Please list 3 strengths you believe Hermon to have.

TOP 5 TOPICS / THEMES:

- 1. Low property taxes and a low mil rate.
- 2. <u>A rural feel, but with easy access to nearby amenities and services.</u>
- 3. Good schools and a focus on education.
- 4. <u>Natural beauty and outdoor recreation opportunities, including hiking trails,</u> <u>ponds, and mountains.</u>
- 5. Proximity to Bangor, a larger city that offers additional services and amenities.

Geographical location, low taxes, strong transportation and manufacturing business sector

Residents, youth and low taxes

Business friendly, low taxes and hometown feel. Also Mr. Perkins, he is the best.

Sports programs. Low taxes.

Reasonable mil rate, good community support

Schools, community feel, proximity to Bangor

RURAL FEEL, MIL RATE, SCHOOLS

Rural feel yet close to service center (Bangor), incredible school department, and public services like curbside trash pick up.

Good families, cost of living, and good education

Small community, shopping options, schools close together

Low taxes, quality education, safe neighborhoods

Potential, low taxes, strong school system

Space, community, and location Small town feel, growing community, great schools

"Fair taxes, Small Town feel, Village appearance "

Low Property Taxes, well maintained roads, expanding population

School, athletics and low taxes

Small rural feel. Close to Bangor. Lowest mil rate vs nearby towns

Appeal for young families (schools, sports, small town feel while close to amenities), opportunities for business development, perfectly places as a thru-way for commuters working in Bangor.

Affordable property taxes, excellent teachers, private but close to town

Low taxes, good schools, small community

Great Town Council, Business friendly, location

School system, low taxes, small town feel

"1) School system- Staff 1st, Buildings 2nd and grounds 3rd 2) Volunteers 3) Business "

The schools, the staff, and administration

The education of our children is a strength, the Rec Department and the new track project.

Small town community with necessary provisions in town

Small town living, It's expensive enough to keep Bangor issues away, Village has all you need.

Quality schools, rural charm, family friendly

school system, size, accessibility to Bangor

Proximity to Bangor, Mil rate,

Great Community, Great Location, Great Growth Potential

Close to city..low mill rate..good resources

Small town values, small business venues, easy commute to and from town

close community, Bible believing church, businesses in town

Mil rate, rural nature(slowly disappearing), business parks

Very good emergency response services, town office that responds quickly and gives you answers, town's people who want the best for our town

Great town to live, own a business, and raise a family in!

"Mil Rate, Nice communities, Business friendly" Schools, family atmosphere, and small town feel School systems, taxes, socioeconomic demographics "Community feel, No traffic, Close to stores" Community, good school system, safe family atmosphere, teachers, and mill rate It's still somewhat rural. Close to Bangor. Beauty. family live, homes, schools "Schools, Small businesses, Community feel " Attracting new business, mil rate, Good teachers, location, minimum of 1 acre per house Home land ratio, size of town population, activities for kid (could improve but good) Active community, beautiful scenery, strong schools Strong fiscal responsibility, attracting businesses. Family feeling school system and senior program Sports programs for kids, schools, rural geel Public Services-Rec Program Proximity to Bangor, recreational activities for kids, low taxes Safe for families, exceptional teachers at the elementary school, and the new dollar general! Lower tax rate; elementary school fields and trail; businesses like Danforths and Dysarts Schools, town office staff, road maintenance Spacious home lots with privacy, great schools, close to Bangor metro area Low mil rate, still small town feel, appropriate retail

Low mil rate, school, small town feel

"1. low tax rate 2. strong schools 3. sense of community"

Strong sense of community, community involvement., Community activities

solid tax base, strong rec and community activity, good community services

"Strong school system, Nice residential neighborhoods with solid/growing property values, Convenient location "

Community quiet town, Schools, Wonderful town & school employees, lots of services nearby (dental, eye, grocery, hardware, etc.)

Schools/Education, rec department

small town atmosphere, low property taxes, Danforth's supermarket

Community, Rural Feel, Safety

Hermon Schools! We have amazing educators! Hermon Recreation has added so many more activities for kids and elderly. They should have their own building.

Small town feel, quality schools, access to groceries and health care (eye doctor, medical, dental offices).

Caring community members, wonderful schools and a growing community

"Education system. Decent property taxes. Access to general needs retail stores I.e. grocery store, gas station, hardware store "

Community, addressing food insecurity, natural wildlife habitats

Low taxes, close to Bangor, quiet

Low mil. Decent town roads. Access to basic necessities

"Mil rate, Everything you need in town, Country feel"

Loweer taxes, rural atmosphere, privacy

Mil rate, low crime, warm hometown feel

tax rate, proximity to Bangor, well managed town

"Great community resources for businesses, Great rural feel, Great mil rate"

school system, Parks & Rec dept, low taxes

Proximity to city resources, low taxes, room to expand

Strong sense of community, safe clean town, no homeless people/drugs School system, school system, population

Neighborly, provides opportunities, great school system

Community - education - sports

Low taxes, good schools, good government.

Great school community and teachers, great rec etc programs for students and friendly neighborhoods.

Community Atmosphere

Community, Education, and low taxes!! "Family oriented, Affordable taxes, School department "

Affordable taxes, great recreational programs

Good people, good schools, lots of programs for kids

Tax mil rate, code officer that is willing to work with you which produces more growth, and finally the community

Schools, rec program and hiking trail

Schools, retail center (Danforths plaza), Recreation program

Grocery store fire and rescue dunking donuts

Young families, low taxes, proximity to regional city (Bangor)

Committed and tenured residents, welcoming to new residents, family oriented.

Community, sheriff, ambulance and fire departments, local businesses

Community, pro-business, liberty

Recreational opportunities for families, industrial park for businesses, good to the community.

"People can still own land. Schools are competitive. It is still fairly rural."

"Low tax rate. Rural setting. Close to City"

Schools, low mill rate, business parks, recreational opportunities Close to I-95, nice size grocery store, town officials have the best interest of Hermon at heart, land to build apartments or houses; Route 2 runs thru the town;

small town, schools, business

Our own Fire Dept, Ambulance.Public beach access.Hermon Mtn (Do they have zip lines,hiking trail, hang gliding for income for year round?)

reasonable taxes/ town office friendly and good info when needed / good police force

Mil rate, mix of farm and business property, building recreation

decent people, sense of community, local markets

Quiet place to live. Beauty of woods. Outstanding community support for schools as far as raising money for causes.

Growth, Wellness, Pride

Community, rural feel, great education system

Low taxes, close to all amenities, fairly quiet

"Low mil rate. Business friendly. Existing residential development "

The fire chief, the growth of the town, school system

Low taxes, great school, small town feel

Low taxes, strong commercial base, being rural while being close to a service center

Safe community. Caring community. Pride in the community.

reasonable taxes, good rec. opportunities, great location (close to Bangor)

Small community atmosphere, low taxes, good schools

Taxes, small town feel, location

Lower property taxes, strong family atmosphere, recreation

School system, Hermon pond, rural areas

Rural feel, supporting and friendly community, adaptable to and for growth Great Schools, Great public Safety, Great Community Atmosphere

Mill rate town employees. Proximity to air ports and i95

Affordability, nature trails, schools

Rural living, everyone is neighborly, convenient grocery options.

A sense of community; schools are excellent; R.E. taxes are perfect

Schools, rec programming, tax rate

Friendliness, tight knit community, the power rarely goes out

Small town feel, helpful town staff, private

Town Government, Public Safety, Public Works

Family atmosphere, close to town, schools

Low Taxes, ease of commute, Good Schools

Cost of living, schools, recreation

Rural, low taxes, some nice green areas

Our school system and it's incredible educators, our small community with large-town amenities, our local businesses that provide staple products and services to residents.

Rural feel, friendly town office, good schools

Rural, great sense of community, and affordable real estate taxes.

Town cleanliness, aesthetic improvements to town center (sidewalks/lighting), .strength in community

Cheap taxes, business friendly, close to Bangor.

"taxes, country living feel of small town, small local government "

Rural suburban atmosphere, wooded landscape, close to Bangor hospitals

1. Good fiscal responsibility compared to most other surrounding towns. 2.Helpful and welcoming to most businesses in town. 3 Mostly helpful with development within the community. Low taxes, good governance, close to services not available in Hermon

All the amenities with a small-town feel; Good municipal services (town office, fire department, trash pickup, ect); Forward thinking town leaders that strive to maintain a low Mil. rate.

Family oriented, small town feel, close to stores/Bangor

Proximity to Bangor, small town feel, town communication

Rural community, friendly community

Rural, schools, fire department

Pro Business, Low Property Taxes, Economic Development Efforts

Affordable, good schools, access to city and highways

Quiet, good tax base, nice people

Taxes, Business

Growth, family atmosphere, positive relationships

"I grew up here, my parents are still here. That's why I'm here!"

School system, rural feel, road maintenance

Small town, avoiding going green, business parks

Home Town atmosphere, Communication, Mil Rate, beauty

Their schools, fiscal responsibility and history of treating people with respect

Small community, quaint, great schools

Great schools, Fun recreation places ie Mountain and Hermon Pond, Nice businesses, and good mil rate

Our schools, business parks, recreation.

low taxes/mostly rural area/close proximity to Bangor

Safe, residential feel, close to town

Business, business, business

Schools, rural feel, low taxes

Community Bond, Focus on family and community values/upbringing, Rural ideals/lots

Business friendly, family oriented, up and coming

Teachers, Schools, Ambulance

Well educated residences, good family income, high demand for healthy lifestyle with residences.

Family Atmosphere, Low tax rate, smaller population

Friendly Community, Family focused, low taxes

Relatively low mil rate, decent quality schools, good amount of business tax revenue

Affordability, Small town feel, quiet

"Low Mill rate, quality of education, public safety"

"Small town feel, but close to bangor."

Growing population, lots of opportunities for the town to grow in the future

Small town great sports team. And decent selection of recreation

Mill Rate. Location. Rural feel.

Good town governance at this time/small town feel/family oriented

Low mil rare, small town feel, and great municipal services

low tax rate, quiet country setting, grocery store/plaza

Mill Rate, Proximity to Urban amenities, Emergency Responders, Sheriffs, Fire, Ambulance.

Natural beauty, low mil rate (due to specified industrial area), nice neighborhoods

Relatively low taxes; friendly neghborhoods, great fire department/ sherrif department Property taxes. Good schools. Proximity to town.

Access to 95, small town feel, good schools

Low Cost of Living/MIL rate, Proximity to Bangor/I-95, recreation (Ski Mountain, Pond, Golf Course etc...)

The school system, rural town, sense of community

Accessibility/Proximity to Bangor. Low mil rate. Growing population.

Mil rate, Good school systems, Fire, Rescue services

Low Taxes, Close to Work, Close to Airport

Visionary for business growth; schools; village center growth

Mil rate, rural area, close to town

Low mil rate, rural atmosphere, room to grow

Economic development (benefits the mil rate and businesses), strong rural yet suburban character, beautiful town