

# Vienna Record



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## ELECTION RESULTS - 2014

**Road Commissioner:** Daniel Goucher 175, Troy Bean 61

**RSU #9 School Representative:** Helen Wilkey 222

**First Selectperson:** Doris (Dodi) Thompson 212

**Second Selectperson:** Christopher Smith 126, Roger Pelton 100

**Third Selectperson:** Jeffrey Rackliff 218

**Tax Collector:** Annie Tibbetts 146, Connie Smith 94

**Town Clerk:** Annie Tibbetts 143, Connie Smith 96

**Treasurer:** Martha Gross 215

## NOTES FROM THE SELECTMEN

### Town Meeting - 2014 Warrant

All articles were passed as recommended with the exception of Article #39.

The amount raised and appropriated for the Dr. Shaw Library was amended from \$3200 to \$3500 and passed.

The total raised and appropriated at the Town Meeting was \$520,424.

All incumbent town officials were re-elected.

### Town Report Update

Phyllis Neal should have been included on our "In Memoriam" page. We apologize to her family for this omission.

Kennebec County Sheriff's Department had reported that they responded to 12 calls in Vienna during 2013. We have been informed that the department was experiencing database issues in January and that the correct number of responses and follow ups to Vienna in 2013 was actually 91.

**SELECTMEN'S MINUTES**

**Minutes – Selectmen’s Meetings  
January 28, 2014**



Present: Dodi Thompson,  
Chris Smith, Jeff Rackliff,  
Brian Church, Laura Church

Reviewed and dispersed  
mail.

Read and accepted minutes from previous  
meeting.

It was reported that the Kennebec County  
Sheriff’s Department responded to the town of  
Vienna 12 times in 2013. (Note: This number  
was later corrected to 91)

Reviewed the 2014 budget – continued to  
work on the articles of the warrant for the 2014  
town meeting.

Brian reported that the Fire Department has  
received a grant to put equipment on the new  
forestry skid.

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**February 4, 2014**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff  
Rackliff, Marti Gross, Lenny Meader

Reviewed and dispersed Mail.

Reviewed and signed Warrant #3.

Read and accepted minutes from previous  
meeting.

The selectmen received information that a Mt.  
Vernon resident was seen getting sand from  
our sand pit and that possibly someone else  
was taking the sand for commercial use.

These allegations will be investigated.

Selectmen discussed putting a game camera  
at the sand shed. The sand may be used by  
town residents to sand their own driveways -  
two five gallon buckets may be taken as  
needed.

Selectmen finalized and signed the 2014  
warrant. Dodi reported that the town report will

be ready for the printer (Pettengill Printing in  
Leeds) on Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.

**February 11, 2014**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff  
Rackliff

Reviewed and dispersed mail.

Read and accepted minutes from previous  
meeting.

General discussion of the 2013 town report.

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**February 18, 2014**

Due to icy road conditions the meeting was  
cancelled.

Warrant #4 was reviewed and signed  
independently.

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**February 25, 2014**

Present Dodi Thompson, Jeff Rackliff, Kathy  
and Gail Seamon

Reviewed and dispersed mail.

Reviewed and accepted the proposal from  
Creston Gaither dba York Hill Surveying to  
update the property maps for 2014.

Assisted town resident with tax maps and  
property card review.

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**March 3, 2014**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff  
Rackliff, Marti Gross, Brian Church

Reviewed and dispersed mail.

Read and accepted minutes from previous  
meeting.

Reviewed and signed Warrant #5.

Discussed the Town Audit.

Discussed foreclosures due to unpaid taxes.

Properties that have been foreclosed on may be put out to auction after a 60 day posting in the Town, the Franklin Journal, the Vienna Record and the town website.

**March 11, 2014**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff Rackliff

Reviewed and dispersed mail.  
Read and accepted minutes from previous meeting.  
Re-elected Dodi as Chairmen of the board of selectmen.  
The selectmen discussed the Town Meeting and agreed all seemed to go well.  
The townspeople raised and appropriated \$520524 at the 2014 town meeting.  
The selectmen discussed property abatements.  
Another discussion of the list of foreclosed properties and what the town will do with them. The selectmen agreed to try to work with the property owners one more time before putting them up for auction.

**FROM THE TOWN CLERK**



Annie Tibbetts: 207-293-2915  
email: [ClerkTax@Viennamaine.org](mailto:ClerkTax@Viennamaine.org)  
346 Town House Rd. Vienna, Maine

**Hours**  
Tuesdays and Thursdays - 5 pm - 7 pm  
Wednesdays - 9 am -12 and 12:30-5 pm.  
On the last Saturday of the month 9-12  
and by appointment.

**Notes**  
I would like to thank all of those who came out to vote. I would also like to remind people that I will have to start the lien process on 2013 taxes soon. Thirty day notices will be going out soon.

**PLANNING BOARD NEWS**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VIENNA PLANNING BOARD HELD JANUARY 22, 2013**

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM at the Town House; regular members present were Waine Whittier, Alan Williams, Austin Harrell, and Creston Gaither. Town Clerk Annie Tibbetts appeared and swore these members in for new three-year terms.

Minutes of the November 20 meeting were read, corrected and accepted.

The Board agreed that, in the absence of the applicants, it would not deliberate the pending "cell tower" application tonight. The said applicants have requested a change in the date for the Board's February meeting. It

was agreed to reschedule this meeting for February 19. Creston will advertise this.

Creston will order the latest land use laws booklet.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.  
.....Creston Gaither, secretary

**MEETING OF THE VIENNA PLANNING BOARD HELD FEBRUARY 19, 2014**

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM at the Town House; regular members present were Waine Whittier, Alan Williams, Ed Lawless, Austin Harrell, and Creston Gaither. Also present were Jonathan Lawless, Blaine Hopkins and attorney Andy Hamilton and their Court Reporter.

**PLANNING BOARD NEWS CONTINUED**

Blaine Hopkins is an employee of ATC Realty, a wholly owned subsidiary of Global Tower Partners (GTP). Andrew Hamilton is counsel for GTP. Creston had advertised this rescheduled date and time for this meeting, the rescheduling having been requested by GTP and the Board having agreed to this as a courtesy. Ed agreed that he would remain recused from the "cell tower" deliberations.

Minutes of the January 22 meeting were read and accepted.

With regard to GTP's "cell tower" application, Andy referenced Table 1, "Summary of Visual Impact Report" and said the rolling topography of Vienna means there is nearly nowhere where the tower would have no visual impact at all. He said that a site closer to Flying Pond or at a higher elevation might change a few of the "no's" in the application to "yes's." He does not think Section 7.2.E. addresses visual impact but is limited to safety concerns. He said that conflicts with residential property uses are inevitable for contemporary towers and that GTP has done all that it can to find an adequate site without the impact that the proposed site would have but that they've had no success.

Waine noted that the 300 feet figure on page 9 of GTP's latest memo conflicts with a 253 feet figure given elsewhere. Blaine conceded that 253 feet is the more correct figure. He agreed that there is nowhere on the proposed site parcel where the tower could be made to meet the setback requirements of Vienna's "Wireless Telecommunications Facilities Siting Ordinance" (hereinafter 'the Ordinance.').

Andy said that there is pending litigation regarding GTP's proposed Mount Vernon site; he noted a possible conflict of interest among Planning Board members in Rome (where GTP also has an application pending), some Rome Board members being members of Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, which opposes the application. There is thus some uncertainty as to how the Rome and Mount Vernon applications will be resolved.

- The Board agreed to use Andy's letter to Waine dated Feb. 12 as a convenient outline for its deliberations.

- The Board found that GTP had met the requirements of Section 7.2A. of the Ordinance as to Priority of Location.
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirement of Sect. 7.2.B. that Vienna be included in the primary coverage area.
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirements of Sect. 7.2.D. as to height.
- Consideration of Sect. 7.2.E. "Setbacks" was postponed temporarily.
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirement of Sect. 7.2.F, "Landscaping."
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirement of Sect. 7.2.G. "Fencing."
- As no lighting is required the Board found that Sect. 7.2. H. is not applicable in the present case.
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirement of Sect. 7.2.I, "Color and Materials" by proposing neutral colors.
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirement of Sect. 7.2. J, "Structural Standards" as 3 licensed engineers have approved the proposed structure.
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirement of Sect. 7.2. K, "Visual Impact" as the Ordinance is specific to sites identified in the Comprehensive Plan and not nearby residences. However, the Board voted 4 - 0 that it believes that the proposed site meets the visual impact provisions of Sect. K but finds that Sect. K 1. F is an onerous provision as it would require testing every site in Town.
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirement of Sect. 7.2. L, "Noise"
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirement of Sect. 7.2. M, "Historic & Archaeological Properties."
- The Board found that GTP had met the requirement of Sect. 7.2. N, "Environmental Impact." by proposing minimal excavation and presenting a suitable Erosion Control Plan.

As to Sect. 7.2.E. "Setbacks:" the aforementioned letter of Feb. 12 reiterates a request for exemption from the setback requirements of the Ordinance. Waine read a document outlining his thoughts and pointing out specific safety hazards which would pertain to a collapse of the proposed structure. He said that because the abutting property is residential such risks should be considered conservatively and that the word "may" in the Ordinance should be

construed to allow the Board thus to deny the exception. Andy said he would like to have engineers address Waine's concerns and that there is always some risk.

Waine asked whether GTP would consider writing to abutter Charlene Stevens offering to buy an easement that would allow them to move the tower somewhat easterly so that it would conform. Alan said he'd be willing to deliver such a letter to

Mrs. Stevens in his capacity as an old friend of hers and not as a representative of either the Planning Board or GTP. Andy and Blaine said they'd be willing to try this. Blaine said doing this would likely require an additional two months. The Board therefore voted 4 - 0 to table the application until the end of April.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.  
.....Creston Gaither, secretary

**30 MILE WATERSHED NEWS**

**Flying Pond Watershed Survey this May**



Flying Pond is a resource to our community. Whether you have property right on the pond; use it for swimming, boating, fishing, snowmobiling or skating; appreciate the tax revenue that it generates; or simply enjoy its beauty, it is important to us. To keep it clean and vital now and for the future, it is critical to restrict erosion and runoff, which are the largest sources of pollution and degradation of water quality. A problem can occur anywhere in the watershed – right on the edge of the pond or miles away on a steep slope.

The inset map shows the Flying Pond watershed – all the surrounding land that slopes and drains towards the lake. Later this spring, the Flying Pond Improvement Association and the 30 Mile River Watershed Association, in cooperation with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, will conduct a survey of the entire Flying Pond watershed area to identify and document potential sources of pollution. The survey is funded by a grant from the Davis Conservation Foundation. Similar surveys have already been done for nearby Minnehonk, Parker, Tilton, and David Ponds.

The survey fieldwork will kick-off Friday, May 9th and be completed within a couple of weeks. Teams of trained volunteers headed by technical experts will be conducting the survey. The data collected will be used to assess potential threats to Flying Pond and devise recommendations to fix the problems. We can then apply for grant funds to address those areas of highest risk. A summary of the survey results will be available in the fall.

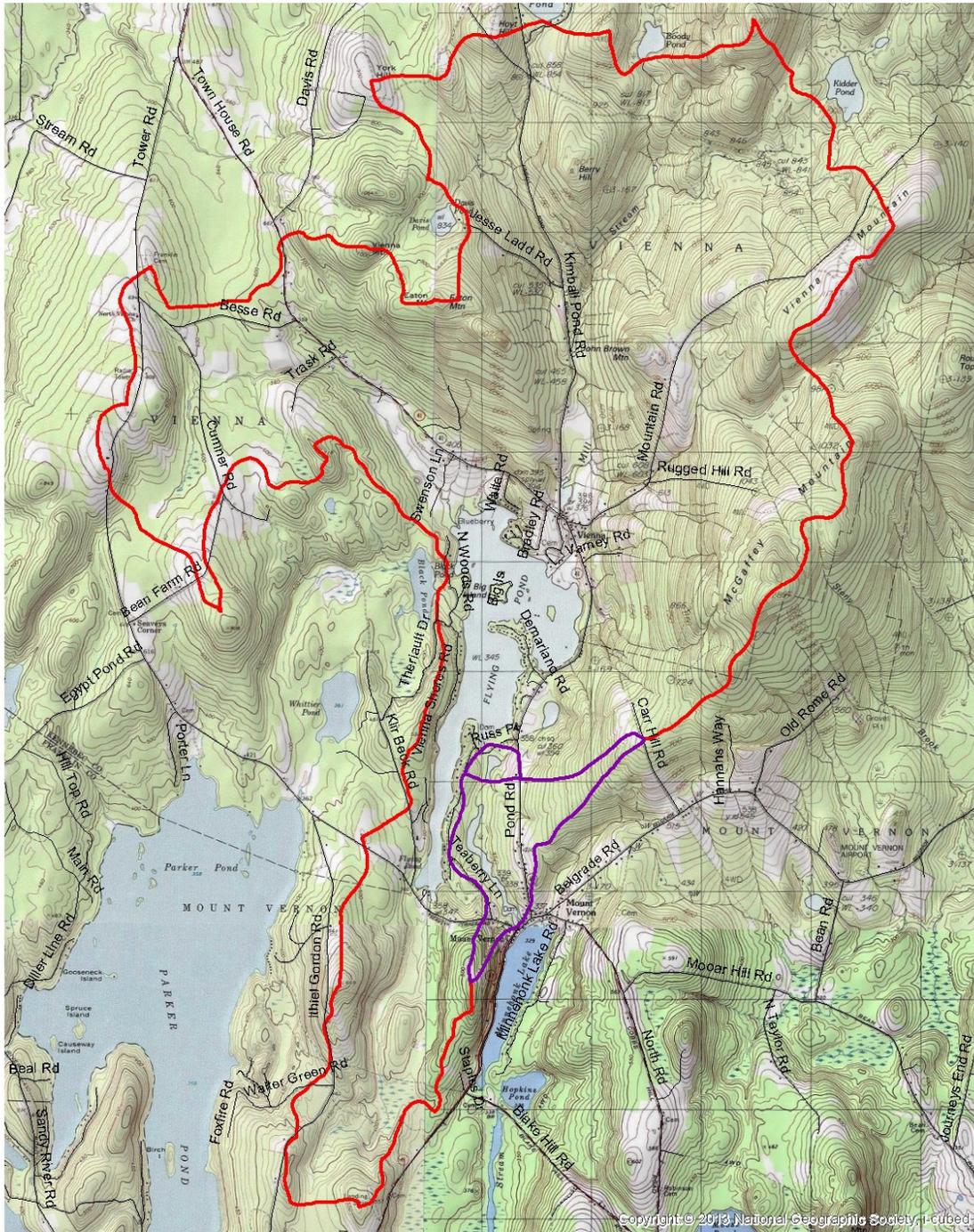
If you would like to volunteer to help conduct the survey, if you have questions, or if you would like to learn more about the 30 Mile River Watershed Association, please contact me.

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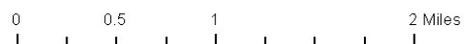
The 30 Mile River Watershed Association, based in Readfield, is now accepting applications for the following part-time seasonal positions: Program Assistant, Courtesy Boat Inspector, and Youth Conservation Corps. We also have an opening for a year-round Program Director. To learn more visit [www.30mileriver.org](http://www.30mileriver.org).



# FLYING POND WATERSHED



- Roads
- Flying Pond Watershed
- Additional Pond Watersheds



**EDITOR'S NOTES**

**Send us your photos of Vienna!!**

If you would like to see your photographs of Vienna, Maine published in *The Record* please email them to me as a .jpeg. Send them to: [viennarecord@gmail.com](mailto:viennarecord@gmail.com)



I may not be able to include all the photos sent but will determine what fits and what works!

Thanks for your help.  
Marianne Archard, editor

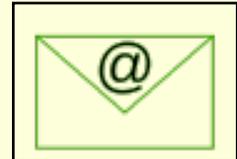
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**Deadline**

All Item or articles for the April/May issue of the *Vienna Record* must be received by me by **May 29, 2014.**

**Format**

Please send items online as rich text format (.rtf) or as a word document (.doc) or as a .jpg. Please no .pdf or other formats.

-Marianne Archard

**FROM THE HEALTH OFFICER**

**Marijuana Legalization And Use: What We Know and Do Not Know**

Laws and norms about marijuana are shifting rapidly. Starting with medical use legalization several years ago, laws have now been passed or are being considered in many states, including Maine, to decriminalize possession and use. Will that be a good thing for the public health of Vienna and Mt. Vernon?

At the risk of sounding like an old fuddy duddy, I have reservations; my greatest is the likely impact on youth. We know they already use marijuana commonly (50% have tried it by 12<sup>th</sup> grade), and that use will likely increase if it is more available, even if use by minors is prohibited. There will be more around. Several case-controlled studies over the last decade indicate permanent cognitive damage to users under 18, even after they grow up and stop smoking weed. The permanent deficits are in executive function, memory, and reaction times. Those deficits are measurably worse than those in non-users. And many studies of chronic users show functional and anatomical brain scan changes in the hippocampus and frontal lobes, just those areas still maturing in teenagers. And there are a worrisome number of case reports of marijuana use acutely inducing a first episode of schizophrenia in teens. However, overall schizophrenia prevalence in users is no higher than in non-users, so it may be just that the disease is triggered in young adults already predisposed to develop it?

**FROM THE HEALTH OFFICER CONTINUED**

I also have concerns about the potential bad effects of smoking the marijuana. Because that delivery method is so quick and effective, it is unlikely users will ever prefer to ingest it, let alone use suppositories. We know tobacco smoking clearly kills people at least 10 years prematurely from chronic bronchitis/emphysema, heart disease and cancers. It cannot be good to inhale hemp smoke either, as Dennis Keschl pointed out at the mid-February Mt. Vernon Community Center open meeting with local legislators. What little research we now have suggests there is less damage and risk in smoking marijuana than tobacco. But I'd like more research; it took 40-50 years for the grim data on cigarette smoking to become clear. I also suspect that smoking dope increases the likelihood that a person will also continue or take up tobacco smoking.

As the chairman of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles Medical Advisory Committee, I'm also concerned about marijuana-related driving crashes in all age groups. Acute intoxication clearly impairs reaction times and distance judgments. Unlike alcohol however, marijuana tends to slow driving speeds and recklessness down, so crash rates are a tenth as frequent as in alcohol drunk drivers, but still about twice those of sober drivers. Unfortunately we don't have good screening tests for police to use in the field and there is no consensus about what constitutes an intoxicating blood level of tetra-hydro-cannabinol, the measurable marijuana psychoactive component. So identifying dangerous marijuana intoxication is going to become an increasing public health issue that needs work now.

Assertions that marijuana is a "gateway" drug to narcotic and other illicit drug use are reassuringly unsupported by the medical literature. But the published research on the drug is still pretty meager, reflecting, for the most part, the total Federal prohibition. Scientific investigators can't get standardized doses to study; plants and their various parts vary greatly in the cannabinoid concentrations. Most of the reports available now are only case control studies. But one large 40-year study from New Zealand is a continuous study of 1000 children (a cohort) born in the 1970s who were tested for IQ and other cognitive skills throughout the study period. However, even with a cohort study, we can't be sure that those who use marijuana aren't doing so to self-treat a learning disorder or because of a particular behavioral trait. In other words, the study may still suffer from selection bias because participants decide themselves if they choose to use marijuana. We need a lot more research ASAP!

So I favor legalization, control, and standardization. We would never let a pharmaceutical drug go to market with so many unknowns and potential risks. Medically marijuana has its uses; I've always encouraged my patients on chemotherapy to try it for their nausea. But the current environment in which it is only available legally with a doctor's prescription, results in recreational users pressuring clinicians to prescribe it for questionable symptoms, a waste of everyone's time. If it hurts teens, we need to know that and develop more effective ways to prevent their using it. The current prohibition system is not working well to protect the potentially most vulnerable or to encourage further research in the many other areas of possible unintended consequences. We need more research and data fast, and that's most likely to happen in a controlled legalization.

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**DR. SHAW MEMORIAL LIBRARY NEWS - APRIL 2014**

**“Books are like seeds. They can lie dormant for centuries and then flower in the most unpromising soil.” ..... (Carl Sagan)**

We have a copy of George Smith’s book, A Life Lived Outdoors – he even signed it! Unfortunately, every time we put it on the mantel in the main room for display, it disappears again within five minutes, checked out to another patron. We can put it on reserve for you, or you can take your chances and see if you can be the next one to grab it from the shelf. Meanwhile, Peter Korn, another Maine author and a master craftsman, has written a book entitled Why We Make Things and Why It Matters. It is an interesting perspective on the personal aspects of discovering creativity and love of your chosen work. We also have the recent anthology of Maine poetry put together by Wes McNair, called Take Heart: Poems From Maine. We’ve been seeing quite a revival of interest in poetry in Maine in recent years. McNair’s anthology is a good place to start. Also on the mantel are Russell Libby’s last book of poems, What You Should Know: a Field Guide to Three Sisters Farm, and Richard Blanco’s memoir, For All of Us, One Today. We love our Maine authors.

We are thinking of scheduling an informational session or two on ereaders and ebooks, we’ll let you know when we put it together. Meanwhile, there are places to go on the web which offer free books. We’ve mentioned the Maine State Library’s Downloadable Book Project. Go to [www.state.me.us/msl](http://www.state.me.us/msl) and then click on “Download library for e books and audiobooks”, under the section marked “Popular Services”. To sign up, use the four digit handwritten number we’ve put on your library card, which will identify you with our library. We are a member of this project.

You can also go to the Gutenberg Project, [www.gutenberg.org](http://www.gutenberg.org). Someone recently recommended a novella entitled Wired Love, by turn-of-the-century author Ella Cheever Thayer, which is available at Gutenberg, and I enjoyed it very much. Their website is pretty easy to use. Our last recommendation for now, is to check out the list of “20 best websites to download free ebooks”, at:

[www.hongkiat.com/blog/20-best-websites-to-download-free-e-books/](http://www.hongkiat.com/blog/20-best-websites-to-download-free-e-books/)

Want to make some tarts? Or small quick breads? Tortilla shells to hold salads or chili? We’ve got some baking pans you could borrow instead of having to buy pans or forms you might only use occasionally. We’ve included a recipe with each pan for you to try, and then you can copy it if you like it.

Remember to share your garden seeds with us! We had lots of people take seeds from our “exchange” last spring, but no one has been in to replenish our supply. Bring in your veggie seeds, labelled with variety and approximate date, and we’ll make them available to others. Libraries are all about sharing resources!

I just finished rereading Barry Commoner’s The Closing Circle, one of his titles from the 70s, still relevant today. What are you reading as the ice weakens and the woodshed path turns to mud?

Mary Anne Libby



**30<sup>th</sup> Annual Vienna Grange  
Seedling and Bake Sale  
Saturday, May 17, 8 am to noon  
and Sunday, May 18, 10 - noon**



As always, we will have a wide variety of flower and vegetable seedlings, plus hanging baskets, perennials and annuals ready to plant in your garden.

Delicious foods both sweet and savory, will be available. Choose from yummy casseroles, lasagna, spaghetti, beans, and other delights, as well as home baked pies, cakes, cookies and assorted goodies for dessert.

**All proceeds benefit Mill Stream Grange.**

**Sale is indoors so come rain or shine!**

*The Vienna Union Hall Association Presents*  
**The Second Annual - Evening of A Cappella Music**

Saturday, April 19, 2014 - 7:00PM  
at the Vienna Union Hall  
\$8.00 in advance \$10.00 at the door

Returning this year is **Back Bay Four** formed in early 2001 from the Portland Downeasters. They were the Granite and Pine Division Champion quartet in 2007. They sing a variety of music, both modern and old in the barbershop style.



**Good-Time Sound's** repertoire includes barbershop, doo-wop, pop music and rock classics of the 60's + 70's.

A women's group, **Chantez** have sung together since 2002 and collectively boast 84 years of barbershop singing.

For tickets call:  
Libby - 293-2362

or email: [viennaunionhall@gmail.com](mailto:viennaunionhall@gmail.com)

**RECURRING COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Mt. Vernon Community Center Café** - Saturdays From 9:30-11:30 AM. Coffee, food and Conversation.

**Men's Breakfast** - Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30 at the Mt. Vernon Community Center. Small donation appreciated.

**Women's Breakfast** - Third Tuesday of each month at the Mill Stream Grange 8-9 AM. Pot luck breakfast plus \$2.00 per person.

**McGaffey Mountain Woodcarvers** - 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each Month from 6:00-8:30 PM at the Vienna Community Center. New and experienced carvers welcome. For more information call Norma Wing at 293-3725 or Ed Beach at 685-4779.

**Creation Station** - Faith-based, arts-based after school program of the North Vienna UMC. Meets Thursday during the school year. Open to all children grades K-6. For more information call Laura Church at 293-3892.

**The Youth Group at North Vienna United Methodist Church** - Most Sunday afternoons during the school year. Open to youth grades 6 and up. For more information call Laura Church 293-3892.

**Free Potluck Dinner** - Open to the public! Last Sunday of every month - 11:30 am, right after Sunday Service - For more information contact Ken Wright Sr. 293-2189

**Vienna Union Hall Association** - Second Wednesday of each month. 7:00 at the Vienna Community Center (Nov.- March.) at the Union Hall (April - Oct.) Welcome new members.

**SPECIAL EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

✓ **April 19 (Saturday) - An Evening of A Cappella - 3 groups**  
7:00 PM - Vienna Union Hall

✓ **May 17 -18 30th Annual Mill Stream Grange Seedling and Bake Sale**  
Saturday 8-12:00; Sunday 10-12:00  
**Rain or Shine**

✓ **May 10 - Kyle Addison Knuppel and Friends**  
"Performing Songs from the American Songbook. From Appalachia to New Orleans and Everything In Between"  
7:00 PM - Vienna Union Hall.



Photo by Jane Naliboff

**LETTERS TO TOWNS FROM THE STATE**

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT IV

Maeghan Maloney  
District Attorney

Kennebec County Courthouse  
95 State Street  
Augusta, ME 04330

Somerset County Courthouse  
41 Court Street  
Skowhegan, ME 04976

January 1, 2014  
Dear Friends,

It's been a whirlwind of a year! The District Attorney's Office has seen big changes but the quality of the work and commitment to justice has stayed as strong as ever.

While I respect and honor those who have served the District Attorney's Office in the past, I can not imagine a more dedicated and intelligent group of people than those with whom I have the pleasure to work. I encourage you to visit us in our offices in Augusta, Waterville, and Skowhegan. While I could write glowing pages about each person in the office, I want to at least be sure to introduce you to our new Deputy District Attorney, Fernand LaRochelle. Fern is the former Chief of the Criminal Unit at the Office of the Attorney General. His wisdom, experience, and patience influence everything we do. We are all grateful for the opportunity to work with him!

The focus of the Office this year has been "Smart on Crime." We strive to turn around first time and low level offenders while putting the most dangerous criminals in jail for as long as possible. Here are some examples:

One of the first decisions I made was to allow the US Attorney's Office to prosecute pharmacy robberies. These robberies were at epidemic proportions in our counties and a tougher approach was clearly needed. Longer sentences are possible at the federal level than the state level. I am glad to see that the number of pharmacy robberies has plunged. When law enforcement works together the results are more successful.

After the jury trial conviction of Havier Olmo for Class A, Aggravated Drug Trafficking in oxycodone, the Office passionately sought the longest sentence possible, concluding that his extensive list of priors made rehabilitation unlikely. The judge agreed and sentenced him to 10 years in prison, none of it suspended.

In contrast, Christopher Knight had a long list of burglaries (most outside the statute of limitations) but had never before been convicted of a crime. After "the team" at the co-occurring disorders court ("CODC") concluded he was worth the risk of trying to rehabilitate, I agreed to a "good" sentence of county jail with a "bad" state prison sentence hanging over his head. In general, I'm not in favor of short state prison sentences as this time can teach people to be better criminals. If we can use an intensive alternative program like the CODC (which requires weekly meetings with Justice Mills, counseling, drug screening and employment or school attendance) to turn defendants into productive, law-abiding citizens, then we have been successful. Not to mention that, even with the intensity of the CODC, it is still less expensive for taxpayers than the cost of incarceration.

Speaking of alternative sentencing, the Veterans' Court in Kennebec County is thriving. It has grown to over twice the size it was back in January of 2013. I learned about veterans' courts when I was in the legislature, sponsoring a bill for our own veterans' court in Maine. Any of you who have watched the MPBN broadcast of [A Matter of Duty](#), fully understands the impact this court has had on the lives of veterans. Being a part of this amazing program has shown me the true meaning of criminal justice.

Here are some alternative programs our office is pursuing with community partners: 1) a new alternative program for first time OUI's with a BAC of under 1.0 in Kennebec County; 2) a new alternative program for drug related crimes in Somerset County; 3) a new group focused on high lethality domestic violence cases in Somerset



**LETTERS TO TOWNS CONTINUED**

County; 4) a new use of Restorative Justice in sentencing when requested by victims; and 4) a continued support of the alternative sentencing program in Kennebec County for those serving less than 10 days in jail. I am indebted to numerous community partners for making all this possible for the people of Kennebec and Somerset counties.

We have taken a hard stance against domestic violence which has increased our success of victims appearing at trial in high lethality cases. At the same time, we are giving victims control over their lives in cases without a high lethality rating.

Our most serious and heartbreaking cases continue to be our child sexual assault cases. These always create a dilemma as it can be difficult for the child to testify in Court, but we want to pursue the longest prison sentence possible.

It is a privilege and an honor to work with you. Every day I am in awe of the hardworking people in our towns and cities, law enforcement, the Courts, local nonprofits, attorneys, and others working to bring justice to the people of Kennebec and Somerset counties.

Thank you,  
*Maeghan*

**STATE OF MAINE  
Office of The Governor  
1 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA,, MAINE  
04333-0001**

February 24,2014

Dear citizens of Vienna:

As a state, we have taken great strides over the course of the past years.

Growing our economy, decreasing our energy costs, and improving our educational system are the priorities of my administration. Maine needs to create a pro-growth environment that encourages our businesses to create jobs. It is critical that we focus on promoting polices which support and attract new investment. To achieve this, we need to keep taxes low on our families and businesses, and find ways to increase efficiency in government while protecting our most vulnerable citizens.

We have made great progress toward these endeavors. We passed the largest tax cut in Maine's history. Two-thirds of Maine taxpayers **will** get income tax relief, and 70,000 low-income Mainers **will** no longer pay income tax. My goal is to continue to drive down Maine's income tax.

We are striving to also cut the cost of electricity through our spearheading of a regional effort with Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island to expand the use of hydropower in Maine. Additionally, Maine is currently one of the fastest states in natural gas expansion.

We have passed legislation that **will** decrease the cost of health insurance for school districts, allowing more money to be spent in the classroom. Putting students first is important to me. Education is what saved my life, and I want every child in Maine to have the same opportunity I had. With the passage of charter school legislation, hundreds of mills now have options for their children'

**LETTERS TO TOWNS CONTINUED**

There's still a lot to do. The recent decision by the legislature to take money from our state's rainy day fund in order to pay revenue sharing in 2015 is fiscally irresponsible. We need government decision makers to act responsibly.

Maine has a great tradition of civic involvement and citizen participation in the decision making process' Thank you for taking the time to become informed and for working with your neighbors to hold government accountable.

It is a pleasure serving as your Governor. If ever I can be of assistance to you or you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at [www.maine.gov/governor](http://www.maine.gov/governor).

Sincerely,  
Paul R. LePage  
Governor

PHONE: (207) 287.3531 (Voice)

**COMMUNITY SWAP AND SHOP**

Find items here that Vienna residents want to sell, swap or barter. Send a description of your item to the address above. Posting is free. Also post it on the Vienna website by emailing to the Vienna webmaster: [webmaster@viennamaine.org](mailto:webmaster@viennamaine.org)

**FOR SALE**

I have a **Weslo Space Saver type Treadmill** that I would like to sell. It is already put together so it would need a truck to take it home. Has a few years on it but it still works fine. \$80. [saestorra@yahoo.com](mailto:saestorra@yahoo.com) or phone Cheryl Collier at 491-8184

**Full size violin** with bow and case. Repaired crack on front. 293-2674 \$800.00 Firm.



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# Who You Gonna Call?

Print or Tear out this page and post it near your phone.

## Board of Selectmen:

Dodi Thompson 293-2670  
Chris Smith 293-3383  
Jeff Rackliff 293-2056

## Town Clerk/Tax Collector:

Annie Tibbetts 293-2915

## Treasurer:

Marti Gross 485-4415

## Road Commissioner:

Dan Goucher 293-2833

## Animal Control Officer:

Donald Tibbetts 293-2915

**Game Warden:** 624-7000

## Vienna Fire Department:

Brian Church, Chief 293-3892  
Paul LeBlond, Deputy  
Mark Holmes, Asst. 293-3572

## Code Enforcement Officer & Plumbing Inspector:

John Archard 293-2674  
Gary Fuller, Alternate. 441-5302

## Health Officer:

Daniel K. Onion 293-2076

## Winter Road Contractor:

Lenny Meader 778-3022

## Addressing Officer:

Roger Reville/ Laura Reville 293-3156

## School Board Representative:

Helen Wilkey 293-2351

## Planning Board:

Waine Whittier, Chair 293-2072  
Creston Gaither, Sec. 293-2909  
Alan Williams 293-4321  
Ed Lawless 293-2635  
Austin Harrell

## Board of Appeals:

Jim Anderberg, Chair 293-2673  
Marie Kohtala 293-2534  
Ray Anderson 293-2679  
Jim Gajarski 293-2910  
Helen Wilkey 293-2351

## Merry Dumpsters (Recycling Board):

Hillary Hutton, Chair 293-3686  
Steve Richardson/Ann Gibbs 293-2610  
Muffy & Jim Floyd 293-2148

## Town House Committee:

Millie Whittier, Chair 293-2072  
Norma Wing, Vice Chair 293-3725  
Barbara Gilman, Treasurer 293-2271  
Muffy Floyd, Secretary 293-2148

**Assessing Agent, John Sexton 441-7052**

## Municipal Cemetery Sexton:

Ernestine Emery 293-2332

**Norridgewock Landfill:** 634-2714  
**Disposal Riverside:** 623-2577  
**Jay Recycling Center** 897-5552

**Vienna Town House:** 293-2087

**Vienna Community Building:** 293-4000

**Vienna Post Office:** 293-9332

**SAD #9:** 778-6571

Cape Cod Hill School 778-3031

Mt. Blue High School 778-3561

**Poison Control Center 800-442-6305**

**Central Maine Pow Emergency  
800-696-1000**

**Franklin Memorial Hospital 800-398-6031**

**Maine General Medical Center 626-1206**

**Maine State Police Emergency  
800-452-4664**

**Kennebec County Sheriff 623-3591**

**Police-Fire-Emergency 911**

# Town of Vienna,

## Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Doris Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff Rackcliff

**Treasurer** - Marti Gross

**Town Clerk** - Annie Tibbetts

**Tax Collector** - Annie Tibbetts

**Road Commissioner** - Danny Goucher

**Fire Chief & Warden** - Brian Church

**Health Office** - Dan Onion

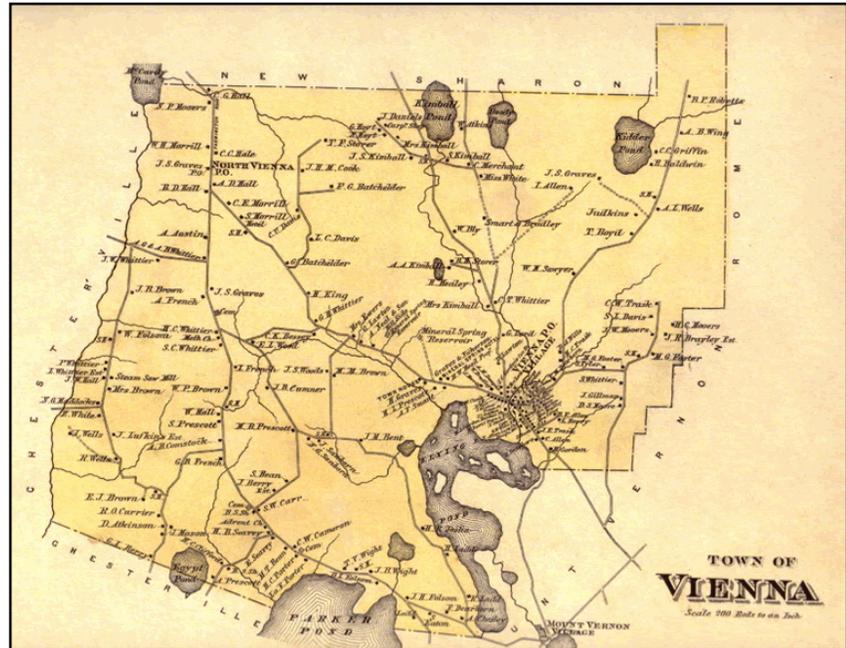
**Animal Control Officer** - Donald Tibbetts

**Plumbing Inspector & Code Enforcement Office** - John Archard

**Alternate Plumbing Inspector** - Gary Fuller

**Addressing Officer** - Laura Reville/Roger Reville

**RSU #9 Representative** - Helen Wilkey



1879 Map of Vienna

## Office of the Selectmen

Vienna Town House

P.O. Box 38

212 Townhouse Road

Vienna, ME 04360

Postal Patron

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