Budget Summary
THOMASTON WASTEWATER DEPT.
Department 30
Fiscal Year 2024/2025

4/16/2024

				Actual 22/23	Budget 23/24	Est. 23/24	BUDGET 24/25
			REVENUES				
			OPERATING REVENUES				
0025	3100		User Fee - Residential	$275,977.28	$263,000	$290,700.00	$300,000
0025	3200		User Fee - Commercial	$148,413.60	$138,000	$132,200.00	$136,200
0025	3206		User Fee - Industrial	$204,188.09	$185,000	$200,000.00	$200,000
0035	3600		Miscellaneous Income	$390.00	$0	$0.00	$250
			SUBTOTAL	$628,968.97	$586,000	$622,900.00	$636,450
			NON-OPERATING REVENUES				
0015	3400		S.S.D.C.	$0.00	$2,000	$2,000.00	$2,000
0045	3345		Reserves - Upgrade & Improve	$0.00	$78,500	$50,000.00	$41,000
0045	3725		Reserve - Debt	$0.00	$0	$0.00	$0
0020	3737		TIF Assessment	$125,000.00	$125,000	$125,000.00	$125,000
0020	3369		Solar REC sales	$17,457.00	$52,580	$21,000.00	$21,000
0035	3605		Miscellaneous Income	$19,120.61	$0	$54,116.06	$7,000
			ARPA Funds			$100,828.29	$0
			SUBTOTAL	$161,577.61	$258,080	$352,944.35	$196,000
			GRAND TOTAL	**$790,546.58**	**$844,080**	**$975,844.35**	**$832,450**

EXPENSES
OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

			GENERAL ADMINISTRATION				
3010	15	0290	Uniforms	$0.00	$1,200	$0.00	$300
3010	20	0335	Training	$1,110.00	$2,000	$1,381.25	$1,000
3010	25	0405	Computer Support	$421.73	$2,000	$600.00	$1,000
3010	25	0440	Licenses, Permits & Fees	$1,432.05	$1,600	$1,432.05	$1,500
3010	25	0445	Lien Costs	$114.00	$500	$114.00	$250
3010	25	0585	Outside Professionals	$15,123.64	$10,000	$8,000.00	$18,000
3010	25	0689	Maine Water billing	$16,613.20	$17,000	$16,500.00	$19,800
3010	30	0300	Office Supplies	$2,243.56	$3,500	$1,400.00	$2,500
3010	30	0310	Postage	$54.58	$500	$500.00	$300
3010	50	0555	Advertising	$185.95	$100	$2,800.00	$600
3010	60	0420	Lease of Photo Copier		$0	$2,200.00	$2,334
3010	62	0416	Office Equipment	$976.14	$4,500	$5,000.00	$2,500
			SUBTOTAL	$38,274.85	$42,900	$39,927.30	$50,084

TED 2024/2025 BUDGET

				Actual 22/23	Budget 23/24	Est. 23/24	BUDGET 24/25
			SALARIES				
3020	10	0124	Operator	$8,881.47	$39,375	$29,524.28	$44,200
3020	10	0125	Superintendent	$34,269.90	$80,000	$55,606.86	$25,000
3020	10	0130	Consulant	$0.00	$0	$1,100.00	$25,000
3020	10	0140	Bookkeeper	$5,414.70	$7,600	$4,054.30	$6,000
3020	10	0142	Part Time Help	$0.00	$6,500	$0.00	$2,000
3020	10	0150	Overtime	$0.00	$765	$0.00	$1,000
3020	25	0588	Contract Superintendent	$93,768.00			$0
3020	15	0200	FICA/MEDI	$3,530.54	$14,996	$4,596.17	$14,000
3020	15	0250	Retirement	$3,495.61	$12,176	$4,449.67	$547
			SUBTOTAL	$149,360.22	$161,412	$99,331.28	$117,747
			TRANSPORT				
3030	20	0330	Employee Mileage - Travel	$601.51	$2,000	$842.00	$1,000
3030	20	0525	Vehicle Fuel	$998.62	$500	$1,400.00	$2,000
3030	40	0715	Vehicle Maintenance	$1,801.58	$1,600	$8,586.27	$2,500
			SUBTOTAL	$3,401.71	$4,100	$10,828.27	$5,500
			UTILITIES				
3040	45	0640	Communication Equipment	$5,448.65	$3,000	$2,580.00	$3,600
3040	45	0655	Heating Fuel - Control Building	$641.01	$800	$0.00	$800
3040	45	0658	Pump Station Generator Fuel	$2,842.78	$3,000	$3,300.00	$3,500
3040	45	0661	Electricity - Plant	$2,997.10	$2,000	$7,246.08	$0
3040	45	0662	Electricity - Pump Stations	$362.12	$2,000	$7,754.85	$0
			SUBTOTAL	$12,291.66	$10,800	$20,880.93	$7,900
			SOLAR ELECTRICITY				
3045	40	0667	Lighting Upgrades		$10,000	$0.00	$0
3045	40	0670	Streetlights monitor & upgrade		$10,000	$10,381.14	$6,000
3045	45	0671	Solar arrays monitor & upgrade			$0.00	$4,000
3045	65	0664	Electric Cost Above Credits		$3,000	$26,009.86	$30,000
			SUBTOTAL		$23,000.00	$36,391.00	$40,000
			LABORATORY				
3050	25	0580	Outside Laboratory Services	$2,726.68	$8,100	$3,260.00	$3,000
3050	30	0478	Normal Laboratory Supplies	$1,538.04	$2,500	$1,215.08	$2,000
3050	40	0700	Equipment Calibration & Maint.	$155.00	$3,500	$701.00	$500
3050	62	0410	Equipment Purchase	$209.70	$10,000	$1,183.79	$500
			SUBTOTAL	$4,629.42	$24,100	$6,359.87	$6,000
			PLANT MAINTANCE				
3060	30	0363	General Supplies	$1,354.39	$1,600	$3,200.00	$1,800
3060	40	0392	Repair Parts	$3,696.69	$9,500	$4,500.00	$10,000
3060	40	0573	Contract Services	$40,708.43	$18,000	$42,000.00	$16,000
3060	40	0725	Buildings & Grounds Maintenance	$629.46	$10,500	$39,238.37	$8,000
3060	62	0391	Plant Tools	$157.97	$1,000	$4,671.20	$1,000
3060	62	0410	Minor Equipment Replacement	$20,765.67	$8,000	$7,930.89	$9,000
3060	62	0418	Safety Equipment	$1,167.85	$1,200	$2,713.00	$1,500
			SUBTOTAL	$68,480.46	$49,800	$104,253.46	$47,300

TED 2024/2025 BUDGET

				Actual 22/23	Budget 23/24	Est. 23/24	BUDGET 24/25
			CHEMICALS				
3070	30	0476	Disinfection Chemicals	$747.38	$600	$1,080.00	$1,200
3070	30	0478	Other Chemicals	$0.00	$980	$0.00	$200
			SUBTOTAL	$747.38	$1,580	$1,080.00	$1,400
			TOWN FOREST				
3090	30	0363	General Supplies	$0.00	$500	$0.00	$1,700
3090	40	0752	Trail Maintenance	$56,429.66	$59,936	$24,160.63	$26,000
3090	55	0305	Publications & Memberships	$0.00	$500	$0.00	$500
			SUBTOTAL	$56,429.66	$60,936	$24,160.63	$28,200
			SEWER LINE MAINTENANCE				
3100	25	0573	Outside Services	$10,463.75	$5,000	$32,739.57	$23,500
3100	25	0720	GIS Sewer Mapping	$0.00	$500	$0.00	$500
3100	30	0363	General Supplies	$0.00	$500	$0.00	$1,300
3100	62	0390	Tools	$0.00		$1,071.58	$0
3100	65	0743	Remote Monitoring Equipment		$0	$7,437.00	$1,000
			SUBTOTAL	$10,463.75	$6,000	$41,248.15	$26,300
			PUMP STATION MAINTENANCE				
3105	25	0574	Outside Services				$27,000
3105	30	0363	General Supplies				$1,000
3105	62	0410	Minor Equipment Replacement				$10,000
3105	62	0415	Major Equipment Replacement				$0
			SUBTOTAL				$38,000
			MISC SERVICE				
3110	45	0688	Rockland Sewer Fee	$7,333.30	$9,000	$9,100.00	$9,500
3110	60	0758	Leases for Sewer Lines	$150.00	$160	$0.00	$160
			SUBTOTAL	$7,483.30	$9,160	$9,100.00	$9,660
			INSURANCE				
3120	15	0210	Medical Insurance	$18,723.70	$58,126	$12,512.33	$1,544
3120	35	0610	General Liability Insurance	$7,268.00	$7,500	$8,183.00	$8,200
3120	35	0630	Workers Compensation	$1,309.00	$800	$1,513.00	$1,615
3120	35	0632	Unemployment Insurance	$290.26	$150	$340.00	$370
			SUBTOTAL	$27,590.96	$66,576	$22,548.33	$11,729
			TOTAL OPERATION	$379,153.37	$460,364	$416,109.22	$389,820

TED 2024/2025 BUDGET

				Actual 22/23	Budget 23/24	Est. 23/24	BUDGET 24/25
			REPAIR & REPLACEMENT EXPENSES				
			CAPTAL RESERVES				
3130	65	4272	Trails Reserve		$4,950	$4,950.00	$7,200
3130	65	4274	Solar & Electric Reserve	$4,950.00			$12,000
3130	65	4276	Sludge Reserve	$12,000.00	$12,000	$12,000.00	$12,000
3130	65	4280	Short Lived Assets Reserve	$30,600.00	$30,600	$30,600.00	$32,004
3130	65	4285	SSDC Reserve	$0.00	$2,000	$0.00	$2,000
			SUBTOTAL	$47,550.00	$49,550	$47,550.00	$65,204
			MAJOR PROJECTS				
3140	65	0940	Solar Array	$45,979.38	$0	$10,575.00	$22,000
3140	65	0950	Land Application system	$0.00	$28,000	$3,162.45	$20,000
3140	65	0955	Pump Stations	$14,785.25	$0	$68,408.00	$18,000
3140	65	0965	Buildings & Grounds	$0.00	$0	$171.67	$0
3140	65	0970	Treatment System	$0.00	$6,000.00	$15,724.78	$0
3140	65	0960	Small Sewer Projects	$0.00	$20,000	$0.00	$0
3140	66	4300	Aeration System		$0	$44,233.59	$0
			SUBTOTAL	$60,764.63	$54,000	$142,275.49	$60,000
			TOTAL NON-OPER.	$108,314.63	$103,550.00	$189,825.49	$125,204
			LONG TERM DEBT EXPENSES				
			RESERVES				
3145	30	3145	Debt Reserve	$64,681.00	$44,923	$44,923.00	$32,904
			DEBT				
3145	75	4421	2021 MMBB Bond	$90,749.00	$82,550.00	$72,120.20	$68,062
3145	75	4429	2012 R.D. Bond	$56,797.00	$56,797.00	$56,797.00	$56,797
3145	75	4430	2015 SRF Bond	$108,261.95	$108,261.95	$108,261.36	$109,147
3145	75	4431	2016 R.D. Bond	$5,090.00	$50,090.00	$50,090.00	$50,090
			SUBTOTAL	$260,897.95	$297,698.95	$287,268.56	$284,098
			TOTAL DEBT	$325,578.95	$342,621.95	$332,191.56	$317,000
			GRAND TOTAL	**$813,046.95**	**$906,536**	**$938,126.27**	**$832,024**

Budget Details
THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
REVENUE PROJECTIONS
2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **OPERATING REVENUES**

RECEIVED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$551,918.20	$586,000	$620,500	**$625,200**

3310 - **User Fee - Residential** – This is the income from residential sewer users. The income in FY 2021/22 is expected to be approximately $258,000. There have been no new users connected to the sewer system this year. The last rate increase was in 2019 and has a 2% per year annual rate increase until 2023. Plan an increase of 2% showing up in the FY 22/23 budget. Plan on **$270,000**.

3315 **– User Fee - Commercial** – This is the income from commercial users. With pandemic issues affecting all business FY 2021/22 is expected to be down from what was budgeted. Expect approximately $135,000 or $5,000 less than what was projected. Figure the automatic 2% rate increase for next year and budget at **$155,000**.

3317 **– User Fees - Industrial** – This is the income from Dragon. It varies greatly from month to month and is weather related as well as dependent on cement production. Project actual this year at $192,000 and next plan on **$200,000**.

3340 **– Miscellaneous –** This is operating income (funds that come from handling wastewater) that do not fit in any other category. We generally get a few hundred dollars from such sources as, boat bottom wash water, but it is not certain so it is normally projected at the same as last year. Budget **$200.**

THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
REVENUE PROJECTIONS
2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **NON-OPERATING REVENUES**

RECEIVED 20/21	BUDGET 21/22	ESTIMATED 21/22	**BUDGET 22/23**
$275,489.32	$258,080	$185,764	**$271,343**

3325 – **S.S.D.C. Sewer System Development Charge** – This is a one-time charge to connect a new wastewater generator to the sewer. This was $3,200 in FY 20/21 but, for the first time ever, was zero for FY 21/22. Expect this to get back to more normal in FY 22/23 and plan on **$2,000**.

3345 – **Reserves - Upgrade & Improve** – Funds taken from our reserve accounts for system improvements. This will be **$71,407** with $71,407 from Short Lived Assets (SLA) Reserve.

3370 – **Reserve - Debt** – This is funds taken from the debt reserve account in excess of what is put in to make bond payments. This year **NONE** will be taken out.

3367 – **TIF Assessment** – This is the annual payment from the Credit Enhancement Agreement (TIF) with Dragon for the debt reduction payment on the East End Sewer Extension. This is fixed at $125,000. Budget at **$125,000.**

3369 – **Solar Electric Funds** – Funds the Town gets from the sale of Renewable Energy Certificates (this year's payment was $17,457 for 9 months), project next year at 12 months Budget at **$21,000**.

3375 – **Miscellaneous** – This is non-operating income that does not fit into another category. Grant funds already approved for trail work in Town Forest will be available this summer. Project **$51,936**.

THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
BUDGET REQUEST
2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$42,327.95	$42,400	$40,708	**$42,900**

3010-15-0290 - **Uniforms** – Introduction of Uniforms for Staff. Budget **$1200.00**

3010-20-0335 - **Training** - Staff needs to get 10 to 14 days a year of training at $70± a seminar. Have spent more with more on-line training. Budget **$2,000**.

3010-25-0405 - **Computer Support –** This pays for technical assistance support programs for computers during year and for new programs needed to properly function. **$2,000**.

3010-25-0440- **Licenses & Permits –** Our DEP license is now $1,170 yearly and add boiler inspection. Increase budget by $100 to **$1,600**.

3010-25-0445 - **Lien Expense** - This pays lien costs and is offset by lien fees. Based on actual recent costs reduce budget. Budget - **$500**.

3010-25-0585 - **Professional Services –** PCD share of Town audit is about $5,000. Legal or engineering help as needed $5,000. Budget **$10,000**.

3010-25-0689 **– Billing Service –** For contracted service with Maine Water to bill and collect payments. About 3,900 bills at $4.10 = $15,990. Budget at **$17,000**.

3010-30-0300 - **Office Supplies** - This purchases regular supplies for both the office and the treatment facility. A proper filing system must be implemented to adhere to DEP/EPA standards. Budget **$3,500**.

3010-30-0310 - **Postage –** For mailing vendor payments. No major change in rates are projected for this year. Reduce budget. Budget **$500.**

3010-50-0555 - **Advertising –** For legal ads if needed. Budget same as last year **$100**.

4065 - **Office Equipment –** Computer, copier and printers being acquired. Budget **$4,500**.
The overall budget for OE is increasing, some of the items are one-time purchases.

THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
BUDGET REQUEST
2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **SALARIES & WAGES**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$119,616.85	$192,308	$146,050	**$149,236**

3020-10-0125 – **Superintendent –** This is the new position to replace the contract Superintendent. Budget **$80,000**.

3020-10-0130 – **Assistant Superintendent –** This is a returning position that puts us back in compliance with DEP/EPA standards. Budget **$39,375.** (This is based on $52,500 annual salary allowing for a three-month search)

3020-10-0140 - **Bookkeeper –**The billing is now done by contract with Maine Water and that is covered under 30-3010-25-0689 in General Administration. Preparing monthly financial reports, processing warrants and other bookkeeping duties is done by part-time personnel. This will cost about $5,000 in FY 2022/23. Budget **$7,600**.

3020-10-0142 - **Part-time help –** This is the start of properly restaffing the plant to meet basic DEP/EPA guidelines. Budget **$6,500.**

THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
BUDGET REQUEST
2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **TRANSPORTATION**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$2,058.37	$3,600	$3,236	**$4,100**

3030-20-0330 - **Mileage** - Covers employees' use of their own vehicles which saves the town money and was included in the billing from the previous contract superintendent and costs from lab shipping which is now transported more economically via our own vehicles. Budget at **$2000**.

3030-20-0525 - **Vehicle Fuel** – This is for the town truck which is used for snow plowing Budget to **$500.**

3030-40-0715 - **Vehicle Maintenance –** Maintenance for truck, tractor, utility vehicle and other equipment. Keep budget at **$1,600**.

THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
BUDGET REQUEST
2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **UTILITIES**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$66,621.51	$20,800	$11,241	**$10,800**

3040-45-0640 **– Telephone & Alarms –** This covers our communications and includes:

Office Phones	$1,740/year
Cell phones	$960 year
Internet service	$300/year

Budget **$3,000**.

3040-45-0655 - **Heating Fuel** - Heat for office including rental of propane tanks. With the propane heating system and the heat pump in office room, fuel costs less. Only used $500 in FY 21/22 so keep same in 22/23. Budget at **$800**.

3040-45-0658- **Generator Fuel** – There are 2 diesel generators and 4 LP gas generators at the pump stations. Don't expect any reduction in diesel fuel or LP gas cost in next year. The lease on the LP tanks is $160 per year per tank or $640 total. Allow a little for price change and total fuel budget is **$3,000**.

3040-45-0661 **– Electricity at Treatment Facility –** With solar arrays electric costs have been zero the entire FY 2022/23. Budget **$2,000** for next year to cover any shortfall.

3040-45-0662 - **Electricity at Pump Stations** - With solar arrays electric costs have been zero the entire FY 2022/23. Budget **$2,000** for next year to cover any shortfall.

THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
BUDGET REQUEST
2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **MUNICIPAL SOLAR ELECTRICITY**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
	$4,980	$5,105	**$44,000**

This account provides recordkeeping of the credits received from the solar array. Funds received to cover this expense are shown in the Non-Operating Revenues under Solar and come from the Solar Reserve.

3040-45-0664 – **Municipal Electric** – The solar array credits from CMP has covered all these costs from July 2022 through April 2023 and should cover May and June. This account would cover any shortfall in FY 2023/24. Budget **$3,000.**

3040-45-0665 – **Streetlight & Solar Maintenance –** Covers the cost of monitoring, maintaining and upgrades to the streetlights and solar electrical system. Budget **$10,000.**

3040-45-0666 – **Solar Reserve & Bond –** Puts funds aside for future expenses of the solar system and helps pay the long-term debt payments. For FY 23/24 pays the interest on the bond of $14,677.91 and the $5,266 put into the Solar Reserve. (Note: see Solar Reserve Account Balance spreadsheet at end of budget for details.) Budget **$21,000**.

3040-45-0667 – **Lighting Upgrade and Maintenance –** This will replace the overhead lighting in the Public Works Garage with LED fixtures reducing the electricity used at this facility. Have quote of $9,400 for this. Budget **$10,000**.

THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
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2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **LABORATORY**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$10,918.94	$10,900	$3,396	**$24,100**

3050-25-0580 - **Contract Laboratory** - Pays for work done by an outside laboratory that we are not equipped to do here. Rates increasing 5%. This includes:

BOD & TSS	20 tests/year	@$58.30	$1,166
Mercury	1 test/year	@$100	$ 100
Nitrate	6 tests/year	@$21	$ 126
Groundwater	2 tests/year	@$440	$ 880
Quality Assurance	1 test/year	@200	$ 200
			$ 2,472

Budget $**8,100.**

3050-30-0478 - **Supplies –** This is for expendable items that get used up in the laboratory such as chemicals, rubber gloves, filters, etc. Based on actual for last few years and need to meet compliance increase budget to **$2,500**.

3050-40-0700 - **Equipment Calibration**. – As required now by DEP/EPA budget **$3,500.**

3050-62-0410 - **Equipment –**Equipment upgrades as required by the DEP/EPA. Budget **$10,000**.

Please note: Future budgets and actuals will vary as we begin to do more of our own testing. The long-term goal is to do most of our own testing and save money.

THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
BUDGET REQUEST
2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **PLANT/MACH. MAINT.**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$52,907.92	$34,250	$49,557	**$49,800**

3060-30-0363 - **Supplies** - This covers all maintenance supplies from light bulbs to grease and miscellaneous other items. Increase by $100 to **$1,600.**

3060-40-0392 - **Repair parts –** Various items needed for our equipment. The plant is getting older, and costs have increased. Budget **$9,500**.

3060-40-0573 - **Contract services** - Use of an outside contractor for jobs we cannot do in house such as electrical work, equipment repair, wet well cleaning, etc. This account goes up and down over the years. Equipment replacement and upgrades at several pump stations have reduced emergency work.

• Cleaning pump station wet wells each spring	$ 4,000
• Pump inspection & service	$ 7,500
• Cleaning and inspection of sewer lines	$ 4,000
• Electrical & alarm (radio) service	$ 1,500
• Misc. other work	$ 1,000
	$ 18,000

3060-40-0725 - **Building & Grounds** - This is for normal maintenance and repairs for buildings. Replace garage doors, repair fence, and other minor work. Budget **$10,500**.

3060-62-0391 - **Tools** - Plant or pump stations keep needing new or replacement tools. Budget **$1,000** for next year.

3060-62-0410 – **Equipment replacement –** This is to replace small items not in our equipment reserve account. Equipment is getting older. Increase by $4,000. Budget **$8,000.**

3060-62-0418 - **Safety Equipment –** Normal equipment upkeep and repair including fire extinguisher testing or replacement. Running over this year. Increase needed to meet Fire Codes. Budget **$1,200**.

THOMASTON POLLUTION CONTROL DEPT.
BUDGET REQUEST
2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR

ACCOUNT TITLE: **CHEMICALS**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$471.08	$650	$400	**$1580**

3070-30-0476 **– Disinfection –** Chlorine is used to disinfect the treated wastewater before it is discharged to the river. Expect to use less in future years. Budget **$600**.

3070-30-0478 **– Misc. Chemicals –** Lime is used to control odor and improve handling of screenings from Ship Street Pump Station. We use only a few bags a year. Various chemicals using for equipment cleaning and the calibration required to be in compliance with the DEP. Budget **$980.**

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ACCOUNT TITLE: **TOWN FOREST**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$22,360.56	$11,000	$26,925	**$60,936**

3090-30-0363 – **General Supplies –** Tools and other small items. Budget **$500.**

3090-40-0752 – **Trail Maintenance –** Funds spent to maintain and expand the hiking/biking trails. With increased use funds this year will go for work on the Town Forest Trails and connections. These are projects of the Side Country Trails (SCT) and the Georges River Land Trust (GRLT). The FY 23/24 budget has $51,936 that came from a grant from Maine outdoor Heritage Fund and other trail organizations and administered by PCD. Budget **$59,936.**

3090-55-0305 – **Publications & Memberships** - This pays for membership in the Georges River Land Trust to continue to get help with trail maintenance and other information from them. Budget **$500**.

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ACCOUNT TITLE: **SEWER LINE MAINT**.

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$9,005.00	$12,300	$9,000	**$6,300**

3100-25-0573 - **Contract Services –** This pays for videoing sewers and covers outside help with minor sewer work. As outlined in the *Asset Management Plan* the Clean Water Drains on Water, Green and Mechanic Streets (Section F) are scheduled for cleaning and inspection this year. There is about 2,300 feet of mostly 8-inch sewer and at an estimated cost of $1.00/foot for inspection, this will cost about $2,500.
The sewers will be cleaned (Public Works and Pollution Control). Allow 20% for unknown and extra costs and budget at **$5,000.**

3100-25-0720 - **GIS Mapping –** The annual maintenance on our GIS program is $420. Covers the cost of updates and educational material. Allow for other minor expenses and budget **$500**.

3100-30-0363 - **General Supplies** - This is for things like rings to raise manholes to grade in areas being cleaned and videoed. Also, for spare parts such as repair couplings and fittings we keep on hand for emergencies. Budget at **$300**

3100-62-0390 - **Tools & Equipment** – Items used for sewer work. Need new manhole opening device so budget at **$500**.

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ACCOUNT TITLE: **MISC. SERVICES**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$10,479.74	$8,960	$8,160	**$9,160**

3110-45-0688 **– Rockland Sewer Fee** - This is the actual amount paid to Rockland for the 25 houses that are actually in Thomaston on Pleasant Street that are connected to their treatment plant. For next year budget **$9,000**.

3110-60-0758 - **Leases –** This is for leases for sewer lines crossing the railroad. For the last several years it has been $150 per year. We also have several other crossings with no lease. Budget at **$160**.

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ACCOUNT TITLE: **INSURANCE**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$21,407.93	$8,508	$23,068	**$78,752**

3120-15-0210 – Medical Insurance – Medical insurance for staff. Budget **$58,126.**

3120-35-0610 – **Liability Insurance** – This is Pollution Control's share of the Town's general insurance policy. Budget next year at **$7,500**.

3120-35-0630 - **Workers Compensation** – The rate for this is set by the insurance company but should be up from last year. Budget **$800**.

3120-35-0632 - **Unemployment insurance** - The rate is set by our insurance carrier. Expect increase so budget at **$150**.

000-00-0000 – **Retirement –** This is based on the salary of staff at a rate of 10.2% currently. Budget **$12,176.** *Line item is new and will be coded in the future.*

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ACCOUNT TITLE: **ASSET ACCOUNTS**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$47,640.00	$49,550	$47,550	**$48,772**

Asset Accounts is the new name for the old Capital Reserves.

3130-65-4274 - **Trails Reserve –** This sets aside funds for the maintenance and upgrade of the trails system in the Town Forest. Budget **$7,000**.

3130-65-4276 - **Sludge Reserve –** This sets aside funds to clean the treatment lagoons. Cost could be in the $100,000 to $150,000 range. Budget **$6,000**.

3130-65-4280 – **Short Lived Assets Account –** This is funds set aside for future replacement or upgrade of components of the pumping, treating and final disposal of the wastewater as well as the office and laboratory equipment. Excluded from this are major construction projects that are normally funded by long term borrowing. This is based on the Short-Lived Assets list as outlined in the *Asset Management Plan*.
Budget **$33,772** to the Short-Lived Assets Account.

3130-65-4285 - **SSDC Reserve** - This is where the Sewer System Development Charge (S.S.D.C.) income is kept. The amount budgeted for this reserve always equals the amount budgeted for S.S.D.C. income. Funds are only put in this account when collected from a sewer connection permit. These funds can only be used to increase capacity in our system. Budget **$2,000**.

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ACCOUNT TITLE: **REPAIR & REPLACEMENT**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$166,974.46	$131,000	$60,764	**$34,000**

The following capital projects are proposed for FY 23/24:

3140-65-0970 – **Treatment System** – Electric power outages have become more common in recent years and leave the Treatment Facility with power (the solar array shuts down if there is no power in the CMP lines to protect those working on the lines). This leaves the Control with no lights, heat or SCADA service. A small generator would power theses things but not the pumps or blowers. Budget **$6,000**.

3140-65-0950 – **Land Application** – The flows to be treated have increased in recent years and are now about 20,000,000 gallons a year more than 6-years ago. To handle more flow, we need to have a more efficient spray system. Automating the process in the Fields and making changes would increase efficient use of the fields. Setting up the SCADA to control the valves will help automate the fields. Budget **$28,000**

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ACCOUNT TITLE: **DEBT REDUCTION**

EXPENDED 21/22	BUDGET 22/23	ESTIMATED 22/23	**BUDGET 23/24**
$205732.00	$297,699	$297,699	**$287,184**

This is for paying off the principal and interest on the long-term debt incurred for various sewer related projects. These are actual amounts due. See attached long term debt summary in Asset Management Plan and cash flow projections (shows the timing of payments and transfers into the Debt Reserve Account) on next page.

3145-65-4405 – **Debt Reserve** – Funding for the long-term debt associated with the collection and treatment of wastewater comes from four sources:

1. The sewer users through their sewer bills	$192,000
2. The Dragon TIF (for the East End Sewer)	$125,000
3. Municipal share of bond for solar bond (1/4 of total).	$ 18,628
4. Interest on solar bond from Solar Reserve	$ 16,237
Total	$351,865

Debt Payment – The bonds below were issued to pay for the 2006/2008 East End Sewer Extension, the 2011/2012 sewer replacement on Wadsworth Street and Brooklyn Heights and the 2021 solar array.

3150-75-4429 – **RD 2012 Bond** – Payment due 11/7/22 **[$56,797.00]**

3150-75-4430 - **SRF 2015 Bond** - Payment due 12/1/22 [$1,044.55] and 6/1/2023 **[$108,261.00]**.

3150-75-4431 – **RD 2016 Bond** – Payment due 1/14/23 **[$50,090.00]**

3150-75-4432 – **MMBB 2021 Bond** – Payment due 11/1/22 [$8198.35] and 5/1/23 **[$72,035]**