

Town of Danbury

New Hampshire



2023

ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

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TOWN OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
<u>Board of Selectmen</u>		<u>Planning Board</u>	
Jessica L. Hatch, Chair	2026	John Taylor, Chair	2026
Tracy H. Shepard	2024	Mark Zaccaria	2024
Ruby P. Hill	2025	Gary Donoghue	2024
		Matt Remillard	2025
		James Phelps (alternate)	appointed
<u>Auditors</u>		Scott Dumont(resigned)	2025
Ashlynn Hatch	2025	Ruby Hill, Selectman ex-officio	
Anna Hullinger	2024/26		
		<u>Police Chief</u>	
		Christopher Kelby	appointed
<u>Budget Committee</u>		<u>Recreation Committee</u>	
Lenny Ryan	2024	Megan Ricker	2026
Anna Hullinger,Chair	2026	Deanna Pellegrino	2024
Douglas Boisvert, Secretary	2024	Jessica Gamboa	2025
Breanna Huntoon	2026	Erica Schumacher	2024
James Phelps	2025		
Jessica L. Hatch (ex-officio)			
		<u>Road Agent</u>	
<u>Cemetery Trustees</u>		Jeremy Cornell	2026
Amy Shepard	2026		
Jeremy Cornell	2024	<u>Supervisors of the Checklist</u>	
Robin Heberling	2022	Walter Wright II	2024
		Kendra Braley	2026
<u>Emergency Management Director</u>		Noreen Rollins	2028
Kyle Levesque	Appointed	<u>Town Clerk/Tax Collector</u>	
		Tricia Taylor	2026
<u>Fire Chief</u>		Cathy Jo Hatch, Deputy	Appointed
Jeremy Martin	Appointed	<u>Treasurer</u>	
		Twila Cook	2026
<u>Forest Fire Warden</u>		<u>Trustee of Trust Funds</u>	
Jacob Moran	Appointed	Karen Padgett	2026
		Walter Wright II	2024
<u>Library Trustees</u>		Sharon Wing(appointed)	2025
Cathy Vincevic, Chair	2026	<u>Zoning Board of Adjustment</u>	
Michael Barnett	2024	W. Toni Maviki, Chair	2026
Laura Upton-Baker	2025	Lenny Ryan	2024
Erica Schumacher(appointed alternate)		Walter Wright II	2025
<u>Librarian</u>		Rebecca Huntoon, Alternate	
Linda Olmsted	Appointed	<u>School Board Representative</u>	
<u>Moderator</u>		Melissa Suckling	2024
Mark Zaccaria	2024		
<u>School Board Budget Committee</u>			
Molly White	2024		



We dedicate this year's town report to our volunteers.

Please take a moment to think of those who offer their time to the people and the town of Danbury.

The Committee and Board Members, and people that signed up for open positions to help run the Town.

These folks are all around us, you only need to look to see that someone among us raises the Friend flag in the town center to note the passing of a fellow town's person.

Maybe you have passed someone picking up trash on the side of the road, in an effort to keep our town looking its best.

Take the time to thank our local emergency volunteers, who at the drop of a hat stop what they are doing to help others.

The folks who show up after an election to make sure our ballots are counted.

Those who donate to our local food bank or drop off a load of wood to someone in need, or paint a building, just because it needs to be done.

There are so many people in this town who give of themselves.

It is to all of them we wish to recognize and thank.

2023 Selectmen's Report

The Danbury Board of Selectmen was once again busy with the general workings of the town, Biweekly meetings that are open to the public, building permits, driveway permits, intent to cut timber notices, tax credits, standard budget management, and payroll review.

This fall we were able to vet and hire a new Police Chief Chris Kelby. He has quickly settled in and is finding his rhythm in the town. Please take the time to say hello and introduce yourself if you have the opportunity.

Karen Padgett retired this fall after many years of dedicated service, not only to the select board but to the town as a whole. We wish her a long and happy retirement. Maggi Fellows was hired to take over as administrative assistant. She has quickly come up to speed and is fast becoming an integral part of the team.

The Town of Danbury purchased a much-needed loader for the Highway department at a price of \$202,900.

Several improvements were made to the town hall this past year. Thanks to the help of Jon Johnson, we were able to install energy efficient LED lighting throughout the building, as well as new fixtures in the main hall.

Above the town offices, the unfinished attic that was used to keep the town records was finished. Many of the materials were purchased years earlier but not installed. The room was finished at minimal cost and with 100% volunteer work. This 17 X 30 room is now a place not only for the records but is also a usable space to work. Thank you to the many folks who helped, Wade and Robin Heberling, Myrl Phelps, Mason Demers, Jon Johnson, Nate Hatch, and Tracy and Amy Shepard.

Even though the bridge replacement near Spear Hill Road, as you enter town, was a state funded project. It is wonderful to have this project done. The traffic flow is smoother, making the entrance into town much safer.

Lastly the board would like to thank the many employees, elected officials and volunteers, who come together to make this town such a great place to live.

Jessica L. Hatch (chair) Tracy H. Shepard Ruby P. Hill

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN OF DANBURY, NH
SB-2 TOWN MEETING
"For Department of Revenue Administration"

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7 P.M. by Moderator Anna Offen at the Danbury Town Hall, located at 23 High Street in said Danbury on Thursday February 9, 2023.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

Town Officials were introduced and the Moderator's rules were read.

ARTICLE A: ELECTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

- FOR AUDITOR 2 YRS (Vote for one).....Ashlynn Hatch
- FOR AUDITOR 1 YR (Vote for one).....Anna Hullinger
- FOR CEMETARY TRUSTEE 3 YRS (Vote for one).....Amy Shepard
- FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE 3 YRS (Vote for one).....Cathy Vincevic
- FOR MODERATOR 2 YRS.....
- FOR MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE 3 YRS (Vote for two).....Breanna Laura
- Anna Hullinger
- FOR PLANNING BOARD 3 YRS (Vote for two).....John Taylor
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- FOR PLANNING BOARD 2 YRS.....Anna Offen
- FOR RECREATION COMMITTEE 3 YRS (Vote for two).....Megan Ricker
- FOR ROAD AGENT 3 YRS (Vote for one).....Jeremy Cornell
- FOR SELECTMAN 3 YRS (Vote for one).....Jessica Hatch
- FOR TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR 3YRS.....Tricia Taylor
- FOR TREASURER 3 YRS (vote for one).....Twila Cook
- TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS 3 YRS (Vote for one).....Karen Padgett
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 3 YRS (Vote for one).....
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 1YR (Vote for one).....Peter Parady

Article 02: OPERATING BUDGET

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$1,542,575? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$1,444,968 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Danbury or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Majority vote required. (\$1,542,575 Recommended by Budget Committee)(\$1,549,775 Recommended by Selectmen)

Motion to move the article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Tracy Shepherd

Jessica reviewed the budget line by line asking for questions:

EXECUTIVE LINE: Motion by Jessica, seconded by Karen: To raise the EX Professional Service line 413010390 \$1500 to a total of \$2000. Around 2018 Ragged Mountain Ski area decided to sub divide off some house lots on new Canada Rd. The planning board at that time accepted around half an acre to adjust the road and make a sharp corner straighter. It's going to cost between \$100 and \$150 thousand to do this. There are phone lines, ledge, and old foundation to move. The selectmen voted that it would be in the taxpayer's interest to revert the land back to the landowners as the cost of straightening the road is going to be extensive. Legal services to revert the land would cost between \$5000 and \$10000. It is in the best interest of taxpayers to pay \$5 to \$10,000 for surveying and deeds to revert this land and the town lawyer has advised them to do this as it could be a lawsuit if not reverted. The landowners do not have road access on their lots but would if this is reverted..

Moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed by voice vote.

LEGAL EXPENSES: Motion by Jessica, seconded by Robert Charlebrois: To raise the Legal line 415310690, by \$5000 for a total of \$15,000. This is to cover the extra-legal expenses to revert the New Canada Rd properties to the current owners. Twila asked if this was not already covered in the professional line that was raised by \$5000. Jessica explained that the \$5000 in that line was to cover surveying expenses and this \$5000 was to cover legal fees.

Moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed by voice vote. Melissa Suckling requested a hand vote. The amendment passed by hand vote.

POLICE: Question by Dave Suckling – how much would it cost the town to have a full time police chief instead of hiring part time help. He said he already had the numbers. It could be done for \$76,000 if you could find a chief willing to accept \$25. an hour and that this would include state retirement. Jessica said this was not accurate numbers as state retirement would mean having to supply it to the highway dept as well and would be much more than his figure. Karen mentioned that the town's people had voted to hire a part time chief and that could not be changed to full time without it being on the warrant for the people to vote on.

Motion by Lenny Ryan, seconded by Robert Monday: To lower the police budget to the 2022 budget of \$94255. It was asked the reason we did not spend all of last year's budget. Jessica said the officer we had last year was only working 8-10 hours a week, the pay rate for the last officer and chief were less than what we needed to pay to hire new employees, we were down an officer for a while and it was before we found our new Chief. The question was asked if the budget is lowered to last year's amount would it hinder us hiring another officer and Jessica said that it would and mentioned that the Chief has interviewed a few candidates for part time officer.

Moderator read the amendment. The amendment failed by voice vote. Hand vote was requested. The amendment failed by hand vote.

Motion by Melissa Suckling, seconded by Karen Padgett: To increase the police budget to \$150,000 to add a full time officer. Twila stated that if you increase this budget there is no way to stipulate that it goes for a full time officer. To have a full time officer the town would have to pay for state retirement for the police and the highway dept which would be a huge expense. For full time police officer the town pays 30.67% for retirement, 3.21% for medical and employee pays 11.55% For highway the town pays 13.75% retirement, .31% for medical and the employee pays 7%..

Moderator read the amendment. The amendment failed by voice vote

HIGHWAY: Motion by Jessica, seconded by Donnie Haynes to raise the diesel line item number 431110636 by \$5000 to the original amount . As of today we have all ready spent \$12000 of that line for diesel budget.

Moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed by voice vote.

Motion by Jeremy Cornell, seconded by Tricia Taylor. To raise the temp help line 431110150 to \$2000 to what was requested, \$6000.

Moderator read the amendment. The amendment failed by voice vote. Hand vote requested. Failed by hand vote.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE: Motion by Jessica Hatch seconded by Jim Phelps: To raise line 444210810, General Assistance, by \$1000. Jessica is the welfare officer, and she has had a unique circumstance and has already spent half the yearly budget and would like a little more to get through the year.

Moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed by voice vote.

Moderator read the article with the new figures:

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Moderator read the article as amended.

The article passed by voice vote. The article will appear on the ballot as amended.

Article 02: OPERATING BUDGET passed with 170Yes and 61 No

Article 03: HIGHWAY LOADER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$202,900 for the purpose of purchasing a loader using \$55,000 from the HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND and \$73,368 from Senate Bill 401 funds with the balance of \$74,532 to be raised from general taxation. Majority vote required. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)**

Motion to move the article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Anna Hullinger.

The loader is 27 years old and has needed to be replaced and we have been putting it off. This year we have \$55,000 in the equipment line and \$73,368 from Senate Bill 401 so all we are asking from taxation is \$74532.

The maintenance on the current loader is very high. It needs new rims, there is a leak in the engine. The bucket needs a ton of work. \$45000 has already been spent in the last few years for maintenance. We will get \$20000 trade in for the old loader and the new one will have a seven year warranty.

Motion by David Suckling seconded by Penny Bill: To amend Article 03 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$0 for the purpose of purchasing a loader. *Andy spoke and said that he watches cars flying down the road going to work going home midnight to six am. Roads have to be sanded, crews are out sometimes all night . What happens if the loader breaks down. I remember the day when you shoveled the sand by hand, but those days are gone. People get upset when their taxes go up and then get upset when their roads are not sanded so they can go 50 mph down them. They can't do their job if we don't give them the equipment to work with.*

Moderator read the amendment. The amendment failed by voice vote.

Moderator read the article as it was written.

Article passed with voice vote. The article will appear on the ballot as originally written.

Article 3: HIGHWAY LOADER passed with 177 Yes and 55 No

Article 04: ESTABLISH ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDTo see if the Town will vote to establish a Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for construction and maintenance of Town roads and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Majority Vote Required. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Budget Committee recommends \$75,000)**

Motion by Jessica, seconded by Ruby Phelps

Jessica spoke on this article. *We started this because we recognize that Ragged Mountain Rd from new Canada to ski area is the worst road in town. We met with Ragged MT Ski and they know a lot of the damage is from them because the water is not being mitigated properly and its eroding our town road. Preliminary cost of the repairs is a quarter of a million. We put this aside to start this and Ragged will also be contributing. The intent of this article was not just for Ragged Mt Rd but to have a fund in case money is needed for an emergency repair of a road or to finish a paving project.*

Motion by Jim Phelps seconded by Doug Boisvert:To see if the Town will vote to establish a Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the construction and repair of Ragged Mt Rd from new Canada Rd to Deckman Rd. and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Majority Vote Required. (Recommended by Selectmen) (Budget Committee recommends \$75,000)**Moderator read the amendment. Amendment passed with a hand vote.**

Motion by Lenny Ryan seconded by Melissa Suckling: To appropriate a sum of \$75000.

Moderator read the amendment. Amendment passed with a hand vote.

The article will appear on the ballot as amended.

Article 4: ESTABLISH ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND passed with 151 Yes and 81 No

Article 05: ESTABLISH SAFETY SERVICES BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE

To see if the Town will vote to establish a SAFETY SERVICES BUILDING Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the planning and construction of a safety services building and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Majority vote required. (Recommended by Selectmen) (Budget Committee recommends \$25,000)

Motion to consider the article by James Phelps seconded by Twila Cook

Jessica spoke on this article.

We started a conversation with Jessica Cook who is an architect on is working up some plans for a safety service building. She met with both the Chiefs to see what each of them feel they would need in a safety building and to see if the town should have a fire house or a combination of fire and police. We own the land where the motel use to be across fron Rt 104 auto which is where we would put this building. Right now we are asking for \$50,000 to pay her for her feasibility study and her plan.

The land would need to be surveyed. Right now, we are asking for \$50000 to pay her for her feasibility study and her plan.

It was asked why we need a new firehouse. We need a new one because the building is 75 years old and doesn't fit the fire trucks and the police are crowded and have no place for the cruisers. The study would also determine what could be done with the old building. We have a covid fund of \$125,000 that would probably also be used for this building.

Article passed with voice vote. The article will appear on the ballot as originally written.

Motion for reconsideration of this article by Jim Phelps seconded by Lenny Ryan

Motion failed by voice vote.

Article 05: ESTABLISH SAFETY SERVICES BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE passed with 148 Yes and 82 No

Article 06: HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established. If Warrant Article 3 is passed to purchase a new loader, this warrant article will be null and void. Majority vote required. (Recommended by Selectmen)(Not recommended by Budget Committee)

Motion to move the article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by

It was discussed by the budget committee that if the loader passed, they would eliminate this article.

Motion by Melissa Suckling to accept the article as written, seconded by

Moderator read the article. Article passed with a voice vote.

Article 06: HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND passed with 178 Yes and 53 No

Article 07: BRIDGE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the BRIDGE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established. Majority vote required. (Recommended by Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Motion to move the article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Ruby Phelps. *Jessica spoke on this article. We have \$175,000 in the fund now. This will make \$200,000. We also have another \$70 to\$ 75000 to go toward this. We have three bridges that are in need and Jeremy will work with the state to quote them out and see what one should be done first.*

Moderator read the article. Article passed with a voice vote

The article will appear on the ballot as originally written.

Jim Phelps made a motion to approve. Seconded by Jessica. Article passed with voice vote. The article will appear on the ballot as originally written.

Article 07: BRIDGE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND passed with 193 Yes and 36 No

Article 08: : REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to be added to the PROPERTY REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established for the state mandated revaluation of the municipality. Majority vote required. (Recommended by the Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Motion to move the article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Ruby Phelps.

Moderator read the article. Article passed with a voice vote.

The article will appear on the ballot as originally written.

Article 08: FIRE TRUCK CAPITAL RESERVE FUND passed with 261 Yes and 76 No

Article 9 OPTIONAL VETERANS' CREDIT (72:28,11)

Shall the TOWN readopt the OPTIONAL VETERANS' TAX CREDIT in accordance with RSA 72:28, 11, for an annual tax credit on residential property of \$200? (Majority vote required)

Motion

to move the article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Ruby Phelps

The veteran's credit we all ready do has to be voted on again because the NH Legislature passed a change that made towns have to revote on this.

Moderator read the article. Article passed with a voice vote.. The article will appear on the ballot as originally written.

Article 9: OPTIONAL VETERANS' CREDIT passed with 203 Yes and 24 No

Article 10: ALL VETERANS' CREDIT (72:28-b)

Shall the Town readopt the ALL VETERANS TAX CREDIT in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, for an annual tax credit on residential property which shall be equal to the same amount as the standard or optional veterans tax credit voted by the town under RSA 72:28? (Majority vote required)

Motion to move the article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Ruby Phelps.

Moderator read the article. Article passed with a voice vote. The article will appear on the ballot as originally written.

Article 10 ALL VETERANS' CREDIT (72:28-b) passed with 196 Yes and 28 No

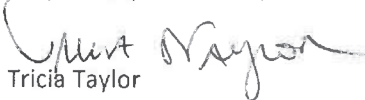
POLLS OPENED: March 14, 2023 at 11 am by Moderator Anna Offen

POLLS CLOSED: March 14, 2023 at 7pm by Moderator Anna Offen

Total number of voters on check list 838 new registered voters 5 TOTAL VOTERS: 843

Ballots cast at election 236 – 843 of registered voters.

Respectfully submitted,


Tricia Taylor

Danbury Town Clerk

Town of Danbury
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2023

	Dec 31, 23
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
HB2 FUNDS bridge	20,666.20
1010 Cash/Banks	
1010.03 EX Cash Asset Account	50.00
1010.04 TC Cash Asset Account	150.00
1010.05 TX Cash Asset Account	150.00
1010.06 TS Cash Asset Account	25.00
1010.11 Checking	-65,086.06
1010.12 Statement Savings	892,086.75
Total 1010 Cash/Banks	827,375.69
Total Checking/Savings	848,041.89
Other Current Assets	
1150-1 Exchange Account	
1150-11 · Bounced Checks	33.00
Total 1150-1 Exchange Account	33.00
1080 Taxes Receivable	
1110 Lien Receivable	88,271.38
1080.13 · Taxes receivable - 2013	3,403.84
1080.22 · Taxes Receivable 2022	2,577.10
1080.23 · Taxes Receivable 2023	
1080S23 · ROBERTS TAX DEFERRAL SUPPLEMENT	15,556.86
1080.23 · Taxes Receivable 2023 - Other	279,936.74
Total 1080.23 · Taxes Receivable 2023	295,493.60
1130.23 · 2023 LUCT	6,470.00
Total 1080 Taxes Receivable	396,215.92
Total Other Current Assets	396,248.92
Total Current Assets	1,244,290.81
TOTAL ASSETS	1,244,290.81
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2000 · Accounts Payable	67.25
Total Accounts Payable	67.25
Other Current Liabilities	
Due to School district	911,160.00
2100 · Payroll Liabilities	163.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	911,323.00
Total Current Liabilities	911,390.25
Total Liabilities	911,390.25
Equity	
2450 SB 401 BRIDGE FUNDS	73,885.71
3900 · Retained Earnings	124,470.41
Net Income	134,544.44
Total Equity	332,900.56
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	1,244,290.81

**Town of Danbury
EXPENSE REPORT BY DEPARTMENT
January through December 2022**

	<u>Amount</u>
4130 EXECUTIVE	
Hatch, Jessica L	4,000.00
Hill, Ruby P	3,000.00
Shepard, Tracy H.	3,000.00
Carnolvale Design, LLC	60.00
Comcast	377.58
Concord Monitor	341.21
Consolidated Communications	626.77
Deluxe for Business OH	365.94
Echo Communications, Inc.	104.30
Fellows, Margaret	6,998.00
Intuit	1,449.00
NH Association of Assessing Officials	20.00
NH Health Officers Association	45.00
NHMA	1,192.00
PCCHELP	612.99
Porter Office Machines Corporation	439.67
Postmaster, Danbury NH	520.17
Quill	415.29
Staples Credit Plan	211.86
Valley News	252.00
Huntoon, Rebecca L	0.00
Padgett, Karen M	44,441.28
Padgett reimbursements(mileage,postage)	99.98
US Postal Service	480.00
	<u>69,053.04</u>
4130-30 TOWN MEETING	
Offen, Anna	200.00
Echo Communications	99.10
R. C. Brayshaw & Company, Inc.	1,505.00
	<u>1,804.10</u>
4140-10 TAX COLLECTOR/TOWN CLERK	
Comcast	647.04
Consolidated Communications	626.77
Harris	4,926.89
IDS - Identification Source	163.18
Interware Development	300.00
Merrimack County Registry of Deeds	184.63
NHTCTA	150.00
NHTCA	160.00
NH Tax Collector's Association	160.00
NHCTA/NHCTCA Joint Certification Program	335.00
Quill	841.58
Sanders Searches	846.77
Staples	17.99
United States Postal Service	2,489.45
Crisco, Robert	32.75
Hatch, Cathy Jo	21,463.26
Taylor, Tricia	17,419.38
	<u>50,764.69</u>
4140-20 VOTER ELECTION	
Braley, Kendra	135.00
Rollins, Noreen	135.00
	<u>270.00</u>
4140-30 ADMIN ELECTION	
Barnett, Margaret	108.00
Hatch, Ashlynn	132.00
Tapply, Claire	99.96
Zaccarria, Mark	100.00
	<u>439.96</u>
4150-10 TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS	
Padgett, Karen	160.00
Wing, Sharon	160.00
Wright, Walter	160.00
	<u>480.00</u>
4150-20 AUDITORS SALARIES	
Hatch, Ashlynn	500.00
Hullinger, Anna	500.00
	<u>1,000.00</u>
4150-50 TREASURER	
Bar Harbor Bank(bank fee)	24.00
Cook, Twila	3,500.00
Cook, Twila (mileage)	500.00
	<u>4,024.00</u>

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EXPENSE REPORT BY DEPARTMENT
January through December 2022

	<u>Amount</u>	
4150-90 BUDGET COMMITTEE		
Echo Communications	71.30	
		<u>71.30</u>
4152-10 ASSESSING		
Brian D. Fogg, LLC	1,451.60	
Commerford Nieder Perkins, LLC	14,877.50	
		<u>16,329.10</u>
4153-10 LEGAL EXPENSES		
Upton & Hatfield	4,509.50	
		<u>4,509.50</u>
4155-10 PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION		
Crisco, Robert(Insurance Reimbursement)	1,000.00	
HealthTrust	42,214.46	
Primex WC/Unemployment	10,426.43	
Valic Retirement Plan	9,840.00	
Soc Sec/Medicare	31,801.66	
		<u>95,282.55</u>
4191-10 PLANNING BOARD		
Offen, Anna, Clerk Wages	995.88	
Upton & Hatfield	2,807.50	
Quill	101.99	
Zaccaria,Mark	599.00	
		<u>4,504.37</u>
4191-30 ZONING BOARD		
Lakes Region Planning Commission	58.75	
Rebecca Huntoon, Clerk Wages	716.25	
		<u>775.00</u>
4194-10 GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS		
Aubuchon	89.92	
Belletetes	3,395.76	
Capital Alarm Systems	930.00	
Cline, Jon	700.00	
Endyne Inc	20.00	
Englnds Mobile Welding	160.00	
Eversource	1,328.47	
Jon Johnson	829.49	
Lambert Carpentry	335.00	
LaValley Building Supply	125.98	
Mango Security	1,301.22	
Michael Maines	600.00	
NH Department of Labor	150.00	
NH Public Health Laboratories	147.00	
Nick's Plumbing and Heating	322.96	
OReilly	119.94	
Pemi River Fuels	4,693.39	
Quill	308.72	
R.G. Tombs Door	512.50	
Staples	147.00	
United Safety Services	964.00	
Wendy Lavallee	930.00	
Yestramski	425.00	
Hatch,Nathaniel	76.50	
Huntoon, William	123.00	
Judd,Arron	17.50	
Klapyk,Adam	40.00	
Padgett, Karen	65.99	
Kulacz, Stephen	51.90	
Shepard, Tracy	900.11	
		<u>19,811.35</u>
4195-10 CEMETERIES		
Belletetes, Inc.	462.21	
Down to Earth Tree	550.00	
Green Oaks	45.63	
Hatch, Nathaniel	1,195.00	
Huntoon Excavation	150.00	
Huntoon, William	2,629.50	
J Mac's Service & Repair, LLC	130.00	
Judd, Arron	712.00	
Klapyk, Adam	1,305.00	
Petes Tire Barn	170.00	
Phelps, Andrew, Sexton Salary	4,000.00	
Phelps, Andrew (reimbursements)	17.99	
Phelps, Andrew(rental reimbursement)	200.00	
Phelps, Kenneth	247.50	
Sorrell, David	172.25	
		<u>11,987.08</u>
4196-20 PROPERTY LIABILITY INSURANCE		

**Town of Danbury
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January through December 2022**

	<u>Amount</u>	
Primex	30,681.00	
		<u>30,681.00</u>
4197-30 REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS		
Lakes Region Planning Commission	1,103.00	
Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid	17,350.99	
Community Action Program	2,100.00	
Kearsarge Area Council on Aging, Inc.	2,750.00	
		<u>23,303.99</u>
419910635 GASOLINE		
Evans Group	2,605.32	
		<u>2,605.32</u>
4199-10 TX MAP		
CAI Technologies	1,500.00	
		<u>1,500.00</u>
4210-10 POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Atlantic Tactical	1,406.74	
Belletetes	164.57	
Ben's Uniforms	1,261.00	
City of Franklin, Dispatch	7,100.00	
Comcast	377.58	
Consolidated Communications	1,850.49	
Crimestar	350.00	
DC Towing	295.00	
Dyers Welding	450.00	
Gungewam	700.00	
Merrimack County Attorney's Office	1,151.00	
Merrimack County Sheriffs dept	25,641.75	
Moran Repair	336.00	
New England State Police Info Network	100.00	
NHLEAP	50.00	
NuCar Ford	4,347.94	
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	681.70	
Quill	297.34	
Staples	99.69	
State of New Hampshire	41.50	
The Glen House	395.70	
Verizon Wireless	662.60	
Duquette, Donna	39.00	
Huntoon, Rebecca	12,516.58	
Kelby, Christopher	8,319.25	
Warn, Christopher	14,775.00	
		<u>83,410.43</u>
4215-10 AMBULANCE		
Town of Bristol	57,054.26	
		<u>57,054.26</u>
4220-10 FIRE DEPARTMENT & EMERGENCY MGT		
Active911 Inc.	375.00	
All-Comm Technoloigies, Inc.	2,883.21	
ATG Lebanon LLC	99.10	
Aubuchon	19.99	
Becker Training Associates	4,665.00	
Belletetes	47.69	
Bergeron Protective Clothing	3,339.05	
BoundTree Medical	1,788.41	
Bristol Fire Department	100.00	
CLIA Laboratory	180.00	
Comcast	3,282.68	
Crystal Rock	677.00	
Danbury Country Store	50.32	
Eversource	1,824.21	
Fire Tech & Safety	50.00	
Harolds Truck and Auto Repair	1,685.65	
Industrial Protection Services, LLC	1,983.89	
Jeremy Martin(reimbursement)	344.00	
Laconia Life Saving	75.00	
Lakes Region Fire Apparatus	3,436.96	
Lexipol	1,210.25	
Maine Oxy/Spec Air Gases & Tec	559.75	
Moran Repair, LLC	1,065.85	
New London Hospital	607.69	
O'Reilly Auto Parts	30.96	
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	2,373.05	
Pemi River Fuels	1,933.51	
Staples	303.86	
Uline	514.00	
Verizon Wireless	440.11	
ZOLL	468.93	
Austin, Merton	500.00	

Town of Danbury
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	<u>Amount</u>
Bliss Brandon	1,046.64
Boynton Daniel	364.74
Cornell Jeremy(includes reimbursements)	729.80
Crisco, Robert	555.04
Haynes Donald	934.40
Hill, Heather	253.74
Kulacz, Stephen(includes reimbursements)	1,157.64
Kulacz, Terri	285.45
Levesque Kyle	1,148.29
Maines, Eric	95.15
Martin Jeremy(includes reimbursements)	3,000.00
McClory, Samuel	222.02
Moran, Jacob	1,686.52
Phelps Kenneth	364.74
Ullmer Franklin	1,385.37
	<u>50,144.66</u>
4290 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND FOREST FIRE	
Levesque, Kyle	1,490.00
	<u>1,490.00</u>
4311 HIGHWAY	
ATC Patriot Lebanon(Freightliner)	10,107.34
Aubuchon Hardware	126.86
B-B Chain, Inc.	5,124.02
Belletetes, Inc.	575.62
BodyCovers	874.50
Certified Computers	90.00
Cintas	8,675.72
Cives Corporation	25,682.46
Concord Hospital Laconia	80.00
Consolidated Communications	2,286.74
Crystal Rock	701.32
Dennison Lubricants	1,064.87
Donovan Equipment Co	2,062.20
Dyers Upper Valley Line-X	3,450.64
Evans Group, Inc.	48,117.97
Eversource	3,750.47
Granite State Glass	1,301.00
Gungewam Outfitters	212.00
Harolds Truck & Auto	645.00
Jordan Equipment Co.	703.72
LaValley Building Supply	384.51
Maine Oxy	982.26
Milton Cat	2,728.32
NE Kenworth	6,650.86
NH Road Agents Association	30.00
NHMA	55.00
Northern Tool & Equipment	39.99
Nucar Ford	460.87
O'Reilly Auto Parts	2,512.48
Onsite Drug and Alcohol Services	75.00
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	582.60
Pemi River Fuels	2,784.27
Pete's Tire Barn	7,623.33
Powerplan	5,944.62
Quill	609.44
Ready Equipment	3,764.41
S.G. Reed Truck Service Inc.	2,991.96
Sanp-on	4,844.20
Staples	19.99
Stay Safe Traffic Products	653.92
Thistle Mobile Service LLC	5,955.96
Tifco	6,636.29
TRC	482.50
Uline	1,424.92
UNH technology	85.00
Verizon	660.13
Winnepesaukee Drug Consortium Services	497.00
Cornell, Jeremy(includes reimbursements)	62,599.05
Charles Doane	30.00
Crisco, Robert	47,970.71
Hatch, Cathy Jo	16.00
Huntoon, Alan	47,754.63
Maines, Michael	5,195.00
Wing, Sharon	5,610.27
Wright II, Walter	39,970.25
	<u>384,258.19</u>
4312 HIGHWAY	
Boscawen Sand & Gravel	3,851.84

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	<u>Amount</u>
Danbury Land Clearing	1,170.00
Eastern Minerals	17,027.69
Equipment East LLC	1,472.00
Ferguson Waterworks	8,618.60
Fife Brush Hogging Services LLC	6,080.00
GMI Paving Asphalt	132,897.02
Green Oak Realty Development, LLC	28,037.84
Huntoon Excavation	9,180.00
Jeremy Hiltz Excavating	18,324.00
Jordon Equipment	1,260.00
Maine Oxy	261.19
Paris Farmers Union	924.00
Phelps Construction, Inc.	48,648.00
Stay Safe Traffic Products	1,396.50
	<u>279,148.68</u>
431630410 Mun. Street Lighting	
Eversource	4,861.55
	<u>4,861.55</u>
4324-10 TRANSFER STATION	
Atlantic Recycling	1,148.73
Belleletes	1,318.08
Carroll Concrete	1,614.00
Consolidated Communications	568.06
East Coast Electronics Recycling	3,750.00
Eversource	1,673.63
Huntoon Excavation	300.00
Hatch, Nathaniel	153.00
Larkin, James	15,811.00
Maines, Michael	15,103.73
Northeast Resource Recovery Assoc.	40,222.67
Pemi Baker Solid Waste District	1,838.95
Quill	67.98
Treasure State of NH	100.00
Trudel, Ronald	1,004.00
Walnut Printing Specialties, Inc.	446.00
Waste Management of New Hampton NH Hauling	91,846.73
Wright, Walter	1,995.00
	<u>178,961.56</u>
4415-20 HEALTH ASSOCIATIONS	
CASA of NH	1,000.00
Lake Sunapee VNA	3,450.00
Mid-State Health Center	1,000.00
	<u>5,450.00</u>
4442 WELFARE/GENERAL ASSISTANCE	
Case #1	2,250.00
Case #2	1,200.00
Jessica Hatch Reimbursement	810.18
NHLWAA	30.00
Jessica Hatch, Welfare Administrator	1,000.00
	<u>5,290.18</u>
4520 RECREATION	
Tapply-Thompson Comm. Center	16,671.00
Eversource	608.43
Bliss Yard & Property Maintenance	2,600.00
	<u>19,879.43</u>
4550-10 LIBRARY	
Baker and Taylor	1,870.38
Consolidated Communications	665.59
Eversource	429.44
Jaywil Software Development	222.00
Pemi River Fuels	1,212.36
Postmaster, Danbury NH	142.00
ResourceMate	403.00
The Library Store	76.50
The Park Street Foundation	475.00
Brewer, Judith(substitute)	372.00
Olmsted, Linda, Librarian	8,666.71
	<u>14,534.98</u>
4583 PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	
Carrot Top Industries	478.48
	<u>478.48</u>
4589-10 OTHER CULTURAL/RECREATION	
Danbury Community Center	24,200.00
Danbury Historical Society	800.00
	<u>25,000.00</u>

**Town of Danbury
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	<u>Amount</u>	
471110980 LONG TERM DEBT EXPENSE		49,750.00
4723-10 TAN INTEREST EXPENSE		1,304.85
Bar Harbor Bank and Trust		<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET EXPENSES		<u>1,500,213.60</u>
207003 Due to County		
County of Merrimack, NH	361,188.00	
207501 School District Payments		
Newfound Area School District	1,915,478.00	
2022 Warrant Articles		
HWY CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	75,000.00	
HWY Loader CAPITAL RESERVE	75,000.00	-74,532.00
BRIDGE FUND	25,000.00	
REVALUATION	7,000.00	
EMERGENCY SERVICES BUILDING	50,000.00	
TOTAL	<u>232,000.00</u>	

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION FOR 2023

LAND

Current Use	\$ 1,308,625
Conservation Restriction Assessment	\$ 7,398
Residential	\$ 63,408,000
Commercial/Industrial	\$ 1,748,100
TOTAL OF TAXABLE LAND	\$ 66,472,123

BUILDINGS

Residential	\$ 94,459,780
Manufactured Housing	\$ 4,863,740
Commercial/Industrial	\$ 4,709,080
TOTAL OF TAXABLE BUILDINGS	\$ 104,032,600

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Electric	\$ 3,449,700
TOTAL OF PUBLIC UTILITIES	\$ 3,449,700

VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS

	\$ 173,954,423
Certain Disabled Veterans	\$ 170,690
Blind	\$ 15,000
Elderly	\$ 195,000
Deaf	0
Disability	\$ 75,000

NET VALUATION FOR COUNTY, MUNICIPAL AND LOCAL SCHOOL TAX RATE

	\$ 173,498,733
Less Public Utilities	\$ 3,449,700

NET VALUATION W/O UTILITIES FOR STATE SCHOOL TAX RATE

\$ 170,049,033

TAX COMMITMENT ANALYSIS

Property Taxes to be Raised	\$ 3,464,938
Less War Service Credit	\$ 25,400
TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT	\$ 3,439,538

Town	\$ 6.85
County	2.08
Local School	9.61
State School	1.46
MUNICIPAL TAX RATE	\$ 20.00

TAX RATE COMPUTATION FOR 2023

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE MS 737S 2023

Total Town Appropriation	1,914,975
Less: Revenue	752,245
Less: Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	2,500
Plus: Credits & Overlay	28,045
Net Town Assessment	1,188,275
Town Tax Rate	6.85
Net Local School Appropriations	2,886,859
Less Education Grant	971,384
Locally Retained State Education Tax	247,833
Approved School Tax Effort	1,667,642
School Tax Rate	9.61
State Education Taxes	247,833
State School Rate	1.46
County Tax Assessment	361,188
Less: Shared Revenue	0
Approved County Tax Effort	361,188
County Rate	2.08
Town, School & County Total	3,464,938
Less: War Service Credit/Overlay	25,400
Property Taxes to be Raised	3,439,538
Total Rate	20.00

PROOF OF TAX RATE

State Education Tax	247,833
All Other Taxes	3,217,105
Total	3,464,938

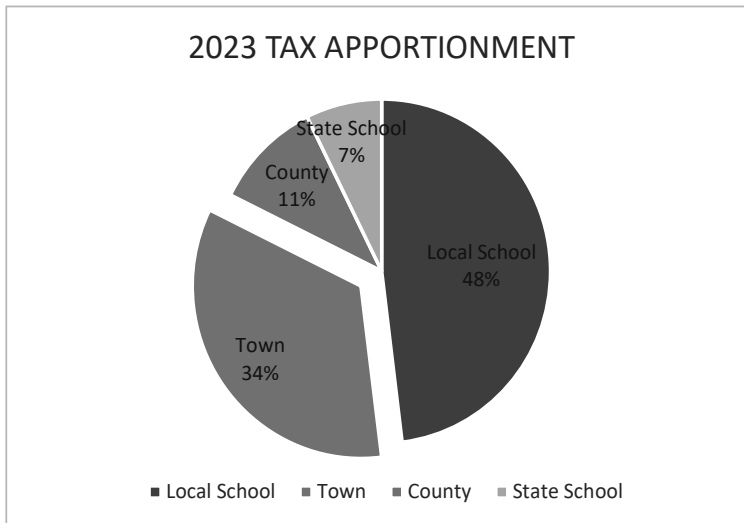
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TOTAL Recommended by Budget Committee	1,877,475
<u>Less Exclusions:</u>	
Capital Outlay Long Term Bonds&Notes	
Principal Long Term Notes:	49,750
Interest Long Term Notes:	3,000
Total Exclusions:	52,750
Amount Recommended Less Exclusions:	1,824,725
X 10%	182,473
Maximum Allowable Appropriation:	2,059,948

LONG TERM DEBT SCHEDULE

PURPOSE	2023	2024
<u>HIGHWAY TRUCK</u>	49,500	0

TOWN OF DANBURY TAX RATE HISTORY

Apportionment	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Town	6.04	5.83	6.41	6.46	7.37	4.96	4.54	6.85
County	2.93	2.83	2.90	2.84	3.00	1.98	2.02	2.08
Local School	11.47	12.51	12.06	12.53	11.57	9.59	9.89	9.61
State School	2.56	2.33	2.13	2.17	2.06	1.47	1.05	1.46
Total	23.00	23.50	23.50	24.00	24.00	18.00	17.50	20.00
Equalization %	99.8	92.1	91.4	81.4	76.8	99.0	78.3	





Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning and ending

This form is due **March 1st (Calendar Year) or September 1st (Fiscal Year)**

Instructions

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- Specify the period begin and period end dates above
- Select the entity name from the pull down menu (County will automatically populate)
- Enter the year of the report
- Enter the preparer's information

For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
 Phone: (603) 230-5090
 Fax: (603) 230-5947
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

ENTITY'S INFORMATION

Municipality: County: Report Year:

PREPARER'S INFORMATION

First Name Last Name
 Street No. Street Name Phone Number
 Email (optional)



Debits					
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
			Year: 2022	Year: 2021	Year: 2020
Property Taxes	3110		\$205,864.25		\$3,403.84
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120		\$2,060.00		
Yield Taxes	3185		\$469.94		
Excavation Tax	3187				
Other Taxes	3189				
Property Tax Credit Balance			(\$4,623.42)		
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance					

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies	
			2022	
Property Taxes	3110	\$3,455,293.15		
Resident Taxes	3180			
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$14,450.00		
Yield Taxes	3185	\$33,159.93		
Excavation Tax	3187	\$1,501.68		
Other Taxes	3189			

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
			2022	2021	2020
Property Taxes	3110	\$1,370.24	\$194.10		
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$1,159.87	\$9,500.00		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				
Total Debits		\$3,506,934.87	\$213,464.87	\$0.00	\$3,403.84



Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	2022	Prior Levies	
			2021	2020
Property Taxes	\$3,161,169.79	\$198,857.83	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Resident Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Land Use Change Taxes	\$7,980.00	\$2,060.00	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Yield Taxes	\$33,159.93	\$469.94	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$1,159.87	\$9,500.00	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Penalties	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Excavation Tax	\$1,501.68	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Discounts Allowed	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	2022	Prior Levies	
			2021	2020
Property Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Resident Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Land Use Change Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Yield Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Excavation Tax	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> Credit Carryovers	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Current Levy Deeded	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>



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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	2020
Property Taxes	\$298,033.45	\$2,577.10		\$3,403.84
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$6,470.00			
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$2,539.85)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance				
Total Credits	\$3,506,934.87	\$213,464.87	\$0.00	\$3,403.84

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$307,944.54
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$88,271.38



Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2022	Year: 2021	Year: 2020
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year			\$37,945.74	\$3,794.55
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$67,485.11	\$56,550.13		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$767.51	\$3,817.49	\$10,014.79	\$65.06
Total Debits	\$68,252.62	\$60,367.62	\$47,960.53	\$3,859.61

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	2020
Redemptions	\$15,533.76	\$25,826.84	\$36,078.21	\$65.34
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$767.51	\$3,817.49	\$10,014.79	\$65.06
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$51,951.35	\$30,723.29	\$1,867.53	\$3,729.21
Total Credits	\$68,252.62	\$60,367.62	\$47,960.53	\$3,859.61

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$307,944.54
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 -All Years)	\$88,271.38



DANBURY (111)

1. CERTIFY THIS FORM

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's First Name

Preparer's Last Name

Date

Tricia

Taylor

1/30/24

2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM

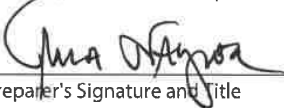
Please save and e-mail the completed PDF form to your Municipal Bureau Advisor.

3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM

This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://proptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.


Preparer's Signature and Title

2023 Annual Treasurer's Report Year Ending December 31, 2023

Balance on hand as of 1/1/2021:	\$848,240.36
Deposits:	\$4,299,484.25
SUBTOTAL	\$5,147,724.61
Expenditures	\$4,320,475.92
Available Balance	\$827,248.69
NSF	-\$248.00
Subtotal	\$827,000.69
Cash on Hand	\$375.00
	\$827,375.69
Bank Balances	
Bar Harbor Bank Savings	\$892,086.75
Bar Harbor Bank Checking	\$70,656.08
Subtotal	\$962,742.83
Uncleared Deposits	\$3,103.00
sub-total	\$965,845.83
Uncleared Checks	\$138,845.14
SUBTOTAL	\$827,000.69
HB2 funds Bridge Savings	\$20,666.20
TOTAL AVAILABLE	\$847,666.89

Respectfully Submitted by:

Twila D. Cook, Treasurer
This is an un-audited report

2023 Annual Treasurer's Report Year Ending December 31, 2023

American Rescue Plan Act ARPA Fund

Beginning Balance	\$128,439.94
Deposits	
Interest	<u>154.22</u>
Ending Balance	\$128,594.16

Planning Board - RM Resort Escrow Account

Beginning Balance	\$330.75
Deposits	<u>18,000.00</u>
Interest	\$1.31
Expended	-\$18,043.73
Ending Balance	\$288.33

Recreation Accounts

TD Bank Savings Account

Beginning Balance	\$11,448.09
Interest	<u>4.95</u>
Expended	-3,560.00
Subtotal	<u>7,893.04</u>

ZBA Account

Beginning Balance	\$385.00
Deposits	<u>\$222.91</u>
Interest	\$0.36
Expended	-\$222.91
Ending Balance	\$385.36

Bar Harbor Checking Account

Beginning Balance	<u>\$1,246.71</u>
Subtotal	\$1,246.71

Ending Balance Recreation **\$9,139.75**


Respectfully Submitted,

Twila D. Cook
Treasurer
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Town Clerk's Report
January 1 through December 31, 2023

#		\$
2469	Motor Vehicle Permits	295,985.67
344	Motor Vehicle Titles	703.00
2312	Motor Vehicle Agent Fees	7042.00
397	Dog Licenses	1,618.00
	Dog Penalties	61.00
	Vital Statistics	750.00
10	Marriages	500.00
	UCC's	480.00
	Postage	293.00
	Miscellaneous	510.50
		307,443.17
	Totals	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge.



Tricia J Taylor, Town Clerk

PLEASE REMEMBER TO LICENSE YOUR DOGS BY APRIL 30TH.

Comparative Statement December 31,2023	Year ending	2023 BUDGET	2023 EXPENDITURES	2023 BALANCE
413010 EXECUTIVE		72,994	69,053.04	3,941
413030 TOWN MEETING		1,900	1,804.10	96
414010 TAX COLLECTOR/TOWN CLERK		52,714	50,764.69	1,949
414020 VOTER ELECTION		1,700	709.96	990
415010 TRUSTEES		645	480.00	165
415020 AUDITORS		1,000	1,000.00	0
415050 TREASURER		4,050	4,024.00	26
415090 BUDGETT COMMITTEE		75	71.30	4
415210 ASSESSING		18,750	16,329.10	2,421
415310 LEGAL EXPENSES		15,000	4,509.50	10,491
4155 PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION		106,118	95,282.55	10,835
419110 PLANNING BOARD		2,500	4,504.37	-2,004
419130 ZONING BOARD		500	775.00	-275
4194 GENERAL GOVT BUILDINGS		21,300	19,811.35	1,489
4195 CEMETERY		14,900	11,987.08	2,913
419620520 PROPERTY LIABILITY INS		30,681	30,681.00	0
419730REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS		23,860	23,303.99	556
419910635 GASOLINE		7,000	2,605.32	4,395
419910850 TAX MAPPING		1,500	1,500.00	0
4210 POLICE DEPARTMENT		121,701	83,410.43	38,291
421510350 NEWFOUND AMBULANCE		57,054	57,054.26	0
4220 FIRE DEPARTMENT		64,380	50,144.66	14,235
4290 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		1,000	1,490.00	-490
429040810 FOREST FIRE		3,000	0.00	3,000
4311 HIGHWAY EXECUTIVE		358,800	384,258.19	-25,458
4312 HIGHWAY OTHER		282,100	279,148.68	2,951
431630410 STREET LIGHTING		5,300	4,862	438
4324 TRANSFER STATION		155,745	178,961.56	-23,217
4415 HEALTH ASSOCIATIONS		5,450	5,450.00	0
444210120 WELFARE/HEALTH DIR		1,000	1,000.00	0
444210810 GENERAL ASSISTANCE		6,000	4,290.18	1,710
4520 RECREATION		20,223	19,879.43	344
4550 LIBRARY		16,685	14,534.98	2,150
4583 PATRIOTIC PURPOSES		700	478.48	222
4589 OTHER CULTURE/RECREATION		25,000	25,000.00	0
TOTAL		1,501,325	1,449,158.75	52,166
472120980 LTD Expense		49,750	50,352.66	-603
472110981 LTD Interest		3,000	702.19	2,298
472310981 TAN Interest Expense		1,000	0.00	1,000
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		1,555,075	1,500,213.60	54,861
WARRANT ARTICLES				
ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAP RESER		75,000	75,000	
HIGHWAY LOADER		75,000	74,532	
BRIDGE FUND CAP RESERVE		25,000	25,000	
PROP REVAL CAP RESERVE		7,000	7,000	
EMERGENCY SERVICES BUILDING		50,000	50,000	
TOTAL WARRANT ARTICLES		232,000	231,532	-
TOTALS		1,787,075	1,731,746	54,861

TOWN OF DANBURY MUNICIPAL BUDGET 2023

	2023 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL EXPENSES	2024 REQUEST	Selectmen Recommendations	Budget Committee Recommendations	Amended on 2/8/2024 1st Session
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
EXECUTIVE TOTAL	74,894	70,857	71,335	71,335	71,335	71,335
ELECTION, REGIS & VITALS	54,414	51,475	58,397	58,397	58,397	58,397
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	5,695	5,504	5,531	5,581	5,531	5,531
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	18,750	16,329	18,250	18,250	18,250	18,250
LEGAL EXPENSES	15,000	4,510	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	106,118	95,283	118,753	118,753	118,753	118,753
PLANNING & ZONING	3,075	5,351	4,475	4,475	4,475	4,475
GENERAL GOVT BLDGS	21,300	19,811	31,380	31,380	31,380	31,380
CEMETERIES	14,900	11,987	15,009	15,009	15,009	15,009
PROPERTY LIABILITY INSUR	30,681	30,681	36,142	36,142	36,142	36,142
REGIONAL ASSOC	23,860	23,304	26,598	26,598	26,598	26,598
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	8,500	4,105	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500
PUBLIC SAFETY						
POLICE DEPARTMENT	121,701	83,410	150,576	146,451	126,451	146,451
AMBULANCE SERVICE	57,054	57,054	67,125	67,125	67,125	67,125
FIRE DEPARTMENT	64,380	50,145	64,730	64,730	64,730	64,730
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	4,000	1,490	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS						
HIGHWAYS ADMINISTRATION	358,800	384,258	400,680	396,180	381,680	387,680
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS/BRIDGES	282,100	279,149	313,100	310,100	283,000	303,000
STREET LIGHTING	5,300	4,862	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
SANITATION						
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	155,745	178,962	161,768	184,452	184,302	184,302
HEALTH & WELFARE						
HEALTH AGENCIES	5,450	5,450	5,450	5,450	5,450	5,450
ADMIN & DIRECT ASSISTANCE	7,000	5,290	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
CULTURE & RECREATION						
PARKS & RECREATION	20,223	19,879	21,323	21,323	21,323	21,323

TOWN OF DANBURY MUNICIPAL BUDGET 2023

	2023 BUDGET	2023 ACTUAL EXPENSES	2024 REQUEST	Selectmen Recommendations	Budget Committee Recommendations	Amended on 2/8/2024 1st Session
LIBRARY	16,685	14,535	16,685	16,685	16,685	16,685
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	700	478	700	700	700	700
OTHER CULTURE & RECREATION	25,000	25,000	40,800	30,800	30,800	35,800
Total Operating Budget	1,501,325	1,449,159	1,667,807	1,668,916	1,607,116	1,658,116
DEBT SERVICE						
LONG TERM BOND/NOTES PRINCIPAL	49,750	49,147	49,750	49,750	49,750	49,750
LONG TERM BOND/NOTES INTEREST	3,000	1,955	1,500	3,000	3,000	3,000
TAN INTEREST EXPENSE	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
TOTAL	53,750	51,103	52,250	53,750	53,750	53,750
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,555,075	1,500,262	1,720,057	1,722,666	1,660,866	1,711,866
Warrant Articles						
HWY Loader				202,900	202,900	202,900
LESS REVENUE SB401				(73,368)	(73,368)	(73,368)
LESS REVENUE HWY CAP RESERVE				(55,000)	(55,000)	(55,000)
Hwy Equip Cap Res	50,000	50,000		50,000	0	50,000
Road Construction Capital Reserve				100,000	75,000	75,000
Fire Truck Capital Reserve	50,000	50,000		-	-	-
Bridge Capital Reserve	25,000	25,000		25,000	25,000	25,000
Emergency Services Building Capital Reserve				50,000	25,000	50,000
Revaluation Capital Reserve	7,000	7,000		7,000	7,000	7,000
Waste Oil	2,500	2,500		0	0	0
Total Warrant Articles	134,500	134,500		306,532	206,532	281,532
Total Operating Budget	1,501,325	1,449,159		1,668,916	1,607,116	1,658,116
Total Interest and Bonds	53,750	51,103		53,750	53,750	53,750
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET & WARRANTS	1,689,575	1,634,762		2,029,198	1,867,398	1,993,398

**SAMPLE BALLOT
TOWN OF DANBURY, NH
MARCH 12, 2024**

Tricia J Taylor
Town Clerk

ARTICLE 1. ELECTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS

AUDITOR for 2 Yrs (Vote ONE only)

_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

RECREATION COMMITTEE for 3 Yrs (Vote for TWO)

_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

BUDGET COMMITTEE for 3 Yrs (Vote for TWO)

Lenny Ryan	□
Ashlynn Hatch	□
_____	□
_____	□

SELECTMAN for 3 Yrs (Vote ONE only)

Breanna Huntoon	□
James Farmer	□
_____	□
_____	□

BUDGET COMMITTEE for 1 Yr (Vote ONE only)

_____	□
_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST for 6 Yrs (Vote ONE only)

Walter O. Wright III	□
_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

CEMETERY TRUSTEE for 3 Yrs (Vote ONE only)

Tracy Shepard	□
Jeremy Cornell	□
_____	□
_____	□

TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS for 3 Yrs (Vote ONE only)

Walter O. Wright III	□
_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

LIBRARY TRUSTEE for 3 Yrs (Vote ONE only)

Myrl Phelps	□
_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT for 3 Yrs (Vote for TWO)

Lenny Ryan	□
_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

MODERATOR for 1 Yr (Vote ONE only)

_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT for 2 yrs (Vote ONE only)

_____	□
_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

PLANNING BOARD for 3 Yrs (Vote for TWO)

_____	□
_____	□
_____	□

PLANNING BOARD for 2 Yrs (Vote ONE only)

_____	□
_____	□

PLANNING BOARD for 1 Yr (Vote ONE only)

Gary Donoghue	□
_____	□

2024 SAMPLE BALLOT
DANBURY ELECTION DAY, MARCH 12, 2024

Article 01: ELECTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Election of Town Officers

Article 02: LAND USE & ZONING AMDT FLOODPLAIN

Shall the Town vote to adopt Amendment #1 to the Land Use and Zoning Ordinance relative to amending Article 15, Floodplain Development as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program.

(Majority vote required.)(Recommended by Planning Board)

This article cannot be amended. A public hearing was held to discuss this article.

Article 03 LUZO AMENDMENT RELATIVE TO BUILDABLE LOT SIZE

Shall the Town vote to adopt Amendment #2 to the Land Use and Zoning Ordinance relative to amending section 11.5 – Lot Area - to better define buildable lot area requirements.

(Majority vote required (Recommended by Planning Board)

This article cannot be amended. A public hearing was held to discuss this article.

Article 04 BOND FOR NEW FIRE STATION & RENOS TO OLD BLDG

Passage of this article shall override the 10% limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the Budget Committee.

To see if the TOWN will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) for the purpose of financing the construction of a new fire station and improvements and renovations to the existing fire station for use as the police station along with related cost. Three Million Dollars (3,000,000) of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. The first principal and interest payments will be included in the 2025 budget.

(3/5 ballot vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 05 OPERATING BUDGET

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$1,659,166. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$1,520,366 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Danbury or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Majority vote required. (\$1,659,166 Recommended by Budget Committee) (\$1,659,116 Recommended by Selectmen)

Article 06 HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established.

(Majority vote required.)(Recommended by Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 07 BRIDGE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the BRIDGE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

2024 SAMPLE BALLOT
DANBURY ELECTION DAY, MARCH 12, 2024

Article 08 ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to be added to the ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 09 GOVERNMENT BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,000 to be added to the GOVERNMENT BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 10 REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to be added to the PROPERTY REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established for the state mandated revaluation of the municipality.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 11 TO CLOSE CERTAIN CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

To see if the TOWN will vote to discontinue the following CAPITAL RESERVE Funds.

AIR PAC Capital Reserve Fund

FOREST FIRE EQUIPMENT Capital Reserve Fund

RECORDS PRESERVATION Capital Reserve Fund

PLANNING BOARD Capital Reserve Fund

Said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund.

(Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen)

2024 DELIBERATIVE SESSION NOTES

The Danbury Deliberative Session was held on Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 7PM. Below are the warrant articles as amended during the meeting and a brief summation of the discussion that took place at the meeting. We encourage you to attend next year to assist in the final presentation of the warrant articles to be printed on the ballot.

Article 01: Election of Town Officials

Article 02: LAND USE & ZONING AMDT FLOODPLAIN Shall the town vote to adopt Amendment #1 to the Land Use and Zoning Ordinance relative to amending Article 15, Floodplain Development, as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program. Majority vote required. (Recommended by Planning Board) This article cannot be amended. A public hearing was held to discuss this article.

Motion to move the article by Ruby Hill, seconded by Jessica Hatch. No Discussion

Article 03: LUZO AMENDMENT RELATIVE TO BUILDABLE LOT SIZE

Shall the town vote to adopt Amendment #2 to the Land Use and Zoning Ordinance relative to amending section 11:5: Lot Area-to redefine buildable lot area requirements. Majority vote required. (Recommended by Planning Board) This article cannot be amended. A public hearing was held to discuss this article.

Motion to move the article by Ruby Hill, seconded by Jim Phelps.

It was asked that the new definition of a lot be read. Mark Zaccaria read the amendment: **LOT AREA: Each lot hereinafter created by subdivision shall conform to and have a clearly delineated Buildable Area on which all habitation-related structural improvements will be located, in order to assure such area as is needed for on-site sanitary facilities and water supply, adequate access for emergency and other vehicles and to minimize congestion,**

11.5.1. Buildable Area: Each lot would need at least one acre (43,560 square feet) of contiguous Buildable Area thereon. Buildable Area means a contiguous piece of land within a single lot that is free of does not include delineated wetlands, surface waters, etc., as prescribed in 11.5.2 below. Any deviations would require a variance from the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

11.5.2. Wetlands, surface waters, floodplain soils, very poorly drained soils, shallow to bedrock soils, rock outcrops, areas with slopes over twenty-five percent (25%), streets and roads, rights-of-way, utility easements and land dedicated to uses other than conservation or historic preservation may be included within lot boundaries, but shall not be included in calculating any part of the minimum one acre or two acres contiguous Buildable Area required respectively per single lot.

Article 4 BOND FOR NEW FIRE STATION & RENOS TO OLD BLDG

Passage of this article shall override the 10% limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the Budget Committee.

To see if the TOWN will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million Dollars(\$3,000,000) for the purpose of financing the construction of a new fire station and improvements and renovations to the existing fire station for use as the police station along with related cost. Three Million Dollars (3,000,000) of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. The first principal and interest payments will be included in the 2025 budget. (3/5 ballot vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)

Motion to move the article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Jacob Moran. Discussion to follow:

Paul Wagner: What funding is available? Not known at this time, it is being worked on. **Noreen Rollins:** How much will this increase our taxes. At 4.25% to borrow 3 million, the first year the tax rate will go up \$1.69 per \$1000 of your evaluation. That would be \$422.50 on a \$250,000 property. **Debbie Aylward:** Tax rate went up \$2.50 this year from \$17.50 to \$20. So that means next year could be \$21.69 a \$1000. **Peg Cooper:** Can someone from the Budget Committee say why they are not supporting this? Most of the budget committee don't think that it is smart to put \$500,000 into the old firehouse. It would be better to include the Police in the same building as the Fire Dept. **Jessica Hatch** responded to their comments saying that the committee met every month, sometimes twice a month and it would have been great to have people show up and tell us their opinions, but they only had one gentleman show up and that was Andy Phelps. To actually have an engineer design drawn ahead of voting it would be another \$50 to \$60000. Combining the two buildings combined was going to add another \$1.5 million to the cost. The only reason Jim wants the combined is because he wants to buy the fire station himself. We do have another proposal besides the first one we put out which is the \$500,000 to renovate the Fire House for the Police and \$2.5 million to build the Fire House. **Paul Wagner:** After the new building is erected and the fire house is renovated will it be good for a long time, or will we need to renovate it again in the near future? **Jessica Hatch** The plan is to completely redo the fire house to make it what is needed for the Police. **Debbie Aylward:** What was the process to get to these numbers? Will there be more information given to the taxpayers explaining this? **Jeremy Martin:** This plan has been on the Master Plan for years. I went to a local contractor and got a bond quote that you can use to get a bond loan. No one is going to give you a complete engineering plan without costing more money. **Maggi Fellows:** I want to thank the committee because they are the ones that put the time into deciding what would be best for this town. **Jessica Hatch:** There will be a mailing that will go to everyone's mailbox showing exactly what the new design will be and there will be another open house at the fire station and another feasibility meeting.

Article 05 OPERATING BUDGET

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Motion to move article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Tracy Shepard

POLICE DEPT OFFICERS WAGES: Motion by **Maggi Fellows**, seconded by Jessica Hatch: Motion to add \$20,000 back to the Police Dept Budget Line 421010110, Officer's Wages. The chief would like to hire one to two part-time officers that would give us approximately 28 hours of coverage a week. Until he can find people to hire he can use the Sheriff's Dept to fill in like we had been using to give us some coverage. Noreen Rollins: Do we have a set number of officers we have to have. No Andy Phelps: Good to have a new police officer in town and I think the \$20,000 should be put back. **The moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed.**

HIGHWAY DEPT: Motion by **Jessica Hatch** seconded by **Bob Crisco** to raise the Road Agent Salary Line by \$2000. The surrounding towns pay much more than ours. **The moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed.**

Motion by **Jeremy Cornell** seconded by Anna Hullinger to raise the general supplies from \$14000 to \$18000 that I originally requested. Street signs are missing, signs and barricades disappear, and these items are expensive to replace. **Jim Phelps:** Last year \$6000 was spent on Snap On Tools. These are very expensive, very high-quality tools. That is \$6000 we don't have to spend on tools this year. I can do the same job with a \$10 wrench as I can do with a \$65 wrench. **Bob Crisco:** They have a great warranty on them. **Jim Phelps:** I'm speaking, don't interrupt. The money spent on signage is a fraction of your budget. We cut the budget by \$6000 because that is what you spent on tools last year then we reduced that to \$4000. The highway department is half the total budget of the town. We have been very generous in recent years, and it is not a line-item budget so money can be moved between lines within departments. We should have a well-stocked tool supply after spending \$6000 on Snap On tools last year. You can't go into the Snap On Tool truck like a kid going into a candy store. **Carol Funk Crisco** If you look at all the line items, they have all gone up 20 to 30 % since covid. If you buy something for a lifetime it's worth the initial investment. **Bob Crisco** : If you buy a pair of plyers for \$10 how many times are you going to have to replace them over the years. **Jim Phelps:** You don't want to ask me that question because I have not spent \$10,000 on tools in 50 years. **Maggi Fellows:** Cutting that line item doesn't stop him from buying more Snap On tools, it will just make it impossible for him to buy the other items he needs like signs. If someone does not like him buying from Snap On Tools, they should talk to his boss about it and if they agree they can give him an order that he not make any more purchases from Snap On. **Jim Phelps:** The budget committee still supported a 10% increase in the Highway Budget. Hand count was requested. **The moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed 26 yes 8 no.**

Motion by **Jeremy Cornell** seconded by **Jessica Hatch** to raise the gravel line from \$40000 to \$45000. We had a lot of rain in December used more gravel than we normally would and more rain into January. Already \$7000 into the gravel money. Need at least 45 or more if someone wants to raise it again because we are going to be hurting in the summer. **The moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed 30 yes 1 no.**

Motion by **Bob Crisco** seconded by **Jeremy Cornell** to raise the gravel line from \$45000 to \$55000. Bob said \$45000 is not enough even \$55000 is not enough to take care of all the road needs. **Jim Phelps:** Where are we going to stop? Why don't we take it to \$100,000? If we are on a spending spree how much do you want your taxes to go up? **The moderator read the amendment. The amendment failed. 10 yes 21 no.**

Motion by **Jeremy Cornell** seconded by **Jessica Hatch** to raise the hot top line from \$150,000 to the requested \$165,000. Jeremy said the quote came in at \$165,000 for the proposed projects and was given to the selectmen and the budget committee. **Jim Phelps:** We did not get a quote from you on the paving at all. All you told us was you were going to fix the bottom of high street and fix Ragged Mountain. **Jeremy Martin:** I did turn it in to the selectmen. **Jessica Hatch:** The budget committee didn't get the quote because the selectmen have it. The plan is to overlay North Rd and fix High Street at the Waukeena Lake end. Last year's projects did not get completed due to scheduling issues and rain. **The moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed 35 yes 21 no.**

DANBURY COMMUNITY CENTER: **Kendra Braley** spoke to about the DCC. The pantry and the DCC are two separate entities and money is not taken from the town to run the pantry. The supper money is used to help support the pantry. In the past we have gotten money from the trust fund. We had a bond with \$24,000 in it but that has run out. We need \$4400 a month to run the DCC. Right now, I do not know if we have enough to get through the winter. **Andy Phelps:** Has anyone seen the budget request? There should be a detailed list of expenses. You can't just say you want a certain number of dollars.

Motion by **Ruby Hill** seconded by **James Farmer** to raise the DCC budget by \$5000. **The moderator read the amendment. The amendment passed 37 yes 2 no.**

Moderator read the amended OPERATING BUDGET:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$1,659,166. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$1,520,366 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Danbury or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Majority vote required. (\$1,608,166 Recommended by Budget Committee) (\$1,669,916 Recommended by Selectmen) **Motion to move article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Ruby Hill**

ARTICLE 06 HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established. Majority vote required. (Recommended by Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee) **Motion to move article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Anna Hullinger**

Jessica spoke to this: We are asking to put \$50,000 in this fund. Right now the balance is 0 because it was used to buy the loader last year.

Motion by **Noreen Rollins** seconded by **Lenny Ryan** to lower this to \$25,000 for this year due to how much we have raised other lines. **Chris Huyler:** Jeremy is there anything that needs to be replaced this year? **Jeremy Cornell:** A dump truck but we put in a request to get a small truck so we need the use of a dump truck until we can get that one. I would ask that you keep this at \$50,000. . **The moderator read the amendment. The amendment failed 8 yes, 23 no.**

ARTICLE 07: BRIDGE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the BRIDGE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established. Majority vote required. (Recommended by Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee) **Motion to move article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Ruby Hill.**

Jessica Hatch: Last year we were going to fix Walker Brook Rd bridge quoted at \$150,000 but it rained too much to do the job. The plan is to do that this coming year and we are # 16 on the states list to do the bridge on Bohannon Rd. We pay 20% and they pay 80%. Their quote came in at \$1.4 million. We need \$240,000 to match their budget. Right now we have \$190,000. Originally the state said it was going to be done in 2030 but they are moving those dates up.

ARTICLE 08: ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to be added to the ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established. (Recommended by Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required) **Motion to move article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Jeremy Cornell**

Jessica Hatch: We started this last year to repair Ragged Mountain Road from New Canada to Deckmen's Road. This road is in very bad shape. We would like another \$75,000 to be put toward that. Jeremy and I have been talking to an engineer because we are not going to do this ourselves with Ragged doing their new subdivision. There is a lot of water run off that is ruining our road right now.

ARTICLE 09: GOVERNMENT BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,000 to be added to the GOVERNMENT BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required.) **Motion to move article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Jeremy Cornell**

Jessica Hatch: Asking for support to put \$23,000 in the Building Capital reserve fund. Tracy went up to the records room attic and put up the insulation and did the room over, painted and put in the floor so we do not have anything left in the fund. By putting it in the reserve its not in the general budget so it can stay there till it is needed.

Motion by Jim Phelps seconded by **Noreen Rollins** to reduce the amount from \$23,000 to \$10,000. **Jim Phelps:** It is for emergencies and \$10,000 is enough to cover emergencies. **Jessica Hatch:** I was just reminded that we have a leak near the chimney and the fire alarm at the DCC keeps going off unnecessarily. So there is an emergency issue. **The moderator read the amendment. The amendment failed 23 no, 12 yes.**

ARTICLE 10: REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to be added to the PROPERTY CAPITAL RESERVE FUND previously established for the state mandated revaluation of the municipality. Majority vote required. (Recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee) **Motion to move article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Ruby Hill**

ARTICLE 11: TO CLOSE CERTAIN CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the following CAPITAL RESERVE Funds.

AIR PAC Capital Reserve Fund

FOREST FIRE EQUIPMENT Capital Reserve Fund

RECORDS PRESERVATION Capital Reserve Fund

PLANNING BOARD Capital Reserve Fund

Said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund.(Majority vote required)(Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article by Jessica Hatch, seconded by Ruby Hill

Jessica Hatch: It was brought to our attention by our Trustee of the Trust Fund, Karen Padgett, that these funds are just sitting there and we weren't spending them so we need the people's vote to put them back in the general fund.

As of January, the AIR PAC Capital Reserve Fund had \$12.40,

FOREST FIRE EQUIPMENT Capital Reserve Fund had \$ 132.77,

RECORDS PRESERVATION Capital Reserve Fund had \$ 267.65,

PLANNING BOARD Capital Reserve Fund had \$105.59.

Motion to adjourn by Jim Phelps seconded by Jessic Hatch

SCHEDULE OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTY

<i>Map & Lot</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Acerage</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Land</i>	<i>Assd Total</i>
Municipal Properties					
201-001-000	23 HIGH STREET - (TOWN HALL)	0.74	145,220	62,900	208,120
201-031-001	US ROUTE 4 AND HIGH ST	1.70		33,800	33,800
201-083-000	18 PINE DRIVE - (TRANSFER STATION)	8.60	5,580	38,100	43,680
201-086-000	10 NORTH ROAD - (FIRE STATION)	0.23	133,500	59,200	192,700
201-087-000	NORTH ROAD - (BARBER SHOP LOT)	0.02	0	9,600	9,600
201-094-000	NH ROUTE 104 - (GEO GAMBLE LIB)	0.09	71,400	53,600	125,000
201-111-001	RESTFUL ROAD - (ROLLER SHED)	0.09	6,650	900	7,550
201-138-000	15 HIGH STREET - (DANBURY COMMUNITY CTR)	0.94	390,780	63,600	454,380
409-054-000	488 US RTE 4 - (HIGHWAY GARAGE)	20.70	196,100	90,100	286,200
Cemeteries					
201-056-000	SCHOOL POND ROAD - (BAPTIST CEMETERY)	1.50	0	2,900	2,900
201-073-000	NORTH ROAD - (RIVERDALE CEMETERY)	1.30	0	26,900	26,900
201-082-000	NORTH ROAD - (RIVERDALE CEMETERY)	3.40	0	5,400	5,400
404-003-000	FORBES MT ROAD - (JEWETT CEMETERY)	0.08	0	800	800
409-064-000	US ROUTE 4 - (LITCHFIELD CEMETERY)	0.39	0	1,400	1,400
410-011-000	BOHONON ROAD - (EASTERN CEMETERY)	0.80	0	1,900	1,900
410-046-000	WARD HILL - (WARD HILL CEMETERY)	0.29	0	1,300	1,300
411-045-000	RAGGED MT ROAD - (ELMWOOD CEMETERY)	0.14	0	1,100	1,100
415-020-000	NEW CANADA ROAD - (BEAN CEMETERY)	0.52	0	1,400	1,400
415-051-000	US ROUTE 4 - (SO DANBURY CEMETERY)	0.46	0	1,500	1,500
Road Deeds					
201-000-000	ROW BACK OF CEMETERY	1.75	0	3,200	3,200
411-000-000	(VAN OTTERLOO SUBDIVISION)	2.45	0	4,100	4,100
Parks & Public Lands					
201-034-000	LOT A - SMITH RIVER PLAN	0.19	0	12,100	12,100
201-068-000	E. DISTRICT ROAD - (INDEPENDENCE PARK)	21.00	9,200	67,500	76,700
409-086-000	SHELDON ROAD - (SCHOOL POND)	1.06	0	32,600	32,600
409-087-000	SHELDON ROAD - (SCHOOL POND) LAKE FRONT	1.82	0	10,000	10,000
409-102-000	SCHOOL POND - (PUBLIC LANDING)	1.10	0	2,300	2,300
410-058-000	NH ROUTE 104	2.10	0	34,300	34,300
411-081-001	RAGGED MT ROAD - (ELMWOOD PARK)	1.40	0	38,400	38,400
412-103-000	WAUKEENA LAKE ROAD - (PUBLIC LANDING)	0.06	0	8,600	8,600
415-059-001	US ROUTE 4 - (BETWEEN RR BED & ROAD)	0.30	0	6,400	6,400
Tax Deeded Properties					
201-116-000	NH ROUTE 104 - (ADAIR MOTEL)	1.30	0	33,300	33,300
406-032-000	BROOKSIDE LANE	0.55	0	15,500	15,500
406-085-000	PARTRIDGE LANE	0.32	0	11,600	11,600
408-032-000	FORD MILL ROAD	2.80	0	17,100	17,100
408-060-000	DANBURY WOODS	44.00	0	36,400	36,400
410-068-000	NH ROUTE 104	0.64	0	900	900
412-080-000	WAUKEENA LAKE RD/OFF OF	0.09		17,600	17,600
413-012-000	34 DEAN ROAD	3.4	22,240	88,600	110,840
Totals:		128.32	980,670	896,900	\$1,877,570

**SUMMARY OF TRUST FUNDS
1/1/2023 TO 12/31/2023**

BRIDGE CAPITAL RESERVE -		GENERAL GOVT BUILDING CAP RES FUND	
Beginning Balance	\$ 170,547.56	Beginning Balance	\$ 4,178.30
Income:		Income:	
New Funds	\$ 25,000.00	New Funds	\$ -
Interest	\$ 102.33	Interest	\$ 2.82
Disburse/Transfer	\$ 5,685.00	Disburse/Transfer	\$ 4,000.00
Ending Balance	\$ 189,964.89	Ending Balance	\$ 181.12
CEMETERY COMMON TRUST - #2		HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAP RES FUND	
Beginning Balance	\$ 2,628.62	Beginning Balance	\$ 55,205.20
Income:		Income:	
New Funds	\$ 400.00	New Funds	\$ -
Interest	\$ 1.95	Interest	\$ 28.83
Disburse/Transfer	\$ -	Disburse/Transfer	\$ 55,000.00
Ending Balance	\$ 3,030.57	Ending Balance	\$ 234.03
CEMETERY COMMON TRUST - #1		PLANNING BOARD CAP RES FUND	
Beginning Balance	\$ 44,496.29	Beginning Balance	\$ 105.59
Income:		Income:	
New Funds	\$ -	New Funds	\$ -
Interest	\$ 260.71	Interest	\$ -
Disburse/Transfer	\$ -	Disburse/Transfer	\$ -
Ending Balance	\$ 44,757.00	Ending Balance	\$ 105.59
FIRE TRUCK CAP RES FUND -		PROPERTY REVALUATION CAP RES FUND	
Beginning Balance	\$ 4,323.24	Beginning Balance	\$ 7,146.68
Income:		Income:	
New Funds	\$ -	New Funds	\$ 7,000.00
Interest	\$ 3.03	Interest	\$ 4.38
Disburse/Transfer	\$ -	Disburse/Transfer	\$ -
Ending Balance	\$ 4,326.27	Ending Balance	\$ 14,151.06
FOREST FIRE EQUIPMENT CAP RES FUND -		RECORDS PRESERVATION CAP RES FUND	
Beginning Balance	\$ 132.69	Beginning Balance	\$ 267.57
Income:		Income:	
New Funds	\$ -	New Funds	\$ -
Interest	\$ 0.08	Interest	\$ 0.09
Disburse/Transfer	\$ -	Disburse/Transfer	\$ -
Ending Balance	\$ 132.77	Ending Balance	\$ 267.66
FIRE HYDRANT CAP RES FUND -		FIRE DEPT. AIR PAC CAP RES FUND	
Beginning Balance	\$ 3,733.85	Beginning Balance	\$ 29,057.49
Income:		Income:	
New Funds	\$ -	New Funds	\$ -
Interest	\$ 2.60	Interest	\$ 4.94
Disburse/Transfer	\$ -	Disburse/Transfer	\$ 29,050.00
Ending Balance	\$ 3,736.45	Ending Balance	\$ 12.43
POLICE VEHICLE CAP RES FUND -		SAFETY SERVICES BUILDING CAP RES FUND	
Beginning Balance	\$ 8.67	Beginning Balance	\$ -
Income:		Income:	
New Funds	\$ -	New Funds	\$ 50,000.00
Interest	\$ -	Interest	\$ 2.84
Disburse/Transfer	\$ -	Disburse/Transfer	\$ 10,174.50
Ending Balance	\$ 8.67	Ending Balance	\$ 39,828.34
ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAP RES FUND			
Beginning Balance	\$ -		
Income:			
New Funds	\$ 75,000.00		
Interest	\$ 4.93		
Disburse/Transfer	\$ -		
Ending Balance	\$ 75,004.93		

Prepared / Submitted by:
Karen Padgett, Treasurer
Trustee of the Trust Funds

ENDING BALANCE \$ 375,741.78

Auditor's Report

We have audited the Town of Danbury Financial Records of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Trustees of the Trust Funds, and the George Gamble Library Trustees for the year ending December 31, 2022.

As part of this process, we have provided the Report of Local Elected Auditors to the Board of Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashlynn Hatch

Anna Hullinger

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Report for the Danbury Volunteer Fire Department

2023 Calls for Service and Activity

Fires	9
Alarm Activations	18
Medical Aid/EMS	93
Motor Vehicle Collisions	13
Mutual Aid Fires	20
Mutual Aid - Other	2
Service Calls	23
Details and Trainings	20
Inspections	3
Water Rescue	0
Gas Leak/HazMat	3

Total calls for service: 201

In March 2023, members of the department joined a building committee alongside members of the public and town officials. The committee has worked diligently throughout the year looking for cost effective ways to build a safety building that is capable of servicing the town for the next 75 year. The committee has looked for funding means including any grant opportunities. The proposed is a new fire station built on town owned property on route 4 and remodeling of the existing firehouse into the police station. The committee has been very active and dedicated. They were able to bring a plan to the public this year. With the continued efforts of the committee and support from the people of this town we hope the proposed project will move forward.

In 2023, DVFD started to provide addresses in town with numbered 911 signs, you may have seen these red numbered signs in at your neighbors house. If you would like one please call the DVFD for details at 603-768-3652.

Yours in safety,

Danbury Fire Department

Commissioner Jon Johnson	Commissioner Reggie Glines	
Fire Chief Jeremy Martin	Deputy Chief Brandon Bliss	Chief Engineer Don Haynes
Captain Jacob Moran	LT.Stephan Kulacz	LT. Franklin Ullmer Jr
Clerk Todd Gordan	Treasurer Ashlynn Hatch	FF Dan Boynton
FF Jeremy Cornell	FF Keith Daughen	FF Michael Daughen
FF Eric Maines	FF/EMT Terri Kulacz	FF/Para. Kyle Levesque
FF/EMT Alec Thomson	FF Bob Crisco	EMT Dave Suckling
FF Ken Phelps	FF/EMT Heather Hill	
FF Sam McClory	EMR Anna Hullinger	
Depty Warden Merton Austin	Deputy Warden Josh Hatch	Member Sharon Austin
Commissioner (Retired) Robert Ford	Commissioner (Retired) Bruce Armstrong	

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

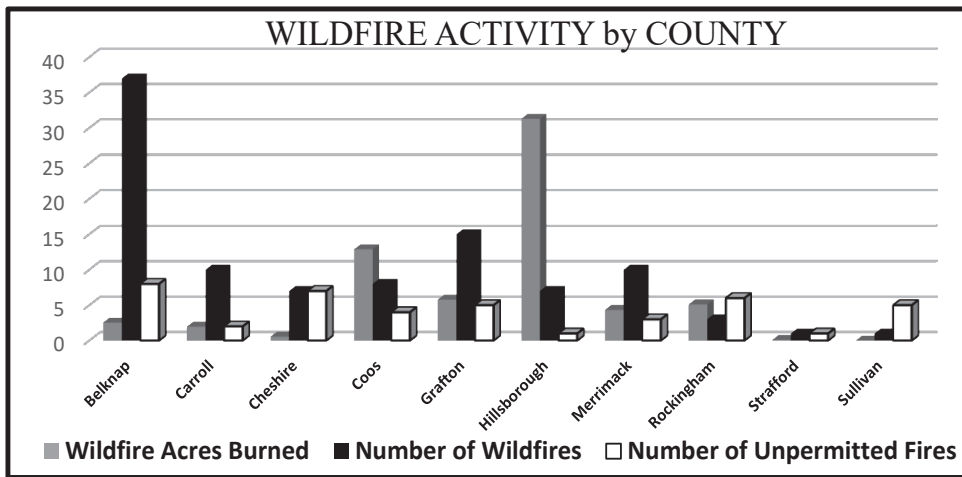
This past year we observed wet weather in late spring and throughout the summer. This led to reduced wildfire activity throughout the state and allowed many of our state firefighting resources to respond to Nova Scotia and Quebec to assist our Canadian neighbors with their record wildfire season. We were also able team up with local fire departments and provide many wildfire trainings throughout the state.

This time of year, we see fires caused by the careless disposal of woodstove ashes. Before dumping your woodstove ashes, you should place them in a covered metal container until they are out cold. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Every year New Hampshire sees fires which threaten or destroy structures, a constant reminder that wildfires burn more than just trees. Even with the lower wildfire threat in New Hampshire in 2023, properties within the Wildland Urban Interface were still impacted, with 8 structures threatened and 3 destroyed by wildfires. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildfire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state’s Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe! We ask everyone to remember Smokey’s message about personal responsibility and follow his ABC’s: **Always Be Careful** with fire. If you start a fire, put it out when you are done. **“Remember, Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!”**

As we prepare for the 2024 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services. You are encouraged to contact the local fire department for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire’s forest resources. For more information, please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nh.gov/nhdf/. For up-to-date information, follow us on X and Instagram: [@NHForestRangers](https://www.instagram.com/NHForestRangers)



2023 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS



Year	Number of Wildfires	Wildfire Acres Burned	Number of Unpermitted Fires*
2023	99	64.5	42
2022	59	203	48
2021	66	86	96
2020	113	89	165
2019	15	23.5	92

*Unpermitted fires which escape control are considered Wildfires.

CAUSES of FIRES REPORTED											
Railroad operations & maintenance	Firearm & explosives use	Undetermined	Recreation & ceremony	Debris & open burning	Natural	Other causes	Power generation, transmission, distribution	Smoking	Arson	Misuse of fire by a minor	Equipment & vehicle use
0	0	22	3	80	4	4	10	1	2	0	4



Highway Department

TOWN OF DANBURY

Incorporated 1795

Email: danburyhighway@myfairpoint.net

488 US Route 4
DANBURY, NH 03230
Phone (603)768-3317

The Year of Rain

2023 could have been the year to build an Arch, with rainfall showering on us over 100 days measuring in feet instead of inches. This weather overloaded and destroyed many of our culverts and ditches, and washed away roads creating extra costs... Not a typical December day in New England purchasing a large amount of gravel after rain falling over four inches in one day.

Thank you for the supported vote for the New Loader, it arrived saving us the cost of repair and parts on this machine. Our team was able to invest a lot of time and our budget planned for money to go into the much-needed rehab of Walker Brook Road.

As much as we can and with the equipment we have, all oil changes, regular maintenance, welding and fabricating to replace parts, is done in our shop by our team. All trucks and equipment received regular maintenance and repairs throughout the year. We were able to accomplish replacing many culverts around town. Brush cutting and chipping was done on a regular basis. Ditching was done where it was needed, as was grading of all town roads, starting with the high traffic ones first. Road side mowing was done by a contractor due to not be able to rent a tractor.

Every year our team works diligently to sand and salt the roads, check for hazards, clear ice jams and trim heavy tree branches, making it safe for our community.

Thank you, Alan, Bob, Walter, and Mike, for your continued hard work, it is greatly appreciated.

I would also like to thank the Selectman, Karen Padgett, and Maggi Fellows for all your assistance throughout the year.

Thank you all for your continued support of the Highway Department.

And finally, thank you for the opportunity to serve my community. If there are questions or concerns, please call me at (603) 768-3317 or email me at danburyhighway@myfairpoint.net

Jeremy Cornell, Road Agent

A reminder of the Town Ordinance, for Winter Plowing:

Per RAS 236:20 and Danbury Ordinance adopted January 9, 2013, it is a violation to deposit snow or ice upon a traveled roadway that would cause it to be unsuitable for travel by person, vehicle or snowplow. The penalty for such a violation is \$25.00 (Twenty-five Dollars).

**** Please remember by recycling your used oil at the transfer station, it saves you tax dollars on heating oil for the Highway Garage****

Danbury Police Department

2023 Yearly Report

Christopher J. Kelby

Chief of Police

Rebecca Huntoon

Administrative Assistant

Please accept this letter as the year-end report for 2023. The agency has undergone some changes in 2023 that have adversely affected our abilities to carry out Law Enforcement and Community responsibilities, however as 2024 has kicked off we can look forward to some positive upgrades yet to be realized.

The Danbury Police Department is, as requested by the Town, a Part-time Police Agency. Typically, the agency would be staffed by a part-time Police Chief, 2 part-time Police Officers, an Animal Control Officer (ACO) and a part-time Administrative Assistant. If, at full staff, the agency would be able to provide approximately 60 hours of Police Patrol Coverage weekly. This has not been the case for some time.

The agency currently occupies a single (12'x17') main room in the Town Hall plus a small storage area (9'x7') for the retention and categorization of Evidence. Parking for the agencies two marked police cruisers (2016 Ford Explorer and 2020 Dodge Durango) is outside on a dirt parking area at the front of the Town Hall. The main office serves as the Police Department structure where business is conducted. Business includes sex and probation offender registry, citizen complaints, interviews of both civil and criminal nature, processing prisoners, applicant fingerprinting, permits, report writing, training and community relations etc.

In 2023 the Danbury Police Department which was already short an officer and it's ACO, lost it's two remaining Officers, whilst thankfully retaining Rebecca Huntoon as the Administrative Assistant. Towards the end of November, I was Appointed as your Police Chief after a full background investigation was conducted by the Merrimack County Sheriff's Office Investigations Unit.

Since my appointment in November of 2023, I have identified a few issues within the agency that need to be dealt with immediately. These issues include the Recruitment, Hiring and Training of Police Officers and a previously identified and unresolved issue related to the inventory of evidence, its storage and tracking. Another issue relative to outdated or missing professional standards of conduct is being dealt with as of this writing.

During November and December of 2023, Police Cruiser mechanical repairs have been identified and rectified. The issues included unidentified post-crash damage and rust repairs to the Ford Explorer. The Dodge Durango had electrical issues related to emergency equipment which have been rectified.

The Police Department facility has undergone (and continues to undergo) some cosmetic changes which will hopefully better serve the community through the creation of a professional appearance, the ability to better store records, process citizen requests (Offender Registration, Application Fingerprinting, Firearms Permits etc.) and the storage of agency equipment.

In November I began collecting call data from the City of Franklin, The New Hampshire State Police (Troop D) and the Merrimack County Sheriff's Office. Mrs. Huntoon was able to collect data from Crimestar, our report management system. What follows is the numbers of calls for service by each Agency;

Danbury Police Department: 167

Merrimack County Sheriff's Office: 97

New Hampshire State Police: 242

Franklin Police Department: 259

Total Calls for Service: 765

Average Call Volume per Day: 2.1

It should be noted that the volume of calls, though in appearance seems high does not account for Danbury Police generated calls as the staffing for the department was nonexistent for a large part of 2023 and reportable numbers were not generated outside of calls for service directly made to the Police Department phone line and lobby. As I complete this report on 01-19-24 the Danbury Police Department has already affected 3 felons arrested, a resisting arrest, 2 domestic violence calls as well as several juvenile cases, multiple traffic stops and general calls for service.

In closing, I thank you, the Town of Danbury, for your support of our agency and our community. I look forward to continuing my service to you and wish you a blessed New Year.

Respectfully,

Christopher J. Kelby

Chief of Police

Danbury, NH

George Gamble Library Report for 2023

The library was proud to join Libby to be able to offer thousands of books and magazines.

Please take advantage of this wonderful resource by joining the library. Now you can listen to audio books, read magazines (which you keep for as long as you want) or read books online, all for free.

We are very happy that we can offer this to the residents of Danbury as we are quite limited in the amount of books we can have in our delightful, but small, library.

All you need to do is come to the library with proof of residency and Linda Olmstead, our wonderful librarian for the past ten years, will get you all set up. It's easy!

However, even given our limitations, we have had a lot of visitors:

2023 Circulation Record

Patron visits	930	(813 adults, 117 children)
Books borrowed	1001	(709 adults, 292 children)

Interlibrary Loan Requests

357 loaned to other libraries
44 borrowed by our patrons

Libby (Online books and Magazines)

15 patrons using this resource.

We thank the Town of Danbury for all the support. This year we have repaired the roof, so it doesn't leak. The ceiling is fixed and delightful. The handrail is secure—so we can all make it in.

In 2024 the trim and the front door will be renewed.

The library is in great shape—come see what a gem it is!

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Vincevic

Chair

George Gamble Library Report 2023

Franklin Savings Bank Checking Account 0065				
	Beginning Balance		1/1/2023	\$ 6,007.15
Income				
	Donations		\$ 1,675.41	
	J. Parady	\$ 1,082.01	\$ 147.76	\$ 175.82
				\$ 1,053.95
Expense			\$ 3,436.68	
	Ending Balance		12/31/2023	\$ 4,245.88

Palmer Foundation Savings Account 5021				
Software, Supplies & Services				
	Beginning Balance		1/1/2023	\$ 1,052.73
Income				
	Interest Income		\$ 0.41	\$ 0.41
Expense				
	Ending Balance		12/31/2023	\$ 1,053.14

Stephen Ford Savings Account 5821				
Restricted-Interest used for Maintenance & Support				
	Beginning Balance		1/1/2023	\$ 1,174.61
Income				
	Interest Income		\$ 0.48	\$ 0.48
	Ending Balance		12/31/2023	\$ 1,175.09

Wallace Ford Savings Account 5421				
Unrestricted-Interest to be used for Maintenance & Support				
	Beginning Balance		1/1/2023	\$ 589.53
Income				
	Interest Income		\$ 0.24	\$ 0.24
	Ending Balance		12/31/2023	\$ 589.77

Certificate of Deposits

Stephen Ford	1 Years @.12	Issued 10-8-2023	Matures 1-7-2024	\$ 5,000.00
for Maintenance		Int. Inc.		\$ 88.61
	Ending Balance		12/31/2023	\$ 5,088.61

Perkins	3 Years @.30	Issued 8-8-2023	Matures 8-8-2026	\$ 1,000.00
for Travel Books/Magazines		Int. Inc.		\$ 1.19
	Ending Balance		12/31/2023	\$ 1,001.19

NOTE: THE FUNDS REPORTED HERE ARE DONATED/TRUST FUNDS NOT TOWN APPROPRIATED.

2023 Report from the Danbury Planning Board

The Planning Board experienced a relatively high level of activity in 2023.


Much of it was centered around two properties/developers. The first one involved Ragged Mountain Ski Resort ("Ragged"): Per the Development Agreement reached with Ragged's corporate owner in 2009, the Planning Board had the right to periodically require a review of that Agreement, both as to what had transpired to date and a five-year projection forward. The Board had decided in the latter part of 2022 to exercise that right for the first time, which led to a number of discussions with Ragged's counsel and personnel, and a complete overhaul of the controlling documents. That resulted in the adoption of an "Amended and Restated Development Agreement" on September 12, 2023. The Planning Board's long-time counsel in the matter, Michael Donovan, who's legal fees have always been paid by Ragged since the outset of its development proposal circa 2007, announced his retirement at the end of the overhaul process, and the Board expresses our thanks for his many years of diligent service and advice.

There was also a 10 lot subdivision proposal which led to a number of public hearings; opposition by three sets of abutters; a unanimous 7-to-0 vote of denial by the Planning Board; a reversal of that denial by a 4-to-1 vote of the Zoning Board of Appeal; and on-going litigation now pending in the NH Housing Board of Appeals. Much of the contention related to the proper interpretation of our Zoning Ordinance's Section 11.5 relative to how much "contiguous" buildable area each lot must have in the Village Districts and the Rural Areas respectively. Recognizing that the Section's wording was somewhat ambiguous, the Planning Board has proposed a revision of that Section at a public hearing to be voted on at the upcoming Town Election. [A proposed revision of the Zoning Ordinance's Floodplain provisions, which was proposed by the State of NH to keep it in compliance with changes to State law, was also adopted by the Planning Board at a public hearing and will be voted on at the upcoming Town Election.].

There were only 4 other public hearings, none of which faced any significant opposition from members of the public in attendance, and each one resulted in unanimous approval by the Board. Those public hearings were broken down as follows: 1 Ragged-related subdivision approval; 1 site plan review approval; 1 lot line adjustment; and, the annual adoption of a revised Capital Improvement Plan.

More specific information is available via review of the Planning Board's adopted Meeting Minutes on file with the Town.

Respectfully submitted,


John A. Taylor, Chairperson

2023 Zoning Board of Adjustments

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) meets as applications are submitted or as need arises. We are here to help anyone who has any questions or is in need of assistance with the application process that often can be confusing. Because there are often questions about what we do, I would like to list some of the applications available:

- Special Exceptions
- Appeal from Administrative Decision
- Variances
- Applications for Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements

You can find a fillable application, the Zoning Ordinance and the Rules of Procedure on the town website. When applying, please read the Application, Zoning Ordinance and the Rules of Procedure as they will help you with the process. If you need any procedural assistance, please feel free to reach out to us.

2023 was an extremely busy year for our ZBA members. A number of public hearings and meetings were held, challenging the members to examine and apply the RSAs, case law and the LUZO.

We also incorporated and updated our Rules of Procedure to increase transparency and clarity to ensure trust and integrity for the Town.

The Danbury ZBA is served by a group of very committed volunteers. The current members are:

- Toni Maviki, Chair
- Lenny Ryan, Vice Chair
- Walter Wright, Secretary
- Becky Huntoon, Clerk and Alternate member

It gives me great pleasure to extend a special THANKS to our ZBA members for volunteering countless hours this year and plowing new ground once again. Your professionalism, dedication, and commitment to following our State Laws and Town zoning ordinances is exemplary. Lastly, on behalf of the entire ZBA, a special thank you to our clerk, Becky Huntoon for your dedication, knowledge, and commitment to assist our Board and the public.

Respectfully submitted by,

Toni Maviki, Chair

2023 Cemetery Report

This past year was another busy one for the cemetery crew.

Nathan Hatch, Arron Judd, William Huntoon, Adam Klapyk, Kenneth Phelps and David Sorrell all worked to keep our town cemeteries looking beautiful.

Along with the regular mowing, trimming and raking there were several other items that were taken care of.

Robin Heberling has started repainting the cemetery signs. As well as painting the gate at the Baptist Cemetery.

Jeremy Cornell scheduled men and equipment to assist in fixing stonewalls at both the Riverdale and Baptist Cemeteries and removal of the large maple tree.

Dennis Phelps also helped in the removal of the large maple tree at the Elmwood Cemetery.

Matt Johnson of Down to Earth Tree Service was responsible for taking down the tree. It was done with care and precision, as not a single stone was damaged in the process.

Alan Huntoon helped with the removal of the wood.

A stone drainage ditch was made to handle the runoff from the road culvert in the Baptist Cemetery.

Other projects such as seeding and adding loam to needed areas was done by an anonymous donation of seed and fill.

Next spring we will push to get the ledge Pak put down at the Riverdale Cemetery.

As Sexton Andrew Phelps continues to keep our town cemeteries looking beautiful. We are hopeful that many of last year's crew will return for the 2024 season. If there is anyone who would like to work or volunteer in all or a particular cemetery as a memorial to family or friends we would like to hear from you.

Thank you again to Andy Phelps and his dedicated team.

Cemetery Trustees

Amy Shepard

Robin Heberling

Jeremy Cornell

**TOWN OF DANBURY
TRANSFER STATION FEES**

EFFECTIVE 12/06/2023

Issued by: The Danbury Board of Selectmen

<u>DESCRIPTION OF ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE EA.</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION OF ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE EA.</u>
<u>REFRIGERATORS, FREEZERS, AC UNITS</u>	\$ 15.00	<u>ELECTRONICS</u>	
		Televisions up to 48"	\$ 10.00
		Televisions bigger than 48"	\$ 20.00
<u>PROPANE TANKS</u>		Complete Computer System	
20 lbs or less	\$ 10.00	(keyboard, mouse, monitor, CPU)	\$ 10.00
Greater than 20 lbs	\$ 15.00	Computer Monitor up to 19"	\$ 10.00
		Computer Printer	\$ 10.00
		VCR's, Stereos, Answering Machines, Video Games	\$ 10.00
<u>FURNITURE</u>		Microwave Ovens	\$ 10.00
Mattresses/ Box Springs	\$ 10.00		\$ 10.00
Upholstered Furniture	\$ 20.00	<u>CONSTRUCTION WASTE</u>	
		Pick Up Loads	\$30/load 1 load per day
<u>TIRES</u>		1 Ton Loads	\$100/load 1 load per day
Car & Light Truck	\$ 3.00	Shingles - pick up load	\$50/load
Dump Truck Tires	\$ 20.00	Shingles - 1 Ton load	\$100/load
Heavy Equipment Tires			
Rubber tracks			

DO NOT ACCEPT

NO BRICKS, CONCRETE OR SOIL

DANBURY COMMUNITY

CENTER 2023

DCC appreciates all our volunteers and community members who worked at and supported our different events and programs in 2023. These are some of our programs and events.

Weekly

Programs

- Exercise Program Tuesday & Friday
- Winter Carnival
- Candy Bar Bingo Wednesday & Craft Afternoon
- Turkey Raffle
- Cribbage Sunday
- Patrick's Day Dinner
- AA Wednesday
- Volunteer Luncheon
- Food Pantry Tuesday & Thursday
- Drive
- Friends of Food Pantry Thursday Dinner
- Contest
- Whist Friday Card Party
- Town-wide Yard Sale

Events

- February
- February
- March ST.
- April
- Backpack
- Chili Cooking
- August
- Lighting
- Thanksgiving
- Secret

Santa

Other Organization

- Fire Department
- 4-H
- Finical Club

DCC can be rented for private events: weddings, birthday parties, anniversary parties, and meetings.

The Board is looking forward to 2024 we thank the town for their continued support!

Making Good Things Happen

DANBURY WORKSHOP INC 2023	INCOME	DIRECT PROGRAM EXPENSES	G & A EXPENSES
DIRECT PROGRAM INCOME AND EXPENSES PAID			
TOWN OF DANBURY SUPPORT	24,200.00		
ANNUAL FUND DRIVE	5,910.00		
OTHER DONATIONS	4,664.10		
CASH DONATIONS SPECIFIED FOR SECRET SANTA PROGRAM	1,710.00		
LESS CASH PAID OUT FOR SECRET SANTA PURCHASES		(2,696.49)	
CASH DONATIONS SPECIFIED FOR HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS	685.00		
LESS CASH PAID OUT FOR FOOD BASKET PURCHASES		(242.97)	
CASH DONATIONS FROM PARTICIPANTS IN OTHER PROGRAMS	6,030.15		
LESS EXPENSES PAID FOR OTHER PROGRAMS		(2,572.64)	
FRIENDS OF THE FOOD PANTRY DINNERS	9,209.15		
CASH DONATIONS SPECIFIED FOR FOOD PANTRY	4,149.25		
FOOD PANTRY EXPENSES		(14,945.40)	
OTHER INCOME			
FACILITY AND EQUIPMENT RENTALS	3,416.00		
INTEREST INCOME	5.06		
GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES			
WAGES AND PAYROLL TAXES			(27,211.07)
BUILDING REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE INCLUDING SNOW REMOVAL			(2,981.61)
INSURANCE			(1,213.20)
HEAT AND POWER			(6,336.17)
TELEPHONE & INTERNET			(2,647.94)
PRINTING AND POSTAGE INCLUDING NEWSLETTER			(2,157.12)
COMPUTER SUPPORT AND WEBSITE FEES			(1,081.07)
OTHER: ACCOUNTING FEES, OFFICE SUPPLIES, MISC			(1,330.86)
	59,978.71	(20,457.50)	(44,959.04)



The Danbury Historical Society

Our mission is to preserve, collect, interpret, write and publish whatever may be of value to the history of Danbury, NH and to preserve all historically valuable items relating to the history of our town. The Historical Society truly thanks our officers, members, and volunteers for their work in 2023. We thank those of you that attend our events and lended a helping hand when needed.

Here's a brief recap of some of our Historical Society activities in 2023.

June: Spring Clean-up Day at the North Road Schoolhouse. We planted flowers and tended our gardens by weeding, raking, and mulching our flower gardens. Thank you so much to our wonderful volunteers Scott Surgens, Linda Olmsted, Thanh and Paul Huibers, and Bonnie Fletcher. We want to continue to help the bees and attract butterflies by growing lovely flowers on the property. We also appreciate Andrew and Jeremy Cornell doing a great job mowing the yard.

August: Historical Society Yard Sale at the North Road Schoolhouse to raise funds for our North Road Schoolhouse restoration project in 2023. Many thanks to the members and friends that donated items such as Bonnie and Rob Christopher, Scott Surgens, Bonnie Fletcher, Janette Hillsgrove, Jim Buckwell and many others along with our volunteers that helped during event. Thank you to those of you that came out to support our efforts to make it a successful fundraiser.

September: We held a Raffle for a season pass that Ragged Mountain Ski Resort donated to support the repair work needed on the North Road Schoolhouse this year. Many thanks to our friends at the Ragged Mt. Ski Resort and their continue support every year.

August, September, and October: The North Road Schoolhouse Museum went through a major preservation restoration thanks to 2 grant awards and the efforts of our Danbury Historical Society volunteers. The 1772 Foundation NH Preservation Alliance Grant and the Franklin Savings Bank Fund for Community Advancement of the NH Charitable Foundation partnered with us to help fund the much-needed repairs. Additionally, LaValley Building Supply in Bristol donated the paint needed and brushes to paint the building. Our Roofing contractor Carl Grace did a beautiful job repairing and shingling the roof, replacing damaged clapboards, corner boards and trim. Our painter, Deb Glidden of 4 Corners Painting did an amazing job painting the exterior. I (Bonnie Fletcher) am very proud that I managed this preservation project along with our amazing Vice President, Bonnie Christopher. The Museum looks really great with the new roof, new clapboards, and building painted. I am grateful that there are community minded businesses, charitable organizations, and dedicated members that support our efforts. Plus, the North Road Schoolhouse has been awarded being listed in the New Hampshire State Register of Historical Places.

In closing, we should all do what we can to help maintain our beautiful surroundings, preserve our historical buildings, conserve and protect our waterways and natural land sites and continue to keep Danbury a wonderful place to live in.

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Fletcher, President

KEARSARGE AREA COUNCIL ON AGING, INC.

2023 Annual Town Report

Established in 1992, the Kearsarge Area Council on Aging (COA) has become an important social service organization dedicated to meeting the needs of our communities' seniors, and their families, friends, and neighbors. The mission of COA is to promote, develop, and reinforce programs that support and enhance the health, well-being, dignity, and independence of older people in the nine towns we serve in the greater Kearsarge area.

COA is a focal point for many area seniors who depend on us to help support their independence, help them find their sense of purpose, and provide the opportunity to help others through our many volunteer opportunities. 2023 is a strong year for COA. We have 26 active programs. We are collaborating with New London Recreation, The Barn Playhouse, New London Outing Club, Lake Sunapee Region Visting Nurse Association, Wilmot Red Barn, AmeriCorps, AARP and Senior Community Service Employment Program.

- The Transportation Program operates with one paid driver funded through many generous grants and the return of many volunteers. This service brings seniors to their physician appointments, grocery store, etc. and is heavily relied on by many isolated individuals.
- The Durable Medical Equipment Program is fully operational and serving the needs of many who are unable to obtain medical equipment elsewhere.
- Daily programs and services are offered within our building and in the community. Many have the new option of Zoom attendance.
- We partner with Lake Sunapee VNA to provide foot care four times a month.
- COA continues to be a resource center to our seniors and their families.

We are proud to be a resource center, operate the second largest free Mobility Lending Equipment Program in New Hampshire, and provide free transportation to our clients in the nine towns we serve. We are fiscally resourceful and operate on a lean budget.

We appreciate our partners, towns, volunteers, members, donors, business sponsors, Board members and staff. It is with their guidance and support that we continue to lead to high levels of health and well-being opportunities for our senior neighbors.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelley Keith

Kelley F. Keith, BA, MS
Executive Director



Lake Sunapee Region VNA & HOSPICE

January 2024

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the entire team at Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health, hospice, personal care, clinics, support groups and more in 2023. We remain proud of our organization's culture of respect and our ability to respond to community need in a complex world. Medicare regulations related to how we care for patients and, in turn, are reimbursed changed in consequential ways last year. Responding to these new guidelines, which impact care plans and many processes, is a core focus of our updated strategic plan. While competition for staff, especially nurses, remains fierce, we successfully recruited a significant number of RN Case Managers in 2023. Retention of employees also remained a priority, and we saw an average retention rate last year of 90%, well above industry averages. We continued to offer a variety of meaningful employee benefits such as resources to help defray the cost of health care premiums and the establishment of a well-received car care fund to help staff maintain their vehicles and remain safe on the roads (staff drive 500,000 +/- miles annually delivering care in 25+ area towns!). The past year also welcomed the return of the beloved *Women Who Make A Difference Luncheon* and the much-needed *Good Day Respite Program*. Also in 2023, we created a unique partnership with New London Barn Playhouse to offer innovative workshops to address needs of caregivers. I am proud to report that for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2023, we served residents of Danbury in the following ways:

- ✦ Provided skilled nursing, therapy, hospice and supportive care to 25 residents;
- ✦ Provided free/reduced cost nursing, therapy and social work visits to residents; visits were also provided under various Medicaid programs (NH Medicaid reimburses at less than 65% of cost);
- ✦ Provided 14 months of bereavement programming to hospice families after the death of their loved one at no cost to the family, as well as several support groups to help people through the grieving process;
- ✦ With the expertise of both a palliative nurse practitioner and a palliative care registered nurse (LSRVNA is the only local home care agency with these dedicated positions), patients and their families continued to benefit from our Palliative Care Program, helping them understand and navigate advanced illness;
- ✦ Foot Care Clinics were offered in six communities, in response to a general lack of access to this important care.

With so many challenges, our gratitude for those who help sustain LSRVNA as an enduring presence is enormous. Our dedicated team of frontline caregivers and behind the scenes employees, as well as generous community partners like you, keep us strong in service to our community. We understand that your funds, like ours, are limited. This makes us even more grateful for your ongoing confidence and your consideration of funding this year. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or if there are other ways we may be of service to you and your Town's residents.

With respect,

Jim Culhane, President & CEO
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PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Steve Bean, Chairman
Vacant, Vice-Chairman
Erik Rasmussen, Treasurer
Vacant, Secretary

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2023 Annual Report

In 2023, the 19 member Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District continued its cooperative efforts to promote waste reduction, increase recycling, and provide residents with a means of properly disposing of their household hazardous waste (HHW).

The District held two (2) one-day HHW collections, one in Littleton on Sunday, August 8th, and the other in Plymouth on Saturday, September 23th. A total of 284 households participated, representing every community in the District. 20,275 lbs. of material were collected, with nearly all (96%) of it being flammable materials. Total expenses for 2023 HHW programming, which includes advertising, setup & disposal, totaled \$30,476, a 7% increase from 2022. To help cover these expenses, the District received a \$10,000 donation from Casella Waste Management and NH Department of Environmental Services granted an additional \$4,990. Net expenditure for the program was \$15,486 which is less than \$0.50 per district resident. The District also coordinated two (2) fluorescent light bulb collections in the spring and fall, where all member towns were able to dispose of their bulbs and ballast. This year, fluorescent light bulb collections resulted in over 11,000 linear feet of fluorescent tubes being properly disposed of and 163 PCB containing light ballasts. Other materials collected were 47 fire/smoke detectors and an additional 396 specialty bulbs. The total cost for this effort was \$3,251.62.

The next two events in 2024 have been scheduled for August, 4th in Littleton at the Transfer station and September 21st at the Plymouth Recycling Center. Both events will run from 9AM to 12PM.

Citizens interested in participating in the development of the district's programs are welcome to attend the district meetings. Information regarding the place and time of the meetings is available at all municipal offices and recycling centers. If at any time an individual community needs assistance in regard to their solid waste/recycling program, please contact the District by email.

Respectively Submitted,

Steve Bean, Chairman



Twin Rivers Food Pantry is thankful for the support from Danbury residents. Our heartfelt thanks to **ALL** who have been supporting the Pantry's efforts with financial donations, food and personal hygiene donations, and volunteer time.

Twin Rivers Food Pantry is providing assistance with food and personal hygiene necessities to our neighbors in need. Since January of 2022, in a short two-year time period, the Pantry has experienced a staggering **88% increase in the average number of weekly household visits**--from 77 to 145 household visits each week! We serve anyone in need who meets the eligibility guidelines established by the USDA's The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). Shoppers can register the first day they shop.

We are one of several food pantries available to Danbury residents. We are glad we remain a choice and are available to households in your area.

Twin Rivers Food Pantry:

- Assures *nutritious food choices* are consistently available and distributed in a respectful manner to counter the stigma many harbor about needing assistance. We transport **6,000 pounds** of food weekly from New Hampshire Food Bank. Perishable items are picked up almost daily from Hannaford's and BJ's as part of their participation in the Food Bank's "Fresh Rescue" program. We purchase **180+ half-gallons of milk** from a local dairy farm and we receive USDA TEFAP commodity food items when available. Donations of non-perishable items come in regularly from individuals, civic and faith organizations, businesses and community drives;
- Purchases *basic personal hygiene items*, diapers, menstrual products, incontinence products, and laundry detergent--items NOT covered by SNAP or WIC benefits, but vital for good health;
- Purchases healthy nonperishable food to pack in **110+** supplemental weekend food bags delivered weekly to participating schools for children who live in households struggling with food insecurity;
- Strives to connect people with other available resources and services. Each week, a representative from the Merrimack County Navigators Program is on site at the Pantry to meet with people who need assistance working through the social service system. The Navigators empower their clients and help them identify and organize their support network.

We encourage anyone to come and learn more about this resource for Danbury residents. We are happy to give tours to show you just what and how we operate at Twin Rivers Food Pantry.

We welcome financial donations, donations of unopened and unexpired nonperishable food items, personal hygiene/cleaning items plus we are always looking for grocery bags--plastic, paper or reusable!

We are located at 2 Central Street (across from Benson's Auto) on the lower level. Our entrance is off the parking lot behind the building. Our service hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am-11am, and Wednesdays, 5pm-7pm. For questions or concerns, please call 603-934-2662 or email us at info.twinrivers@gmail.com. Visit our website at twinriversfoodpantry.org



Thank you so much for your support. We appreciate it!

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Swenson, President, Board of Directors

OUR YEAR IN REVIEW

2023 has been a wild ride here at the TTCC with so many positive things happening!

As we enter 2024 we will be reviewing options for our 2nd location which will have a full-size gymnasium in the plans. With our ever-growing programs we need additional space to provide our communities with our many activities. We will not be leaving our current building but have received a \$1,000,000 grant to do renovations and upgrades in our much beloved space. This will include a new handicap entrance with access to the basement and main floor, electrical upgrades, new security system and relocation of the offices. Work has begun and will be done in phases as we will continue to be using the building for programs.

This past summer we were able to bring back our 'Westward Bound Teen Expedition' trip after a hiatus during Covid. This is an award-winning program that takes 12 incoming freshman students on a trip to visit National Parks in the Western United States. The chaperones include the TTCC Director, Principal of the High School and two High School teachers. This was our 14th trip and we visited the Arches National Park, Mesa Verde, Four Corners, and Great Sand Dunes National Park. It has been described as 'life changing' by many and the relationships that are built with the High School staff make an incredibly positive impact on their HS career.

This year we were able to provide over \$28,000 in program scholarships to area families and had over 1,000 participants in our programs. We have teamed up with Newfound Country Store to offer the Annual Bridgewater Turkey Trot event. This event raised over \$14,000 in 2023 which provided local families with gas, food and clothing gift cards to help those that are struggling. We continue to offer our Every Child is Ours weekly food bag program. This program provides bags of food containing 10 items for students that may be food challenged on weekends. We are currently filling 142 bags each week. Our Operation Warm program provided 136 children with coats, snowpants and boots this past fall. Clearly the need is great in our communities and we are grateful for all of the support we receive to make these opportunities available.

This past summer our camps filled within the first few days of registration opening. This created a waiting list of 60 children. Realizing how much these families depend on us for the well-being of their children in the summer we had to get creative! We made the decision to add a 4th camp – Project QUEST. Additional staff was hired and we were able to secure the use of the Bristol Elementary School as the site for that group. Incredibly, we were able to take everyone off from the waiting list. We averaged 170 campers per day and despite the rain, rain, rain we were able to have a safe, fun, and successful summer!

We continue to offer all youth sports, adult pickleball, Shape Up Newfound and have added Dog Obedience, Adult Tap & Hip Hop, Youth Karate & Youth Dance classes. Baseball & Softball registration begins in February and Summer Program registration opens on March 1st.

We have been incredibly fortunate for the support from our donors and supporter's this year as we raise funds for our building projects. And it is important that we give a huge thank you to our many volunteers that help us to provide youth sports, staff events, and help wherever needed. We could not accomplish this without all of you! What an amazing community we live in!

This is just a brief snapshot of what we have been doing over the past year. We look forward to serving you in 2024! On behalf of our TTCC Staff & Board we thank you!!

AUSBON SARGENT LAND PRESERVATION TRUST

2023 Annual Report for the Town of Danbury

The mission of the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (Ausbon Sargent) is to protect the rural character of the twelve towns of the Mt. Kearsarge/Ragged/Lake Sunapee region, through land conservation, stewardship, and community engagement. This area includes the towns of Andover, Bradford, Danbury, Goshen, Grantham, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner, and Wilmot. Since our founding in 1987, Ausbon Sargent has completed 165 projects and protected 13,541 acres – including sixteen working farms and over eight miles of lake frontage. Each of these conservation lands provides for public benefits in the form of forest, farm, wetland, or open space conservation and two-thirds of these properties offer public access.

Quality of life is very important to the residents of New Hampshire and the state consistently ranks in the top ten as one of the best places to live in the United States. Contributing to this ranking are our clean water, scenic places, and our opportunities for outdoor recreation. Open spaces also contribute significantly to the economic well-being of the State and our communities.

Ausbon Sargent has had a busy year of completing land projects, working on others in various stages of completion, bringing awareness to land protection, and stewarding the 165 projects under our care. We completed two land projects, which make up a little over 197 acres of land, now protected in the towns of Bradford and Wilmot. The Land Trust also donated a conservation easement to the Society for the Protection of NH Forests on the Messer Farm property, further insuring its protection, forever. 2023 has also been a year of transition, as we honored the remarkable legacy of Debbie Stanley, our first Executive Director, who retired in June after 35 years leading Ausbon Sargent. We also created and filled the new position of Stewardship and Outreach Coordinator.

This summer, we held lots of hikes and other events as the threat of COVID lessened. We collaborated with LSPA, local Conservation Commissions, The Council on Aging, Woodcrest Village, and Tracy Memorial Library on outings and presentations to showcase and connect people with the wonderful properties we preserve. We held hikes in Wilmot, Bradford, Grantham, New London, Sutton, and Springfield, and a rail trail bike ride in Andover. A new snowshoe trail guide was created for this winter and can be downloaded from our website! A butterfly program was offered at LSPA last March, in preparation for springtime pollinator gardens, and we held volunteer training workshops for people who wished to become conservation easement monitors. In addition to these activities, which are open to all, we held our Volunteer Appreciation party at LSPA, we resumed the in-person version of the ever-popular Progressive Dinner, and we were thrilled to hold our holiday party at the beautiful and historic Livery in Sunapee Harbor. It has been a pleasure for the board and staff to be able to hold events and activities in so many of the towns we serve.

Ausbon Sargent is thankful to have the assistance of over 200 volunteers who help with easement monitoring, committee support, and clerical work. Your community members help to protect these special places in many ways as members, conservation easement donors, volunteer easement monitors and participating in various committees at the Land Trust. They also encourage town officials throughout our 12-town region to conserve our rural character by supporting land conservation.

Our website (www.ausbonsargent.org) indicates which of the land trust's protected properties have trails open to the public for hiking, cross-country skiing, and snowshoeing, and includes trail maps, printable hiking challenges, and driving directions. Be sure to look under the heading "Connect with the Land" for these details. Our calendar of events for the winter season is also available on our website, so take a look and join us! For information on all of Ausbon Sargent's protected properties, please visit our website and join our email list. Find us on Instagram and be sure to "Like" us on Facebook!

Respectfully submitted,

Ben Wallace
Executive Director

Staff

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FY23 Annual Report
Town of Danbury

The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is a voluntary association of 30 communities in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton, and Merrimack counties enabled under RSA 36:45. The LRPC plans at the local, regional, and statewide levels and is an essential conduit for federal funding. The LRPC employs a highly trained, professional staff to provide a wide variety of cost-saving local services such as presented below, and coordinates transportation, land use, economic development, and environmental planning at the regional level. A twelve-member Executive Board, together with Commissioners, governs the LRPC. Operations are overseen by an Executive Director.

The LRPC provides a forum for communities to share information and services from model ordinances and joint purchasing to solid waste districts and watershed management plans, and serves as a resource to support and enhance local planning and regional collaboration. The LRPC recognizes that the foundation of regional decision-making lies within local communities. Membership provides access to a wide range of services and resources including:

- Transportation, land use, and watershed management planning
- Economic development assistance
- Technical assistance with Master Plans, Capital Improvement Plans, Hazard Mitigation Plans, Zoning and Site Plan Regulations, Developments of Regional Impact, and Circuit Rider assistance
- Grant writing and administration
- GIS mapping
- Data collection and analysis

The following are highlights of our FY23 activities. For our full FY23 Annual Report, please visit the *About LRPC* page on our website at www.lakesrpc.nh.gov.

Highlighted Local and Regional Planning Services Provided for FY23

Determination of Regional Impact (DRI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepared regional impact report on Ragged Mountain Cluster Development as requested by the Planning Board in accordance with RSA 36.
General & Technical Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivered town zoning layer to St. Anslem's College for use in State zoning map used by NH Department of Business and Economic Affairs. • Worked with Town Officials to fill vacancies and/or maintain Commissioner and TAC membership. • As a member of the LRPC, Town Officials are encouraged to contact the LRPC regarding our services or any other regional planning related issues.
GIS Mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LRPC is a great resource for community maps. Give us a call if your town needs updated zoning, town roads, or community facility maps for instance.
Grant Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LRPC provides a wide variety of grant writing and administration assistance to towns as needed.
Newsletters & Articles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LRPC helps coordinate information from many different sources and is a great resource for keeping towns up to date on planning issues and resources through both our website and direct contact.
Planning & Land Use Regulation Books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated the purchase and delivery of 335 copies of the annual <i>NH Planning and Land Use Regulation</i> books as part of a regional bulk purchase at a savings of \$96.25 for each book and \$88.50 for each book with e-book. • Danbury purchased 5 books. Total saved: \$481.25.
Solid Waste Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LRPC provides a wide range of services to solid waste operators throughout the region including information, training, signage, roundtable events, regional purchase opportunities, and much more.

Technical Land Use Planning Assistance (TBG – A)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The LRPC employs a professional land use planner to assist towns with technical land use issues which require a knowledge of land use law, NH RSA's, as well as state and local regulations on either a short or long-term basis.
Transportation Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted traffic count at 1 location within Danbury as requested by the NH Department of Transportation. Attended Selectmen's meetings to promote Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) participation and LRPC's transportation program offerings.

Commission Meetings

- Convened 6 regular Commission Meetings with guest speakers covering topics including Regional Housing Needs Assessment/Housing Affordability Trends/InvestNH Funding, Solid Waste Management Grant, Household Hazardous Waste, Transportation Program Overview & Data Collection, Geographic Information System Programs, NH Broadband Planning Update, Electric Vehicle Infrastructure & Asset Management.

Regional Services & Activities of Benefit to Multiple Communities

- 2023 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection
 BY THE NUMBERS: 37 years of regional collections | 24 participating communities | 7 summer & 1 fall collection sites | 4 HHW Coordinator meetings | 80 workers & volunteers contributing more than 500 hours | a dozen new local HHW Coordinators, including 3 new Site Coordinators | 1,564 households served | approximately 60,000 pounds (30 tons) of household hazardous waste safely removed and disposed, preventing negative effects on human health and mitigating potential illegal dumping and disposal throughout the Lakes Region.
- Bulk ordered and distributed 335 *NH Planning and Land Use Regulation* books for a group discount of \$96.25 per book and \$88.50 per book with e-book. TOTAL SPENT by 27 Member Communities = \$4,028.75 | TOTAL SAVED by 27 Members = \$31,719.25.
- Reviewed 15 Intergovernmental Review Process (IRP) notices from the state planning office as public notification to regional planning commissions of all projects in the region intended to receive federal financial support.
- Updated Regional Housing Needs Assessment: LRPC is contracted with the NH Department of Business and Economic Affairs (BEA) to address the RSA requirement that regional planning commissions complete a housing needs assessment every 5 years. This update was completed for 2023 and a draft was posted to our website together with a downloadable toolbox to assist communities with housing planning. Discussions have begun relative to adoption.

Solid Waste Management Accomplishments

- Worked with solid waste operators around the region to address solid waste issues through grant writing and research.
- Utilized Geographic Informational System (GIS) mapping tools to identify potential solid waste solar sites in the Lakes Region.
- Conducted a plastics disposal and municipal solid waste study for Lakes Region transfer stations with summer intern.
- Ran two roundtables for solid waste operators concerning *Food Waste Composting in NH* and *Glass Management – Efficiencies and Uses*.
- Conducted outreach at various transfer stations, providing information to a number of residents concerning the annual Household Hazardous Waste collection event.

Economic Development

- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS).** Drafted update using innovative story map formatting approach which is posted on LRPC's website.
- Community Development Block Grants (CDBG).** Administered CDBG Microenterprise funding for Grafton County which assists businesses and economic development organizations in Grafton, Belknap & Carroll counties.
- Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) Grant Administration.** Provided grant writing and grant administration assistance to several successful NBRC grantees as the designated local development district for our region, including:

NEW:

- Town of Gilford - Foam Recycling Project
- GALA Makers Space – Phase II

ONGOING:

- City of Laconia | WOW – Opechee Loop
- Town of Hebron – Fiber Optic Network

- Granite State Adaptive – Equine Therapeutic Center
- Lakes Region Model Railroad Museum (Wolfeboro)
- Town of Sandwich – Fiber Optic Network

Transportation

- **LRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).** Provided administrative support for meetings and facilitated communications. The TAC met 6 times involving city/town appointed representatives in order to engage community participation and local involvement in regional transportation planning and project development. Topics (some with guest speakers) included Ten Year Plan (TYP) Project Planning for 2025 – 2034, Road Safety Audits, NH Route 11 Alton-Gilford Planning Study Update, Scoring of Proposed TYP Projects, Update on the Regional Plan and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Application Process, Regional Bicycle Group Update, 2022 Traffic Count Summary, Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program, and Processed Glass Aggregate.
- **Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning.** Updated draft of state-wide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.
- **Regional Transportation Plan.** Drafted Regional Transportation Plan. Included additional crash data information so Plan now can be used for more grant opportunities (Safe Streets For All).
- **Ten Year Plan (TYP) Funding and Project Prioritization (TYP 2025 – 2034):** Worked with towns, NH DOT and GACIT to develop project scopes and cost estimates.
 - **Meredith** – NH Route 25 intersection improvements at Laker Lane, True Road, Quarry Road, and Patrician Shores (additional funding).
 - **Laconia** – Union Avenue improvements.
- **Data Collection & Analysis.** Collected traffic count data at 148 assigned locations throughout the region for NHDOT along with 17 municipal requested counts. Worked on updating Road Surface Management System (RSMS) assessment for one community.

The LRPC is a participation-based organization where Commissioners have the final say on the annual budget and can determine what services the organization provides. • Danbury representatives to the LRPC during FY23 were:

Commissioner	Term Expiration	TAC Member	Term Expiration
John Taylor	11/30/26	Vacant	
Mark Zaccaria	11/30/24		
Alternate	Term Expiration	TAC Alternate	Term Expiration
Vacant		Vacant	

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Hayes
Executive Director

DEATHS

JANUARY 1, 2023— DECEMBER 31, 2023

DANBURY

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name	Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union
ROBERTS III, JAMES HAROLD	01/31/2023	DANBURY	ROBERTS JR, JAMES	HOAR, PHYLLIS	N
FLETCHER, SHAWN PATRICK	02/15/2023	NEW LONDON	FLETCHER, HOWARD	SCHOFIELD, BONNIE	N
ADSITT, MICHAEL VINCENT	07/17/2023	FRANKLIN	ADSITT, ROBERT	DESHANE, DOREA	N
SHAW, KENNETH W	08/21/2023	NEW LONDON	SHAW, FRANCIS	UNKNOWN, MARGUERITE	N





RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2023 -12/31/2023

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Person A's Name and Residence	Person B's Name and Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
PICKNELL, BRANDON GEORGE DANBURY, NH	STEVENS, JAYME ROSE DANBURY, NH	DANBURY	WARNER	06/03/2023
BURT, PATRICK RYAN DANBURY, NH	BRACE, KAITLYN NICHOLE DANBURY, NH	DANBURY	DANBURY	07/23/2023
HAYNES, KATRINA LYNN DANBURY, NH	HUNTINGTON, AARON KENDRICK DANBURY, NH	DANBURY	PLYMOUTH	08/12/2023
BUSHAW, JENNIFER LYNN DANBURY, NH	ANTOINE, KRISTOPHER WRIGHT DANBURY, NH	DANBURY	DORCHESTER	09/30/2023
SHELDON, BRIAN THOMAS DANBURY, NH	MESSER, LAURA NOELLE DANBURY, NH	DANBURY	BRISTOL	10/14/2023
BUTLER, STEPHANIE EVELYN DANBURY, NH	CHASE, AARON LEONARD DANBURY, NH	DANBURY	ALEXANDRIA	10/31/2023
HUNTOON, CAMERON S DANBURY, NH	LAURA, BREANNA M DANBURY, NH	DANBURY	HAMPTON	11/11/2023

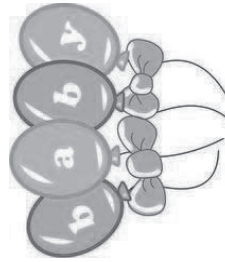
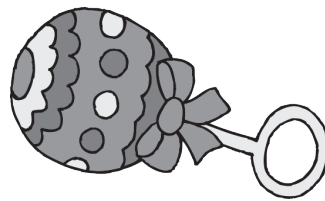
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023

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Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name
DEJUNK, JOSEPHINE PEARL WULFF, SYLVIE JUNE	03/17/2023 07/28/2023	DANBURY, NH CONCORD, NH	DEJUNK, JARRETT WULFF, ALEXANDER JOHN	SCHUMACHER, ERICA LEA WULFF, SONJA KASK
RICHARDSON, GUNNAR WILLIAM POLIZZI, HARVEY WILLIAM BURR, MIA JEAN	07/29/2023 08/30/2023 11/17/2023	LEBANON, NH CONCORD, NH LEBANON, NH	RICHARDSON, TYLER JAMES POLIZZI, NICHOLAS DAVID BURR, JR., PETER ERNEST	RICHARDSON, ABIGAIL STORM POLIZZI, TYLER ELIZABETH BURR, AMANDA MICHELE



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4th Saturday of the Month, 9-12

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