

BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2018
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS – BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE
AGENDA

1. **Call Meeting To Order – Town Clerk**
2. **Roll Call – Town Clerk**
3. **Annual Actions of Town Council**
 - a. Swearing in of Councilors Mark Eastman, Peter Stewart
 - b. Election of Mayor
 - c. Committee Assignments
4. **Presentation of any Town Council Recognitions**
 - a. Richard Campbell – Update on Wilson Hall Project
5. **Consider minutes of previous meetings**
 - a. Town Council Minutes 12-28-2017
 - b. Ordinance Committee Meeting Minutes 12-28-17
6. **Receive and review correspondence and documents**
7. **Ordinances to Consider/Introduce**
 - a. 2nd Reading “Amendment to the Bucksport Town Code, Chapter 2 Personnel”
8. **Discussion Items (Manager Clarification and Direction, or Council Discussion and/or Input on Issues)**
 - a. 2016 Foreclosure – French Property – Route 46
 - b. Streets & Roads Committee Update – 1-11-18
9. **Agenda Items**
 - a. To adopt Resolve #2018-35 to set interest rate for delinquent Sewer Bills for 2018.
10. **Resignations, Appointments, Assignments, and Elections**
11. **Approval of Quit Claims, Discharges, and Deeds**
 - a. Anthony James Lowell, Sr, Map 5 Lot 8, Quit Claim Deed for tax liens 2013, 2014, 2105,2106
12. **Town Manager Report**
 - a. Department Head Reports
13. **Set Public Hearings, and/or Hold Public Hearings and Approval of any Licenses or Permits**
14. **Discussion of Items Not on the Agenda for Council and Public**
15. **Upcoming Public Hearings, Designation of Topics for Committee Assignment, and Scheduling of Committee Meeting**
 - a. Set date for Ordinance Committee Meeting to discuss Chapter 2 re: retirement/rehire process for Maine PERS, and Proposed Changes to Chapter 5
 - b. Set date for Finance Committee Meeting regarding Broadband recommendations.
16. **Adjournment**

TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEES

2017

WATERFRONT COMMITTEE

Paul Rabs, Chairperson
Peter Stewart
Paul Gauvin

SEWER COMMITTEE

Paul Gauvin, Chairperson
David Kee
Joseph York

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Peter Stewart, Chairperson
Paul Gauvin
Robert Carmichael, Jr.

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Joseph York, Chairperson
Robert Carmichael, Jr
Paul Rabs

STREETS AND ROADS

Robert Carmichael, Jr., Chairperson
Joseph York
Paul Rabs

APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE

Robert Carmichael, Jr., Chairperson
David Kee
Joseph York

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Peter Stewart, Chairperson
Paul Gauvin
David Kee

NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE

David Kee, Chairperson
Robert Carmichael, Jr

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

David Kee
Peter Stewart
Paul Rabs

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES FOR COMMITTEES:

- RSU #25:** David Keene
- RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Joseph York
- CEMETERY COMMITTEE:** Joseph York
- HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Robert Carmichael, Jr
- POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Paul Gauvin & Joseph York
- BUCKSPORT REGIONAL HEALTH CENTER:** Paul Rabs
- LEGISLATURE POLICY COMMITTEE:** Paul Rabs, Alternate

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**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2017
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS – BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFI**

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting To Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor David Keene at 7:00 PM.

2. Roll Call

Members present: Joseph York, Paul Rabs, David Keene, Peter Stewart, Paul Gauvin, Robert Carmichael, Jr. Absent: David Kee

3. Presentation of any Town Council Recognitions

a. Recognition of Joe York – Outgoing Town Councilor

The Town Manager recognized Councilor Joe York who was elected in November of 2014 and served from January 2015 - December 2017. He worked very hard, always listened to the citizens, asked hard questions and always voted his conscience. He was presented with an engraved clock and a certificate signed by Mayor Keene.

Councilor York thanked the citizens for electing him and giving him the opportunity to serve. He said it was an eye opening experience, and he enjoyed serving. Joe also thanked the Council and indicated that it was an honor to have been working with them all. Some day he would like to run again, but not until the existing council members were not running because he feels it is a great council.

4. Consider minutes of previous meetings

- a. 6/8//17 Town Council Minutes
- b. 6/15/17 Town Council Minutes
- c. 6/22/17 Town Council Minutes
- d. 12/14/17 Town Council Minutes

Motion by Councilor Gauvin, seconded by Councilor Carmichael to approve above Town Council Minutes as presented. Vote: 6 - 0

5. Receive and review correspondence and documents

a. ISO New England – Improved Fire Rating

The Town Manager and Fire Chief reported that the Town had its ISO rating lowered to 03/3Y. They noted that out of 659 communities in Maine - only ten (10) communities have this rating, and nationally out of more than 59,000 communities, less than 2,500 have this designation. The Town's rating has been reduced two (2) full points in the last year and a half and should help homeowners receive better rates on fire insurance if they live within five (5) miles of the fire station.

6. New Ordinances to Consider/Introduce

Councilor Stewart introduced "Amendment to the Bucksport Town Code, Chapter 2 Personnel for the purpose of clarifying that health insurance coverage is provided for spouses and eligible dependents, and that the coverage is subject to conditions." For a second reading at the next Council meeting.

7. Discussion Items (Manager Clarification and Direction, or Council Discussion and/or Input on Issues)

- a. Employee Health Insurance Coverage – Ordinance Committee
Recommendation Introduce item from Ordinance Committee report

Councilor Stewart reported that the Ordinance Committee had discussed information related to health care coverage for the spouse of an employee that had been overlooked when the Committee reviewed Chapter 2 for consistency between union and non-union benefits for basics such as vacation and overtime. It was the consensus of the committee to recommend that the language be changed and introduced for a first reading at this meeting and a second reading at the January 11, 2018 meeting.

8. Agenda Items

- a. To approve Resolve 2018-34 to approve Pay Requisition # 26 for the Sewer Treatment Plant project in the amount of \$503,944.19.

Motion by Councilor Carmichael seconded by Councilor Gauvin to approve Resolve 2018-34. Vote: 6 - 0

9. Resignations, Appointments, Assignments, and Elections - None

10. Approval of Quit Claims, Discharges, and Deeds

- a. Tax Liens 2015, 2016, 2017 – Donna Lemieux Map 34 Lot 52

Motion by Councilor Gauvin, seconded by Councilor York to approve Quit Claim Discharges and Deeds for Tax Liens for Donna Lemieux. Vote: 6 - 0.

11. Town Manager Report –

- a. Annual Employee Poem

The Town Manager's Annual Report outlining work done in each department is hereby attached and made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

12. Set Public Hearings, and/or Hold Public Hearings and Approval of any Licenses or Permits - None

13. Discussion of Items Not on the Agenda for Council and Public

Resident Steve St. Peter suggested that a telescope be placed on the Waterfront and that bike racks be placed throughout town.

14. Designation of Topics for Committee Assignment, and Scheduling of Committee Meeting

- a. Streets & Roads Committee – Second Street Discontinuance

CEO Jeff Hammond explained that the issue came up because of a sewer line maintenance question. The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 11th.

15. Adjournment

Motion by Councilor Gauvin, seconded by Councilor Stewart to adjourn meeting at 7:28 p.m. Vote: 6 - 0

Respectfully submitted,

*Kathy L. Downes
Council Secretary*

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
6:30 P.M., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2017
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

MINUTES

1. Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Councilor Stewart.

2. Roll call

Members present: Councilor Stewart, Councilor Gauvin. Absent: Councilor Kee

3. Health Insurance Coverage – union/non-union employees

The Committee reviewed language prepared by the Code Officer to make coverage for employee spouses consistent between union and non-union employees. The Committee had done extensive review of Chapter 2 and made changes to a number of benefit items such as vacation and overtime to make them equal between union and non-union employees, but had not addressed the difference in the treatment of spouses between both categories of employee.

It was the consensus of the Committee to introduce the proposed language change to make the treatment of spouses under the town health insurance benefit equal.

4. Adjournment

*Motion by Councilor Gauvin, seconded by Councilor Stewart to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.
Vote 2 -0.*

Respectfully submitted,

*Susan Lessard
Town Manager*

**Ordinance Committee
Peter Stewart, Chairperson
Paul Gauvin
David Kee**

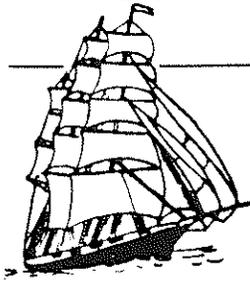
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~~██████~~ READING: "Amendment to the Bucksport Town Code, Chapter 2 Personnel", a proposed ordinance for the purpose of clarifying that health insurance coverage is provided for spouses and eligible dependents, and that the coverage is subject to conditions. The amendment reads as follows:

- 14.10 HEALTH INSURANCE: The Town offers group hospital, surgical, and medical benefits to full-time employees, in regular full-time positions their spouses and their eligible dependents. ~~In addition to traditional health insurance, the Town may also offer a non-traditional plan, such as a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO).~~ Employees should consult their health insurance booklets for details on their chosen plan. The town and the employees share in the cost of the premium with the employee's share being contributed through payroll deduction. ~~Coverage for dependents age 19 and older is available, if so elected.~~ The cost-sharing levels for plans offered by the Town shall be determined on an annual basis by the Town Council. ~~The Town's contribution rate for HMO coverage shall be no higher than its contribution toward traditional coverage.~~
- 14.10.1 Town participation in the cost of coverage begins the first full month following the employee's date of hire. Coverage by the health insurance plan is not automatic and employees must initiate a request for benefits according to their eligibility in order to obtain coverage.
- 14.10.2 ~~The Town shall not share in the cost of the premium for a spouse who is afforded health insurance through their employer.~~ A spouse who is provided with health insurance coverage from their employer that is comparable with health insurance offered by the Town may not be enrolled in a health insurance plan from the Town, unless the premium for the spouse's insurance is 30% higher than the premium for comparable coverage by the Town.
- 14.10.2.1 The Town shall not pay any portion of the premium for health insurance provided to the spouse by their employer.
- 14.10.2.2 A spouse who is enrolled in a Town health insurance plan shall be allowed to remain enrolled regardless of enrollment opportunities that may become available to the spouse from health insurance plans offered by their employer.

TOWN OF BUCKSPORT, MAINE

Incorporated June 25, 1792



OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

P.O. Drawer X
Bucksport, Maine 04416

Phone (207) 469-7368
Fax (207) 469-7369

January 8, 2018

Mr. Keith French
1861 State Route 46
Bucksport, ME 04416

RE: Foreclosure

Dear Mr. French,

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Town Council will be discussing disposition of the property at 1861 State Route 46 for which you are record owner at their meeting on Thursday, January 11, 2018 at 7 p.m.

As you are aware, the 2016 property tax lien expired on December 22, 2017 and the property is now in foreclosure. At the time you redeemed the property from foreclosure in March of 2017 you were notified that it would be necessary to pay the 2016 taxes by December in order to avoid foreclosure. No payments were made.

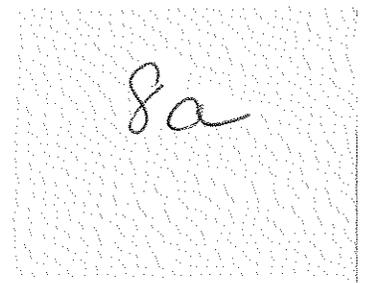
Property redemption this time requires the payment of all years of tax, costs and interest and all must be paid within 30 days of this letter. That amount is \$2,358.53.

I tried to call the phone number that you had provided in March of 2017 and the message said that the number was no longer in service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susan Lessard".

Susan Lessard
Town Manager



**RE Account 2874 Detail
as of 01/08/2018**

Name: FRENCH, KEITH & FRENCH, BETTY

Land: 35,540
Building: 16,840
Exempt: 20,000

Total: 32,380

Location: 1861 State Route 46
Acreage: 2.2 Map/Lot: 21-37
Book Page: B5306P185

Ref1: *Foreclosed for taxes 2016.
Mailing: 1861 State Route 46
Address: Bucksport ME 04416

2018-1 Period Due:
1) 269.36
2) 265.51

Year	Date	Reference	P	C	Principal	Interest	Costs	Total
2018-1	R				531.03	3.84	0.00	534.87
2017-1	L *				864.27	37.36	67.12	968.75
2016-1	L *				718.20	60.21	76.50	854.91
2015-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2014-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2013-1	R				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2012-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2011-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2010-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2009-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2008-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2007-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2006-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2004-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2003-1	L *				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Account Totals as of 01/08/2018					2,113.50	101.41	143.62	2,358.53

Per Diem

2018-1	0.0295
2017-1	0.0960
2016-1	0.0798
Total	0.2053

Exempt Codes: 11 - Homestead

Note: Payments will be reflected as positive values and charges to the account will be represented as negative values.

**RESOLVE #R-2018-35 SETTING THE RATE OF INTEREST FOR DELINQUENT
SEWER BILLS**

Whereas, the Town assesses interest on delinquent sewer bills; and,

Whereas, the rate charged cannot exceed 7% for the period 1-1-2018 to 12-31-2018; and,

Whereas, the current rate of interest is 4%:

Be it resolved by the members of the Bucksport Town Council in Town Council assembled that the rate of interest to be charged on delinquent sewer bills for the period 1-1-2018 to 12-31-2018 remain at 4%.

Acted on January 11, 2018

Yes _____ No _____ Abstained _____

Attested by:

Kathy Downes, Town Clerk

Municipal
QUITCLAIM DEED

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Know all Persons by these Presents,

That the Inhabitants of -----TOWN OF BUCKSPORT-----
A body corporate and politic, located at-----BUCKSPORT-----
in the County of ----HANCOCK---- and State of Maine,
in consideration of one dollar and other valuable consideration paid by

ANTHONY JAMES LOWELL SR.

whose mailing address is

555 SILVER LAKE ROAD, BUCKSPORT, ME 04416

the receipt whereof it does hereby acknowledge, does hereby *remise, release, bargain,*
sell and convey, and forever *quitclaim* unto the said

ANTHONY JAMES LOWELL SR.

heirs and assigns forever, all its right, title and interest in and to the following described
real estate situated at **0 SILVER LAKE ROAD, BUCKSPORT-----**
in the County of---HANCOCK--- and State of Maine:

LOCATED ON MAP 05 LOT 08 OF THE ASSESSORS TAX MAPS FOR THE TOWN
OF BUCKSPORT, CONSISTING OF 54 MAPS NUMBERED FROM 1 THRU 53
INCLUSIVE, WHICH ARE ON FILE AT THE TOWN OF BUCKSPORT MUNICIPAL
OFFICE, 50 MAIN STREET, BUCKSPORT, MAINE.
(TRIO REAL ESTATE ACCT#1711)

Meaning and intending to convey and hereby conveying any interest the Grantor herein
may have in the foregoing property by virtue of unpaid taxes for the tax year(s)

TAX LIEN RECORDED ON 06/19/2013 BK 6058 PG 92
TAX LIEN RECORDED ON 06/17/2014 BK 6237 PG 305
TAX LIEN RECORDED ON 06/16/2015 BK 6408 PG 196
TAX LIEN RECORDED ON 06/22/2016 BK 6588 PG 63

ALL AT THE HANCOCK COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS

To have and to hold the same, together with all the privileges and appurtenances there unto belonging to the said

ANTHONY JAMES LOWELL SR.

heirs and assigns forever.

In Witness Whereof, the said Inhabitants of ---TOWN OF BUCKSPORT--- has caused this instrument to be sealed with its corporate seal and signed in its corporate name by its COUNCILORS thereunto duly authorized, this 11TH day of the month of JANUARY A.D. 2018.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered
in presence of Inhabitants of Town of Bucksport

_____ Robert G. Carmichael Jr. _____ Mark B. Eastman

_____ Paul R. Gauvin _____ David W. Kee

_____ David G. Keene _____ Paul F. Rabs

_____ Peter L. Stewart

_____ Susan Lessard (Witness to All)

STATE OF MAINE, COUNTY OF HANCOCK ss. JANUARY 11, 2018.

Then personally appeared the above named COUNCILORS
And acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be THEIR free act and deed in
THEIR said capacity, and the free act and deed of said body corporate.

Before me,

.....
Kathy L. Downes, Notary Public
State of Maine – Hancock County
My commission expires: May 15, 2023

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TRANSFER STATION MONTHLY REPORT

MONTH December YEAR 2017

TRIPS 5 BUCKSPORT - TOTAL WEIGHT 135,018 LBS 67.51 TONS

TRIPS 5 ORLAND - TOTAL WEIGHT 38,082 LBS 19.05 TONS

SHIPPED

5 0 SORT RECYCLING TOTAL WEIGHT 38,308 LBS 19.19 TONS

3 LOADS OF DEMO TOTAL WEIGHT 31,440 LBS 15.72 TONS

1 LOADS OF METAL TOTAL WEIGHT 7,640 LBS 3.82 TONS

0 REFRIGERATORS TOTAL WEIGHT 0 LBS 0 TONS 0 UNITS

SHIPPED

11 BATTERIES

0 PROPANE TANKS

0 WASTE OIL - PUMPED GALLONS

1575 LBS - ITEMS GIVEN AWAY

u-waste

Lamps	orings
3'-9	6"-1
5'-9	8"-2
8'-20	12"-2
4'-686	10"-3
8'-9	
6'-6	BT-119
2 utube -47	PC-27
15"-2	
18"-7	
17oliget-22	
Compact-170	
LED-20	

MONEY IN:

DM & J \$ 133.70

TRANSFER STATION \$ 1,046.33

TOTAL: \$ 1,180.03

TO: SUSAN LESSARD, TOWN MANAGER
FROM: JAY LANPHER, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: DECEMBER 2017 MONTHLY REPORT
DATE: JANUARY 4, 2018

The month of December saw the Public Works crew spending days working on the following projects:

- 2 days graveling Upper Long Pond RD in preparation for the Winter season
- 1 day spent placing and filling salt barrels along Main St.
- 1 day picking up trash and appliances along rural roads
- 1 day supporting Big Jay's Tree Service removing two trees on Bridge St/ Pond St
- 3 days patching potholes and sign repair
- 1 day preparing two entries and attending the Parade of Lights on the 9th
- 3 loads of trash were hauled to PERC from the Transfer Station this month
- 8 days spent plowing snow
- 7 days spent clearing sidewalks
- 3 days hauling snow from parking spaces along downtown streets

This year's first significant snow storm arrived during the parade and continued to snow until the following morning. A new salt brine making machine arrived on the 26th. This system will allow the department to produce salt brine in house and significantly reduce the cost of our pre wetting agent in the future.

TOWN OF BUCKSPORT
CODE ENFORCEMENT/PLANNING OFFICE
REPORT
December, 2017

PERMITS ISSUED

6 building/land use permits were issued, including 2 home-based businesses, 3 business advertising signs and a deck.
One plumbing permit was issued.

ADDRESSING ACTIVITY: No activity

BOARD OF APPEALS ACTIVITY: No activity

PLANNING BOARD ACTIVITY

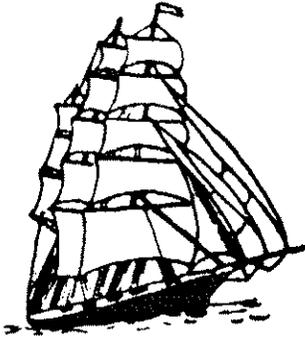
At their December 5th meeting, the planning board began a review of a proposed contract zone for a large mobile home park on Central Street.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

- A letter was sent to a Mast Hill property owner regarding an unlicensed automobile graveyard. No response has been received.
- A letter was sent to a property owner who has applied for a permit for a home business, including additions and a sign for the business. The letter asked for a description of the business, as there was no description in their application. No response has been received.
- A letter was sent to a property owner on Willins Orchard Road for an after the fact permit for an apartment added in their basement. The letter informed the applicant that their septic system is too small for the added apartment, and included suggestions as to how to resolve the issue.
- A letter was sent to a plumbing contractor regarding their failure to call for inspections of new plumbing before the installation was covered. The company is not cooperating with arranging for inspections and testing.
- Investigated a complaint about snow blocking a drainpipe serving a property on Route 1. The pipe was cleared and appeared to be functioning properly.
- A nuisance issue on Central Street regarding trash has been resolved.

OTHER ACTIVITY

- Updated information on the town's website.
- Worked on an amendment to Chapter 5 of the Town Code.
- Worked on updating property maintenance standards.
- Worked on amendments to the town's Schedule of Fees.
- Property check of Wilson Hall.
- Attended a training seminar in Bangor.
- Prepared an amendment to Chapter 2 for an ordinance committee meeting.
- Attended a town council meeting.
- Conducted building and plumbing inspections.
- Installed banners on the banner poles and at the town office.
- Helped put up two Christmas trees.
- Typical office work maintaining records, answering calls and emails, meeting with citizens, answering questions, providing copies of documents.



Chief Sean P. Geagan

BUCKSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING, 89 FRANKLIN STREET
P.O. BOX C-1, BUCKSPORT, MAINE 04416
(207) 469-7951/FAX (207) 469-3122

BUCKSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY REPORT

DECEMBER 2017

Chief Sean Geagan:

We have completed another very busy year at the Police Department. As everyone is now aware we have some major cases that we ended the year with. I would like to thank all of my staff in both patrol and dispatch for staying on track this past year no matter what task they were given under any circumstances. The Town of Bucksport is very lucky to have such quality employees such as all of you to call in a time of need.

I have attached the yearly stats this month instead of the monthly stats for December. This will give everyone a good idea of what all of our departments have been doing this year.

I attended the wreath lighting ceremony this month in Augusta. This is a very special ceremony that takes place each year to recognize the fallen officers and their families during the holidays. This was very well attended and went very well.

I attended several meetings this month including the final lights parade meeting, the RCC Board of Directors meeting, the Spillman Users Group Meeting, Maine Chiefs of Police Association meeting, Bucksport Child Care Center Board of Directors meeting, Accreditation meeting and Town Council Meeting.

Sergeant Winchester, Officer Findlay, Officer Welch and myself attended a one day Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) training in Ellsworth this month. By state law 20% of your department must be trained in this by the end of 2017. We are at roughly 70% at this point. This was a good training and dealt a lot with mental illness and dealing with it from a law enforcement perspective. This is an ongoing issue and we are dealing with this on a daily if not weekly basis.

I attended the Maine Criminal Justice Academy graduation this month as the President of the Maine Chiefs of Police Association. This went very well and was very well attended. I was able to meet with several officers and administrators from agencies from around the state at this event.

I attended the Christmas is for kids event at the Franklin Methodist Church this month. I have been attending this event for several years now and look forward to it every year. A lot of happy families leave that facility with a smile on their face that day!!

I would like to recognize Dispatcher Danny Joy for his recent achievement of 20 years of service to the Town of Bucksport in the dispatch center. He reached this milestone in the past few months.

After a month of planning the parade of lights went off without a hitch. There were several floats and several spectators at this event and it went very well. I had the opportunity to man the dispatch center during this event and I was told I did very well!!

Sergeant David Winchester:

The Bucksport Police Department, members of Hancock County Sheriff's Department and the Downeast Drug Enforcement Unit conducted a search warrant at a residence on the Bucksmills Road this month after an ongoing drug investigation.

As a result of the warrant, Law Enforcement found evidence of a methamphetamine laboratory at the residence. Shane Jacobs (31 of Bucksport), Christopher Butler (34 of Bangor) and Rob Gray (45 of Bucksport) were arrested and charged with Class B, Unlawful Operation of a Methamphetamine Laboratory. All were transported to the Hancock County Jail.

Sergeant Winchester completed grants this month that resulted in approximately \$11,000.00 in funds to conduct extra patrol shifts to enforce traffic related offenses. The Bureau of Highway Safety approved \$6500.00 for distracted driver details, \$2600.00 for speed details, and \$1600.00 for OUI related offenses. The funds provided with pay for overtime shifts for patrol officers to enforce these traffic related offenses. The Bucksport Police Department has awarded similar funds in the past to participate in traffic safety related details. The details will begin in December and continue through September of 2018.

Sergeant Winchester along with Officer Bishop, Officer Knight and Officer Welch participated in this year's Parade of Lights. The turnout for this event was exceptional and the Police Department was able to divert traffic along Main Street for the parade. The parade was a success and the Department reports no complaints or accidents during the event!

Chief Geagan, Sergeant Winchester, Officer Findlay and Officer Welch attended CIT Training (Mental Health First Aid) in Ellsworth this month. The training is designed to provide guidance to Law Enforcement who deal with subjects with mental illness during their daily patrol shifts. This is becoming an increasingly difficult part of Law Enforcement due to the high number of people in the community with untreated, unmaintained mental health issues.

He charged Juan Cruz-Maldonado (29 of Bucksport) for assault, Leanna Guthrie (28 of Bucksport) for theft, and Heather Godin (44 of Verona) and Caleb Allard (35 of Bangor) for operating after suspension. He also completed an arrest warrant for as subject on a felony forgery investigation, conducted a domestic violence follow up and a bail compliance check.

He is currently working on several investigations including: assault, theft, fraud, drugs and sex offense.

Patrol:

The Patrol Division had 5 arrests, 7 citations and 95 warnings for a total of 107 violations. There were 298 CAD calls for police services this month. The Patrol Division handled 30 motor vehicle accidents this month. I have included a map of all the calls for service for the Police Department this month.

Officer Woodman had 53 violations, Officer Welch had 15 violations, Officer Findlay had 5 violations, Sergeant Winchester had 8 violations, Officer Bishop and ACO Joy had 6 violations each, Officer Knight had 3 violations and Officer Marcel had 2 violations. A partial list of complaints handled along with percentage of time spent for the month are attached to this report.

I have added calls for service this month. The following are all calls for service that were handled this month. Officer Woodman 52, Sergeant Winchester 53, ACO Joy 15, Officer Marcel 33, Officer Welch 7, Officer Sullivan 5, Officer Findlay 40, Officer Knight 23, Chief Geagan 5, Officer Bishop 54, Officer Fitch had 5.

The Department has six areas of crime that are reported each month to the uniform crime reporting system. These areas cover; Criminal Homicide, Forcible Rape, Robbery, Assault, Burglary and Theft. In the month of December we had 0 Criminal Homicides, 0 Forcible Rape, and 0 Robbery. We had 2 assaults and cleared 1, 0 burglaries, we had 3 thefts, 1 was unfounded and cleared 2. We had 4 actual cases and we cleared 3. Cases can be cleared by an arrest or exceptional means. This means that the case was solved in one form or another. Keep in mind that cases from previous months that we clear will show up on this months report.

Dispatch:

In the month of December, the Dispatch Center made 4382 radio log entries. A total list from the new system is attached to this report, this includes percentages. All of these calls are taken by the dispatch and put into the computer aided dispatch system and dispatch to the appropriate units. The dispatch center completed 42 burn permits this month all of these include meeting with individuals in the building to complete these; they completed 1 concealed weapons permits. They also completed Court Work, Payroll, and Purchase Orders for billing purposes along with answering all calls and greeting the public at the Public Safety Building. This department continues to be the lifeline of the town and they are very busy in all areas.

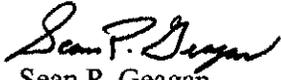
Animal Control:

In the month of December, Officer Joy handled 22 animal complaints. Officer Joy took in 4 dogs and 3 cats from Bucksport, 1 dog from Orland, 1 dog from Prospect. He had 2 cats adopted, 5 dogs and 1 cat reclaimed and transferred 4 cats to other facilities.

Police Advisory Committee:

The Police Advisory Committee did not meet this month.

Respectfully submitted,



Sean P. Geagan
Chief of Police



Bucksport Police Department

Radio Log Statistical Report, by Agency

Agency

Bucksport PD

Number of Logs

60449

Total Radio Logs:

60449

Report Includes:

All dates between '00:01:00 01/01/17' and '00:01:00 01/01/18', All agencies matching 'BKPD', All zones, All units, All tencodes, All shifts



Bucksport Police Department

Total CAD Calls Received, by Nature of Call

<u>Nature of Call</u>	<u>Total Calls Received</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Permit Burn	674	100.00

Total reported: 674

Report Includes:

All dates between '00:01:00 01/01/17' and '00:01:00 01/01/18', All nature of incidents matching 'permit burn', All cities, All types, All priorities, All agencies matching 'BUFD'



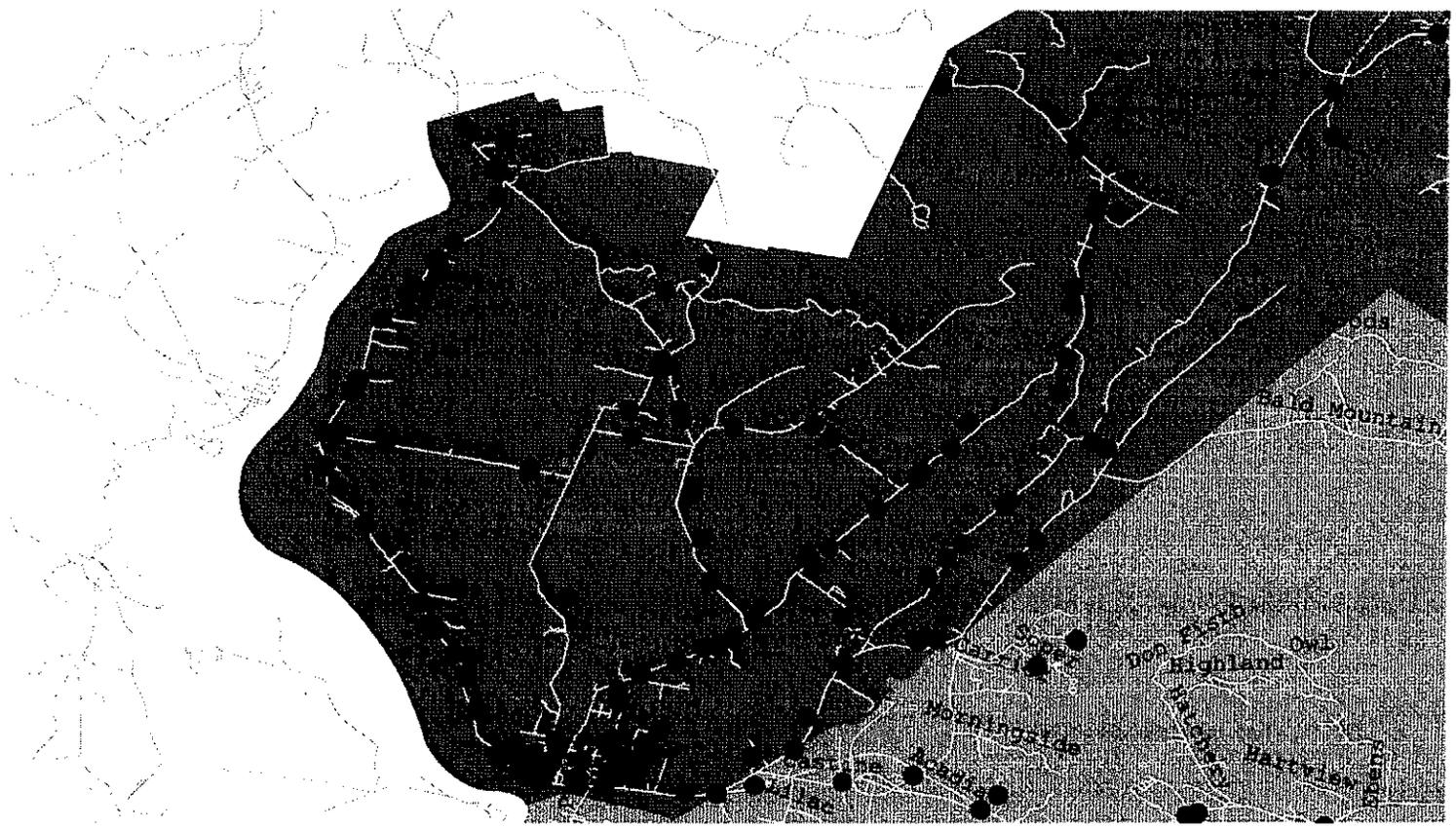
Bucksport Police Department

Total CAD Calls Received, by Nature of Call

<u>Nature of Call</u>	<u>Total Calls Received</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
911 Call	148	3.34
Non Dispatched 911 call	2	0.05
Non Dispatched 911 call	1	0.02
Non Dispatched 911 call	4	0.09
Abandoned Vehicle	10	0.23
Agency Assistance	249	5.61
Alarm	91	2.05
Alcohol Offense	5	0.11
Animal Problem	327	7.37
Assault	14	0.32
Attempt to Locate	5	0.11
Attempted Burg	2	0.05
Non-sufficient Funds Check	3	0.07
Bail Check	18	0.41
Bar check	1	0.02
Burg-Res Unlaw Entry	14	0.32
Check Well-Bein	151	3.40
Child Abuse or Neglect	2	0.05
Citizen Assist	122	2.75
Citizen Dispute	36	0.81
Civil complaints	51	1.15
Crimes with Computers	2	0.05
Created in Error	1	0.02
Criminal Mischief	6	0.14
Concealed Weapons Permit	42	0.95
Deliver Message	2	0.05
Disabled Motorist	29	0.65
Disorderly Conduct	30	0.68
Domestic Argument	51	1.15
Drug Intell	4	0.09
Poss. of drug paraphernalia	5	0.11
Escort	23	0.52
Fire	12	0.27
Chimnery Fires	1	0.02
Brush or Grass Fire	1	0.02
Vehicle Fire	2	0.05
Fireworks	10	0.23
Forgery	1	0.02
Found Property	81	1.83
Fraud	22	0.50
Shots Fire, Shots Heard	8	0.18
Phone or Other	63	1.42
Hazardous Materials	2	0.05
Information Report	254	5.73

<u>Nature of Call</u>	<u>Total Calls Received</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Intoxicated Person	12	0.27
Juvenile Problem	25	0.56
Keep The Peace	6	0.14
Litter/Pollution/Public Health	4	0.09
Lost Property	44	0.99
Medical Emergency	103	2.32
10-44 Subject	8	0.18
Miscellaneous	12	0.27
Missing Person	12	0.27
Motor Vehicle Complaint	213	4.80
Noise Complaint	17	0.38
Odor Investigaion gas etc.	1	0.02
Parking Problem	53	1.20
Traffic Accident w/ Damage	221	4.98
Permit Burn	2	0.05
Traffic Accident, w/ Injuries	19	0.43
Probation/Parole Violation	2	0.05
Property Damage, Non Vandalism	2	0.05
Registered Sex Offender	21	0.47
Runaway Juvenile	1	0.02
Security Check	60	1.35
Serve Protection Orders	33	0.74
Serve Subpoena	13	0.29
Sex Offense	3	0.07
Shellfish Violation	1	0.02
Special Detail	48	1.08
Attempted Suicide	11	0.25
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	219	4.94
Theft	73	1.65
Theft-Automobil	3	0.07
Threatening	19	0.43
Traffic Control	4	0.09
Traffic Hazard	67	1.51
Traffic Lights	2	0.05
Traffic Violation	1080	24.35
Traffic Stop	2	0.05
Trespassing	27	0.61
UAD Alchohol Offense	1	0.02
Underage Drinking Detail	7	0.16
Unattended Deat	6	0.14
Unauthorized Us	1	0.02
Vandalism	13	0.29
Vehicle Off Rd.	5	0.11
Viol.Cond.Rel.	6	0.14
Violation of Protection Order	18	0.41
Warrant Arrest	27	0.61

Total reported: 4435



Bucksport Fire & Rescue December 2017 Monthly Report

Calls	December	FYTD
EMS	72	465
Fire	14	117
Inspections* Incl. Smoke Alarm Program	44	172
Fire Permits	42	255
EMS Calls/Extra Crew	7	40

Projects & Personnel

- Regarding the roof issue, we still only received 1 estimate, however, a second company did call this week to arrange an inspection. At this point, we will be waiting until spring to continue with this project.
- Over 30 of our crew and family members participated in the Annual Lights Parade with several entries, including the 1911 Howe Horse-Drawn Pumper. For the event, we removed the wagon wheels and installed the large ski's (but still hauled it on a trailer) and had Santa sitting in the driver's seat. We also decorated the Ladder Truck, an Engine and Ambulance and had several folks dressed in Holiday Costumes. We had several members handing out candy canes to the crowd. We received dozens of positive comments and thanks from the public and all who participated had a great time in the first snowfall of the season!
- We had units participate in the Ellsworth Holiday Parade as well as with the "Wreaths Across America" Convoy. Although the route did not proceed through Bucksport this year, it is still a great cause and we are honored to be able to be a part of it.
- We helped ring in the New Year, albeit for a small crowd due largely to the extremely brutal cold temperatures that came along with the end of the year, but those braving the weather had a good time.
- I do want to acknowledge all of the hard work and planning put forth by our crews with these events, especially Chris Grindle for his "above and beyond" attitude.
- Guns & Hoses staff participated in the annual Bucksport Community Concerns Holiday event where over 200 families were able to receive gifts and meals for the season. We all appreciate the opportunity to help BCC with the awesome efforts that their people perform all year long.
- Over 50 staff and family members came to the annual Public Safety Family Christmas Party and enjoyed a potluck supper and a visit by Santa Claus. We have held this event for years as a way to thank our folks and their families for all that they do and as an opportunity for the families to sit down and spend time together.
- ISO notified us that Bucksport will receive yet another improved Fire Protection Classification Rating, the second in 2 years. At this time last year, we had a rating of 5/9 and in April we will be going to a Class 3/3y. This rating is the result of improvement throughout the Fire Department, Dispatch Center and the Water Company. This rating places Bucksport in the top 5% in the nation and in the top 2% in the State of Maine. ISO is responsible for setting these classifications to assist insurance companies to properly determine the fire risk and response of communities in order to help set the insurance premium rates that they charge.

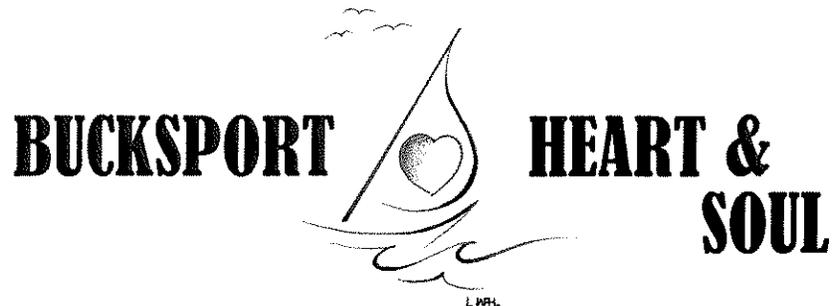
Training

- Fire fighters received classroom training on proper Radio Communications and then partook in several scenarios utilizing those skills. Clear and precise communications at an emergency scene is of the utmost importance, as even simple failures in this area can lead to serious issues, injuries and even death.
- The new Defibrillator received through the FEMA grant was presented to the EMS staff and crews were able to review all the equipment. This new unit is made by a different manufacturer so all of the gear and workings is new to our people, but basically works the same way.

**Community & Economic Development
December 2017 Activities
Submitted by Rich Rotella**

Monthly Activities:

- * Meeting for Lights Parade with Public Safety & Chris Grindle December 1, 2017
- * Met with Mike Hawes & CEO for proposed mobile home park December 4, 2017
- * Attended Planning Board Meeting December 5, 2017
- * Meeting with interested party re: Main St Property for business December 7, 2017
- * Toured Main St property from previous day meeting with Kathy Coogan December 8, 2017
- * Assisted with and recorded Holiday Lights Parade December 9, 2017
- * Attended EMCD – LRC meeting December 11, 2017
- * Attended meeting re: AIM property December 12, 2017
- * Attended Main Street Bucksport Meeting December 12, 2017
- * Meeting for ADAPT December 14, 2017
- * Attended Town Council Meeting December 14, 2017
- * Attended EMDC Year End Meeting December 18, 2017
- * Meeting with interested party last vacant lot Phase 1 Heritage Park December 19, 2017
- * Attended Ordinance Committee Meeting December 28, 2017
- * Attended Town Council Meeting December 28, 2017
- * Created Economic Development Facebook Page December 29, 2017



We take pride in and value each of these things which enhance our health and well-being:

- the abundance of recreational opportunities for all ages which encourage exercise, deep conversations, and social interactions between friends, parents, children, and dog owners
- access to the magnificent waterfront walkway, the well-maintained trails, and the ponds, lakes, and woods

We cherish the beauty of our rural environment which provides us access and a connection to our natural world.

- the Penobscot River, the jewel of our waterfront and our maritime connection
- our ponds, lakes, woods, mountains, and farmlands, the privilege of our seasons, fresh air, and the stars at night
- our opportunities for civic and social organizations that encourage the traditions of boating, hunting, fishing, farming, and gardening

We value each of these things that contribute to a healthy, happy, and educated populace:

- an innovative school system which emphasizes varied educational and extracurricular opportunities for all learners.
- a class size conducive to knowing, caring about and helping each other.
- a high graduation rate with graduates prepared to contribute to the community at large.
- collaboration between school and community

We cherish our community that comes together through neighbors helping neighbors, volunteering, and supporting local organizations and events; creating a sense of belonging which gives each of us an opportunity to make a difference.

We appreciate and value each of these things which promote an inclusive, vibrant community:

- **access to local choices for recreational, cultural and social activities, and health and other services**
- **access to housing that meets the needs of all ages and income levels**
- **addressing current social, emotional, mental and physical health challenges**

We value a forward-thinking and transparent town government that responds to the needs of residents and local businesses and maintains and supports community services and infrastructure; ensuring an accessible, safe, and secure environment.

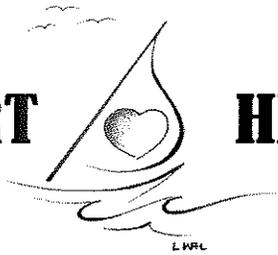
We treasure our friendly community with its safe, close-knit family feel and the generational continuity which keeps our proud history alive; creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere for residents and visitors alike.

We treasure a vibrant downtown with small businesses, festivals, parades, waterfront, and art-related opportunities which provide economic development and places for people to gather; promoting a rich, welcoming sense of community.

We value each of these things that contribute to a prosperous, community by bringing people together and creating an inviting destination for our visitors:

- **a strong local economy, enhanced by our central location, affordable housing, diverse and creative businesses, available financing, and employment opportunities**
- **the local eateries, movie theater and cultural events**

BUCKSPORT



**HEART &
SOUL**

Town Council Report

December 12, 2017

Bucksport Heart & Soul

Here's one of our Community Statements that received a unanimous **Yes, Right on!**

Small Town Feel

We treasure our friendly community with its safe, close-knit family feel and the generational continuity which keeps our proud history alive; creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere for residents and visitors alike.

Here's a few ideas from residents to promote our Small Town Feel:

- . . . community center where people can go to be active or to get involved
- We used to have something like a welcome wagon that would meet new people and help make them feel comfortable. It would be nice to get back to something on that idea. . .
- Have frequent community activities that will build community relationships

Mid-November/December 2017

- Drafting our Summary Statements Events:

October 30 - Healthy Communities, Community Spirit - 22 attendees

November 2 - Recreation, Natural Environment - 20 attendees

November 5 - Local Economy, Small Town Feel - 25 attendees

November 16. . . Education, Infrastructure, Vibrant Downtown- 22 attendees

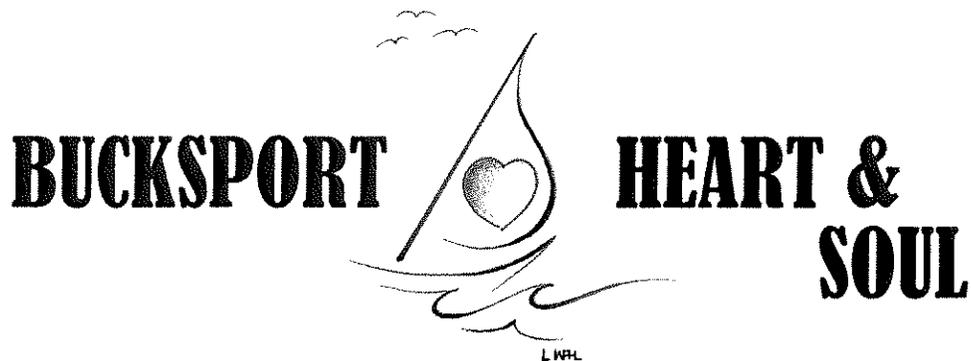
- Refining our Draft Statements - Attendees returned to H&S, along with volunteers, to complete the work begun at the four community Summary Statement events: Drafts are complete!
- Separate meetings with Bucksport's new Middle School Principal, Todd West,, the new Youth Director for Healthy Acadia, Gabriel O'Brien, and the Wednesday on Main coordinator, Paula Kee, to share H&S work progress and discuss ways for Youth to be involved.
- Jim Baumer, free lance writer, returned to Bucksport for further research for his upcoming article in the *Island Journal*, the Island Institute's annual publication.

- November 9 - Presentation to Bucksport Town Council: Request for \$8,000.00 granted to cover costs of H&S work through March 2018
- November 14 - Conference call with Maine's Civil Discourse coordinator which included Town Manager, H&S volunteers, and another Bucksport group representative. . . How might we bring Civil Discourse discussion to Bucksport?
- Media - Ellsworth American article, November 22, 2017
<https://www.ellsworthamerican.com/maine-news/bucksport-heart-soul-project-enters-final-stages/>
- Interview with WABI/5 News - November 29, 2017
<http://www.wabi.tv/content/news/Bucksport-Heart-and-Soul--460867933.html>
- November 21 - Heart & Soul Headquarters' windows were decorated for the season
- November 25 - Following the Bucksport Tree Lighting, Bucksport Heart & Soul and BACAS hosted a community social gathering which included hot chocolate, popcorn, and a holiday sing-along.
- November 27 - H&S volunteers were present at the Town Groups/Organizations meeting at H&S headquarters - facilitated by Rob Carmichael

- December 3 - Training for Phase 3 with Jane Lafleur - 1:00pm-4:00pm
- Phase 3 of the Heart & Soul work: See the schedule of public events below.
 1. Community verifies the Community Summary Statements they created
 2. Community discusses the ways that each of our Community Statements has been strengthened or eroded over time. Where are we now? Where do we want to be? What are our goals to strengthen what matters most in our community?
 3. Generate ideas for each Community Statement to create a Community Heart & Soul Action Plan
- December 3 - H&S Core group meeting - 4:00-6:30pm
- December 9 - Heart & Soul Open House prior to, and following the Parade the Lights. Our Community Summary Statements were read by 35 residents who indicated whether they reflect what matters to them and offered ideas for action for each theme. Cake, beverages, and lively conversation were shared by the community on this snowy night in Bucksport!
- December 14 - Heart & Soul joins Bucksport Main Street at the Headquarters for Main Street's Holiday Photo Booth Event, and H & S Open House, for verifying the Community Summary Statements.
- December 31 - New Year's Eve Community Gathering - Bucksport Heart & Soul and the Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce will co-host a New Year's Eve Community Gathering at the H&S Headquarters from 8:00pm-12:00pm. Table games, crafts, music by the Flannel Doughboys, potluck snacks, and then the Ball Drop!

- H&S headquarters continues to be used for community meetings

For more information about Bucksport H&S, please refer to our website and facebook page.
Thanks, Nancy MInott, H&S Coordinator



Please join Bucksport Heart & Soul Phase 3 Discussions!

- **Discuss the ways that each of our Community Statements (What matters most) has been strengthened or eroded over time. Where are we now? Where do we want to be? What are our goals to strengthen what matters most in our Community?**
- **Generate ideas for each Community Statement to create a Community Heart & Soul Action Plan.**
- **Share some potluck refreshments.**

When	Where	Discussion topics
Saturday, January 6 10:00am-12:00pm Potluck brunch	Arey Community Center 1160 River Road, Bucksport	Community Spirit Small Town Feel
Friday, January 12 12:00pm-2:00pm Potluck lunch	Buck's Mills Rod & Gun Club Buck Mill Road, Bucksport	Recreation Environment
Thursday, January 18 5:00pm-7:00pm Potluck dinner	Bucksport High School Library	Education Healthy Community
Wednesday, January 24 5:00pm-7:00pm	Bucksport Heart & Soul Headquarters	Local Economy Vibrant Downtown

Potluck dinner	72 Main Street, Bucksport	Town Government
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Ring in the New Year in Bucksport! 2018



**Bucksport Heart & Soul and Bucksport Bay Area
Chamber of Commerce host a
New Year's Eve Community Gathering
December 31, 2017 8:00pm-12:00am
72 Main St., Bucksport, Maine**

- New Year's Eve crafts for all ages
- Music for all ages performed by:
The Flannel Doughboys
- Table games for all ages - Bring your favorite!
- Potluck snacks - Share your favorite yummy treat

- **New Year's Eve Ball Drop at midnight**
- **Chem free event**