

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICER
OF THE TOWN OF
DEXTER, MAINE**

**For the Municipal Year
Beginning July 1, 2005
and
Ending June 30, 2006**

THE TOWN OF DEXTER

Dexter is strategically located in the southwestern portion of Penobscot County, approximately 30 miles northwest of the City of Bangor. It is situated along Route 7, midway between Interstate Route 95 in Newport and the Moosehead Lake area. Dexter is home to over 5,000 residents during the summer months with tourists and the return of the summer camp owners.

The total land area contained within the Dexter corporate limits is 33.5 square miles. About 73 percent of the land area of the Town of Dexter is forested, approximately 19 percent is agricultural or open space, and 8 percent is urban. Development in the town is heaviest in and around its business core at the outlet of Lake Wassookeag, and along the shorelines of Lake Wassookeag.

Lake Wassookeag (from the Penobscot Indian word for ‘shining lake’), located to the north and west of the urban area of Dexter, is the Town’s largest water body, covering 1,062 acres. The lake is divided into two bodies, ‘Big Wassookeag’ and ‘Little Wassookeag’, by a causeway and bridge. The lake is navigable by most boats during the summer season, and is accessible by a public boat launch on Little Wassookeag. Lake Wassookeag is a favorite spot of fishermen during both the summer and winter (ice fishing) months. While the use of Lake Wassookeag for sporting activities is an attractive recreation feature, the lake also serves as the Town’s public water supply, and as such several local ordinances are in place to protect the quality of the lake’s water.

The Town of Dexter functions under a Council Manager form of government, headed by a seven member Town Council. Municipal services include a public works department, water and sewer district, police department, ambulance service, airport, golf course, fire department, cemeteries, a museum, and public library. The Town participates with other area communities to provide a modern and efficient Transfer Station and Recycling Center to handle solid waste. The annual municipal operating budget is approximately \$3 million, excluding the cost of education.

Dexter has been endowed with a beautiful lake, scenic valley, and an abundance of recreational opportunities. Popular activities include snowmobiling on the numerous area trails, fishing and water sports, hunting, horseback riding, golf and cross country skiing.

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This 2006 Annual Town Report is dedicated to
Anton W. Larson.

Tony graduated from Monson Academy and attended the University of Maine as a Forestry major before enlisting in the US Air Force serving in Europe and attaining the rank of Sergeant. Tony married Virginia Dulac in 1946, received a degree in mechanical engineering from UMaine in 1950 and they spent a short time in Dexter before living in Milwaukee, Terre Haute, Rochester and then nearly thirty (30) years in Manchester, Connecticut. Tony worked for Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, designing components of jet engines. After his retirement, Tony volunteered for Meals on Wheels, was an arbitrator/ombudsman for the Connecticut Lemon Law and transported medical personnel to hospitals in inclement weather. In the late 80's the Larson's came "home to Maine". During his retirement years here in Dexter, Tony has given countless volunteer hours to his community and civic organizations. He has served on the Planning Board, Library Trustees, Totally Teens and is still actively involved in Kiwanis, Shirley B. Carter, VFW Post 4298 and Poulliout-Seavey American Legion Post 53. In fact Tony was most recently influential in leading the efforts to line Church and Spring Street with American Flags to display the patriotism of the Town of Dexter.

Tony and Ginny have a daughter and son-in-law, Gail and Bill Fallon of Maryland and two grandchildren; Neil and wife Angela of Virginia and Mary Alice and husband David of Maryland. He is the son of Frank (Olie) and Edith Larson, long time residents of Dexter and two younger sisters Glenice Sheehan, Allen TX and Gayanne Wintle, Dexter.

On behalf of the Dexter Citizens and the Town Council, we wish to honor Tony with this dedication and wish him well as he continues to give countless volunteer hours within our community! Many Thanks Tony!!!

2006 TOWN OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

TOWN COUNCIL

Peter A. Haskell (Chairman 06) Frederick H. Banks (Vice Chair 07)
Roger S. Brawn (08) Malcolm L. Dow (06) Richard J. Goodwin (08)
Erlfred W. Sherburne (07) Dean R. Thompson (08)

BOARD OF APPEALS

William A. Gelzinis (Chairman 07) Barry J. Bennett (06) Velma E. Grant (08) Peggy
M. Kaufman (07) Timothy J. Mountain (06) Ella L. Munday (07) A. Maurice Neal (08)

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Linda L. Clukey (07) Kelli-Jo Dodge (08) C. Stanton Larrabee, Jr. (06)
Ella L. Munday (08) David B. Pearson (07)

PERSONNEL ADVISORY BOARD

Gary W. Bennett (07) Jennifer S. Whitesel (06) Velma E. Grant (08)

PARKS & RECREATION

Alan C. Rabideau (06) Kelli-Jo Dodge (08) Ella L. Munday (08)
Elizabeth Perkins (08) Michelle Webb (07)

PLANNING BOARD

Albert C. Tempesta (Chairman)(07) David C. Bailey (06) Richard A. Gilbert (06)
Thomas M. Gilbert (06) James M. Silverman (08) Roy A. Ulrickson, III (07)
Stephen D. Wintle (resigned) (Sept.06) (07)

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Ann E. Caverly (06) Isabel A. Jacobs (07) Gail M. Jewett (07) Lois Woodcock (06)
Margaret L. Towle (07) Ella L. Munday (08) Vacancy (06)

AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Stanley L. Berube (Chairman)(06) James Crane (07) Victor Morrel (05)
Timothy A. Briggs (06) Stanley R. Tremblay (05) Keith M. Garrison (06)
Jan Payne (06) Roger G. Nelson (Manager)

DEXTER UTILITY DISTRICT TRUSTEES

Gregory P. Brawn, (Chairman) (08) Harland L. Cushman (07) Wayne P. Clukey (08)
Robert E. Crawford (07) Peter M. Mealey (06)

GOLF COURSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Janet L. Guiski (Chairman)(08)(Resigned July 06) Kenneth Gardiner (07)
Herbert Greenberg (08) Diane Herring (fill JG unexpired term)(08)
Mary Morancie (06) Raymond Mountain (06)

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT #4 TRUSTEES

Albert C. Tempesta (06) Patricia A. Tobin (08) Kathleen M. Goerlitz (08)

SAD #46 DEXTER DIRECTORS

Michael Bennett (08) Richard N. Bilodear, Jr. (06) Steven D. Foster (08)
Shawn L. Lancaster (07) Gerrard W. Rudmin (06) Richard A. McInnis (06)

2006 ADMINISTRATION

Town Manager/Treasurer_____	Judith A. Doore
Town Clerk/Registrar of Voters_____	Shelley L. Watson
Deputy Town Clerk/Deputy Registrar_____	Mary E. Tuttle
Deputy Town Clerk/Assistant Finance Office_____	Diana L. Fillmore
Office Assistant_____	Kim M. Hughes
Tax Collector/Financial Administrator_____	Marilyn A. Curtis
Tax Assessor/Asst Town Manager/Health Officer_____	David B. Pearson
Police Chie _____	Arthur R. Roy
Public Works Director/Road Commissioner_____	Michael J. Delaware
Human Services Director_____	Linda L. Clukey
Assistant to Human Services Director_____	B. Jean Edgerly
Airport Manager_____	Roger Nelson
Fire Chief _____	Melvin E. Wyman
Code Enforcement Officer/Plumbing Inspector_____	William J. Murphy
Building Maintenance_____	Dave W. Leighton
Recreation Director_____	Andy F. Conway
Ambulance Chief_____	Will Hesketh
Librarian_____	Elizabeth J. Breault
Cemetery Sexton_____	A. Maurice Neal
Sealer of Weights & Measurements_____	Timothy Briggs
Animal Control Officers_____	Kathy M. Ricker
MMSWA Transfer Station Manager_____	Trampas King
Public Health Nurse_____	Frances Seamans
	Brenda Clarke
Town Attorney_____	Erik Stumpfel



GENERAL INFORMATION

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30AM – 4:30PM

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10:00AM - 6:00PM
Wednesday 10:00AM - 9:00PM, Saturday 9:00AM - 2:00PM
Library Trustees meet third Wednesday at 5:00PM at Library

TRANSFER STATION & RECYCLING CENTER

Monday - Thursday, Saturday 8:00AM - 5:00PM
Boards of Directors meet third Tuesday at 7:00PM in the Town Council Chambers

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Monday - Friday 8:00AM - 12:00PM

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

The second Thursday of each month at 7:00PM in the Town Council Chambers

AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The second Wednesday of each month at 6:30PM in the Town Council Chambers

GOLF COURSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30PM at the Club House

FOOD CUPBOARD & CLOTHES CLOSET

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00AM - 1:00PM

PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS

The fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00PM in the Town Council Chambers

RECREATION COMMITTEE

The second Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM in the Recreation Office

***MAINE LAW REQUIRES THAT BURNING PERMITS BE ISSUED FOR ALL OUTDOOR FIRES.
FOR PERMITS CONTACT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:***

Melvin Wyman 924-0075; Wilfred Murray 924-7906; Jim Gudroe 924-5464

ALL EMERGENCY CALLS

Other Emergency Numbers: Penobscot Sheriff

Maine State Police

Dexter Police Non-Emergency Phone 924-7622

DIAL 9 1 1

1-800-432-7911

1-800-452-4664

ORDERS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

JULY 14, 2005

Order A2005-32 Voting to be held at the VFW Hall
Order A2005-33 Appointment of Golf Course Board
Order A2005-34 Kiwanis Circus Approval
Order A2005-35 Waiver of permits for Wild West Weekend
Order A2005-36 Closure of Streets for Wild West Weekend
Order A2005-37 MBP Approval
Ordinance C2005-18 Methadone Clinic Regulations
Resolution B2005-5 Increase of Property Tax Levy Limit
Resolution B2005-6 Homeland Security Grant
Resolution B2005-06-1 Municipal Budget of \$2,924,801
Resolution B2005-06-2 Tax Due Date and Interest Rate
Resolution B2005-06-3 Set Mil Rate of 23.7

AUGUST 11, 2005

Order A2005-38 Election of MMA Executive Committee
Order A2005-39 Appointment to Planning Board
Order A2005-40 Highway Department Salt Shed Bid
Ordinance C2005-20 Fees for Burial Lots and Perpetual Care
Ordinance C2005-21 Restrictions on Cemetery Lots
Ordinance C2005-22 No Thru Trucks on Center and Mill Streets
Ordinance C2005-23 Airport Lease
Resolution B2005-7 Boat Launch on Lake Wassookeag

SEPTEMBER 8, 2005

Order A2005-42 Bid for Mower
Order A2005-43 Paving Bid for Airport
Order A2005-44 Bid on Truck
Order A2005-45 Sale of Cab and Chassis
Order A2005-46 Sale of Lawn Tractor

OCTOBER 13, 2005

Order A2005-49 Red Cross Donation
Order A2005-50 Extension of Construction Contract
Order A2005-52 Award of Town Hall Project Bid
Order A2005-53 Sale of Hewitt Building
Ordinance C2005-24 Deaf Child Sign
Ordinance C2005-25 Airport Leases
Ordinance C2005-26 Welfare Maximums

NOVEMBER 10, 2006

Order A2005-51 Winterize Town Hall
Order A2005-54 Election Results
Order A2005-55 Grant Acceptance

Order A2005-56 Use of Town Equipment
Order A2005-57 Acceptance of Payment
Order A2005-58 Repurchase Agreement Payment
Order A2005-59 Submission of Snowmobile Grant Application
Order A2005-60 Increase Airport Leases
Ordinance C2005-27 Deletion of Welfare Dollar Amounts in Codes
Resolution B2005-9 Tobacco Free Zones
Resolution B2005-10 Hazardous Mitigation Plan

DECEMBER 8, 2005

Order A2005-61 Appointment of Department Heads
Order A2005-62 Appointment of Treasurer
Order A2005-63 Appointment of Assessor
Order A2005-64 Committee Members Appointments
Order A2005-65 MMA Review Committee Appointment
Order A2006-66 Waiver of Tax Interest

JANUARY 2, 2006

Order A2006-1 Town Hall Upgrade
Order A2006-2 E-911 Committee Appointments
Order A2006-3 Library Board Appointment
Order A2006-4 Adopt-A-Highway Program
Order A2006-5 Library Donations
Ordinance C2006-1 Transfer of Funds
Ordinance C2006-2 Minimum Dimensions for Land Use
Resolution B2006-1 Board Member Recognition
Resolution B2006-2 Valic Deferred Compensation Plan

FEBRUARY 9, 2006

Order A2006-6 MMSWA Appointment
Order A2006-7 Waiver of Permits for Winter Festival
Order A2006-8 Waiver for Vehicles on the Lake
Order A2006-9 Municipal Office Hours
Order A2006-10 Authorization for Court Action
Order A2006-11 Designation of Funds
Order A2006-12 Lease for Lakeshore Lunch
Order A2006-13 Fire Department Agreement

MARCH 9, 2006

Order A2006-14 Appointment of Election Clerks
Order A2006-15 Health Officer Appointment
Order A2006-16 CEO Appointment
Order A2006-17 Appointment of Addressing Officer
Order A2006-18 Malt Liquor License
Order A2006-19 Bottle Club License
Order A2006-20 Emergency Action Plan

Order A2006-21 Bond for Subdivision
Order A2006-22 Creation of Safety Committee
Order A2006-25 Camping Area Usage
Ordinance C2006-3 Naming of Streets Amendment
Ordinance C2006-4 Permission to Snowmobile Club

MARCH 16, 2006

Order A2006-26 Appointment of Town Hall Committee
Order A2006-27 Appointment of Alternate Plumbing Inspector
Order A2006-28 Grant Acceptance
Order A2006-29 Signature Authorization
Resolution B2006-3 Town Hall Grant Acceptance

APRIL 13, 2006

Order A2006-30 Attendance Waiver
Order A2006-31 Bottle Club License
Order A2006-32 Kiwanis Safety Day
Order A2006-33 Paving Proposal
Order A2006-34 Transfer of Funds
Order A2006-35 Fund Transfer

MAY 11, 2006

Order A2006-36 Plumbing Inspector Appointment
Order A2006-38 Renewal of Victualers Licenses
Order A2006-39 New Victualers License
Order A2006-40 Innkeeper's License
Order A2006-41 Uncollectable Property Taxes
Order A2006-42 Transfer of Funds
Order A2006-43 Town Hall Design Professional
Order A2006-44 Wassookeag Dam Project Approval
Order A2006-45 Fuel Bids Authorization

JUNE 8, 2006

Order A2006-46 Permission for Fireworks on SAD #46 Land
Order A2006-47 Aviation Design Services
Order A2006-48 Mobile Home Transfer
Order A2006-49 Transfer of Funds
Order A2006-50 Liquor License
Order A2006-51 Donation Acceptance
Order A2006-53 Wheel Loader Bid
Resolution B2006-4 Source water Protection Plan

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

June 30, 2006

Dear Citizens,

Facilities and buildings have been the major focus for our elected officials in this fiscal year. Every effort has been made to hold costs down on repairs; keeping focused on long-range capital improvement needs. There has been activity around every municipal-owned structure in this fiscal year.

The Council voted to sell the Ambulance (1999 Ford) with equipment to Mayo Regional Hospital in May, 2006. We continue to lease the 74 Grove Street building to HAD#4 to house the Ambulance. We have a short-term lease, at this time, since Mayo has informed us that they intend to pursue their own building to serve the Region. Once the sale of the 1999 vehicle is complete and Mayo constructs their own building, taxpayer costs for the service will be significantly reduced. At that time a decision will be made on whether to use or sell the property. We will report more on that in Fiscal Year 2006/07.

Airport Dexter Regional Airport received a \$150,000 grant to fund the DOT study of our Airport runway. The actual reconstruction of the runway 16/34 is a long term project; not expected to be completed until 2009/2010.

Beach Bathhouse will be opened with hopes that the vandalism will not continue. If vandals continue to destroy the building, it will be closed immediately.

The resignation of William Murphy as Code Enforcement Officer brought about discussions of whether to continue the CEO as a full time position. It was determined that David Pearson would take on the part time duty of CEO with an assistant for twenty (20) hours per week. This arrangement seems to be giving David the assistance he needs. Both hats have been a challenge that David has taken on well! The CEO Office is open 8:00 a.m. to Noon. Please call 924-7620 or stop by the office if you have questions about any construction within Town.

We consolidated the Facilities/Parks/Cemetery duties during this fiscal year. Facilities (buildings) have two full time people, supervised by the Public Works Director and the

Cemeteries and Parks (groundskeepers) will be supervised by the Cemetery Sexton. This change has proven to be a much more efficient way to maintain the buildings and grounds.

Golf Course – We were fortunate to have the Charleston Correctional Facility workers replace windows in the club house last October : Jim Costedio report the following membership statistics: Membership at the Course was 145. The breakdown was as follows: Resident (including seasonal) 60% and Non-Resident 40%, The average daily use was seven at 50-50.

During the year the Council discussed selling the Course. Research produced the following information: In 1980 the Town used Land & Water Conservation Funds (SWCF) for the Golf Course. In doing so restrictions were put on the property with regards to a "sale" anytime in the future. There was a requirement to provide boundary lines for the project (the existing 9-hole course) and any future transfer of the land, within those boundaries, could only go to those eligible LWCF (Public Outdoor Recreation Facilities); or the Town could sell to another only if we provide "replacement" land of equal fair market and recreational value. This would essentially transfer the boundary and restriction to another equal piece of property in perpetuity.

The Council then held a public hearing and the public was strong (unanimous at that meeting) that the Town should not continue discussions about the sale of the property. In late 2006 Council will begin negotiations with Jim Costedio to renew his existing contract to run the Course.

In November, 2005 the Town sold the High Street property known as the Hewitt Building (Map 10/Lot 98A) to Mayo Regional Hospital for \$20,000 (plus shared closing costs). HAD #4 required the Town to paint the building and complete some repairs prior to the sale and they assumed the costs of the major needed repairs. After the repairs and the sale of the building, the Capital Reserve Accounts for the Hewitt Building were closed to establish a General Facilities Reserve Account.

Lake Wassookeag Stakeholders group was assembled in this year. This group consists of representatives of the Town, Utility District, Lake Association, Maine Rural Water and the Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife. The Stakeholders serve in an advisory capacity to the Town Council. They were very active during the dam assessment and the development of a lake and dam management plan in this fiscal year. The Stakeholders will continue to work with our engineer, Myron Petrovsky of MBP Consulting, as we plan for the necessary repairs to Lake Wassookeag Dam.

Lakeshore Lunch Lease: Glen and Danielle Burgoine sold their business to Chris and Juli Libby who signed a long-term lease with the Town to continue with business as usual at their business at the Beach..

Due to the concern that mold may be present in the lower level of the Library; the Trustees hired an engineer to do an assessment of the building. We were pleased to learn that there is no mold but there is rotting and other repairs that will need to be made in the near future. Librarian, Liz Breault has expressed concern for the archives. The Trustees have agreed to work with the Town to correct the identified problems (drainage/moisture and climate control) in a timely manner.

The Charleston Correctional facility workers installed six new windows in the first floor of the Morrison Building. This action made a lot of difference in the warmth of the offices. We expect to continue to budget for new windows each year until all have been replaced.

Beginning Ballroom, Waltz, Foxtrot and Swing Dancing lessons has become a popular Recreation program. This is a six to eight week program and will continue as long as there is sufficient interest. Residents are encouraged to contact Andy Conway (924-3438) with suggestions of other programs the Department could sponsor.

When Department Heads do their Spring and Fall cleaning, they often find equipment that is in need or repair or is no longer used. We have developed a process to allow Taxpayers (whose funds purchased the equipment) to bid on the surplus property at a Silent Auction. Watch for our notices and feel free to come and bid on whatever item you find that may be of use to you. We raised several hundred dollars on the last sale and those funds will be used for future purchases.

Safety Committee was established in early 2006. The Committee meets monthly to review town policies and procedures and make recommendations to the Manager and Council to maintain employee workplace safety.

Skating Rink/Basketball Court received a major facelift this year! Andy Conway, Recreation Director organized Citizen Volunteers to supervise on weekends and school vacations. The weather did not allow the implementation of that program in the winter of 2005/2006. Weather permitting, the Recreation Department and Volunteers will reorganize and make this program happen in 2006/2007. The rink was transformed by the Public Works and Facilities crews into an active basketball court in the summer.

At a Public Hearing in December, 2005, Citizens showed strong support to apply to the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) for a Public Facilities

Grant to renovate the Town Hall. In April, 2006, we were invited to the State House (Hall of Flags) to accept a check in the amount of \$165,000 to bring the building into ADA compliance. The Town Council voted to match the CDBG funds with \$41,500 from local reserves to make it a \$206,500 project. An elevator will be installed, some escape areas will be fixed and the front entrance (door and ramp) will be replaced. The 2006/2007 fiscal year will see the project completed and we can resume voting and other community activities in the beautiful old building! Special thanks go to the Council for allowing this project to happen!

Winterfest 2006 was great fun, despite the lack of snow! The Snow Sculpture competition was cancelled but the classes at Dexter Regional High School held a banner competition and cash prizes were awarded to each class. The snowmobile parade was transformed into a "flat bed parade" and creative Businesses and Families braved the bitter cold to provide a "Wacky Circus" along Main Street, up Grove Street to Motor Supply. We all hope for snow in 2007 so the parade can go back on the Four Seasons Trail (Old Railroad Bed).

The Town has a very impressive website at www.dextermaine.org. Please check it often for the latest "what's going on in town". You can get department email addresses on the site if you wish to express your comments or concerns to us.

I appreciate the opportunity to become a member of the "Dexter Team". Together we can face the challenges of 2007, maintain our quality of life and strengthen our fragile economy.

My door is always open; please come by and introduce yourself and give me your opinion. I often walk around town and I hope you will accept that as an invitation to stop me and express your questions, comments or concerns.

Sincerely,

Judith A. Doore

TOWN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2005/06 was a busy year for the Dexter Town Council. Terms were up, in June, for Councilors Judy Wilbur Craig and Richard J. Goodwin. Judy did not seek re-election and Roger S. Brawn was elected to that seat. Incumbent, Rick Goodwin was re-elected for a three year term.

Two of our **MUNICIPAL-OWNED BUILDINGS** have had major roof work done this year; Police Department and Morrison Building. The PD had such leakage, last fall, that we repaired it by raising the roof and putting siding on the building. There is nice space for storage on the second floor but it remains unfinished until another budget year. The Morrison Building proved to need extensive work to "Nancy". The base work on the clock was much more serious than was originally thought. The remaining extensive clock repair and new roof will be done in the next fiscal year.

The Council discussed the possible sale of the **MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE** property during the year. Based on August public hearing comments from Residents it was clear that the Town should continue with the contracting the Course. In late 2006 the Council agreed to enter a five (5) year contract with James Costedio to operate the Municipal Course.

Several years ago HAD #4 took over the **AMBULANCE** personnel and all other costs related to running the Town of Dexter Ambulance service and the Town maintained ownership and responsibility of the vehicle. This year the Council voted to sell the vehicle and equipment to Mayo Regional Hospital and the we continue to pay a fee for services and lease the 74 Grove Street property to HAD#4.

The Department of Transportation submitted a permit to the Planning Board to build a **Boat Ramp** on Big Lake Wassookeag this year. The application was not complete and the Department was unable to obtain a permit prior to the deadline of October 1st for moving or disturbing soils along the water's edge. The Department expects to reapply in an effort to correct the erosion that is occurring at the area of the "man made boat landing". Dexter Utility District and Municipal Officials are concerned about the erosion which is happening along the banks of our public water supply.

This was my second three-year term on the Council and, pursuant to the Dexter Code Article II Section 2.01 C.2, I am prohibited from seeking another term, at this time. I appreciated the opportunity to serve as Chairman and thank my fellow Councilors and Town Employees for their support during my term. The Council meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers. We welcome the public to attend and take part in these meetings. Your observations, comments, and opinions are important in our decision-making process. I encourage all Citizens to stay informed on issues of importance to your welfare and let your elected official know your wishes.

Peter A. Haskell, Chairman
Town Council

STATE & FEDERAL ELECTED OFFICIALS



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Douglas A. Thomas
306 Stream Road
Ripley, Maine 04930
Residence: (207) 277-3017

Dear Residents:

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Representative to the Legislature and I look forward to once again representing you in Augusta during the 123rd Legislature.

What I learned during my first term is that our State Legislature is really a lot different than many may think and what I expected. All of us here in the State Capitol work together with respect for each other regardless of party affiliation much more than many would have you believe. We may have different methods to achieve making Maine a better place to live, but we all agree that is our main goal.

To that end, one of the very first bills that we considered last winter was to find money to help with heating costs for those who were in need and could not afford the terrible increase in the cost of oil. We were able to put \$5 million towards heating oil costs to make a big difference for many who needed the help.

We also passed legislation to protect the rights we all enjoy to our own property that were put in question because of a Supreme Court decision last year.

We had a long discussion about borrowing \$60 million dollars to fix the roads in Maine. Everyone knows we need to repair many of our roads and bridges and those repairs haven't received the priority they should have the last few years. In the end, with almost half of the loan eaten up in interest costs it was decided to postpone some of those repairs another year all while knowing we need to find a better solution soon.

Please feel free to contact me anytime concerning any state-related issue. I will do my best to find an answer to your questions or solution to the problem. Sometimes there is not much I can do, but be sure, I will try.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Thomas".

Douglas A. Thomas
State Representative



District 24 Athens, Charleston, Dexter, Garland, Harmony & Ripley

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

The tax rate for the year beginning July 1, 2004 and ending June 30, 2005, was 21.7 mils (\$21.70 for every thousand dollars of valuation). This represented no change from the previous year's rate. The county tax rose by \$9,238 to \$150,104. This is a tax that the County assesses the towns and must be raised by the town through the property tax.

The tax levy of \$2,648,838 represented an increase of \$35,332 from 03-04. This increase was due to a sharp decrease in revenues (- \$351,026) from excise tax collection and other revenue sources. The municipal appropriation was actually decreased by \$212,051 and the school appropriation was decreased by \$75,339. Many capital programs were deferred or not funded so that the tax rate would not rise.

The total taxable valuation of Dexter (not counting the homestead exemptions) was \$127,494,000 on April 1, 2003 and \$128,826,271 on April 1, 2004. This represented an increase in valuation of \$1,333,271 and largely reflected new construction. The continued strong real estate market will force adjustments to the valuation system in the near future, because Maine law requires that municipalities value properties at current market value. Reductions in state programs and reductions in homestead and veteran exemptions are imposed on the Towns when the ratio of assessed values to market values falls below 80%.

In Maine, the property tax law requires that all requests for abatements be filed within one hundred and eighty-five days, which is about six months, of the tax commitment date (normally a week or so before tax bills are mailed). Abatement requests made after that date may not be accepted. Furthermore, I would like to remind veterans that they may be eligible for an exemption of up to \$5000 on their property valuation (a savings of \$108.50 on the 2004-2005 tax bill) if they meet certain criteria. Veterans who have served in any recognized war period and are 62 years of age by April 1 of the current tax year, or who are 100% disabled, are eligible. Widows of veterans who would have qualified are also eligible unless they are remarried. There are also exemptions for property owners who are legally blind or who are paraplegics. All of these exemptions require that the applicant be a legal resident of Dexter. There are no specific exemptions for non-veterans based solely on age, but Maine Revenue Services (287-4786) does administer a Rent and Property Tax Rebate program for low-income persons regardless of age.

In 2004, 971 households in Dexter took advantage of the "Homestead Exemption" of \$7000 of the value of a Maine citizen's place of residence (\$5000 if the property is valued above \$125,000). This exemption has been funded through the 2004-2005 tax year, and hopefully will be continued beyond that. An eligible residence can be a house or mobile home, but not a seasonal camp or second home not used as a primary residence, or a piece of vacant land. Eligible Dexter residents must have owned a home in Maine for at least 12 months prior to April 1 of the tax year they will be filing for. Persons who have moved to Dexter that have sold their homes in another part of the state should file with me as well.. This is a very helpful program given Maine's high burden of property taxes. I have seen the number of households participating in this program in Dexter decline somewhat, so please pass the word along.

Other programs that taxpayers ought to be aware of include the business property refund program for all property taxes paid on machinery new to the State of Maine after April 1, 1995. The requirement that owners of taxable personal property (primarily business machinery, unexcised tractors & equipment, rental videotapes, etc.) file a list of items in their possession on April 1 of the tax year is still in effect, but this program allows a rebate from the State for taxes paid to the Town on new purchases. Requests for reimbursement must be made to the State after the local personal property tax is paid. I notice many of the small businesses still do not take advantage of this program.

The State of Maine also administers the Property Tax and Rent Refund Program for persons whose property taxes or rent payments rise above a set percentage of their income. This percentage has changed

from 5% to 8% over the years and I would recommend that a taxpayer who feels that their tax or rent consumes a significant part of their income look into this program. Forms are usually available in the Town Office in late summer and must be filed with the State by December 31.

New purchasers of property classified in the Tree Growth program have one year from the date of purchase to file with my office an application to stay in that program. Maine law now requires that all new applications and re-files supply proof that a Forest Management plan has been developed by a licensed Maine forester.

I welcome inquiries about any of the programs above. My office number is 924-3241.

Respectfully Submitted

David Pearson
Certified Maine Assessor
Licensed Maine Real Estate Appraiser
Assessor, Town of Dexter

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

In July, the beginning of the 2005 budget season, the Highway Department was busy replacing culverts on the Shore Road, Dunn Road, Kateton Pond Road, Tremblay Road, Eaton Road, Crawford Road, Jennings Hill Road and Fern Road. Pike Paving came into town mid summer to finish the Municipal Parking Lot and surface the binder laid on Mechanic and King Streets two years ago. Later on in the summer after rebuilding 300 feet of the Arno Road and 200 feet of the Wing Road we started our ditching program. Old Pond Road, Kateton Pond Road, Lincoln Street, School Street and Main Street Hill all had sections ditched but our main focus was the Shore Road. This 2 ½ mile long road is due to be paved the summer of 2006 and needs extensive ditching and culvert replacement. With Fall came the task of stockpiling winter sand which was completed late September. Storm water basins were repaired on Gould Avenue, School Street and Free Street just before the October 15 deadline on Road Opening Permits. The Winter of 2005-2006 could be called the winter that wasn't. First snowfall was 5" on Thanksgiving. Another 2" fell on the 26th but a freezing rain storm on the 28th took the snow away. December was warm and wet. Five small storms gave us a foot of snow but three rain/sleet/freezing rain storms took it all away. If you like snow January's weather wasn't any better. Storms hit us almost every other day unfortunately the snow was light – only 13" and once again five rain/freezing rain storms washed the white stuff away. This pattern stayed the same for February. Warm weather and rain forced the posting of roads the first week of the month. We had light snow and flurries the rest of the month until the "big storm" of the winter on the 24th. Seven inches fell – too little, too late to be of any use to snowmobilers or skiers. Mud season came with a vengeance the weekend of March 11th – 12th. Totals for the winter that wasn't ; 21 snow storms (mostly 1" to 2" at a time) for a total of 52 inches, 9 rain/sleet/freezing rain storms. With the arrival of Spring 2006 came the chore of Spring Cleaning. This job was made much easier, cost effective and completed sooner than ever thanks to Foreman Jasper Hatch. Over the winter months, Jasper fabricated a 4 foot wide hydraulic broom that attaches to our sidewalk plow. In two

days that little broom did what used to take this entire crew two weeks to do. Pike Paving came into town in June and did a superb job on the Shore Road. Pike came in enough under budget to allow us to also pave 2/3 of the Wing Road. Thank you Chet Morris and crew. Finally, our family of Bald Eagles raised one more baby this year bringing their total to eleven since they moved here in 1998.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Delaware

Public Works Director

FACILITIES DEPARTMENT

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

From July 1, 2005 until June 2006, there were a total of 44 permits issued for activities in the Shoreland Zone areas, 28 of those in 2006. These permits are necessary for uses such as new residential buildings, additions to existing buildings, road construction or earthwork, temporary docks and timber harvesting. All persons owning property within 350' of Lake Wassookeag and within 250' of the other lakes in town need to be aware of the permitting requirements for activities in these zones.

In this same period there were 85 Land Use permits issued by my office. All new construction in Dexter must obtain a permit and permits are also required if the use of the property is being changed (i.e., residential to commercial use). Regular maintenance of a property, such as painting or siding, does not require a permit.

The former Code Officer, William Murphy, inspected more than 300 apartment units (owned by 100 property owners) in the fall and early winter of 2005-06. In Dexter it is necessary to have rental units inspected once a year for compliance with the Dexter Health and Safety Rental Ordinance.

The cost schedule for land use and shoreland permits is listed below. There is no charge for rental permits. If you have any questions about any of our ordinances or if I can be of any help, please feel free to call or stop in.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Pearson
Code Enforcement Officer

**Town of Dexter
Permit Fees**

Shoreland Zoning Fees

Planning Board issued permits \$50

Code Officer issued permits \$20

Land Use Ordinance Fees

Principal structure permits \$50

Accessory structure permits 20

Commercial activity permits \$20

Subdivision Ordinance Fees

Final Plan submission fee \$80 plus \$20 per lot

Plumbing Permit Fees

Contact: Stewart Brooks LPI at 745-7161

Note: For structures to be built in a flood plain, the Town requires a \$10 application fee and can require reimbursement for costs, as well as the permit fees above.

BOARD OF APPEAL'S REPORT

It is the role of the Board of Appeals to review decisions made by town officials. The most common reason for the Board to meet is to act on requests for variances to the standards of our ordinances; for example, a request to construct a building inside the required setback of the shoreline or to a property line. The Board of Appeals also acts when it is alleged that a decision by the Code Officer, the Planning Board, or the Tax Assessor was made in error.

The Board of Appeals did have one application filed in 2005/06 but the applicant withdrew the application prior to a BOA decision. This shows that the ordinances are working well, and are being administered properly by the Town.

The power and duties of the Board of Appeal are spelled out in state law as well as in the town ordinances. The Board takes seriously its role in town government, and all requests are dealt with in a fair and impartial manner.

William Gelzinis
Chairman

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

The following report is for the Calendar Year 2005:

The Planning Board is responsible for reviewing applications for certain shore land zoning permits, for reviewing and approving subdivision plans, and for periodically reviewing and updating our local ordinances.

In 2005 the Planning Board issued 6-shore land zoning permits - for one new residence, two foundations, one concrete slab, one deck and one for a frost wall. Although, there were several CEO permits issued that do not need Planning Board approval.

Over the years, the townspeople have adopted ordinances as a way to help govern the future growth of the Town in everyone's best interest. Our Ordinances are not meant to restrict landowners from using their property; rather they exist to assure that the use of that property will not adversely affect the Town as a whole or harm any current or future neighbors to that property. These Ordinances are reviewed regularly to see if changes are needed to keep them up with the current needs of the town.

The Planning Board meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. If you have any concerns, we urge you to come to any Planning Board meeting or to contact the Town Office to have those concerns addressed. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend and offer comment on any matter before the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,
Al Tempesta
Planning Board Chairman

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

The Department received a grant from the Cole Family Foundation for a new Thermal Imaging Camera. The price on the camera was about \$17,000. The town's share \$2,500. With the Fire Fighters Association Funds being \$4,950. (Monies raised from auction and other fund raisers) We are very thankful to the Cole Family for their contribution, for it saved thousands of dollars in property damages in the past 10 months the department has had it. This is the second camera the department has owned, the first was bought in 1998 after a lengthy fund raising effort. That camera was in need of repair, but was non-repairable.

In January the town received a visit from the Department of Labor and the Fire Department was given a few citations pertaining to mostly lack of training updates. With a lot of effort in more training by the department members and some help from the highway department to do some work on the hose tower ladder, all was corrected by the May 1st deadline and no fines being levied.

Our calls for the year were as follows:

Provide Assistance.....	48
Extinguishment and Control.....	21
Structure.....	8
Vehicle.....	13
Miscellaneous.....	7
Search and Rescue.....	7
Fill-in/Stand-by for mutual aid.....	31
Restore Systems/Alarm or Sprinklers.....	6
Investigate/Enforcement.....	7

Respectfully Submitted,

Melvin Wyman
Fire Chief

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

During the last 12 months, the Recreation Department has continued to see a rise in participation in most programs. I attribute this success to the many volunteer coaches who make our programs fun, as well as competitive. Without their help, our programs would not survive.

During the summer, we offered our Day Program at Crosby Park for baseball and softball. In the fall we ran flag football, field hockey and soccer. During the winter months we offered basketball, cheering and wrestling. Springtime brought indoor soccer, a newly created gymnastics program and the very popular baseball clinic, with over 90 participants.

A lot of my time during this period was focused on the Town Hall Project. We received a CDBG Grant in April for improvements at the Town Hall including a mandatory elevator, new front doors, front steps, a ramp for the handicapped as well as some much needed painting.

I would like to thank the Council for giving us the opportunity to seek funding for these improvements and keeping the building open for community use. Without their unanimous support, this project would not have happened.

We expect the Senior Center to open in April or May with a Grand Opening also during that time. As always, if you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at 924-3438.

Respectfully submitted,
Andy Conway

TOWN HALL REPORT

April, 2006, Municipal Officials were invited to Augusta to the Hall of Flags to receive a check in the amount of \$165,000 from the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD). This money was awarded through a competitive application process in the Community Development Block Grant Public Facilities Program (CDBG). Before a community can apply for these funds matching funds must be committed. The Town Council voted to use \$41,500 of Reserve Funds (set aside for future repairs of the building) as our matching funds. Therefore we were eligible to apply for \$165,000; to make a total project cost of \$206,500. The initial letter of intent was submitted to DECD in December, 2005 and the Town was notified we were successful in our application on February 17, 2006.

A Town Hall Committee was established:

Andy Conway	Cynthia Robinson
Donna Gravely	Eric Smith
Judy Craig	Michelle Webb
Robert Deleon	Steve Wintle
Judy Doore	Peter Haskell
Steve Pratt	

an Architect was hired: G L Frost Architecture
and at the end of this fiscal year we are well on our way to beginning the "Town Hall Project". We expect completion in early 2007.

HUMAN SERVICES REPORT

During the fiscal year 2005-06 the total expenditures for General Assistance were \$36,670.11. The reimbursement from the state totaled \$20,235.01

We had 960 hours performed on the workfare program. If you deduct the dollar value derived from the workfare program the actual cost to the town was \$10,435.01.

Jean Edgerly, who manages our clothing and food closets, reports that she had 1,124 people visit the clothes closet and 216 families received emergency food from the food cupboard. We appreciate all our volunteers who help out during the year and the many donations of clothing, food and money from individuals, organizations, and businesses.

The annual Toys for Tots program served 63 families with a total of 123 children who otherwise might not have had a Christmas.

Respectfully Submitted;

Linda Clukey
Human Services Director

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY REPORT

The Abbott Memorial Library provides a full range of library services to the residents of Dexter, Cambridge, Exeter, Garland, Ripley, and St. Albans. The library offers free in-state as well as out-of-state interlibrary loans, eight public Internet access computers, wireless Internet access, telephone requests for information, public photocopying, Wednesday morning story times, delivery of books to in-town shut-ins, telephone requests for information as well as telephone renewals.

Funded by two New Century Grants awarded by the Maine State Library, our obituary project has completed scanning the obituaries from the Eastern Gazette. We are currently cross checking obituary scrapbooks owned by the Dexter Historical Society against the database and scanning and adding those that are missing. This database can be accessed over the Internet at www.abbott-library.com

In the spring of 2006, the library Trustees began a lengthy project to correct the problem of groundwater seepage through the building's granite foundation. Corrective measures have been identified and steps are being taken to correct the problem.

The Library hours are : Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10:00 A.M. to 6 P.M.
Wednesday 10:00 A.M. to 8 P.M.
Saturday 9:00 A.M. to 2 P.M
924-7292

Respectfully submitted,
Liz Breault
Librarian

ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

LIBRARY REPORT

Over the last several months, focus has been directed toward climate control for Abbott Memorial Library. After noticing some mold build up and excessive dampness in the basement area, the trustees hired Steve Wintle to do a very comprehensive study into what is causing the dampness and how to fix any damage done along with a plan for correcting the problem going forward. With the help of Judy Doore and Mike Delaware, we have addressed the council with our proposal for a five step plan over the next several years to install different ranges of climate control throughout the library to cool, heat and dehumidify where needed. The need for a balanced climate in the basement is two fold. Liz has archived old editions of the Eastern Gazette which require a dryer environment than the existing air provides. The board is also actively planning an expansion of the children's area in the basement to offer more programs, books and activities for all children in the community. The board purchased new World Book Encyclopedia's for the Library, in hard cover and CD ROM edition. Several hundred dollars was donated to the trustees in memory of Antionette Osgood to be used for the purchase of new children's books. Liz and several of the trustees spent a great deal of time picking out and purchasing several wonderful new books for the children's room. Plans are underway for purchase of bronze or granite statues for the front of the library. The board will be getting estimates over the next several months and hopefully will have the statues in place in the spring.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret L Towle

Chairperson, Abbott Memorial Library Board of Trustee

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

During the past year, the Dexter Police Department was fortunate enough to win a Homeland Security Grant for \$5000.00 dollars. The money has been targeted toward drug enforcement and the purchase of a new radar set.

Due to the increased violence throughout the nation in schools, I visit all three schools during the week quite often in order to be highly visible.

Our officers participated in the annual Bicycle Safety Program in May.

Four Reserve Officers have resigned during the past year to take positions in other areas. One of the Reserve Officers who resigned went to Afghanistan to train their Police Officers. Two new Reserve Officers were hired to replace them.

Officer Jon Brown started the Basic Police Academy in January and graduated in May as the Valedictorian of his class of 60. He also won several other awards while attending.

Our Officers have received and attended many Police Training Courses. Some of which are:

I.E.D./Explosive Recognition
Response to Teenage Drinking
Drug Interdiction
CPR/First Aid

Defensive Tactics
Firearms
Civil Rights Training
Drug Impairment Recognition

Synopsis of Arrests/Complaints:

45 Arrests on Warrants
30 Arrests for O.U.I.
8 Juveniles Charged with Burglary/Theft
7 Arrests for Domestic Assault
15 Arrests for Assault

10 Arrests for Drug Charges
7 Reported Motor Vehicle Burglaries
25 Reported Burglaries
30 Reported Thefts

Chief Art Roy
Dexter Police Department

MSAD 46 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

As the Superintendent of Schools in SAD #46, I am very pleased to be able to present the citizens of Dexter, Exeter, Garland, and Ripley with an overview of the state of the schools. My name is Kevin Jordan and along with my family are proud residents of the Town of Dexter. I am excited to work with the SAD #46 communities and invite all of you to stop by the office and say hello and to talk education as we strive to provide a world class education to all of the children in our district. Please enjoy the following updates from all of our schools.

Dexter Regional High School has adopted the core principles and practices of Promising Futures. These reforms and initiatives center on the student advisory program. The highly structured student advisory program includes developing personal learning plans for all students, holding student led conferences, performing goal setting strategies, creating student portfolios, and holding senior exhibitions.

The advisory program continues to be a focus of the high school. Within the advisory program, students are exposed to (PLP's) personal learning plans, (SLC's) student led conferences, job shadowing and senior exhibitions. A major goal of the advisory program and Dexter Regional High School is to create integrated and informed thinkers, as well as responsible and involved citizens. We continue to add to our (A.P.) advanced placement offerings, where high school students can earn college credits. Currently, we have AP classes in U.S. History, English, Calculus and French. We have also added Advanced Biology. The ATM system continues to grow and allow students to access classes that are not offered locally. Nokomis, PCHS, Penquis and Dexter all share in this network, with all schools sending and receiving classes.

For the 2006-2007 school year, we have added math labs to every freshman and sophomore schedule (increasing their math time by 50%). This change comes with a new math curriculum which requires every student to take an Algebra, Geometry, Algebra II sequence. We have also started offering after school study labs in the major content areas of Math, English, Social Studies and Science. Another change currently taking place is working with our students to better prepare them for the SAT's, which replaced the MEA's as the State of Maine's assessment for all 11th graders. In the Math and English departments, SAT style questions are being given to students on a daily basis and the SAT scoring rubrics are being used to score the students work.

As a facility, the new roof over the academic wing was a major improvement (no leaks or odors) and creates a safer learning environment for the students. The lobby bathrooms were

completely renovated during the summer and fall and the public should appreciate the difference during the winter sports season. The practice field beyond the football field was completed and utilized by many middle school and high school teams this past year.

Tri-County Technical Center began the school year with the highest enrollment in the history of the school with 234 students. The programs were slightly over enrolled. Over the past year the Center staff and associated advisory groups developed a strategic plan for the school. One of the goals of the plan is to develop additional programming to meet the needs of students in the region. Two areas found to be of high interest and need are programming for freshmen and sophomores identified as at risk of dropping out of high school called Pre-Vocational and Diversified Occupations, a program for students with significant barriers to employment. A committee has been meeting to develop the Pre-Vocational Program and the required application. It is anticipated that the application will be in the approval process in the fall of 2007.

Many of the other goals of the strategic plan are in progress. If you have questions or would like a copy of the Tri-County Technical Center Strategic Plan, contact the Center at 924-7670.

Dexter Middle School students and faculty have three major goals for the 2006-2007 year.

- We will continue to bring focus, energy and hard work to continue our progress toward mastery of the Maine Learning Results. Literacy is an emphasis for us as we blend literacy skills learned in grades 5 & 6 to improve content literacy in individual classes in grades 7 & 8. We also expect to use technology to increase styles of literacy.
- Middle school students and faculty are working to increase tolerance and decrease bully behaviors to improve our school climate. We have used the ropes course to work collaboratively. Student success occurred because several people worked together. These Abbott Hill Ropes Course adventures are fun and they emphasize the unique contributions of every member. We also have a Civil Rights Team of about 30 students. The students represent grades 5, 6, 7 & 8 and they plan events which demonstrate the value and importance of respecting everyone.

The middle school will use data from both the MEA tests and the NWEA, (a new computer testing program) to evaluate student and school progress. These tests will help students identify an academic goal and design specific strategies to help meet their academic progress target. Faculty will help students understand their scores and guide their skill selections. The faculty will also use the MEA and NWEA student scores to assess our school progress in many areas of the curriculum.

Dexter Primary School has fully implemented a supplementary math program called Calendar Math in grades K-4. Calendar Math is a 15-minute per day lesson that uses the dates in each month to teach patterns, predictions, money, time, measurement, and equations to students. We have a strong focus on improving our grade 3 & 4 MEA scores by working weekly with students on MEA released practice problems. We're also focusing on test motivation and teaching the students test-taking strategies. Our staff worked hard at the workshop (Professional Development) days in November on being trained in using data from students' performance on taking the NWEA's. Teachers are creating classroom goals that focus on strengths & weakness outcomes in each of their rooms. They are also creating individual student goals for the upcoming spring's testing window. We're also using this data to change our Extended Day Program (previously known as the After School Program). The change involves a focus on grouping students by similar needs at each math, reading and language usage area and teaching these to these areas. We've also changed the program to involve staff meeting and working with children prior to the start of the school day. The Primary School is very proud to have the additions to our staff with Mrs. Debbie Roderka in grade 2, Mrs. Jennifer Batron in grade 4, Mr. Brian Inch as our Art teacher and Mrs. Debbie Fournier as our music teacher.

Garland Elementary School is growing! We have a population of 80 students in grades K-2; our highest to date. We have grown large enough to a point where a portable classroom was necessary to build over the summer. It houses Mrs. Gudroe's 2nd grade class as well as our school library and an office space for Mrs. Michelle Bowden, one of our Title I staff members. We have two Kindergarten classrooms and two 1st grade classrooms that fill our main structure. We're very pleased and fortunate to have the additions of Ms. Sandra Lowry as our Reading Recovery teacher, Mrs. Valerie Michaud as a 1st grade teacher, Mr. Brian Inch as our Art teacher and Mrs. Debbie Fournier as our Music teacher. GES has fully implemented a supplementary math program called Calendar Math in grades K-2. Calendar Math is a 15-minute per day lesson that uses dates of each month to teach patterns, predictions, money, time, measurement, and equations to students.

Exeter School takes pride in offering our students a variety of cultural events during the school year. This fall we took the students to the Common Ground Fair in Unity so they could experience the alternative practice of organic farming. In late October the entire school traveled to The Maine Center for the Arts in Orono to enjoy the life size puppet show, Peter and the Wolf. We integrated this show into our classroom music and library by reading three different versions of the story, listening to the music, learning the instruments and watching the ballet. The students also enjoy many performances at the Exeter School. In early November a two person troupe out of New Hampshire, the Hampstead Players, performed the play, The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe, for both the Exeter and Garland students. Our activities are funded through the generous fundraising of Exeter School

parents and staff. These activities expand the students' knowledge of the world outside the walls of our school.

Special Services is entering the fourth year of its day treatment initiative. The day treatment programs continue to provide rehabilitative assistance, therapies, and mental health services to students with autism, mental retardation, and other mental health diagnoses. These intensive rehabilitation services are provided in an educational setting along with specially designed instruction to meet each student's needs.

Our Day Treatment program has formed a multi-disciplinary team that consists of Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech, Special Education, Social Work, Administration, and Regular Education staff that meet as needed (as often as weekly) to talk about student needs from a multi-disciplinary approach.

New PreK-8 School Update SAD #46

In a straw vote held in August, residents in SAD 46 voted overwhelmingly to locate the new K-8 school on the Fern Road in Dexter. Since that time, dozens of residents have been serving on various committees providing valuable input into what they would like to see incorporated into the new school. Local school officials have also been meeting with state officials to discuss these visions. In November the state construction team approved the educational specifications and programming documents for the new school. Approval on the concept plan is pending.

In conjunction with the new school project, committees were also formed to discuss what to do with the Garland Elementary School, the Exeter School and the Dexter Primary-Middle School and if a pre-kindergarten program should be offered at the new school.

Those involved with the project believe that along with providing an energy efficient complex, the new building will improve security, parking, and traffic circulation for district students, teachers, and parents. Other assets will be: modern classrooms and labs; up-to-date library and technology services; facilities for art and music; new sports fields; a stage for performing arts; and a gymnasium with a seating capacity of 350. The two-story school will incorporate the "neighborhood school" design concept with separate primary and middle school learning centers.

A straw vote on the final Concept Design of the school will be held in early 2007, followed by a referendum vote in February 2007 to proceed with the project. Construction would start on the new school in early 2008, with a fall 2009 completion date. The cost to construct and furnish this school is estimated to be \$29+ million with the vast majority of the cost borne by the state. Every effort is being made to limit the impact on local tax dollars. We look forward to answering your questions and working with the community on this project.

More information on the new school project is available by calling the SAD 46 Superintendent's Office at 924-5262. Information is also posted at the Technology Office next to Tillson's on Main Street in Dexter and at: www.newschoolproject.info.

In closing, I want to thank the members of our community for your continued, unwavering support of our youth. It takes everyone--families, neighborhoods, youth organizations, businesses, and schools to encourage and help in the development of the youth of today. In conjunction with the SAD #46 School Board, I will set a direction which always keeps the following first in our thoughts: How does this decision impact the students of our schools? Thank you for this opportunity to speak to the citizens of SAD #46 and I invite you to visit and learn more about your schools at www.sad46.org.

Yours in Education,

Kevin T. Jordan
Superintendent of Schools

DEXTER PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

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Nurse: Fran Seamans, L.P.N.

June 30, 2006

The Dexter Public Health Association found 2006 to be a very busy year. The loopholes, especially for the elderly, appear to be bigger than ever.

Aiding new diabetics, assisting moms with their babies and monitoring blood pressures in those newly diagnosed with hypertension, are but a few examples of the duties performed.

Because we do not charge for any of our visits, these people are able to have their problems addressed at a personal level in their homes.

We look forward to serving our Citizens in the months ahead.

Statistics for this fiscal year are as follows:

Adult home visits	12
Blood draws	10
Child Home visits	20
Meals for ME	652
Miller House B/P Clinic	928
Newborn visits	12
Post-Natal visits	12
Pre-Natal visits	7

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Clarke, R.N.

TOWN CLERK REPORTS

July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006

MARRIAGES

<i>NAME</i>	<i>DATE</i>	<i>LOCATION</i>
Sureashdath Maharaj to Karen R. Richards	7/16/2005	Dexter
Adam A. Welch to Rachel E. Cooney	7/23/2005	Dexter
Michael S. Stevens to Crystal A. Ricker	8/6/2005	Milo
David M. Gillis to Heather M. Clukey	8/8/2005	Dexter
Daniel W. Berry to Stefanie Shearstone	8/13/2005	Charleston
Kenneth B. May to Brandy A. Olsen	8/26/2005	Dexter
Timothy O'Brien to Tracy A. Tetreault	8/27/2005	Dexter
Mark A. Cooper to Sarah L. Clukey	9/10/2005	Dexter
Michael G. Marshall to Erica L. Jenkins	9/11/2005	Hermon
Gary A. Decker to Rebekah M. Cawley	9/17/2005	Cambridge
Rob C. Fanjoy to Holly Weymouth	9/25/2005	Dexter
Terry L. Levensalor to Angela M. Dudley	10/1/2005	Dexter
David A. LaPointe to Jennifer R. Goodwin	10/8/2005	Guilford
Justin I. Nyssen to Danette R. Duvall	11/18/2005	Dexter
John E. Murphy to Ann P. Lawlor	11/26/2005	Dexter
Douglas M. Mills, Jr. to Adrienne Jimoulis	12/9/2005	Lakeview
John P. Greaves to Crystal L. Lanpher	12/31/2005	The Forks
Sean M. Farnsworth to Juli Sambito	1/7/2006	Dexter
Steven A. MacGown to Janie K. LaRochelle	2/18/2006	Dexter
Dennis H. Northup to Mikki L. Herring	2/14/2006	Corinna
Bertrum F. Hutchins, Jr. to Mary M. Cooley	3/9/2006	Dexter
Myles Q. Gratwick to Heather A. Cruca	5/1/2006	Dexter
George E. Bouley, Jr. to Christy L. Grant	6/24/2006	Dover- Foxcroft
William A. Murray to Rachel S. Raye	6/24/2006	Cambridge
David B. Simard to Juanitta E. Cullicutt	6/24/2006	Dexter

July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006**BIRTHS**

NAME	DATE	LOCATION
Kayden A. Kimball	8/3/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Kaydence A. A. Ahern	8/4/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Gianni W. Costonis	8/13/2005	Bangor
Anthony J. Sanchez	8/14/2005	Bangor
Makayla A. Hooper	8/26/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Ambria C. R. St. Louis	9/14/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Aiden R. Brasier	9/22/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Abigail F. Clark	10/16/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Kayden W. Simonds	10/20/2005	Waterville
Kole D. Austin	11/1/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Lily M. Whitney	11/3/2005	Bangor
Kial E. C. Hunter	11/10/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Christian A. Woodbury	11/14/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Macey L. Deering	11/27/2005	Bangor
Halle L. Page	11/28/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Allie M. Raymond	12/2/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Lillian M. Harris	12/6/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Kayleigh A. O'Brien	12/8/2005	Bangor
Griffin S. Clukey	12/12/2005	Bangor
Devin A. S. Henderson	12/20/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Allex C. Smith	12/28/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Nicholas M. Bennett	12/30/2005	Bangor
Julia A. Wilkinson	12/31/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Damion M. Robinson	1/6/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Keegan L. Hight	1/22/2006	Waterville
David E. Wertz	1/25/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Logan J. Claverie	1/31/2006	Bangor
Miles L. Grant	2/6/2006	Bangor
Cecil J. Theriault	3/7/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Kennedy B. Finnerty	3/16/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Mckenzie G. Trafton	3/22/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Aiden P. Langlais	4/6/2006	Waterville
William J. Spratt	4/28/2006	Bangor
Sonya M. Curtis	4/28/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Jared A. Bard	5/21/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Graci M. Scott	5/28/2006	Bangor
Kaleb W. Ranquist	6/7/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Benjamin A. Smith	6/10/2006	Waterville
Dominic A. Martin	6/14/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Kathleen D. Leach	6/17/2006	Bangor

July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006**DEATHS**

NAME	AGE	DATE	LOCATION
Eunice M. Bacon	63	7/7/2005	Dexter
Lyman I. Curtis, Sr.	95	7/7/2005	Dexter
Gene L. Potter	77	7/20/2005	Dexter
Harold F. Wilkins, Sr.	59	7/21/2005	Dexter
Paul E. R. Laroche	66	7/12/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Philip N. Kneeland	73	7/26/2005	Bangor
Persis G. Snowman	77	8/2/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Christine M. Pelkie	83	8/3/2005	Dexter
Elinor L. Gordon	74	8/20/2005	Dexter
Fred O. Brewer	89	8/21/2005	Dexter
Raymond Goulette	78	8/21/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
John L. Sokoloski, Jr.	21	8/24/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Iza M. Wing	15	8/24/2005	Bangor
Arthur M. Lamson	67	9/1/2005	Bangor
Catherine E. Young	64	8/29/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Mary L. French	52	9/20/2005	Dexter
Helena M. Godreau	93	10/11/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Gloria M. Fanjoy	76	10/19/2005	Dexter
James E. Coulter, Jr.	81	10/19/2005	Dexter
Wayne F. Mayo	75	10/24/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Philip P. Pynes	68	9/20/2005	Bangor
Helen M. Davis	99	10/8/2005	Dexter
Isabella Pinkham	96	11/6/2005	Dexter
George R. Slater	81	11/17/2005	Bangor
Antoinette O. Osgood	75	11/20/2005	Dexter
Rodney S. Page	79	11/22/2005	Dexter
Willis E. Howe	93	11/15/2005	Dexter
Sylvia M. Paine	80	11/28/2005	Dexter
Elizabeth R. Russell	73	12/4/2005	Dexter
Muriel V. Haley	84	12/11/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Madeline D. Fraser	84	12/15/2005	Dexter
Willis E. Robinson	90	12/18/2005	Dexter
Bruce A. Drake	68	12/18/2005	Dover-Foxcroft
Robert J. Irvin	68	12/21/2005	Dexter
Hester A. Nadeau	81	12/24/2005	Dexter
Blanche I. Daigle	82	1/4/2006	Damariscotta
Martha A. Dumschott	90	1/10/2006	Dexter
Dorothy R. Nilson	94	1/12/2006	Dexter
Joseph E. Cote	83	1/13/2006	Togus
Earl R. Barker, Sr.	72	1/14/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Doreen D. Levensalor	73	1/15/2006	Dexter
Robert B. Gilbert	77	1/15/2006	Dexter
Zelma M. Engle	93	1/15/2006	Dover-Foxcroft

Merita I. Henderson	61	1/21/2006	Dexter
Loy M. Berry	53	1/24/2006	Bangor
Reginald G. Mountain	74	1/27/2006	Pittsfield
Lawrence J. Bolduc	83	1/28/2006	Scarborough
James M. Drapeau	43	1/29/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Georgianna B. Webber	95	2/11/2006	Dexter
Lloyd G. Kelley	83	2/18/2006	Dexter
Norman M. Green	98	3/10/2006	Dexter
Philip J. Chabot	79	3/14/2006	Dexter
James D. MacDonald, Jr	53	3/15/2006	Bangor
Kermit C. Bennett	74	3/23/2006	Dexter
Carolton M. Mayo, Sr.	47	3/27/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Gertrude E. McLaughlin	88	3/30/2006	Scarborough
Nelson W. Clukey	84	4/7/2006	Dexter
Helen M. Butler	79	4/9/2006	Ellsworth
Helen V. Parsons	95	4/13/2006	Dexter
Beverly M. Wilder	85	4/15/2006	Dexter
William B. Grant	64	4/16/2006	Dexter
Ralph Shaw	72	4/19/2006	Dexter
Ernest L. Smith	63	4/21/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Donald P. Murphy	52	5/10/2006	Bangor
Jacquelyn M. McKenney	71	5/11/2006	Dexter
Elizabeth E. Nichols	82	5/12/2006	Dexter
Melanie A. Bragg	41	5/16/2006	Bangor
Robert L. Tetreault, III	16	5/20/2006	Bangor
Reuben H. Lancaster, Jr.	86	6/1/2006	Dexter
Alma J. Scott	87	6/5/2006	Dover-Foxcroft
Dorothy E. Katsuranis	92	6/9/2006	Dexter
Mona L. Martin	69	6/17/2006	Dexter
Edna M. Brown	94	6/27/2006	Dexter

CEMETERY SEXTON REPORT

Dexter's four cemeteries continue to be groomed by the cemetery crew. This year has been a challenge for the crew as we were given additional areas to maintain:

- Eleanor Smith Ronco Park
- Wayside Park
- Ambulance building grounds
- Museum grounds
- Town Hall grounds
- Library lawn
- Post Office grounds
- Skating rink grounds
- Cannon War Memorial grounds
- Public Beach and adjoining grounds

I was given two extra men to assist in maintaining these extra areas and I also, received a pickup truck with a trailer and a Z-Track riding mower.

We still have vandalism to contend with in our cemeteries as well as our parks and beach area.

We had twenty-five (25) traditional burials with vaults and twenty-three(23) cremations this year. We did not do any expansion work this year because of the weather and added grounds work.

We used the lumber we had sawed last year to repair the leaky roofs on our tool sheds.

We saved a lot of money this year by using our own mechanic, Shawn Wintle, to maintain and repair our equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

Maurice Neal
Sexton

DEXTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUMS

The Grist Mill Museum closed on October 1, 2005 and reopened on June 12, 2006. Amanda Pullen returned for her third year as intern to assist Curator Richard Whitney. They mounted a new exhibit honoring the Dexter High School class of 1956 for their 50th reunion. A new acquisition, a corner china cabinet, that was made at Eldridge Brothers around 1920, was placed in the kitchen area with a display of china including the green and white dishes from the Jose family. The fire department area was redesigned, with the addition of a print on loan from the Dexter Fire Department.

As usual we participated in Wild West Days with additional open hours and a large attendance. A group of scouts and Mr. Whitney's history classes toured in the fall and Foxcroft Academy and NOE toured in the spring.

A new oval sign with gold letters on black was placed at the Abbott Museum crediting the Dexter Historical Society. The gift shop entered its second year with increased lines of products and consignor items on offer. The Lancaster Reading Room was papered and a bookcase built which displays the many newsletters from local and state historical organizations that are available for perusing. The room offers a pleasant and adjustable space for meetings as well as individual or group research.

When the Dexter Odd Fellows disbanded in the winter they donated many of their artifacts and records to us. They also made a monetary donation that was used to provide cabinets, counters and a microwave for the staff area. We applied for and were awarded a matching grant from the Historical Facilities Grant Program funded by the New Century Program and the National Historical Publications and Records Commission to assist in completing the renovation of the lower floor for museum display space.

We have a new tri-fold full color brochure designed by Ivy Stickler, which has been widely distributed. In April we attended the SPCCC Expo in Guilford with an exhibit about activities on the homefront in Dexter during World War II, which was later set up in the Lancaster Room. We also displayed many of Bert Call's hand tinted photos there in the spring

Eizabeth LaForge gave two public talks on repairing or restoring pottery and fine art. Several groups have used our facilities for regular or one time meetings. We encourage such use, as well as group tours. We also welcome volunteers at all the museums and at the gift shop, for a variety of activities. Our regular public meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

We may be contacted at: Dexter Historical Society, P.O. Box 481, Dexter, ME 04930.
Phone: 924-5721, email: dexhist@panax.com, web: www.dexterhistoricalsociety.com.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Whitney, Curator
Carol Feurtado, Secretary

REGIONAL AIRPORT REPORT

The Town received grant monies to pave the taxiway between the hangers and to build a Snow Removal Equipment Building (SRE) to house the equipment purchased last year. The total projects break down as follows:

BUILDING:

State/Federal Grant	\$38,400	
Town Matching Funds	<u>9,600</u>	
		\$48,000
SRE Building Expenses		<u>\$45,456</u>
Unexpended Balance		\$ 2,544

PAVING:

State/Federal Grant	\$ 6,507	
Town Matching Funds	<u>\$ 1,600</u>	
		\$ 8,107
Paving Expenses		<u>\$ 8,300</u>
Unexpended (Overdraft) Balance		(\$ 193)

TOTAL PROJECT BALANCE **\$ 2,351**

At their February, 2006 meeting the Town Council voted to deposit the unexpended funds to the Airport Reserve Account.

MID-MAINE SOLID WASTE ASSOCIATION

The towns of Dexter, Exeter, Ripley, St. Albans, and Corinna are members and form the Mid-Maine Solid Waste Association (MMSWA). Other users of our facility include Guilford (since 2004) and Cambridge (since 1999). The Association is governed by a Board of Directors, which represents the interests of each of the participating members.

The MMSWA facility provides for the disposal of solid waste at its Transfer Station and operates a Recycling Facility on the premises. The site also offers demolition debris disposal, composting, tire disposal, white goods (refrigerators, appliances, etc.), universal waste (televisions, monitors, etc.), and metal disposal.

The end of 2006 marks MMSWA's fifteenth year of operation. Since opening the MMSWA facility, avoided costs are upwards of \$1,150,000 of taxpayer's money as a result of recycling products that can be re-sold and/or re-used. During 2006 the facility processed over 5,520 tons of municipal waste and more than 1600 tons of recycled goods. As a result of our recycled goods sales and avoided costs for shipping waste to Penobscot Recovery Corporation (PERC), we achieved savings of nearly \$150,000 over the course of 2006. Our recycling rate for 2006 was 41%, which is under Maine's 2008 goal of 50%. Please take the time to check what recycled goods are accepted at our facility, as recycling will only benefit us all help us achieve Maine's recycling goal.

2006 brought some changes to MMSWA, however. The State of Maine and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) have been changing how the state of Maine handles municipal waste. Changes include mandatory recycling of universal waste (televisions, computer monitors, fluorescent lights, ballast, as well as mercury switches, thermometers, and thermostats). Universal waste will cause serious damage to our environment when not properly disposed of and Maine is one of the first states to make the recycling of universal goods mandatory in order to keep hazardous waste out of our mainstream disposal system. We have seen a reduction in disposal rates for universal waste and the fees are as follows: televisions are \$5.00 each (any size) and computer monitors cost \$3.00 each. All other universal waste products can be disposed of properly for free, except for businesses. We kindly ask that you please do not break your fluorescent bulbs or throw away any mercury devices; we now accept them for free.

Additionally, the DEP has modified the rules pertaining to our demolition debris disposal, its composition, and usages. Because the DEP has enforced stricter guidelines on facilities that burn demolition wood, there are only a couple of facilities in Maine that will burn it. Consequently this has increased our costs three-fold from 2005. The new rules however are better for the environment and also require MMSWA to closely monitor the materials deposited into our demolition debris areas. We at MMSWA strongly encourage all patrons to check with the attendant before off-loading any materials to be sure that all waste is disposed of correctly.

If you have any questions about the DEP's rules pertaining to municipal waste, universal waste, or demolition debris, please feel free to contact MMSWA or visit the Department of Environmental Protection website at www.maine.gov/dep.

Rules for the use of the transfer station and recycling facility, as well as a schedule of fees, and vehicle permits are available in the town office. Please feel free to contact the facility if you have any questions at 924-3650. Current permits are required to use the MMSWA facility.

Respectfully Submitted,
Trampas King
Superintendent,
Mid Maine Solid Waste Association

DEXTER UTILITY DISTRICT

Our water source is Lake Wassookeag. As it is surface water, we filter the raw water through a method known as slow sand filtration. We then add chlorine to protect against potential bacteriological contaminants and fluoride to promote dental health. Dexter Utility District maintains 880 service connections that serve approximately 2,200 people.

We, at Dexter Utility District work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future. Please contact us with any questions. Office hours are 8:30 – 12:00 a.m. and 1:00 – 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the second Tuesday of every month, 7:00 p.m. at the treatment plant located on Grove Street (Route 23).

Respectfully submitted,
Randy Webber
Superintendent

SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Starting in March, the test weights and fuel pump test cans were taken to Augusta for the yearly calibrations. In the middle of April, I picked up the equipment and attended a meeting with the State Sealers for updates on new devices.

I was sworn in at the town office in February. And in the months of April, May, August, and September 33 Pumps and 25 Scales were tested and found to be in good working order and within the state tolerances, in the town of Dexter.

Respectfully submitted
Local Sealer, Tim Briggs
Phone 924-7562

MAYO REGIONAL HOSPITAL- HAD #4 REPORT

Mayo Regional Hospital grew during 2006 to become the largest employer in Piscataquis County. At the same time, Mayo reached out to forge a strategic affiliation agreement with Eastern Maine Healthcare Systems, increasing opportunities to improve the quality and safety of patient care.

The state Department of labor named Mayo as the county's largest employer after the hospital's workforce increased to 345 full-time equivalent positions, for a total of 455 employees when all positions are included.

The Piscataquis Chamber of Commerce recognized that growth,, the impact of the hospital's \$19.7 million payroll on the area economy and Mayo's support of community initiatives by naming Mayo Regional its Business of the Year award winner in the large business category.

Mayo's affiliation agreement with Eastern maine Healthcare, for a three-year term, open the way for cooperation on multiple fronts between the two systems. Under the agreement, Mayo retains its local autonomy and governing board, and both Mayo and EMHS remain legally separate.

The year marked the successful conclusion of a joint effort between Mayo and the Town of Ilo to construct the new medical office building in that community, the first occupant for the Eastern Piscataquis Business park. Mayo financed the \$657,000 cost for the 5,200 square foot structure, and over 200 people – including U.S. Senator Susan Collins and Congressman Mike Michaud – attended the open house.

The hospital's Counseling Program improved community access to mental health services by scheduling clinicians in primary cae offices operated by Mayo in Corinna, Dexter, Dover-Foxcroft, Guilford, and Milo. Mayo also recruited psychiatrist Richard Wallingford, M.D. to provide medication management and supportive therapy for adults over the age of 18, including geriatric patients.

Other additions to the medical staff during the year included Petr Smejkal, M.D., hospitalist; Robert Livingston, M.D., surgeon at Mayo Orthopaedics; Bryan Lundquist, M.D., a family practice physician at Milo Family Practice; and Tameem Alsamsam, M.D., anesthesiologist.

The hospital enjoyed an excellent financial performance, finishing the fiscal year with an oerting gain of \$1.1 million despite coping with ongoing payment shortfalls from the state Medicaid program. The average daily census rose to 11.4 patients, and gains were also seen

in operating room caseload, Emergency Department visits, physician office visits and use of most outpatient services.

Hospital Administrative District 4 Board of Directors:

Abbot: Heather Weymouth

Atkinson: Irene White

Bradford: Gregory Bowler, President

Cambridge: Evelyn Farrar

Dexter: Patricia Tobin, Vice President

Albert Tempesta, Secretary

Kathy Goerlitz

Dover-Foxcroft: Rober Pomeroy, Treasurer

Richard Carrier

Gordon MacKinney

Guilford: Dolores Curtis

Alvin McDonald

Monson: Sue LeLoia

Parkman: Candice Cyr

Sangerville: Ellen Haley

Sebec: Ruth Nason

Willimantic: Jeff Morin

MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE

In spite of a dreary start to the golf season again this past year; once the weather improved, we ended up having a busy year at the golf course. Membership numbers held steady, and again this year, daily play continued to improve. In view of the fact that golf numbers are down in most areas in recent years, any gains are good gains.

We continued with on-going improvements to the course in 2006. Most of the open ditches have now been replaced with culverts; this in itself has been a major improvement. Fairway fertilization was completed on all fairways. In spite of shallow topsoil conditions that are inherent on this piece of land, the turf responded well and in most areas showed dramatic improvement in overall condition. Due to weather conditions, we were unable to apply herbicide (to control broadleaf plants). This application will be done as soon as possible this spring.

Equipment is an area that all golf courses struggle with, and Dexter Municipal is no exception. We got through the season in relatively good shape in 2006 and will need to replace only one piece of equipment, at a relatively low cost. All other machines are in good condition.

Indoor Golf continued in 2006 with players competing weekly for prizes and bragging rights. Our indoor program has been copied by other area clubs; and as the saying goes, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery! Due to snow conditions, or lack thereof, winter activities were limited to Indoor Golf in 2006.

Again, sincere thanks go out to our entire staff for all of their hard work and dedication. And, thanks to all of our valued members, and non-members visitors for your support. We truly would not be here without you!!!

Respectfully submitted,
Jimmy Costedio
Course Manager

WAYSIDE THEATRE

Another year, another season, and Wayside theatre is still here and going strong! We've had our ups and downs, our disappointments and our successes, and we hope that this new season will bring more of the latter and none of the former. It isn't easy to come up with a script, a director, the actors, and all the requirements of a stage production – and it is not easy to come up with the money to pay for it all. We have done well, so far, and have managed to adjust our goals to our resources as a matter of necessity. You may have noticed that our plays in the previous season were "small" plays in that they required very few actors, simple sets, and no music director, all of which equates to less expense per production. That's what community theatres have to do, but is not necessarily what they want to do. There is a multitude of wonderful published plays out there waiting to interest and entertain our audiences, and it is hard for us to have to settle for low cost over higher quality. One exception, of course, was "Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol", which turned out to be the jewel in our crown. Ed Hoovler's performance and Marcia Douglas's direction allowed us to present you with a thoughtful, intelligent, and entertaining piece of theatre at very little cost and your attendance and response was gratifying. "Greater Tuna" was also a play that required only two actors and small expense, and we were pleased with your response to that very funny spoof. However, we need to expand our repertoire to include more musicals, more plays that call for more actors, and a greater diversity of subject matter. This is our goal and we are dedicating the 2006-2007 Season to its attainment. Please help by getting to know our group and helping us to determine what you, the people who make up our audiences, want to experience on our stage. The more people we please, the more people will attend, and more attendance means more production income to be used for bigger and better productions. Let us know what you want – this is your theatre! There is no end to what you can do at Wayside Theatre that might be fun and exciting for you. Consider these:

Acting	Show Production	Box Office	Ushering
Publicity	Wayside Grange	Stage Crew	Play Selection
Set Building	Musicians	Costuming	Book Holding
Accompanists	Lighting	Sound	
Play Selection	Advertising Sales	Fundraising Events	

Be a **Supporter, Patron, Sponsor** or **Benefactor** and take advantage of the special privileges offered you while supporting the theatre at the same time.

Please call me for further information at 924-8813.

June Woodman

President, Wayside Theater



Dexter Regional Development Corporation

The Dexter Regional Development Corporation, a nonprofit volunteer group, was founded in 2001 and is continuing its efforts in helping promote and create economic development and business growth. DRDC is also dedicated in supporting small business owners, home based business and entrepreneurs as we move into a new & optimistic future in the Town of Dexter. We create events that help bring business to our town and bring visitors to our area.

In the 2005-06 fiscal year, DRDC has been involved in the following community initiatives and/or events:

- Collaborated and continued partnership with EMDC, Piscataquis County Economic Development Corporation (PCEDC) and Newport Development Corporation to create and serve the State of Maine Penquis Pine Tree Zone. Voted to have Corinna Development Association join in 2005.

Sponsor of the successful 4th Annual "Wild West Weekend" held the first weekend in August.

Sponsor the 2005 Annual Christmas Light Contest open to Residential and Commercial displays.

- Residential winner – Debbie and Galen Tibetts who donated their \$100 prize to the Dexter Fire Department Association
- Commercial winner – Country Charm who donated their \$100 prize to the North Country Riding Club 'Irene Cochrane Scholarship Fund'
- Co-Sponsored the 2nd Annual Easter Hat Parade & Breakfast for area children with Maine Highlands Federal Credit Union and the Dexter United Methodist Church
- Continue to work with interested businesses wanting to relocate in Dexter, finding rental spaces, suggesting support contacts, networking, etc

- Created and distributed the Town of Dexter map with business sponsors and collaborated with the Tri-County Vocational Center on final design. We printed 10,000 copies that have and continue to be distributed throughout town businesses. Maps are available at the Dexter Town Office and the Dexter Historical Society Gift Shop as well as many business sponsors.

The Dexter Regional Development Corporation meets monthly the 1st Tuesday of the month, 7 pm at the Abbott Historical Society Gift Shop in the Crawford Conference Room. Meetings are open to the public and welcomes participation from our business community.

The corporation's Board of Directors & members at large in 2005-2006 consist of citizens from the Greater Dexter Area and include:

Officers: President Judy Wilbur Craig, Vice President Dave Pearson, Treasurer Dean Thompson, and Secretary Courtney Brown.

Members: Lea Worster, Lois Field, Donna Lee Palmer, Peter Prescott, Josh Doore, Eliza Currie, Barb O'Brien, Darlene Bagley, Bob Braithwaite.

If you would like to become pro-active in Dexter's future, give us a call at 924-3067 to become a member. Our website is

www.DowntownDexter.com

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Wilbur Craig President
email: judy@DexterMaine.com

WASSOOKEAG SNOWMOBILE CLUB ANNUAL REPORT WINTER 2005-2006

We had very limited snowfall this past season. In fact, we were only able to groom the Rail Road Bed a total of two times! Despite the limited snowfall, we had several very successful events last year such as Winter Fest, our Landowner's appreciation supper, and the establishment of the Hal Wilkins Sr. Memorial Citizenship Awards.

Winter Fest consisted of the usual slate of events - radar runs, snow sculpture contest, Winter Carnival Dance and a snowmobile parade through downtown Dexter. Winter Fest continues to grow each year. I would like to thank all of the other clubs, organizations, employees of the Town of Dexter, and Citizens of the town of Dexter for their help in making this event so successful!

We established the Hal Wilkins Sr. Memorial Citizenship Award this past season. Hal committed over thirty years of his life to this snowmobile club, with many of those years serving as the Club's Trail Master. In remembrance of Hal's spirit of volunteerism, character and commitment to family and community, we were able to present two citizenship awards to two Dexter Regional High School Graduates. This Year's recipients were Wendy Lawson and Tyler Sawyer. Our goal is to set up an annuity to cover these annual awards. If you would like to help us, please send a donation in Hal's memory to the Wassookeag Snowmobile Club P. O. Box 121 Dexter, ME 04930.

I would like to thank our landowners for allowing us to access their property. For without you, snowmobiling would not be possible. Also, I would like to thank all of our active members and supporting businesses that volunteer their time, talent and equipment towards making our club and trail system the best in the State! Our Outstanding Member of the Year for 2005/2006, was Del Hodgkins. Del, thank you for your continued hard work, commitment and dedication to our club!

Club meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at the clubhouse on the No. 10 Road beginning at 7:00 p.m. Club workdays are held each Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (meet at the clubhouse at 8:00 a.m.) **We encourage all members to attend any club meeting, workday or event whenever possible.**

I would also like to encourage everyone that registers a snowmobile in the Town of Dexter, to join your snowmobile club! And, remember, TOGETHER WE TRAIL, DIVIDED WE FAIL.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Fogarty
President

Wassookeag Snowmobile Club

DEXTER LAKE ASSOCIATION

Currently the DLA has approximately 140 members and continues to grow as we have completed the fifth year of our organization. Next season we hope to increase our membership to hopefully include people who are not necessarily lake-front property owners, but those who fish or swim and enjoy the benefits of the lake as well.

Our representation on the Dexter Town Source Water Committee has provided us with the opportunity to share important lake issues and concerns with town officials in order to find the best ways to protect the Dexter Water Supply.

We were disappointed this season not to have received grant money from the Penobscot Soil and Water Department after having participated last summer in an extensive lake survey with them. We still hope to obtain this grant in the future which would assist property owners in paying for road and property improvements around the lake.

The lack of State funding in this case points to the need for watershed residents to be lake-smart with their property.

One of the DLA's main goals has been to connect lake owners with the larger network of water quality experts and organizations that can assist people in regard to lake management practices. For the past 5 years, DLA representatives have attended the annual conference sponsored by COLA (Congress of Lake Associations). This year's session was held in June at the University of Maine, Farmington and was co-sponsored by the New England Conference of Lakes. Any interested person may attend these conferences. An example of this connection has been the increased number of Lake Smart surveys that were completed this summer by Grace Nelson, Watershed Coordinator from the Penobscot County Soil and Water Conservation District. Thirty residents have now had their property evaluated. We appreciate their cooperation and interest.

A donation of 22 perennial plants for our Landscape Design area at the public beach was gratefully received. Also, over 10 hours of weeding was done by DLA members and friends at this site.

The DLA had a booth that featured a watershed model at this year's successful Wild West Weekend. Many children and parents worked at the model, showing how pollution even far away from a lake can affect water quality.

Secchi disk testing at Lake Wassookeag (by Bob Crawford) and Puffers Pond (Echo Lake) (by Beth Lagasse) was again conducted this summer.

Testing on Lake Wassookeag by late August indicated that the lake clarity was 10 feet less clear than at the same time last year. The run-off from heavy rains is probably the main reason for this change. Also, earlier spring ice-out has provided more time for algae growth and additional release of underwater phosphorous in the lake which affect water quality. A reference manual about the DLA containing its mission statement, minutes of the annual meeting , copies of the annual newsletters, etc., can be found in the Historical Society and the Abbott Memorial Library. Other information and photos of the DLA can be found on the town's, minutes of the annual meeting, copies of the annual newsletters, etc. can be found in the Historical Society and the Abbott Memorial Library. Other information and photos of the DLA can be found on the town's website: www.dextermaine.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Graham, President

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

2005-06 UNPAID PROPERTY TAXES as of June 30, 2006

Allen, William	\$ 1123.38
Anderson, Virginia C	\$ 718.11
Andrews, Victor G	\$ 6.96
Atwater, Randall III & Elva	\$ 384.18
Atwater, Stacey	\$ 270.18
Austin, Frank & Heather	\$ 144.57
Ballard, Sharon	\$ 727.59
Beckwith, Kenwood C Jr & Nancy J	\$ 855.57
Belanger, Roger & Shirley c/o Donald J Gasink Esq	\$ 917.19
Bickford, Hildon & Audrey, Woodbury, Mary	\$ 523.77
Bill & Barb Gourley Inc	\$ 142.20
Bills, Janice	\$ 798.93
Bishop, Timothy & Lori Jean	\$ 2450.58
Bowman, Terry Jr	\$ 42.66
Bradley, Adam M	\$ 853.20
Braley, Douglas C & Grace M	\$ 749.16
Breton, David & Brian	\$ 150.17
Brown, David F Jr	\$ 183.56
Bruce, Steven	\$ 556.95
Brunner, Felicia (Martin)	\$ 1602.12
Burgess, A Joan	\$ 172.75
Burke, Sally Ann	\$ 1457.79
Burton, Joey D & Susan A	\$ 1004.88
Buschur, Richard A	\$ 235.31
Cannon, Frances M & Janet E	\$ 217.90
Carnes, John	\$ 35.55
Carnes, John E	\$ 1438.71
Carnes, John E	\$ 54.11
Carr, Clayton c/o James Pitcl	\$ 1203.96
Chambers, Timothy	\$ 258.57
Chappell, John	\$ 23.40
Chappell, John	\$ 2033.46
Chappell, John	\$ 791.58
Chappell, John & Jeane	\$ 1177.89

Clukey, Jerry A & Susan G	\$ 1161.54
Conway, Andy R & Kim L	\$ 694.65
Cookson, Doris	\$ 125.61
Cookson, Mary M/Burgess, Michael W	\$ 393.14
Cookson, Stephen	\$ 232.26
Cookson, Stephen	\$ 109.02
Corson, Amos	\$ 938.76
Cowette, Darren	\$ 31.24
Criss, Shaun	\$ 118.50
Crosby, Jonathan	\$ 623.31
Cunningham, Deborah A	\$ 485.85
Cunningham, Tonia	\$ 286.77
Cunningham, Tonia	\$ 97.17
Currier, Rebecca	\$ 13.27
Curtis, Alicia	\$ 90.06
Curtis, Lyman III	\$ 267.81
Davis, Carleen	\$ 232.26
Demasi, Robert	\$ 170.64
Demasi, Robert A	\$ 239.37
Desjardins, James D & Rose Marie	\$ 592.05
Durham, Richard C & Burke, Cathleen	\$ 6.13
Eastman, Patricia; Floyd C Johnson	\$ 224.20
Eaton, Denise	\$ 443.43
Edwards, Paul S	\$ 282.03
Edwards, Paul S	\$ 260.70
Ellis, Devises of Madalyn B c/o Michelle Poulin	\$ 7.32
Englehardt, Robert G Jr	\$ 772.62
Farewell, Irene	\$ 173.25
Farrar, Allen	\$ 537.99
Folsom, Brian	\$ 936.74
Getchell, Shawn	\$ 265.44
Gilbert, Thomas & Sonja	\$ 463.24
Glidden, Hope & Edwin	\$ 99.78
Goodwin, Kenneth F & Priscilla c/o Eric & Ella Munday	\$ 810.78
Goodwin, Robert S	\$ 416.41
Gould, Elwood	\$ 130.35
Gould, John L	\$ 106.65
Gould, Judith M	\$ 80.58
Gould, Toby & Juanita	\$ 689.47
Gourley, Bill & Barb	\$ 237.00

Gourley, William A & Barbara R	\$ 1289.52
Green, Linwood	\$ 30.81
Green, Linwood	\$ 11.85
Green, Linwood	\$ 623.31
Greene, David Sr	\$ 177.75
Greene, David C	\$ 372.33
Greenslade Brothers Inc	\$ 12065.67
Gudroe, Heather	\$ 260.70
Gudroe, Randy K	\$ 659.10
Gustin, Jennifer (Hall)	\$ 267.81
Gustin, Timothy	\$ 182.73
Haggerty, William S & Mary P	\$ 738.95
Hall, Gale A & Wesley	\$ 371.43
Hall, John & Heidi (c/o Nyrick Huuskonen)	\$ 717.80
Hamilton, Roderick J	\$ 1780.11
Hanscom, Cathleen M	\$ 1376.97
Hanscom, Mark W & Scott E	\$ 213.30
Haran, John	\$ 232.26
Harrington, Kennedy	\$ 962.22
Harris, Garrett	\$ 132.72
Harville, Thomas	\$ 995.40
Haskell, Christopher & Amy	\$ 1172.36
Haskins, Wilbur M	\$ 665.02
Hathorne, Randia	\$ 182.73
Hight, Charlene & Brent	\$ 73.62
Hindman, Mark & Elizabeth c/o George Shorette	\$ 943.75
Homeq Servicing Corp c/o Rhino Property Development LLC	\$ 431.12
Hooper, Rita	\$ 642.27
Hoskins, Dennis & Nancy	\$ 40.53
Ireland, David A c/o J F Singleton	\$ 2182.77
Irish, Carmen	\$ 1417.50
Irvin, Melissa (Beane)	\$ 940.89
Jensen, Eric & Helen A	\$ 20.80
Jensen, Eric & Helen A	\$ 11.48
Johnson, Deborah	\$ 2128.26
Johnson, Deborah	\$ 265.44
Johnson, Deborah H	\$ 428.97
Johnson, Floyd	\$ 606.96
Kaminski, Stephen	\$ 1052.28
King, Florence K	\$ 36.99

King, Kathleen; J Carrow; Glidden, Hope	\$ 110.50
LaFountain, Alan E	\$ 2.61
Lajoie, Stephen c/o Nanette A Perugini	\$ 2716.02
Larrabee, Michael & Sally	\$ 1097.55
Larrabee, Steven O	\$ 407.88
Lawson, Teresa	\$ 154.05
Leavitt, James E & Julie M	\$ 869.79
Leavitt, Robert Jr; Leavitt, Robert Sr	\$ 836.85
Leighton, Sherman & Barbara	\$ 777.60
Lemay, Ronald & Earlene	\$ 1040.43
Lessard, Diane E	\$ 139.71
Lindsay, Robert P Jr	\$ 1052.52
Lomas, Marceline & Lomas-Woody, Karen	\$ 624.73
Lovely, Scott	\$ 237.00
Ludden, Dustin & Theresa c/o Mervin & Belinda Crosby	\$ 1227.90
ME McCormick Contractors Inc c/o Mike McCormick	\$ 1651.89
Maxell, Richard C & Marcia	\$ 89.60
McComb, Velma	\$ 135.09
McComb, Wendell	\$ 51.31
McCormack, Jeremy M; Maguire, Jennifer L	\$ 684.54
McKenney, Perry F & Rachel A	\$ 1066.50
Melvin, William E & Marylou	\$ 320.19
Merrill Charles T	\$ 146.94
Merrill, Charles T & Diane R	\$ 789.21
Messina, Joseph & Kimberly	\$ 1274.07
Messina, Joseph & Kimberly Lyn	\$ 712.63
Meuse, Nancy A & Steven A	\$ 1001.48
Miller, Janeen	\$ 874.53
Miller, Raymond E Jr & Karen N	\$ 926.91
Mitchell, Andrew	\$ 1434.09
Mitchell, Donald H	\$ 218.04
Moody, Louis c/o Nyrik Huuskonen	\$ 87.15
Mountain, Dorothy Ann & Robert P	\$ 867.42
Mountain, Robert P & Dorothy A	\$ 661.47
Murdock, Devises of Irene L	\$ 1016.73
Murdock, Devises of Irene	\$ 312.84
Murray, Mark	\$ 210.93
Nelson, Robert J & Stephanie	\$ 154.05
Nelson, Robert J & Stephanie	\$ 566.01
Nickerson, George & Priscilla	\$ 218.21

O'Brien, Charles S	\$ 812.91
O'Brien, Charles S	\$ 329.43
Oakes, Linda	\$ 557.19
Page, Clifford A c/o Gary & Jean Giles	\$ 85.56
Page, Thomas A; Michael A; Page, Ellen K	\$ 298.00
Parkman, Wesley E Sr & Shirley R	\$ 723.09
Pawnell, Scott W & April	\$ 1203.96
Pelletier, Lawrence Jr & Kola	\$ 620.94
Perkins, Benjamin K Jr	\$ 511.92
Perkins, Clarence	\$ 291.51
Peterson, George H & Rebecca M	\$ 2.08
Peucker, Christopher & Kelly	\$ 12.60
Philbrick, Crystal A c/o James & Faylene Wilson	\$ 407.64
Pooler, Stephen & Joyce	\$ 410.25
Poulin, Edward	\$ 272.55
Poulin, Lynette J	\$ 647.71
Pouliot, Matthew & Tracy	\$ 49.77
Pouliot, Matthew & Tracy	\$ 502.44
Pullen, Everett	\$ 623.31
Pullen, Everett c/o Elwood Gould	\$ 156.42
Pullen, Everett S & Heidi M Pullen	\$ 135.09
Pullen, Everett S & Arlene L	\$ 1467.27
Pullen, Everett S & Arlene L	\$ 195.31
Pullen, Everett S & Arlene L	\$ 426.60
Pullen, Everett S & Mark G	\$ 777.36
Qualey, Joseph O & Carol A	\$ 611.46
Race, Matthew W	\$ 47.40
Race, Matthew W	\$ 173.01
Race, Matthew W	\$ 388.68
Randall, Mellen	\$ 400.00
Ray, David W Jr	\$ 753.66
Ready, Stephen R & James L c/o Raianon Jean Ahearn	\$ 94.80
Reynolds, Robert D	\$ 580.65
Rhino Property Development	\$ 619.73
Richard, Leo J Jr & Fay A	\$ 211.17
Richards, Amy	\$ 364.55
Richards, N Elizabeth	\$ 369.72
Richards, N Elizabeth	\$ 393.42
Richards, N Elizabeth	\$ 106.65
Roach, James M & Jeanette	\$ 739.44

Roach, James M Jr	\$ 11.85
Robinson, Dale	\$ 175.38
Robinson, Dale E	\$ 848.70
Rodrigues, Miguel & Argentina	\$ 134.25
Russell, Leslie T	\$ 154.05
Ryder, Gordon & Kathy	\$ 351.00
Sawyer, Joan M & Robert G	\$ 276.73
Shaw, Milton P Jr & Adele	\$ 1571.31
Sinclair, Andrew	\$ 113.76
Smith, Christopher	\$ 220.41
Smith, Jeffrey	\$ 196.71
Snow, David B	\$ 327.06
Spack, Richard & Dawn	\$ 760.77
Stewart, Kathy	\$ 180.12
Stewart, Kathy c/o Tammy Stewart	\$ 424.23
Stockley, Kenneth E	\$ 253.85
Stone, Lloyd E & Belinda E	\$ 249.09
Stone, Richard	\$ 327.06
Strout, Helen & Warner Jr	\$ 227.52
Sullivan, Edward M	\$ 208.52
Tarr, Daniel L II	\$ 1241.88
Taylor, Robert L	\$ 100.60
Tempesta, Albert & Albert C	\$ 1353.27
Tempesta, Albert Sr	\$ 504.81
Theriault, Wade P	\$ 225.39
Thompson, Patricia c/o Nora Austin	\$ 248.85
Tilton, Larry E & Jean B	\$ 476.61
Towle, Hollie A	\$ 447.93
Towle, Hollie A	\$ 163.53
Towle, c/o Everett Pullen	\$ 35.55
Towle, Melanie; Cormier, Annette M	\$ 1034.84
Tucker, Amie L (Post)	\$ 99.54
Vazquez, Irene; Scott, Elaine	\$ 1170.78
Walker, Edward C & Charlaan W	\$ 761.01
Wallace, Michael J	\$ 367.59
Water Street Development Corporation	\$ 1379.34
Watson, David	\$ 793.95
Watson, Richard	\$ 248.85
Webber, Forrest & Charlene c/o Roland Legere	\$ 433.71
Weeks, Crystal; Hysom, Patricia	\$ 71.75

White, Cecil C Jr; R White; D White; C White III	\$ 92.43
White, Marion Dupuis	\$ 412.62
White, Morris	\$ 597.24
Wilbur, Stephen D	\$ 2190.12
Williams, Devisees of Lena	\$ 92.43
Wilson, John J & Ione C	\$ 99.21
Wing, James R	\$ 28.44
Wing, Linda L	\$ 406.69
Wintle, Jeremy & Caitlin	\$ 649.38
Wintle, Roger & Wilma	\$ 78.21
Wintle, Roger & Wilma; Lisa J Wintle	\$ 14.46
Woodman, Robert & June	\$ 1308.01
Young, Cynthia L	\$ 37.55
Young, Donald B	\$ 398.40
Young, Doris R c/o Richard M Young	\$ <u>405.51</u>
	\$152450.48

***2005-06 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2006***

Alchemilla c/o Linda Tisdale	\$ 2.37
Assist 2 Sell	\$ 4.74
Burgess, Joan DBA Loon's Nest	\$ 2.37
Carnes, John	\$ 23.70
Dexter Motor Lodge c/o Greenslade Brothers Inc	\$ 995.40
Ferris Music Service	\$ 26.07
Hanscom, Mark	\$ 237.00
Hanscom, Richard & Cathleen	\$ 7.11
Hitman's Custom DJ Service	\$ 2.37
Ikon Office Solutions Inc	\$ 18.96
Ireland, David DBA Spring Street Car Wash	\$ 298.62
Local Neighborhood Video Store	\$ 35.55
O'Brien & Sons Paving	\$ 782.10
Olmsted's Jewelry & Gifts c/o Jerry Townsend	\$ 47.40
Padham, Michael	\$ 139.83
Premier Home Video c/o Robert Hartford	\$ 181.73

Pullen, Everett	\$ 23.70
Roberts, Belinda DBA Rubins Pub	\$ 47.40
Robinson, Dale	\$ 360.24
Scavengers Attn: Steve Craig	\$ 4.74
Scott's Appliances	\$ 16.59
State Wide Video	\$ 23.70
Tempesta, Albert	\$ 40.29
TJ's Family Restaurant c/o Charles Malatesta	\$ 459.78
Wilbur, Steve	\$ 237.00
Wizard of Odds	\$ 2.37
Woodman, Robert & June DBA Millside Fitness Center	\$ 47.40
Wyman's Collectibles c/o Mel Wyman	\$ 71.10
Wyman, Vickie Y	\$ 94.80
	\$ 4234.43

***2004-05 UNPAID PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2006***

Atwater, Randall III & Elva	\$ 320.89
Austin, Frank & Heather	\$ 132.37
Ballard, Sharon A	\$ 32.74
Beckwith, Kenwood C Jr & Nancy J	\$ 783.37
Belanger, Roger & Shirley c/o Donald J Gasink Esq	\$ 839.79
Bishop, Timothy & Lori-Jean	\$ 2243.78
Bowman, Terry Jr	\$ 39.06
Bradley, Adam M	\$ 781.20
Brunner, Felicia	\$ 1072.64
Burton, Joey D & Susan A	\$ 920.08
Carnes, John	\$ 32.55
Carnes, John E	\$ 1438.71
Carnes, John E	\$ 52.88
Chappell, John	\$ 43.40
Cookson, Stephen	\$ 212.66
Corson, Amos L	\$ 969.99
Cunningham, Deborah A	\$ 444.85

Curtis, Alicia	\$ 82.46
Curtis, Lyman III	\$ 245.21
Farrar, Allen	\$ 492.59
Getchell, Shawn	\$ 243.04
Glidden, Hope & Edwin	\$ 201.81
Gould, Judith M	\$ 73.78
Gould, Toby & Juanita	\$ 631.47
Gourley, Bill & Barb	\$ 217.00
Gourley, William A & Barbara R	\$ 1291.15
Greene, David Sr	\$ 162.75
Greene, David C	\$ 451.36
Hamilton, Roderick J	\$ 77.45
Haran, John	\$ 212.66
Harville, Thomas	\$ 911.40
Haskins, Wilbur M	\$ 605.26
Hathorne, Randia	\$ 277.76
Hooper, Rita	\$ 479.41
Irish, Carmen	\$ 393.67
Irvin, Melissa	\$ 861.49
Johnson, Deborah	\$ 2028.95
Johnson, Deborah H	\$ 392.77
Larrabee, Steven O	\$ 139.88
Leavitt, Robert Jr	\$ 876.68
Lindsay, Robert P Jr	\$ 305.62
Lomas, Marceline & Lomas-Woody, Karen	\$ 674.87
Melvin, William E & Marylou	\$ 288.51
Merrill, Charles T	\$ 134.54
Merrill, Charles T & Diane R	\$ 722.61
Michaud, Patricia L & Gary J	\$ 69.44
Mitchell, Andrew	\$ 1423.52
Mitchell, Donald H	\$ 199.64
Mountain, Robert P & Dorothy A	\$ 716.10
Murdock, Irene L Devises of	\$ 930.93
Murray, Mark	\$ 193.13
Parkman, Wesley E Sr & Shirley R	\$ 772.52
Perkins, Benjamin K Jr	\$ 468.72
Philbrick, Crystal A c/o James Wilson	\$ 373.24
Pooler, Stephen & Joyce	\$ 382.00
Pullen, Everett	\$ 570.71
Pullen, Everett S & Heidi M	\$ 123.69

Pullen, Everett S & Arlene L	\$ 1453.90
Pullen, Everett S & Arlene L	\$ 390.60
Qualey, Joseph O & Carol A	\$ 393.36
Race, Matthew W	\$ 158.41
Race, Matthew W	\$ 355.88
Richards, N Elizabeth	\$ 555.52
Richards, N Elizabeth	\$ 360.22
Richards, N Elizabeth	\$ 97.65
Robinson, Dale	\$ 160.58
Robinson, Dale E	\$ 887.53
Russell, Leslie T	\$ 141.05
St. Germain, David	\$ 390.60
Strout, Helen & Warner Jr	\$ 148.09
Tarr, Daniel L II	\$ 1288.98
Tempesta, Albert & Albert C	\$ 1239.07
Tempesta, Albert Sr	\$ 462.21
Thompson, Patricia c/o Nora Austin	\$ 227.85
Watson, David	\$ 726.95
White, Cecil C Jr; R. White; D White; C White III	\$ 84.63
White, Morris	\$ 542.82
Williams, Lena Devisees of	\$ 84.63
Wing, Linda L	\$ 475.23
Young, Donald B	\$ 475.23
Young, Doris R c/o Richard M Young	<u>\$ 633.64</u>
	\$ 41795.40

***2004-05 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2006***

Alchemilla c/o Linda Tisdale	\$ 4.34
Babcock's c/o Sarah Babcock	\$ 36.89
Bankvest Capital Corporation	\$ 88.97
Burgess, Joan DBA Loon's Nest	\$ 2.17
Carnes, John	\$ 21.70
Citi Corporation	\$ 303.80
Ferris Music Service	\$ 15.19
Hitman's Custom DJ Service	\$ 2.17
Ikon Office Solutions Inc	\$ 17.36

Local Neighborhood Video Store	\$ 32.55
OK Corral ATTN: Linda Farina	\$ 4.34
Olmsted's Jewelry & Gifts c/o Jerry Townsend	\$ 43.40
Padham, Michael	\$ 128.03
Pullen, Everett	\$ 21.70
Robinson, Dale	\$ 353.71
Scavengers ATTN: Steve Craig	\$ 4.34
Scott's Appliances	\$ 15.19
State Wide Video	\$ 21.70
Tempesta, Albert	\$ 36.89
Wilbur, Steve	\$ 217.00
Woodman, Robert & June DBA Millside Fitness Center	\$ 43.40
Wyman, Vickie Y	\$ 86.80
	\$ 1501.64

***2003-04 UNPAID PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2006***

Gourley, Bill & Barb	\$ 217.00
Gourley, William A & Barbara R Gourley	\$ 1291.15
	\$ 1508.15

***2003-04 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2006***

Bankvest Capital Corp	\$ 88.97
Burgess, Joan DBA Loon's Nest	\$ 2.17
Carnes, John	\$ 21.70
Citi Corporation	\$ 303.80
Dexter Farm & Garden	\$ 75.95
Fayscott Corporation	\$ 15851.85
Gotopieces Inc c/o William & Rhonda Fish	\$ 28.21
Hitman's Custom DJ Service	\$ 2.17

Local Neighborhood Video Store	\$ 32.55
Meunier, Robert DBA Spring Street Car Wash	\$ 273.42
Olmsted's Jewelry & Gifts c/o Jerry Townsend	\$ 43.40
Padham, Michael	\$ 128.03
Robinson, Dale	\$ 138.88
St. Germain, David DBA Northern Drywall	\$ 39.06
State Wide Video	\$ 21.70
Tempesta, Albert	\$ 36.89
Wilbur, Steve	<u>\$ 217.00</u>
	\$ 17305.75

***2002-2003 UNPAID PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2006***

Abbott, G. Walter	\$ 248.40
	\$ 248.40

***2002-2003 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2006***

Bankvest Capital Corp	\$ 84.87
Carnes, John	\$ 20.70
Citi Corporation	\$ 289.80
Dexter Farm & Garden	\$ 72.45
Fayscott LLC	\$ 14881.23
Greentree Vendor Services	\$ 639.63
Local Neighborhood Video Store	\$ 31.05
Meunier, Robert D/B/A Spring St Car Wash	\$ 260.82
Olmsted's Jewelry & Gifts c/o Jerry Townsend	\$ 41.40

Padham, Michael	\$ 122.13
Robinson, Dale	\$ 132.48
St Germain, David D/B/A Northern Drywall	\$ 37.26
State Wide Video	\$ 20.70
Tempesta, Albert	\$ 35.19
Whatever Construction c/o Marceline Lomas	\$ 103.50
Wilbur, Steve	\$ <u>207.00</u>
	\$ 16980.21

***2001-02 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2006***

Bankvest Capital Corporation	\$ 84.87
Carnes, John	\$ 20.70
CITI Corporation	\$ 289.80
Granite Financial Inc	\$ 200.79
Greentree Vendor Services	\$ 639.63
Local Neighborhood Video Store	\$ 31.05
Norwest Financial Leasing Inc	\$ 80.73
Olmsted's Jewelry & Gifts c/o Jerry Townsend	\$ 41.40
Padham, Michael	\$ 122.13
Robinson, Dale	\$ 132.48
St Germain, David DBA Northern Drywall	\$ 37.26
State Wide Video	\$ 20.70
Tempesta, Albert	\$ 35.19
Whatever Construction c/o Marceline Lomas	\$ 103.50
Wilbur, Steve	\$ 207.00
	\$ 2047.23

***2000-2001 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2006***

Bankvest Capital Corporation	\$ 84.05
Briggs, Daniel A	\$ 61.50
Carnes, John	\$ 20.50
Greentree Vendor Services	\$ 7.38
Local Neighborhood Video Store	\$ 30.75
Newcourt Linc Financial Inc	\$ 38.95
Norwest Financial Leasing Inc	\$ 79.95
Olmsted's Jewelry & Gifts	\$ 41.00
Padham, Michael	\$ 120.95
Robinson, Dale	\$ 131.20
State Wide Video	\$ 20.50
Tempesta, Albert	\$ 34.85
Whatever Construction c/o Marceline Lomas	\$ 102.50
Wilbur, Steve	<u>\$ 205.00</u>
	\$ 979.08

***1999-2000 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2005***

Bankvest Capital Corporation	\$ 84.05
Carnes, John	\$ 20.50
D&B Printing	\$ 53.30
Holsapple, Donald	\$ 75.00
Newcourt Linc Financial Inc.	\$ 38.95
Olmsted's Jewelry & Gifts	\$ 41.00
Padham, Michael	\$ 120.95
Robinson, Dale	\$ 131.20
Tempesta Albert	\$ 34.85
Wilbur, Steve	<u>\$ 205.00</u>
	\$ 804.80

**1998-1999 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES
as of June 30, 2005**

Carnes, John	\$	20.50
Newcourt Linc Financial Inc	\$	38.95
Olmsted's Jewelry & Gifts	\$	41.00
Padham, Michael	\$	120.95
Robinson, Dale	\$	131.20
Tempesta, Albert	\$	34.85
Wilbur, Steve	\$	<u>86.82</u>
	\$	474.27

**TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY
as of June 30, 2006**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Map/Lot #</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
Mitchell, Bonnie	Map 14 Lot 5A H	\$ 962.42
Mitchell, Bonnie	Map 14 Lot 5A	\$ 151.37
Mitchell, Shannon	Map 5 Lot 50 C 36	\$ 879.97
Sheerin, James Jr.	Map 18 Lot 8	\$ 128.78
St. Germain, David	Map 102 Lot 1B	\$ 1436.59
		\$ 3,559.13

**ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
as of June 30, 2006**

Dexter Recreation Gymnastics Program	\$	305.00
Maine Municipal Association Grant	\$	2000.00
Maine Municipal Association Risk Management W/C	\$	991.72
Maine School Administrative District 46 (election)	\$	1022.29
Mayo Regional Hospital	\$	95.09
Police Department Equipment Reimbursement	\$	316.90

Quimby BB plate	\$ 5.00
State of Maine general assistance (June)	\$ 1561.44
State of Maine tree growth reimbursement	\$23327.00
State of Maine veteran's tax reimbursement	\$ 4488.00
Uncollected NSF checks	\$ 731.82
Wintle boat fee	<u>\$ 30.00</u>

Total Receivables \$34874.26

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
as of June 30, 2006

AE Robinson	\$ 4697.70
Bangor Steel Service Inc	\$ 826.90
Bud's Shop 'n Save	\$ 325.21
Carquest	\$ 78.57
Daigle & Houghton Inc	\$ 134.17
Department of Public Safety (weapons permits)	\$ 135.00
Dexter Exxon	\$ 40.00
Dexter Lumber Company	\$ 1466.76
Dexter Petty Cash	\$ 190.91
EJ Prescott	\$ 725.90
Elections Systems & Software	\$ 2044.58
Foxcroft Veterinary Service	\$ 54.00
IKON Office Solutions	\$ 44.80
Inland Fisheries & Wildlife (recreation vehicles)	\$ 5812.87
Inland Fisheries & Wildlife (licenses)	\$ 1095.00
Mid Maine Solid Waste Association	\$ 3411.14
Motor Supply Company	\$ 354.01
Office Depot	\$ 165.13
Paris Farmers Union	\$ 1766.00
Postage by Phone	\$ 146.94
Secretary of State Motor Vehicle Division	\$ 5908.60
Sherwin Williams	\$ 558.00
Tillson's True Value	\$ 1182.80
Webber Construction	\$21672.31
White Sign	<u>\$ 284.40</u>

YEAR IN REVIEW

2005: July

- * Eleanor Smith Ronco Park got a pruning which brought it back to the attractive park which was created several years ago.
- * Town Offices replaced "dial up" access to the Internet with cable.

August

- * Penobscot County Soil & Water Conservation District, in cooperation with the Dexter Lake Association built created a vegetative buffer at the Wassookeag Beach Recreation area.
- * Town purchased a

September

- * Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Plymouth Lodge #65 began the process to surrender their charter to the State Lodge.

October

- * Mountain View Youth Corrections Center provided a community service by installing replacement windows in the first floor of the Morrison Building and the Golf Course.

November

- * Councilor Judy Wilbur Craig decided not to seek re election to her seat on the Council.
- * Roger Brawn won the election to the Council for a three year term.

December

- * Big Indian Stone completed construction of the Snow Removal Equipment Building at the Airport.

2006: January

- * Town Employee recognized for years of service to the Town:
 - Andy Conway – 5 years Mike Delaware – 15 years
 - Chris Pooler – 10 years Maurice Neal – 15 years
 - Allan Grinnell – 15 years
- * Town Department restructured. Facilities under the supervision of Public Works and Parks and Cemetery Departments merged.
- * Town entered a fire contract with Ripley for "flat rate" annual retainer
- * Fayscott Building sold to Newport businessman who intended to

lease space

February:

- * Town received Community Development Block Grant Funds in the amount of \$165,000 to do Town Hall renovations.
- * Town Office Hours changed to 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- * Town Safety Committee established

March:

- * Emergency Action Plan approved (Wassookeag Dam)

April:

- * Through donations from CD Electric and Gilman Electric the Town was able to put power to Veterans Memorial Park on Dam Street.
- * Council approved as Lake and Dam Management Plan for Lake Wassookeag Dam.

May:

- * Council signed Resolve to support Dexter Utility District Sourcewater Protection Plan

June:

- * Council voted to do repairs to Lake Wassookeag Dam.

2006/2007 BUDGET

DEPARTMENT	PROPERTY TAX (for Reserve)	PROPERTY TAX (for Operations)	CARRY FORWARD	EXCISE	REVENUES	BOND PROCEEDS	CA O
ADMINISTRATION	0	0		59,741	87,300		
AIRPORT	10,000	7,275			122,600		
	0	20,100			12,875		
ANIMAL CONTROL	2,000	6,690			1,500		
ASSESSING	2,000	49,793			0	139,000	
BOARD OF APPEALS	0	1,449			0		
CEMETERY/PARKS	1,000	29,442			39,000		
CODE ENFORCEMENT	0	18,630			4,800		
COMMUNITY CENTER	0	850			700		
DEBT SERVICE	0	118,379			0		
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	0	7,500			0		
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	0	349,925			21,000		
FACILITIES/MAINTENANCE	11,000	72,982			3,300		
FIRE-Truck20,000-Roof10,00-Equip-3,500	33,500	62,251			10,000		
GOLF	1,500	7,000			11,500		
HEWITT BUILDING (\$27,000 CARRY TO PD)	0	0			0		
HUMAN SERVICES	0	52,190			17,000		
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT	1,000	21,700			0		
LAKES & DAM	2,000	1,000			0	175,000	
LANDFILL MONITORING (Closed)	2,500	12,400			0		
LIBRARY	17,000	81,541	5,500		5,000		
MORRISON BUILDING	4,000	49,450	9,000		3,600		
MUSEUM/GRIST MILL	0	4,050			0		
PLANNING BOARD	0	2,716			0		
POLICE	17,000	291,951			2,100		
PROVIDER AGENCIES	0	13,750			0		
PUBLIC WORKS/ST RECONSTRU	110,000		8,000	327,213	73,350		
RECREATION	0	35,701			6,000		
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT	0	166,000			1,000		
SPECIAL PROGRAMS & EVENTS (includes Snowmobile)		18,500			1,500		
TOWN COUNCIL	0	16,820			0		
TOWN CLERK	500	0		56,554	22,765		
TOWN HALL		14,000					
UTILITIES/INSURANCE		167,108		40,992			
TOTAL 2006 BUDGET	215,000	1,701,143	22,500	484,500	446,890	314,000	
ASSESSMENTS:							
County Tax		173,652					
Education		1,307,903					
STATE REVENUE SHARING		-405,000			405,000		
TOTAL 2006/07 BUDGET	215,000	2,777,698	22,500	484,500	851,890	314,000	
					1,336,390		

2006/2007 EXPENSE BUDGET

Expenditures:	2005-06	2006-07	Change	Remarks:
General				
Government*	\$658,495	\$779,213	\$120,718	Personnel, benefits, economic dev, legal, equip
Public Works**	\$559,191	\$718,563	\$159,372	Personnel, equip, paving, fuel, bridges, Capital Res
Airport	\$80,950	\$144,875	\$63,925	Site improve proj, (ins-moved to Utility/Ins) Cap Res
Police***	\$361,771	\$338,241	(\$23,530)	Personnel, equip/bldg maint; fuel, grants Cap Res
Ambulance	\$54,400	\$32,975	(\$21,425)	Building/equip maint, Mayo contract, Cap Res
Fire Department	\$123,950	\$105,751	(\$18,199)	Personnel, equip/bldg maint, new equip, Cap Res
Utilities/Insurance	\$181,000	\$386,100	\$205,100	Utility Dist, CMP, street lights, lakes/dams, Insurance
Health & Welfare	\$90,314	\$82,940	(\$7,374)	General Assistance, provider agencies
Solid Waste Mgmt	\$179,400	\$181,900	\$2,500	Transfer station, recycling, landfill monitoring
Recreation	\$75,695	\$43,251	\$356	Recreation programs & golf course, reserve
Facilities	\$206,741	\$173,882	(\$32,859)	Personnel, buildings, equip, museum, Cap Res
Library	\$106,729	\$109,041	\$2,312	Personnel, building maint, materials, utilities
Special Programs	\$19,800	\$20,000	\$200	See Note ****
Cemetery	\$72,125	\$69,442	(\$2,683)	Personnel, equipment, materials
Golf Course	\$32,800	\$23,700	(\$9,100)	Course operations & equipment
Debt Service	\$62,525	\$96,379	\$33,854	Bond interest
Total Municipal	\$2,833,086	\$3,306,253	\$473,167	Total cost of municipal operations
County Tax	\$166,742	\$173,652	\$6,910	County tax & Penobscot Emergency Dispatch
Education	\$1,311,758	\$1,307,903	(\$3,855)	Amount based on SAD #46 budget
Total:	\$4,311,586	\$4,787,808	\$476,222	
Less Total Revenue:	\$1,386,785	\$1,795,110	\$408,325	
Net:	\$2,924,801	\$2,992,698	\$67,897	Amount to be raised in property taxes

* Includes Administration, Information Mgt, Clerk Assessor, CEO, Benefits, Economic Dev, Council, Planning Bd, Appeals Bd

** Includes Bridges & Paving

*** Police, Animal Control, Homeland Security Grant

**** Snowmobile Club, Main St. Floors, Winterfest, Memorial Day, Holidays, Fireworks, Wild West Weekend

FY 2006 REVENUE BUDGET

Revenues	2005-06	2006-07	Change	Remarks
Charges for Services	\$26,200	\$27,300	\$1,100	Recreation fees included
Fines & Forfeits	\$1,550	\$1,750	\$200	CEO & Traffic fines
Intergovernmental	\$585,450	\$629,850	\$44,400	Includes Revenue Sharing & State Reimbursements
Leases & Rentals	\$33,700	\$14,200	(\$19,500)	Hewitt/Morrison/Ambulance Bldg; Lakeshore Lunch & cable
	\$7,165	\$5,115	(\$2,050)	Plumbing permits, building permits etc
Other Revenue	\$122,720	\$131,675	\$8,955	Includes Cable TV, Golf Course & Investment Revenues
Taxes (non-property)	\$491,500	\$526,500	\$35,000	Excise taxes
Transfers	\$118,500	\$458,720	\$340,220	Cap Res withdrawals, Carry Forwards and Undes. Fund*
TOTAL	\$1,386,785	\$1,795,110	\$408,325	Revenues Less Transfers

* Capital Reserve Withdraws to fund projects/purchases (\$233,220) / Transfers & CarryForwards (\$22,500/Gen Fund (\$0))

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Dexter, we offer readers of the Town's financial statement this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Dexter for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. This is the Town's third year of implementation of Statement No. 34 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Government-wide Highlights

Net Assets – The assets of the Town of Dexter exceed its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$6,319,027. Of this amount, \$961,367 was reported as “unrestricted net assets”. Unrestricted net assets represent the amount available to be used to meet the Town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Changes In Net Assets – The Towns total net assets increased by \$6,511. This is a product of exact budgeting and good fiscal management of each town department.

Long – Term Debt

The Town's total long-term debt obligations did not increase during this fiscal year.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statement. The Town's basic financial statement includes three components: 1) government wide financial statement, 2) fund financial statement, and 3) note to the financial statement. The report also contains additional required supplementary information (budgetary comparison).

Government – wide Financial Statement

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Town and its component units.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1)

charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included amount program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported separately in the fund financial statements.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance – related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town are either governmental funds or fiduciary funds. Reconciliation of the fund financial statements to the government – wide financial statement is provided to explain the differences created by this integrated approach.

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are considered to available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose the Town considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty (60) days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The Town maintains five (5) individual governmental funds – the general fund, capital projects fund, library endowments, cemetery maintenance fund, and cemetery perpetual care fund. Information is presented separately for the general fund and the capital projects fund. The remaining funds are shown in one column due to the relatively small balances in these funds. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is available upon request at the Town Office.

Fiduciary Funds – Financial statements for fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the Town government. These funds are not reflected in the government – wide financial statement because the resources of these funds are not available to support the Town’s own programs. The Town of Dexter has no fiduciary funds in this fiscal year.

Notes to the Supplementary Information

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government – wide and the fund financial statement. The notes to the financial statements can be found immediately following the fund financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information

This section includes a schedule comparing budgeted revenue and expenditures with actual amounts.

GOVERNMENT – WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net assets

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government’s financial position. In the case of the Town, assets exceeded liabilities by \$6,319,027, at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

	Governmental Activities	
Current assets		\$ 2,018,856
Capital Assets		\$ 4,959,850
Total assets		\$ 6,946,518
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		\$ 259,679
Debt related to capital assets		\$ 400,000
Total liabilities		\$ 659,679
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		\$ 4,559,850
Restricted		\$ 797,810
Unrestricted		\$ 961,367
Total net assets		\$ 6,319,027

The largest portion of the Town's net assets reflect its investment in capital assets (land, buildings, roads and equipment), less any related outstanding debt used to acquire these assets. These assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

	<i>Actual (Expenses)</i>
Education	\$ 1,311,758
County Tax	\$ 166,742
Public works (includes Streets & Airport)	\$ 620,652
General government	\$ 609,080
Protection	\$ 731,305
Health and sanitation	\$ 249,408
Recreation (incl. Golf, Museum Parks & Bldgs)	\$ 289,663
Cemetery	\$ 71,662
Debt service	\$ 62,525
Total	\$ 4,112,795
	<i>Actual (Revenues)</i>
Property Tax/Personal Property	\$ 2,982,507
Tax and Excise Taxes	\$ 517,491
Reserve Accounts	\$ 72,874
Governmental Agencies	\$ 415,901
Services, Leases & Rentals	\$ 23,529
Total	\$ 4,012,302

Changes in Net Assets

Approximately 87.1% of the Town's total revenue came from property taxes, personal property taxes and excise taxes, approximately 1.9% came from reserve accounts, approximately 10.4% came from governmental agencies; and approximately .6% came from other revenues (services, leases and rentals).

Depreciation expense on the Town's capital assets was \$324,682.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWN'S INDIVIDUAL FUNDS

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance – related legal requirements.

Governmental funds The focus of the Town’s governmental funds is to provide information on near – term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town’s financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a governments net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Town’s governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,628,236. Approximately 55% of this total amount constitutes an unreserved fund balance, which is available for spending at the government’s discretion. The remainder of the fund balance is reserved to indicate that it is not available for new spending because it has already been committed.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The fund balance of the Town’s general fund increased \$213,863 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. This is the amount by which revenues exceeded expenditures. Detail by category can be seen on **Statement 6, Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance.**

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

There were no investments in capital assets for governmental activities as of June 30, 2006.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town’s finances for all those with an interest in the government’s finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or to obtain a full copy of the Town of Dexter Annual Financial Report for year ended June 30, 2006, please forward requests to:

Town of Dexter
Town Manager
23 Main Street
Dexter, ME 04930-1374 or manager@dextermaine.org

COST OF MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS FY 2006

EXPENSES:

<i>General Government</i>	\$609,131
<i>Public Works</i>	\$540,220
<i>Airport</i>	\$ 80,432
<i>Police Department</i>	\$369,773
<i>Animal Control</i>	\$ 9,401
<i>Fire Department</i>	\$ 115,747
<i>Ambulance Service</i>	\$ 54,400
<i>Utilities</i>	\$169,934
<i>Lakes & Dam</i>	\$ 12,050
<i>Solid Waste Mgmt</i>	\$171,875
<i>Health & Welfare</i>	\$ 65,033
<i>Provider Agencies</i>	\$ 12,500
<i>Facilities Mgmt</i>	\$190,444
<i>Recreation</i>	\$ 42,939
<i>Golf Course</i>	\$ 33,929
<i>Museum/Grist Mill</i>	\$ 4,745
<i>Cemeteries</i>	\$ 71,662
<i>Special Programs</i>	\$ 17,606
<i>Debt Service</i>	\$ 62,525
<i>Forward Bal Exp.</i>	<u>\$ 229</u>

TOTAL MUNICIPAL EXPENSES **\$2,634,575**

Library **\$ 106,002**

TOTAL COUNTY EXPENSES **\$166,742**

TOTAL EDUCATION EXPENSES **\$1,311,758**

REVENUES:

<i>Property Taxes</i>	\$2,982,507	73%
<i>Taxes (non-property)</i>	\$ 517,491	13%
<i>Reserve Accounts</i>	\$ 72,874	2%
<i>Governmental Agencies</i>	\$ 415,901	11%
<i>Services, Leases & Rentals</i>	\$ 23,529	1%



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

December 11, 2006

Members of the Town Council
Town of Dexter
Dexter, Maine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Town of Dexter, Maine, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards required 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 financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Dexter, Maine, as of June 30, 2006, and the results of its operations and trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The attached Management's Discussion and Analysis 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.

Horton, McFarland & Veysey, LLC

TOWN OF DEXTER, MAINE
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

STATEMENT 6
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	2005 Carryforward Balances	Budget	Actual	Favorable/ (Unfav.) Lapsed	2006 Carryforward Balances
Revenue:					
Property Taxes		2,847,473	2,847,303	(170)	
Homestead Relief		135,162	135,204	42	
Excise Taxes		450,000	496,916	46,916	
Boat Excise		4,000	4,953	953	
Aircraft Excise			7,991	7,991	
Intergovernmental Revenue:					
Airport		54,400	44,907	(9,493)	
Snowmobiles		1,700	1,816	116	
Other Towns		10,350	7,911	(2,439)	
Highway Grant		64,000	71,020	7,020	
Tree Growth		18,000	23,327	5,327	
Veterans Tax Relief		4,000	4,488	488	
General Assistance		17,000	20,235	3,235	
Other		6,000	5,708	(292)	
Charges for Services:					
Town Clerk		7,200	8,124	924	
Recreation Fees		6,000	7,143	1,143	
Ambulance Fees		0	37	37	
Licenses & Permits:					
Local		6,565	7,306	741	
Dogs		600	489	(111)	
Vehicle Registration		13,000	14,252	1,252	
Fines and Forfeits		1,550	4,188	2,638	
Leases & Rentals:					
Morrison Memorial Building		3,600	7,267	3,667	
Ambulance Building		6,000	6,000	0	
Medical Building		21,600	7,200	(14,400)	
Land		1,200	1,774	574	
Cable Services		1,200	1,200	0	
Other		100	88	(12)	
General Revenue:					
Investment Income		15,000	51,994	36,994	
Police		1,750	2,344	594	
Cable Franchise Fees		21,000	21,503	503	
Employee Insurance		23,900	18,813	(5,087)	
Interest on Taxes		28,000	20,880	(7,120)	
Tax Lien Charges		8,500	7,631	(869)	
Cemetery		39,000	39,000	0	
Golf		14,100	12,644	(1,456)	
Transfers		118,500	91,526	(26,974)	
Other		8,970	9,120	150	
Total Revenues		3,959,420	4,012,302	52,882	

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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TOWN OF DEXTER, MAINE
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

STATEMENT 6
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	2005 Carry forward Balances	Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable) Lapsed	2006 Carryforward Balances
Expenditures:					
General Government:					
General Administration		153,366	145,068	8,298	
Assessing		55,234	54,272	962	
Employees Benefits		276,000	232,873	43,127	
Information Management		27,360	28,369	(1,009)	
Economic Development		8,500	4,011	4,489	
Town Council		21,163	24,769	(3,606)	
Planning Board		2,427	2,986	(559)	
Town Clerk		82,255	80,116	2,139	
Code Enforcement		36,538	35,708	830	
Appeals Board		1,452	679	2,131	
Public Works:					
Airport	2,406	80,950	80,432	624	2,300
Public Works	20,680	441,191	423,586	11,772	26,493
Street Reconstruction		118,000	116,634	1,366	
Protection:					
Fire Department		123,950	115,747	8,203	
Police Department	600	351,275	369,773	(18,498)	600
Rescue & Ambulance		54,400	54,400	0	
Utilities		170,500	169,934	566	
Animal Control		10,496	9,401	1,095	
Lakes and Dam		10,500	12,050	(1,550)	
Human Services:					
General Assistance		77,814	65,033	12,781	
Landfill Monitoring		12,400	9,527	2,873	
Solid Waste Management		167,000	162,348	4,652	
Support to Provider Agencies		12,500	12,500	0	
Leisure Time Services:					
Facilities & Park Maintenance		120,911	121,630	(719)	
Recreation		42,895	42,839	(44)	
Special Programs & Events		19,800	17,606	2,194	
Golf Course		32,800	33,929	(1,129)	
Museum/Grist Mill		4,980	4,745	235	
Buildings:					
Morrison Memorial		38,350	38,273	77	
Town Hall		15,750	12,792	2,958	
Hewlett Medical Building		26,750	17,749	9,001	
	23,666	2,597,507	2,499,879	91,901	29,393

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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TOWN OF DEXTER, MAINE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

STATEMENT 6
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	2005 Carryforward Balances	Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable) Lapsed	2006 Carry forward Balances
Expenditures: (continued)	23,666	2,597,507	2,499,879	91,901	29,393
Debt Service		62,525	62,525		
County Tax		166,742	166,742		
Education		1,311,758	1,311,758		
Cemetery		72,125	71,662	463	
Forward Balance Expenditures	396		229		167
Total Expenditures	24,062	4,210,657	4,112,795	92,364	29,560
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	24,062	(251,237)	(100,493)	145,246	29,560
Other Financial Sources (Uses)					
Operating Transfers In		410,000	410,000		
Operating Transfers (Out)		(106,729)	(95,644)	5,585	5,500
	0	303,271	314,356	5,585	5,500
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures	24,062	52,034	213,863	150,831	35,060
Fund Balance July 1, 2005			1,263,033		
Deferred Tax Revenue Increase			(43,000)		
Provision for Uncollectibles			(554)		
Capital Reserves			194,894		
Fund Balance June 30, 2006			<u>1,628,236</u>		

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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**TOWN OF DEXTER, MAINE
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
CEMETERY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2006**

STATEMENT 7

Assets:

Cash and Equivalents	29,631
Investments at Fair Value:	
Mutual Funds	398,494
Due from General Fund	<u>8,771</u>
Total Assets	<u>436,896</u>

Liabilities

None

Net Assets:

Held in Trust for Endowments	300,932
Unexpended Income	<u>135,964</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>436,896</u>

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**TOWN OF DEXTER, MAINE
BALANCE SHEET - OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2006**

STATEMENT 9

	State Revenue Sharing	Small Cities Grant	Other Grants	Total
Assets				
Cash		4,923		4,923
Due from General Fund	61,568		12,066	73,634
Total Assets	61,568	4,923	12,066	78,557
Liabilities and Fund Balance				
Fund Balances: Designated	61,568	4,923	12,066	78,557
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	61,568	4,923	12,066	78,557

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**TOWN OF DEXTER, MAINE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

STATEMENT 10

	State Revenue Sharing	Small Cities Grant	Other Grants	Total
Revenues:				
Program	422,799	738	9,623	433,160
Expenditures				
Program		280		280
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	422,799	458	9,623	432,880
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers	(410,000)			(410,000)
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures and Other Uses	12,799	458	9,623	22,880
Fund Balance, July 1, 2005	48,769	4,465	2,443	55,677
Fund Balance, June 30, 2006	61,568	4,923	12,066	78,557

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