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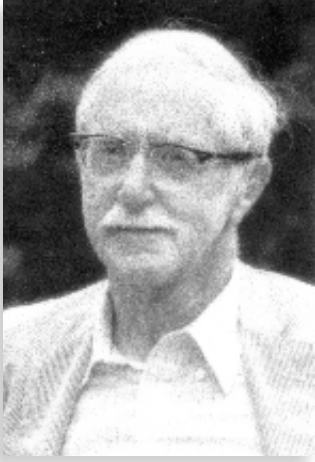
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Town of Falmouth

2006 ANNUAL REPORT



In Memorium: Roger Vinton Snow



Roger Snow's life of 88 years touched many people in many walks of life. A stalwart Democrat, in local and statewide politics, Roger's joie d'vivre and sincerity brought changes at both levels.

Roger served two terms in the Maine Senate and one term in the Maine House of Representatives. He served two terms as a Falmouth Town Councilor where he was an early advocate of bike paths. In 1997, Roger was named Citizen of the Year.

Among his passions were boating, bicycling, swimming, music, cars, and flying. Roger loved getting to know people, wherever and however they crossed his path. He championed history and the environment, and inspired others in their involvement. In his later years, Roger's keen memory and good laugh continued to inspire.

Though an amputee, he could be seen riding his bicycle along Route 88 and out and about at all the "important" social and political gatherings.

Roger was born in Portland, attended Portland schools, Deerfield Academy, and graduated in 1940 from Williams College.

Roger began his career as a journalist following World War II. He served as a reporter and editor, including aviation editor, with the Portland Press Herald and the Portland Evening Express. He continued his career in journalism as owner and publisher of the Westbrook American (now American Journal) and later as president and director of the Abenaki Company, which owned two Maine radio stations.

Later in his career, Snow served as director of labor education at the University of Maine and as director of public information and publications for the University of Southern Maine. In his "retirement" years, he was consulting editor for the Maine Court system, and a practicing arbitrator and fact finder under the auspices of the American Arbitration Association.

(A summation of Roger Snow's career was collected and reported in The Forecaster on September 28, 2006.)

Town of Falmouth

Annual Report

Year Ending December 31, 2006

Communication and access to information makes a community strong.

Though the modes of communication change, the efforts to constantly improve information access are constant. Today, Falmouth has its own website: www.town.falmouth.me.us. Our mission is to provide another method to better serve our citizens.

- On the homepage, you may select from the drop-down menu or view upcoming events or bulletins; read about current projects and issues under study; sign up to receive emails about events, public hearings, and meetings.
- You may visit departments, boards and committees, library, schools, and historical society.
- Visit the Falmouth Memorial Library for public access to computers. Someone will assist you in using electronic information.
- Online Vehicle Registration Renewal: On our homepage, click on the Rapid Renewal picture and you begin the process..
- Online dog registration is available at www.town.falmouth.me.us; click on "townclerk/doglicensing"



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*Nathan Poore,
Town Manager*

Letter of Transmittal

To the Honorable Town Council and Citizens of Falmouth:

I am pleased to submit the 2006 Annual Report for the Town of Falmouth, which includes the accomplishments and activities of our many dedicated boards, committees, commissions and employees. I hope you will take some time to read the entries submitted by our dedicated municipal and school employees.

My first day of employment in Falmouth was July 31, 2006. This job interested me because Falmouth has a reputation as a community with a tremendous amount of energy including proactive approaches to many of the challenges facing local government.

I believe the key to our continued success is a willingness to expose all of our strengths and weaknesses. In the fall, I hired a consultant to conduct performance audits and organizational analysis for Human Resources, Fire/EMS and Land-Use Planning. The Human Resource audit was completed first and is currently being implemented. The Fire/EMS and Land-Use Planning projects are ongoing and should be complete by this summer. Several essential staff positions were vacated in the Fire/EMS and Planning departments; however, we developed an excellent transition team that has afforded us the time to carefully evaluate our systems. In Fiscal Year 2008, I will look at other departments to identify opportunities to improve operations.

TABOR and other tax reform initiatives have continued the tax reform/relief debate in local government. Although there have been past tax relief initiatives, the TABOR discussions reached a level that I have not seen in my experience as a municipal manager. Falmouth's elected and administrative leaders, both past and present, have developed a foundation for financial stability. I am committed to prudent

financial management as I work to enhance and build upon this foundation. The Town of Falmouth is looking at regionalization as a means to achieve greater efficiencies. Some of the recent and ongoing regionalization projects include:

- Continued participation with several northern Cumberland County communities researching and discussing regionalization alternatives.
- Falmouth joined a new collaborative of the communities in Greater Portland. Initial projects being discussed include a regional maintenance facility and a regional crime lab.
- Continued and enhanced partnerships with the Town of Cumberland including shared harbor master, animal control officer, and emergency medical services.

I have completed almost one year as your town manager and look forward to continued service. I encourage all citizens to become involved in local government. There are available opportunities to serve on a variety of committees and boards, or to attend weekly meetings.

In closing, I would like to thank the Council for their leadership, support, and the trust they have given me to do my job. I would also like to recognize the Town's volunteers, various board and committee members, and employees for their hard work. Everyone has contributed to my transition with enthusiasm and dedication. Falmouth is a tremendous community and I am honored to be part of it.

Sincerely,
Nathan A. Poore, *Town Manager*

Our Town

Government

The Council-Manager form of government was established in Falmouth in 1962. Since that time, the town has had a Town Manager who is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the town. The Town Council consists of a seven-member elected board, including the Chairperson. The Town Council meets twice a month, once in workshop and once at a regular scheduled monthly meeting. Falmouth's town government continues to be effective, responsive, and committed to a high level of service.

About Falmouth

Falmouth was first settled in the 1600s and received its first recognition as a town in 1658. It received its name in honor of a small village at the mouth of the Fal River in Cornwall, England, from which some of the earliest settlers came. The original boundaries extended all the way from the Spurwink River in Scarborough up the coast to a point opposite Clapboard Island. This covered most of what is now Westbrook, Cape Elizabeth, and South Portland, which broke away in 1765; Portland followed in 1785, and Westbrook in 1814, leaving Falmouth the size it is today. In 1718, the town was incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In 1786, it was recognized as the 46th town as part of the newly established State of Maine.

Falmouth, Maine is located about seven miles north of Portland on the coast of Maine. It has a population of about 11,800 people, and covers roughly 32 square miles from the coastline to rural areas further inland. Falmouth schools are ranked as one of the best in the state. It is a vibrant, independent town that provides most services to citizens itself; cooperative agreements with regional agencies, and neighboring communities help to round out a full program of services.

The current Town Hall was built in 1899 and has seen many renovations over the years.



Town Council 2006-07

Elected Officials



RICHARD OLSON
Chair



CATHERINE BREEN
Vice-Chair



JOE WROBLESKI



ANN GOGGIN



DAVID LIBBY



WILL ARMITAGE



RICHARD MULHERN

Administrative Officers 2006-2007

Town Manager	Nathan Poore
Superintendent.....	George Entwistle
School Business Manager	Daniel O'Shea
Assessor	Anne Gregory
Chief of Police.....	Ed Tolan
Code Enforcement Officer.....	Al Farris, Jr.
Deputy Chief, Emergency Medical Services.....	vacant
Director of Parks and Community Programs	Skip Varney
Director of Wastewater Treatment	Robert "Pete" Clark
Engineer/Director of Public Works	Anthony Hayes
Finance Director	John McNaughton
acting Fire Chief	Jay Hallett
Planner	vacant
Town Clerk	Kathleen Babeu

Town Meetings

Town Council

Workshop: 7:00 pm
Tuesday prior to Council Meeting
Meeting: 7:00 pm
4th Monday of the month

Board of Zoning Appeals

7:00 pm
4th Tuesday of the month

Planning Board

6:30 pm
1st Tuesday of the month

Cable Television Committee

Monthly
Call for Schedule

Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee

7:00 pm
2nd Thursday of the month

Community Programs Advisory Committee

Monthly
Call for Schedule

Conservation Commission

7:00 pm
1st Monday of the month

Harbor Waterfront Committee

Call for Schedule

Recycling Committee

4:30 pm
1st Thursday of the month
Public Works Office, Woods Rd.

Shellfish Conservation Committee

Call for Schedule

Most meetings take place at the Town Hall, 271 Falmouth Road; however, the time and date of these meetings are subject to change.

Contact the Town Clerk's Office at 781-5253 for confirmation of dates, times, and locations — or visit www.town.falmouth.me.us

Boards and Committees

as of April 2007

Appointed

ASSESSMENT REVIEW AND SEWER APPEALS (3 YEAR TERMS)

*Andrew Sparks (12/08)
Lois Lengyel (8/09)
William Lunt, III (4/08)

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS (3 YEAR TERMS)

Richard Bayer (12/07)
Justin Peter Edwards (9/08)
Kevin McCarthy (4/10)
Ann Marie Pender (10/08)
Dan Thornton, (3/07)

BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION APPEALS (Chair – 4 year term; members – 3 year terms)

*Dorothy Melanson (2/08)
Sandra Davis (2/08)
Faith Varney (4/09)

CABLE TELEVISION COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERMS)

*Kathleen Parr (9/09)
Theresa Forestell (10/09)
Jan Manheimer (10/09)
Bonita Marchetti (10/07)

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERMS)

*Hugh Smith (1/08)
Kurt Klebe (9/09)
Elizabeth Robinson (2/10)
Hugh Coxe, Planning Board Liaison
Karen Farber, School Board Liaison

CONSERVATION COMMISSION (3 YEAR TERMS)

*Lissa Robinson (9/09)
Willie Audet (12/07)
Mel Dickens (12/07)
Debbie Elliott (3/10)
Wing Goodale (9/09)
Caleb Hemphill (6/09)
Frank Ruch (10/08)

FALMOUTH TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

*William Robinson (3/07)
Jeffrey Walker (3/07)
Caleb Hemphill (10/09)
Margaret Paine (6/07)
Teresa Pierce (3/10)
Richard Scala (3/07)
Tim VanderMel (6/08)

HARBOR/WATERFRONT COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERMS)

*Stephen Archambault (4/09)
Richard Garrett (2/08)
Jay Hallett (5/09)
Emmanuel Kourinos (9/09)
Pete Leavitt (4/09)
Bill Oliver (5/09)
John Winslow (7/07)

HUMAN SERVICE COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERMS)

Jane Sudds (7/07)
Susan Love (7/07)
Diane Moore (11/06)

PLANNING BOARD (3 YEAR TERMS)

*Anthony Calcagni (7/07)
Polly Blake Burke (5/07)
Hugh Coxe (12/08)
David Fenderson (9/09)
William Lunt, III (9/07)
Bernard Pender, 1st Associate Member
Stan Bennett, 2nd Associate Member

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERMS)

*Faith Varney (2/08)
John Davis, Jr. (3/09)
Carol Fredriksen (7/07)
Karen Jones (11/06)
Diane Moore (2/09)
Nancy Richards (2/08)
Steve Tenney (3/09)

RECYCLING COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERMS)

*Bonnie Anderson (12/07)
*Kelly Thompson-Fernald (1/09)
John Adelman (8/09)
Debbie Elliott (1/10)
John Henson (3/09)
William McMahon (1/09)
Satoria Pelton (5/09)

REGISTRAR AND DEPUTY REGISTRARS

Kathleen Babeu, Registrar
Ryan Anderson, Deputy Registrar
Betsy Whitcomb, Deputy Registrar

SHELLFISH CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERMS)

*Lyman Kennedy (10/09)
Donna Cheney (6/08)
Richard Garrett (9/09)
Wing Goodale (11/08)
Brian Preney (7/08)

FALMOUTH MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dorothy Wentworth (Pres)
Marsha Clark (Vice-Pres)
Clifford Gilpin (Rec. Sec)
Grace Payne (Corr. Sec)
John Capasso (Treas)
Ann Bayer
Allison Bishop
Rebekah Bucci
Bob Cerf
Sean Joyce
Elizabeth Tod
Faith Varney, Friends of
the Library Liaison

* DENOTES CHAIR

Code Enforcement Building Regulation



Albert Farris, Jr., Senior Code Officer

Mission Statement: *We are committed to achieving an unparalleled quality of service to the citizens of this community and its service providers, by providing prompt, friendly service and fostering a "can do" spirit.*

Albert W. Farris Jr., Chief Code Enforcement Officer, Senior Building Official, Health Officer, Plumbing Inspector

Justin Brown, Code Enforcement Officer, Building Official and Plumbing Inspector (Field Inspector)

This Department is responsible for:

- Guidance for all customers, permitting, investigation, and prosecution of violations for: Building Codes, National Electrical Code, Fire, Energy, Heating Appliance, Fuel Gas, Chimney/Fireplace, and Internal Plumbing Codes; as well as, Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules and Sanitation of food establishments.
- Administration and enforcement of the Town's Zoning and Site Plan Review Ordinance, State of Maine Land Use Regulations, Mandatory Shoreland Zoning Act (which includes lakes, ponds, streams, rivers, and wetlands), the Clean Water Act Erosion Control Rules; Americans with Disabilities Act, the Maine Human Rights Act, and the FEMA Regulations on Floodplain Management. These are some of the 31 specific State Laws enforced by the Code Enforcement Officer. (SPO/CEO handbook, January 2003)
- Staff support for the Board of Zoning Appeals, including preliminary review of applications.
- Initiation of revisions to Building Codes and Town Ordinances.
- The staff is available to the community to answer questions, and to discuss projects and concerns; via e-mail and phone, or by appointment at a site or in the office.

Zoning Board of Appeals

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Board that have volunteered their time to serve the community of Falmouth. Also thank you to *Eileen Quinn*, who has found it necessary to resign after two plus years of service. Eileen will be missed. Thank you to *Stephen Walker* for serving as Chairman. Thanks again to all of you.

Staff

- **Albert Farris,**

Chief Code Enforcement Officer, and Building Official, LPI, and Health Officer

Al is state certified in Legal Issues & Enforcement Techniques, Building Standards, Shoreland Zoning, Land Use Regulations, Subsurface Wastewater Disposal, Internal Plumbing, and Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 80K. He also holds Certificates in Onsite Wastewater System Inspections and Erosion Control, and has been awarded a Certificate of Municipal Leadership from the Edmond S. Muskie School of Public Service.

The Senior Code Officer spends most of his time with citizens, their contractors, and design professionals. This time is spent on issues including: non-conforming lots and structures, shoreland and wetland investigations, demolition and rebuild of existing structures, erosion control issues, and land use violations, which include: junkyard cleanup, un-permitted construction, and fill placement.

The number of ZBA applications is increasing because of an increase in substantial renovations of the older housing stock on smaller lots, and the recent amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.

The senior code officer is also responsible for the Town Hall building management; building maintenance and repair including boiler, elevator, and fire protection inspections.

- **Justin Brown**

Deputy Code Enforcement Officer, and Building Official, Local Plumbing Inspector, (Field Inspector). Justin is state certified in Legal Issues & Enforcement Techniques and Building Standards. He is a graduate of Central Maine Community College with an Associates Degree in Building Construction Technology.

Justin inspects all residential and commercial construction, additions, and renovations; electrical installations; and plumbing and subsurface wastewater disposal systems. Most projects require several visits and inspections. He also does plan review for details of structural components, building height, and energy code compliance, which evaluates windows, heating system analysis and insulation.

- **Patrice Perreault**

Patrice joined the town in March 2005 as Code Assistant. The *Code Assistant* is the first face to customer service; able to answer many questions and provide information, in addition to working specifically with applicants coming before the Zoning Board. The assistant also handles Zoning Board legal notifications, reports, and various details in support of the Board.



Justin Brown,
Deputy Code Officer

Continuing Education

In addition to administration of codes and ordinances, the Code Enforcement staff has a legal obligation to maintain certifications. The State Planning Office provides minimum annual requirements. They also pursue outside educational opportunities when appropriate. Additional classes provide them with information on the latest technologies, and law changes; and are broader in spectrum than state-sponsored training.

Fees

Gross Fee revenue for FY 06 was lower than expected because of fewer typical new single family dwellings being constructed. However, commercial work, condominiums, renovations, and additions kept the department busy.

Change in Zoning Ordinance

A substantial revision to Section 6 of the Zoning Ordinance was adopted in July, after many months of work by the Town Council and a number of concerned citizens. These changes make it possible to increase the height of buildings on non-conforming lots to the standard height allowed on conforming lots.

Building Activity Last Ten Calendar Years

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Building Permits	283	308	343	333	274	361	315	307	235	228
Other Permits	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	608	466	378
New Single Family	84	103	91	91	50	58	51	43	55	71
New Commercial	1	2	5	5	2	4	1	3	1	3
Zoning Applications	69	52	61	58	43	86	63	63	42	52
Building Permit Fees	\$70,451	\$99,046	\$101,693	\$90,697	\$90,976	\$110,925	\$129,070	\$190,572	\$231,924	\$121,317
Other Permit Fees	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$54,121	\$89,341	\$45,120	\$63,520

Planning Department

After a 25-year career with the Town of Falmouth, Community Development Director and Town Planner *George Theberge* left the department to become a private consultant. A transition team is in place with Assistant Planner *Ethan J. Croce* and Interim Planner *Amanda L. Stearns*.

This Department is responsible for:

- Providing research and technical assistance to the Town Manager, Town Council, Planning Board, Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee, Conservation Commission, other department heads, and town citizens.
- Implementing and enforcing land use regulations relating to site plan and subdivision reviews.

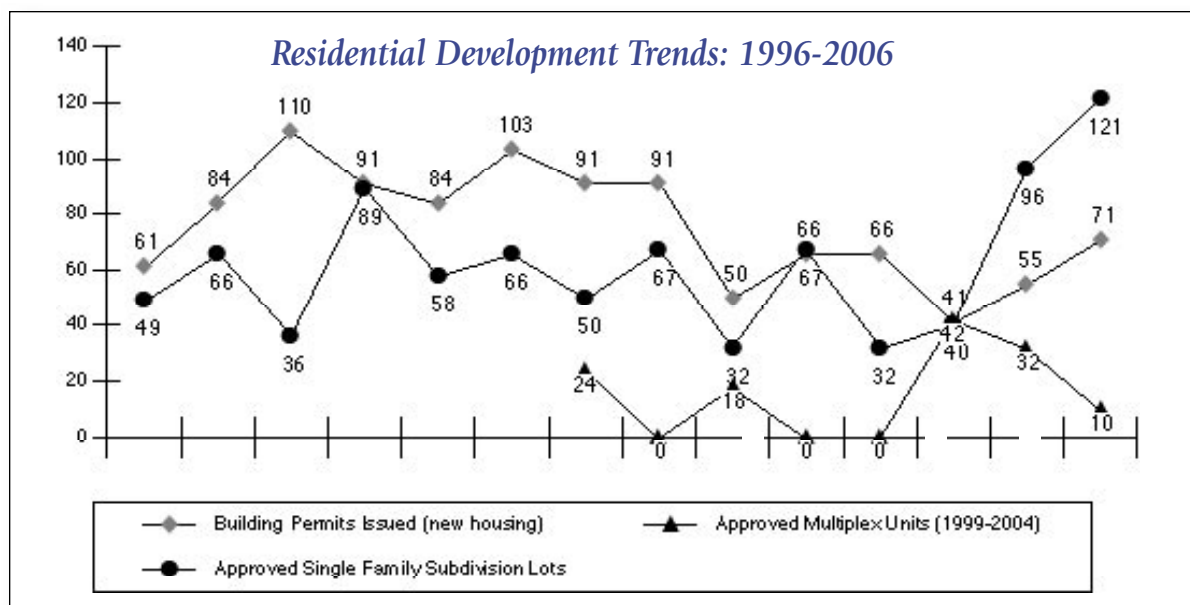
Highlights of the Year:

■ *Planning Board Activities*

- Notwithstanding the national and regional slowdown in housing starts, Falmouth experienced a significant increase in residential development activity as indicated in the graph below.
- The Planning Board approved a total of 131 new lots or building sites in six residential subdivisions.
- Falmouth's steady growth is attributable to the mixed housing that is being marketed toward "empty nesters" in projects like Whipple Farm at Oceanview, the Smith Farm residential planned development on Gray Road, the Tidewater Farm project, and the Ridgewood Estates open space cluster housing on Falmouth Road. These larger projects consist of a mixture of single family and attached housing on smaller lots or in condominium ownership.



Attached units at Smith Farm on Gray Road.





Compact housing at Tidewater Farm.



Route 1 Re-development

■ *Rate of Growth Ordinance Upheld*

- To prevent surges in development that might strain the Town's ability to provide public facilities and services, the rate of new single family development has been limited to 65 units annually for the past few years.
- A new state law requires that municipal rate of growth ordinances be based on the average of development activity over the past 10 years.
- Falmouth's growth rate provisions were amended to comply with state law and to apply a limit to the number of annual permits for multi-family units.

■ *Neighborhood Variety Stores Allowed in Falmouth Corners*

- Following a recommendation in the Falmouth Corners Report, and a desire from Falmouth Corners residents to allow for mixed-use development in that part of town, the Town Council adopted an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to allow small-scale convenience stores as a conditional use in the Falmouth Corners neighborhood. Prior to enactment of this amendment, existing commercial establishments in Falmouth Corners were classified as non-conforming uses.

■ *New Open Space Plan Adopted*

- Since 1990, Falmouth has had an ambitious open space program that added protections to nearly a thousand acres of important land.
- The Open Space Plan was updated by the Conservation Commission to provide more focus on protecting habitats, preserving access to open space, and linking open spaces.
- To help implement this plan, an open space ombudsman has been hired to work with the Conservation Commission, landowners, and developers to facilitate implementation of the Open Space Plan.

■ *Maine Audubon Recognizes Conservation Commission*

- Falmouth's innovative efforts to preserve open space and the Town's unique character have gained widespread recognition.
- The Conservation Commission received Maine Audubon's 2006 Wildlife Conservation Award for its efforts on vernal pool conservation and open space planning.

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■ Tidewater Village Commercial Center Moves Forward

- In July 2001, the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee conducted a master planning project.
- The master plan includes open space on the saltwater farm that is accessible to the public and a new residential neighborhood within walking distance of the Library and stores on Route One.
- The commercial component is now under construction on Clearwater Drive. Storm drains and utilities have been installed, and the first office buildings are under various stages of review and construction.



■ Summary

The Planning Department has completed another productive year of assisting the Planning Board with project review, working with the Comprehensive Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC), and the Town Council on zoning amendments and progressing with planning efforts toward the village concept.

The results of the Consensus Building Institute (CBI) study will provide the Town Manager and Town Council with recommendations regarding the appropriate role for the department in planning, economic development, regulation development and implementation, transportation planning, conservation efforts and other aspects of land use within the community — as well as support and coordination of related boards, commissions, and committees.





Kathleen Babeu, Town Clerk

Town Clerk

Kathleen W. Babeu, CMC, Town Clerk, Registrar, Dedimus Justice, and Welfare Director

Ryan J. Anderson, Deputy Town Clerk

The Town Clerk is the keeper of the public record, for the past and the present. The Clerk's Department is responsible for: issuing licenses and permits; supervising and coordinating elections; maintaining voter registration information; recording vital records; providing administrative support to the Town Manager and Town Council, boards and committee; providing information and notices to the public and town departments via the town website and local cable television Channel 2; coordinating the annual town report; coordinating the annual municipal election; and administering the General Assistance program.

Highlights of the Year:

- Sold 1247 mooring permits.
- Assisted the Human Service Committee, providing a total of \$14,300 to 14 social service agencies.
- Kept the Clerk's and Council web pages updated. This included posting agendas, meeting notices, and Council meeting actions, plus updating board and committee openings and memberships.
- Continued to keep our residents informed with our distribution of Town Council agendas to the following locations: Harmons, Waldo's, Nina's Variety, Shaws, Hannafords, Town Landing Market, Falmouth Library.
- Recorded 20 council meetings.
- On-line dog registration continues in popularity. To license on-line, simply visit: www.doglicensing.com, or you may go to the clerk's web page; click dog licensing and click on the link. Please remember that your dog licenses are due by the end of each calendar year.
- You may obtain a hunting/fishing license on-line at: www.state.me.us. Click on "buy hunting & fishing licenses."
- Town Landing/Transfer Station passes, now "one in the same," are available at the town hall at \$2.00. You are welcome to stop in and purchase one for your car as they are good through December 31, 2008!
- New Resident packets are popular at Town Hall. If you have a new neighbor, please tell them to visit the Clerk's department to pick up a packet filled with helpful information.
- Our Code of Ordinance is available on-line. Visit: www.town.falmouth.me.us, and scroll to Ordinances. Use the link "Town of Falmouth Code of Ordinances."

Elections at a Glance:

Two elections were held, one in June and the second in November. Following is the Clerk's department summary at a glance:

- Absentee ballots continue to increase in popularity at the town hall. In the past couple of years, there has been a steady rise in absentees prior to election day, and the trend is anticipated to continue.
- Municipal elections are held on the 2nd Tuesday in June. The purpose of this election is to elect your representatives to the Town Council and School Board. For 2007, the municipal election date is Tuesday, June 12. The state election is November 6. (1st Tuesday after the first Monday)

Council Meetings

- Regular Meetings: 12
- Special Meetings: 8
- Organizational Meeting: 1
- Public Hearings: 37



Elections

The following elections were held during 2006:

June 13, 2006: Municipal Election

- 2 Town Councilors
 - 2 School Board Directors
- Number of Voters: 2,150
Percentage Voter Turnout: 23%

**November 7, 2006: State General/
Municipal Referendum**

- Number of Voters: 5,649
Percentage Voter Turnout: 67%

Licenses and Permits Issued					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Dog Licenses	876	858	995	1,076	1,066
Food Establishment Licenses	58	51	57	56	56
Parking Permits	1,185	1,226	1,005	1,981	1,182
Mooring Permits	1,150	1,198	1,194	1,248	1,247



FUN FACTS 2006

- 100 New Falmouth babies born in 2006
- The 1st 2006 Falmouth baby was born on January 5
- Most popular girl's name in the town of Falmouth for 2006: SOPHIA
- Most Popular boy's name in the town of Falmouth for 2006: a six-way tie: Benjamin, Colby, Griffin, Michael, Myles, and Samuel
- Most popular dog names in Falmouth for 2006: Molly, Maggie, Sadie, Lucy, Lily and Belle tied for 4th place!

Elections Require the Work of Many Volunteers Thank You!

I would like to recognize and thank all those citizens who took time out of their busy lives to serve as election officials in 2006. The success of our elections relies upon the dedication and work of our election workers.

Special thanks to: Karen Anthony, Ann Barnicle, Dorothy Blanchette, Tim Blanchette, Dorothy Brunette, Polly Burke, Colleen Donovan, Martha Dudley, Richard Dudley, Mary Louise Dyer, Donna Enking, Theresa Forestell, Priscilla Hallett, David Harmon, Joyce Harmon, Marjorie Hodges, Truth Holden, Dave Humphrey, Joan Jensen, Dolores Kehoe, Beverly Knudsen, Shirley MacMaster, Don McCrann, Nancy Merrill, Barbara Merten, William Merten, Jane Miller, Charlotte O'Connor, Mary Pasmore, Kathleen Parr, Susan Payzant, John Radebaugh, Philip Rhinelander, Nancy Richards, Dolores Rimkunas, Suzanne Roberts, Marion Ross, Jean Scanlon, Lee Snow, Susan Soule, Maytha Southard, Robert Stakel, Susan Tartre, Doris Thomas, Faith Varney, Deborah Walker, Betsy Jo Whitcomb, Jean Whiting, Mary Agnes Wine, and Peggy Wood.

General Assistance

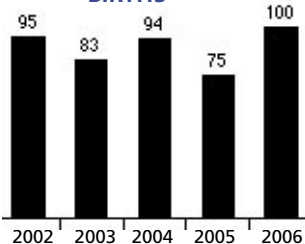
The General Assistance program provides financial assistance to residents of the town who are having difficulty meeting basic needs such as housing, utilities (electricity and heating fuel), and food.

This program is funded by local property taxes with a 50% reimbursement from the state.

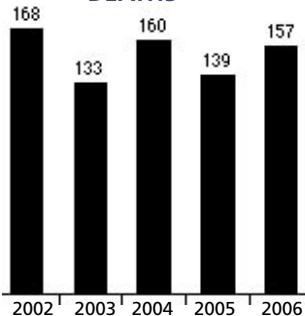
General Assistance	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Amount Expended	\$1,034	\$70	\$2,686	\$4,136.63	\$7,073.86	\$3,086.83
Amount Reimbursed	\$517	\$35	\$1,343	\$2,068.31	\$3,536.93	\$1,543.42
Actual Expense to Town	\$517	\$35	\$1,343	\$2,068.32	\$3,536.93	\$1,543.41
Number of Cases	4	5	15	9	17	18
Number of persons assisted	10	3	25	23	38	22

A Welcome to those who began their lives in 2006

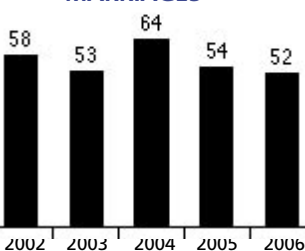
BIRTHS



DEATHS



MARRIAGES



In memory of those who left us in 2006

The Falmouth Lions
donates funds to the
Falmouth Memorial
Library for a book
purchase in memory of
each deceased person.

Abdurahman, Suhayb Faysal, 8/19
Adey, Jeffrey Steven, 9/20
Adji, Isabelle Behinon, 6/15
Anderson, Morgan Carter, 6/9
Ashley, Thomas Richard, 10/13
Betters, Fiona Ione, 10/16
Bois, Benjamin Richard, 9/14
Bonnell, Sarah Marie, 3/27
Boyer, Charles Paul, 2/21
Buser, Benjamin Phillip, 3/13
Bush, Skylar Ai-Lien, 9/24
Canon, Gracie Jean-Marie, 10/8
Carpenter, John Michael Bautista,
11/12/05 *Foreign adoption
recorded in '06
Casey, Kyle Samuel, 12/16
Caster, Addison Jane, 5/26
Chason, Evin Donald, 3/25
Christman, Madison Patricia, 1/22
Christman, Michael Lewis, 1/22
Connor, Beatrix Cora, 2/7
Curran, Meghan Scott Thomas, 10/12
Davis, Caroline Nastro, 12/16
Dowling, Sophia Sullivan, 10/12
Dyer, Draven Matthew, 11/7
Findlay, Alexander Brooks, 4/25
Galway, Mason Dilhan, 3/7
Ginevan, Maeve Margaret, 12/7
Goodman, Aaron Myles, 10/11
Goodman, Samuel Issac, 12/10/04
*Foreign adoption recorded in '06
Graceffa, Rosa Siciliano, 8/16
Greene, Anna Lila, 9/14
Hackett, Quinn James, 6/8
Hagerty, Rowen William, 7/28

Hart, Samuel Andrew, 6/11
Hayes, Dylan James, 4/6
Hitt, Myles Henry, 5/29
Hoidal, Drew Margaret, 2/5
Hoidal, Olin Wesley, 2/5
Innes, Nathan Charles, 11/7
Josephs, Hannah Rose, 6/14
Kahn, Isaac Nathaniel, 4/22
Kelly, Devin John, 12/27
Kepczynski, Jan Adam, 8/9
Knudsen, Olivia Christine, 7/15
Kowalsky, Theodore James, 3/15
Larsen, Morgan Joy, 6/2
LeFevre, Andrew Robert, 11/27
Leighton, Azsa Rae, 7/16
Leusner, Bodin John, 5/7
Levey, Aden Jared, 9/14
Lewis, Jacqueline Marques Orso,
7/20/1990 *Foreign adoption
recorded in 2006
Lindsey, Emma Alexandra, 1/23
Linen, Noa, 8/6
Marley, Griffin Gerald, 11/7
McLain, Marcus Raymond, 6/11
McDermott, Elizabeth Lark, 8/21
McPherson, Katelyn Marie, 2/13
Metivier, Ella Hope, 4/23
Mick, Gracyn Kendall, 2/22
Mijalli, Jacob Samuel, 3/22
Meador, Jace Davis, 1/2
Moran, Fionna Cara, 9/16
Morris, Finn Joseph, 6/21
Morse, Colby Ogden, 6/3
Ogier, Maxwell Robert, 11/18
Orestis, Straughan Xavier, 8/2

Oxton, Colby Erik, 5/27
Parker, Elizabeth Rose, 2/1
Paula-Hernandez, Selena Crystal Lorraine, 4/27
Perry, Saylor Marcelinoe, 11/25
Polsky, Fletcher Michael, 6/2
Pride, Sofia Micaela, 12/4
Proefrock, Alexandra Marie, 8/10
Pulsifer, Katherine Hanna, 2/13
Rand, Valerie Dana, 1/24
Rhoades, Tillman Jonathan, 5/30
Richardson, Kaden Glenn, 4/2
Rousseau, Jackson Hilaire, 8/31
Ruminski, Michael Xavier, 3/6
Rush, Evelyn Williams, 10/18
Sanborn, Deborah Paige, 5/1
Santopietro, Griffin Sullivan, 1/5
Schutz, Sasha Anne, 9/1
Scicchitano, Sofia Chiara, 8/16
Seymour, Ryan Michael, 6/1
Smithwick, Julietta Yolanda, 11/1/05
*Foreign adoption recorded in '06
Sprague, Bennett Jason, 2/7
St. Louis, Elijah Sabbark, 6/26
Sturiano, Sophia Bella, 8/20
Taylor, Graydon Scott, 8/3
Thaxter, Miles Sage, 8/22
Tufts, Hayley Jean, 7/6
T'Zainah, Ikhygia Willermine, 1/25
Velez, Joseph Armand, 9/3
Weisenfluh, Zoe Barbara, 7/27
Wescott, Aubrianna Mae, 5/2
Williamson, Charlotte Adele, 7/27
Willing, Eleanor Haviland, 10/29
Woolworth, Owen Murphy, 11/22
Wyse, Nicholas Quinn, 12/4
Young, Sydney Anne, 2/13

Adams, David L., 10/24
Albiston, Eric Alexander, 2/11
Allen, Edna T., 1/11
Ambrose III, James S., 5/17
Anderson, Clifford Gordon, 5/1
Atwood, Marilyn Elizabeth, 2/14
Ayers, Stanley, 4/19
Bailey, Florence M., 5/25
Baldwin, Caryl Prescott, 3/24
Ballinger, Lois Edwards, 2/7
Barnes, Lawrence D., 6/16
Bass, Robert N., 10/27
Bates, Gerald Maynard, 7/2
Beausoleil, Shirley B., 8/7
Bernier, Marshall Joseph, 12/25
Berry, Sr., George E., 6/24
Bither, Ruth L., 3/16
Bolster, Violet B., 5/14
Bornstein, Deborah Day, 8/31
Bowman, Alice Brown, 5/30
Broda, Helen Grace, 4/18
Brown, Howard E., 10/18
Brown, Marion E., 10/21
Brzytwa, Virginia R., 5/17
Buck, Richard Tracy, 11/29
Burtman, Eleanor, 3/3
Candarelli, John, 10/24
Carmichael, Garth Lee, 8/8
Castellucci, Evelyn Marie, 4/19
Caswell, Walter H., 10/22
Catanzano, Mary Elizabeth, 1/28
Chandler, Marion Larsen, 4/17
Chapin, Eleanor C., 5/9
Clapp, Ruth M., 2/13
Clark, Ruth Prunyn, 1/7
Clifford, Howard K., 7/12
Cooney, James Jay, 1/22
Cote, Jacqueline P., 8/10
Cremeans, James Orman, 9/23
Crockier, Dorothy Evelyn, 7/30

Crone, Peter Griswold, 7/3
Crowder, Charles F., 11/13
Davis, Alice E., 11/14
Davis, Eleanor M., 4/5
Doherty, Harold Eugene, 10/26
Donagan, Irene, 11/15
Dresser, Rosalie Littlefield, 4/3
Dunbar, Alice Ewing, 2/3
Dutton, Robert C., 8/14
Emery, Mary M., 8/29
Farris, Fay M., 12/9
Fielder, Florence Estella, 5/10
Fixaris, Francis J., 1/13
Flaherty, Edward M., 3/25
Fortmiller, Onnnolee H., 7/27
Gallant, Marjorie Elizabeth, 5/2
Gately, Helen E., 12/2
Gerdes, David Francis, 4/18
Goodheart, Clarence Francis, 6/4
Grebaniar, Sylvia Olins, 8/6
Greeley, Michael J., 7/26
Hallett, Suzanne Foster, 1/9
Hanna, John Greist, 2/26
Hatch, Eleanor Sayward, 11/22
Heinrich, Herbert Walter, 6/26
Henry, John A., 5/3
Hildreth, Deborah W., 4/30
Hill, Bettyjane, 9/28
Hochadel, John W., 11/8
Hough, Eleanor P., 8/12
Ingraham, Dorothy May, 2/20
Johnson, Sarah A., 9/3
Kendrick, Geraldine Anne, 11/27
Ketchum, Jack Sinclair, 10/21
Kline, David William, 12/23
Klopp, Barbara May, 5/4
Knapp, Robert Woodward, 8/18
Kopans, Donald Morris, 6/12
Lavigne, Louise L., 11/14
Lebel, Paul G., 10/24

Lennon, Catharine Pilling, 2/3
Libby, Wayne Stanley, 3/3
Littlefield, Eleanor Irene, 12/1
Littlefield, Jan W., 2/20
Loeffler, Andrew Paul, 6/18
Lord, Alice C., 1/3
Lord, Maribel Small, 9/4
Low, Virginia B., 1/13
Mackay, Malcolm A., 2/1
Madeira, John J., 10/5
Mallar, Noble L., 12/25
Manchester,
Madeleine Irene, 9/20
Mauck, Jr., Victor, 7/3
McCabe, Robert E., 10/10
McCann, Barbara A., 3/30
McManus, Warren E., 4/8
Miller, Dorothy Jane, 3/28
Miller, Lena O., 7/20
Millette, Dorothy, 2/5
Molano, Alvaro, 3/6
Moore, Florence Adair, 6/28
Moore, Richard Wyman, 11/7
Morse, Jeanne Frances, 8/30
Nelson, Miriam C., 3/20
Nevins, Claire L., 10/23
North, Howard Eldridge, 5/6
Norton, Lloyd Elwood, 12/22
O'Brien, Jean F., 3/28
O'Sullivan, Kathleen Mary, 8/2
Palman, Louis John, 12/28
Parker, Marion M., 8/22
Pelkey, Patrick, 3/22
Peterson, William Emery, 9/23
Phillips, Hannelore Amalie, 5/29
Plourde, Gilbert J., 6/5
Polley, Jannette E., 7/30
Poulin, Colette T., 2/24
Pullen, Madeleine C., 12/13
Purinton, Gwendolyn B., 5/27

Ranger, Patricia Louise, 2/5
Raymond, Pauline, 3/12
Redfield, Donald E., 3/25
Reed, Verner Z., 2/28
Reusswig, Robert W., 9/29
Rimkunas, Jr., John A., 6/29
Robinson, John M., 7/9
Ross, Albert Olan, 5/11
Rowley, Stewart K., 10/29
Ruotolo, Maria G., 8/15
Russell, Harry Hoitt, 9/26
Sager, Marilyn W., 12/22
Sawyer, Candace L., 1/17
Shaw, Delmar Daniel, 4/6
Sheriff, Ruth Rounds, 4/9
Sheriff, William Burton, 11/27
Skoner, Martha M., 4/5
Snow, Roger Vinton, 9/24
Solari, Joan Irene, 5/5
Spencer, Kendall H., 4/19
Stevens, Mary Hunter, 4/25
Stone, Milton Starling, 5/7
Syska, Stella May, 7/22
Taisey, Grace Y., 8/18
Tartre, Raymond Charles, 7/19
Therault, Rita M., 9/17
Tozier, Robert Lemuel, 12/22
Towle, Ruth Pendelton, 2/11
Ullman, Laura W., 10/5
Vicenzi, Anna, 6/4
Walker, David Arthur, 7/30
Webster, Elwood Ambler, 10/16
Willerson, Alice Mary, 2/12
Wilson, Isabelle C., 10/22
Wilson, Joanne Ruth, 2/12
Wood, Ellen M., 9/2
Woodbury, Richard Harmon, 9/12
Woodbury, Virginia Elliott, 4/30

Public Safety

We Remind all Residents...

- No vehicle shall be parked on any town-maintained way or road between the hours of midnight and 6 am from November 15 to April 15 (Code 1966, Ch.702, §6).
- In the event an emergency-parking ban is announced, vehicles parked on town streets may be towed at the owner's expense.
- Falmouth Police and Fire Departments partner with *Safe Kids of Maine* to provide regular car seat screenings at Central Station. Interested



persons can call 774-9891 x227 for scheduling information.

Bring your child safety seat to the Falmouth Police Department and

an officer will inspect it for proper use and installation. Please call 781-2300 in advance to make arrangements for an inspection.

- Falmouth Police Department provides a *reassurance program* for persons living alone. The communications department makes daily contact with senior citizens living alone to check on their well being. If you would like to be included in this Program, please contact the Falmouth Communications Center at 781-2300 and ask to be placed on their calling list.
- To learn of school cancellations during inclement weather, please watch the local television stations or contact the school. Please do not contact the Police Department. Dispatchers are usually busy with storm-related emergencies at this time.
- Check out the Police and Fire Department web pages for many more crime prevention and personal safety tips.
- **QUESTIONS: call 781-2300**

Please remember to...



Obey all posted speed limits — and be especially alert in school areas and residential developments.

**EMERGENCY
Police, Fire, or Rescue
911— State Police
781-4242**

**INFORMATION
Police: 781-2300 • FAX: 781-3448**

Crime Prevention and Fire Safety Tips:

- Be sure that your street address number is clearly visible for responding emergency personnel.
- Have telephone numbers (9-1-1) for emergencies programmed into all telephones, especially in the event a young child might have to make the call.
- Call 9-1-1 any time you witness any suspicious activity. Try to obtain a description of the person or a license plate number if there is a vehicle involved.
- Install quality deadbolt locks on all exterior doors; use them.
- Lock your home when you leave, no matter how short a period of time you will be away.
- Never allow strangers into your home!
- Remove or trim shrubbery that hides doors and windows, so neighbors or passersby can see when someone tries to break into your home.
- Do not leave valuables in your car, whether parked in your driveway, or in a parking lot. Always lock your car.
- Engrave all your valuable property with a number known to you. Record all serial numbers. Photograph or videotape valuables that cannot be marked. Keep all records, photos, and numbers in a separate location.
- If away on vacation, discontinue newspapers and mail; leave a key with a neighbor, friend, or relative; leave a car in the driveway; ask someone to watch your home; and call the Police Department to place your home on our watch program. Use timing devices to turn on inside lights and radios to give the appearance that your home is occupied.
- Make a decision about installing an alarm only after considering such factors as the cost, the reputation of the company, and the likelihood of false alarms.
- When changing your clocks in the fall and in the spring, change your smoke detector batteries at the same time. Have one for every floor and every room. Consider fire extinguishers for each floor and instruct everyone in your household how to use them.
- Practice an escape plan (in case of fire) with your family.
- Have heating appliances checked out every year before using.
- If burning wood, check chimney every week and have it cleaned at least once a year.

Police Department

■ On November 7, 2006, the citizens of Falmouth supported the police department's efforts to build a new police facility when they voted to authorize the necessary funding. The members of the department are very grateful to the citizens for their support of this project, and their continued support of the department throughout the year.

■ The building, approximately 8,100 square feet, will be constructed on Woods Road and is expected to open in 2008. While it provides approximately 6,000 square feet of additional space for the employees, it also will benefit the citizens with more privacy should they need to meet with officers.

■ Once again we must remind motorists to obey traffic laws of the community. As the chart to the right indicates (Traffic Citations), the officers continue to place a high emphasis on the enforcement of traffic laws as they issued 5,397 summonses and written warnings during 2006.

■ Fines imposed by the courts have risen dramatically for traffic violations. That revenue is returned to the state and not the town. We ask that you be especially observant in the school and residential areas of the community.

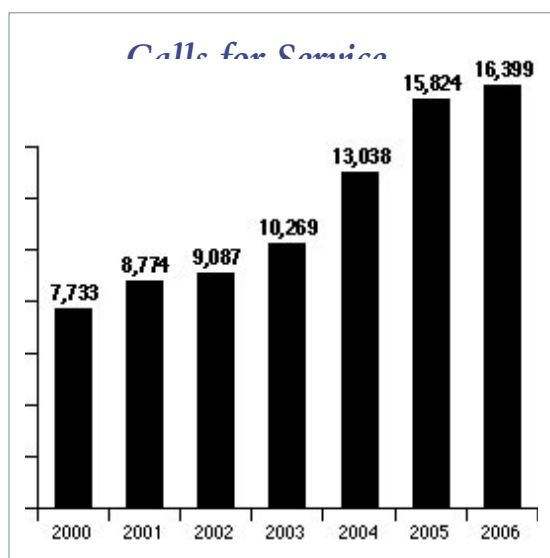
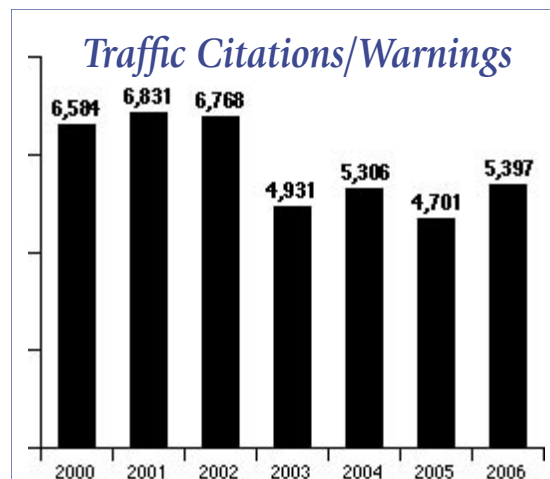
■ As Falmouth continues to grow, both in residential and business development, the department faces the challenge of responding to the requests for service. As the chart to the right indicates (Calls for Service), our calls for service reached another high in 2006 with 16,399.

■ In the fall of 2006, we experienced a high number of car burglaries. In response to these incidents, we placed additional patrols in many areas and made multiple arrests during several weeks. We again ask residents to be vigilant and to immediately report suspicious activity. We also ask that you lock your cars and homes.

■ In 2006, the Public Utilities Commission ruled that the PSAPs (Public Safety Answering Points or 9-1-1 call centers) would be reduced to 24 throughout the state. Because of this ruling, Falmouth, like many other agencies, lost its ability to directly receive 9-1-1 calls from its citizens. In December, our 9-1-1 calls began to be answered by Westbrook Public Safety and then transferred to Falmouth. **A resident can contact our communications center directly by calling 781-2300 (business) or 781-4242 (emergency).**



*Edward J. Tolan,
Police Chief*

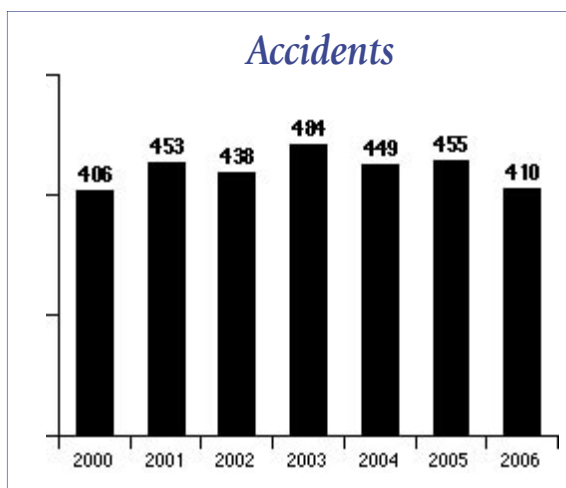


■ In early 2006, the department improved its records management and computer-aided dispatch software when they contracted with Information Management Corporation. Along with the IP MobileNet software used by the officers for their in-car computers, this provides the officers with a direct link to the in-house computer system while in the cruisers.

■ In October 2006, Officer *Kevin Conger, Jr.* joined the department to replace an officer who left for the State Police. Officer Conger is a graduate of the 18-week Basic Police School and previously worked for the Norway Police Department. Officer Conger is assigned to the patrol division.

■ The current Department staffing is 16 full-time sworn personnel, 5 full-time communications officers, 5 part-time reserve police officers, 1 administrative secretary, and 2 officers at the marine unit.

■ We encourage the citizens to frequently visit the department's website at: www.town.falmouth.me.us/police for information on the department and informational bulletins.



Highlights of the Year

- A thank you to all the Falmouth residents who volunteered their time to serve as members of the Public Safety Building Committee.
- Signed a cooperative sharing of services agreement with the Town of Cumberland to provide animal control services for Falmouth, while our Marine unit will provide patrol and emergency response services for the Cumberland anchorage.
- Received \$4,900 in drug-asset forfeiture money from the Justice Department for investigative work provided by Officer *John Kilbride* and *K-9 Yardie*.
- Officer *Stephen Hamilton* was recognized by the Maine Association of Police and the Maine Chiefs of Police Association with their "Outstanding Contribution to Law Enforcement Award" for saving the life of a baby on August 24, 2006.
- Officer *John Kilbride* was recognized by the Maine Chiefs of Police Association with their "Act of Bravery by a Law Enforcement Award" for entering a burning building to rescue a woman and then entering the building again in an attempt to rescue her husband.
- Dispatcher *Mike Allen* was recognized by the Maine Association of Police as their "Dispatcher of the Year Award" for his work coordinating radio communications between Portland Police Department and Falmouth Police, Fire, and EMS Departments during a high speed chase that ended with an accident and the arrest of a wanted felon.
- Officers and dispatchers attended 1,691 hours of training.
- Officers responded to 16,399 calls for service.
- Officers issued 5,397 summonses and written warnings for traffic violations.
- Officers investigated 410 traffic accidents.

Special Thanks!

The men and women of the Falmouth Police Department wish to thank the citizens of Falmouth for their continued support and assistance.

Fire — EMS Department

Jay Hallett, *Acting Chief*
Thomas Martelle, *Deputy Chief/Fleet*
Brian Doyle, *Captain, Foreside Station*
Kevin Morton, *Captain, Central Station*
Mike Coffey, *Captain, Pleasant Hill Station*
Thomas Doherty, *Captain, West Falmouth Station*
Laurie Page Captain, *Falmouth EMS*



The Falmouth Fire-EMS responded to 1,310 calls for service in 2006. Service is provided by a dedicated group of volunteers and paid personnel staffing two ambulances, four fire engines, a rescue, and a ladder truck running out of four stations.

The Falmouth Fire-EMS had the opportunity to perform a detailed review of the department. From this review, the department's dedicated members now have direction to make changes to provide long-term stability of the department. The strength of this department clearly lies in its volunteers. The ultimate goal is to ensure operational efficiencies required to provide high-quality response for the citizens of Falmouth.

Highlights of the Year:

- The following was issued by Chief Hallett to the staff of Falmouth Fire-EMS who responded on December 5, 2006, to the turnpike for the report of an overturned and leaking oil truck. "The crews who responded to the oil spill on the Turnpike did an amazing job.... An oil truck loaded with 2900 gallons of heating oil [was] on its side, oil free flowing out numerous holes. The oil was within 10-12 feet of a bridge expansion joint. Engine 4's crew deployed booms, pads, and speedy dry; Engine 2, Rescue 1, and the Service Truck arrived and all hands built a berm to keep the oil from going down the hill to the river.... There was about 1200-1400 gallons spilled and not a drop got to the river...."
- Planning for the remodel and expansion of the Bucknam Road station has begun and construction should begin the summer of 2007.
- All substations had very successful Halloween Parties open to the public.
- An emergency generator has been installed at Central Station.
- A grant, valued at \$30,370, from the Department of Homeland Security was received for six portable radios and an interoperability computer to provide radio communication between Falmouth Fire-EMS and other potential responders.
- The department partners with *Safe Kids of Maine* to provide regular car seat screenings at Central Station. Call 774-9891 x227 for scheduling information.

- A new ambulance has been ordered to replace the existing 1996 ambulance.
- The department responded to 1310 calls between January 1, 2006, and December 31, 2006. It responded to 70 fires during the year; 14 of these were car fires, 3 were chimney fires, 13 occurred in mulch outside businesses.
- 87 car accidents required the services of the department, and 6 of these required some sort of extrication.
- False alarms continue to be an issue for the department. 8.47% of all our calls involved some sort of system malfunction or other unintentional alarm.

Come Join Us!

The department is always looking for new members to help us keep this great town safe. If you'd like to get involved, or just have questions about membership, call 781-2638.



Harbor/Warden Services

■ The harbor witnessed many changes during 2006. Longtime Harbormaster *John Dalton* retired after 14 years of service. Two new employees joined the department to continue the excellent work of John Dalton. *Kevin Cady*, a Falmouth resident and Portland firefighter, assumed the duties of acting harbormaster. *Rick Freese*, an active duty member of the U.S. Coast Guard, served as the assistant harbormaster in 2006.

■ The Coastal Waters Ordinance was reviewed by the harbor/waterfront committee and forwarded to the Town Council for adoption. Changes included a new date for mooring permit application and the addition of a fee for dinghy storage, with a limit on the number of dinghys. For information on the changes, please go to the marine division of the department's website at: www.town.falmouth.me.us/police.

■ After a two-year review, the U.S. Coast Guard completed the special anchorage to make a safer harbor — not to expand the number of moorings. The revisions redefine the anchorage and are now included on mariner's charts. In 2007, buoys will be placed by the town clearly defining the new anchorage.

■ With the assistance of Senator Susan Collins' office, the department was able to secure a new boat from the U.S. Coast Guard. The boat, a 22" Ambar, will replace the 11-year old boat and will provide a much safer and durable platform for the officers in the marine unit. The boat, motors, and trailer, valued at \$100,000, was obtained at no cost to the town. The old boat was given to the Town of Long Island in a goodwill gesture.

■ During 2006, the marine unit began a cooperative effort with the U.S. Coast Guard, Maine Marine Patrol, and the City of Portland Harbormaster to provide joint patrols in our anchorage and the Casco Bay area. Several of these patrols operated Coast Guard boats to check for intoxicated boaters and other violations of safe boating laws. We encourage citizens to go to the Coast Guard and other safe boating links at our marine division website.

■ The Town Council authorized the harbor/waterfront committee to seek a consultant to complete a long-term plan for the harbor and the Town Landing area. This work will be completed in 2007.

■ The department would like to thank the members of the harbor/waterfront committee for the work they performed during 2006: Chairperson: *Stephen Archambault*; committee members: *Richard Garrett*, *John Winslow*, *Peter Leavitt*, *Jay Hallett* (Representing Handy Boat), *Bill Oliver* (Representing Portland Yacht Club), and *Manny Kourinous*. We also thank the Town Clerk's Office for their year-round assistance at the Landing.



Highlights of the Year:

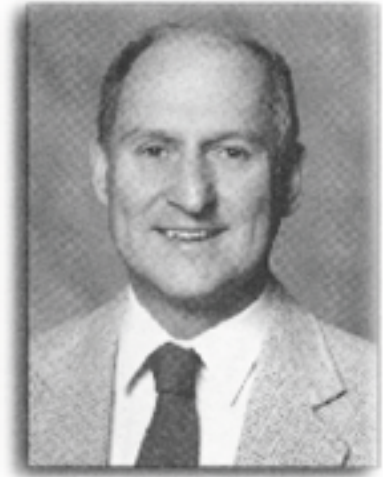
- Coastal Waters Ordinance review and adoption completed.
- Special Anchorage review completed and implemented.
- New boat obtained from the U.S. Coast Guard.
- Acting Harbormaster *Kevin Cady* selected as Auxiliariest of the Year for the U.S. Coast Guard. Kevin was honored at a ceremony in Washington, D.C.
- Establishing a dinghy storage fee, increasing the fees for commercial boat haulers who are launching boats not moored in the anchorage, changing the dates for mooring applications to mid-winter as part of the revised Coastal Waters Ordinance.
- 1,258 moorings; 669 resident and 589 non-resident.

The Harbormaster and members of the Harbor/Waterfront Committee thank the Falmouth citizens and the boating public for their cooperation and assistance in making the Town Landing and the harbor area safe and enjoyable.

We also wish to thank the members of Falmouth Public Works for their invaluable assistance throughout the year removing floats, plowing the parking lots in the winter and the additional support.

Public Works

Highlights for the Year



Tony Hayes
Public Works Director

Highways

- Woodville Road construction from Woods Road to Winn Road was completed by Gorham Sand & Gravel.
- Town projects on Falmouth Road, Brook Road, Middle Road, and Longwoods Road were delayed to 2007. Public Meetings will be held in late winter and spring to get these projects completed in the summer.
- Johnson Road reconstruction was again delayed pending resolution of design and funding issues. A public meeting in February 2007 was held with construction scheduled for 2007.
- Lack of state highway funding resulted in the continued delay of reconstruction projects on Falmouth Road and Route 100.



- A group of citizens worked with Council and staff to submit an application for state funding of upgrades to the signs and crosswalks at the Woodville Road and Lunt Road school areas under the Safe Routes to School program.



Recycling and Solid Waste

- Ecomaine (formerly RWS) began reconstruction of its recycling facility to process recyclables under a "single stream" format, where communities will be able to bring all recyclables in mixed loads. This will reduce collection and transport cost; also making the system easier for residents.
- In December, the town bid curbside collection of recyclables along with the solid waste collection bid. Curbside recycling will begin in 2007.
- During 2006, the new statewide "e-waste" program was implemented. The town collects televisions and computer monitors, and ships them off for recycling at the manufacturers' expense. The program is simple and effective with 27,021 pounds of monitors and televisions recycled at no cost to the town.
- The recycling rate in Falmouth continued to be high with the household trash recycling rate at about 35% compared to the regional average of about 21%. The overall recycling rate as calculated by the state was 68%, again among the highest in the state.

Water Pollution Control

Pete Clark, Water Pollution Superintendent



*Pete Clark,
Water Pollution Superintendent*

Highlights of the Year:

Treatment Plant Upgrade

- Construction is underway on major improvements at the town's wastewater treatment facility.
- After finalizing design elements in the spring, the town solicited bids for this significant modernization project. Three bids for the work resulted, with APEX Construction from Rochester, New Hampshire, offering the low bid of \$6,913,959. The project is funded through a reduced-interest loan provided through the Maine Bond Bank and State and Federal regulatory agencies. Wright Pierce, of Topsham, are the design engineers and construction managers on the upgrade.
- The project began in late July 2006, and is expected to take 22 months to complete. At the end of December 2006, the major excavation and concrete work was complete. The next phase is electrical work and building construction.
- The upgrade will provide a needed modernization to the facility since its construction in 1970, and will provide increased capacity and the ability to better manage the treatment process. The design will provide improved treatment capability and reductions in pollutant and nutrient loadings in the discharge, and significant automation of the various plant processes.



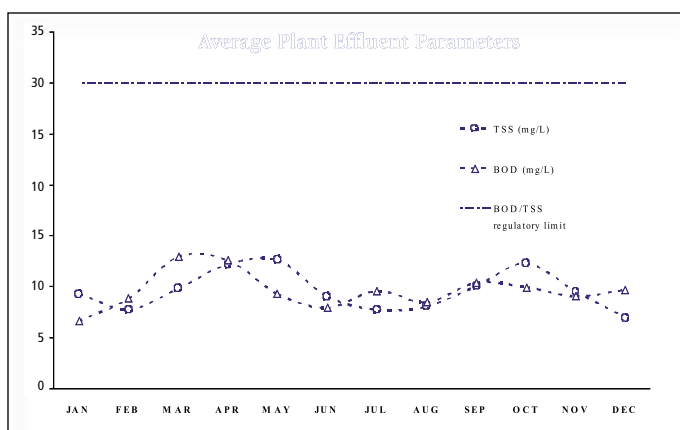
Collection system

- The Lunt Road pumping station was rebuilt. This services the sewered area of town that lies west of the Interstate and includes the Pleasant Hill area, Middle Road, Route 100 and Winn Road corridors. The improvements included increased capacity pumps and a new standby generator. The project also added a new 4,800' long force main, 8" in diameter, from the pump station to the town's treatment facility.

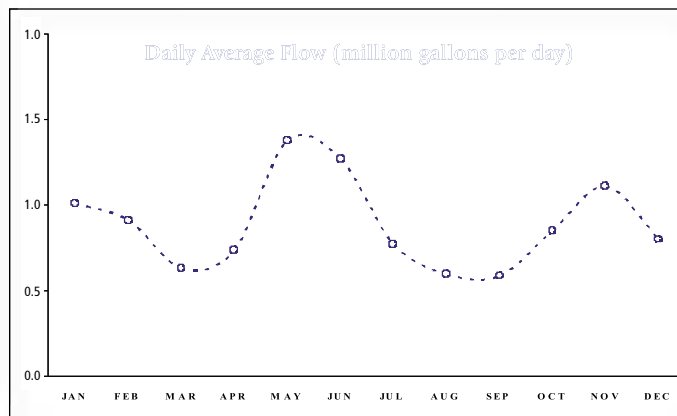
2006 Statistics

- Falmouth's plant treated approximately 324,183,400 gallons of sewage, and 445,027 gallons of septic tank wastes.
- Wastes received very good treatment. Plant performance continues to be fairly efficient despite higher than normal flow levels. On average, the plant removed 95.1 % of the bio-chemical oxygen demand and 95.3 % of the solids contained in the wastes generated by the homes and businesses connected to public sewers in Falmouth and Cumberland.

Volume and Plant Loadings



New pumping equipment was installed at the Lunt Road pumping station.



Information Systems Administration

Highlights of the Year 2006 included:

- Provided full-time computer support to the town's 115 users, six remote sites, and thirteen network servers.
- Upgraded three of the town's servers and installed two new servers.
- Upgraded major software programs for Public Safety, Assessing, Finance and Public Works.
- Implemented IP Mobilenet in Public Safety which allows the cruisers to communicate with the town's network.
- Implemented a new Information Systems Acceptable Use Policy
- Updated the Town's aerial photography from 2001 to 2006
- Updated GIS Parcel Maps, Roads, Buildings, Street Map and drainage coverages.
- Continued to update and maintain the town's website.
- Contracted with Virtual Town Hall to redesign the Town's website.



Jennifer Phinney,
Information
Systems Administrator

Assessing Department



Anne Gregory, Assessor

Anne Gregory, Assessor

Pamela Given, Administrative Assistant

Diana Calder, Data Collection & Revaluation Consultant

The Assessor is responsible for the discovery and determination of market value of all real and personal property for the collection of property taxes. These duties and responsibilities are completed annually and must comply with Maine's property tax laws.

Highlights of the Year:

We committed the annual tax assessment rolls to the Tax Collector on September 20, 2006, with a mill rate of \$14.40. In accordance with state property tax law, the assessment-to-sale price ratio of 90% was applied to the Homestead and Veteran exemptions. The \$13,000 Homestead exemption was reduced to \$11,700 and the \$5,000 Veteran exemption was reduced to \$4,500. For September 2007, the exemptions will be factored by 80%.

We have begun inspecting property sales for the 2008 revaluation. The updated assessments for all properties will be determined by analyzing qualified sales that occurred between January 2006 and December 2007.

Statistics Corner

The April 1, 2006 Assessment year included the following activity from 4/05 to 3/06:

5,064	Real Estate Parcels @ 4,907 residential, 195 commercial and 157 exempt.
519	Personal Property business accounts.
2,850	Homestead Exemptions @ \$11,700 (\$13,000 x 90%).
332	Veteran Exemptions @ \$4,500 (\$5,000 x 90%) & \$42,800 (\$47,500 x 90%) for paraplegic veterans.
7	Blind Exemptions.
57	Parcels classifying 1,459 acres in Tree Growth classification program.
9	Parcels classifying 284 acres in Farmland classification program.
3	Parcels classifying 66 acres in Open Space classification program.
463	Deeds recorded @ Registry of Deeds.
51	BETR forms for businesses applying for reimbursement of personal property taxes.
505	Site inspections for data collection of building changes.
136	Net new lots created (new lots less deleted/combined lots).
\$1,756,257,900	Total Real Property Value.
+36,014,800	Total Personal Property/Business Equipment Value.
-68,047,900	Less Exempt Real Property Value.
-1,736,900	Less Personal Exemptions (Veterans, Blind, Parsonages) not reimbursed by State.
-16,672,500	Less 50% Homestead Exemptions not reimbursed by State.
-74,869,300	Total TIF (Tax Increment Financing) Districts' captured real & personal property value; Taxes generated from TIF assessments applied to specific TIF projects.
\$1,630,946,100	Total Non TIF Taxable Value

• **Property Tax Relief . . .** Please contact the Assessing Office for information about Veteran, Homestead and Blind Exemptions, Tree Growth, Open Space and Farmland Classifications, and Charitable and Benevolent Institutions. The Maine Residents Property Tax & Rent Refund program is administered by the state. The 2007 application forms for the 2005 tax bill issued in September 2005 will be available at Town Hall in August.

• **Public Information...** Please visit our website at www.town.falmouth.me.us for assessment and sales information. On our homepage, go to OnLine Mapping and Assessing Department sections.

FROM BUDGET TO TAX BILL

$\$24,563,742$ (FY06/07)
 Portion of Budget funded from
 Property Tax
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 $\$1,705,815,400$ (4/1/06)
 Total Town Taxable Valuation
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 Tax Rate
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 Property Value
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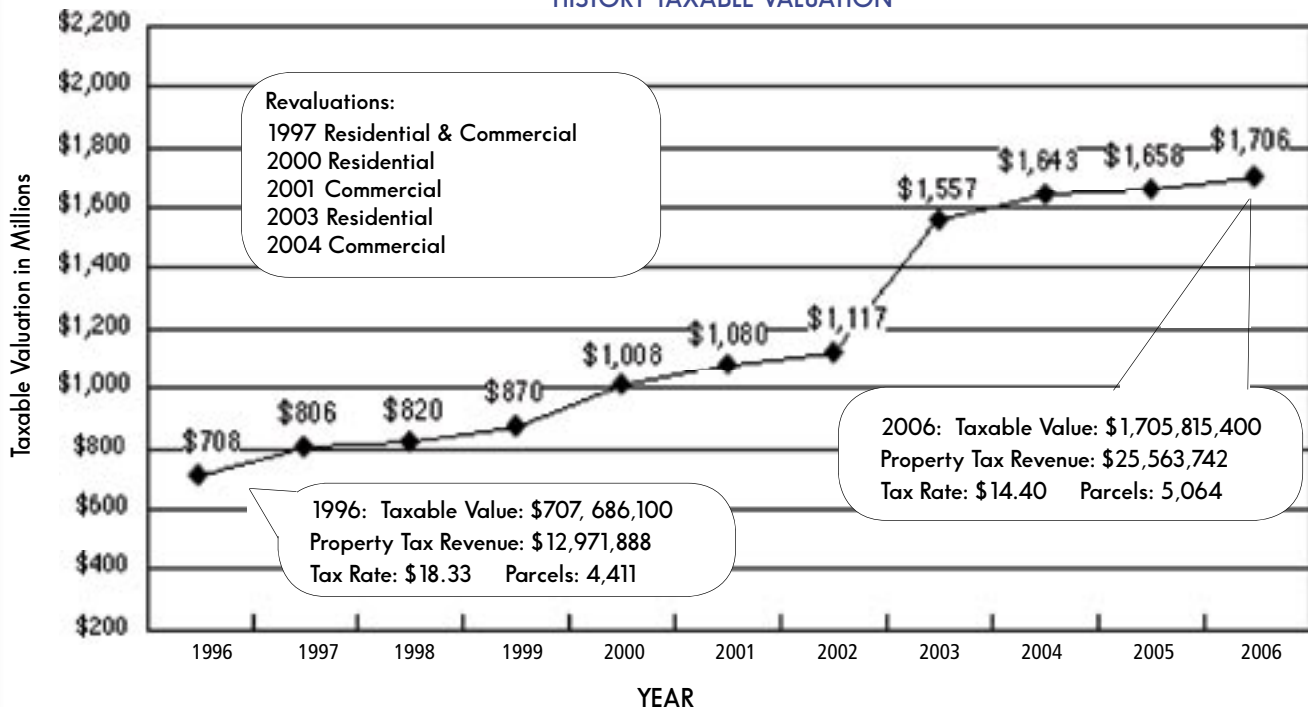


April 1, 2006 Assessment Year

(Town Fiscal Year 7/1/06 to 6/30/07)

April 1, 2006	Ownership & Assessment of Property Fixed (State Taxation Law Title 36 § 502)
July 1, 2006	Beginning of Municipal Fiscal Year (determined by Town Charter)
September 20, 2006	Commitment Date — Tax Rolls Committed to Tax Collector (determined by Assessor)
November 3, 2006	First Half of FY06/07 Annual Tax Due Date (determined by Town Council)
December 1, 2006	Total Personal Property Tax Due (determined by Town Council)
March 23, 2007	Deadline for Filing Abatement Appeals (185 days after Commitment, Title 36 § 841)
May 6, 2007	Second Half of FY06/07 Annual Tax Due Date (determined by Town Council)
June 30, 2007	End of Fiscal Year

HISTORY TAXABLE VALUATION



Homestead Exemption Calculation

Example: \$350,000 Taxable Value
 - 11,700 Homestead Exemption
 \$338,300 Taxable Value
 x .01440 FY06/07 Tax Rate
 \$4,871.52 Total Annual Tax

If you qualified this year, the \$11,700 exemption was shown on your tax bill. You do not need to reapply each year. If the property is your primary residence and you did not receive the exemption, please contact the Assessing Office in time to qualify for the September 2007 tax bill.

Please and Thank You . . . If you find an Assessing Department "tag" on your door, please call to schedule an appointment for an inspection. Accurate data ensures fair assessments. If we have to estimate the value because we could not inspect, state taxation law states that the "property owner loses the right to appeal." We make every effort to schedule appointments at the owner's convenience.



Skip Varney,
Director, Community Programs

Parks and Community Programs

The Falmouth Community Programs Department provides supplementary educational, active and passive recreational, and social opportunities for members of our community. The Department is divided into Adult Education, Recreation, Athletics, and Parks Divisions; and is responsible for providing recreation and community education programs along with the maintenance of more than 50 park and open space areas. The Department is also responsible for the scheduling of all school/town facilities for community use.

During the past year, 410 Recreation and Adult Education programs were offered, attracting 4,559 Recreation and 3,688 Adult Education participants. In addition to the regular programming, we sold more than 2,500 discount movie tickets to Regal Cinemas and the new Cinemagic Stadium Theaters for a savings of more than \$3,000 for resident movie-goers. Falmouth citizens borrowed our stock of 50 discount ski cards for American Ski Corp (Sunday River, Sugarloaf, Attitash), and the Shawnee Peak Discount card for savings of \$8-\$10 off up to 4 tickets per card/per day! Mt. Abram (a Falmouth family-owned mountain), also provides Falmouth residents with a \$5 discount on weekends and a \$2 discount on weekdays.

The Division of Recreation receives 16% of its funding through the town, while Adult Education receives 47% and the Parks Division receives 100%. Funding for the administrative staff is nearly 25% from non-tax dollars. The Department relies on several full- and part-time staff members including: *Skip Varney*, Director; *Alexis D'Ascanio*, Adult Education Director/Recreation Coordinator; *Matt Gilbert*, Athletics/Scheduling Coordinator; *Heidi Hugo*, Administrative Assistant/Programmer; *Katie Harris*, Programming Assistant/Office Assistant; *Jeff Mason*, Parks Supervisor; *Les Libby* and *Chris Hallisey*, Parks Assistants; and *Denise Macaronas*, Senior Coordinator.

Highlights of the Year:

Parks Division:

The Parks Division remained extremely busy with the 50+ parks and open-space areas. With the construction projects, wet weather conditions, and impact from school and community use of various facilities, the department was continuously manipulating its schedule to provide a high level of service to the community.

The Blackstrap Boat Launch was completed in late summer. Construction included the removal of vegetation on existing gravel, adding crushed gravel and paving the parking lot, placing rip-rap along the parking area edges, bark mulching the trail to the Presumpscot River, and repairing existing erosion problems. A portage ladder is expected to be built and installed next summer.

The parking lots at the Legion Complex were completed. Work included finalizing the top coat and lining of the American Legion parking lot as well as sloping, adding crushed gravel, paving and lining of the Grubb Field parking lot. The surrounding areas were then loamed, seeded, and mulched.

The High School double courts were refurbished early in the summer. Existing pavement was removed and shipped to Public Works. The courts were repaved, coated, and lined in time for the end of summer and fall tennis programs.

Village Park Rink boards were removed and reconstructed with new fiberglass dasher boards and cap rail. The surface was recoated and lined with Plexi-pave coating materials. New nets were purchased.

Walton Park gangway was repaired; the float anchor's reset, along with the construction of a new skid frame which is designed to allow for winter/emergency storage of the floats at the park.

The Holiday Tree Lighting was a phenomenal success with Santa arriving via fire truck, caroling, cider, and cookie decorating. The estimated number of participants was more than 500.

Adult Education Division:

Adult Adventures attracted many fun-seeking individuals this year for some fantastic trips and tours, including a culinary walking tour of Boston's North End, delicious turkey dinner served chairside aboard the HOB0 train as it traveled around beautiful Lake Winnebago, and a fabulous trip to Montreal, Canada, to see the beautiful botanical gardens.

The Village Park Summer Concert Series received a big boost in financial support from the Falmouth/Cumberland Chamber. Hundreds of music lovers turned out to listen to the sounds of summer featuring local artists such as *Rog & Ray* with their Caribbean flair, *Women of*

Note; an 8-member a cappella band, and *Chandler's Band*, which is the nation's second oldest community band with roots right here in Falmouth. These concerts nearly doubled attendance from the previous year.

The Travelogue Series continues to be a popular program for those trying to beat the cabin fever blues. Our travels took us to the beaches of Guatemala, snow sculpturing in Alaska, the markets of Morocco, the top of Escalante in Utah, and many other exciting places. The Senior Cabin Fever series offered seniors some St. Patty's day fun with live Irish Step Dancing, and an opportunity to be "a tourist in their own backyard" with a Falmouth Parks tour. Seniors also enjoyed many wonderful and tasty trips to area restaurants with shopping trips, bake sales, and chicken pie suppers.

Watercolor classes, increasingly-popular drawing classes, and the All Support Art group keep many residents busy cultivating their creative sides. Adult enrichment classes continue to address the ever-changing needs and desires of the population, including: sewing, hypnotherapy, beginning Spanish, scrap booking, belly dancing, digital camera classes, financial workshops, and sunset sea kayaking tours.

The Community Safety series continues to service the needs of many in the community; offering Aviation Seminars, Red Cross classes, and Hunter Safety. Drivers Education continues to fill to capacity as does Safe Boating.

Adult Health and Fitness programs included the Early Morning Walk program, Yoga, STEP Pilates, Cardio Kick Boxing, and Tai Chi.

Adult Pick-up Volleyball and Basketball continue to provide an excellent outlet for exercise.

Coaching clinics continue to certify and re-certify many coaches each season and ensure that coaches are schooled in not only fundamentals of the game, but are taught tips on working as a team, sportsmanship, and safety. There are currently 537 coaches that have been NYSCA certified by the Town of Falmouth.



Recreation Division:

Ski programs continue to be somewhat of a challenge, but the Mt. Abram program saw nearly 30 downhill enthusiasts enjoy five Saturdays on the slopes. Shawnee Peak numbers continue to soar with two full-size coach busses taking eager youngsters to the slopes for some twilight skiing and snowboarding.

Early Release Day programming continues to be right on target. The ever-popular Roller skating accommodated over 100 participants each early release day. Games Galore was back and filled to capacity. Middle School Early Release programming drew large numbers with Indoor Rock Climbing, Indoor Simulated Golf, the newly-introduced Ten Pin Bowling, Creative Clay, and Jewelry Making.

Day Camp experienced another fabulously fun summer with an over-the-top staff and more than 550 enthusiastic campers. Camp Co-Directors, *Annie Wernborg* and *Tom Green* once again did a fantastic job, along with the help of Camp Administrative Assistant *Kate Harris*. Field trips included beaches and special events.

Sizzlin' Suzin and Flaymin' Raymond were back by popular demand (from campers as well as counselors). Senior Campers turned out in strong numbers this year enjoying visits to area beaches,

special events, and day trips to favorite hot spots Water Country and Funtown too.

Mad Science camps, cartooning camps, and the ever-popular Sea Kayaking were two more programs that not only filled, but had waiting lists. More than 50 participants enjoyed the waters off town beach in the Sea Kayaking camps.

Preschoolers also enjoyed a very successful camp experience under the direction of *Alice Outslay* and staff. Field trips to places like Casco Bay Lines ferry ride to Peaks Island, Narrow Gauge Railroad, and Maxwell Farms for strawberry picking. Numbers remain steady and the full-week option has increased numbers during many sessions, serving over 100 preschool campers.

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Community Programs Report continued

Middle school students had the chance to hit the racetrack at Maine Indoor Karting for an evening of mini-kart racing. Those who participated came away with their junior licenses and a night to remember. Streetfunk and Jazz classes as well as Cartooning classes were also offered for this age group. Fall Babysitting classes continue to fill each time they are offered.

Athletics Division:

Summer was off to a running start. The Youth Track program showed continued growth with the help of a seasoned coaching staff. Thirty-nine participants ranging in age from 6 to 14 had an excellent track and field experience, many placing at the state finals. The Frozen Ropes Baseball and Softball camps have become a staple of the summer camp programs, assisting 42 players on the diamond. With the addition of an Advanced Camp for grades 7 and 8, "Play Soccer" continues to be among the most popular with 125 participants. The other sport-specific camps offered (basketball, golf, lacrosse, and field hockey) showed small growth. The Mainely Stars Field Hockey Camp, co-sponsored by Falmouth, Yarmouth, and Cumberland was successful once again. Falmouth sent 10 participants to the camp. Total enrollment in summer youth sports was approximately 400 across eight sports.

Soccer and Field Hockey lead Saturday programs in the fall. Both programs showed increased numbers from last year with a total of 425 in soccer and 43 in field hockey. Youth Basketball makes up the bulk of our participant numbers through winter with 200 youth and 45 parent/coach volunteers making this program a success. The addition of a youth basketball director has added to the instructional level of this program. In the spring, 196 lacrosse enthusiasts, both boys and girls, from grades 1-6 had a positive experience.

Our open gym program, supported by our local basketball association, provided a positive outlet for kids in the winter. Our after-school physical education program, with five sessions this past year, provided extra time for kids in the gym and supports community efforts to increase awareness of both health and exercise.

Our preschool programs: Preschool Soccer, Pee Wee Tennis, Start Smart Golf, Smart Start Basketball, and Tumblekidz illustrated the importance of parent participation in sport at the younger ages. These programs encourage young children and their parents to participate together with age-appropriate equipment in a non-competitive environment. We offered preschool

sports programs over three seasons in 2006 attracting 200 youth participants and an equal number of their parental counterparts.

Year-round programs like Youth Tennis, cross-country running, archery, and gymnastics continue to be popular. Youth Tennis lessons (preschool to grade 12) continues to be strongest in fall and spring. Gymnastics at Maine Academy proved to be a positive skill builder — participants learned proper techniques through interesting methods and apparatus. The cross-country running numbers continue to grow with a total of 109 participants in grades 1-6 in both the fall and spring. We offered five Archery programs totaling 65 participants that have consistently filled to capacity. Archery has been one of our most consistent programs with many parents and their children enjoying joint participation.

Facilities Scheduling:

Falmouth citizens and community groups continue to be pleased with the level of access to the facilities in town. Falmouth assists area non-profit organizations with the scheduling of town facilities and served more than 80 different groups in basketball, soccer, lacrosse, volleyball, and baseball teams as well as Girl Scouts, musical groups, adult education programs, SAT programs, teacher mentoring programs, and State of Maine Departments. In 2006, the largest number of field reservations came from use at Falmouth Community Park. The online calendars continue to serve as a valuable tool to the community for checking availability of facilities. More online facility scheduling services are expected in 2007.

Thank You Volunteers!

We are fortunate to have a strong core of individuals who continue to participate in a variety of programs. This year, nearly 350 citizens volunteered their knowledge and skills as teachers, drivers, and program supervisors.

...and Falmouth Education Foundation too!

The staff and participants of Falmouth Community Programs would also like to thank the Falmouth Education Foundation for their generosity to the children of Falmouth who were able to take part in our summer programming with the help of FEF scholarships.

Finance Department

The major indicators of the town's financial condition are presented below and on the following pages. The Finance Department has also prepared a separate Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for 2005-06, which contains a complete analysis of the town's financial position.

This report is available at Town Hall and on the town's website, www.town.falmouth.me.us



*John McNaughton,
Finance Director*

The Finance Department is responsible for:

- Recording and managing all financial transactions, revenue, and disbursements of the town, which include processing warrants and payrolls, managing cash and investments.
- Collecting over \$30 million in revenues annually, and handling more than 10,000 property tax transactions and 10,000 vehicle registrations each year.
- In addition to these activities, the Finance Department staff handles numerous telephone inquiries and informational inquiries at the counter. They strive to maintain an attitude of friendly service to the citizens, despite the high volume of activity in this department. Through their efforts the Town remains in solid financial condition.

Fund Balance

The key indicator of the town's financial condition is the size of its unreserved, undesignated fund balance. Falmouth's unreserved, undesignated general fund balance as of June 30, 2006, was \$10,835,557. This represents a \$1,190,926 increase over last year's balance. The increase was caused primarily by larger than projected building permit revenue, excise tax revenue, municipal revenue sharing revenue, as well as a very strong tax collection rate of 98.1%.

The town's continuing solid financial condition is the result of prudent budgeting and monitoring of expenditures, along with actual revenues exceeding the estimated amounts. The ending fund balance provides the town with adequate coverage for various liabilities, accounts receivable, and unforeseen expenses or shortfalls in revenues.

The fund balance should not be understood, however, as cash on hand or a pure "surplus". There are a number of encumbrances against the fund balance, such as reserves for receivables (unpaid taxes), transfers to operating accounts authorized by the Town Council to reduce tax requirements, and a recommended minimum cash reserve to cover potential emergencies.

Tax Rate

The property tax rate for fiscal year 2006-07 is \$14.40 per thousand dollars of valuation. This represents a 6.2% decrease from the prior year's rate of \$15.36 per thousand. The components of this tax rate are Town: \$3.17, School: \$10.62 and County: \$.61.

Like other municipalities, Falmouth continues to rely too heavily on property taxes for the support of municipal services. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, property taxes will account for over 75% of total general fund revenues.

The town's tax collection rate remained high during 2005-06. Collected taxes for the year ending June 30, 2006 were 98.1% of the town's total tax commitment. This continued high collection rate reflects the ongoing strength of the local economy.

Debt Service

During fiscal year 2005-06, the town retired \$1,438,500 in long-term debt and issued no new debt. Also, in 2005 the town made the final payment on the 1995 Falmouth Memorial Library expansion bond, which required annual principal payments of \$50,000. At December 31, 2006, the town's total bonded indebtedness is \$16,141,000 (of this total, \$15,313,000

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Finance Report continued

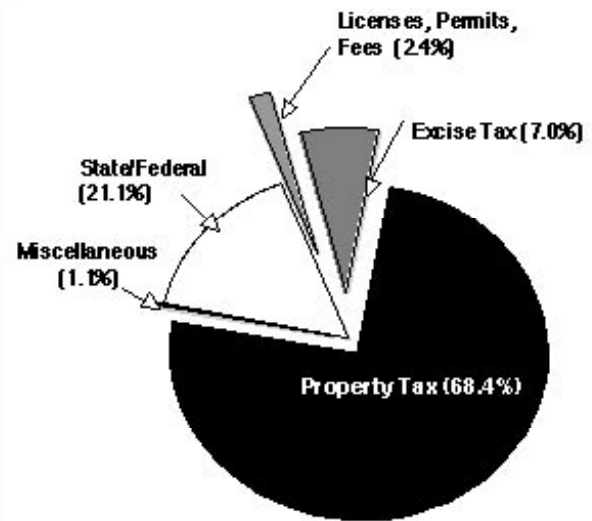
are bonds associated with the construction of the new high school). In November 2001, the town's citizens authorized a \$1,500,000 bond issue to cover the costs of future land acquisitions by the town. These bonds have not yet been issued. In November 2006, the town's citizens authorized a \$3,900,000 bond issue to cover the costs of a new police station and renovations to Central Fire Station.

These bonds also have not yet been issued, but are anticipated to be issued in the spring of 2007. As of December 31, 2006, Falmouth's gross (before state school aid debt subsidy) debt/valuation ratio was 0.99%. Including the state subsidy, the ratio is approximately 0.55%. A 5% debt/valuation ratio is the maximum debt burden that prudently should be carried.

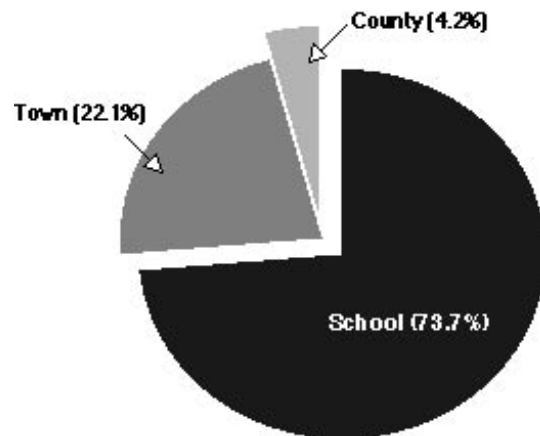
Credit Rating

As part of the town's borrowing process, the town has its credit rating periodically reviewed by the two major credit rating agencies, Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investors Service. We are pleased to report that in 2006 the town maintained its high "AA" credit rating from both agencies (Standard & Poor's--AA, Moody's--Aa2).

*Source of
General Fund Revenues FY2005-2006*



*Distribution of
Property Tax Revenue FY2005-2006*



2006-2007 TAX RATES

	Town	School	County	TOTAL
Property Tax Rate	\$3.17	\$10.62	\$0.61	\$14.40
\$ Increase (decrease) from 2005-06	(.36)	(.60)	(.00)	(.96)
% Increase (decrease) from 2005-06	(10.0)%	(5.4)%	(0.0)%	(6.2)%

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Presented to
Town of Falmouth, Maine

For its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

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Arnold L. Fisher
President

Jeffrey L. Esser
Executive Director

Consolidated Wastewater Billing

In October 2005, the town began a new program of consolidating its wastewater billing with the monthly water billing of the Portland Water District. The consolidated water and sewer billing should be more convenient for citizens, as they can now pay for both services with one check. Also, the resulting change from quarterly to monthly billing will help to improve cash flow.

The Wastewater Department is entirely self-funding and requires no property tax dollars, as it receives all its revenues from user fees and assessments. Thirty percent of the Department's operating revenues are paid by ratepayers from the Town of Cumberland, as the town's system services the Cumberland Foreside area.

Awards and Recognition

For the fourteenth consecutive year, the town received the prestigious Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association. This is a national award that signifies that a town's financial report conforms to the highest standards of government accounting. Falmouth is one of only nine municipalities in the state to attain this distinction.

Our goal is to maintain this honor every year.

In summary, the figures here show that the town remains in solid financial condition, relative to state and national trends.

Special thanks go to the Finance Department staff, *Connie Kaherl, Peter Lund, Sally Pierce, Ellen Planer, Randy Davis, and Beverly Chandler* for their hard work and dedication throughout the year.

Excise Tax Report

AUTOMOBILE EXCISE:

2005-06	\$ 2,356.604 / 10,889 vehicle registrations
2004-05	\$2,309,612 / 10,853 vehicle registrations

		Motor Vehicle	Boat	Snowmobile	ATV (All Terrain Vehicles)
REGISTRATION FEES:	2005-06	\$28.958	\$1,256	\$248	\$104
	2004-05	\$29,501	\$1,170	\$286	\$52

*Decrease in motor vehicle, snowmobile and ATV fees reflect increased use of on-line renewals through the state.

TOWN OF FALMOUTH, MAINE
Statement of Activities: For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

Statement 2

Functions/Programs	Program Revenues				Net (expense) revenue and changes in net assets		
	Expenses	Charges for services	Operating grants and contributions	Capital grants and contributions	Primary Government		TOTAL
					Governmental activities	Business-type activities	
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT:							
Governmental activities:							
General government	\$ 2,229,811	289,523	1,709	—	(1,938,579)	—	(1,938,579)
Financial management	805,940	69,269	10,000	—	(726,671)	—	(726,671)
Public safety	2,913,369	381,021	—	89,955	(2,445,393)	—	(2,445,393)
Public works	3,992,590	2,124,962	202,740	4,787	(1,660,101)	—	(1,660,101)
Community development	435,608	213,088	—	—	(222,520)	—	(222,520)
Parks and community programs	1,140,013	635,127	64,303	—	(440,583)	—	(440,583)
Education	25,686,458	599,351	8,340,225	—	(16,746,882)	—	(16,746,882)
Non-departmental	345,520	—	—	—	(345,520)	—	(345,520)
Interest on long-term debt	898,018	—	—	—	(898,018)	—	(898,018)
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	38,447,327	4,312,241	8,618,977	91,742	(25,424,267)	—	(25,424,267)
Business-type activities:							
Wastewater treatment	1,396,655	1,479,721	—	374,252	—	457,318	457,318
TOTAL BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	1,396,655	1,479,721	—	374,252	—	457,318	457,318
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	39,843,982	5,792,062	8,618,977	465,994	(25,424,267)	457,318	(24,966,949)
General revenues:							
Property taxes				\$	24,375,254	—	24,375,254
Excise taxes					2,387,763	—	2,387,763
Cable TV franchise fees					147,246	—	147,246
Grants not restricted to specific programs					991,094	—	991,094
Unrestricted investment earnings					504,903	—	504,903
Miscellaneous revenues					30,952	—	30,952
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES					28,437,212	—	28,437,212
Change in net assets					3,012,945	457,318	3,470,263
Net assets - beginning					40,452,346	11,026,617	51,478,963
Net assets - ending				\$	43,465,291	11,483,935	54,949,226

(The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.)

TOWN OF FALMOUTH, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

	General	Other Governmental Funds	TOTAL Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property	\$ 24,238,302	1,104,909	25,343,211
Excise	2,387,763	—	2,387,763
Licenses, fees and permits	456,712	—	456,712
Intergovernmental	8,860,681	946,334	9,807,015
Charges for services	446,850	441,951	888,801
Fines and forfeitures	24,687	—	24,687
Investment earnings	787,545	48	787,593
Miscellaneous / reserves	113,573	1,240,310	1,353,883
TOTAL REVENUES	37,316,113	3,733,552	41,049,665
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	879,552	—	879,552
Financial management	722,924	—	722,924
Public safety	2,582,759	—	2,582,759
Public works	1,735,772	—	1,735,772
Community development	420,412	621,704	1,042,116
Parks and community programs	389,486	—	389,486
Education	23,489,736	1,463,449	24,953,185
Non-departmental	345,520	280,746	626,266
County tax	971,587	—	971,587
Debt service:			
Principal	1,400,000	38,500	1,438,500
Interest	899,368	3,860	903,228
Capital outlay:			
Capital improvements and reserves	2,290,206	633,472	2,923,678
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	36,127,322	3,041,731	39,169,053
Excess of revenues over expenditures	1,188,791	691,821	1,880,612
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers out	—	(374,252)	(374,252)
Capital leases	113,528	—	113,528
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	113,528	(374,252)	(260,724)
Net change in fund balances	1,302,319	317,569	1,619,888
Fund balances — beginning	16,615,248	2,439,968	19,055,216
Fund balances — ending	\$ 17,917,567	2,757,537	20,675,104

(Notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.)

TOWN OF FALMOUTH, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual
General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

Statement 6

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final	Actual	
REVENUES				
Taxes:				
Property	\$ 24,161,101	24,161,101	24,238,302	77,201
Excise	2,230,000	2,230,000	2,387,763	157,763
Licenses, permits and fees	323,700	323,700	456,712	133,012
Intergovernmental revenues	5,800,931	5,800,931	6,385,004	584,073
Charges for services	315,800	315,800	446,850	131,050
Fines and forfeitures	25,450	25,450	24,687	(763)
Investment earnings	80,200	80,200	787,545	707,345
Miscellaneous	7,000	7,000	113,573	106,573
TOTAL REVENUES	32,944,182	32,944,182	34,840,436	1,896,254
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	929,684	944,684	879,552	65,132
Financial management	768,122	768,122	722,924	45,198
Public safety	2,597,905	2,597,905	2,582,759	15,146
Public works	1,763,341	1,763,341	1,735,772	27,569
Community development	459,647	459,647	420,412	39,235
Parks and community programs	410,180	410,180	389,486	20,694
Education	22,063,001	22,127,001	21,014,059	1,112,942
Non-departmental	420,380	420,380	345,520	74,860
County tax	971,587	971,587	971,587	--
Capital outlay:				
Capital improvements and reserves	7,143,814	7,343,814	2,290,206	5,053,608
Debt service:				
Principal	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	—
Interest	921,137	921,137	899,368	21,769
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	39,848,798	40,127,798	33,651,645	6,476,153
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(6,904,616)	(7,183,616)	1,188,791	8,372,407
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Capital leases	—	—	113,528	(113,528)
Utilization of carryforward balances	6,904,616	6,904,616	—	6,904,616
Supplemental appropriations	—	279,000	—	279,000
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	6,904,616	7,183,616	113,528	7,070,088
Net change in fund balance	—	—	1,302,319	1,302,319
Fund balance — beginning	16,615,248	16,615,248	16,615,248	—
Fund balance — ending	\$ 16,615,248	16,615,248	17,917,567	1,302,319

(The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.)

Town of Falmouth

Outstanding Real Estate Taxes — March 28, 2007

2004-05 LIENS RECEIVABLE

MACRAE, MARTHA ANN	240 MIDDLE RD.....	\$1,894.28
ROY, LOIS L & WILLIAM V	12 CHURCH ST.....	\$2,006.00
WAYCOTT, HARRIET L	0 HIGHLAND LAKE.....	\$80.22

2005-06 LIENS RECEIVABLE

BEAL, JAMES & LINDA J	7 STAGECOACH RD.....	\$2,148.81
BEAL, JAMES & LINDA J	0 BLACKSTRAP RD	\$1,026.061
BODWELL, ALDEN D.....	29 PLEASANT HILL RD	\$986.83
BRIDGE VIEW LLC.....	41 ALLEN AVE EXT.....	\$3,616.93
CAMBRIDGE, JANICE.....	4 KELLEY RD.....	\$6,236.47
DAVIS, WILLIAM J.....	481 GRAY RD.....	\$1,790.66
KIMBALL, JAYNE B	9 AMERESCOGGIN RD	\$3,790.72
LUNT, VIRGINIA A & WILLIAM M III.....	16 LUNT RD.....	\$3,142.26
MACRAE, MARTHA ANN	240 MIDDLE RD.....	\$3,787.48
MCGOVERN, DAVID A.....	35 ALLEN AVE EXT.....	\$2,274.97
MIDDLE ROAD PROPERTIES INC	0 DADILEO RD.....	\$672.36
MIDDLE ROAD PROPERTIES INC	0 DADILEO RD.....	\$682.01
MIDDLE ROAD PROPERTIES INC	0 DADILEO RD.....	\$665.92
MORRILL, GEORGIANNA.....	16 CLIFTON RD.....	\$2,460.02
ROSS, JACKIE	125 BLACKSTRAP RD	\$1,902.87
ROY, LOIS L & WILLIAM V	12 CHURCH ST.....	\$347.35
SHATTUCK, MELISSA	1 WEBBER WY.....	\$820.35
SPEEDY OF FALMOUTH INC.....	48 US ROUTE 1.....	\$3,274.20
STURDIVANT, KIMBERLY M & LAWRENCE M.....	14 SHADY LN	\$4,663.43
SYLVESTER, MICHAEL S & SUZANNE V.....	103 FORESIDE RD.....	\$5,094.04
TINSMAN, DOUGLAS A & SANDRA E	0 LONGWOODS RD.....	\$802.69
TINSMAN, JENNIFER.....	0 LONGWOODS RD.....	\$838.10
TIRABASSI, COLLEEN D & GARY M.....	8 TERRA WY.....	\$1,708.61
TIRABASSI, COLLEEN D &	0 TERRA WY.....	\$70.80
TYZZER, RICHARD E.....	1 FALLS RD	\$1,463.94
WAYCOTT, HARRIET L	0 HIGHLAND LAKE.....	\$80.22

Personal Property Taxes — March 28, 2007

2004-05 TAXES RECEIVABLE

FORESIDE APPRAISAL CO.....	410 MIDDLE RD.....	\$78.88
TURF DOCTOR	56 GRAY RD.....	\$231.90

2005-06 TAXES RECEIVABLE

ACCESS CARE	60 GRAY RD #12.....	\$46.08
ARICIA INC.....	4 FUNDY RD	\$3.07
CHAMPION GLASS.....	48 US ROUTE 1.....	\$43.01
FORESIDE APPRAISAL CO.....	410 MIDDLE RD.....	\$95.23
SYLVESTER, MICHAEL S	103 FORESIDE RD	\$30.72
TURF DOCTOR	46 GRAY RD.....	\$230.40

School Committee 2006-2007

Elected Officials



BEPPIE CERF
Chair



KATHY HILLMAN REED
Vice-Chair



MARK TERISON



KAREN FARBER



SCOTT LYDICK



BETH FRANKLIN



LINDA COTE



GEORGE ENTWHISTLE
Superintendent



School Department

Superintendent of Schools, George H. Entwistle III, Ed. D.

The 2006-2007 school year has been one of making continuous improvement and solid progress in each of the Falmouth Public School District's five goal areas: (1) Establishing a culture of wellness that supports the physical, social and emotional well-being of all members of our school community; (2) Meeting the learning needs of every student; (3) Promoting responsible citizenship behavior (locally, regionally, nationally and globally); (4) Building Professional Learning Communities (promoting continuous, professional development of our teaching staff) — within our schools, across our district, regionally and beyond; and (5) Continually improving our organizational systems and structures.

On March 24, 2006, upwards of 300 stakeholders (students, teachers, parents, elected officials, civic and business leaders, and community members) engaged in dialogue about how best to prepare our students for their role as global citizens. The collective input from the day's activity was used to fine-tune the long-term goals for the Falmouth School District and to refresh/create a new 18-month improvement plan for our schools.

This year there has been a concerted effort made to improve all aspects of wellness by increasing physical activity levels, learning about and encouraging healthy food selections, and continuing to build more efficient identification mechanisms and a broader range of support services to meet the emotional/mental health needs of students, K-12.

Academically, across the district, we have been creating, revamping and/or refining systems and structures that offer clearly sequenced instruction, and monitor individual student learning and that trigger support interventions, as needed. A focused effort has been continued this school year to encourage individuals and teams of teachers to use student performance data to strengthen curriculum development and to improve classroom instruction.

We have inventoried all of the instruction, projects and initiatives that serve to promote citizenship education and higher levels of civic engagement in our students — we were all very excited and pleased with the inventory amassed. Opportunities for more experiential learning, more community/service learning, and more globally-focused learning have continued to be expanded. We have begun to explore "globalizing" our social studies curriculum and our foreign language curriculum, and creating service and academic learning opportunities for students and staff that take them beyond our U.S. borders.

During this school year we have forged new partnerships (for example, with Universidad Iberoamericana in the Dominican Republic and with Safe Passage in Guatemala) and reinforced and expanded on-going relationships with the University of Southern Maine and our Casco Bay Educational Alliance partners, with whom we are exploring efficiencies and costs savings to be gained in sharing and/or consolidating services with MSAD 51, Freeport/Pownal, and Yarmouth. Closer to home, our FPS district managers and the managers from the Falmouth municipal departments have been meeting to examine existing partnership ventures and to determine how they might expand cooperation and collaboration to generate better services, greater efficiencies and cost-savings both for the town and for the schools.

Of no exception, this year, are the tremendous contributions made to the Falmouth Public Schools by parent volunteers, booster club members, community clubs (Rotary, Lions) and of course, the Falmouth Education Foundation (FEF)

Falmouth Public School
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— the learning environment and the experience of all of our educational community members (students and staff alike) are enriched by these incredibly generous contributions of time, talent, and resources.

Lunt School

—Principal, John Flaherty

As a staff, we believe that the primary grades form the foundation for a student's education. High teaching and learning standards, combined with developmentally appropriate practices, are the expectation and the norm at Lunt School. Our staff has created an atmosphere that is safe and orderly — one that nurtures the academic, social, and emotional growth of students.

Curriculum benchmarks and assessments are aligned with the Maine Learning Results. Student assessment information has been collected for many years, providing ongoing data that validates school-wide literacy progress in grades K-2.

When assessment results and classroom performance indicate that a child needs additional support, we have an established response system in place to help. It begins with the classroom teacher making modifications to the child's program with support from a literacy education technician. Our Response to Intervention Team, Student Assistance Team, reading specialists, school guidance counselors, and a full cadre of special education staff also provide assistance to children in need.

In addition to literacy, math is an important focus at Lunt School. We are in year three of the implementation process with Everyday Math, a rigorous and comprehensive curriculum that is used across the country. It has been extensively researched and proven to build students' mathematical knowledge from the basics to higher-level thinking and critical problem solving. It is a hands-on program that uses the spiral approach, which means skills are addressed several times throughout the school year and beyond.

Lunt School houses eight half-day kindergartens, one transitional first grade, nine first, and nine second grade classes. Four of our first and second grades are "looping" classes, meaning that the children remain with the same classmates and teacher for both first and second grade. We pride ourselves on maintaining reasonable teacher-student ratios that are consistent with best teaching practices. Lunt School has an outstanding professional and support staff.

In addition to excellent classroom experiences, our professional teaching staff offers art, music, physical education, and library each week as well as intensive reading support. Additionally, the first (including transitional first) and second graders have a 20-minute French lesson each day.

At Lunt School, we are a community of educators and learners who work collaboratively in order to ensure quality educational experiences for all 430 of Falmouth's kindergarten through Grade 2 students.

Plummer-Motz School

—Principal, Karen Boffa

Plummer-Motz School educates 328 third and fourth grade students this year. Academically, the focus is on standards-based, enriched instruction in reading, writing, math, science, social studies, health, and French. Non-competitive, skill-based experiences in physical education are a regular component of each child's week, along with computer technology, and visual and performing arts. The library, which provides services to both Plummer-Motz and Lunt Schools, is a vital key to student learning. An engaging reading incentive program is an important activity every winter, while research strategies and projects are centered there as well. There is a strong support system of guidance, social work, special education and gifted education, which can respond to special student and family needs in order that every student may find success.

The teachers at Plummer-Motz take advantage of many Maine resources and offer a variety of curriculum-based field trips to accentuate the children's studies. Students enjoy trips to the Portland Museum of Art, and attend concerts by the Portland Symphony and performances by the Maine State Ballet. Third graders visit historic sites in Portland and fourth graders visit important places like the Maine State Museum and Statehouse, Fort Western, Maine Maritime Museum, and DeLorme Maps.

Many students take part in extracurricular activities offered at Plummer-Motz School. At the very beginning of the year, many fourth graders choose to participate in the Theater Club, which holds a production in October. Activities Club offers a wide variety of options including jump roping, rollerblading, gymnastics, floor hockey, circus arts, hiking, and ice skating, to name a few. Over one hundred children participate in the fourth grade chorus, which rehearses one day a week before school and includes at least two concerts every year. Kids Who Care, a charitable organization, meets after school to support a variety of outreach projects and Math Club is an opportunity for children interested in extra experiences in math. Plummer-Motz School has just started a new Robotics Club to foster essential engineering and math concepts for interested fourth grade students. They will encounter key concepts that relate to computer science, applied mathematics, science and team-based communication and design. The Debbie Wood Memorial Fund helps the school sponsor a Homework Club throughout the year.

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Teachers work collaboratively each month during the early release afternoons on the school specific projects and initiatives, which evolved from the Community Dialogue in March 2006. One of our on-going projects is to expand instructional differentiation and curriculum integration to meet the learning needs of our students.

Falmouth Middle School

—Principal, Jeff Rodman

Falmouth Middle School provides instruction to 752 students in grades five through eight. The education of our students is our primary concern and leading this charge is the middle school's outstanding faculty and staff. We are extremely proud that Falmouth Middle School currently has five National Board Certified teachers and that many of our teachers have earned postgraduate degrees.

Our students have consistently ranked among the best in the State of Maine according to test scores from the Maine Education Assessment. This past year, 88% of our 8th graders either met or exceeded standards on the MEA math assessment. Our scores were equally as strong in reading as 87% of the eighth graders either met or exceeded the state's proficiency standards. Additionally, one of our sixth grade students was a finalist in the Lions Club International Peace Poster Contest. We have also sent students on to the finals of both the State's Geography and Spelling Bees.

Teachers are devoting a significant amount of professional development time to curriculum refinement and improving instructional strategies. In an effort to assist with struggling learners, we have added a second Literacy Specialist whose responsibilities include helping students who are not meeting standards, particularly in the areas of reading and writing. Our Literacy Specialists also provide staff development opportunities for teachers on identified "best practices" in order to best meet the needs of each and every student at the middle school.

We are particularly proud of our students' contributions to their school, the community, and our neighbors — both near and far. Our adopt-a-family program provided holiday meals and gifts for nearly twenty families in the greater Portland area. Additionally, the students have organized fundraisers for Cystic Fibrosis, Heavenly Hats, and for a local family whose home and belongings were lost as a result of a devastating fire.

Our students have also planned blood drives, and a school-wide Wellness Day.

Falmouth Middle School also boasts one of the largest and most active Civil Rights Teams in all of Maine, and our 5th grade class hosts a Naturalization Ceremony that confers U.S. citizenship to people who have come to America from all corners of the globe.

Falmouth Middle School continues its work to be a school that is academically excellent and developmentally responsive to the educational, social, and emotional needs of our student body.

Falmouth High School

—Principal, Allyn Hutton

The mission statement of Falmouth High School states that we shall foster the development of ethical, responsible, involved citizens of the Falmouth and the global community and prepare students academically, emotionally and socially to meet their post-secondary goals and aspirations. This school year we have introduced many new and exciting initiatives to better address student needs and work towards our mission.

The new high school schedule allowed us to introduce new electives to the curriculum including Oceanography, Astronomy, Geology, Bioethics, AP Biology, Writing for College, Art History, Economics, Acting and Introduction to Theater. These new courses were developed and offered as a result of student interest and have been well received by the students. In an effort to support students both physically, socially, and emotionally, we have also introduced an enrichment period where students sign up to participate in a variety of activities from beginning guitar to yoga/meditation and book groups. This has provided us with an opportunity for students and staff to explore learning opportunities in a new way and interact with students and staff that they might otherwise never meet.



During three days in January, all students and staff experienced the first Intersession at Falmouth High School. All members of our school community became engaged in a three-day activity that explored a passion or extended their learning experience in a new way. During that time students participated in their choice of 26 activities that ranged from Ballroom Dancing, and Living Well for a Lifetime to Winter Hiking. Feedback from students, staff and parents concerning the experience has been very positive.

Service learning has also been taken to new heights at FHS this year. With the addition of a Service Learning Coordinator, we have provided exciting new opportunities for our students to provide valuable services locally, regionally and globally. The opportunities have included the following: assisting young children in Guatemala through the Safe Passage Project; raising money to help build a school for girls in Afghanistan; helping build a Habitat for Humanity home in Freeport; and, providing much needed assistance and supplies at homeless shelters and the Ronald MacDonald House in Portland.

The students of FHS have provided hundreds of hours of community service this year and have learned the joy of giving their time to help others.

Thank you to the staff for their hard work in implementing the new initiatives, the students for their excitement and energy in participating and the parents for their ongoing support to our school. It is through continued collaborative efforts among students, parents, staff and community members that we can make our mission a reality at Falmouth High School.

Special Education

—Director, Carolyn Crowell

Special Education and related services are provided to students with disabilities in accordance with Federal and State laws. The Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) was reauthorized in December 2004 through P.L. 108-446. We will be making adjustments to our policies and procedures as soon as the new State regulations are made available by the Maine Department of Education.

The number of students served through Special Education has remained stable. As of the December 1st "Child Count", Falmouth had 246 students who receive special education and related services within our schools (K-12). This is 11.48% of the total school population.

Our staff includes special education teachers, educational technicians, speech language pathologists, occupational therapists, social workers, school psychological services provider, and part-time contracted services providers for physical therapy, psychiatric consultation and specialized evaluations.

The Youth Alternatives Program for girls is in its second year at Falmouth High School. The girls reside in Falmouth for a maximum of 45 days. Since September of

2005, over 75 girls have participated in this highly successful program. Last Spring, the Girls' Transition Program received a special commendation award from the Department of Education for the excellent work accomplished in its new home at Falmouth High School.

In order to assist parents who naturally turn to school staff for advice about serious emotional and social issues that their students may face, the Falmouth School Department has made a cooperative agreement with Counseling Services, Inc. (CSI). During an interview process which included several area mental health agencies, CSI demonstrated a high interest in working with Falmouth to provide reliable information and timely service to parents and staff who seek mental health assessment and intervention. We are looking forward to further developing our collaboration with CSI.

Our Special Education website provides a wide range of information pertinent to Special Education and is a link found at Falmouthschools.org. Questions about Special Education are welcomed at the Special Education Office at 781-2079.

District News

—Assistant Superintendent, Barbara Powers

The Department of Education is, as you know, in the midst of major initiatives at the local and state level. In addition to regionalization efforts, Falmouth continues to be most interested in the direction of revised graduation guidelines and the pending adoption of the Revised Maine Learning Results, which were rewritten under the direction of a distinguished educator from Falmouth and former Middle School science teacher, Anita Bernhardt. The revisions are much more reflective of national standards and match well with work to date in the district. The work in curriculum continues in two important areas this year: 1) K-12 Literacy, and 2) Modern and Classical Languages, while two new areas are under review this year as well: 1) Social Studies, and 2) Health and Physical Education.

The Literacy Review Team last year focused in on the reading sequence of instruction, which, subsequently, became the focus of intensive work this year. Very clear learning goals and instructional strategies have now been identified in all grade levels through direct, facilitated conversations with reading teachers. Appropriate literacy practices for content area teachers in the Middle and High Schools have further been identified so that effective reading strategies can be well supported by all teachers. Last fall, all students in grades 3 through 10 participated in an on-line reading assessment developed by Northwest Evaluative Associates, or NWEA, once again. Progress can now be carefully tracked fall to spring, spring to fall, and over the period of a year.

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It has been critical evidence in our goal of making sure all students are improving as readers. Parents will again receive information in the spring that reports on reading gains students have made since the fall.

In addition to literacy, the district scheduled a curriculum review last year in the area of Modern and Classical Languages, and this study continues on into the current year under the consultative direction of an international expert in foreign language instruction.

The consultant's recommendations are now being considered as world language teachers, especially in grades 1 through 6, seek ways to integrate their curricula with content area learning goals to support classroom learning using the target language. A goal for this group in its second study year will be to guide continued focus on curriculum development with assessment practices well tied to learning goals. More focus on oral proficiency has been recommended as well.

New areas of review this year include history and the social sciences, health, and physical education. Teacher leaders have facilitated the social studies review, where rich instruction and curriculum have been available over the years. The goal is to be sure the sequence of instruction is thoughtful, and that students are exposed to local, state, US, and world history and current events in an ever expanding view of the social community.

The plan is that by the end of this school year, the curricular sequence will be ready for review by a panel of critical friends outside of the school. Meanwhile, health teachers have worked hard to be sure that coverage of important health topics is carefully sequenced and that topics are well matched to student levels of understanding and maturity, with well chosen activities designed to promote lifelong healthy practices. Physical educators have also met to look at the combination of goals within the physical education standards and are also looking to provide appropriate sequence and extended fitness opportunities.

Professional learning opportunities have been well supported on site in the area of literacy. Workshops on phonemic awareness and fluency practices, vocabulary instruction, reading comprehension strategies, and writing have all been made available to teachers using our own professional staff during early release afternoons, the professional day in October, and during before and after school meetings.

High School teachers are currently participating in the AP audit as required by the College Board this year, while other teachers have attended math, science, history, world language, health, and physical education professional conferences and workshops, made school visits to an International Baccalaureate site, participated in CBEA (Casco Bay Educational Alliance) gatherings, and taken part in a multitude of other activities including graduate

coursework to continue to increase knowledge and professional practice.

Finally, this year Falmouth Public Schools were pleased to have five more teachers recognized as certified by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards: Cathy Stankard, high school history teacher; Suzanne Stacey, high school English teacher; Suzan Nelson, high school librarian; Rick Hogan, middle school math teacher; and, Audrey Briggs, first grade teacher. Falmouth continues to support the high quality professional learning that is an integral part of the National Board certification process. Students benefit greatly from this focused, reflective practice.

Technology Integration

—Director of Student Planning and Learning Options, Sue Palfrey

Technology integration in Falmouth is rooted in the belief that high quality use of computers in our schools depends on keeping high quality teaching at the forefront. Our goal is to use technology when it can improve student learning. Well used, technology allows students to focus on higher level thinking skills, revise work (working toward higher standards), manipulate data, communicate higher level thinking skills through graphic representations and hyperlinks, and expand sources for gathering information and communicating knowledge. It allows teachers to tailor lessons according to individual student needs including variations in pacing, level of complexity, level of abstraction or concreteness, and/or assigned student products.

Technology access varies from grade to grade. Students in kindergarten through grade 2 have access to one or two computers in their classroom. Large screen monitors are available on carts for whole group instruction using a computer. Third through 6th grade students attend computer class in a computer lab where they learn computer skills by completing projects based on classroom study.

These students, as well as high school students, use laptops housed on carts wheeled into the classroom. Every 7th and 8th grade student has a laptop to use both at school and at home. Seventh grade teachers are now in their fifth year of teaching with laptops, and 8th grade teachers are in their fourth year. Middle School teachers report that students having laptops has meant a positive change in how they teach students, resulting in higher expectations for student learning. It appears that the cart model is a better solution at the high school and, as a result, we chose to expand the number of carts available for classroom use at the high school. Feedback in this year's surveys has been positive. We closely monitor computer usage data on a yearly basis.

At the high school there are three computer labs and computers available in the library. Students use computers on a regular basis to do homework. Approximately 250 of our current students have taken or are taking at least one technology course. Of these students, 35 have taken three or more technology classes at the high school.

For the first time this year, our high school students and identified 7th and 8th graders have the option of taking online courses through Virtual High School (www.govhs.org). Virtual High School, a cooperative venture with each participating school providing at least one on-line course, offers over 200 different full semester courses in the arts, business, English language arts, world languages, life skills, math, science, social studies, and technology. In addition, VHS offers 15 Advanced Placement (AP) full year courses to participating students. All of the core courses are NCAA accredited.



Other online additions include AgileMind software. High school students in Algebra through pre-Calculus use models and animations to problem solve. Online courseware is used by teachers for discussions, web resources, and homework management.

Also new this year is the use of banks of 5 older laptops in each 5th and 6th grade classroom. Students rotate through these laptops as they work on research, writing, and other computer-based learning opportunities. For further elaboration of technology and learning in Falmouth schools and data on technology usage, please see the technology section of the school website.

TOWN OF FALMOUTH, MAINE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

Statement 2

	General	Nonmajor Special Revenue	Capital Reserve Fund	Nonmajor Capital Projects	TOTAL Governmental Funds
REVENUES:					
Taxes	\$ 17,788,073	—	—	—	17,788,073
Intergovernmental	7,200,592	858,118	—	—	8,058,710
Charges for services	—	441,951	—	—	441,951
Investment income	9,287	1,253	—	—	10,540
Other	26,748	84,590	—	240,510	351,848
TOTAL REVENUES	25,024,700	1,385,912	—	240,510	26,651,122
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
Regular instruction	15,674,074	1,449,465	—	—	17,123,539
Other instruction	611,854	—	—	—	611,854
Student support	1,517,485	—	—	—	1,517,485
School administration	1,134,832	—	—	—	1,134,832
General administration	678,498	—	—	—	678,498
Operation and maintenance of plant	2,118,121	—	—	—	2,118,121
Student transportation	1,083,587	—	—	—	1,083,587
Debt service	—	—	—	—	1,965,018
Capital Improvement	471,618	—	100,382	104,580	676,580
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	25,255,087	1,449,465	100,382	104,580	26,909,514
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(230,387)	(63,553)	(100,382)	135,930	(258,392)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Proceeds from Capital Lease	113,528	—	—	—	113,528
Transfer (to) from Medicaid Fund	62,355	(62,355)	—	—	—
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCE (USES)	175,883	(62,355)	—	—	113,528
Net change in fund balances	(54,504)	(125,908)	(100,382)	135,930	(144,864)
Fund balances, beginning of year as originally recorded	710,601	484,915	565,556	102,806	1,863,878
FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR	\$ 656,097	359,007	465,174	238,736	1,719,014

(See accompanying notes to fund financial statement.)

An Update from the Falmouth Education Foundation

"This machine is a lifesaver for me."

"We will all have immediate benefits from having digital cameras in the classroom."

*"Our students' education has been enriched by grants that have allowed us
to hire visiting artists covering a range of topics."*

These are just a few of the comments from teachers throughout the Falmouth Schools about the effect that the Falmouth Education Foundation (FEF) has had on their classrooms, their teaching, and their interaction with students. And these are the kinds of comments that the Foundation loves to hear.

FEF, founded in 1993, enhances educational excellence and promotes innovative student development by supporting programs and initiatives that primarily benefit Falmouth schoolchildren. That support comes in the form of grants, distributed twice a year. The Foundation is run by a volunteer group of community members.

The Foundation holds a number of fundraising activities in order to be able to distribute grant funds. Each year, community members enjoy the FEF Fall Ball, a dinner/dance and auction that is always a sell-out. It is the Foundation's largest fundraiser. Also in the fall, the Foundation sponsors a kitchen tour. The spring season brings the annual rummage sale and spelling bee. The Falmouth Middle School gymnasium is transformed into one of the largest garage sales ever! And the spelling bee in the High School Theatre brings teams of spellers on to the stage to match their wits and skills.

All of these events allow the Foundation to raise money to give back to the community. From Camp Kieve scholarships and technology upgrades, to guest speakers and visiting artists, to newspaper publishing costs and community orchard improvements, to "Focus Friends" and Community Programs scholarships, to scientific equipment enhancements and outdoor classrooms ...these are just a few examples of projects the Foundation has funded. In the nearly 14-year history of the Foundation, more than \$530,000 has been allocated to the community.

It's words like this, from a third grader at Plummer Motz, that underscore the importance of the work of the Foundation: "Thank you so much for the amplification system. It really makes a difference. My learning will go up!"

If you would like to learn more about the Falmouth Education Foundation, please visit:
www.falmoutheducationfoundation.org





Falmouth Memorial Library

5 Lunt Road, Falmouth, Maine 04105

<http://www.falmouth.lib.me.us>

Lynda L. Sudlow, Director

The mission of the Falmouth Memorial Library is to enrich the community by providing resources and services that foster a love of reading and inspire imagination, curiosity and an open exchange of ideas and information. (Adopted June 2003)



Did You Know that in FY 2006

■ The library checked out 172,245 items (a 7% increase over the previous year).

This included:

- 47,283 books for adults
- 76,395 books for children and young adults
- 10,106 audio books
- 2,697 magazines
- 24,874 video cassettes & DVDs
- 5,041 music CDs
- 5,849 items borrowed from other libraries (up another 42% over the previous year)

More numbers:

- 8,722 people are active borrowers of library materials.
- 123,706 people came into the library (9% more than last year).
- Approximately 6,000 people attended library events.
- 7,355 people used the library's internet access computers.
- The meeting spaces were scheduled 1,012 times.

An increasing number of people are using the Falmouth Library's website as a portal to a wide variety of library services. The Library is a member of Minerva, a consortium of more than 85 Maine libraries whose mission is to allow convenient sharing of over 6 million items among member libraries.

It also offers access to MARVEL! — a collection of full text articles and abstracts from thousands of magazines, newspapers, and reference books that are all credible, reputable resources. With the help of the Maine State Library, we are creating a library without walls.

The Library receives approximately 78% of its budget from the Town of Falmouth. The Library also raised \$54,400 through its annual fund campaign and

received more than \$30,000 in other contributions last year. The Falmouth Lions make a contribution towards the library's book collection in memory of each Falmouth resident who passes away (see page 13).

All of these contributions make it possible to continue to offer high-quality library service to the Falmouth community.

As reported in the previous year's report, the Library is facing unprecedented challenges due to a growing community and growing expectations. Technology continues to allow us to enhance our ability to provide needed books and information, but it, too, provides challenges as well as opportunities. The Library Board of Trustees continues to explore the best method to respond to these challenges, given the limited options to expand at the current site.

Highlights and Events

LunchBox Friends, the monthly noontime program sponsored by the Friends of the Falmouth Memorial Library featuring popular local authors continued this year and included humorist John MacDonald, who attracted the largest crowd ever.

The 4th annual Textile Day was held November 13. Textile artists were invited to demonstrate their craft for the general public, and many got a chance to try their hand at such skills as weaving, knitting, and spinning.

The Library sponsored the 2nd Annual Falmouth Authors' Day on March 12 when fifteen Falmouth authors and illustrators converged to chat with readers and colleagues.

Trustees began a new and fun fund-raising tradition with the first annual Beauty and the Books Silent Auction held in November of 2007. The auction raised \$4,705.



Humorist John MacDonald entertains the crowd at LunchBox Friends, February 14, 2006.

Other programs offered by the library and the Friends of the Library include regular story times for young children, crafts and stories for older children, a summer reading program, book discussion groups, book sales, the Holiday Revels, and Library Sundae (featuring antique autos, Doc's Banjo Band and sundaes).

Volunteers helped with clean-up days, book sales, bottle sorting, Gift-a Book, shelving, craft programs, recycling, and much more.

The Library lost its long-time assistant director and reference librarian, *Linda McConnell*, who returned to her native Australia. We found an excellent replacement in *Andi Jackson-Darling* who joined the staff in September.



Arthur Frederiksen and other veterans from Post #164 speak at the November LunchBox Friends meeting.

For more information about the Falmouth Memorial Library, its programs and services and links to reliable and useful information including the MARVEL! databases, visit the website: <http://www.falmouth.lib.me.us>.

We continue to appreciate the generosity of the Falmouth Lions who donate funds to the Falmouth Memorial Library for a book purchase in memory of each deceased person.



David Merrill's 1931 Franklin is only one of dozens of antique cars that participated in Library Sundae held Sunday, July 23, 2006.

Town of Falmouth

Directory of Community Services

This directory contains listings of services in the Greater Portland Area as well as local schools and churches.

The directory is published by the Town of Falmouth's Human Services Committee, whose function is to insure that a safety net is in place in Falmouth to meet the needs of any resident whose safety or health is at risk.

If you have need for more information about these services, you may contact one of the committee members listed below, or the Welfare Director at the Falmouth Town Hall at 781-5253.

Human Services Committee:

Jane Sudds
24 Harding Ave
781-3525

Susan Love
12 Hunter's Way
878-6628

Diane Moore
8 Tree Farm Way
781-2366

Falmouth Town Hall
271 Falmouth Road
781-5253

Maine Poison Center

1-800-222-1222

Maine Medical Center

871-2381 — emergency room

Mercy Hospital

879-3266 — emergency room

■ *Crisis Intervention*

• *Ingraham Volunteers*

237 Oxford St., Portland
774-HELP - Hotline
Ingraham provides an immediate intervention, suicide prevention, counseling, advocacy, and emergency financial assistance. It is also a point of entry for emergency mental health services

• *Crossroad for Women*

773-9931
Halfway House for
substance abuse

• *Sexual Assault Response Service*

774-3613

This Center offers free and confidential 24 hour service to victims of sexual assault. They also provide support groups, sexual assault awareness and prevention

• *Family Crisis Services*

874-1973 or 774-HELP

The center provides a 24 hour Hotline, and emergency shelter in a confidential location, a children's advocate program and outreach programs. It strives to end domestic abuse in Cumberland & Sagadahoc Counties.

• *Survivors of Incest & Crisis Intervention Services*

774-HELP

24 hour access to mental health services for adults, children and families. Mobile crisis response, psychiatric consultation, alternative to hospitalization, information and referral.

• *Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)*

1-888-568-1112
24 hour hotline

■ *Alcohol and Drug Abuse*

• *Day One*

1000 Shore Road
Cape Elizabeth
767-0991

Day One provides services for

youth and their families affected by alcohol and other drugs. Services include: long-term residential treatment; aftercare, adolescent and family counseling, prevention and education.

• *AA — Alcoholics Anonymous*

78 Portland St.
774-4335

• *Al-Anon*

1-800-498-1844
Support for anyone living with alcoholism.

■ *Children's Services*

• *Bureau of Children with Special Needs (DHHS)*

822-0126
1-800-492-0846

• *Center for Grieving Children*

49 York Street, Portland
775-5216

The Center provides support for children and their parents who have a loved one or friend who is very ill or has died; outreach education for parents, schools, groups, child care centers.

• *Sweetser Children's Services*

50 Moody Road, Saco
1-800-434-3000

Sweetser is committed to the special needs of children and adolescents, families and communities includes treatment, education and care.

- *Southern Maine Parent Awareness*
886 Main Street, Sanford
324-2337
The agency provides information and referral, support and education to families who have children with special needs.
- *Child Abuse and Neglect Department of Human Services*
1-800-452-1999

■ Elderly Services

- *Reassurance Program*
Falmouth Police Dept.
271 Falmouth Rd
781-2300
The Falmouth Police Dept. offers this program which provides a call-in service "at no charge" for Senior citizens of Falmouth who live alone. If you know of anyone, or if you yourself would like to participate. Please call 781-2300 with questions.
- *Southern Maine Agency on Aging*
136 Route One, Scarborough
396-6500
1-800-400-6325
This agency provides comprehensive assistance for older people and their family caretakers seeking information and access to programs, benefits.
- *Meals On Wheels*
1-800-400-6325
- *Community Counseling Center*
343 Forest Ave., Portland
874-1030
- *Adult Protective Intake Adult Abuse and Neglect (DHHS)*
1-800-624-8404

■ Family, Food, and Financial Services

- *People's Regional Opportunity Programs (PROP)*
510 Cumberland Ave., Portland
874-1140
PROP provides outreach assistance for homebound elderly, fuel assistance, housing and weatherization, transportation, energy services, food, family support/counseling, crisis intervention and referrals to other agencies.
- *Department of Health & Human Services*
822-2000, 1-800-482-7520
Provides emergency assistance. Food Stamps, Medicaid
- *Town of Falmouth General Assistance Program*
271 Falmouth Rd
781-5253
This program provides short term assistance with food, housing utilities.

■ Transportation

- *Regional Transportation Program*
127 St. John St., Portland
774-2666
Provides transportation for elderly, disabled and low income residents for medical appointments and shopping. Call 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday–Friday to schedule appointments.

■ Health Care Services

- *Home Health Visiting Nurses of Southern Maine*
Portland, 775-7231
1-800-479-4331
Agency provides home health care including nursing, physical, occupational and speech therapy, home health aides, and mental health services.
- *Hospice of Maine*
519 Ocean Ave., Portland
774-4417

- *VNA Home Health Care*
So. Portland
780-8624
Provides home health & hospice services. nursing & therapy.

- *Community Dental*
Portland
874-1028

■ Legal Services

- *Pine Tree Legal Assistance*
774-8211
- *Volunteer Lawyers Project*
774-4348, 1-800-442-4293
- *Lawyer Referral Service*
622-1460

■ Local Churches

- Holy Martyrs*
266 Foreside Rd., 781-4573
- Emmaus Lutheran*
265 Middle Rd., 781-4820
- Foreside Community*
340 Foreside Rd., 781-5880
- Falmouth Congregational*
267 Falmouth Rd., 781-3413
- West Falmouth Baptist*
18 Mountain Rd., 797-4066
- St. Mary the Virgin*
43 Foreside Rd., 781-3366
- Church at Falmouth*
65 Depot Rd, 781-4709

■ Schools

- Superintendent's Office*
51 Woodville Rd.
Dr. George Entwistle,
Superintendent, 781-3200
- Plummer-Motz School*
192 Middle Rd., 781-3988
- Lunt School*
74 Lunt Rd., 781-7424
- Falmouth Middle School*
52 Woodville Rd., 781-3740
- Falmouth High School*
74 Woodville Rd., 781-7429

For Your Information

for further information: www.town.falmouth.me.us

Voter Registration

Residents may register to vote at the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall during regular business hours. Please bring proof of residency with you (i.e., driver's license, tax bill, mail with resident address, etc.). Voting takes place at Falmouth High School on Woodville Road.

Vehicle Registration

New registrations, as well as re-registrations, can be done at Town Hall without having to go to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. To register a vehicle you must have the serial or vehicle identification number, year, make, model, color, weight and optional equipment of the vehicle to be registered.

You must also provide the current mileage of the vehicle and proof of insurance. With a new registration, you are required to present the bill of sale or dealer's sales tax certificate, window sticker, and the application for title. Under state law, we cannot process your registration without proof of insurance.

Online Vehicle Registration Renewal: Renewing your vehicle registration is as easy as point and click with **Rapid Renewal**.

This Internet service lets you renew your registration 24 hours a day, seven days a week online. Rapid Renewal provides Maine citizens an easy way to pay their local excise tax and renew their vehicle registration online.

All you need is your current vehicle registration, current proof of insurance, and credit card or checkbook. On our homepage (www.town.falmouth.me.us) click on the Rapid Renewal picture to begin the process. Tags are mailed; however, you may print an authorization form immediately that provides legal proof of payment.

Visit the Secretary of State's Office at www.sosonline.org for more details.

Birth Certificates

Birth Certificates may be obtained from:

- the City or Town in which the child was born
- the City or Town in which the mother was living at the time of the birth
- the State Department of Vital Statistics located in Augusta, Maine

The fee for a certified birth certificate is \$10.00 for the first copy and \$5.00 for each additional copy.

Marriage Licenses

A marriage license, at a cost of \$30, may be obtained from the Town Clerk. For persons previously married, a certificate must be presented indicating the dissolution of the former marriage. The document must have the original signature of the issuer on it or a raised seal attesting that it is a true copy of the original.

Dog Licenses

To license a dog, a current **State of Maine rabies certificate** must be presented along with a spaying certificate for females and neutering certificate for males.

The fee for unaltered dogs, male or female, is \$10.00 and \$6.00 for altered dogs.

All dogs six months or older must be licensed by the end of the calendar year. A late fee of \$15.00 is effective on February 1. This late fee increases to \$25 effective April 1.

You may register your dog online at www.doglicensing.com or visit www.town.falmouth.me.us and click on "Town Clerk's Office/dog license/online doglicensing".

Fish and Game Licenses

Fishing or hunting licenses may be purchased from the Town Clerk for \$23.00 for residents.

The cost of a resident combination fishing and hunting license is \$40.00. A junior hunting license may be obtained for persons 10 years of age or older and under 16 years for \$9.00/residents.

Hunting and/or fishing licenses can also be obtained online at: www.state.me.us and click on 'buy hunting and fishing license'.

Other licenses include:

Archery License — \$23.00

Resident Military — \$5.00

Duplicate License — \$2.00

Bear Permit — \$29.00

Small Game License — \$16.00

Migratory Waterfowl Stamps — \$7.50

FIRE or POLICE: Emergency Calls — 911

Business Calls — 781-2300 • TDD — 781-4154

Town and School Directory

FOR INFORMATION ON:

ADMINISTRATION (Town Manager)	Nathan Poore..... 781-5253
ASSESSING	Anne Gregory 781-5253
BUILDING, PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL	
PERMITS, ZONING CODES	Al Farris, Jr. 781-5253
BURNING PERMITS	Jay Hallett..... 781-2300
CERTIFICATES (Birth, Death, Marriage)	Kathleen Babeu 781-5253
Acting HARBOR CONTROL	Kevin Cody..... 781-2300
LICENSES	Kathleen Babeu 781-5253
(Dog, Victualer, Liquor, Hunting, Fishing, Mooring)	
PARKS & COMMUNITY PROGRAMS	Skip Varney 781-5253
PLANNING	vacant..... 781-5253
POLICE	Ed Tolan 781-2300
PROPERTY TAXES	Ellen Planer 781-5253
ROAD MAINTENANCE	Anthony Hayes..... 781-3919
HIGH SCHOOL	Principal's Office 781-7429
MIDDLE SCHOOL	Principal's Office 781-3740
PLUMMER-MOTZ	Principal's Office 781-3988
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS	George Entwistle..... 781-3200
SEPTIC PUMPING PERMITS	Al Farris, Jr. 781-5253
WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT	Robert "Pete" Clark..... 781-4462
SNOW REMOVAL	Anthony Hayes..... 781-3919
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL/RECYCLING	Anthony Hayes..... 781-3919
STORM DRAINAGE	Anthony Hayes..... 781-3919
TREE WARDEN	Anthony Hayes..... 781-3919
VEHICLE REGISTRATION	Connie Kaherl 781-5253
VOTER REGISTRATION	Kathleen Babeu 781-5253
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	Thomas Lovett..... 781-2300
WELFARE DIRECTOR	Kathleen Babeu 781-5253
WOOD STOVE PERMITS	Al Farris, Jr. 781-5253

Town Hall Office Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday;

Thursdays until 5:30 p.m. only for property tax payments, vehicle registrations, and licenses.

FAX: (207) 781-3640; internet access — <http://town.falmouth.me.us>

Visit our website (www.town.falmouth.me.us, go to "Town Clerk," go to "Elections/Voter Registration")
for detailed state and federal legislator contact information.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE (District No. 112) — David Savage
Mailing Address: PO Box 364, US Rte. 1., Falmouth, ME 04105
(207) 781-3334; Email: repdavidsavag@legislature.gov

STATE REPRESENTATIVE (District No. 113) — John Brautigam
Home Address: 1 Knight Hill Road, Falmouth, ME 04105
(207) 797-7131; Email: jblaw@maine.rr.com (800) 423-2900

STATE SENATOR (District No. 11) — Karl Turner
Home Address: 16 Town Landing Road, Cumberland, ME 04110
(207) 829-9231; Email: kwturner@yahoo.com

FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Congressman Thomas Allen (Democrat)
District Office: 234 Oxford Street, Portland, Maine 04101
(207) 774-5019; Email: rep.tomallen@mail.house.gov

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Olympia J. Snowe (Republican)
District Office: 3 Canal Plaza P.O. Box 188 DTS, Portland, ME 04112
(207) 874-0883; Email: olympia@snowe.senate.gov

Susan M. Collins (Republican)
District Office: 202 Harlow Street, Rm 204, P.O. Box 655, Bangor, ME 04402
(207) 945-0417; Email: <http://collins.senate.gov/low/contactemail.htm>

Service and Recognition

The Town of Falmouth has many dedicated employees. We are pleased to recognize the following individuals for their hard work and commitment to the town.

In 2006:

20 Years

John McNaughton

Tony Hayes

15 Years

Skip Varney

10 Years

Pete Clark

Jeff Mason

5 Years

Kathleen Babeu

Al Farris

Brian Doyle



American Legion Post 164, Falmouth, Maine

As Falmouth American Legion Post 164 enters its 59th year, we are proud of our history as well as our 42 areas of community service to the town. Memorial Day Parade, Veterans Day Ceremony, and Veterans Day Dance are but a few of the 2005 programs.

The Post home is open seven days a week for veterans seeking assistance, as well as Post Hall rentals. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm. — all Vets are welcome. Our telephone is 781-4709.

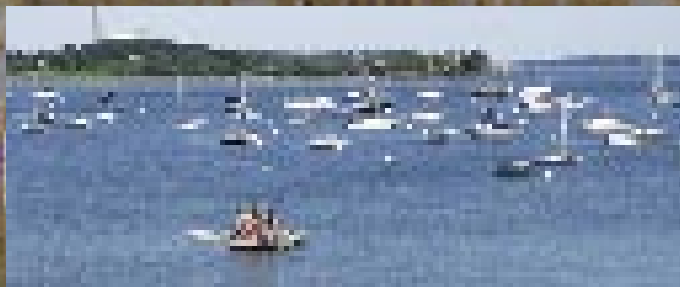


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