**AUDITORS’ REPORT**

The role of Auditor is to ensure that all expenditures of taxpayers’ monies are accounted for accurately. Auditors are elected at Town Meeting to create an independent means of checking the financial accountability of the Town. This year the Auditors have recommended to the Selectboard to ask the voters to eliminate this local office and have an annual outside audit. This is a move which we fully support and find to be fiscally responsible to benefit the Town of Eden.

Presently, the Auditors review the bills and invoices, payroll, and orders (authorization to pay expenses) for the Town throughout the year. Balancing the Town checkbook and reconciling all accounts for the Town Report are performed by the Selectboard Assistant/Office Help.

The Auditors have reviewed the final accounting of annual expenditures presented here in the Town Report and the report from the outside audit performed by Kittel, Brannagan & Sargent. This is an additional step in checking the financial health and accuracy of the Town’s finances.

 *Eric Hammond*

 *Ronald Miller*

 *Kay Shields*