

Town of Hardwick FY 2024 Budget Update Through 09-30-2023

Revenues:

Overall, revenues from the General Fund are on track to meet the budget.

The tax revenue shows over 100% because we have not paid the school their portion yet. The budget amount is what the Town expects to receive after paying the schools and the actual amount that you see below is a “billed” amount.

If we assume that the Town has collected 25% of our *expected* tax revenues (25% of \$3,116,986), the overall percentage would be 28%. Therefore, we are slightly ahead of schedule for revenue.

We would expect revenues to be at about 25% at this point in the fiscal year. Office revenues are running ahead primarily due to copier fees and zoning permits at 34.59% and 38.33% respectively. Highway revenues are higher than expected because the State has already sent 3 of 4 quarterly highway aid payments. We are speculating that they did this to assist towns who experienced flood damage.

Town of Hardwick Revenue Summary			
Department	Budget	Actual	% Collected
Tax Revenues	\$3,116,986	\$5,898,207	189.23%
Office Revenues [Licenses, Recordings, etc.]	\$43,850	\$11,584	26.42%
Highway Revenues	\$180,254	\$114,924	63.76%
Police Revenues [Tickets, Grants, etc.]	\$21,850	\$1,401	6.41%
Grant Revenue - Other	\$400	\$0	0.00%
Other Revenue [Misc, Interest, W/S Transfers]	\$275,021	\$114,387	41.59%
	\$3,638,361.00	\$6,140,503.95	168.77%

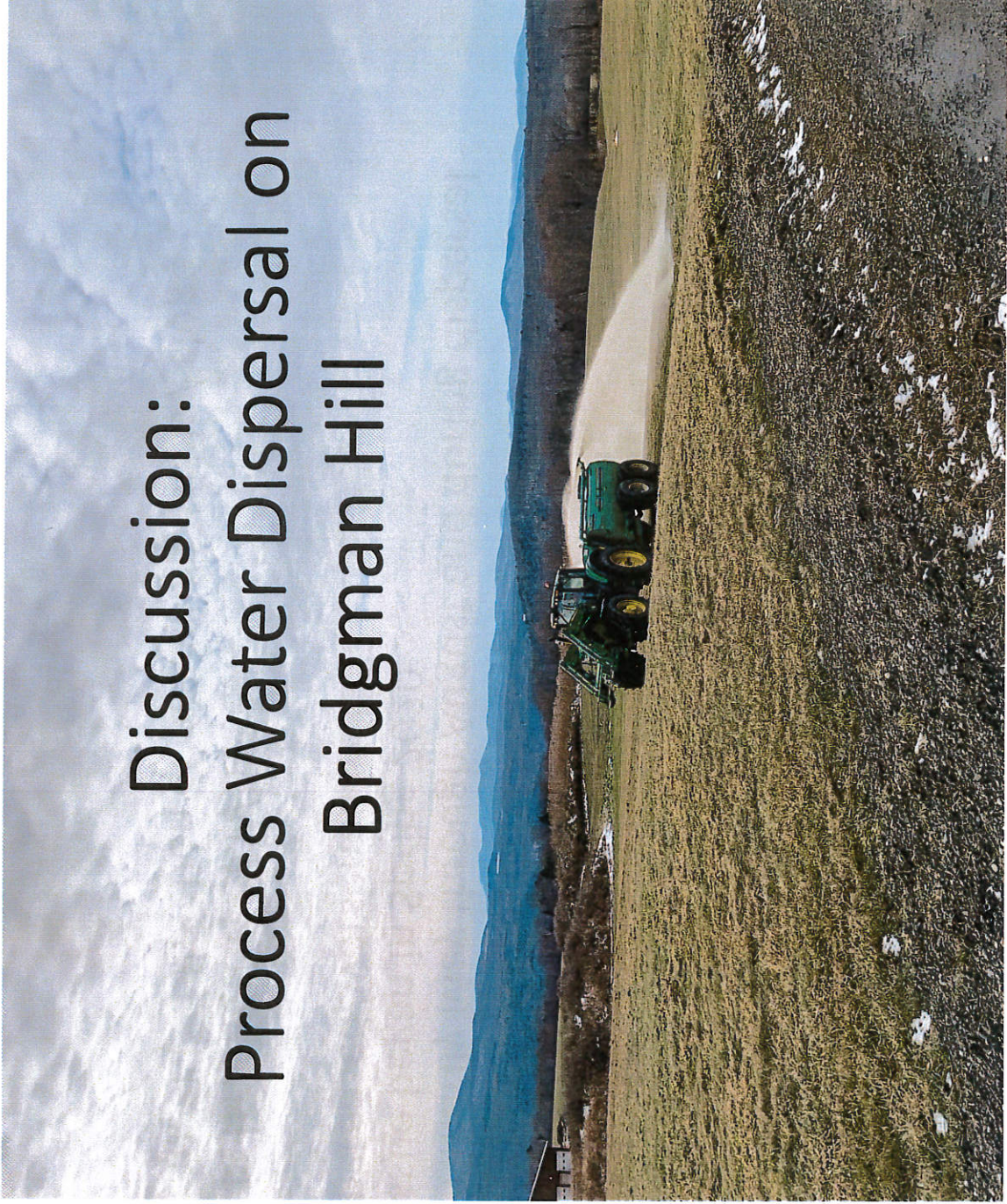
Expenses:

Overall, total expenses are at 28.39% when we would typically expect them to be at about 25%, so we are about 3.5% over. However, this includes almost \$250,000 in flood related expenses. All VLCT insurances (worker’s comp, PACIF and unemployment) have been paid for the first half of the fiscal year. County taxes have been paid in full for the year and appropriations are being paid as organizations submit their requests. Taking out the flood expenses, we would be around 21%.

Office expenses are slightly above budget (1.92%) due to flood-related expenses. Trails is over budget by about 8% just because they have paid for maps and some one-time events. This is very nominal considering the total of their overall budget. At this point, after seeing the first quarter figures, we are on track to meet our expense budget.

Town of Hardwick Expense Summary				
Department	Budget	Actual	\$ (Remaining) or Over Budget	% Used
Office [Clerk/Manager/Supplies, Etc.]	\$537,236	\$144,628	(\$392,608)	26.92%
Other Payroll [Stipend employees, etc.]	\$75,983	\$13,725	(\$62,258)	18.06%
Buildings	\$71,152	\$13,927	(\$57,226)	19.57%
Police Department	\$854,451	\$206,938	(\$647,513)	24.22%
Fire Department	\$61,685	\$14,953	(\$46,732)	24.24%
Highway Department	\$1,084,732	\$206,808	(\$877,924)	19.07%
Flood Expenses	\$0	\$228,295	\$228,295	100.00%
Rescue Squad	\$72,765	\$0	(\$72,765)	0.00%
Appropriations	\$37,261	\$12,161	(\$25,100)	32.64%
County Taxes	\$24,635	\$19,719	(\$4,916)	80.04%
Line Items	\$919,960	\$202,328	(\$717,632)	21.99%
Recreation	\$24,245	\$4,567	(\$19,678)	18.84%
Trails	\$9,185	\$3,028	(\$6,157)	32.97%
	\$3,773,290.00	\$1,071,077.97	-\$2,702,212.03	28.39%

Discussion: Process Water Dispersal on Bridgman Hill



Background

What:

- vapor/odor from bottling plant process water collecting in lagoon
- not related to any manure

When:

- Primarily May through August and during dispersal
- issue began in Spring 2020
- increased/worsened in 2023

Who is Impacted & Where:

- Impact is a function of prevailing winds / slope



Future Concerns and Questions: Water Quality

- scope of wastewater dispersal operation
- underground dispersal methods
- testing

