENT

I would like to start off this year's article by thanking the Police Chief's selection committee, Board of Selectmen, and Town Manager Jane Duncan for the opportunity to lead the Wells Police Department as its Chief.

We have several new faces here at Wells PD; in November of 2007, Steven J. McDonald joined the department. He is a native of Sanford and came to us after working for over 22 years for Genest Concrete. He graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in May of 2008.

Officer Jeremy Baron and Officer Rachel Horning also joined our patrol division in 2008. Officer Baron grew up in North Berwick, Maine and worked at the York County Jail as a guard before coming to Wells PD. He graduated from the MCJA this past November. Officer Horning transferred to the patrol division after working a year as a dispatcher. Rachel is also a Maine native and will be starting her 18 week training at the MCJA in January of 2009.

Sandra Skoczen and Ryan Moody were both hired in 2008 to fill vacancies in the Communications Division. Skoczen came to us after a 17 year career as a dispatcher for the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office in Colorado. Moody worked for Wells PD as a summer dispatcher for 4 summers while completing his undergraduate degree at the University of New Hampshire and began full-time in September of 2008.

The newest addition to the police department's K-9 Division is "Proxy", a 1½ year old black lab. She was purchased from the Maranatha Kennels in West Buxton. Proxy is partnered with Officer Adam Shaw and they are currently training to become certified in narcotics detection.

This year our department Meeting/training, which is held annually at the end of June, was held at the York County Community College. During the event, Corporal Kevin Chabot received the Police Department's Employee of the Year Award for his exceptional work ethic, his supervision of the K-9 program, his mentoring of young officers, continuing his education, and his hard work and dedication to the traffic safety program.

2008 was the first full year that we utilized IMC, our new records management and dispatching software. Several departments in York County use the same software and with permission from the agencies, we are able to access their data which we have used to assist us with several of our cases.

Thanks to grants received from the Bureau of Highway Safety, all of our front line cruisers are now equipped with Panasonic Toughbook computers. These computers are used for many different aspects of law enforcement, such as assisting officers in the collection of data at accident scenes, facilitating silent dispatching, allowing officers to type reports while in their cruisers, and if dispatch is busy with another call they can run drivers license and registration checks to name a few.

Wells PD received close to \$10,000 in grants from the Bureau of Highway Safety to put extra patrols on specifically for speeding, seatbelt, and OUI enforcement during the summer and early fall.

The Wells Police Department competed against law enforcement agencies statewide in the Bureau of Highway Safety's Law Enforcement Challenge where departments compile their traffic statistics and outline their respective departments' traffic enforcement and safety programs. Corporal Kevin Chabot put together a presentation which took second place in the large department category. The department was awarded a LIDAR, which is a speed measuring device that utilizes laser technology.

Due to the change in the date of the town meeting, the figures in the annual report for the police department are for the 2008 calendar year instead of the usual fiscal year. The men and women of the department were very busy handling 27,043 calls for service during 2008 which is a 25% increase from calendar year 2007 (21,595).

Two burglaries were reported at businesses in the Wells Corner Plaza and one residence on Branch Road in late 2007 and early 2008. After an investigation by our Criminal Investigation Division a juvenile was charged with three counts of Burglary, three counts of Theft, and one count of Receiving Stolen Property. A second juvenile was charged with one count of Burglary.

A theft of over \$10,000 in cash was reported to us in June from a local store and the ensuing investigation led to the arrest of a 42 year old female on felony theft charges.

At the culmination of a county-wide investigation, two suspects were indicted for three burglaries into local greenhouses. The two suspects had broken into several greenhouses and golf courses in York County.

Wells PD saw an increase in burglaries (33%) and thefts (23%) in 2008. This may in part be attributed to our economic climate. We also had a large rise in the number of domestic disturbances (70%) and assaults (264%) from the previous year.

The following is a portion of the calls that the men and women of the police department handled during 2008:

Burglary	52
Theft	173
Assault	62
Domestic Disturbances	88
Criminal Mischief	134
Harassment/Threatening	78
OUI	65
Missing Persons/Runaways	33
Sexual Assaults	6
Sex Offender Registrations	53
Background Checks	153

The police department received recognition from the Department of Marine Resources, University of New England, and the NOAA Fisheries for our assistance last May with a beached Pilot whale on Wells Beach. For several days department employees were involved with the care of the whale; which ultimately did not survive.

From December 12th to the 17th members of the department manned the Emergency Storm Shelter set up at the Wells Elementary School for citizens displaced due to the ice storm and power outage. This shelter

provided a warm place, a warm meal, shower facilities, and good company for anyone needing these services.

A reminder to dog owners that you are required by state law to register your dog(s) at the Town Clerks office if it is over 6 months of age, and must be reregistered by the end of January each year.

Included in services offered by Wells PD, is the inspection and installation of child safety seats. Officer John Riegel and Officer Joshua Stewart are certified by the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration to provide this service. This is offered free of charge, you just need to make contact with either officer to set up an appointment.

As always the men and women of the Wells Police Department are available 24 hours a day to address any questions or concerns you may have.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jo-Ann Putnam
Chief of Police

“Working Together to make Wells a Safer Community”

WELLS PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Wells Recreation Dept. has seen a steady increase in the numbers of children attending our summer day camp and the summer of July 2007 was no exception. The demand for child care is steadily increasing and the numbers of day campers are rising, with a total of 250 campers. We have been very fortunate to have many in our summer staff return each summer. Applications begin to come in during March each year and interviewing starts during the 3rd week of April.

In the fall of 2007 we had our always successful Haunted Halloween Hayride with over 100 volunteers setting up haunted scenes in the woods at the Park on 9A. We had over 1,000 attendees.

The winter of 2008 was definitely a challenge with all the snow and cancellations. We always try to add on to the end of programs when we have to cancel for a day so that they get in the full 6 or 8 weeks of programming. The snow certainly did help with our cross country ski and snowshoe rentals. Many people enjoyed our scenic trails that were groomed the previous spring by Day of Caring volunteers and our maintenance staff.

In the Spring of 2008 it took a while for the fields to dry out for our lacrosse, t-ball, Jr. Baseball and other outside programs, but we managed to get everything started in a timely fashion.

Wells Activity Center Directors are working on constructing additions to the building for storage areas through fund raising. They recently purchased a new refrigerator with the help of donations, roast beef dinners, bottle returns and fundraising events, such as their Annual Yard Sale held in June each year. A special thank you to Frank Higgins and Tom Perkins for all the time and effort they have given raising funds for the Activity Center.

Money raising efforts are still under way for our pavilion. We held a camp counselor auction during the summer and held our annual Halloween Hayride. Thanks to Hannaford and Johnsonville Brats \$2,278.00 was raised this year selling brats plus an additional \$1,000.00 donation from Hannaford making a grand total for this year and last year combined of \$7,282.00.

Thank you to Wells Elementary School for the use of your facilities and to our 200 plus volunteers who help us run our programs and special events, including coaches, referees, special event helpers, Day of Caring and many others.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina LeBlanc
Recreation Director



The Wells Information Center is located at the Wells Chamber of Commerce Building at 136 Post Road (Route 1) in Moody. The Center serves as a full-time, year-round service facility. During the winter months of January, February and March, the Center is open five days a week, Monday through Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm. From mid-May through mid-October, the center is open 7 days a week from 9:00am to 5:00pm and during July and August, the hours are extended to 7:00pm on Friday evening and 6:00pm on Saturday evening.

The staff is comprised of six part-time employees all realizing the importance of tourism as it relates to the financial well-being of the Town of Wells. Their responsibilities include greeting visitors at the Center, answering telephone inquiries regarding lodging availability, fielding questions regarding town activities such as the Summer Concert Series at Harbor Park, Laudholm Farm events, activities sponsored by the Wells Recreation Department, Wells Public Library, youth and school groups. In addition, the Information Center staff shares schedule information about the Downeaster Train and the Shoreline Explorer Summer Trolley service.

Funding for the Information Center is shared by the Town of Wells and the Wells Chamber of Commerce. The Town pays 40% of the total cost of running the Center and the Chamber pays 60%. In addition, the Chamber pays 100% of the costs incurred for advertising and promoting the Town of Wells and 100% of the cost of publications used to fulfill the information inquiries.

The Information Center displays hundreds of brochures which are divided by business category for easy access. Bulletin boards are available for displaying flyers for current social events. The Center also has courtesy telephones that can be used for inquiries by our visitors, a television and tape with coverage of the Wells area is continuously playing and a computer is available for our visitors to search the Wells Chamber web site – www.wellschamber.org.

We thank you for your ongoing commitment and desire to invite our visitors in to share our wonderful community. We look forward to continuing our working relationship.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor J. Vadenais
Executive Director
Wells Chamber of Commerce



WELLS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

“Team of Excellence”



MISSION STATEMENT: *Wells EMS is committed to serving the needs of the Wells community with a team of skilled dedicated professionals, providing a progressive, economical, out of hospital optimum care and/or transportation medical services system*

“DON’T GUESS CALL EMS”. Citizens, Friends, and Visitors, Wells Emergency Medical Services (WEMS), Inc. (non-profit 501 C), provides 24 hour emergency ambulance service, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, with 3 fully equipped ambulances. The service is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. The day to day operations is overseen and served by, the WEMS Director, the only full time employee. Excellent patient care and ambulance transport is delivered by 35 dedicated, part time employees. They are experienced professionals who must participate in on-going training and education programs, and must relicense every three years through the State of Maine Emergency Medical Services office. They receive no benefits, i.e. health insurance or retirement fund, only what is required by law. Their EMS licenses are from Basic Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) to the highest EMS license – Paramedic. Currently we have 7 EMT – Basics, 8 EMT-Intermediates, and 20 Paramedics. Our employees are from around Southern Maine, including Towns from Windham to York, and Milton Mills to Wells. One employee moved to Vermont, but continues to do shifts with us. We hire only the best, and experienced no turnover of employees. We have not advertised for employment. Openings are made aware of through word of mouth. Individuals who wish to be employed are added to a waiting list.

Our volunteer Board of Directors are experts and professionals in their own vocation. Much appreciation and gratitude is extended to them for their many unconditional volunteer hours of dedication, commitment and leadership.

This year we responded to one thousand four hundred and thirty-five (1435) emergency requests for the ambulance. The types of calls included but were not limited to burns, seizures, strokes, poisonings, diabetic emergencies, abdominal pain, cardiac arrests, psychiatric emergencies, public assists, and traumatic events with bleeding, broken bones, lacerations, and internal injuries. High percentages of our calls are respiratory and cardiac emergencies. We also responded to fires providing medical coverage and assisting the firefighters as well.

When not responding to emergencies, our crews are active in the community providing ambulance coverage for various activities, and training / education. For example you can see us at school games, parades, and festivities at the harbor and Laudholm Farm outings. We also provide assistance through education to the school’s health classes and scout organizations. We also provide tours of our ambulances and the quarters in which we are housed. Many of our employees are Emergency Medical Service instructors who in their down time put together lesson plans.

This 2007 / 2008 Annual Report extends our sincerest appreciation and thank you to our Service Medical Director, Dr. Eliot Smith, M.D. who has served as our volunteer Medical Director since the start of this service, November 1990. Dr. Smith was one of the visionaries that unconditionally volunteered his expert medical guidance in the development of Wells Emergency Medical Services. He continued to volunteer his time for the next 18 years. Giving guidance and support, training and education, and writing protocols, for our EMTs and Paramedics. Most importantly, he oversaw our Quality Assurance Program. A program that assures, we deliver the highest quality of patient care. Care that assures you and your loved ones are treated and transported with professionalism, skill, compassion, and most important – respect.

Thank you, Dr. Smith, for your dedication and commitment. We look forward to your continued guidance and leadership.

Have you participated in our Annual Subscription Drive? You should receive the information by July, if you don't please call and we will mail you the information, it goes to every box holder in Wells. The funds generated from the Subscription Drive are used to decrease our budget request from the Town of Wells as well as allowing us to maintain our commitment to excellence in serving the Wells community.

We sincerely thank you for your continued support, which permits us the privilege to be an exemplary ambulance service. We are always glad to hear from you, please feel free to stop in, 114 Sanford Road (we are housed in the York Hospital Urgent Care facility). We do blood pressure checks, any time, free of charge. If you have any questions please call us at 641-8099, we look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Hludik
Wells EMS Director

Board of Directors

Monique Cote, President
Thomas Oliver, Vice-President
Bob Robinson, Secretary
Marjorie Ann Page, Treasurer
Dr. Patricia Prendergast
Sheila Hills, Accountant
Sue Hludik, EMS Director
Dan Moore, Fire Chief
Jo-Ann Putnam, Police Chief
Dr. Eliot Smith, M.D., Medical Director
Christopher Chase, Selectman

BUDGET COMMITTEE

A municipal budget is difficult enough never mind when we are experiencing such tough economic times. Your budget committee rose to the challenge by starting the process nearly eight months ago. Following the auditor's recommendations we continually refine the process and improve the bottom line. This upcoming budget began with a strong message to flat line operational expenditures. Department heads responded with efforts that all can be proud of, as they requested no additional monies unless justified with backup. I am always impressed by the Town's entire staff as their efforts to provide exceptional services to our town within a never ending "do more with less" budget constraint.

Our work as a committee of volunteers is equally impressive as the long hours and dedication to duty so often is not known by many. As Chair I recognize your efforts and talents and say thank you to everyone. Your commitment shows forth in a budget that continues providing staff with resources to do their job and an overall reduction in the municipal budget that voters can get behind. Listed below are those Budget Committee members who deserve much appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

Karl Ekstedt
Budget Chairman

Robert Subilia – Vice Chair
Luke Guerrette
Paul Littlefield
Jack Webster
Suzanne Menard
Leo Ouellette – Treasurer & Committee Secretary
Jane Duncan – Town Manager
Jim Spiller – Selectmen Rep.

CIP COMMITTEE

The goal of the C.I.P. Committee is to guide the Town in making suitable capital goods purchases, and to set up schedules for the replacement of older capital equipment such as Fire and Highway Department rolling stock.

The C.I.P. Committee recommends and plans on capital items of \$10,000 in cost and having a life span of ten years or more. All of our recommendations are designed to increase the efficiency of operations, thereby saving the Town money over time, and to promote general safety and welfare, i.e., sidewalks, rescue, crafts, seawalls, police communications, equipment etc.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell Grethe
Suzanne Menard
Jim Morrison
David G. Talevi

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

During the past year the Conservation Commission has again made its primary work enhancing the Town Conservation Lands at the Fenderson Commons and the Great Haith. The Town's Conservation Lands are dedicated to preservation of habitat for animals, and preservation of undeveloped land for townspeople to carry on traditional outdoor recreation such as hiking, snowshoeing, fishing, hunting, photography, and picnicking.

The Commission has negotiated an agreement by which 129 acres of land that will be donated to the Fenderson Wildlife Commons at no cost to the Town as part of a wetlands mitigation decree. The Commission has continued long-term negotiations with landowners in the vicinity of the Great Haith and the Fenderson Wildlife Commons to acquire key parcels of land that extend the Town's holdings and that protect the water resources of the Merriland River. Because the Town acquires land only from willing sellers, and because of the complexities of family land ownership, these negotiations often prove to be lengthy. We are currently working to acquire land and easements that will permit direct access to the Great Haith area, with its massive peat bog and rich wildlife habitat.

In the Fenderson Commons, the Commission has supervised the work of Seth Morse who has built a kiosk to hold interpretive materials as part of his Eagle Scout Community Service Project. As summer approaches, the Commission will be adding to the trail system in the Fenderson Commons.

In other annual activities, the Commission has again awarded scholarships to two youths to attend a week long session at the Maine Conservation School, where they study soil and water and wildlife conservation, and learn orientation and tracking skills. We have represented the Town on the Stewardship Committee of the Wells Estuarine Research Reserve. The Commission has sponsored the Conservation Poster Contest for students in schools within the Wells-Ogunquit School District.

We have spent considerable time designing a Conservation Commission website that will offer maps of the Town's Conservation holdings, natural history, and suggestions for visitation. This website should be up and running by early summer.

The Commission cordially invites Townspeople to help with the effort to keep the Town green by preserving its lovely woods and fields and rivers. If you would like to volunteer, or to suggest the need for Town Conservation Lands in your neighborhood, please ring the Town Office at 646.5113 ext 200 and let us know.

On behalf of the Town the Conservation Commission welcomes discussion with landowners who may wish to sell or donate land to the Town, with possible tax advantages. We would also be glad to discuss conservation easements, by which the landowner keeps possession along with specific rights such as timber harvesting, while preserving the wildlife habitat. Finally, as good neighbors we are always interested in speaking with landowners near the Wildlife Commons to communicate our goals and seek their support.

The Commission wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Budget Board, the Town Manager, and the Town Assessor for their support on the project of preserving open space in Wells.

Respectfully submitted,

Owen Grumbling, Chair

TOWN HISTORIAN

Webhannet Garden Club

The Bridge of Flowers at Webhannet Falls requires much care. Several times each week the gardens need watering, weeding, deadheading and fertilizing depending on the season's weather. During June, July, August and early September once a month or oftener members assume the weekly care. Those participating during the summer of 2008 were: Barbara Allen, Donna Berg, Margi Rasche, Helene & Bob Rutledge, Hope Shelley and Barbara & Pete Woodbury.

The flower barrels scattered throughout the community are similarly cared for by Garden Club members. Helene Rutledge has the responsibility for those at the intersection of Route One and Nine as well as Drakes Island; Wendy Magner for those at Harbor Park and at the beach entrance at the Atlantic Avenue parking lot; Janice Dickerson & Zoe Moulton at the Library; Margi Rasche & Deborah Foster at the intersection of 9 and 9B and Hope Shelley at the Bridge of Flowers.

The monuments at Storer Park, the Wheelwright Garrison, Meetinghouse, Edmund Littlefield homestead and Webhannet Falls sites were planted prior to Memorial Day by Charlotte Moody and Hope Shelley. Hope returned weekly to water, fertilize and deadhead through out the summer. The monuments at Founders Park and the Hazel Davis marker site were also cared for weekly by Hope. The town does assist in the funding for the purchase of plants for these sites.

Schoolhouse Division 9

Although the Preservation Committee has been non existent for several years, volunteers still serve as docents for the weekly tours during July and August, as well as those by special appointment. Hope & Helene contacted each docent and established the schedule. Helene hosted the docent tea in June for those who would serve. Two volunteers serve each week. The following served for the 2008 season: Diana Abbott, Donna Berg, Janice Dickerson, Bunny Hilton, Grace Littlefield, Charlotte Moody, Marion Noble, Helene & Bob Rutledge, Hope Shelley and Janet Tracy.

As your town historian, I have continued to share with town officials my concerns relative to the Division 9 Schoolhouse maintenance, the lack of annual care for all of the veteran's cemeteries within the town as well as the spotty maintenance of the three parks.

A debt of gratitude is owed to all the volunteers who give their volunteer hours to beautify the town with flowers and man our landmark treasures so that they may be open for the public to enjoy.

I am pleased, as Town Historian, to assist folks who call relative to local history, genealogy, dating of the early homes and who share concerns relative to our cemeteries and changing landscape. I attempt to refer them to the appropriate resources whenever possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Hope M. Shelley
Town Historian

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF WELLS & OGUNQUIT, INC.

The Historical Society of Wells & Ogunquit maintains and operates The Historic Meetinghouse as their mission to foster an understanding and appreciation of history for the enlightenment and education of residents and visitors.

The 300th Celebration of the Town of Wells in 1953 brought realization to the towns-people of the importance of their town in history. The common interest and enthusiasm of the time brought to focus the need for an historical society. On March 15, 1954, a group was duly organized and a charter received for the Historical Society of Wells & Ogunquit, Inc.

In the spring of 1966, the Congregational Church, which had merged its two congregations, approached the Society with the offer of the First Church for the Society to utilize to implement its goals. In 1967, the Society agreed to the stipulations imposed by the Church and in 1969 the deed was passed. The building would be called the Historic First Church.

The Historical Society of Wells & Ogunquit is a dedicated and visible community organization that is recognized as a principle repository of the historic past, a vital participant in the understanding of the present and a prism through which to shape the future.

The Building that houses the Historical Society underwent several capital improvements in 2008. New shutters were made and painted, the building itself was painted and the area in front of the building was re-landscaped. Future improvements include an upgrade to the steeple.

The Historic Meetinghouse Library and Museum is opened from Memorial Day to Columbus Day Tuesday through Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Winter Hours are Wednesday and Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 207-646-4775 or wohistory@maine.rr.com

WELLS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Trustees, librarians and staff have had a very busy and challenging year. It has also been a landmark year. It was the very successful 30th year anniversary of the completion of the 5500 square foot library, built in 1978. It was a remarkable reminder of what can be achieved when townspeople work together on a project of significance that had been sought after for such a long time. Individuals and organizations offered help, guidance, time, talents, and gifts to bring about this long held dream of a library for the citizens of Wells. The library opened with 609 patrons, 1660 books of which 49% were donated by residents and 51% appropriated.

Just less than fifteen years later it became evident that more space was needed – especially space for newly offered children’s programs. The rapid increase in the town’s population, an influx of retirees, summer visitors, including visitors from around the world, had a serious impact upon the library – its materials, its services and its staff. Library services of necessity were not only increased, but services changed greatly over time. Patrons in greater numbers now came to the library, many to browse books and magazines, but in greater numbers to borrow audio equipment, DVDs, use computers, the internet, e-mail, and to attend children’s programs and adult cultural programs. The library’s size was doubled in 1993 to the present 11,000 square feet.

The population of Wells, over the next fifteen years, continued to increase to more than 10,000 by 2008. The number of patrons visiting the library has grown to 73,900, books numbered more than 44,000, internet users grew to 16,075, and an additional 1000 people used our wireless internet service. Interest in adult cultural programs, children’s programs, and young adult programs continued to attract people. One hundred eighty three programs were offered, an increase of 8 per cent over the past year. Interlibrary loans processed this year totaled 10,020. Six thousand thirteen (6013) were ordered through MINERVA by our patrons, while four thousand seven (4007) items were provided to other libraries within the state by the Wells Public Library representing an increase of twenty three per cent (23%) . (See Director’s Annual Report for further information). These increases in services have had a dramatic impact upon librarians and staff. In spite of limited staffing and much limited space, librarians and staff have focused upon providing excellent service. Responding to these increases in service would not have been possible without hard work of a very dedicated library staff. From all reports they have been successful. The library from the beginning was considered a “town treasure” and it continues to be that to this day. It is considered a “Center of the Community”.

Additionally, the economic downturn, which appears to be a long-lasting problem, has only exacerbated the need for additional personnel. The downturn of the economy has had an adverse effect upon the library. As the economy has gone down attendance at the library has increased significantly. Circulation has increased by 4 per cent, while cards issued increased by 18 per cent. Patrons, it appears, are using internet services for employment opportunities, completing applications, and writing resumes as they experience financial strain and/or unemployment. That use is quite different from patrons’ past use. Libraries throughout the nation report this phenomena.

At this time, in 2008, fifteen years after the library expansion in 1993, the Board of Trustees has been addressing the third phase of the Long Range Plan, 2005-2010 which calls for addressing and assessing the feasibility of an expansion of the library. The Board of Trustees, Librarians and staff are working with a professional Building Program Statement Consultant, who will analyze departmental needs / space needs in each departmental area of the library, after which he will produce a Building Program Statement. This statement will define each architectural space, square footage needed in the library based upon population and other library data requested, as well as how rooms / spaces relate to other spaces. Furniture and equipment requirements are also itemized. The mission of the consultant is to assess library

needs independent of the means required to meet these needs. We are anxiously awaiting and looking forward to reading the program statement.

Library Trustees wish to acknowledge the generous funding provided by the Friends of the Library. They do an outstanding job each year. They have funded children's programs, adult programs, the improvement of the library's website which is presently being redesigned, and a number of other library needs. Members also volunteer at the library, raise money by holding book sales and craft shows. Their single goal is to support the library, and to assure its ability to offer excellent programs to the citizens of Wells. To be sure, the library would not have been able to offer the many excellent programs they have offered were it not for the Friends.

We are also extremely grateful for the faithful assistance of the library's cadre of "other volunteers" – growing in number – who are also a dedicated, conscientious group of men and women who shelve materials, repair books, equipment, and help with whatever needs help.

The Board of Trustees also appreciates the community's generous support without which we would be unable to deliver the many educational, informational, recreational services that we offer. As Library Trustees we are charged with the guardianship of our library, a vitally important institution, which provides free and open access to information for every citizen. We want the community to know that we take our elected duties seriously. We intend to provide the best library service that we can for the citizens of the Town of Wells. We welcome and encourage your input.

While there have been many reasons for celebration at the Wells Public Library this year, there has been one happening which has caused great sadness and regret. That sadness was the demise of the former President / Chairperson of the Library Board of Trustees, Bill Houlihan who served the library for six years. Bill was devoted to the library. He initiated the development of the present Long Range Plan, 2005-2010. He was energetic, a computer wizard, offered board members and staff computer workshops, and worked as a volunteer to deliver books to those individuals who were housebound. Even after he retired from the Board he came back to work on a committee as a citizen with a special interest and special skills. His dedication to the library was total. He is missed.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia J. Prendergast, President/ Chairperson
Wells Public Library Board of Trustees

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals is a volunteer board of town residents comprised of 5 members and 3 associate members appointed to 3 year terms by the Board of Selectmen. As of December 2008 there is 1 unfilled associate member position.

The Zoning Board of Appeals provides a forum for residents, property owners, and other interested parties to present appeals when they believe that the Land Use Ordinance is not being fairly or properly enforced, or to request relief from some of the requirements of the Land Use Ordinance.

During the period of July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 the Zoning Board of Appeals heard 16 appeals:

- 7 Administrative Appeals
- 8 Variance Appeals
- 1 Mislocated Building Appeal.

On behalf of the entire Zoning Board of Appeals, I would like to thank the Code Enforcement Office for their excellent support.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilber L. Gosbee
Chairman

UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REAL ESTATE TAXES AS OF 6/30/09

ADLER, TRUDY	2.58	*	BLAKE, ROBERT S	1103.46	*
ALBER, CHARLES C	8.37	*	BLUE DOLPHIN LLC, THE	105.67	
ALDRIDGE, MARY LYNN	913.30	*	BLUE DOLPHIN LLC, THE	2844.24	
ALEXANDER, ADAM N ETAL	20.67		BOHLMANN, ROBERT	503.24	
ALFREDOS ITALIAN PIZZERIA	143.06	**	BOIS, RICHARD J JR	1072.92	*
ALLAIRE, SANDRA L ETAL	363.79	*	BOISVERT, DIANNE	1809.42	
ALLEN, JASON C	1523.46	*	BOLDUC, LARRY	72.58	
ALLEN, NORMAN JR	192.07	*	BOREALIS BREADS	539.45	*
ALLEN, THOMAS J ETAL	103.43		BORRIELLO, STEVE	75.76	*
ANESTIS, PETER R	432.10		BOUCHER, JAMES E	1378.29	*
ANGELUCCI, ALBERT	1.74	*	BOUCHER, PAUL	325.39	
ANGIOLILLO, JAMES A	1944.89	*	BOURASSA, BRANDY	555.07	
ANNESE, JOHN	185.85	*	BOURASSA, BRANDY	769.96	
ARCHAMBAULT, MURIEL M	740.70	*	BOURASSA, ROBERT L	1622.91	*
ARCHER, KRISTA L	6.25	*	BOURNE, CHARLES JR	2033.53	*
ARDUINI, VINCENT J + JOH	1781.20	*	BOURNE, CHARLES JR	3597.30	*
ARSENAULT, PETER M	690.36	*	BOURQUE, SCOTT E	3078.56	*
ASHFORD, CYNTHIA L	1080.52	*	BRESNAHAN, JOHN P	2371.14	*
AUSTIN, THOMAS A	10.34		BRETON, RICHARD N	10.34	
BAILEY, LEIGH B	987.57	*	BRIDGES, RALPH N	631.12	*
BALD HILL CROSSING INC	2076.94		BROCK, STEPHEN T	10.34	*
BALLENGER, CAROLYN	236.32	*	BROOK, KEVIN D	4.21	*
BANFIELD, ANNE E	1406.91	*	BROOKS, GREG S	10.00	*
BANK OF AMERICA NA	2403.05		BROSIOUS, DEBORAH A	723.65	*
BANKS, DONNA	245.73	*	BROWN, CALVIN	999.76	*
BARKER, CHRISTINE TRUST	1011.72		BROWN, CHRISTINA T	86.89	*
BARNARD, KEVIN M	1978.19	*	BROWN, LAUREL L	4936.73	*
BARRETT, BRUCE	361.96	*	BROWN, MILDRED	542.43	*
BARTLETT, LOIS ANN	14.60	*	BROWN, REED H	11.29	*
BARTLETT, LOIS ANN	892.51	*	BROWN, ROB T	1012.19	*
BARTLETT, LOIS ANN	2314.72	*	BROWN, WAYNE	489.94	*
BASTON, SCOTT	245.18	*	BROWN, WESLEY S	764.52	*
BATCHELDER, CHRISTOPHER	1697.52	*	BROWNE, PAUL	170.91	**
BATCHELDER, SHANE J	319.21	*	BROZOWSKI, JOHN	62.29	
BATISTA, RENE J ETAL	865.04	*	BRUNELLE, DAVID	91.98	
BEACHWALK HOMEOWNERS ASSO	161.23	*	BUMA, EVELYN	64.32	*
BEAUREGARD, RICHARD H J	553.56		BUMFORD, CAROLE CM	964.18	*
BEECHER, CAROLYN J TRUS	934.08	*	BUNKER, CHARLES W	1291.95	*
BELL, PATIENCE E	884.40	*	BUNTING, KURT S	1218.18	*
BERTHIAUME, RICHARD	257.66	*	BURGESS, D A + LESCAULT,	3004.66	
BESTCO	119.25		BURGESS, JOHN M	1189.00	*
BEYEA, MICHAEL G	1641.20	*	BURGESS, JOHN M	1258.28	*
BILLER, HUGH	1190.19	*	BURGESS, JOHN M	1442.76	*
BIRCH HILL SUMMER ESTATE	1607.97	*	BURGESS, JOHN M	1513.72	*
BLAKE, GARY	736.89	*	BURGESS, JOHN M	1596.12	*
BLAKE, ROBERT	576.38	*	BURGESS, JOHN M	2773.08	*

BURGESS, MERLE	978.17	*	CHAVES, ANDREW M	5.83	
BURGESS, MICHEL W	2863.43	*	CHEVARIE, GEORGE E I	10.34	*
BURNS, JOHN F	1300.06	*	CHEVARIE, GEORGE E I	10.34	*
BURNT MILL DEVELOPMENT LL	3.47	*	CHICK, CARL E	1269.93	*
BUSCH, LINDA	77.43	*	CHICK, SCOTT	1635.55	*
BUSHMAN, R + BEZANSON,	299.95		CILLEY, WILLIAM	1453.58	
BUTKE, JOSEPH	36.03		CLARK, F W TEST TRUST	163.29	*
BUTTERS, DAVID	383.59	*	CLARK, JEFFREY J TRUSTE	7436.73	*
C D + P LLC	6321.92		CLARK, RICHARD	1143.96	*
CADES, SANDY S	496.95		CLARK, RICHARD C	918.66	*
CAFARO, ANTHONY R	870.80	*	CLARK, RONALD	296.77	*
CAHILL, MICHAEL	325.00	*	CLARK, THOMAS	126.80	*
CAHILL, MICHAEL D	2122.81	*	CLARK, TIMOTHY	95.80	*
CAMIRE, DANNIE R	355.52	*	CLARK, TRACY	23.85	
CAMIRE, DANNIE R	1610.51	*	CLARK-APEL, JOANNE M	446.66	*
CAMPBELL, CHERYL	410.06	*	CLARRAGE, MERRILL ROBERT	1235.43	
CAMPBELL, DONALD J	28.94	*	CLEGG, ORRIN T	610.08	**
CAMPBELL, JOHN	381.84		CLUFF, LINDA LEE	1098.05	*
CAMPBELL, KELLEY S	10.34	*	COAST OF MAINE GOLF ACADE	72.71	
CAMPBELL, PAUL	244.75	*	COBB, CHARLES F	1311.03	*
CANTIN, KEVIN F	3104.50	*	COBB, CHARLES F	1321.13	*
CANUEL, RICHARD G	20.67	*	COBURN, NANCY	306.39	*
CAPRARO, JOSEPH A JR	43.99		COFFERAN, ARTHUR SR	404.97	*
CARBONNEAU, JON	184.80	*	COFFEY, DAVID	199.78	
CARBONNEAU, JON S	899.94	*	COHEN, PAUL	49.45	*
CAREY, NANCY	5.01	*	COLANTONI, RICHARD	2139.82	**
CARIBBEAN RESALES	10.34	*	COLDWELL BANKER YGULL +	39.75	
CARIBBEAN RESALES	10.34	*	COLE, GERALD	2330.90	*
CAROTA, JOHN A	1239.72	*	COLE, TINA L	446.61	*
CASAVANT, TOM L	20.67	*	COLE, TINA L	1047.89	*
CASTELVETRO, JOHN L	1626.73		COLEMAN, FRANCIS DANIEL	567.01	*
CATTAIL FARMS ANTIQUES	66.95		COLWELL, SUSAN	2755.47	**
CELORIER, PATRICIA A	1387.12	*	CONDON, MARILYN K	1683.45	*
CEPELLIN, JOHN	1321.13	*	CONTE, WILLIAM P	2.17	*
CEPELLIN, JOHN	1325.50	*	CONVET INC	1473.93	*
CERRA, JOSEPH	12.38	*	CONWAY, JAMES F II ETAL	5981.90	*
CHAMBLEE, LEON A III	504.94		COOK, MICHELE B	10.34	*
CHANDLER STREET LLC	7216.85	*	COOMBS, JAMES	1633.49	
CHARRON, MARLENE A	96.91		COON, SCOTT D	2551.71	*
CHARRON, MARLENE A	3222.61		COPYZ & GRAPHIX	119.25	*
CHASE R L BUILING MOVER	39.75		CORLISS, DEAN B	842.86	*
CHASE S CONSTRUCTION	39.75		CORMIER, DONALD	17.17	*
CHASE, BARBARA J	1258.03	*	COTE, JOSEPH	23.85	
CHASE, REGINALD	1687.19	*	COTE, ROBERT	387.09	*
CHASE, REGINALD L	1356.90	*	COTE, YVETTE L W/LIFE E	2625.65	
CHASE, RONALD S+SHIRLEY	243.71	*	COTTER, MURIEL P	3906.55	**
CHASE-LITTLEFIELD ASSOCIA	6.49	*	COTTON, MARTHA A ETAL	39.01	*
CHASES CONVENIENCE STORE	20.00		COURTNEY, JONATHAN T E	273.04	*

COURTNEY, JONATHAN T E	462.25	*	DOWNS, LINDA J	326.46	*
COURTNEY, MARY J	1781.16	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES LLC	1070.47	*
COUSINS, WARREN G JR	2576.91	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES LLC	1072.06	*
COUTURE, BILL	389.63	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES LLC	1073.65	*
COUTURE, MICHAEL A	10.34	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES LLC	1076.51	*
CRAWFORD, BRUCE E + MERE	10.34	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES LLC	1080.25	*
CRAWLEY, MICHAEL	24.65	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES LLC	1114.35	*
CRONIN, JOSEPH	110.43	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES LLC	1203.55	*
CROSSLEY, ROY	197.32	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES LLC	3644.92	*
CROWLEY, STEPHEN P	2.86	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES INC	1242.19	*
CUMMINGS, KEVIN	16.64	*	DOYLE ENTERPRISES INC	1256.26	*
CUOCO, MARY ANN R	1345.38	*	DRAKE, ROY	23.85	
CURRAN, MARC	655.51	*	DRISCOLL, KEVIN	2.25	
CURRY, ALEXIS	364.51	*	DROUIN, STEVE	97.23	
CURVES	17.54		DRYSDALE, BRANDON S	1101.12	*
CUSTOM TRANSFER INC	97.68		DSB REALTY CORP	52.89	*
DANEY, RAYMOND W JR	1911.50	*	DUMEY, LINDA B	1840.98	*
DAVIS, EVERETT M SR	12.96	*	DUNCAN, ROBERT P	20.67	*
DAVIS, SHELLEY R	747.10	*	DUNLEVY, ALAN W	1291.95	*
DAWSON, AGNES	1.83	*	DUNNIGAN, BRIAN R	43.99	*
DAWSON, ALLAN W	10.34		DURFEE, JAMES E	1503.46	*
DAWSON, PAT	408.79	*	DUSTIN, CRAIG M	631.35	*
DECOTEAU, FRANCIS E ETA	245.25	*	DZAMBA, THOMAS	2213.68	*
DEGRANDIS, ARMAND	25.68	*	EDES, WAYNE	333.66	*
DEMOPOULOS, JOHN P	969.74	*	EDMONDS, JOHN R	2492.32	*
DENNETT, LOIS Y	125.41	*	EDWARDS, JOHN L	4626.18	*
DERDERIAN, RUTH M W/LIF	709.78		EMERSON, MARY N	2185.34	*
DES CONSTRUCTION INC	953.56	*	EMERY, FRANK M III	2936.89	*
DESALLE, BARBARA M	10.34	*	ERPENBECK, JUNE	4.94	*
DESALLE, BARBARA M	10.34	*	ESTES, JOHN L	691.97	*
DETULLIO, JOSEPH D	955.35		F + T REALTY NORTH LLC	916.16	*
DEVELLIS, STEPHEN F	2055.63		F + T REALTY NORTH LLC	1673.63	*
DEVLIN, GARY	122.19	**	FAIRBROTHER, MICHAEL	20.67	*
DEWHURST, TROY W ETAL	925.97	*	FALZONE, RAYMOND J	536.31	*
DICKSON, MURIEL A	637.63	*	FARLEY, WILLIAM	889.64	*
DIGANGI, FRANK	565.96	*	FARLEY, WILLIAM JEFFREY	1677.57	
DIONNE, LEO N	1974.54	*	FARLEY, WM + JOAN	132.09	*
DIONNE, ROBIN	41.34		FARREN, JEFFREY M	10.34	*
DIPADUA, PETER D	3961.25	*	FARRER, REX	7764.92	*
DIRECTTV INC	49.47		FARRER, REX L	1572.26	*
DOHERTY, CHARLES J+RICHA	7.15	*	FECTEAU, ELLEN M	757.29	*
DONAHUE, LILLIAN L	5.62	*	FEENY-CAMPBELL, KATHLEEN	312.59	*
DONAHUE, TIMOTHY J	2105.60	*	FENDERSON, LAWRENCE L	989.56	*
DONNELLY, MARGARET M	2717.63	*	FENDERSON, MARK F	1640.68	*
DOUCETTE, MOLLIE B	3228.65		FERRETTI, ARTHUR J	10.34	*
DOUKAS, ARTHUR H	780.17	*	FERRIS, JOSEPH A	3457.22	*
DOWNS FAMILY PARTNERSHIP,	406.04	*	FESTA, LAWRENCE	90.47	*
DOWNS, ALLEN E SR	770.07	*	FICK, WILLIAM	172.64	*

FINGLETON, RICHARD	356.08		GREY GULL INN	278.25	*
FISHER FAMILY LTD PARTNER	5210.50	*	GROVER, SYLVINA	378.85	*
FITTS, SONNY	10.21	*	GROVES, THOMAS E	7.10	*
FLAGG, SCOTT	110.66		GRUBE, DONALD	37.44	
FLAHERTY, VINCENT F	295.98	*	GRUBE, DONALD	47.30	
FLEMING, KERRY	5.14	*	GRUBE, DONALD	47.30	
FLEURY, THOMAS	351.87		GRUBE, DONALD	66.94	
FLUHR, WILLIAM	55.97	*	GUIFFRIDA, BEATRICE T E	16.74	*
FORD, LARRY W	1791.45	*	GUILMETTE, JASON D	1166.15	
FORGET, MAURICE	112.17	*	GUITTARR, DOUG	108.52	
FRANCIS, VALERIE E	2469.19		HABITAT YORK COUNTY LLC	5486.22	
FRASER, MARISA	130.97	*	HADDAD, HELEN	378.34	*
FREDERICKSON, MIKE	43.80		HAIGIS, MICHAEL T	534.34	*
FREELEY, BARBARA A ETAL	20.67	*	HAM, RICHARD R	382.63	
FREEMAN, IRVING M + DORO	2836.94	*	HANLEY, ROBERT W	1321.13	*
FRITZE, JILL + SANDRA	5.03		HANLEY, ROBERT W + LINDA	1321.13	
FRYDEL, HELEN I	1460.49	**	HANNON, PATRICK J	11222.22	
GAGNON, MARCEL	1226.76		HANSON, NELSON E	1745.50	*
GAGNON, ROBERTA J	10.34	*	HAPPY HOUSE AMUSEMENT	357.28	
GALLIGAN, JAMES L	30.85		HARMON, MARK E	12.73	*
GALLIGAN, JAMES L	1244.73	*	HARNEY, EDWARD	117.02	*
GALLUP, MARK L	2.39	*	HARRIMAN, BARRY L	552.21	
GANDY, ED	3.00	*	HARRIMAN, BARRY L	1607.41	
GARCIA, ADELINO	198.64	*	HARRINGTON, JAMES P	5.94	*
GATES, DANIEL O	1781.67	*	HARRINGTON, SHAUN G	318.56	
GAYNOR, DANIEL	144.57	**	HARRIS, GREGORY D	756.67	*
GELFAND, MARY	1020.78	*	HASKELL, EDWARD W III	1011.56	
GEORGIU, ANGELOS	3.59	*	HASTINGS, LISA A	932.06	
GERALD, RUTH	1125.08	*	HAVEY, TOM	183.33	**
GILLIS, LAWRENCE D III	996.77	*	HAWTHORNE, MARVIN S	267.84	*
GIORDANO, ALICE	355.88		HAYES, MICHAEL P	905.26	*
GLADSTONE, DARYN	1228.06	*	HAYES, PATRICK	60.10	
GLAZIER, LOREN R	10.34		HAYES, WALTER	28.86	*
GLEASON, KEITH M	377.12	*	HAYES, WALTER	1109.66	*
GOLDSMITH, LEE	333.58	*	HAYLOFT RESTAURANT	189.76	*
GOODRO, WALLACE	315.85	*	HAYWARD, JEFFERY	3743.73	*
GOODWIN, NEIL	1819.36	*	HEARON, TODD C + MARK A	37.26	*
GOULD, PATRICIA E W/LIF	2209.38		HEATH, ALAN	652.94	*
GRAF, ANN H TRUSTEE	1.99	*	HEBERT, WAYNE E	1166.10	*
GRAHAM, WILLIAM T ETAL	10.34	*	HEHIR, WILLIAM	318.48	*
GRASSHOPPER LAND + LAWN S	25.84	*	HEINES, DENNIS T	29.54	*
GRAY FARMS GREENHOUSE+FLO	72.59	*	HENDERSON, GAIL	615.49	
GRAY, DEAN	446.31		HERSOM, KAREN	106.73	*
GREENE, CAROLYN C TRUST	963.86		HICKS-MORLEY, JAMIE E	4592.79	*
GREGOIRE, GLENN F	1947.75		HILDRETH, PATRICIA R W	2232.20	
GRENIER, DONALD	209.28	*	HILL, DANI A	5.93	
GRENIER, DONALD L	188.17	*	HILL, DAVID	429.62	*
GREY GULL INC	10520.39	*	HILL, KENNETH ETAL	36.73	*

HILL, KENNETH ETAL	202.25	*	KASPER, CARL	29.57	
HINKES, DOROTHY J	48.50	*	KATSANOS, STEPHEN D ETA	10.34	*
HOBSON, RICHARD	263.15	*	KAY, DAVID D	20.67	
HODGKINS, JEFFREY A	1523.46	*	KAY, GARY W	1.99	*
HOGLUND, JOHN D + LORETT	980.16	*	KEENAN, THOMAS D	370.27	**
HOGLUND, JOHN DAVID	2374.87	*	KEIRSTEAD, GAIL T	766.02	*
HOLLAND, CYNTHIA G	1394.51		KELLIS, MICHAEL A	2124.75	*
HOLLAND, DONNA M	686.76		KELLY, JANN K + RYAN, L	2479.05	
HOLLAND, PAUL W	655.80	*	KELLY, KATHRYN	346.38	
HOLLAND, TABITHA	184.76		KENT, EVELYN H	51.75	
HOLT, ANTHONY	122.51	*	KEOHAN, MINNIE E	3503.96	
HOPKINS, CHRISTOPHER M	930.07	*	KETT, ROBERT	1379.20	*
HORNE, CHARLES A JR	1717.93	*	KEYES, FRANK M	1380.36	*
HOUDE, DAVID	33.82	*	KEZAR, LENA M ETAL	104.78	*
HOUDE, DAVID P	5734.85	*	KILDUFF, JOHN	1.82	*
HOUSTON, MICHAEL	65.59	*	KIMBALL, CALEB	1786.92	**
HOWARD, JAMES G	654.44		KIMBALL, FRANK HEIRS OF	31.96	*
HOWARD, JOACHIM	1088.28	*	KING, SHARON	91.82	*
HOWARD, SHELLEY M	469.85		KING, SHARON A	33.79	*
HOWARTH, JOHN W	2007.14	*	KING, SHARON A	1162.69	
HOWE, LINDA	20.67		KING, WAYNE	953.21	*
HUBBARD, BESSIE M TRUST	1259.12	**	KKRS PROPERTIES LLC	2744.69	*
HUBBARD, PATRICK JOHN	175.16	*	KOLIOS, DONALD	100.99	*
HUBBARD, SHAWN D	817.74	*	KOLIOS, DONALD	1443.65	*
HUBBARD, SHAWN D	3131.11	*	KORB, DEBRA DIANE	20.67	*
HUCKNALL, JULIA	1646.33	*	LABUSKI, FRANCIS J SR	1490.70	*
HUFF, RAYMOND P	165.86	*	LABUSKI, FRANCIS J SR	1790.42	*
HULL, JAMES W JR	1325.50		LAKE, JEAN	2.71	
HUTCHINS, C CO INC	123.91	*	LANE, EDWARD	2651.88	*
HUTCHINS, C CO INC	234.56	*	LAPIERRE, CARL	1006.71	*
HUTCHINS, C CO INC	235.13	*	LAROCHE, RANDALL A	20.67	*
HUTCHINS, C CO INC	236.52	*	LAU, MICHAEL	698.68	*
HUTCHINS, C CO INC	238.23	*	LAU, MICHAEL	2214.04	*
HUTCHINS, C CO INC	238.48	*	LAUB, DAVID A	973.80	*
HUTCHINS, C CO INC	238.73	*	LAUDE ENTERPRISES LLC	3600.95	*
HUTCHINS, CRAIG S	1600.46	*	LAULETTA PLUMBING	39.75	
HUTCHINS, NORMAN E	389.79		LAULETTA, WILLIAM M	892.24	*
HUTCHINS, NORMAN E	525.85		LAUZE, ALBERT	1017.76	*
JAMES, KEVIN	484.00	*	LAVALLE, DAVID E	2189.51	*
JEFFERS, RICHARD F	14.37	*	LAWRENCE, STEVEN A	1075.25	*
JENKINS, D C III + M TR	28.98	*	LEE, ROBERT E	445.67	*
JEWETT, JONATHAN ETAL	10.34		LEGER, ROBERT L	6.68	*
JO ANNS GARDENS INC	159.00		LEGER, ROBERT L	7.24	*
JOHNSON, BRIAN	382.47		LEGER, ROBERT L	13.27	*
JOHNSON, ELIZABETH A	859.60	*	LEONARD, KEVIN R	1456.76	*
JOHNSON, RICHARD P	10.34	*	LEQUIN, PAUL VICTOR	10.34	*
JORDAN, TAMMY A	400.52	*	LETOURNEAU, REJEANNE M	1324.26	*
KASHMIRY, AMAL	990.97	**	LETZE, KEITH M	549.70	*

LEVASSEUR, LINDA A	725.04	*	MCGLYNN, JOHN J JR	3.91	*
LEVEY, ROBBIN E + LAUREN	10.34		MCGUIRK, WILLIAM THOMAS	51.12	*
LHEUREUX, DEBRA J	26.83		MCGURL, SUSAN	896.92	*
LIBBEY, BRYAN R	1209.67	*	MCLEAN, EARL ETAL	5622.56	
LIBBY, JULIE-ANN	584.80		MCLEOD, FRANK JR	1559.71	*
LIBBY, JULIE-ANN	1650.26		MCMASTER, CHRISTOPHER	10.34	*
LICARDO, JASON	1820.87		MCMILLAN, JANE S	3.47	*
LINDGREN, JOAN	3359.58	*	MCNICKLE, STEVEN W	20.67	*
LITCHFIELD ENTERPRISES IN	153.88		MEADOWLEDGE LIMITED LIABI	42.98	*
LITTLE, JEFFREY S	1511.14		MEALEY, MADELINE ETAL	1377.58	
LITTLEFIELD CONCRETE FLOO	56.02		MELANSON, GAIL A	898.36	*
LOBELLO, VINCENT J	3029.54	*	MELANSON, JOHN P	144.41	**
LOCKE, GAIL	1320.88	*	MERCER, JOHN D III	10.34	*
LOUGEE, CHERRON L	20.67	*	MERRIFIELD, CALVIN + JEA	13.28	*
LOVELY, VALERIE L	723.13	*	MERRIFIELD, CALVIN + JEA	5649.11	*
LOWNEY, E F + R V JR T	5.78	*	MICH DS	39.75	
LOWREY, ROBERT	144.21		MILLER SR, FRANCIS	96.27	
LUDY, THOMAS F	385.10		MILLER, MARK	1064.66	
MACDOUGALL, SANDRA S TR	3423.75		MINSAM LLC	497.67	*
MACGILLIVRAY, DONALD E	3977.54		MINSAM LLC	2061.12	*
MACIVER, CAITLIN	581.10	*	MONGEON, THERESA M	2386.85	**
MACKINNON LAND + PROP MGT	704.71	*	MOODY GROUP LLC	399.57	*
MAINIAX RESTAURANT	88.21	*	MOODY, ELINOR ETAL	2442.48	**
MANKO, KENNETH A	1768.00	*	MOODY, JOY-LYN	4209.13	*
MARCIAS MEXICAN CANTINA	325.22		MOODYS COTTAGES	59.63	
MARCOUX, RONALD G ETAL	368.56	*	MOONEY, JOAN	1524.27	*
MARKUSSEN, STEPHEN J	655.51	*	MORAN, MARK	404.61	*
MARSELLE, FRANK JR	35.54		MOREST, RONALD W	1275.58	*
MARSHALL, JACK	367.85	*	MORGAN, PATRICIA A	2165.50	
MARSTON, JARED	64.00		MORIARTY, MARY P	43.97	*
MARTELL, ROBERT B SR	2.78	*	MORIN, ROBERT J	269.61	**
MARTIN, BRIAN	220.49		MORNEAU + COUGHLIN	3137.19	*
MARTIN, DONALD L	335.69	*	MORONEY, RONALD	453.79	*
MARTIN, JAMES A III	2427.69		MORRIS, FORREST S JR	3.30	*
MARTUNAS, RICK	321.82	**	MORRISON, BILLIE-JO	911.77	*
MASTERSON, MICHAEL	111.46		MORRISON, WAYNE	7.83	*
MASTROIANNI, DEBBIE TRU	931.42	*	MOSHER, SUSAN	969.60	
MAXON, TODD	2444.86		MOULTON, GAIL D	337.48	
MAXWELL, JAMES	1756.07	*	MOULTON, GAIL D	424.69	
MAXWELL, JAMES A	393.13	*	MOULTON, SCOTT A	708.90	*
MAYO, BRUCE	2002.21		MOULTON, SCOTT L	227.05	
MAZZARELLA, DEAN	323.09		MOULTON, SCOTT L	3055.11	
MCCARTHY, JOSEPH A	1165.71	*	MPG COMPUTERS & CONSULTIN	57.50	
MCCORKINDALE, ROSAMOND	735.22		MULCAHEY, CHERYL B	9881.21	*
MCDONALDS 17 18	2.23	*	MULLEN, MARIE	2824.24	*
MCDOWELL, WILLIAM	57.96	*	MUNRO, SCOTT G	28.36	*
MCEVOY, DENNIS J	4146.56		MURPHY, EMMETT	377.33	*
MCGANN, DEBORAH A	226.45	*	MURRAY, DEBRA ANN	116.71	*

MYERS, FLORA	822.75		PAUL, SYLVIA	576.61	
NA NA'S KITCHEN	39.75		PECK, JEAN A	6.62	*
NADEAU + ASSOCIATES PA	246.71		PELLETIER, ALDEN R	1419.12	*
NADEAU, ROBERT	4008.87		PEPIN WELLS LLC	908.69	*
NELSON, NILS F	1917.38	*	PEPIN, LEO R + JANET	301.70	*
NESKY, EDWARD P + HELEN	4624.91		PEPIN, MARY E	10.34	
NEUMANN, DANIEL B	1463.44		PERKINS, IRIS MARION	1790.82	
NEWCOMB, ALLEN L	3.00	*	PERKINS, LESLIE	1352.06	*
NICKELL, DENNIS R	20.67		PERKINS, RICHMOND M	623.67	*
NICKERSON, C L+WILKINS,	10.88	*	PERKINS, ROBERT	2278.47	*
NOETIC ENTERPRISES INC	6.21	*	PERKINS, SHARON L	861.14	
NOETIC ENTERPRISES INC	3200.63	*	PERRIELLO, MARIE	3203.65	*
NOLAN, PAUL	9.88	*	PETERSON, DENNIS J	10.34	*
NOLAN, PAUL S MICHAUD	1227.14	*	PETRILLO, HENRY	279.68	
NORGETOWN NORGEVILLAGE	87.03	*	PHILLIPS, STEPHEN J	3.20	*
NORMAN, JOHN W	828.47	*	PICKETT, ANNE B	2662.20	*
NORMANDIN, ZEPHERIN	37.44	*	PLANTE, JOAN L	1.94	*
NORMANDIN, ZEPHERIN R	31.08	*	PLUMMER, BRETT E ETAL	2048.08	*
NORMANDIN, ZEPHERIN R	33.63	*	POLIZZI, NANCY	1325.50	
NORTHWAY, DARBY I	20.67	*	PORCUPINE INVESTMENT GROU	561.47	*
NORTHWAY, DARBY I	20.67	*	POWELL, JOHN J	692.44	*
NURMIKKO, MIKA	365.41	*	PRATA, ANTONIO	288.81	*
O KANE, RICHARD	39.75	*	PREO, PATRICIA	338.99	*
OAKWOOD ESTATES LLC	396.66	*	PREVE, JOHN J	10.34	
OAKWOOD ESTATES LLC	1581.97	*	PREVE, JOHN J	10.34	
OBRIEN, RICHARD R	908.92		PROACH, PETER G	703.61	*
OKEEFE, JEREMY J	2144.51		PROACH, PETER G	1153.82	*
OLEARY, BRUCE	387.28	*	PROCKER, PHILIP R	1917.94	
OLEARY, DAN	361.88	*	PROGRESSIVE PROPERTIES L	516.96	*
OLIVER, THOMAS J	2288.81		PROVOST, BRIAN	343.28	
OLSON, KIMBERLY	23.85		PURPURA, TIMOTHY	20.67	
ONEIL, A T + J H TRUSTE	3659.38	*	PYNN, WILLIS GRAFTON	2221.98	*
ONEILL, MICHAEL	127.60	*	QUEBEC INC	222.15	*
OREILLY, JAMES P	627.28	**	R E T PROPERTIES INC	2042.35	*
ORR, STEVEN H ETAL	10.34	*	RABIDEAU, STEPHEN A	367.96	*
OSGOOD, THOMAS	11.11		RAMAH, JAMES C	219.42	*
OTT, DAVID N	1.80	*	RAMAH, JAMES C	225.38	*
OUELLETTE, KEITH	163.93	*	RAMAH, RUSSELL	293.67	*
OUR TWO DADS LLC	381.84		RAMSDELL LANDSCAPING	198.75	
PAGE, MARJORIE A	3.39	*	RANKIN, PAULA B	712.72	*
PAIGE, ROBERT	281.34	**	REDLON, MILDRED L + DENN	683.14	
PALMER, BRENDA	45.23	*	REICHARD, CLAIRE M	7701.09	
PALMER, LOIS	107.96		REIDY, ANNE ROBIN	1588.09	*
PANELLA, CYNTHIA	26.24		REMACLE, NANCY	189.35	*
PAPE, JUDITH	232.54	*	RENAUD, ALLEN S	476.38	**
PARKIN, EDWARD J	4.11	*	REZENDES, THERESA	189.85	*
PARROTTA, MICHELE	1325.50	*	RICH, W F + FOWLER M J	1068.92	*
PARSONS, JOHN M	43.99	**	RICHARD, DAVID P	1818.88	*

RICHARDS, JAMES A ETAL	20.67		SHEARING, LARRY	373.49	
RICHARDS, MAUDE ETAL	115.28	*	SHEEHAN, DANIEL J	68.30	*
RICHARDSON, DOROTHY L	995.38	*	SHEEHAN, GEOFFERY	4395.00	
RICHHEIMER, LEE	3125.94	*	SHEPARD, ELMER R	800.28	*
RICHMOND, PHILIP L III	161.78	*	SHEPARD, MARY J	271.64	*
RIDGE, JOHN F JR	3371.36	**	SHERBURNE LANDSCAPING	154.33	
RIGGIERI, ROSEMARY A	18.09	*	SHERRIN, MARYBETH + ALEX	2.08	*
RING, BRADFORD F JR	1750.83	*	SHIRLEY, JOHN W	10.34	
ROBAR, GENEVIEVE A	3187.00	*	SHOK, RICHARD S	707.25	*
ROBERGE, WILLIAM A	3.68	*	SHRIBER, ALLAN	1013.22	*
ROBICHAUD, SARAH M	1011.24		SHUGRUE, JOHN J	5772.42	*
ROBINSON, CHARLES A	657.04	*	SIERRA, RICHARD X	1134.86	*
RODRIGUE, RICHARD D	10.34	*	SINCLAIR, DAVID	280.16	*
ROY, RAYMOND M ETAL	10.34	*	SINCLAIR, DAVID	850.81	*
RUSCIO, FRANK J	440.91	*	SLEEPER, JUDITH E	3.00	*
RYAN, EDWARD	965.05	*	SLIMAN, LAURA M	790.43	*
RYAN, WALTER T	1717.60	*	SLOVIN, MYRA E ETAL	350.67	*
RYAN, WILLIAM D	22.40	*	SMALL, GEORGE H	20.67	
SACCONE, MICHAEL R	3.15	*	SMITH, ALVIN N ETAL	540.99	
SALVATO, JOHN S	10.34	*	SMITH, ANNIE ETAL	215.84	
SALVATO, JOHN S	10.34	*	SMITH, BEULAH	2798.40	**
SALVATO, MARCIA E	12413.69	*	SMITH, BEULAH F	29.02	
SANCHEZ, GERTRUDE	458.95		SMITH, BRIAN	2790.37	*
SANFORD-EPPS, BARBARA B	1624.50		SMITH, GEORGE R III	6.59	
SANSOUCIE, MARCIA E	3725.13	*	SMITH, ROY	1268.90	
SANTELLA, ANDREW	34.58		SMITH, WAYNE	21.38	*
SANTINI, ANNIELU DEWITT	1580.86		SMITH, WILLIAM C	1996.72	*
SARGENT, SHIRLEY D	1041.88		SNOOK, WALTER A III	932.22	
SCHADLICK, HELEN	3801.37	*	SNYDER, RICHARD	139.36	*
SCHETTINO, KATHY	917.61	*	SOUTH HOLLOW TRUST	1586.41	*
SCHNELLMANN, MAUREEN E	377.78		SOUZA, MANUEL	4.54	*
SCOTT BUILDERS	48.38		SOUZA, MANUEL	447.27	
SEA WIND ENTERPRISES LLC	123.07		SPADA, VINCENT W	10.34	*
SEA WIND ENTERPRISES LLC	136.98		SPENCER, CAROL A	10.34	*
SEACOAST MOTEL	46.69		SPINELLI, JOSEPH A	2604.58	*
SEACOAST MOTEL INC	3474.47	**	STACHOWIAK, DAVID T	10.34	
SEACOAST PIZZA + PASTA L	1737.79	*	STAJKOWSKI, DONNA N	3.64	*
SEAL HARBOR LLC	948.70		STANDLEY, DOUGLAS R JR	20.67	
SENIKAS, ANDRE	2.75	*	STANO, MATTHEW	1621.40	
SETH, ANAND K	676.31	*	STAUBIN, SCOTT	120.44	*
SEYMOUR, NICHOLAS	1447.30	*	STEELE, EMILE F	1570.28	*
SHACKFORD, DENNIS	499.26		STEVENS, BRUCE A JR	22.08	*
SHACKFORD, DENNIS	1352.93		STEVENS, HAZEL L TRUSTE	4434.11	
SHACKFORD, MARGARET	447.19		STEVENS, VIRGINIA	1885.26	*
SHACKFORD, MARGARET	1221.68		STJACQUES, MARJORIE	52.47	*
SHAIKH LLC	7902.54	*	STONE, ANGELA M	925.52	*
SHAW, LORRAINE M	10.34	*	STONE, GUY D	1973.91	*
SHEA, WILLIAM E	989.70		STONEWOOD ENTERPRISES LLC	347.89	*

STONEWOOD ENTERPRISES LLC	348.05	*	VARTANIAN, JIM	319.99	*
STONEWOOD ENTERPRISES LLC	352.74	*	VELLECO, VINCENT	1033.42	*
STOVER, MATTHEW T	1126.96	*	VIENNEAU, DENNIS D	360.93	*
STURTEVANT, ANTHONY B	33.95	*	VILLA, LORETTA J	1.90	*
SUKALAS, MITCHELL	1919.61	*	VILLENEUVE, FLORENCE	33.98	*
SUMSKI, NANCY G	4.18	*	VISCONTI, WARREN	6.36	*
SWEENEY, JOHN G	4833.28	*	VISION REALTY ENTERPRISES	455.77	*
SWEENEY, WILLIAM R	10.34	*	VIVIAN, ROBERT P	1794.30	*
SZALAY, MICHAEL	60.74		VOSS, LAWRENCE G	905.66	
TALLWOOD MOTEL	127.14		VRETTOS, VALERIE I	1480.49	
TARDIFF, RICHARD C	972.44	*	VV LLC	6.69	*
TECS LLC	3.01	*	WAGNER, ROBERT A	17.96	*
TEDESCO, CARLYN M TRUST	1344.76	**	WALSH, BRIAN	92.06	
TETHERLY, GREGORY D	807.22	*	WALZ, TRACEY M	3230.64	*
TETZ, BROOKE S	10.34	*	WANING, SHARON	134.43	
THOMPSON, STEPHEN J	1703.84	*	WARD, GARY	390.58	
THORNTON, KATHLEEN M	641.64		WARD, PETER L	2762.63	*
THORNTON, KATHLEEN M	1081.95		WATROUS, JOHN M	1580.86	
TOBIN, LINDA B	675.90	*	WEAVER, STEPHEN	73.46	*
TOMAH, HAROLD	761.37	*	WEBBER, JONATHAN	260.76	*
TORPEY, KATHLEEN C	2567.29	*	WEBBER, JONATHAN L	1818.01	*
TORTORA, MICHAEL	48.24	**	WEBBER, THOMAS L	725.04	*
TOTH, BARRY P	2580.31	*	WEBBER, TINA L	2471.42	*
TOUSIGNANT, DIANE	30.69		WEBHANNET RIVER VIEW LLC	570.11	*
TOWNSEND, MICHAEL	452.28		WEBSTER, GAIL K	1742.56	
TOWNSEND, MIRANDA	448.70	*	WEEKS, DAVID C	10.34	
TRAFTON, LARRY T	1385.13	*	WEIGEL, LORETTA W	1594.01	*
TREE WORK + EXCAVATION	83.75		WEIGEL, STEVEN D	5328.88	*
TRIDER, MATHEW J	1819.91		WEINSTEIN, NEAL L	1258.49	*
TRIDER, MATHEW J	2041.40		WELCH, GEORGE	998.44	
TRUE, DONALD	5361.56	*	WELCH, JOHN	844.57	*
TRYCHON, JANE	25.04	*	WELLS GOLF HOLDINGS LLC	474.46	
TUCKER, CLARENCE IV ETA	791.03	*	WELLS GOLF HOLDINGS LLC	13772.98	
TUDISCO, DARYL	3583.30	*	WELLS OGUNQUIT RESORT MOT	109.70	*
TUDISCO, DARYL A	2162.68	*	WELLS-OGUNQUIT RESORT LL	5011.48	*
TUFTS, CHAS WM JR W/LI	2763.02	*	WENTWORTH, CARTER	1800.04	
TUFTS, MARCUS T	421.03	*	WENTZELL BUILDERS INC	283.50	*
TUFTS, MARCUS T II	213.06	*	WENTZELL BUILDERS INC	283.89	*
TUFTS, MARCUS T II	972.72	*	WENTZELL BUILDERS INC	283.97	*
TUFTS, MARCUS T SR	1378.45	*	WENTZELL BUILDERS INC	284.45	*
TWO 948-9051 QUEBEC INC	423.63	*	WENTZELL BUILDERS INC	309.02	*
ULEVICIUS, CHRISTINA M	1081.74	*	WENTZELL BUILDERS INC	372.54	*
UNKNOWN	25.12	*	WENTZELL BUILDERS INC	435.50	*
UNKNOWN	26.63	*	WENTZELL BUILDERS INC	560.55	
VAIL, MARI E	10.34	*	WENTZELL BUILDERS INC	970.22	*
VALERA, KATHY	85.50	*	WENTZELL, PAMELA J	550.06	
VANDERMAST, RUDOLPH	449.60	*	WENTZELL, WILLIS F	988.70	*
VANDORIN, KAREN L	10.34		WENTZELL, WILLIS F	3351.08	

WEST, WILLIAM R	3712.81	*	WINSTON, SCOTT D	10.34	
WHATS LEFT LLC	1370.42	*	WOLTERBEEK, JACOB	8.69	*
WHISTLESTOP REALTY INC	303.01		WOLTERBEEK, JACOB C	5.07	*
WHISTLESTOP REALTY INC	807.24		WOLTERBEEK, JACOB C	6.93	*
WHITEWATER DEVELOPMENT CO	2.98	*	WOLTERBEEK, JACOB C	1759.69	*
WHITING, G WILLIAM C	493.18	*	WOLTERBEEK, JACOB C ETA	10.57	*
WIGGIN, ANDREW D ETAL	10.34		WOOD, CARSON L	10.34	
WIGGIN, KATHLEEN E	10.34	*	WOODMAN, HAROLD E	5172.83	
WIGGIN, KATHLEEN E	10.34	*	WOODS, RAYMOND	19.67	*
WILD BIRDS UNLIMITED	39.75		WORCESTER, RICHARD	385.89	*
WILLEY, CHRISTOPHER	608.65	*	WORMWOOD, CURTIS TRUSTE	1052.74	*
WILLIAMS, ANDREA D	2241.11		WRIGHT, JUDITH ELLEN	1785.17	*
WILLIAMS, ROBERT	10.34	*	WRIGHT, KENNETH	706.76	*
WILLIAMS, ROBERT	10.34	*	WYMAN, LINWOOD S	4286.72	*
WILLIAMS, ROGER E	2.04	*	YORK BUILDING+DESIGN		
WILSON, FRANCIS	1274.60	*	CENT	2024.55	*
WILSON, ROBERT	34.26		YORK, PHILLIP	725.36	*
WILSON, ROBERT	43.17				
WINE + CHEESE SHOP LTD	118.46	*			
WINSOR, JONATHAN	10.34	*	*PAID IN FULL BEFORE 12/31/08		
WINSTON, SCOTT D	10.34		**PARTIAL PAYMENT MADE BEFORE 12/31/08		

2008 REPORT OF THE KENNEBUNK, KENNEBUNKPORT AND WELLS WATER DISTRICT

The Kennebunk, Kennebunkport and Wells Water District is a quasi-municipal public water utility that was established in 1921 by an act of the Maine State Legislature. The District serves an area that encompasses the Towns of Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Wells, Ogunquit and small portions of Arundel, Biddeford and York. The area includes a population which varies seasonally from about 30,000 to over 100,000. It is directed by a four-member Board of Trustees, each elected from the Towns of Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Wells and Ogunquit.

For the Water District, 2008 was a unique year, marked by cost-saving improvements, the completion of several critical projects, the resolution of some ongoing litigation and the consideration of selling spring water for resale, which became a controversial issue. The District is still working to meet the challenge of sustained development pressures. Although the regional and national economy took a downturn toward the end of 2008, the District experienced a customer growth rate of 1-1/2%, as compared with the 2% average growth rate of the past dozen years.

The District is continually evaluating itself; looking for opportunities to improve service and to reduce costs. Through attrition, job-sharing and cross-training between departments one full time position was eliminated, saving over \$60,000 in wages and benefits. The semi-annual hydrant flushing procedures were modified, resulting in improved water accountability and a \$15,000 reduction in operating costs. The District's recently (2007) developed ground water sources were once again instrumental in helping the District meet peak seasonal water demands without the need of purchasing water from neighboring utilities, while reducing chemical costs by over \$40,000. Due primarily to a relatively wet summer, the total water production for the year of 0.995 billion gallons was 5% less than that of 2007. We are continually searching for additional local, high-quality groundwater supplies; in spite of the temporary reduction in customer growth, we expect that customer growth and water demand will increase over the coming years.

As part of a regulatory proceeding relating to ongoing litigation with a local developer, the District conducted its first comprehensive Cost of Service study. The results of this study indicated that our 9,000± annual customers have been subsidizing our 3,000± seasonal customers for some time. The resulting revenue-neutral rate schedule redesign was stipulated (agreed to) by all involved parties late in 2008, with an anticipated implementation date of April 1st, 2009. The new rate schedule is available on our web site at www.kkw.org.

In an effort to help protect its customers from imminent water rate increases, driven in part by large cost increases for materials, chemicals and energy, the District considered selling spring water for resale. Due to the recent and ongoing development of a significant well water supply, the District had reduced its dependence on Branch Brook by approximately 35%. As a result, an additional 1,400 gallons per minute (2 million gallons per day, or 2 MGD) was no longer being withdrawn from Branch Brook during the summer low flow season. The District felt that the sale of up to 300 gallons per minute of this now unused Branch Brook water, resulting in additional revenues of nearly \$1,000,000 per year, was in the best interests of its customers. Although the District publically announced this water sale concept in its January 2008 newsletter, there was no public adversity to the concept until the District's June 2nd press release, which specifically mentioned the company's name with which the proposed water sale was planned. The limited but very vocal opposition to the proposal resulted in the District indefinitely tabling further action on the item.

The Southern Maine Regional Water Council (SMRWC), which was formed by seven local water utilities in late 2005, has accomplished a significant milestone during 2008. Utilizing a \$100,000 'Credit Quality Improvement' (CQI) grant it was awarded by the Maine Municipal Bond Bank in 2007, the Council completed a comprehensive long-range regional water supply study. In addition to evaluating existing water supplies and infrastructures of SMRWC's seven member utilities, it recommends long term strategies toward assuring a safe and abundant water supply for the region well into the future. A significant conclusion reached in the study is that the southern coastal Maine area, which extends from north of Portland to Kittery, shall someday (in 50± years) be served by two primary water sources; Sebago Lake and Saco River.

The following is a partial list of distribution projects funded and installed by the District during 2008. These projects typically relate to our goal of optimizing water quality and improving system reliability by replacing outdated and substandard facilities with an eye toward accommodating anticipated growth.

Fisher's Lane, Kennebunkport: Replaced 684 feet of old 10" cast iron water main with 16" ductile iron main (fire suppression, transmission and water quality improvement).

Alewife Road, Kennebunk: Replaced 972 feet of old 8" main with 12" ductile iron main (system improvement in conjunction with road rebuilding).

Route One, Ogunquit: Replaced 1,343 feet of old 10" cast iron main with 20" ductile iron main (fire suppression, transmission and water quality improvement).

Route One, Wells: Replaced 1,235 feet of old 10" cast iron main with 20" ductile iron main – first phase of a two phase 3,100 foot project (fire suppression, transmission and water quality improvement).

Webhannet Drive, Wells: Replaced 740' of 10" & 6" cast iron main with 12" ductile iron main (system improvement in conjunction with the Town of Wells seawall reconstruction project).

In addition to the above projects, individuals and developers funded numerous water main extensions totaling over 3,000 feet of new water mains.

Drinking water quality remains a top priority. We are pleased to report that in addition to making aesthetic water quality improvements with our unique blending of groundwater and surface water, all State and Federal water quality standards were met during 2008. By maintaining a well-trained staff and continually upgrading our process equipment and control systems, we continually strive to assure the highest degree of reliability in the quality of drinking water for our customers.

The Trustees of the District appreciate the continuing effort and dedication of their employees, as well as the support and cooperation of their customers, area contractors and State and local municipal officials.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard H. Littlefield, President
James E. Burrows, Vice President
Thomas P. Oliver, Trustee
Robert A. Emmons, Trustee

Normand R. Labbe, Superintendent
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August 15, 2008

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We were engaged by the Town of Wells and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Wells as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2008 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, is available for inspection at the Town Office.

Included herein are:

Combining Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds	Statement C
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds	Statement D
Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budget To Actual - General Fund	Schedule 1
Schedule of Departmental Operations	Schedule A
Combining Balance Sheet – Non Major Governmental Funds	Schedule B
Combining Schedule of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Non Major Governmental Funds	Schedule C

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TOWN OF WELLS, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2008

	General	Nonmajor	Total
	Fund	Funds	Governmental
			Funds
ASSETS			
Cash	\$ 12,411,870	\$ 257,245	\$ 12,669,115
Investments	177,283	-	177,283
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles)			
Taxes	1,082,413	-	1,082,413
Liens	21,028	-	21,028
Other	59,954	-	59,954
Tax acquired property	93,853	-	93,853
Prepaid expenses	3,750	-	3,750
Due from other funds	31,705	4,249,444	4,281,149
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 13,881,856	\$ 4,506,689	\$ 18,388,545
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 156,127	\$ -	\$ 156,127
Due to other governments	38,337	-	38,337
Accrued expenses	79,233	-	79,233
Prepaid taxes	15,062	-	15,062
Due to other funds	4,249,444	31,705	4,281,149
Deferred revenues	574,013	-	574,013
Other liabilities	165,668	-	165,668
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,277,884	31,705	5,309,589
Fund Equity			
Unreserved, reported in:			
General Fund:			
Designated	330,440	-	330,440
Undesignated	8,273,532	-	8,273,532
Special Revenue Fund:			
Designated	-	2,856,298	2,856,298
Undesignated	-	(31,667)	(31,667)
Capital project funds	-	1,516,946	1,516,946
Permanent funds	-	133,407	133,407
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	8,603,972	4,474,984	13,078,956
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 13,881,856	\$ 4,506,689	\$ 18,388,545

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT D

TOWN OF WELLS, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
 – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	General Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes	\$ 24,551,251	\$ -	\$ 24,551,251
Intergovernmental revenue	1,217,388	32,623	1,250,011
Charges for services	1,329,567	464,841	1,794,408
Investment income	367,673	10,515	378,188
Other revenues	235,439	126,024	361,463
Total revenues	27,701,318	634,003	28,335,321
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	3,448,290	38,519	3,486,809
Public safety	3,244,191	304,902	3,549,093
Health and sanitation	861,616	55	861,671
Recreation and culture	237,023	291,384	528,407
Education	14,022,015	-	14,022,015
Public works	1,373,357	85,805	1,459,162
Beach and harbors	245,772	55,243	301,015
Library	301,398	11,012	312,410
County tax	1,287,401	-	1,287,401
Unclassified	786,526	22,503	809,029
Capital outlay	-	35,000	35,000
Debt service:			
Principal	568,867	-	568,867
Interest	75,476	-	75,476
9B Landfill closure	-	27,039	27,039
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	26,451,932	871,462	27,323,394
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	1,249,386	(237,459)	1,011,927
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Bond proceeds	-	-	-
Transfers in	213,523	1,125,648	1,339,171
Transfers out	(1,125,648)	(213,523)	(1,339,171)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(912,125)	912,125	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	337,261	674,666	1,011,927
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	8,266,711	3,800,318	12,067,029
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 8,603,972	\$ 4,474,984	\$ 13,078,956

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TOWN OF WELLS, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance
	Original	Final	Amounts	Favorable (Unfavorable)
Budgetary Fund Balance, July 1	\$ 8,266,711	\$ 8,266,711	\$ 8,266,711	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes	24,486,827	24,486,827	24,551,251	64,424
Intergovernmental revenue	881,309	881,309	1,217,388	336,079
Charges for service	936,880	936,880	1,329,567	392,687
Investment income	175,000	175,000	367,673	192,673
Other income	143,950	143,950	235,439	91,489
Transfers from other funds	-	-	213,523	213,523
Amounts Available for Appropriation	34,890,677	34,890,677	36,181,552	1,290,875
Charges to Appropriation (Outflows):				
Current:				
General government	3,500,497	3,572,897	3,448,290	124,607
Public safety	3,406,570	3,501,266	3,244,191	257,075
Health and sanitation	732,210	734,238	861,616	(127,378)
Recreation & culture	232,398	237,170	237,023	147
Education	14,022,015	14,022,015	14,022,015	-
Public works	1,237,479	1,449,669	1,373,357	76,312
Beach and harbors	301,982	302,998	245,772	57,226
Library	302,640	313,611	301,398	12,213
County tax	1,287,401	1,287,401	1,287,401	-
Unclassified	1,699,614	1,700,806	786,526	914,280
Debt service:				
Principal	508,986	508,986	568,867	(59,881)
Interest	81,177	81,177	75,476	5,701
Overlay	655,165	655,165	-	655,165
Transfers to other funds	729,900	1,016,100	1,125,648	(109,548)
Total Charges to Appropriations	28,698,034	29,383,499	27,577,580	1,805,919
Budgetary Fund Balance, June 30	\$ 6,192,643	\$ 5,507,178	\$ 8,603,972	\$ 3,096,794
Add: Encumbrances at June 30			-	
GAAP Basis Fund Balance, June 30			\$ 8,603,972	
Use of undesignated fund balance	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,482,732	\$ -	\$ 1,482,732

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SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF WELLS, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Balance	Appropriations	Applied Revenues	Total Available	Actual	Balance
	7/1/2007					
EXPENDITURES						
General government:						
Administration / personnel salaries	\$ -	\$ 303,579	\$ 14,875	\$ 318,454	\$ 302,098	\$ 16,356
Code enforcement salaries	-	251,166	8,361	259,527	234,972	24,555
Assessing salaries	-	132,531	5,142	137,673	134,126	3,547
Town clerk salaries	-	126,887	-	126,887	128,563	(1,676)
Town manager salaries	-	116,166	1,049	117,215	121,305	(4,090)
Office of Planning salaries	-	87,300	3,395	90,695	92,365	(1,670)
Information systems salaries	-	48,343	1,450	49,793	49,996	(203)
Building department salaries	-	42,020	-	42,020	41,576	444
Benefits / insurances / taxes	38,088	1,520,813	-	1,558,901	1,474,117	84,784
Property / liability insurance	-	175,000	-	175,000	158,488	16,512
Administration	-	96,491	-	96,491	93,226	3,265
Hydrant rental	-	125,971	-	125,971	110,894	15,077
Street lights	-	100,000	-	100,000	100,328	(328)
Information center	-	53,693	-	53,693	53,693	-
Town hall expenses	-	40,700	-	40,700	49,274	(8,574)
Town manager expenses	-	149,350	(100)	149,250	156,701	(7,451)
Office of Planning expenses	-	3,150	-	3,150	15,845	(12,695)
Manager of Information Systems	-	225	-	225	-	225
Town clerk expenses	-	55,000	-	55,000	31,700	23,300
Assessing expenses	-	22,102	-	22,102	21,702	400
Code enforcement expenses	-	16,300	40	16,340	41,993	(25,653)
Survey and appraisal	-	7,000	-	7,000	4,271	2,729
Old post office	-	5,360	-	5,360	7,127	(1,767)
Historic preservation	-	3,000	-	3,000	-	3,000
Personnel department	-	18,350	-	18,350	23,868	(5,518)
Charter commission	-	-	100	100	62	38
	38,088	3,500,497	34,312	3,572,897	3,448,290	124,607

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF WELLS, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Balance 7/1/2007	Appropriations	Applied Revenues	Total Available	Actual	Balance
EXPENDITURES						
Public safety:						
Police department salaries	-	1,462,931	7,391	1,470,322	1,400,187	70,135
Fire department salaries	-	744,650	5,141	749,791	727,883	21,908
Dispatch center salaries	-	212,072	-	212,072	197,618	14,454
Animal control salaries	-	34,465	1,286	35,751	34,586	1,165
Civil defense salaries	-	1,242	-	1,242	674	568
Police department operations	-	366,793	73,338	440,131	318,196	121,935
Ambulance service	5,144	252,252	-	257,396	248,470	8,926
Fire department operations	-	235,114	-	235,114	232,602	2,512
Dispatch operations	-	78,798	2,396	81,194	67,945	13,249
Animal control operations	-	12,850	-	12,850	11,640	1,210
Civil defense operations	-	5,403	-	5,403	4,390	1,013
	5,144	3,406,570	89,552	3,501,266	3,244,191	257,075
Health and sanitation:						
Transfer station salaries	-	184,060	2,028	186,088	206,953	(20,865)
Transfer station operations	-	548,150	-	548,150	654,663	(106,513)
	-	732,210	2,028	734,238	861,616	(127,378)
Recreation and culture:						
Recreation salaries	-	170,507	4,772	175,279	183,261	(7,982)
Recreation operations	-	43,920	-	43,920	36,896	7,024
R Jorgensen activity center	-	17,971	-	17,971	16,866	1,105
	-	232,398	4,772	237,170	237,023	147
Education	-	14,022,015	-	14,022,015	14,022,015	-

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF WELLS, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Balance 7/1/2007	Appropriations	Applied Revenues	Total Available	Actual	Balance
EXPENDITURES						
Public works:						
Highway salaries	-	405,144	-	405,144	383,489	21,655
Highway operations	-	797,950	212,190	1,010,140	920,412	89,728
Bridges / culverts	-	9,000	-	9,000	5,977	3,023
FEMA	-	-	-	-	57,912	(57,912)
Building	-	16,135	-	16,135	-	16,135
Tree pruning	-	9,250	-	9,250	5,567	3,683
	-	1,237,479	212,190	1,449,669	1,373,357	76,312
Beach and harbors:						
Lifeguard salaries	-	130,410	-	130,410	100,736	29,674
Harbor master salaries	-	44,364	1,016	45,380	46,302	(922)
Beach cleaning salaries	-	15,150	-	15,150	316	14,834
Parking lots salaries	-	24,587	-	24,587	27,105	(2,518)
Restroom lots salaries	-	15,565	-	15,565	8,481	7,084
Restroom cleaning operating	-	24,100	-	24,100	19,538	4,562
Harbor master operating	-	19,276	-	19,276	13,130	6,146
Beach cleaning operating	-	7,050	-	7,050	10,214	(3,164)
Lifeguard operating	-	16,280	-	16,280	15,433	847
Parking lot operating	-	4,400	-	4,400	3,902	498
Gazebo	-	800	-	800	615	185
	-	301,982	1,016	302,998	245,772	57,226
Library	-	302,640	10,971	313,611	301,398	12,213
County tax	-	1,287,401	-	1,287,401	1,287,401	-
Debt service:						
Principal	-	508,986	-	508,986	568,867	(59,881)
Interest	-	81,177	-	81,177	75,476	5,701
	-	590,163	-	590,163	644,343	(54,180)

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF WELLS, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Balance 7/1/2007	Appropriations	Applied Revenues	Total Available	Actual	Balance
EXPENDITURES						
Unclassified:						
Grants	-	63,920	-	63,920	62,476	1,444
Clam conservation	-	6,150	871	7,021	5,584	1,437
Boards / committees	-	8,000	-	8,000	-	8,000
Conservation committee	-	2,990	321	3,311	1,874	1,437
Health / welfare	-	100	-	100	-	100
Warrant articles - net	-	1,618,454	-	1,618,454	716,592	901,862
Designated funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	1,699,614	1,192	1,700,806	786,526	914,280
Overlay	-	655,165	-	655,165	-	655,165
Transfers to other funds						
Special revenue	-	153,800	286,200	440,000	440,000	-
Capital projects	-	576,100	-	576,100	576,100	-
	-	729,900	286,200	1,016,100	1,016,100	-
Total Expenditures	\$ 43,232	\$ 28,698,034	\$ 642,233	\$ 29,383,499	\$ 27,468,032	\$ 1,915,467

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF WELLS, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET – NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 JUNE 30, 2008

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 15,712	\$ 108,088	\$ 133,445	\$ 257,245
Investments	-	-	-	-
Due from other funds	2,840,586	1,408,858	-	4,249,444
Total assets	\$2,856,298	\$1,516,946	\$ 133,445	\$ 4,506,689
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Due to other funds	31,667	-	38	31,705
Total liabilities	31,667	-	38	31,705
FUND EQUITY				
Fund balance:				
Unreserved:				
Designated for subsequent years'				
expenditures	2,856,298	1,516,946	133,407	4,506,651
Undesignated	(31,667)	-	-	(31,667)
Total fund equity	2,824,631	1,516,946	133,407	4,474,984
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$2,856,298	\$1,516,946	\$ 133,445	\$ 4,506,689

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	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental revenue	\$ 32,623	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,623
Charges for services	464,841	-	-	464,841
Investment income	34	5,096	5,385	10,515
Other income	126,024	-	-	126,024
TOTAL REVENUES	623,522	5,096	5,385	634,003
EXPENDITURES				
General government	38,519	-	-	38,519
Public safety	39,365	265,537	-	304,902
Health and welfare	-	-	55	55
Recreation & culture	291,364	-	20	291,384
Public works	85,805	-	-	85,805
Beach and harbors	55,243	-	-	55,243
Library	11,012	-	-	11,012
Unclassified	22,503	-	-	22,503
Capital outlay	35,000	-	-	35,000
9B Landfill land acquisition	25,600	1,439	-	27,039
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	604,411	266,976	75	871,462
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	19,111	(261,880)	5,310	(237,459)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers In	685,648	440,000	-	1,125,648
Transfers Out	(213,523)	-	-	(213,523)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	472,125	440,000	-	912,125
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	491,236	178,120	5,310	674,666
FUND BALANCE, JULY 1	2,333,395	1,338,826	128,097	3,800,318
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$ 2,824,631	\$ 1,516,946	\$ 133,407	\$ 4,474,984

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT
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Wells Sanitary District

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

This discussion and analysis of the Wells Sanitary District's financial condition provides an overview of the District's financial operations for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Financial Highlights

- The District's total cash and investments, both restricted and unrestricted, was approximately \$2,392,000 at December 31, 2008. This is approximately \$360,000 higher than last year. In addition, bond proceeds held at the Maine Municipal Bond Bank totaled approximately \$229,000 at December 31, 2007. All bond proceeds had been utilized as of December 31, 2008.
- The District's total operating revenue in 2008 was approximately \$1,890,000. This is approximately \$33,000 more than last year.
- The District's fixed assets increased by approximately \$205,000 in 2008. This amount consists of \$74,000 in sewers line, and \$83,000 in final costs relating to the dewatering system upgrade which was substantially completed in April 2007. The amount also includes \$32,000 for new equipment and minor upgrades to the plant and pump stations. The District also spent \$16,000 on the preliminary design of a new pump station, Chapel Road Pump Station.
- The District paid off approximately \$407,000 of debt during 2008.
- The District's total assets decreased by approximately \$387,000 in 2008 to \$20,254,000.

Audited Financial Statements

These audited financial statements are comprised of the following:

- Independent Auditors' Report – This report is issued by the District's independent auditors. In it, the auditors explain that they audited the District's financial statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. It also expresses that, in the opinion of the auditors, the District's financial statements present fairly the District's financial position and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- Balance Sheet – The balance sheet presents the assets, liabilities and fund net assets of the District as of December 31, 2008 and 2007.
- Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Fund Net Assets – This statement reports the operating revenues and expenses and non-operating revenues and expenses of the District for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. It also shows how the District's revenues and expenses for the years affected the fund net assets of the District.

Audited Financial Statements - (continued)

- Statement of Cash Flows – The statement of cash flows reports the sources and uses of the District’s cash from operating activities, investing activities and capital and related financing activities. Sources and uses of cash are netted on the statement to show the District’s net increase or decrease in cash for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007.
- Notes to Financial Statements – The notes to the financial statements provide information about the District, its accounting policies, and additional information on amounts reported in other parts of the financial statements.
- Supplemental Information - As explained in the independent auditors’ report on the basic financial statements, the District’s auditors have also issued a “Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and On Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*”. This report is not a part of the basic financial statements but is considered an integral part of the audit of the District’s financial statements in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with the auditors’ report on the basic financial statements.

Summary of Financial Information

The District’s financial condition as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 and the results of its operations for the years then ended is summarized below. Amounts reported are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars.

**FINANCIAL CONDITION
DECEMBER 31,**

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Current assets	\$2,104	\$1,820
Restricted assets	877	970
Capital assets	17,268	17,846
Other assets	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Total assets	<u>\$20,254</u>	<u>\$20,641</u>
Current liabilities	\$ 578	\$ 654
Long-term liabilities	<u>7,204</u>	<u>7,639</u>
Total liabilities	<u>7,782</u>	<u>8,293</u>
Fund Net Assets:		
Invested in capital assets net of related debt	9,643	9,684
Restricted	878	965
Unrestricted	<u>1,951</u>	<u>1,699</u>
Total Fund Net Assets	<u>12,472</u>	<u>12,348</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Net Assets	<u>\$20,254</u>	<u>\$20,641</u>

Summary of Financial Information - (continued)

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,**

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Operating revenues	\$1,890	\$1,857
Operating expenses	<u>1,933</u>	<u>1,860</u>
(Loss) from operations	(43)	(3)
Non-operating revenues	98	39
Non-operating expenses	204	165
Capital contributions	<u>273</u>	<u>1,156</u>
Change in Fund Net Assets	<u>\$ 124</u>	<u>\$1,027</u>

- At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the District had total assets of \$20,254,000 and \$20,641,000, respectively, of which \$17,268,000 and \$17,846,000 respectively, consisted of capital assets. Capital assets are comprised of the District's fixed assets such as property, plant, equipment, and furnishings. It also includes sewer lines and pump stations.
- At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the District's liabilities totaled \$7,782,000 and \$8,293,000, respectively. Of this amount, \$578,000 and \$654,000, respectively, represented amounts due in the short-term (twelve months or less) and \$7,204,000 and \$7,639,000, respectively, represented amounts due in the long-term.
- At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the District's fund net assets totaled \$12,472,000 and \$12,348,000, respectively. Of this amount \$9,643,000 and \$9,684,000, respectively, represented amounts invested in capital assets net of related debt; \$878,000 and \$965,000, respectively, was restricted to pay debt; and \$1,951,000 and \$1,699,000, respectively, was unrestricted.
- The District's operating revenues consists principally of sewer service charges. For the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, total revenue generated from sewer and other service charges was \$1,890,000 and \$1,857,000, respectively.
- In addition to sewer service charges, the District's receives capital contributions, impact fees and reserve capacity fees. Entrance fees are fees charged to customers to connect to the sewer system. Impact fees and reserve capacity fees are used to improve, enlarge or expand the District's sewer treatment system or to pay interest and debt incurred for such purposes. Income from impact fees and reserve capacity fees are reported as capital contributions in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets and totaled \$273,000 and \$1,156,000, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007.
- Other non-operating revenue earned by the District is comprised primarily of interest, investment income and miscellaneous income and totaled \$98,000 and \$39,000, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. In 2007, there was a decrease of \$39,000 in the District's non-operating revenue resulting from the disposal of capital assets.
- The District's operating expenses for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 totaled \$1,933,000 and \$1,861,000, respectively, and consisted of the following:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Operating expenses	\$1,149,000	\$ 1,101,000
Depreciation	\$ 784,000	\$ 760,000

Summary of Financial Information – (continued)

- The District's non-operating expenses for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 totaled \$204,000 and \$165,000, respectively, and consisted of the following:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Amortization and investment fees	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Interest on bonds and notes payable	\$199,000	\$160,000

- For the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, the District's revenues exceeded its expenses resulting in an increase in its fund net assets of \$124,000 and \$1,027,000, respectively.
- For the year ended December 31, 2008, the District issued no new debt, and made principal payments totaling \$407,000 on existing debt. For the year ended December 31, 2007, the District issued no new debt, and made principal payments totaling \$290,000 on existing debt.
- During the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, the District made net capital asset acquisitions totaling \$205,000 and \$1,057,000, respectively. These capital asset purchases are as follows:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Vehicles, equipment and office furnishings	\$ -	\$ 36,000
Plant upgrade and pump stations	115,000	1,021,000
Sewer lines	74,000	-
Construction in process	<u>16,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Capital Asset Acquisitions	<u>\$ 205,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,057,000</u>

- The District may also accept sewer line extensions constructed by private contractors. These sewer lines are only accepted by the District if they meet certain standards and are formally accepted by a majority vote of the District's Board of Trustees. When a sewer line is accepted, it is recorded as a capital contribution based on the fair market value of the sewer line which approximates the cost to construct the sewer line. For the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, capital contributions of sewer lines totaled \$74,000 and \$1,008,000, respectively.
- During 2008, the District had entered into four contracts with an engineering firm. As of December 31, 2008, the amounts remaining on those contracts total approximately \$73,000.
- On May 25, 2006, the Trustees voted to accept the low bid of Penta Construction of Moultonboro, New Hampshire in the amount of \$1,889,000 for the Dewatering Upgrade project. The dewatering system upgrade project was operational and considered substantially complete in April of 2007. The District made the final payment of approximately \$41,000 in August of 2008.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

January 28, 2009

Board of Trustees
WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT
Wells, Maine

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, as listed in the table of contents. These basic financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these basic financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall basic financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 28, 2009, on our consideration of WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT'S internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 1 through 4 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Cummings, Lamont & McNamee, P.A.
Certified Public Accountants
Kennebunk, Maine

WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT

BALANCE SHEETS

DECEMBER 31,

	ASSETS	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 1,025,136	\$ 800,189
Investments		563,845	526,537
Accounts receivable, users		496,757	475,069
Prepaid expenses		17,921	18,430
		<u>2,103,659</u>	<u>1,820,225</u>
RESTRICTED ASSETS			
Restricted cash		802,843	704,916
Bond proceeds held in escrow		-	229,383
Accounts receivable, other		74,627	35,169
		<u>877,470</u>	<u>969,468</u>
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT			
Land and easements		157,991	157,991
Sewer lines		13,999,432	13,925,432
Structures and clarifiers		6,397,549	6,397,549
Equipment		4,783,581	4,783,581
Office furnishings		25,275	25,275
Vehicles		82,360	82,360
Plant upgrade and pump stations		8,857,283	8,742,030
Construction in process		15,925	-
		<u>34,319,396</u>	<u>34,114,218</u>
Less accumulated depreciation		<u>(17,051,667)</u>	<u>(16,268,253)</u>
		<u>17,267,729</u>	<u>17,845,965</u>
DEFERRED BOND ISSUE EXPENSE, net of amortization		<u>4,886</u>	<u>5,294</u>
Total Assets		<u>\$ 20,253,744</u>	<u>\$ 20,640,952</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements

WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT

BALANCE SHEETS

DECEMBER 31,

	2008	2007
LIABILITIES AND FUND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ 49,957	\$ 157,437
Accrued salaries	62,143	58,085
Accrued interest payable	44,951	37,852
Current portion of bonds payable	421,263	392,926
Current portion of capitalized lease	-	7,725
Total Current Liabilities	578,314	654,025
LONG-TERM DEBT		
Bonds payable, net of current portion	7,203,612	7,639,292
Less: unamortized discount	(168)	(829)
Total Long-Term Debt	7,203,444	7,638,463
Total Liabilities	7,781,758	8,292,488
FUND NET ASSETS		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	9,643,021	9,683,570
Restricted	877,860	965,457
Unrestricted	1,951,105	1,699,437
Total Fund Net Assets	12,471,986	12,348,464
Total Liabilities and Fund Net Assets	\$ 20,253,744	\$ 20,640,952

See Notes to Financial Statements

WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
OPERATING REVENUE		
Sewer service charges	\$ 1,877,254	\$ 1,840,480
Other services and charges	<u>12,597</u>	<u>16,579</u>
Total Operating Revenue	1,889,851	1,857,059
OPERATING EXPENSES		
	<u>1,932,677</u>	<u>1,860,530</u>
INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	<u>(42,826)</u>	<u>(3,471)</u>
NON-OPERATING REVENUE		
Interest and dividend income	73,633	66,815
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments	20,444	9,015
Loss on disposal of capital assets	-	(38,631)
Miscellaneous income	<u>3,380</u>	<u>1,895</u>
Total Non-operating Revenue	<u>97,457</u>	<u>39,094</u>
NON-OPERATING EXPENSES		
Amortization of deferred start-up costs, bond issue expenses and bond discounts	1,069	1,069
Investment fees	4,025	3,869
Interest on long-term liabilities	<u>198,662</u>	<u>160,319</u>
Total Non-operating Expenses	<u>203,756</u>	<u>165,257</u>
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	<u>272,647</u>	<u>1,156,814</u>
CHANGE IN FUND NET ASSETS	123,522	1,027,180
FUND NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>12,348,464</u>	<u>11,321,284</u>
FUND NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 12,471,986</u>	<u>\$ 12,348,464</u>

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WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

	2008	2007
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Cash received from customers	\$ 1,868,163	\$ 1,866,500
Cash paid to employees	(339,199)	(324,725)
Cash paid to suppliers for goods and services	(795,866)	(770,092)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	733,098	771,683
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Interest and dividend income	73,633	66,815
Other income	3,380	1,895
Purchases of investments	(20,889)	(20,888)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	56,124	47,822
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Principal payments under capital lease obligations	(7,725)	(7,315)
Principal paid on capital debt	(407,343)	(290,213)
Interest paid	(191,563)	(163,009)
Proceeds from disposal of capital assets	-	15,612
Purchases of capital assets	(248,289)	(1,438,092)
Impact and reserve capacity fees received	159,189	189,051
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(695,731)	(1,693,966)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	93,491	(874,461)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,734,488	2,608,949
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,827,979	\$ 1,734,488
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (42,826)	\$ (3,471)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	783,414	759,656
Capital assets purchased through accounts payable	117,111	381,509
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable, users	(21,688)	9,441
Prepaid expenses	509	5,070
Accounts payable	(107,480)	(384,700)
Accrued liabilities	4,058	4,178
Total Adjustments	775,924	775,154
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 733,098	\$ 771,683

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WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

	2008	2007
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,025,136	\$ 800,189
Restricted cash	802,843	704,916
Bond proceeds held in escrow	-	229,383
	\$ 1,827,979	\$ 1,734,488
TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
	\$ 1,827,979	\$ 1,734,488
 SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF NONCASH PURCHASES OF CAPITAL ASSETS		
Total capital asset acquisitions	\$ 205,178	\$ 2,064,816
Less assets acquired through noncash capital contributions	(74,000)	(1,008,233)
Add assets purchased through accounts payable	117,111	381,509
	\$ 248,289	\$ 1,438,092
TOTAL CASH PAID FOR CAPITAL ASSETS	\$ 248,289	\$ 1,438,092

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WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

Note 1 – Nature of Organization

The WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT is a quasi-municipal corporation organized under the Statutes of the State of Maine for the purpose of constructing and operating a system of waste disposal and sewage treatment for the Town of Wells. A certificate of organization was issued to the District in December 1970 by the Maine Environmental Improvement Commission. It is managed by a full-time superintendent and five trustees elected for staggered three-year terms by voters of the District.

Reporting Entity - In evaluating how to define the District for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). The basic, but not only, criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, and the ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters. The other criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financial relationships, regardless of whether the District is able to exercise oversight responsibilities.

The financial statements presented do not include agencies which have been formed under applicable state laws or separate and distinct units of government apart from the District.

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The District applies all GASB pronouncements as well as the Financial Accounting Standards Board pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

In June 1999, the GASB unanimously approved Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments* (the Statement). Certain of the significant changes in the Statement include a Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the District's overall financial position and results of operations, modifications to the equity section of the balance sheet, and additional disclosures of certain information in the notes to the financial statements. These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements and notes.

In conjunction with the implementation of GASB Statement No. 34, the District is also required to implement GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting for Financial Reporting of Nonexchange Transactions*. The effect of Statement No. 33 on the District's financial statements is that assessments and impact fees are included in income in the District's Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets. Prior to the issuance of Statement 33, assessments and impact fees were treated as contributed capital that directly increased the District's equity.

Note 2 – Summary of the District's Significant Accounting Policies

Significant accounting policies of the District are described below:

Basis of Accounting - The accounting records of the District are maintained and the accompanying financial statements have been prepared on, the accrual basis of accounting. Its revenues are recognized when earned and expenses recognized when incurred.

Accounts Receivable-Users and Accounts Receivable-Other - Accounts receivable-users is comprised of liens and accrued fees and interest on unpaid fees. Accounts receivable-other is comprised of reserve capacity fees and impact fees. An allowance for doubtful accounts is not considered necessary. It is the District's position

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Note 2 – Summary of the District’s Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

that all arrearages for user fees and other charges, including accounts which are in U.S. Bankruptcy Court, are secured claims under state statute and that the likelihood of eventual collection is good.

Property and Equipment - Property and equipment is carried at cost. Major additions and improvements are capitalized while maintenance and repairs which do not materially improve or extend the life of the assets are expensed currently.

Depreciation - Depreciation is computed by the straight-line method on all classes of property and equipment over their estimated useful lives. The depreciable lives of assets range from 5 to 20 years for equipment, furnishings and vehicles and 20 to 50 years for sewer lines, structures, clarifiers and the plant upgrade.

Operating and Nonoperating Revenues - Operating revenues consist of user fees and other charges for services. Nonoperating revenues consist of investment income and the related change in fair market value of those investments, gains and losses on disposition of assets and other miscellaneous income.

Capital Contributions – Capital contributions consist of impact fees and reserve capacity fees which are restricted or designated to cover the costs of capital additions such as sewer line extensions or improvements to the treatment plant, or to pay debt incurred for capital additions. Capital contributions also consist of District approved public sewer line extensions installed by developers and incorporated into the District’s public sewer system.

Deferred Bond Issue Expense - Deferred bond issue expense consists of legal fees relating to the issuance of bonds. These bond issue expenses are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the terms of the bonds.

Cash and Cash Equivalents - For purposes of the Statements of Cash Flows, the District considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions. This will affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Unrestricted Fund Net Assets - Unrestricted Fund Net Assets represents the cumulative net income of the District from inception which is not otherwise restricted for debt service and retirement.

Compensated Absences – Under certain circumstances and according to the personnel manual, employees are allowed to accumulate annual leave. This amount is included as an accrued liability at year end.

Note 3 - Cash

At December 31, cash consisted of the following:

	2008		2007	
	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>
Petty cash	\$ 245	\$ -	\$ 245	\$ -
Checking and savings accounts	<u>1,827,734</u>	<u>1,830,185</u>	<u>1,504,860</u>	<u>1,509,662</u>
Total	<u>\$1,827,979</u>	<u>\$1,830,185</u>	<u>\$1,505,105</u>	<u>\$1,509,622</u>

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Note 3 - Cash (continued)

The difference between the carrying amount and the bank balance is due primarily to deposits in transit and outstanding checks. The District maintains accounts at three financial institutions. Of the bank balances at December 31, 2008 and 2007, \$750,000 and \$300,000 respectively was covered by federal depository insurance. In addition, one institution provides an additional \$1,750,000 of insurance coverage. On December 31, 2008, no cash balance was uninsured or uncollateralized. On December 31, 2007, the remaining balance of \$167,876 was uninsured and uncollateralized. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk.

Maine statutes authorize the District to invest funds in savings banks, trust companies, national banks and credit unions located within the State of Maine.

Note 4 - Short-Term Investments

Maine statutes authorize the District to invest in obligations of U.S. Treasury and U.S. agencies, repurchase agreements and certain corporate stocks and bonds.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the District's investment balances were as follows:

<u>Investment Type</u>	2008		2007	
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Maturity</u>
Cash equivalent	\$ 73,419	N/A	\$ 158,404	N/A
US Treasury Note	N/A	N/A	125,459	3/31/08
US Treasury Note	N/A	N/A	24,943	5/15/08
Federal Home Loan Bank	N/A	N/A	39,912	5/15/08
Federal Farm Credit Bank	N/A	N/A	24,816	7/22/08
Federal Home Loan Bank	40,744	5/15/09	40,875	5/15/09
Federal Home Loan Bank	20,294	5/15/09	20,144	5/15/09
Federal Home Loan Bank	52,821	9/17/10	N/A	N/A
Federal Home Loan Bank	31,683	11/15/10	30,483	11/15/10
Federal Home Loan Bank	53,530	2/18/11	N/A	N/A
Federal Home Loan Bank	32,241	5/13/11	30,783	5/13/11
Federal Home Loan Bank	10,716	6/10/11	N/A	N/A
Federal Home Loan Bank	56,109	5/15/12	N/A	N/A
Federal Farm Credit Bank	32,494	8/24/12	30,718	8/24/12
Federal Home Loan Bank	54,016	11/15/12	N/A	N/A
Federal Home Loan Bank	83,730	8/14/13	N/A	N/A
Federal Home Loan Bank	10,853	9/13/13	N/A	N/A
Federal Home Loan Bank	<u>11,195</u>	<u>12/12/14</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Total	\$563,845		\$526,537	

The market value of the District's short-term investments approximates the carrying value of those investments.

Note 5 - Accounts Receivable-Other

The District charges a one-time sewer impact fee and reserve capacity fee to all new unanticipated residential or commercial users based on design flow impact on the District's reserve capacity. The rate per gallon per day was amended to \$8.96 in 2007 from \$7.72 in 2006. During 2008, the rate remained at \$8.96 per gallon per day. The District recognizes the impact and reserve capacity fee as income from contributed capital.

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Note 5 - Accounts Receivable-Other (continued)

Accounts Receivable-other, consists of the following:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Sewer impact fees receivable	\$75,017	\$31,158
Other accounts receivable	525	4,011
Other miscellaneous	<u>(915)</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$74,627</u>	<u>\$35,169</u>

Note 6 - Restricted and Designated Assets

The District has various restrictions placed over certain revenue sources from state and local requirements. The District's Board of Trustees has also designated certain funds to be used for certain purposes. Restricted and designated assets at December 31, are comprised of the following:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Restricted assets:		
Sewer impact fee and reserve capacity fee receipts collected for the purpose of making principal payments on debt issued to fund the sewage treatment plant expansion	\$802,843	\$704,916
Sewer impact fees and reserve capacity fees receivable restricted for the purpose of making principal payments on debt issued to fund the sewage treatment plant expansion	75,017	31,158
Bond funds held in escrow by the Maine Municipal Bond Bank	-	<u>229,383</u>
Total restricted assets	<u>\$877,860</u>	<u>\$965,457</u>

The District's Board of Trustees has designated portions of its cash and investments for the following purposes:

Debt service and retirement	\$213,309	\$267,776
Total designated assets	<u>\$213,309</u>	<u>\$267,776</u>

Note 7 - Property and Equipment

The following is a reconciliation of property and equipment and accumulated depreciation.

	<u>Property and Equipment</u>	<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>
Beginning balance, January 1, 2007	\$32,185,069	\$15,590,022
Acquisitions and construction of property and equipment	2,064,816	-
Depreciation expense	-	<u>759,656</u>
Subtotal	34,249,885	16,349,678
Less: retirement of property and equipment	<u>135,667</u>	<u>81,425</u>
Ending balance, December 31, 2007	34,114,218	16,268,253
Acquisitions and construction of property and equipment	205,178	-
Depreciation expense	-	<u>783,414</u>
Subtotal	34,319,396	17,051,667
Less: retirement of property and equipment	-	-
Ending balance, December 31, 2008	<u>\$34,319,396</u>	<u>\$17,051,667</u>

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Note 8 - Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt at December 31, consisted of the following:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Bonds issued to State Street Bank & Trust. Interest is payable semi-annually in April and October at a rate fluctuating from a low of 7.0% to a high of 7.75% with an average rate of 7.29%. Principal payments are due annually on April 1 until the year 2009. Principal payments increase over this period from \$15,000 to \$70,000.	\$ 70,000	\$ 135,000
Bond payable to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank for \$750,000. Interest on the bond is payable at an annual rate of 2.27%, and annual principal and interest payments are due in November. The maturity date of the bond is November 2023.	700,000	710,000
Bond payable to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank for \$6,100,000. Interest on the bond is payable at an annual rate of 2.6%, and principal and interest payments are due in April and October. The maturity date of the bond is October 2023.	4,659,330	4,887,218
Bond payable to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank for \$2,300,000. Interest on the bond is payable at an annual rate of 1.0%, and principal and interest payments are due in April and October. The maturity date of the bond is October 2027.	<u>2,195,545</u>	<u>2,300,000</u>
Total	\$ <u>7,624,875</u>	\$ <u>8,032,218</u>

The District issued a bond for \$2,300,000 in January 2006. This bond was finalized in March 2008.

Principal and interest requirements to retire the District's long-term debt are as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest and fees</u>	<u>Total</u>
2009	\$ 421,263	\$ 179,804	\$ 601,067
2010	470,277	159,575	629,852
2011	480,187	149,391	629,578
2012	490,352	138,951	629,303
2013	500,774	128,248	629,022
2014-2018	2,669,845	470,981	3,140,826
2019-2023	2,094,851	169,389	2,264,240
2024-2029	<u>497,326</u>	<u>37,986</u>	<u>535,312</u>
Totals	<u>\$7,624,875</u>	<u>\$1,434,325</u>	<u>\$9,059,200</u>

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Note 8 - Long-Term Debt (continued)

Changes in general long-term debt during 2007 and 2008 are as follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Repayments</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>End of Year</u>
2007	\$ 8,322,431	-	\$ 290,213	\$ 8,032,218
2008	\$ 8,032,218	-	\$ 407,343	\$ 7,624,875

In February 2005, the Maine Municipal Bond Bank (MMBB) approved a reduction in the MMBB loan servicing fee charged to borrowers under the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund Program. The fee was reduced from 3% to 1.5% of annual debt service payable.

Note 10 - Pension Plan

The District has a non-contributory money-purchase pension plan covering all full-time and part-time employees who have attained the age of 20 and completed one year of service. Under this plan the District contributes on behalf of each participant an amount equal to 8% of the participant's annual salary. An eligible employee is 0% vested following the initial year of employment, 20% vested for each of the next five years of employment and is fully vested after obtaining six years of employment. The plan is funded by insurance contracts and mutual funds selected by the individual participants. Pension plan expense was \$27,245 in 2008 and \$26,086 in 2007.

Note 11 - Commitments

In 2008 the District entered into several new engineering contracts. As of December 31, 2008, the amounts remaining on the engineering contracts total approximately \$73,000.

Note 12 - Reclassifications

Certain amounts in the 2007 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to 2008 presentation.

**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON
COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING
STANDARDS***

January 28, 2009

To the Board of Trustees
WELLS SANITARY DISTRICT
Wells, Maine 04090

We have audited the financial statements of the Wells Sanitary District as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, and have issued our report thereon dated January 28, 2009. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the District's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the District's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Trustees, and others within the District and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Cummins, Rowlett & McNamee, P.A.
Certified Public Accountants
Kennebunk, Maine

DATES TO REMEMBER

December	1	Dog Licenses Due
	1	Hunting/Fishing Licenses Available Clam Licenses Available Mid-December
February	1	Dogs Not Licensed / Assessed a \$15.00 Late Charge
February/ March		Abatement Appeal Deadline (185 days after commitment - Depending on actual day of Commitment)
April	1	Dogs Not Licensed / Assessed a \$25.00 Late Charge All Property, Both Real and Personal, Assessed to Owner of Record, based on completion and condition of Property as of April 1 st .
May	1	Beach Passes on Sale ATV & Snowmobile Registrations Available
June	30	Fiscal Year Ends, Municipal Books Close
July	1	Fiscal Year Begins
September/ October		Tax Bills Committed and Mailed
October/ November		Interest Begins 46 th day after Commitment

Helpful Hint: When you get your new calendar at the beginning of the year, try writing down the first of the month when you need to license your dog, register your vehicle, and dates to obtain hunting, fishing and clam licenses.