



**Veazie Town Council**

**Regular Meeting**

**February 12th, 2018  
6:30pm**

**AGENDA**

- ITEM 1:** Call to Order
- ITEM 2:** Secretary to do the Roll Call
- ITEM 3:** Pledge of Allegiance
- ITEM 4:** Consideration of the Agenda
- ITEM 5:** Approval of the January 22nd, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- ITEM 6:** Comments from the Public

**New Business:**

- ITEM 7:** FY 18/19 Budget Discussion
- ITEM 8:** Solid Waste & Recycling Services Contract
- ITEM 9:** Assessor Update
- ITEM 10:** Executive Session – 1 MRSA Section 405(6) (A) Personnel Matter

**Old Business:**

- ITEM 11:** Manager's Report
- ITEM 12:** Comments from the Public
- ITEM 13:** Requests for information and Town Council Comments
- ITEM 14:** Review & Sign of AP Town Warrant #14 and Town Payroll #16, School Payroll Warrant # 15 & #16, AP School Warrant #15 & #16
- ITEM 15:** Adjournment

Chris Bagley  
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cbagley@veazie.net

Paul Messer  
1010 School St  
249-1361

Michael Reid  
14 Prouty Dr.  
573-1300

Aaron Turcotte  
14 Silver Ridge  
578-0750

Jeff Manter  
3 Prouty Dr.  
991-7612



# **Agenda Items For February 12, 2018 Council Meeting**

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The following are brief explanations of some of the items on the agenda:

**ITEM 5:** Minutes from the previous meeting will be reviewed.

**Suggested Motion- I motion we approve the minutes as presented.**

**ITEM 7:** Members of the Council will discuss and provide guidance to the Budget Committee and Department heads reference the FY 2018-2019 budget.

**ITEM 8:** Council will review an updated contract between Pine Tree Waste, INC and the Town of Veazie. The changes to this contract from the previous contract are the following: 1) extended the term to line up with Town fiscal year (63 months) 2) added renewal language 3) honored the 2017 rate for all of 2018 4) applied 4% CPI in future years 5) established fuel surcharge at \$3.25 per gallon (15% higher than current rates) 6) changed PERC language, included successor (due to possible name change) 7) added 2 roll offs to spring cleanup and 8) changed holiday delay to line up with surrounding communities (push a day if holiday falls before or on collection day)

**Suggested Motion: I motion to authorize Manager Leonard to sign the contract between the Town of Veazie and Pine Tree West, INC as presented.**

**ITEM 9:** Assessor Birch will provide the Council with an update from the Assessing Office

**ITEM 10:** Council will enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter

**Suggested Motion (Enter): I motion we enter into executive session per 1 MRSA Section 405(6) (A) to discuss a personnel matter**

**Suggested Motion (Exit): I motion we come out of executive session**



Veazie Town Council Meeting  
January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

**Members Present:** Chairman Chris Bagley, Councilor Paul Messer, Councilor Michael Reid, Councilor Aaron Turcotte, Councilor Jeff Manter, Town Manager Mark Leonard, Council Secretary Julie Strout, Attorney Roger Huber, Planning Board members, Donald MacKay, Andy Brown, Karen Walker, Ravi Chillumula, and various members of the public.

**ITEM 1: Call to order**

Chairman Bagley called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**ITEM 2: Secretary to do the roll call:**

All Present.

**ITEM 3: Pledge of Allegiance**

**ITEM 4: Consideration of the Agenda**

None

**ITEM 5: Approval of the December 11th, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.**

Councilor Paul Messer made a motion, seconded by Councilor Michael Reid to approve the December 11th, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as written. Voted 3-0-2. Motion carried. Aaron Turcotte and Jeff Manter abstained.

**ITEM 6: Comments from the public**

None

**New Business:**

**ITEM 7: Citizen Concern Discussion**

Chairman Bagley informed the other councilors that he had received a letter from Brian Lunt. Mr. Lunt was not at the Council Meeting so there was no discussion about the matter. A response letter will be sent to Mr. Lunt from Chairman Bagley.

**ITEM 8: Public Hearing on Proposed Land Use Ordinance Change**

Councilor Paul Messer made a motion, seconded by Councilor Jeff Manter to go into the Public Hearing to discuss changes to the Land Use Ordinance at 6:34pm. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

Councilor Aaron Turcotte made a motion, seconded by Councilor Michael Reid to come out of the Public Hearing at 6:35pm. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 9: Land Use Ordinance Approval**

Councilor Jeff Manter made a motion, seconded by Councilor Michael Reid to approve the Land Use Ordinance as presented by the Veazie Planning Board. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.



**ITEM 10: Animal Control Officer Agreement**

Councilor Paul Messer made a motion, seconded by Councilor Aaron Turcotte to approve the Animal Control Agreement between the Town of Veazie and Penobscot County as presented. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 11: Financials Review**

Manager Leonard provided the Council with the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter financials for their review.

**Old Business:**

**ITEM 12: Manager's Report**

Manager Leonard reviewed his report with the Councilor's.

**ITEM 13: Comments from the Public**

Citizen Karen Walker wanted to thank Barney Silver for keeping the roads clear this winter.

**ITEM 14: Requests for information and Town Council Comments**

None

**ITEM 15: Review & sign of AP Town Warrant #12, #13, Town Payroll #13, #14 & #15 School Payroll Warrant #12, #13, & #14 and AP School Warrant #12, #13 & #14**

The warrants were circulated and signed.

**ITEM 16: Adjournment**

Councilor Michael Reid motioned to adjourn.

Councilor Aaron Turcotte seconded. No discussion. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 6:44pm

True Copy Attest

Julie Strout  
Deputy Clerk





ITEM # 9

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

TO: Mark Leonard, Veazie Town Manager  
CC: Veazie Town Councilors  
FROM: Benjamin F. Birch, Jr., Assessor  
Date: January 16, 2018

**RE: Assessor's Update as of January 16, 2018**

As Assessor, I thank for the opportunity to provide this assessment update. As you know, I provide information from the Maine Real Estate Information System, Inc., d/b/a Maine Listings and the Office of the Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight (OFHEO) now the Federal Housing Finance Agency, recent news releases.

**A. News releases from Maine Real Estate Information System, Inc., (d/b/a) Maine Listings)**

AUGUSTA (Nov. 21, 2017 – Homebuyers across Maine have been active this fall season. Maine Listings announced today that sales of single-family existing homes increased by 8.05% in October 2017, statewide, compared to October 2016. Prices also jumped 6.49 percent to a median sales price (MSP) of \$205,000 comparing October 2017 to October 2016. Encl. 1

AUGUSTA (Dec. 20, 2017) – Sales of single –family existing homes increased by double digits last month. According to Maine Listings, Realtors across the state sold 1,576 homes during November, which represents an increase of 11.46 percent from a year ago. The median sales price (MSP) for those homes rose 4.24 percent to \$200,000.

“Through November, the number of home sales statewide in 2017 has exceeded the best-ever 2016 by 0.6 percent. We’re hoping that strong

sales activity in December will push 2017 to claim the number one all-time ranking,” added Greg Gosselin, Broker/Owner of Gosselin Realty Group in York and 2017 President of the Maine Association of REALTORS. Encl. 2

#### **B. News releases from Federal Housing Finance Agency**

Washington, DC December 21, 2017 – U.S. house prices rose in October, up 0.5 percent from the previous month, according to the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) seasonally adjusted monthly House Price Index (HPI). The FHFA monthly HPI is calculated using home sales price information from mortgages sold to, or guaranteed by, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. From October 2016 to October 2017, house prices were up 6.6 percent. Encl. 3

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CONTACTS: LISTED BELOW

## **MAINE HOME SALES UP 8% PERCENT IN OCTOBER**

AUGUSTA (Nov. 21, 2017)—Homebuyers across Maine have been active this fall season. Maine Listings announced today that sales of single-family existing homes increased by 8.05 percent in October 2017, statewide, compared to October 2016. Prices also jumped 6.49 percent to a median sales price (MSP) of \$205,000 comparing October 2017 to October 2016. The MSP indicates that half of the homes were sold for more and half sold for less.

"We've been hearing for many months that a shortage of for-sale inventory had hindered the potential for 2017 real estate markets. While the for-sale inventory levels continue to be historically low, they are increasing, and buyers are now finding options and purchasing the right home for their needs," says Greg Gosselin, Broker/Owner of Gosselin Realty Group in York and 2017 President of the Maine Association of REALTORS®.

"The past four months, including these very strong October numbers have brought us on par with the record-setting 2016. To date in 2017, the number of home sales statewide is just 0.4 percent below last year. Buyers hoping to be settled before winter should provide a strong ending to the year," added Gosselin.

According to the National Association of Realtors, sales of single-family existing homes eased 1.0 percent nationally comparing October 2017 to October 2016. The national MSP reached \$248,300 in October, a 5.4 percent increase. Regionally, sales in the Northeast rose 4.2 percent and the regional MSP jumped 6.6 percent to \$272,800 last month.

Below are two charts showing statistics for Maine and its 16 counties. The first chart lists statistics for the month of October only, statewide. The second chart compares the number of existing, single-family homes sold (units) and volume (MSP) during the rolling quarter of August, September and October of 2016 and 2017.

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## OCTOBER ONLY CHART

October 1-31, 2016 – October 1-31, 2017

|           | NUMBER OF UNITS |      |         | MEDIAN SALES PRICE |           |         |
|-----------|-----------------|------|---------|--------------------|-----------|---------|
|           | 2016            | 2017 | %Change | 2016               | 2017      | %Change |
| STATEWIDE | 1639            | 1771 | 8.05%   | \$192,500          | \$205,000 | 6.49%   |

## ROLLING QUARTER CHART

From August 1, 2016 – October 31, 2016 and

August 1, 2017 – October 31, 2017

| County       | NUMBER OF UNITS |      |         | MEDIAN SALES PRICE |           |         |
|--------------|-----------------|------|---------|--------------------|-----------|---------|
|              | 2016            | 2017 | %Change | 2016               | 2017      | %Change |
| STATEWIDE    | 5211            | 5500 | 5.55%   | \$192,600          | \$206,000 | 6.96%   |
| Androscoggin | 320             | 341  | 6.56%   | \$154,750          | \$154,000 | -0.48%  |
| Aroostook    | 186             | 182  | -2.15%  | \$85,000           | \$83,000  | -2.35%  |
| Cumberland   | 1168            | 1265 | 8.3%    | \$272,000          | \$285,000 | 4.78%   |
| Franklin     | 129             | 151  | 17.05%  | \$135,000          | \$130,000 | -3.70%  |
| Hancock      | 262             | 269  | 2.67%   | \$203,000          | \$230,000 | 13.30%  |
| Kennebec     | 451             | 464  | 2.88%   | \$148,000          | \$159,450 | 7.74%   |
| Knox         | 173             | 177  | 2.31%   | \$197,500          | \$211,000 | 6.84%   |
| Lincoln      | 182             | 174  | -4.40%  | \$238,250          | \$209,250 | -12.17% |
| Oxford       | 231             | 245  | 6.06%   | \$153,000          | \$150,000 | -1.96%  |
| Penobscot    | 511             | 533  | 4.31%   | \$137,000          | \$140,000 | 2.19%   |
| Piscataquis  | 100             | 105  | 5.00%   | \$89,450           | \$106,000 | 18.50%  |
| Sagadahoc    | 158             | 150  | -5.06%  | \$221,250          | \$222,500 | 0.56%   |
| Somerset     | 175             | 185  | 5.71%   | \$119,000          | \$116,000 | -2.52%  |
| Waldo        | 142             | 181  | 27.46%  | \$153,450          | \$170,000 | 10.79%  |
| Washington   | 102             | 123  | 20.59%  | \$89,500           | \$115,000 | 28.49%  |
| York         | 921             | 955  | 3.69%   | \$250,000          | \$269,900 | 7.96%   |

Source: Maine Real Estate Information System, Inc. (d/b/a Maine Listings). Note: Maine Listings, a subsidiary of the Maine Association of REALTORS, is a statewide Multiple Listing Service with over 4,500 licensees inputting active and sold property listing data. Statistics reflect properties reported as sold in the system within the time periods indicated. Contacts: Maine Association of REALTORS President Greg Gosselin (Gosselin Realty Group) – 363-2414 – [greg.gosselin@maine-realestate.com](mailto:greg.gosselin@maine-realestate.com) – Maine Association of REALTORS President-Elect Kim Gleason (McAllister Real Estate) – 621-2345 – [kimgleason@maine-realestate.com](mailto:kimgleason@maine-realestate.com) For more names: [www.maine-realestate.com](http://www.maine-realestate.com)

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## **MAINE HOME SALES UP 11.46 PERCENT IN NOVEMBER**

AUGUSTA (Dec. 20, 2017)— Sales of single-family existing homes increased by double digits last month. According to Maine Listings, Realtors across the state sold 1,576 homes during November, which represents an increase of 11.46 percent from a year ago. The median sales price (MSP) for those homes rose 4.24 percent to \$200,000. The MSP indicates that half of the homes were sold for more and half sold for less.

“The slightly slower pace of winter is a great time to sell and buy real estate,” says Greg Gosselin, Broker/Owner of Gosselin Realty Group in York and 2017 President of the Maine Association of REALTORS®.

“Buyers tend to be serious and pre-qualified for mortgage financing. Since fewer homes are coming onto the market during the holidays, sellers who list their homes for sale get added attention for their properties. Homes that are properly prepared, positioned, and priced will sell whether it snows or not.

“Through November, the number of home sales statewide in 2017 has exceeded the best-ever 2016 by 0.6 percent. We’re hoping that strong sales activity in December will push 2017 to claim the number one all-time ranking,” added Gosselin.

The National Association of Realtors reported a 3.2 percent national increase in sales of single-family existing homes across the country. The national MSP rose 5.4 percent to \$248,800. Regionally, sales in the Northeast were up 6.7 percent and the regional MSP rose 4.0 percent to \$273,600.

Below are two charts showing statistics for Maine and its 16 counties. The first chart lists statistics for the month of November only, statewide. The second chart compares the number of existing, single-family homes sold (units) and volume (MSP) during the rolling quarter of September, October and November of 2016 and 2017.

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## NOVEMBER ONLY CHART

November 1-30, 2016 – November 1-30, 2017

|           | NUMBER OF UNITS |      |         | MEDIAN SALES PRICE |           |         |
|-----------|-----------------|------|---------|--------------------|-----------|---------|
|           | 2016            | 2017 | %Change | 2016               | 2017      | %Change |
| STATEWIDE | 1414            | 1576 | 11.46%  | \$191,863          | \$200,000 | 4.24%   |

## ROLLING QUARTER CHART

From September 1, 2016 – November 30, 2016 and  
September 1, 2017 – November 30, 2017

| County       | NUMBER OF UNITS |      |         | MEDIAN SALES PRICE |           |         |
|--------------|-----------------|------|---------|--------------------|-----------|---------|
|              | 2016            | 2017 | %Change | 2016               | 2017      | %Change |
| STATEWIDE    | 4785            | 5119 | 6.98%   | \$190,000          | \$205,000 | 7.89%   |
| Androscoggin | 302             | 315  | 4.30%   | \$150,000          | \$153,000 | 2.00%   |
| Aroostook    | 175             | 170  | -2.86%  | \$83,000           | \$86,750  | 4.52%   |
| Cumberland   | 1078            | 1164 | 7.98%   | \$265,000          | \$279,450 | 5.45%   |
| Franklin     | 113             | 151  | 33.63%  | \$135,000          | \$130,000 | -3.70%  |
| Hancock      | 237             | 245  | 3.38%   | \$218,500          | \$234,900 | 7.51%   |
| Kennebec     | 409             | 403  | -1.47%  | \$149,000          | \$152,000 | 2.01%   |
| Knox         | 170             | 184  | 8.24%   | \$222,250          | \$202,500 | -8.89%  |
| Lincoln      | 182             | 173  | -4.95%  | \$208,400          | \$224,900 | 7.92%   |
| Oxford       | 232             | 234  | 0.86%   | \$146,000          | \$150,000 | 2.74%   |
| Penobscot    | 434             | 468  | 7.83%   | \$136,650          | \$140,000 | 2.45%   |
| Piscataquis  | 96              | 102  | 6.25%   | \$99,000           | \$123,724 | 24.97%  |
| Sagadahoc    | 122             | 134  | 9.84%   | \$215,000          | \$209,750 | -2.44%  |
| Somerset     | 157             | 174  | 10.83%  | \$119,000          | \$120,000 | 0.84%   |
| Waldo        | 144             | 171  | 18.75%  | \$163,250          | \$172,500 | 5.67%   |
| Washington   | 96              | 117  | 21.88%  | \$111,000          | \$115,000 | 3.60%   |
| York         | 838             | 914  | 9.07%   | \$250,000          | \$269,900 | 7.96%   |

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# FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY



## NEWS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release  
December 21, 2017

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### FHFA House Price Index Up 0.5 Percent in October

**Washington, DC** – U.S. house prices rose in October, up **0.5 percent** from the previous month, according to the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) seasonally adjusted monthly House Price Index (HPI). The previously reported 0.3 percent increase in September was revised upward to 0.5 percent.

The FHFA monthly HPI is calculated using home sales price information from mortgages sold to, or guaranteed by, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. From October 2016 to October 2017, house prices were up **6.6 percent**.

For the nine census divisions, seasonally adjusted monthly price changes from September 2017 to October 2017 ranged from **-0.4 percent** in the West North Central division to **+2.8 percent** in the East South Central division. The 12-month changes were all positive, ranging from **+4.8 percent** in the West North Central division to **+8.7 percent** in the Pacific division.

Monthly index values and appreciation rate estimates for recent periods are provided in the table and graphs on the following pages. Complete historical downloadable data and HPI release dates for 2018 are available on the [HPI page](#).

For detailed information on the HPI, see [HPI Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#). The next HPI report will be released January 24, 2018 and will include monthly data through November 2017.

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*The Federal Housing Finance Agency regulates Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and the 11 Federal Home Loan Banks. These government-sponsored enterprises provide more than \$6.0 trillion in funding for the U.S. mortgage markets and financial institutions.*

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## States in Each Census Division

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Pacific:</b>            | Hawaii, Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California  |
| <b>Mountain:</b>           | Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico  |
| <b>West North Central:</b> | North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri   |
| <b>West South Central:</b> | Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana  |
| <b>East North Central</b>  | Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio  |
| <b>East South Central:</b> | Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama   |
| <b>New England:</b>        | Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut   |
| <b>Middle Atlantic:</b>    | New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania  |
| <b>South Atlantic:</b>     | Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida |



**Table 1: Monthly Price Change Estimates for U.S. and Census Divisions**  
(Purchase-Only Index, Seasonally Adjusted)

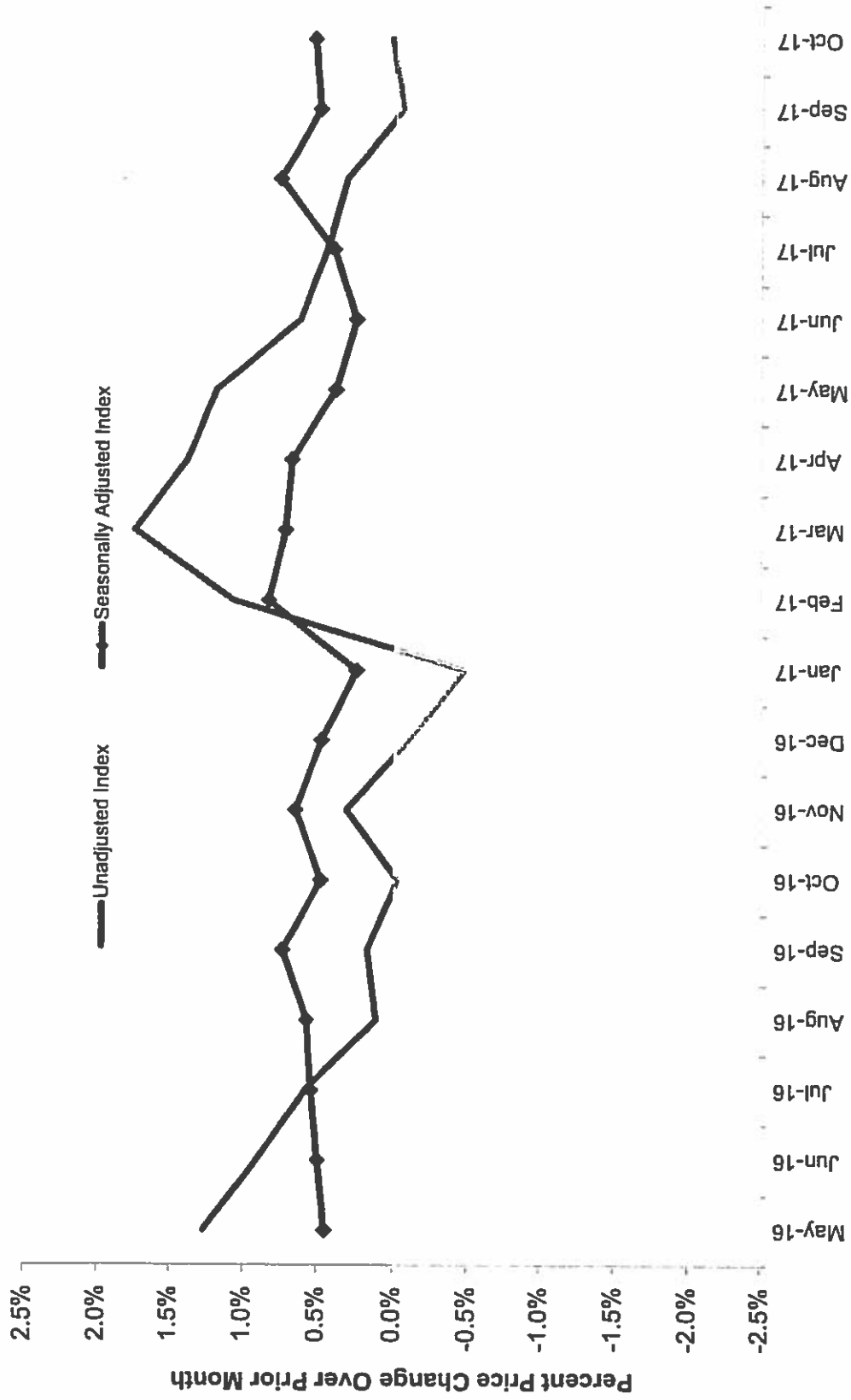
|  | U.S.        | Pacific     | Mountain    | West North Central | West South Central | East North Central | East South Central | New England | Middle Atlantic | South Atlantic |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <b>Sep 17 - Oct 17</b>                 | <b>0.5%</b> | <b>0.0%</b> | <b>0.8%</b> | <b>-0.4%</b>       | <b>0.1%</b>        | <b>0.6%</b>        | <b>2.8%</b>        | <b>0.7%</b> | <b>1.2%</b>     | <b>0.1%</b>    |
| Aug 17 - Sep 17<br>(Previous Estimate) | 0.5%        | 0.8%        | 1.1%        | 0.7%               | 0.1%               | 0.7%               | -0.6%              | 0.5%        | 0.3%            | 0.4%           |
| Jul 17 - Aug 17<br>(Previous Estimate) | 0.3%        | 0.7%        | 0.8%        | 0.9%               | 0.0%               | 0.6%               | -0.4%              | 0.6%        | 0.0%            | 0.1%           |
| Jun 17 - Jul 17<br>(Previous Estimate) | 0.8%        | 1.5%        | 0.2%        | 0.5%               | 1.2%               | 0.4%               | 0.4%               | 0.3%        | 0.8%            | 0.8%           |
| May 17 - Jun 17<br>(Previous Estimate) | 0.4%        | 0.3%        | 0.8%        | 0.5%               | 1.1%               | 0.5%               | 0.5%               | 0.2%        | 0.8%            | 0.8%           |
| Apr 17 - May 17<br>(Previous Estimate) | 0.4%        | -0.3%       | 0.7%        | 0.0%               | -0.1%              | 0.8%               | 0.5%               | 0.5%        | 0.7%            | 0.7%           |
| Oct 16 - Oct 17                        | 0.4%        | -0.3%       | 0.7%        | -0.2%              | 0.0%               | 0.8%               | 0.4%               | 0.5%        | 0.6%            | 0.6%           |
| 12-Month Change:                       | 0.2%        | 0.6%        | 0.4%        | 0.3%               | -0.2%              | 0.0%               | 1.3%               | 0.4%        | 0.3%            | 0.0%           |
|  | 0.2%        | 0.5%        | 0.4%        | 0.3%               | -0.2%              | -0.1%              | 1.1%               | 0.3%        | 0.3%            | 0.0%           |
|  | 0.4%        | 1.0%        | 0.2%        | 0.8%               | 1.0%               | 0.3%               | 0.4%               | -0.4%       | -0.5%           | 0.2%           |
|  | 0.4%        | 1.0%        | 0.2%        | 0.8%               | 0.9%               | 0.3%               | 0.8%               | -0.6%       | -0.4%           | 0.2%           |

**Monthly Index Values for Latest 18 Months: U.S. and Census Divisions**  
(Purchase-Only Index, Seasonally Adjusted, January 1991 = 100)

|              | U.S.  | Pacific | Mountain | West North Central | West South Central | East North Central | East South Central | New England | Middle Atlantic | South Atlantic |
|--------------|-------|---------|----------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|
| October-17   | 254.7 | 294.3   | 335.4    | 250.8              | 269.4              | 211.3              | 236.5              | 243.1       | 231.5           | 256.7          |
| September-17 | 253.3 | 294.1   | 332.7    | 251.7              | 269.1              | 210.0              | 230.0              | 241.5       | 228.8           | 256.4          |
| August-17    | 252.1 | 291.7   | 329.1    | 249.9              | 268.8              | 208.5              | 231.5              | 240.1       | 228.0           | 255.4          |
| July-17      | 250.2 | 287.3   | 328.5    | 248.8              | 265.6              | 207.6              | 230.4              | 239.4       | 226.3           | 253.3          |
| June-17      | 249.2 | 288.2   | 325.8    | 248.9              | 265.9              | 205.9              | 229.4              | 238.2       | 224.7           | 251.6          |
| May-17       | 248.6 | 286.5   | 324.6    | 248.3              | 266.3              | 206.0              | 226.4              | 237.3       | 224.0           | 251.6          |
| April-17     | 247.6 | 283.8   | 323.9    | 246.2              | 263.8              | 205.4              | 225.6              | 238.3       | 225.0           | 251.1          |
| March-17     | 245.9 | 282.1   | 320.1    | 245.9              | 260.3              | 205.3              | 226.3              | 236.8       | 223.2           | 248.2          |
| February-17  | 244.2 | 278.2   | 318.3    | 243.5              | 260.0              | 203.3              | 226.2              | 236.5       | 223.1           | 245.6          |
| January-17   | 242.2 | 276.7   | 313.8    | 242.6              | 258.0              | 202.0              | 222.0              | 232.2       | 219.7           | 245.2          |
| December-16  | 241.6 | 274.7   | 313.3    | 241.9              | 255.7              | 201.5              | 223.9              | 231.2       | 220.0           | 245.0          |
| November-16  | 240.5 | 273.4   | 311.9    | 241.0              | 256.4              | 199.8              | 221.1              | 230.9       | 221.3           | 242.6          |
| October-16   | 238.9 | 270.6   | 309.9    | 239.3              | 255.5              | 199.2              | 218.5              | 230.0       | 218.3           | 241.8          |
| September-16 | 237.8 | 269.7   | 306.1    | 238.5              | 254.1              | 198.1              | 219.2              | 227.5       | 218.0           | 240.6          |
| August-16    | 236.0 | 265.9   | 303.9    | 237.0              | 252.1              | 197.3              | 218.4              | 227.3       | 217.0           | 238.3          |
| July-16      | 234.7 | 264.9   | 301.5    | 237.3              | 250.6              | 195.6              | 216.7              | 224.9       | 216.3           | 237.0          |
| June-16      | 233.5 | 262.9   | 300.5    | 234.3              | 249.1              | 194.9              | 214.6              | 224.6       | 215.7           | 236.1          |
| May-16       | 232.3 | 262.5   | 298.9    | 233.7              | 248.0              | 193.5              | 214.7              | 224.0       | 214.9           | 233.9          |

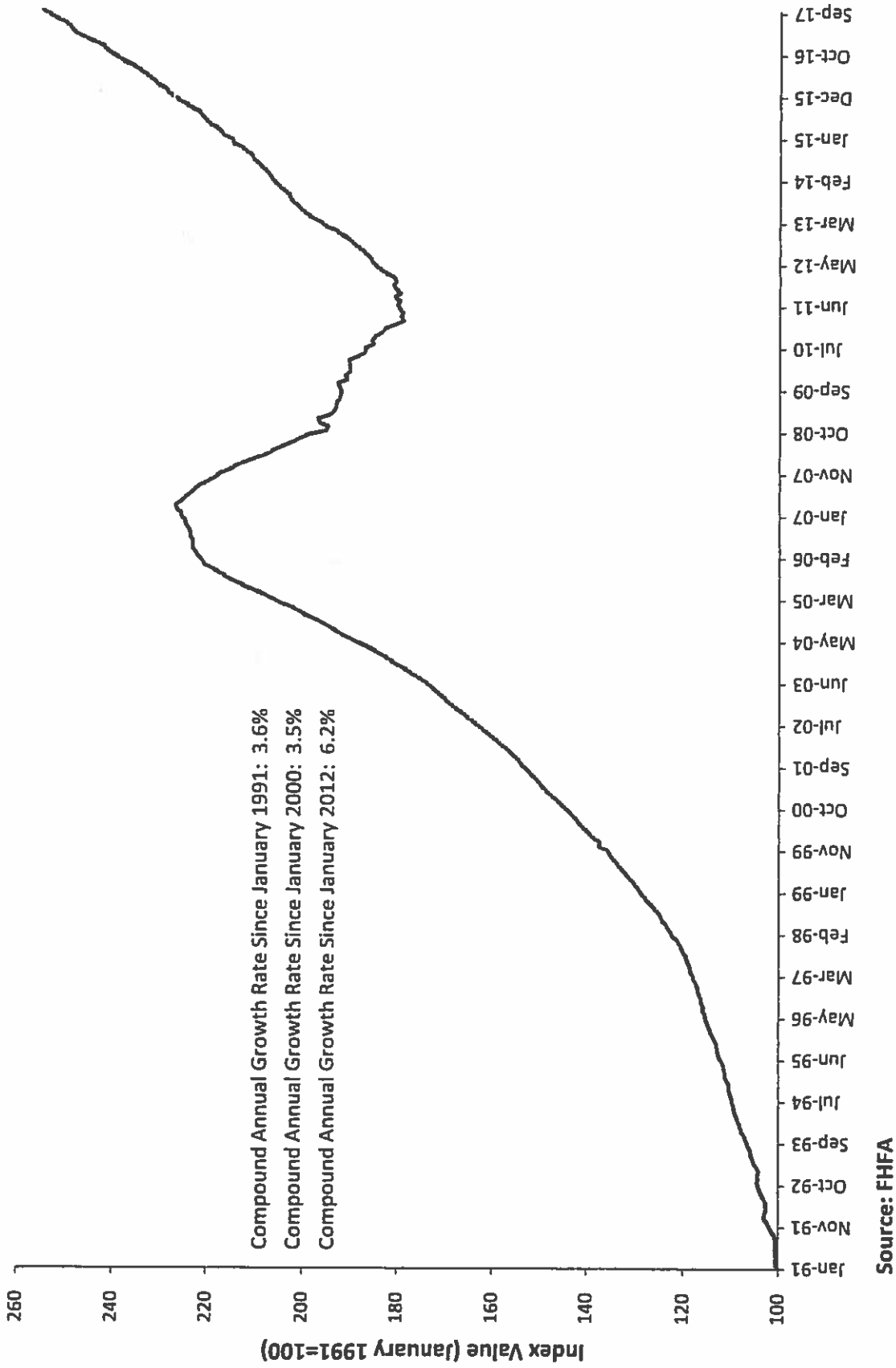
Source: FHFA

# Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Monthly Appreciation Rates Purchase-Only Index for U.S.



Source: FHFA

# **Monthly House Price Index for U.S.** Purchase-Only, Seasonally Adjusted Index, January 1991 - Present

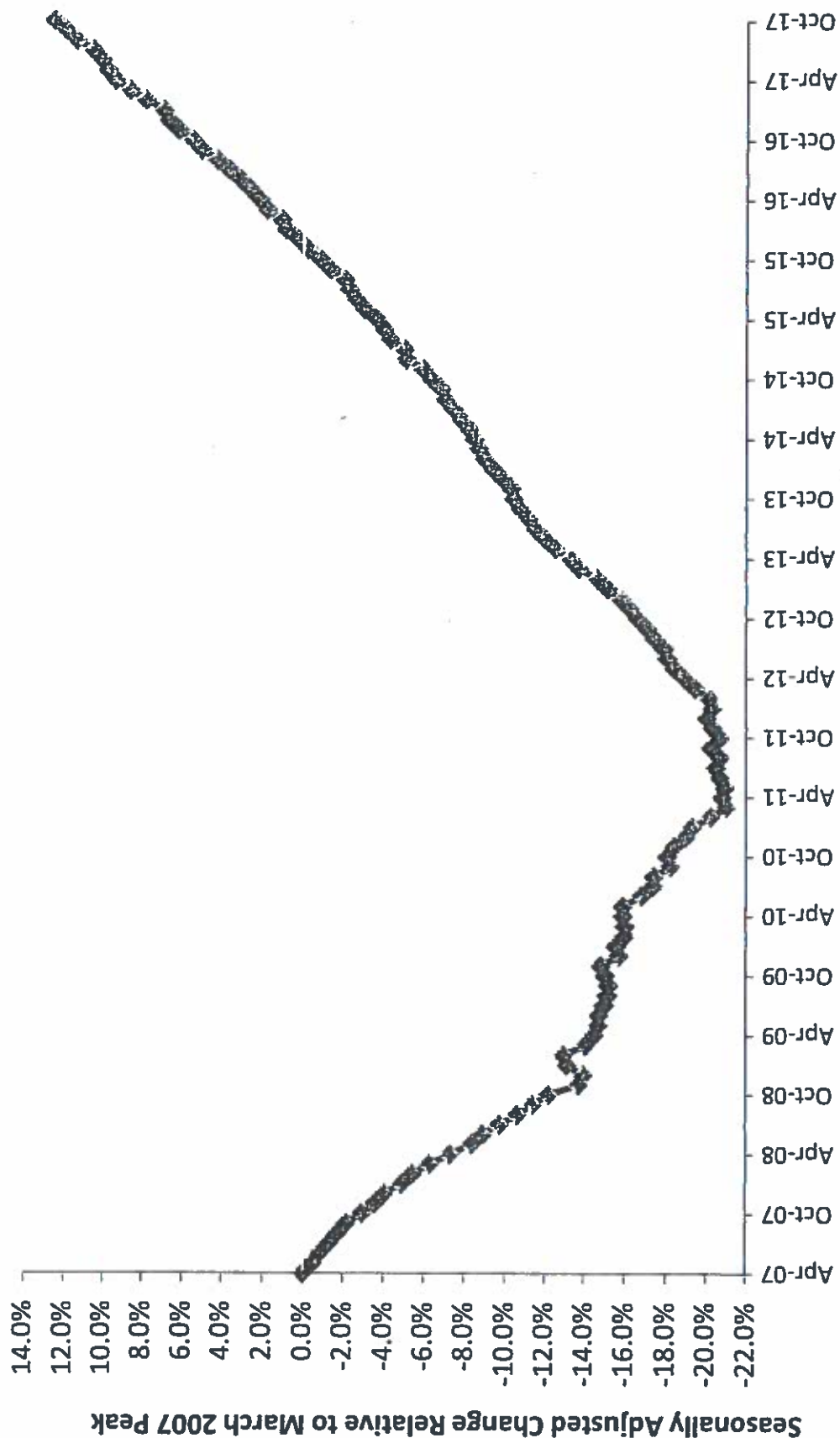


Compound Annual Growth Rate Since January 1991: 3.6%  
 Compound Annual Growth Rate Since January 2000: 3.5%  
 Compound Annual Growth Rate Since January 2012: 6.2%

Source: FHFA

# Cumulative Seasonally Adjusted Price Change Relative to the March 2007 Peak for the U.S.

Purchase-Only, Seasonally Adjusted Index



Source: FHFA

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**CONTACTS: LISTED BELOW**

## **MAINE HOME SALES AND VALUES UP IN 2017**

**AUGUSTA (Jan.24, 2018)**—Despite tight inventory of single-family existing homes for sale at the beginning of 2017, statewide sales volume for the year ended in positive territory, with a 0.72 percent increase. According to Maine Listings, the median sales price (MSP) for homes sold in 2017 reached \$200,000, a 5.6 percent increase in one year. The MSP indicates that half of the homes were sold for more and half sold for less. Statewide sales for the month of December 2017 were up 2.02 percent while the statewide MSP increased 9.19 percent to \$202,000 compared to December 2016.

“2017 was a year of downs and ups,” says Kim Gleason, Broker/Owner of McAllister Real Estate in Hallowell and 2018 President of the Maine Association of REALTORS®. “With tight for-sale inventory for the first six months of 2017, buyers were on the sidelines. As inventory constraints eased, the sales volume was very strong in the third and fourth quarters. The end result is that 2017 had the most single-family residential sales over the twenty years we’ve been tracking the data.

“Home values showed upward movement throughout 2017 with the statewide annual median sales price also reaching an historical high. The market momentum is in place for a terrific start to 2018.”

The National Association of Realtors today announced a national sales increase of 1.0 percent during the month of December, and the MSP of \$248,1000 represents a 5.8 percent rise compared to December 2016. Regionally, sales in the Northeast dipped 2.6 percent and the regional MSP rose 3.0 percent to \$261,400.

Below are two charts showing statistics for Maine and its 16 counties. The first chart lists statistics for the month of December only, statewide. The second chart compares the number of existing, single-family homes sold (units) and volume (MSP) during the calendar years 2016 and 2017.

*(Continued)*



## DECEMBER ONLY CHART

December 1-31, 2016 – December 1-31, 2017

|           | NUMBER OF UNITS |      |         | MEDIAN SALES PRICE |           |         |
|-----------|-----------------|------|---------|--------------------|-----------|---------|
|           | 2016            | 2017 | %Change | 2016               | 2017      | %Change |
| STATEWIDE | 1386            | 1414 | 2.02%   | \$185,000          | \$202,000 | 9.19%   |

## FULL CALENDAR YEAR CHART

From January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 and

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

| County       | NUMBER OF UNITS |       |         | MEDIAN SALES PRICE |           |         |
|--------------|-----------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-----------|---------|
|              | 2016            | 2017  | %Change | 2016               | 2017      | %Change |
| STATEWIDE    | 17507           | 17633 | 0.72%   | \$189,400          | \$200,000 | 5.60%   |
| Androscoggin | 1109            | 1119  | 0.90%   | \$146,700          | \$154,000 | 4.98%   |
| Aroostook    | 563             | 556   | -1.24%  | \$82,500           | \$82,250  | -0.30%  |
| Cumberland   | 4252            | 4096  | -3.67%  | \$265,000          | \$285,000 | 7.55%   |
| Franklin     | 392             | 456   | 16.33%  | \$125,625          | \$129,000 | 2.69%   |
| Hancock      | 779             | 804   | 3.21%   | \$194,000          | \$210,000 | 8.25%   |
| Kennebec     | 1453            | 1530  | 5.30%   | \$145,000          | \$150,000 | 3.45%   |
| Knox         | 573             | 613   | 6.98%   | \$212,000          | \$204,000 | -3.77%  |
| Lincoln      | 595             | 566   | -4.87%  | \$210,000          | \$215,250 | 2.50%   |
| Oxford       | 817             | 834   | 2.08%   | \$142,000          | \$147,000 | 3.52%   |
| Penobscot    | 1672            | 1723  | 3.05%   | \$133,000          | \$140,000 | 5.26%   |
| Piscataquis  | 301             | 288   | -4.32%  | \$85,000           | \$105,000 | 23.53%  |
| Sagadahoc    | 499             | 494   | -1.00%  | \$198,000          | \$213,950 | 8.06%   |
| Somerset     | 545             | 580   | 6.42%   | \$100,000          | \$111,850 | 11.85%  |
| Waldo        | 492             | 491   | -0.20%  | \$159,950          | \$170,000 | 6.28%   |
| Washington   | 343             | 363   | 5.83%   | \$95,000           | \$115,000 | 21.05%  |
| York         | 3122            | 3120  | -0.06%  | \$239,000          | \$257,700 | 7.82%   |

Source: Maine Real Estate Information System, Inc. (d/b/a Maine Listings). Note: Maine Listings, a subsidiary of the Maine Association of REALTORS, is a statewide Multiple Listing Service with over 4,700 licensees inputting active and sold property listing data. Statistics reflect properties reported as sold in the system within the time periods indicated. Contacts: Maine Association of REALTORS President Kim Gleason (McAllister Real Estate) – (207) 621-2345 – [kimgleason@myfairpoint.net](mailto:kimgleason@myfairpoint.net) - Maine Association of REALTORS President-Elect Peter Harrington (Malone Commercial Brokers) – (207) 772-2422 – [peter@malonecb.com](mailto:peter@malonecb.com) For more names: [suzanne@mainerealtors.com](mailto:suzanne@mainerealtors.com).





# **Manager's Report For February 12, 2018 Council Meeting**

Since the last council meeting here are some things I've been working on as well as what has been occurring around Town.

I attended the FEMA public assistance application briefing in reference to the severe windstorm of 2017. The meeting was for instruction for completing paperwork for reimbursement. The meeting was very informative and I have submitted the paperwork for the next step in the process. I will now wait to be contacted by FEMA.

I attended the Regional Communication Board of Director's meeting, which I am currently the chair. Numerous topics were discussed along with a presentation on FirstNet which the group found very informative.

I have met with James Dunning from Casella to finalize contract negotiations. The contract has been updated and will be presented to Council for discussion.

I have met with the Town Forester and had a lengthy conversation with him on work that needs to be done in the coming year. He is going to follow up with an email which I will share with Council.

Work is continuing to progress on the Police Department renovations. It appears the project is moving along as scheduled.

I have been working with Principal Cyr on several projects to include the budget, branding/marketing, articles for the Viking and other safety initiatives for the school. We both continue to look for ways we can work together to provide better service at the same or reduced cost.

I participated in an interview panel for a newly created position of Deputy Director for Penobscot County Regional Communications Center. A total of 4 candidates were interview by myself and 3 other representatives.

I attended the planning board meeting where a draft sketch plan was presented on a proposed subdivision for Davis fields. Good discussion was had between the developers and planning board and they will be preparing additional document to present to the planning board at a future meeting.

Staff and I have met with the Auditor and the audit is complete and delivered. He will be at the Feb 26 Council meeting to present and answer any questions.

I have submitted an invoice to the Emergency Management Office to get reimbursement for items we purchased using homeland security grant funds. The amount we successfully received was \$5,114.59 dollars. Items were purchased for the Fire Department and the Veazie Community School.

# **Manager's Report For February 12, 2018 Council Meeting**

I have continued to work with Rodney Verrill of NESCOM and Spectrum to get the Town's public access channel back on line.

Assessor Birch and I have met with the consultant for the TIF. This process is continuing to move forward with another meeting scheduled for March.

Principal Cyr and I met with a student and his family on a truancy concern. I felt the meeting went very well and hope it will resolve the truancy issue but we will continue to monitor it and continue the process if for some reason it doesn't.

I attended a Bangor area Managers meeting at Husson University. The meeting was the start of a discussion to build a public administration class for area municipalities to foster future work staff

I held a meeting of the Penobscot Downeast Cable Consortium to discuss franchise agreement negotiations. A future phone conference is scheduled for February and a face to face meeting with Spectrum in March.

I have been notified that I was successful in receiving a dynamic speed sign from the State of Maine. The value of the sign is \$3,700.00 and it is portable and can be placed in different locations around town to gather vehicle speed information. I will need to attend training later in February as part of the final step in receiving the sign.

I attended a day long training put on by the Maine Chiefs of Police on a new program they are offering reference gaining accreditation for the Police Department. The process will not be an easy one but I see a lot of benefits for going through the process. I will be discussing the idea with staff as their participation will be needed.

I attended the Maine Chiefs of Police winter business meeting and training. Several topics were discussed at the business meeting and the training was on risk management.

## **Attachments:**

1. MRC Newsletter
2. MRC January 31, 2018 meeting Agenda
3. DOT 2018-2019 work plan for Veazie
4. Email on fat-tire biking on Veazie land trails
5. Veazie School Committee Feb 5, 2018 Agenda and Financials
6. Agenda from February 6, 2018 Penobscot County Managers meeting
7. BASWG February 8, 2018 meeting Agenda



# NEWSLETTER

Municipal Review Committee | 395 State Street | Ellsworth, ME 04605 | [www.MRCMaine.org](http://www.MRCMaine.org)

ISSUE 7.1 | January 2018

## Fiberight completed the \$70M financing

Fiberight has completed its \$70 million financing for the completion of the Hampden facility. This is another major milestone in the progress to fully implement MRC's Plan for 2018.

After a fairly mild fall, the onset of a brutally cold January has not stopped crews from the diligent effort to stay on task.



Progress photographs of Fiberight's facility in Hampden, January 2018.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

January 31

**Finance Committee Meeting: 9 AM**

**Regular Board Meeting: 10 AM**

Orono Town Office

59 Main Street, Orono

### ABOUT THE MRC

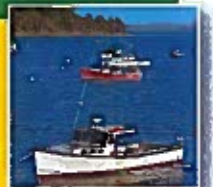
The Municipal Review Committee (MRC) is a non-profit association of Maine communities led by an elected, volunteer board of directors. For more than 25 years, the member communities of the Municipal Review Committee (MRC), now numbering more than 180 cities and towns, have used the PERC waste-to-energy incinerator in Orrington to process their municipal solid waste (MSW). After 2018, the contracts with PERC will expire. The MRC has partnered with Fiberight to offer an innovative solution to recycle and process our MSW post 2018.

Visit [www.mrcmaine.org](http://www.mrcmaine.org) or contact Greg Lounder at 207-664-1700 or [glounder@mrcmaine.org](mailto:glounder@mrcmaine.org) to learn more about the Municipal Review Committee and to add your name to our email contact list.

### JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST & FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

MRC regularly sends updates and announcements by email to those who have signed up for our alerts.

We also have active Facebook and Twitter accounts, and we've posted informative videos from recent meetings on our YouTube account. All of these are accessible from the homepage of our website, [mrcmaine.org](http://mrcmaine.org).





## Preparing for April 1st

Fiberight has closed on the facility financing, the construction of the facility is well underway and the MRC Plan for post 2018 is ready to be implemented. Construction of the Fiberight facility in Hampden has recently slipped due to winter conditions. The MRC anticipates that the new Hampden facility will need to take more time after April 1 before it is ready to accept and process MSW. Our approach is to time the acceptance and processing of MSW in Hampden in a manner that realizes the most complete level of MSW processing at the soonest possible time. It is possible that the first MSW could be delivered to Hampden as soon as the end of May, but that timing could interfere with construction and add to delays in achieving readiness to process MSW at full capacity. In the meantime, we are making preparations to implement, for up to 6 months, the back-up plan established in 2015 for disposal of MSW at the Crossroads Landfill until the Hampden Facility is ready.

We are also seeking to augment that plan by making new arrangements with PERC for temporary processing of MSW in 2018 until the new Hampden facility is ready. There will also be provision to transfer material long distances if needed. The target date to finalize this agreement is January 31. In all cases, the extra reasonable transportation costs will be borne by MRC and/or Fiberight, not the member communities. The MRC has set aside \$1.0 million in reserve funds for this purpose.

We are working closely with key regional solid waste service providers, who are working to pool their efforts on an integrated basis to ensure that the MSW processing transition underway in the region is a smooth one that minimizes MSW transportation costs and air emissions.

## Payouts to Equity Charter Members Timing

As we fast approach the end of the current contracts with PERC, there are two payout dates that the Equity Charter and Departing Members should be made aware of. MRC and PERC have set a target date of March 15 to execute the payments of the \$1.5 million ownership interest account. If the withdrawal agreements are received in a timely manner, the larger payout for Departing Members will occur on or around August 15, 2018 from the Tip Fee Stabilization Fund.



## New Year, New Website

Along with the new plant this year, MRC is also creating a new website. With a fresh new look, the website will offer the most up to date information to keep our community members in the loop. As always, our goal at MRC is to provide you with service, ease of access, and all the information you need to make informed solid waste choices. The website will be there to answer questions pertaining to the new facility, as well as provide more general information and current events. In review at the time of this newsletter, MRC and the website developer are on target for a February 2018 completion date.

## A Fond Farewell

This newsletter will be the final one received by the municipalities who have opted out of the move to the new facility. We wanted to take this opportunity to say:

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR  
YEARS OF PARTICIPATION  
AND SUPPORT.**

Transitioning is rarely easy, and we sincerely hope that your path to new solutions is an easy one. We are excited for our new endeavor, and we hope you continue to watch the new plant grow, and perhaps someday decide to join us.

## **PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA - PLEASE POST**

### **MUNICIPAL REVIEW COMMITTEE, INC. (MRC) BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Town of Orono - Council Chambers, 59 Main Street, Orono, Maine**

#### **Finance Committee meets at 9:00 AM – Public Welcome**

**January 31, 2018 at 10:00 AM**

1. 10:00 AM - Call to Order
2. Appointment of Officers for the Corporation for 2018 – President, Vice President, Treasurer and Clerk
3. 2018 MRC Committee Member Appointments – Finance & Insurance, Communications, Waste Flow Management, PERC Oversight through March 31, 2018
4. Consideration of Minutes of October 25, 2017 Regular Board of Directors Meeting, November 15, 2017 Special Telephonic Board of Directors Meeting, December 13, 2017 Annual Meeting of members
5. Consideration of Year-End Financial Statement & Bills Payable as of December 31, 2017
6. Consideration of 2018 MRC Operating Budget
7. 1st Quarter 2018 Tipping Fee Calculation & PERC Compliance with 2017 Performance Standards
8. PERC Facility Operations Report – Hank Lang, PERC Plant Manager
9. Charter Municipality Asset Management Report – Custody Account, Tip Fee, Supplemental Cash Collateral, Delivery Sufficiency, Cash Sweep & Operating Budget Stabilization Funds, 1st Quarter Cash Distribution, Settlement Agreement Implementation (cash flows& plan for closing of Put Option)
10. Administrative Report – Waste Deliveries Trends, Upcoming Legislative Session, Website Progress
11. Status of PERC Wind Up (Withdrawal Agreements) and reserve fund management
12. Overview of management support for member communities for the interim Bridge/Bypass delivery of MSW

#### **Noon Break – Lunch Provided**

13. Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6) (E) Discussion with legal counsel concerning legal rights and duties regarding a pending agreement with PERC.

14. Consideration of interim agreement with PERC for MSW processing and transload services
15. Executive Session per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6) (E) Discussion with legal counsel concerning legal rights and duties under the existing Site Lease and Master Waste Supply Agreements.
16. Adjourn

**Members are welcome. Please call ahead 866-254-3507 or 664-1700 if you plan to attend.**

**Veazie**

This report shows the 2018-2020 Work Plan entries for Veazie. The costs listed are the total cost of these projects – some of which may extend into neighboring towns. It also shows a listing of maintenance work specifically recorded to Veazie in 2017, as well as any 2017 Local Road Assistance payments. Activities that are managed on a larger scale, such as snow & ice control, and maintenance work done by contract are not listed. The maintenance accomplishments may also extend into neighboring towns, but are listed in the first town where the work was reported. Finally, any capital projects that were completed in 2017 are also listed.

**Planned Capital and Maintenance Work 2018-2020****Work Plan Year:** 2018**Municipalities(s):** Alton, Bangor, Old Town, Orono, Veazie**Asset(s):** Interstate 95 NB

**Description:** Beginning 5.78 miles north of the Hampden town line and extending northerly 13.80 miles to the Argyle town line.

| ID        | Scope of Work                                       | Highway Corridor Priority | Estimated Funding |
|-----------|---|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 020855.00 | Highway Paving<br>Ultra Thin Bonded Wearing Surface | HCP 1                     | \$2,208,000       |

**Work Plan Year:** 2018**Municipalities(s):** Veazie**Asset(s):** Route 2

**Description:** Located 0.07 of a mile north of Main Street.

| ID        | Scope of Work  | Highway Corridor Priority | Estimated Funding |
|-----------|--|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 023028.00 | Highway Safety and Spot Improvements<br>Slope Stabilization/Protection - PE Only | HCP 3                     | \$75,000          |

**Work Plan Year:** 2018**Municipalities(s):** Bangor, Carmel, Etna, Hampden, Hermon, Newburgh, Newport, Old Town, Orono, Plymouth, Veazie**Asset(s):** Interstate 95 NB

**Description:** Beginning in Newport and extending north 39.98 miles to the Old Town city line.

| ID        | Scope of Work          | Highway Corridor Priority | Estimated Funding |
|-----------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 021791.00 | Maintenance<br>Signing | HCP 1                     | \$100,000         |

**Local Road Assistance – Fiscal Year – 2018**

\$12,072

**Maintenance Accomplishments – 2017**

Activities managed on a larger scale, such as snow & ice control, and work done by contract are not listed. *The maintenance accomplishments may extend into neighboring towns, but are listed in the first town where the work was reported.*

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| 19.00 | Drainage Structures Cleaned                  |
| 7.70  | Miles of Striping Applied                    |
| 1.00  | Emergency Event Responses                    |
| 0.30  | Ton(s) of Patch Applied                      |
| 19.00 | Minor Sign(s) Installed or Maintained        |
| 90.00 | Linear Feet of Guardrail or Fence Maintained |
| 99.00 | Linear Feet of Brush Removed                 |



Message

Sun, Feb 4, 2018 1:28 PM

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 James Killamey <jkillamey@unity.edu>  
 Lloyd Smith <lloyd.s.smith@gmail.com> Mark Leonard

Subject: Winter bike trails at Buck Hill

Hello, another snowy day in Veazie means winter play!

Yesterday I met with Kris Somberger of New England Mountain Biking Association (NEMBA), and two friends to snowshoe Buck Hill and identify potential fat-tire biking trails for winter fun. Kris was enthusiastic about the site. He is on the board of the Orono Land Trust with me and is helpful about promoting Veazie recreation. He bikes with his family, and says this property is a good-intermediate trail for bikers (like his kids). We came up with these main points:

- Grooming for biking consists of a snowmobile track which creates the surface for the trail. Kris' snowmobile is 36" wide, (an older, smaller sled) and we scouted out areas where we could make 2 parallel tracks to accommodate skiers as well. This point is important as Buck Hill is open to enjoyment for all who enjoy the outdoors.

- Kris is in touch with Dave Wardrop for advice on specific features and hazards to avoid on the land (bridges, culverts, water features). Safety first. We identified several trees across the trails from recent storms. Kris can help, but can Veazie authorize some chainsaw clean-up to open up the trails? There are several blow-downs.

- The gate on Mutton Lane is/will remain locked, and we worked out access for the groomer. More plowing at the entrance kiosk would be great to provide better parking for bikers.

- Signs will be posted that motorized vehicles are NOT allowed in Veazie parks, but snowmobile grooming is allowed for this season to prep trails only. Signage about sharing the trails with skiers, snowshoers will be posted as well by Kris and his group.

- There is a lot of fat-tire biking in Orono at present, and Kris and I will help publicize the new activities in Buck Hill via Facebook, NEMBA, etc. I will also submit an announcement to the Veazie Viking newspaper and the Orono Land Trust newsletter.



This project is a trial to see if winter biking catches on here. Protection of our green spaces and responsible use is paramount. Biking is still not allowed in our parks in summer. NEMBA seems to be very good about trail maintenance and conservation in Orono and elsewhere, so I feel that we are considering all of the important points, but please offer your thoughts, questions.

Weather permitting, Kris is ready to start. Thanks all!

Linda Swackhamer  
973.978.9158/ cell

I don't mean to exclude anyone, so forward to anyone I missed.



Message

Fri, Jan 19, 2018 4:26 PM

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Subject: Veazie trail use in winter- Biking!

Hi all,

We've been approached by Kris Somberger, who is on the Orono Land Trust board with me, and knows we are interested in promoting Veazie recreation on our public spaces. Kris is also with the New England Mountain Biking Association, and is a trails enthusiast for winter biking, having built trails and been a land steward/trail builder in our area (among other cool things!). His request is to groom some Veazie trails for winter fat-tire biking:

*"Part of winter biking is grooming the narrow trails with a snowmobile, just like grooming a ski trail, except this is grooming winter bike trails. I use my own snowsled. It's much smaller than the sled the ski club uses. (It needs to be in order to weave between the trees.) I groom the narrow single track trails at the Caribou Bog Conservation Area in Orono. Assuming the trails are set up in a way that the snow and other weather conditions are also appropriate. To answer those two questions, I'd have to walk the trails to see how they are set up, but I wouldn't do that unless a snowmobile could be brought out there with Veazie permission. I understand that the trails are non-motorized, the sled would only be used for grooming."*

Some conditions we (and Mark Leonard) have thought of:

1. Posting signs: "Snowmobiles are not allowed on these lands, except for bike trail grooming this winter" -- We are NOT condoning motorized use in general. Erosion issues are minimal because of snow cover.
2. Permissions needed if trails go off onto private land- landowners must be protected. Also water district if the tower area is used.
3. Buck Hill seems the best area for this. McPhetres trails have a lot of obstructions, blow-downs, but Kris must assess.
4. Liability, if any?

Warren and Lloyd: have any comments? (Karen is not online, so ?)

If this is agreed to, I would help promote it on the Veazie, Orono Land Trust, Facebook pages. Kris would do so among biking circles.  
(We could encourage folks to patronize Tradewinds and Raeganmuffins and Stone Sparrow to get breakfast, hot drinks, ??).

Let me know- thanks,

Linda  
973-978-9158



**Veazie School Administrative Unit  
1040 School Street  
Veazie, Maine 04401  
Telephone (207) 947-6573**

**TO: Veazie School Committee**

**FROM: Matthew D. Cyr, Superintendent and Principal**

**DATE: February 5, 2018**

**SUBJECT: School Committee Meeting - 6:00 p.m.  
Veazie Community School Library**

**AGENDA**

- I. Call of the Roll**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 8, 2017**
- IV. Adjustment to Agenda**
- V. Persons Desiring to Address the Committee**
- VI. Acknowledgements**
- VII. A. Board Chair**

**VIII. Personnel**

**A. Resignations**

**B. Nominations**

**IX. Principal's Report (Exhibit)**

**X. Superintendent Report**

**A. January Financials (Exhibit)**

**XI. New Business**

**Discuss first reading of 2018-2019 school calendar. (Exhibit)**

**XII. Old Business**

**XIII. Board Policy**

**XIV. Request for Information**

**XV. Executive Session**

**XVI. Next Meeting - March 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the VCS Library Media Center**

**XVII. Adjournment**

# Veazie School Department

## Budget by Warrant Articles - Total

Statement Code: Articles T

| Account Number / Description             | Adopted Budget<br>7/1/2017 -<br>6/30/2018 | Amendments<br>7/1/2017 -<br>6/30/2018 | Amended Budget<br>7/1/2017 -<br>6/30/2018 | YTD Expended<br>7/1/2017 -<br>1/31/2018 | Encumbrances<br>7/1/2017 -<br>1/31/2018 | Amount<br>Remaining<br>7/1/2017 -<br>1/31/2018 | Percent<br>Remaining<br>7/1/2017 -<br>1/31/2018 |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|
| <b>Total Article 1 - Reg Instr.</b>      | \$2,041,913.17                            | \$0.00                                | \$2,041,913.17                            | \$930,017.86                            | \$714.43                                | \$1,111,895.31                                 | 54.41%  |
| <b>Total Article 2 - Sp/Ed Instr.</b>    | \$678,978.35                              | \$0.00                                | \$678,978.35                              | \$222,013.45                            | \$648.45                                | \$456,964.90                                   | 67.20%  |
| <b>Total Article 3 - CTE Instr.</b>      | \$25,080.47                               | \$0.00                                | \$25,080.47                               | \$15,154.20                             | \$0.00                                  | \$9,926.27                                     | 39.57%  |
| <b>Total Article 4 - Other Instr.</b>    | \$36,094.64                               | \$0.00                                | \$36,094.64                               | \$11,662.40                             | \$0.00                                  | \$24,432.24                                    | 67.68%  |
| <b>Total Article 5 - Stu &amp; Staff</b> | \$198,858.55                              | \$9,369.83                            | \$208,228.38                              | \$98,629.10                             | \$1,580.99                              | \$108,018.29                                   | 51.87%  |
| <b>Total Article 6 - System Admin</b>    | \$112,977.54                              | \$27,000.00                           | \$139,977.54                              | \$71,516.71                             | \$0.00                                  | \$68,460.83                                    | 48.90%  |
| <b>Total Article 7 - Schl Admin.</b>     | \$104,516.52                              | \$0.00                                | \$104,516.52                              | \$68,159.39                             | \$0.00                                  | \$36,357.13                                    | 34.78%  |
| <b>Total Article 8 - Transport.</b>      | \$143,300.00                              | \$0.00                                | \$143,300.00                              | \$61,028.52                             | \$0.00                                  | \$82,271.48                                    | 57.41%  |
| <b>Total Article 9 - Op &amp; Maint</b>  | \$372,645.00                              | \$37,039.65                           | \$409,684.65                              | \$254,939.87                            | \$3,488.12                              | \$151,256.66                                   | 36.92%  |
| <b>Total Article 10 - Debt Svc.</b>      | \$269,165.12                              | \$0.00                                | \$269,165.12                              | \$269,150.01                            | \$0.00                                  | \$15.11  | 0.00%   |
| <b>Total Article 11 - Other</b>          | \$40,000.00                               | \$0.00                                | \$40,000.00                               | \$40,000.00                             | \$0.00                                  | \$0.00   | 0.00%   |
| <b>Subtotal Adult Education</b>          | \$1,760.00                                | \$0.00                                | \$1,760.00                                | \$392.94                                | \$0.00                                  | \$1,367.06                                     | 77.67%  |
| <b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>                      | \$4,025,289.36                            | \$73,409.48                           | \$4,098,698.84                            | \$2,042,664.45                          | \$6,431.99                              | \$2,049,602.40                                 | 50.00%  |





# Veazie School Department

## All Revenue - YTD

Report # 4615

Statement Code: All Revenue

| Account Number / Description                              | Expected Revenue        | YTD Received            | Amount Remaining        | Percent Remaining    |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
|   | 7/1/2017 - 6/30/2018    | 7/1/2017 - 1/31/2018    | 7/1/2017 - 1/31/2018    | 7/1/2017 - 1/31/2018 |
| <b>1000 GENERAL FUND</b>                                  |                         |                         |                         |                      |
| 1000-0000-0000-41211-000 Local Allocation - Veazie        | (1,895,508.50)          | (1,098,091.62)          | (797,416.88)            | 42.06%               |
| 1000-0000-0000-41213-000 Additional Local Funds - Veazie  | (868,778.56)            | (514,409.17)            | (354,369.39)            | 40.78%               |
| 1000-0000-0000-41510-000 Interest Income                  | 0.00                    | (4,843.28)              | 4,843.28                | ---                  |
| 1000-0000-0000-41901-000 Miscellaneous Revenue            | 0.00                    | (68.75)                 | 68.75                   | ---                  |
| 1000-0000-0000-41981-000 Refund Prior Year's Expenditures | 0.00                    | (1,716.31)              | 1,716.31                | ---                  |
| 1000-0000-0000-41991-000 Refund MSMA WC premium           | 0.00                    | (1,117.00)              | 1,117.00                | ---                  |
| 1000-0000-0000-43110-000 State Allocation - Veazie        | (764,429.78)            | (445,917.36)            | (318,512.42)            | 41.66%               |
| 1000-0000-0000-43111-000 State Subsidy/Debt Service       | (268,297.00)            | (268,297.00)            | 0.00                    | 0.00%                |
| 1000-0000-0000-45000-000 Veazie Balance Forward           | (270,000.00)            | (270,000.00)            | 0.00                    | 0.00%                |
| 1000-0000-0000-45430-000 State share SRRF                 | (29,925.00)             | (22,296.06)             | (7,628.94)              | 25.49%               |
| <b>TOTAL 1000 GENERAL FUND</b>                            | <b>\$(4,096,938.84)</b> | <b>\$(2,626,756.55)</b> | <b>\$(1,470,182.29)</b> | <b>35.88%</b>        |
| <b>1500 Adult Ed Voc Orono</b>                            |                         |                         |                         |                      |
| 1500-0000-0000-41214-000 Local Share for Adult Ed         | (1,760.00)              | (1,026.65)              | (733.35)                | 41.66%               |
| <b>TOTAL 1500 Adult Ed Voc Orono</b>                      | <b>\$(1,760.00)</b>     | <b>\$(1,026.65)</b>     | <b>\$(733.35)</b>       | <b>41.66%</b>        |
| <b>2050 MCF Fast Track Grant</b>                          |                         |                         |                         |                      |
| 2050-0000-0000-41920-000 MCF Fast Track Grant             | 0.00                    | (3,000.00)              | 3,000.00                | ---                  |
| <b>TOTAL 2050 MCF Fast Track Grant</b>                    | <b>\$0.00</b>           | <b>\$(3,000.00)</b>     | <b>\$3,000.00</b>       | <b>---</b>           |
| <b>2120 Cole Foundation</b>                               |                         |                         |                         |                      |
| 2120-0000-0000-41920-000 Cole Foundation Grant            | 0.00                    | (2,000.00)              | 2,000.00                | ---                  |
| <b>TOTAL 2120 Cole Foundation</b>                         | <b>\$0.00</b>           | <b>\$(2,000.00)</b>     | <b>\$2,000.00</b>       | <b>---</b>           |
| <b>2300 Title IA</b>                                      |                         |                         |                         |                      |
| 2300-0000-0000-44517-000 TITLE IA                         | (30,106.00)             | 0.00                    | (30,106.00)             | 100.00%              |
| <b>TOTAL 2300 Title IA</b>                                | <b>\$(30,106.00)</b>    | <b>\$0.00</b>           | <b>\$(30,106.00)</b>    | <b>100.00%</b>       |
| <b>2400 Title IV A</b>                                    |                         |                         |                         |                      |
| 2400-0000-0000-44523-000 Title IV A                       | (9,855.61)              | 0.00                    | (9,855.61)              | 100.00%              |
| <b>TOTAL 2400 Title IV A</b>                              | <b>\$(9,855.61)</b>     | <b>\$0.00</b>           | <b>\$(9,855.61)</b>     | <b>100.00%</b>       |
| <b>2470 Local Entitlement</b>                             |                         |                         |                         |                      |
| 2470-0000-0000-44562-000 LE Grant or Carryover Even FY's  | (67,030.40)             | (10,954.49)             | (56,075.91)             | 83.65%               |
| 2470-0000-0000-44570-000 LE grant or carryover, Odd FY's  | (25,440.00)             | (7,198.69)              | (18,241.31)             | 71.70%               |
| <b>TOTAL 2470 Local Entitlement</b>                       | <b>\$(92,470.40)</b>    | <b>\$(18,153.18)</b>    | <b>\$(74,317.22)</b>    | <b>80.36%</b>        |
| <b>2510 Local Entitlement Preschool</b>                   |                         |                         |                         |                      |
| 2510-0000-0000-44563-000 Local Entitlement Preschool      | (808.00)                | 0.00                    | (808.00)                | 100.00%              |
| 2510-0000-0000-44564-000 LE Preschool - carryover         | (214.00)                | 0.00                    | (214.00)                | 100.00%              |
| <b>TOTAL 2510 Local Entitlement Preschool</b>             | <b>\$(1,022.00)</b>     | <b>\$0.00</b>           | <b>\$(1,022.00)</b>     | <b>100.00%</b>       |
| <b>2700 Title IIA</b>                                     |                         |                         |                         |                      |
| 2700-0000-0000-44520-000 TITLE IIA                        | (17,097.00)             | 0.00                    | (17,097.00)             | 100.00%              |
| 2700-0000-0000-44521-000 Carryover                        | (481.41)                | (481.41)                | 0.00                    | 0.00%                |

# Veazie School Department

## All Revenue - YTD

Report # 4615

| Account Number / Description                             | Expected Revenue         | YTD Received             | Amount Remaining         | Percent Remaining       |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
|  | 7/1/2017 -<br>6/30/2018  | 7/1/2017 -<br>1/31/2018  | 7/1/2017 -<br>1/31/2018  | 7/1/2017 -<br>1/31/2018 |
| <b>TOTAL 2700 Title IIA</b>                              | <b>\$ (17,578.41)</b>    | <b>\$ (481.41)</b>       | <b>\$ (17,097.00)</b>    | <b>97.26%</b>           |
| <b>2900 Small Rural School Achievement Program</b>       |                          |                          |                          |                         |
| 2900-0000-0000-44390-000 Small Rural School Achievement  | (21,937.57)              | (1,724.57)               | (20,213.00)              | 92.13%                  |
| <b>TOTAL 2900 Small Rural School Achievement Program</b> | <b>\$ (21,937.57)</b>    | <b>\$ (1,724.57)</b>     | <b>\$ (20,213.00)</b>    | <b>92.13%</b>           |
| <b>4500 Capital Reserve</b>                              |                          |                          |                          |                         |
| 4500-0000-0000-41510-000 Interest Income                 | 0.00                     | (285.28)                 | 285.28                   | ---                     |
| 4500-0000-0000-45201-000 Transfer In                     | 0.00                     | (100,000.00)             | 100,000.00               | ---                     |
| <b>TOTAL 4500 Capital Reserve</b>                        | <b>\$ 0.00</b>           | <b>\$ (100,285.28)</b>   | <b>\$ 100,285.28</b>     | <b>---</b>              |
| <b>6000 SCHOOL NUTRITION REVENUE</b>                     |                          |                          |                          |                         |
| 6000-0000-0000-41215-000 Local taxes raised - Lunch      | 0.00                     | (40,000.00)              | 40,000.00                | ---                     |
| 6000-0000-0000-41611-000 FS Sales - Student Lunch        | 0.00                     | (7,307.95)               | 7,307.95                 | ---                     |
| 6000-0000-0000-41612-000 FS Sales - Breakfast            | 0.00                     | (709.00)                 | 709.00                   | ---                     |
| 6000-0000-0000-41620-000 FS Sales - A La Carte           | 0.00                     | (123.75)                 | 123.75                   | ---                     |
| 6000-0000-0000-41630-000 FS Sales - Adults               | 0.00                     | (33.40)                  | 33.40                    | ---                     |
| 6000-0000-0000-41996-000 FS Misc. Revenue                | 0.00                     | (3.00)                   | 3.00                     | ---                     |
| 6000-0000-0000-43251-000 State Funds Lunch               | 0.00                     | (2,003.24)               | 2,003.24                 | ---                     |
| 6000-0000-0000-44551-000 Federal Funds Regular Lunch     | 0.00                     | (4,897.08)               | 4,897.08                 | ---                     |
| 6000-0000-0000-44552-000 Federal Funds Lunch - Reduced   | 0.00                     | (2,399.36)               | 2,399.36                 | ---                     |
| 6000-0000-0000-44554-000 Federal Funds Breakfast         | 0.00                     | (2,489.71)               | 2,489.71                 | ---                     |
| <b>TOTAL 6000 SCHOOL NUTRITION REVENUE</b>               | <b>\$ 0.00</b>           | <b>\$ (59,966.49)</b>    | <b>\$ 59,966.49</b>      | <b>---</b>              |
| <b>9990 STUDENT ACTIVITY</b>                             |                          |                          |                          |                         |
| 9990-0000-0000-40999-000 STUDENT ACTIVITY REVENUE        | 0.00                     | (1,185.52)               | 1,185.52                 | ---                     |
| <b>TOTAL 9990 STUDENT ACTIVITY</b>                       | <b>\$ 0.00</b>           | <b>\$ (1,185.52)</b>     | <b>\$ 1,185.52</b>       | <b>---</b>              |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>                                       | <b>\$ (4,271,668.83)</b> | <b>\$ (2,814,579.65)</b> | <b>\$ (1,457,089.18)</b> | <b>34.11%</b>           |

**Husson University & Penobscot County Managers**  
Tuesday, February 6, 2018 - 9:30 am at the Center for Family Business

**Agenda**

1. **Cathy's Welcome** (what brings us together)
2. **Introductions** (name, affiliation, background, and key objective for meeting)
3. **Identification of Common Challenges, Employee Skill & Knowledge Deficits**
  - a) Recruitment?
  - b) Retention?
  - c) Skill Deficits?
  - d) Knowledge Deficits?
  - e) Training Budgets?
  - f) Training Incentives (grants, reimbursement, sponsors, etc.)?
4. **Training Wish List**
  - a) Model after "Certificate in Public Administration" or Specific Courses?
  - b) Include Soft Skills, e.g., emotional intelligence and critical thinking?
  - c) Training Delivery - onsite vs. online?
  - d) Training Timing - synchronous (during work) vs. asynchronous (anytime)?
  - e) Academic Credit – Husson or American Council on Education?
5. **Next Steps**
  - a) Managers to send Brien outline of their respective recruitment & retention plans.
  - b) Managers to send Brien list of respective funding mechanisms for prior trainings.
  - c) Brien to map objectives and price out curriculum development and instruction.
  - d) If approved, Brien presents lesson plan, timing & funding strategy to Managers.
6. **Adjournment**

Thank you for participating in the Conversation

We will act with courtesy and respect in response to all opinions and discussions.



**Bangor Area Storm Water Group Meeting**

**February 8, 2018**

**Location: Orono Town Office, Orono, Maine**

**9:00 am – 11:00 am**

***V= Potential Member Vote Needed to Conduct Business***

**AGENDA**

- 9:00 am**      **Welcome, Round-robin Introductions and Updates (10 min)**
- 9:10 am**      **Annual Meeting of the BASWG (30 min)**
- Year-in-Review
  - Looking Forward (PY1/2018, New Permit Cycle, New Initiatives)
  - Budget Report
  - Executive Committee Elections
- 9:40 am**      **Education and Outreach Planning (60 min)**  
*BASWG E&O Committee and Pulse Marketing*
- Regional survey for behavior change/to strengthen outreach sample
  - Bus Wrap, chloride banner/salt display, whiteboard outreach video
  - Maine Science Festival coordination and display
  - The Ice Cream Thing
  - Potential voting on E&O expenditures (V)
- 10:40 am**      **Administrative Tasks (10 min)**
- Vote on meeting minutes (V)
  - Planning for New E&O Contract Process
  - Plans for Upcoming Meetings
- 11:00 am**      **BASWG Meeting Adjourns**  
*Executive Committee members should expect to stay for up to a half hour following meeting if needed to address budget/contract actions*