

August 2019

North Haven

CHALLENGES AND PRIORITIES

North Haven Demographics

- Total Year-round Population: 355
- Median age: 44.5
- 18 & over: 284, 80%
- 65 & over: 69, 19.4%
- Total households: 165
- Owner-occupied houses: 119
- Median household income: \$63,125

Source: U.S. Census Bureau 2010 Decennial Census

Summer Population:

- 1,500?
- 2,000?
- 3,000?

Total Sewer Customers: 197

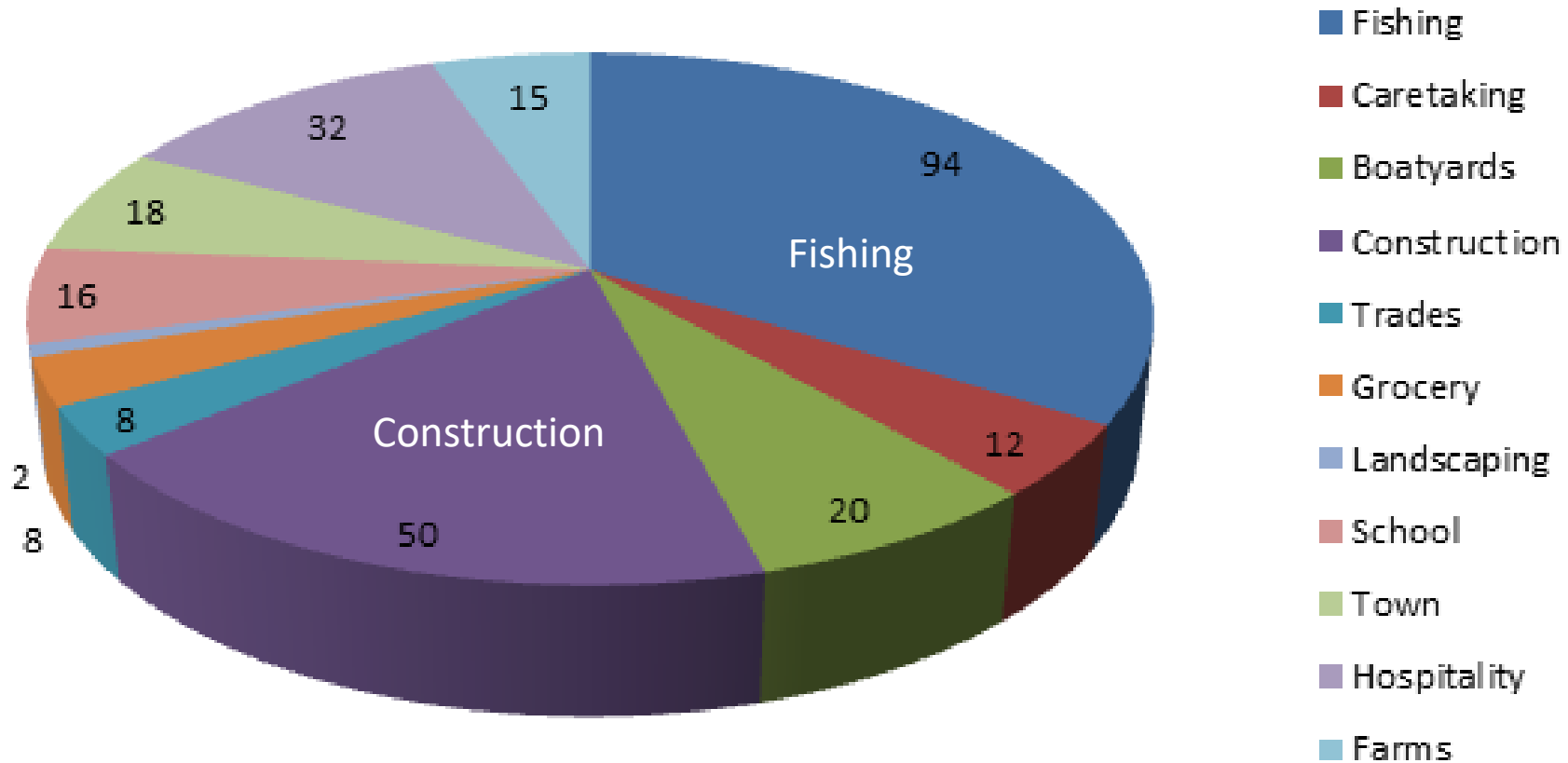
Total Water Customers: 290

Total billable property accounts: 686

Total real property value: \$316,128,300

- We realize this data is out of date
- Year-round data will be updated as part of the 2020 Census

North Haven Economy



Percentage of adults with more than one job: approximately 21% [59 people]

Summary of Town's Budget

Budget Item	2019 Amount	Budget Item	2019 Amount
Administration	\$263,724	Floats & Docks	\$13,700
Assessors' Assistance	\$38,500	Solid Waste/Recycling Center	\$158,125
Planning & Code Enforcement	\$18,000	Medical Coverage	\$407,690
Community Building	\$14,764	Emergency Medical Services	\$91,690
Town Properties	\$46,500	Outreach to Residents	\$11,000
Insurance	\$62,636	Service Agency Support	\$33,765
Payroll Expenses	\$167,000	Veterans' Graves	\$3,200
Legal Services	\$30,000	Other Health and Welfare	\$9,400
Fire Department	\$84,297	Mullin's Head	\$13,000
Police Protection	\$60,774	Recreation Council	\$10,900
Animal Control Officer	\$1,347	Library & Historical Society	\$16,500
Streetlights & Hydrants	\$104,968	Debt Service	\$148,316
Roads & Bridges	\$55,500		
Snow removal	\$71,000		

2018 Mil Rate:
\$13.02/thousand in value

2019 Mil Rate:
\$13.02/thousand in value

Total Town	\$2,175,396	Total School	\$2,293,926
Total 2019 Budget: \$4,469,322			

Current Reserve Accounts and Balances:

Account	Annual Contribution	Balance
Ambulance	\$5,000	\$59,169
Clinic	\$4,000	\$24,991
Community Building	\$6,000	\$53,623
Fire Truck	\$30,000	\$177,233
Floats & Docks	\$10,000	\$53,017
Mullin's Head Park	\$0	\$18,463
Office Equipment	\$0	\$16,089
Playground	\$1,000	\$4,073
Plow Trucks	\$5,000	\$139,697
Repaving	\$100,000	\$739,210
Revaluation	\$5,000	\$41,673
Town Garage	\$10,000	\$43,248
Town House	\$2,000	\$14,364
Town Office Building	\$6,100	\$64,639
Town Property Maintenance	\$0	\$23,340
Transfer Station	\$15,000	\$107,514
Total		\$1,580,343

Sewer & Water Accounts

- Supported by users
- Not by taxpayers
- Sewer Dep't Balance:
 - \$286,750
- Water Dep't Balance:
 - \$393,014

VISION:

To ensure North Haven's long-term viability by increasing the diversity of our economy, maintaining an affordable and effective infrastructure, and supporting an enviable quality of life.

Challenges we face – As a Community

- Ferry service and air service to the island
- Cellphone access
- Internet access
- Sea level rise
- High-quality school
- Grocery store
- Year-round housing
- Temporary lodging
- Obtaining & retaining a labor force
- Airstrip
- Congestion
- Emergency Services
- Waterfront Access

North Haven's Future Economy — Ideas to Consider

Existing

- Fishing
- Aquaculture
 - Oysters
 - Kelp
 - Scallops
- Caretaking
- Farming
- Boatyards
- Construction & Renovation
- Building Trades
- School Employees
- Town Employees
- Hospitality
- Grocery Store
- Retail

Possibilities

- Increase emphasis on aquaculture
 - Scientists & Researchers
 - Other species
 - Add programs to the School
- Increase Arts & Music
- Teleworking
- Light industry
- Boatbuilding
- Increase boat charters

What other ideas do you have?

Possible Town Government Initiatives

- Airstrip: A year-round, town-controlled airstrip
- Congestion: Improved traffic and parking management
- Emergency Services: An improved Fire Department/EMS/Public Works building
- Waterfront: Accessible waterfront, both working and recreational

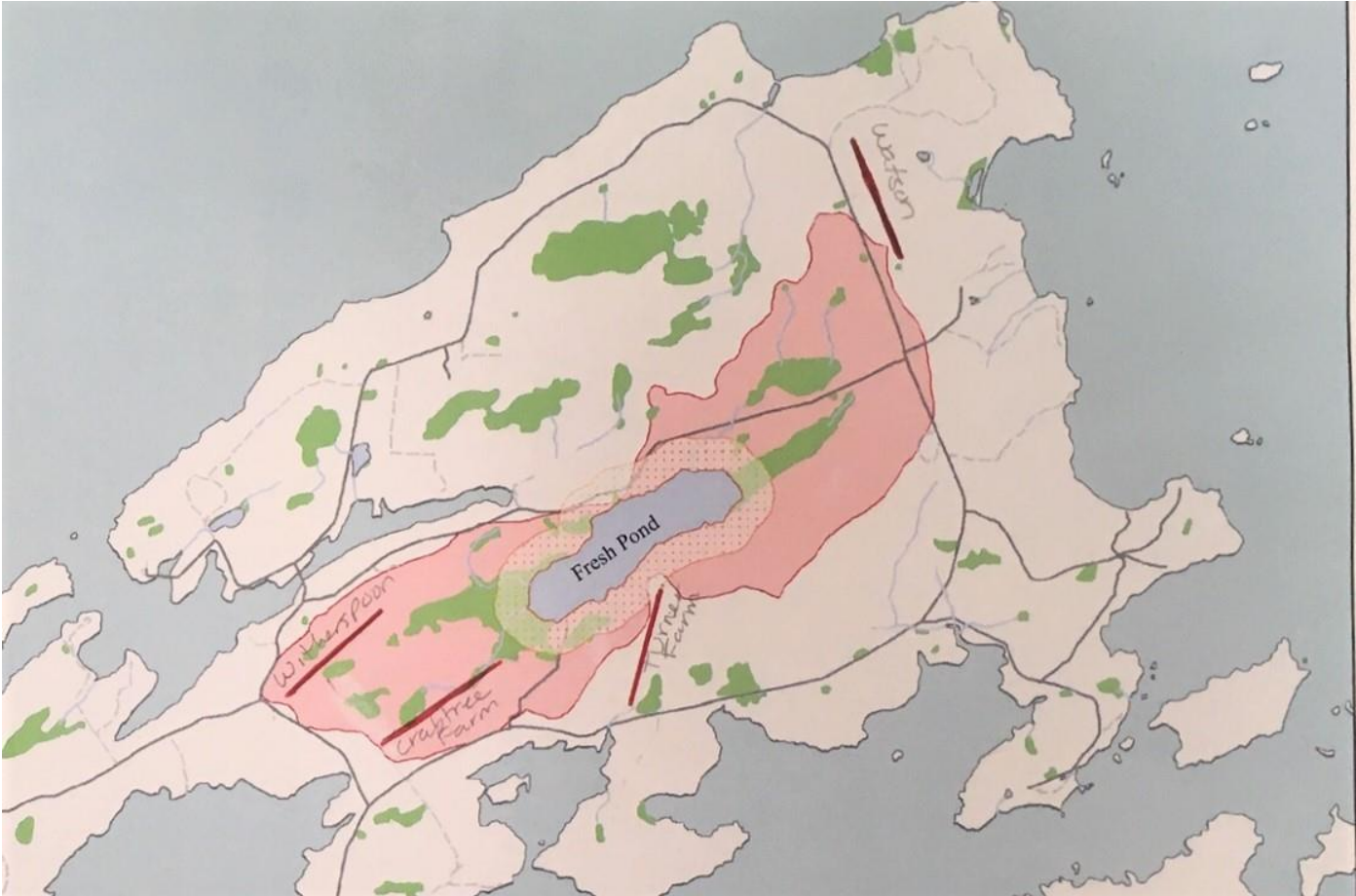
A year-round, town-controlled airstrip

Challenge: The Town needs a safe and effective airstrip available year-round. Witherspoon's is troubling because of its close location to the school, the road, and its length. A longer strip would allow Penobscot Island Air to use larger aircraft

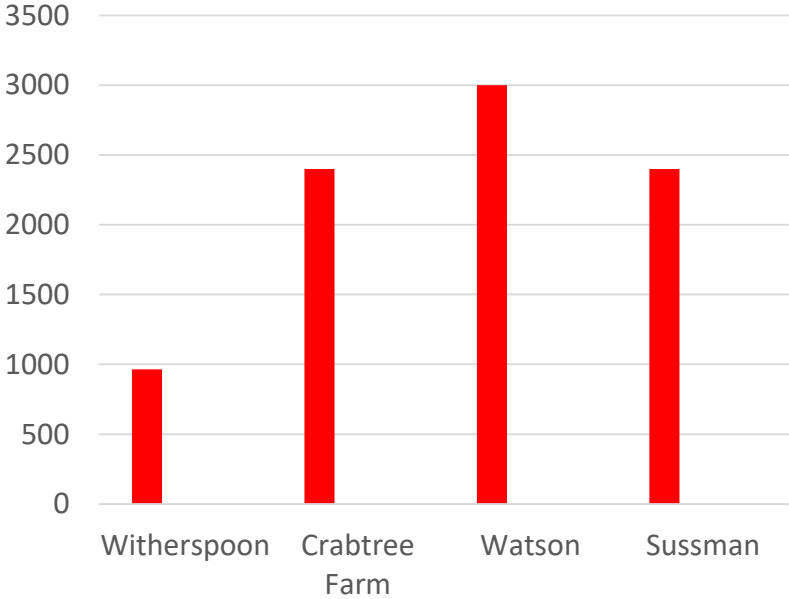
Proposed Solution: Find another airstrip that would provide a safer and longer alternative

Anticipated Costs: Estimated costs range from \$500,000 to \$1.5 million depending on location, length, and legal challenges

Airstrip Options



Airstrip Length in Feet



Accessible waterfront, both working and recreational

Challenge: Considering our island location, North Haven lacks both an adequate working waterfront facility and space for recreational boaters

Proposed Solution: Enhance or develop waterfront facilities that will support both current and future needs

Anticipated Costs: Estimates vary considerably, depending on scope and location. A completely new facility would likely cost \$1.5 to \$2.5 million

An Improved Fire Department/EMS/Public Works Building

Challenge: Our current building is inadequate, too small for modern fire trucks, too close to the road, and no room for a year-round tanker. The plow truck portion is not heated and the floor is disintegrating.

Proposed Solution: Ensure we have facilities that will support the Town's needs well into the future at a location that is suitable for the purpose and cost-effective.

Anticipated Costs: \$750,000 to \$3.0 million depending on size, scope, and location

Traffic and parking management

Challenge: To increase parking opportunities in the village and in Pulpit Harbor that are both safe and accommodate surges for ferry traffic and fishing activities

Proposed Solution: Create additional parking on Smith Street, near the Town Office, and at Pulpit Harbor

Anticipated Costs: Under \$50,000 – achievable using existing Roads & Bridges funds

Financing Options

All payments assume a 3% annual interest rate

Loan Amount	Term (years)	Annual Payment	Percent of Current Town Budget	Percent of Current Total Budget	Total Payments
\$2 million	10	\$234,461	10.77	5.2	\$2,344,610
\$4 million		\$468,922	21.55	10.5	\$4,689,220
\$6 million		\$703,383	32.33	15.7	\$7,033,830
\$2 million	20	\$134,431	6.1	3.0	\$2,688,628
\$4 million		\$268,863	12.4	6.0	\$5,377,257
\$6 million		\$403,294	18.5	9.0	\$8,065,885
\$2 million	30	\$102,039	4.7	2.2	\$3,061,156
\$4 million		\$204,077	9.4	4.6	\$6,122,311
\$6 million		\$306,116	14.1	6.8	\$9,183,467

Current Debt:

- Town: \$641,756
- Sewer: \$814,180
- Water: \$387,876

Total: \$1,843,812

Costs could be offset, in part, by Grants and Donations

Initiative	Range of Estimated Costs
Airstrip	\$500,000 to \$1.5 million
Congestion (Traffic & Parking)	\$50,000
Emergency Services Building	\$750,000 to \$3.0 million
Waterfront Access	\$1.5 to \$2.5 million
Total	\$2.80 to \$7.05 million

Survey: Informal way to help the Town decide how to move forward

Open Discussion

Summary & Next Steps

Concluding Remarks