

Annual Reports



2022





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Town Officers

Town of
Freedom, New Hampshire

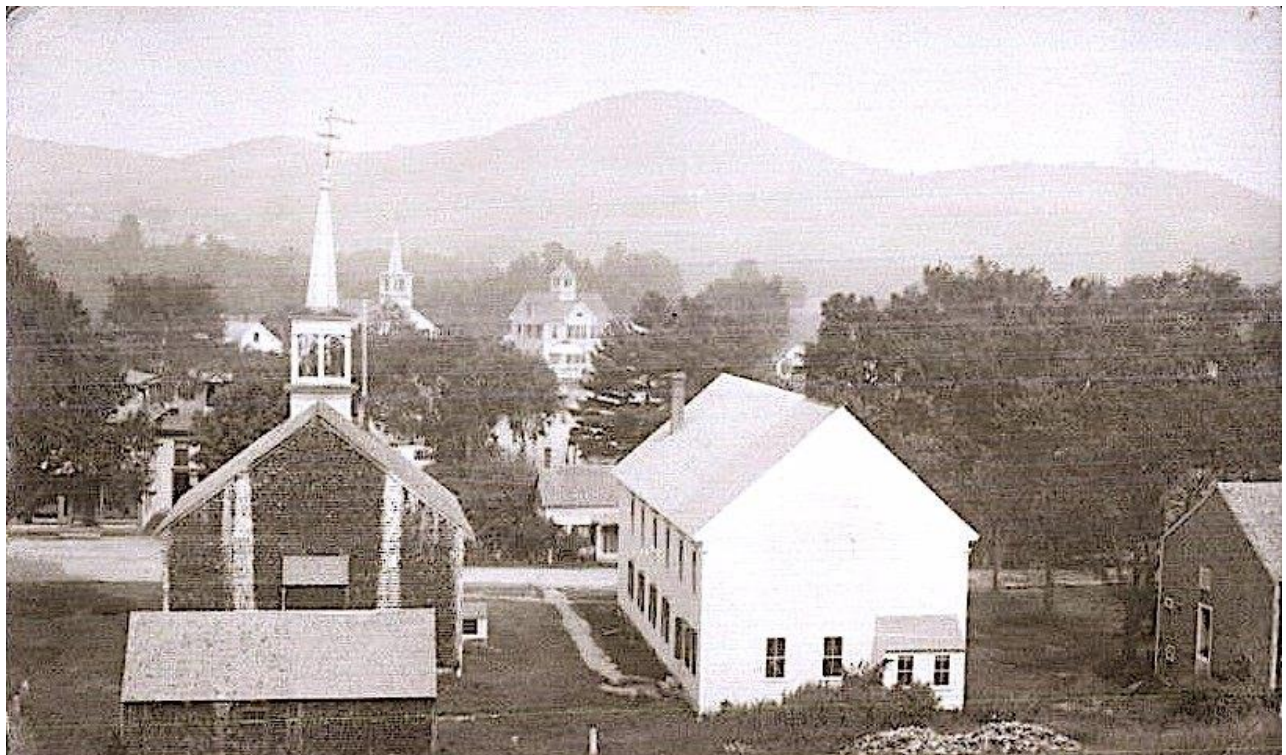
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2022
Vital Statistics for 2022

DEDICATION



This year's annual report is dedicated to all elected officials and volunteers serving on various boards and committees for the Town of Freedom.

Being a volunteer is a demanding and thankless task, so we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for contributing so much of your time, energy and efforts to make Freedom such a wonderful place to live. We would not be able to achieve our success without your help. Each and every one of you do an excellent job and you are so appreciated.

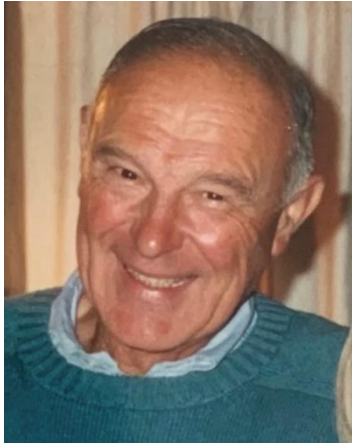


"Nothing liberates our greatness like the desire to help, the desire to serve."

- Marianne Williamson

IN MEMORY

William A. Stoops
December 30, 1923 - April 21, 2022



After almost a lifetime in Freedom—visiting the Kidders on Scarboro Road and eventually buying a home here, Bill and his wife Sally (Kidder) moved to Falmouth, Maine where he passed. During his years in Freedom, Bill served on the board of the Friends of the Library and also as Library Trustee from 2001 to 2004. He stepped up to serve the town again as a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment from 2007 to 2010. Bill greeted everyone with a smile, and no one who knew him can remember Bill in a bad mood. He was a master sailor, woodworker, and host. He is sorely missed by all who knew him.

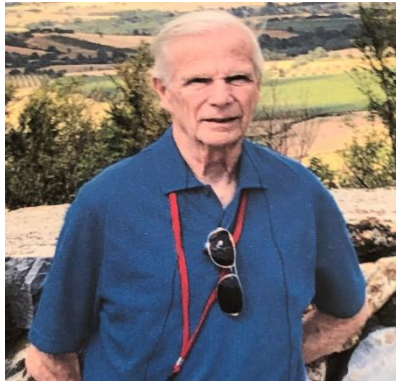
Lee R. Fritz
July 29, 1929 - December 15, 2022



In 2022, we also lost longtime resident Lee Fritz. Although Lee lived in New England for most of her adult life, she never lost her North Carolina lilt and southern charm. She was an active member of the community—Library Trustee (1986-1992), member of the Friends of the Library board, founder of the Book Club, member of the Freedom Historical Society, volunteer at the Freedom Village store, constant supporter of the South Eaton Meeting House, avid gardener—and the list is incomplete. Lee was a kind and reliable friend who always spoke her mind. She leaves a hole in the community it will take a number of people to fill.

IN MEMORY

Jim Breslin
January 27, 1945 – January 28, 2022



Jim's strong financial background and leadership skills served Freedom Well. Jim served as Selectman from 2004-2007, on the Zoning Board of Adjustment from 2002-2005, and as Treasurer from 2001-2004. Jim also served his country as Captain in the Army Reserves where he trained Army Rangers. Jim and his Rangers were activated and saw combat in South East Asia during the Vietnam War. Jim also had a passion and appreciation for watching the wildlife, something he shared with his wife Andi, along with other passions such as traveling.

Neal Boyle
August 14, 2022



Neal's generous giving of his time served Freedom and his community well. Neal served as Selectman from 2009-2017, on the Forest Advisory Committee from 2014-2017, Planning Board from 2010-2011, and on the Zoning Board of Adjustment from 2005-2007. Neal donated his time to his community by teaching swimming lessons to the Special Olympics Dolphin's Swim Team, served on the Freedom Community Club, taught skiing lessons at King Pine Ski Area, and was an active member in his church. He also donated time at North Conway RSVP driving clients to and from medical appointments, and ran the Freedom Fishing Derby for 12 years.

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TOWN OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

Selectmen (3-Year Term)

Leslie R. Babb (C)2023
Ernest F. Day, Jr.2025
Melissa M. Florio.....2024

Town Administrator

Ellen N. White

Administrative Assistant

Stacy Bolduc

Bookkeeper

John Roman

Road Agent (3-Year Term)

Scott Brooks2025

Police Chief

Jamie Mullen

Fire Chief

Rob Cunio
Eric Seamans, Deputy Fire Chief

Forest Fire Warden

Rob Cunio

Town Buildings Custodian

Mark McKinley

Transfer Station Manager

Justin Brooks

Zoning Officer/Building Inspector

Gary Williams

Senior Resource Coordinator

Renee Wheaton

Emergency Management Director

Kelly McClare2024, *Resigned*
Jim Stone2024

Safety Officer

Kelly McClare, *Resigned*
Vacant

Animal Control

Jamie Mullen

Health Officer

Frank Evitts 2025
Leslie Babb, Deputy Health Officer

Welfare Officer

Tracy Hayes

Moderator (2-Year Term)

Donald G. Johnson..... 2024

Town Clerk (3-Year Term)

A. Elizabeth Priebe..... 2025

Treasurer (3-Year Term)

M. Jayne Britton..... 2025
Joyce Watson, Deputy Treasurer

Tax Collector (3-Year Term)

Annette Babb 2023

Supervisors of the Checklist (6-Year Term)

Maureen Brooks..... 2028
Patricia McCoy..... 2026
Carol Stansell 2024

Cemetery Trustees (3-Year Term)

Alan Fall (C)..... 2023
Joyce Watson 2025
Frederick Watson..... 2024

Trustees of Trust Funds (3-Year Term)

Anne Cunningham..... 2025
Paul Olzerowicz 2023
Patricia McCoy..... 2024

Library Trustees (3-Year Term)

Paul Mathieu (C)..... 2023
Robin Waters 2023
Maureen Elliott 2024
Ann Pierce..... 2024
Luane Genest..... 2025

(C) - Chair

TOWN OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

Planning Board (3-Year Term)

Anne Cunningham (C) 2025
William Elliott..... 2023, *Resigned*
Bobbi McCracken 2023
Carol McIntire..... 2024
Jeffrey Towle 2024, *Resigned*
Linda Mailhot..... 2024
Paul Olzerowicz 2023
Brian Taylor 2025
Elizabeth Earle, Alt..... 2023
Jeffrey Nicoll, Alt..... 2024
Melissa Florio, Selectmen's Rep.

Zoning Board of Adjustment (3-Year Term)

Scott Lees (C) 2023
Craig Niiler..... 2024
Peter Keenan 2025
Karl Ogren..... 2025
John Krebs..... 2024, *Resigned*
Denny Anderson 2024
Jacob Stephan, Alt..... 2025
Pamela Keith, Alt 2025
Jeff Fongemie, Alt..... 2024
Timothy Cupka, Alt..... 2024

Conservation Commission (3-Year Term)

Jeff Nicoll (C) 2024
Vacant..... 2023
Alice Custard..... 2023
Vacant 2025
Robert Oram 2025
Vacant..... 2024
Susan Hoople, Alt. 2023
Linda Mailhot Alt. 2025

Town Forest Advisory Committee

(3-Year Term)

Janet Johnson (C)..... 2025
Janet Meyers 2024
Sean Coriaty 2023
Ron Newbury, Alt 2025
John Roman Alt. 2025
Vacant, Alt..... 2023
Les Babb, Selectmen's Rep.
Paul Olzerowicz, Planning Board Rep.
Vacant, Conservation Comm. Rep.

Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee (3-Year Term)

Ned Kucera (C) 2023
Michel Cloutier..... 2023
Bruce Howlett 2024
Gerard Costantino..... 2025
Don Harris 2025

Heritage Commission (3-Year Term)

Alan Fall (C)..... 2024
Peg Scully..... 2023, *Resigned*
Brandon Buttrick 2025
Karrie Buttrick 2024
Susan Hoople 2024
Scott Cunningham..... 2025
Mark McKinley, Alt 2025
Ernest Day, Jr., Selectmen's Rep.

Advisory Committee on Aging

Rick Davidson (C)
Sandy Boyle
Anne Cunningham
Cindy Fleming
Linda Habif
Cheryl Harris

Town Office Advisory Committee

Anne Cunningham (C)
Mark McKinley
Dennis Anderson
Karrie Buttrick
Ernest Day, Jr., Selectmen's Rep.

Carroll County Broadband Communications District Planning Committee

Melissa Florio
Linda Mailhot

Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC)

Mark McConkey 6/1/2025
Jean Marshall..... 6/1/2025

LRPC Transportation Advisory Committee

Scott Brooks 7/1/2023

(C) - Chair

TOWN OF FREEDOM, N.H.

TOWN MEETING MINUTES

[Abridged]

March 12, 2022

The Moderator, Donald Johnson, opened the deliberative portion of Town Meeting at 9:00 am on Saturday, March 12, 2022, at the Freedom Elementary School.

Moderator Johnson introduced himself, then the officials sitting at the table in the front of the room: Barbara Loughman, the town's attorney for town meeting, Ellen White, Town Administrator, the Select Board: Ernie Day, Jr., Les Babb and Melissa Florio; Town Clerk, Libby Priebe. Libby's assistants: Lindsay Thibodeau Pettengill and Samantha Porter. Election workers: Moderator pro-tem, Chuck Books, Jackson Ogren and Spencer Ogren. Spencer is the lead tech support manager and will bring the microphone to each person that wants to speak to an article.

Moderator Johnson asked that each person, prior to speaking, identify themselves each time for the minutes.

Moderator Johnson introduced the Supervisors of the Checklist: Pat McCoy, Maureen Brooks and Carol Stansell, noting that the Supervisors were checking in registered voters to the meeting and providing Voting Cards to be used for voting on articles – to be held up and shown to vote. He cautioned voters not to transfer their card to anyone else and to turn the card in when leaving.

Moderator Johnson brought the meeting's attention to the dedication of this year's town report to Anne Cunningham – who received a thank you and a round of applause. Mr. Johnson then directed the meeting to the dedication in Memory of Daniel (Bud) Brooks in the front of the book and introduced Bud's family members that were present: Marie Olson, Anne Bilodeau and Kevin Brooks. Mr. Johnson read parts of the list of Bud's amazing years of service to the town of Freedom and to the School District as a bus driver. All three of Bud's family members spoke and thanked the town, noting their dad would be pleased. Bud's daughter, Laurel Despina, living in Missouri, was also mentioned. [Copies of the Town and School Report books were given to the family by Town Clerk, Libby Priebe]

Moderator Johnson referred the meeting to page 123 in the Town Report for the Deaths registered in the Town of Freedom in 2021 and asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of those we have lost and in memory of Bud Brooks; he then led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moderator Johnson then commenced with the reading of the Warrant:

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Freedom in the County of Carroll in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the 2022 Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Freedom will be held in two separate sessions. The first session will be held at the Freedom Elementary School on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 for voting by Official Ballot for the election of Town Officers and for the adoption of Zoning Amendments. The polls will open at 9:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close.

The second session of Town Meeting will be held at the Freedom Elementary School on Saturday, March 12, 2022 beginning at 9 a.m., at which all other warrant articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon.

Moderator Johnson noted that the Freedom School District had held its annual meeting on Monday, March 7th – it being a separate division of the town, with its own budget – and had raised and appropriated the sum of \$3,616,113.

Moderator Johnson noted that the Election of Town and School Officers had taken place on Tuesday, March 8th, and proceeded to read the election results in to the record.

Article 1: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Election Results were read in to the minutes and the winners were declared, as follows:

[For the purposes of these minutes, a person must have received 5 or more write in votes to be included in these minutes.]

Freedom School District Elected Positions:

School District Moderator – 1-year term

DONALD G. JOHNSON	222 votes
Donald G. Johnson declared the winner.	

School Board Member – 3-year term – Vote for Two:

TODD GILES	199 votes
JAKE STEPHAN	201 votes
Todd Giles and Jake Stephan declared the winners.	

School Treasurer – 3-year term:

HOLLY S. BROOKS	222 votes
Holly S. Brooks declared the winner.	

School Auditor – 1-year term:

SCOTT M. CUNNINGHAM	217 votes
Scott M. Cunningham declared the winner.	

School Clerk – 1-year term:

KIM REIS	12 votes
Kim Reis received 12 write-in votes.	
Kim Reis declared the winner.	

Town of Freedom Elected Positions:

Selectman – 3-year term:	ERNEST F. DAY, JR.	219 votes
Ernest F. Day, Jr., was declared the winner.		
Moderator – 2-year term:	DONALD G. JOHNSON	221 votes
Donald G. Johnson declared the winner.		
Road Agent – 3-year term:	SCOTT N. BROOKS, SR.	214 votes
Scott N. Brooks, Sr., declared the winner.		
Town Clerk – 3-year term:	A. ELIZABETH PRIEBE	223 votes
A. Elizabeth Priebe declared the winner.		
Treasurer – 3-year term:	JAYNE BRITTON	77 votes
Jayne Britton received 77 write-in votes.		
Jayne Britton declared the winner.		
Supervisor of the Checklist – 6-year term:	MAUREEN E. BROOKS	220 votes
Maureen E. Brooks declared the winner.		
Trustee of the Trust Funds – 3-year term:	ANNE B. CUNNINGHAM	213 votes
Anne B. Cunningham declared the winner.		
Cemetery Trustee – 3-year term:	FREDERICK W. WATSON	218 votes
Frederick W. Watson declared the winner.		
Cemetery Trustee – 2-year term:	JOYCE M. WATSON	214 votes
Joyce M. Watson declared the winner.		
Library Trustee – 3-year term:	LUANE GENEST	211 votes
Luane Genest declared the winner.		
Planning Board Members – 3-year term – Vote for Two:		
	LINDA MAILHOT	99 votes
	BRIAN TAYLOR	156 votes
	ANNE B. CUNNINGHAM	167 votes

Brian Taylor and Anne B. Cunningham declared the winners.

Article 2: (To vote by Official Ballot)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to allow Short-term Rentals in all districts if the owner obtains a conditional use permit to ensure life safety and water quality protections are met? Short-term rentals will be allowed for a maximum of ninety (90) days in a calendar year.

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-1-0

145 YES 92 NO Article 2 carries.

Article 3: (To vote by Official Ballot)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to allow detached accessory dwelling units (DADU) in all districts if they meet all of the current requirements of the Zoning Ordinance, including minimum lot size, setbacks, heights, lot coverage, all codes, and obtains a certificate of occupancy? DADU size will be 70% of first floor area (excluding decks, porches, and entrances per property tax card) up to a maximum of one thousand (1,000) square feet.

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

184 YES 53 NO Article 3 carries.

Article 4: (To vote by Official Ballot)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to change Freedom's quadrants for calculating tree cutting allowed in the shorefront to encourage better spaced tree cutting for better erosion and runoff control to promote better water quality? This change will match state requirement of quadrants 25-feet along the shore (instead of 50-feet) by 50-feet inland (the Shorefront Segment) and create a second quadrant behind this of 25-feet by 25-feet (the Inland Segment) to protect the area from 50-feet to 75-feet (inland) as currently required by the Freedom Zoning Ordinance?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

195 YES 42 NO ARTICLE 4 carries.

Article 5: (To vote by Official Ballot)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to allow the Zoning Officer to issue permits for tree cutting in the shorefront in cases where the plan meets the point requirement rather than requiring the ZBA to grant a special exception?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

195 YES 43 NO ARTICLE 5 carries.

Article 6: (To vote by Official Ballot)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to clarify the slope conditions in current Section 305.6.5.3 allowing tree cutting on land from 75 to 300-feet from shore by adding more detail on these slope conditions to reduce stormwater runoff and prevent water quality degradation? (This new language will move to Article 7 Shoreland Protection)

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

196 YES 36 NO ARTICLE 6 carries.

Article 7:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to change the septic setback from 125-feet from a wetland to 75 feet to conform with NH DES regulations and to specify requirements for failed systems and shorefront systems?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

167 YES 68 NO ARTICLE 7 carries.

Article 8:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to add a fifty (50) foot setback for construction or structures next to streams or open water in Article 6 Stormwater Management in order to control stormwater runoff in bodies of water that feed into those in the protected shorefront district?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

188 YES 46 NO ARTICLE 8 carries.

Article 9:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to add an exclusion to Section 309 Accessory Uses to not allow trucks greater than 20,000-pound gross vehicle weight (GVW) in residential districts?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

170 YES 63 NO ARTICLE 9 carries.

Article 10:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to clarify Article 12 Residential Camping Recreational Camping to specify that such camping is allowed only on lots with an existing primary dwelling unit with a NH state approved septic system?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

170 YES 65 NO ARTICLE 10 carries.

Article 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,002,663 (Three million two thousand six hundred sixty-three dollars) for general municipal operations as follows. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOVED: Les Babb

SECONDED: Melissa Florio

	FY 2021 Appropriations	FY 2021 Expenditures	FY 2022 Appropriations
General Government			
Town Office:			
Wages, Fees, and Benefits:			
Town Officers Salaries	\$ 61,480	\$ 60,840	\$ 66,480
Selectmen's Fees	200	.	200
Town Clerk Costs	5,200	5,989	5,600
Deputy Town Clerk	18,018	12,576	18,018
Tax Collector Fees/Costs	20,000	19,241	20,000
Deputy Tax Collector	6,000	.	6,000
Salaries - Full-Time	115,000	107,970	120,000
Salaries - Part-Time	15,000	11,239	15,000
Retirement	3,500	3,506	3,600
Health/Dental Insurance	43,515	39,489	40,435
Life/Disability Insurance	1,800	1,258	1,300
Total Wages, Fees, and Benefits	289,713	262,107	296,633
Town Office Expense	58,575	64,871	63,000
Total Town Office	348,288	326,978	359,633
Assessing	30,900	31,824	32,784
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	9,000	8,921	17,150
Legal Expenses	25,000	19,876	30,000
Payroll Taxes	69,515	54,797	57,500
Planning and Zoning Boards:			
Wages - Part-Time	1,950	1,217	1,950
Expenses	4,800	7,143	6,600
Total Planning and Zoning Boards	6,750	8,360	8,550
Public Buildings:			
Wages - Part-Time	10,300	8,010	10,300
Expenses	54,920	48,297	61,075
Total Public Buildings	65,220	56,307	71,375
Cemeteries	7,725	5,980	7,725
Insurance	48,748	34,068	53,325
Lakes Region Planning Commission	2,370	2,370	2,506
Total General Government	613,516	549,481	640,548
Public Safety			
Police Department:			
Wages and Benefits:			
Salaries - Full-Time	160,500	175,647	221,360
Salaries - Part-Time	52,000	73,168	42,000
Overtime/Holiday/Severance	6,200	5,021	10,025
Retirement	50,500	54,375	76,985
Health/Dental Insurance	50,000	33,670	40,430
Life/Disability Insurance	1,000	949	1,770
Total Wages and Benefits	320,200	342,830	392,570
Expenses	35,900	23,553	35,900
Total Police Department	356,100	366,383	428,470

	FY 2021 Appropriations	FY 2021 Expenditures	FY 2022 Appropriations
Fire Department:			
Wages and Benefits:			
Salaries - Full-Time Chief	68,120	67,810	70,200
Salaries - Part-Time Station Duty	3,000	640	3,000
Stipends for Responses	35,000	34,992	35,000
Retirement	1,985	2,072	2,106
Health/Dental Insurance	3,600	3,300	3,600
Life/Disability Insurance	900	886	900
Expenses	75,150	72,441	77,650
Total Fire Department	187,755	182,142	192,456
Ambulance	99,876	99,632	104,759
Building Inspector	16,163	11,308	16,163
Zoning Officer	9,300	21,450	20,500
Forest Fire Protection	3,000	1,879	3,000
Emergency Management & Safety	3,000	3,000	500
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	5,839	5,839	6,487
Water Precinct	400	400	400
Total Public Safety	681,433	692,032	772,735
Highway Department			
Wages and Benefits:			
Salaries - Full-Time	214,081	169,424	214,081
Salaries - Part-Time	22,323	20,386	25,800
Salaries - Overtime	58,924	28,622	58,924
Retirement	6,800	4,484	6,800
Health/Dental Insurance	93,250	85,989	84,500
Life/Disability Insurance	4,500	3,966	4,500
Total Wages and Benefits	399,878	312,871	394,605
Expenses:			
Rental Equipment	158,432	147,182	162,372
Contract Services	28,038	47,251	28,038
Operating Expenses	294,708	253,228	355,091
Total Expenses	481,178	447,662	545,501
Total Highway Department	881,056	760,533	940,106
Street Lighting	7,200	3,504	5,000
Total Highways and Streets	888,256	764,037	945,106
Sanitation			
Transfer Station:			
Wages and Benefits:			
Salaries - Full-Time	49,500	33,414	50,200
Salaries - Part-Time	28,000	43,267	40,000
Retirement	1,410	1,076	1,506
Health/Dental Insurance	21,343	19,592	19,682
Life/Disability Insurance	1,380	1,356	1,380
Total Wages and Benefits	101,633	98,705	112,768
Expenses:			
Engineering	8,000	4,200	8,000
Transport Materials	180,000	159,776	185,000
Operating Expenses	23,550	19,526	24,181
Total Expenses	211,550	183,502	217,181
Total Sanitation	313,183	282,207	329,949

	FY 2021 Appropriations	FY 2021 Expenditures	FY 2022 Appropriations
Health			
Salary and Expenses	500	456	500
Agencies:			
Carroll County Mental Health	1,433	1,433	1,433
Children Unlimited	2,000	2,000	2,000
Tri-County Community Action Program	3,350	3,350	3,550
White Mountain Community Health Center	2,040	2,040	2,040
Central NH VNA	2,500	2,500	2,500
Red Cross	1,300	1,300	1,300
Starting Point	2,470	2,470	2,965
CASA	500	500	500
Ossipee Children's Fund	500	500	500
Lifelight Foundation	372	372	372
Total Health	16,965	16,921	17,660
Welfare			
Salary - Welfare Officer	2,000	-	2,000
Salary - Senior Resource Coordinator	-	-	11,150
Town Needy	34,000	8,164	34,100
Total Welfare	36,000	8,164	47,250
Culture and Recreation			
Parks & Recreation	10,875	9,655	12,900
Patriotic Purposes	1,400	903	1,400
Old Home Week	2,000	-	2,000
Heritage Commission	850	36	850
Total Culture and Recreation	15,125	10,594	17,150
Conservation			
Conservation Commission	2,100	719	2,600
Water Quality Testing	3,000	4,500	4,500
Milfoil Remediation	-	-	-
Aquatic Invasive Species	750	483	750
Total Conservation	5,850	5,702	7,850
Debt Services			
Bond Principal - Road	125,000	125,000	125,000
Bond Principal - Public Safety Building	70,000	70,000	-
Lease Principal - Pump Truck	66,863	66,863	68,677
Bond Interest - Road	35,150	35,150	28,875
Bond Interest - Public Safety Building	2,100	2,100	-
Lease Interest - Pump Truck	3,677	3,677	1,863
Total Debt Service	302,790	302,790	224,415
TOTAL ARTICLE 11	\$ 2,873,118	\$ 2,631,928	\$ 3,002,663

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article, noting it had been a challenging year. Police department budget is up \$73,275, finding part time help is difficult, decision made to fund another full-time officer – Troop E down to 7 officers, used to have 16. Better to have our officers in place, as there is nobody else to come. The cost of salt and sand is up \$21,681. The Zoning Office - \$11,200. Building Permit violations, mailings up by \$2200 – the transfer station is up by \$12,000. The Sr Resource person is \$11,500, building maintenance up. The regular insurance costs are up. There is grant money available – hard work to keep the tax rate flat. The School Budget was down \$534,000. Mr. Babb noted that the School and Town communicated well and were able to keep the tax rate flat. Referred meeting to Page 37 – total of \$1,296,693 – off-set by the fund balance of \$471,937.00.

Moderator Johnson then proceeded to review the Article section by section, starting with:

General Government - \$640,548. No discussion.

Public Safety - \$772,735. No discussion.

Highway Department - \$945,106.

Paul Olzerowicz questioned the rise in the operating expenses from \$294,708 to \$355,091. Selectman Babb noted the rising costs of diesel fuel, gasoline and repairs. No further discussion.

Sanitation - \$329,949. No discussion.

Health - \$17,660. No discussion.

Welfare - \$47,250. Margaret Nichols inquired about the money raised last year in this section to assist with a property on Ossipee Lake Road and the reimbursement of funds. Selectman Babb noted that any money received by the town would go in to the general fund. He did note that the amount had been left in this section because of the taking of a property for taxes on the Ossipee Lake Road to cover the costs of the cleanup.

Jane Davidson asked if it was the same property. Selectman Babb said it is not. No further discussion.

Culture and Recreation - \$17,150. No discussion.

Conservation - \$7,850. No discussion.

Debt Services - \$224,415. No discussion.

No further discussion on Article 11.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 11: YES – Article 11 carries.

Article 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$111,140 (One hundred eleven thousand one hundred forty dollars) for the annual appropriation for the library. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOVED: LES BABB

SECONDED: CHUCK BROOKS

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article, noting that the Library is a staple in the community, offers many services to the town, including wi-fi.

No further discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 12: YES – Article 12 carries.

Article 13:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty thousand dollars) to complete repairs to the entrances of the library making them more accessible. The library will be applying for aid in the amount of \$11,000 to offset the cost of these repairs. The final amount used is subject to receipt of any state or federal grant or aid. If grant or other aid is not received, the total sum of \$20,000 is to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Chuck Brooks

Selectman Babb turned the floor over to Chuck Brooks, speaking on behalf of the Library. Chuck stated that this money would be used to address the shortcomings at the Library, both entrances – to bring the Library in to compliance with the ADA requirements.

Discussion. Pat McCoy, speaking as a Trustee of the Trust Funds – asked if an amendment could be made to take some of this money out of the Library's trust fund. Attorney Barbara Loughman pointed out that it would require a specific Warrant Article to do so and would have had to have been placed on the town's warrant and cannot be done by an amendment at today's meeting.

Discussion.

Scott N. Brooks, Sr., asked the Moderator to **MOVE THE QUESTION.**

Moderator Johnson explained that the motion did not need to be seconded.

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE the question: YES, motion to move carries.

No further discussion:

VOTE ON ARTICLE 13: YES – Article 13 carries.

Article 14:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 (Fifty thousand dollars) to repave town roads. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Scott Brooks Sr.

Selectman Day explained that this was the annual request for road maintenance.

It was noted that due to weather conditions etc., it is not known at this point what roads will be affected until after the Road Agent examines the roads and makes an assessment of the needs. Road Agent Scott Brooks noted that the winters have changed over the last 3-5 years. Fluctuating temperatures and conditions have changed the methods for assessment.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 14: YES – Article 14 carries.

Article 15:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$52,000 (Fifty-two thousand dollars) to sealcoat town roads. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Scott Brooks, Sr.

Selectman Day spoke to the Article, noting that this was another annual maintenance item.

Discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 15: YES – Article 15 carries.

Article 16:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (Twenty-five thousand dollars) to crack seal town roads. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Scott Brooks, Sr.

Selectman Day spoke to the article, noting that this, again, is part of the annual maintenance program.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 16: YES, Article 16 carries.

Article 17:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$115,000 (One hundred fifteen thousand dollars) for the purpose of installing the box culvert on Durgin Hill Road. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Darwin Moulton

Selectman Day made a MOTION TO AMEND the Article to correct a typo for the name of the road. The road name should read “Swett Hill Road” and not “Durgin Hill Road”;
SECONDED by Anne Cunningham.

Selectman Day spoke to the Article as amended. This article would cover the cost of a pre cast culvert and will be the final culvert needed for the Swett Hill Road project.

VOTE on MOTION TO AMEND: YES – Motion to Amend the Article carries.

No further discussion on Article 17 as amended.

VOTE on ARTICLE 17 as amended: to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$115,000 (One hundred fifteen thousand dollars) for the purpose of installing the box culvert on Swett Hill Road: **YES – Article 17 as amended carries.**

Article 18:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,700 (Forty thousand seven hundred dollars) for the crushing of gravel for use on town roads. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Scott Brooks, Sr.

Selectman Babb spoke to the article. The town has an arrangement to obtain the gravel out of the Watts pit in Effingham. Over the years, being able to obtain and stock pile our own gravel has saved money to have the product on hand for washouts and road repairs.

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 18: YES – Article 18 carries.

Article 19:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$273,740 (Two hundred seventy-three thousand seven hundred forty dollars) to complete the reclamation of Swett Hill Road. This sum to come from the unreserved fund balance. No amount to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Darwin Moulton

Selectman Day spoke to the article, noting this money had been approved but never expended due to Covid, the hiring freeze and fear of the unknown at the time.

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 19: YES – Article 19 carries.

Article 20:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$420,000 (Four hundred twenty thousand dollars) to construct a new winter salt and sand storage building at the Highway Garage. The sum of \$165,722 to come from funds received from the ARPA Grant. The balance of \$254,278 to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Melissa Florio

SECONDED: Scott Brooks, Sr.

Selectman Florio spoke to the Article noting that this was on the list of projects for a long-term capital improvement that had been placed on hold. The selectmen did receive bids to come up with the pricing. With this type of construction, repairs are seldom needed and future expansion is very easy. This would be cost saving over time and will save materials and maximizes environmental protection with funds allocated to protect the watershed and to protect the water supply.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 20: YES – Article 20 carries.

Article 21:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease/purchase agreement in the amount of \$335,467 (Three hundred thirty-five thousand four hundred sixty-seven dollars) for the purpose of purchasing a new rescue truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$72,606 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease/purchase agreement contains an escape clause. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Melissa Florio

SECONDED: Rob Cunio

Selectman Florio turned the floor over to our Fire Chief, Rob Cunio.

Rob Cunio made a **MOTION TO AMEND** Article 21 down by \$9,336.00 to Three Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand One Hundred Thirty-One (\$326,131.00) Dollars, with the first year's payment being \$69,000, and not \$72,606. **SECONDED by Joyce Watson.**

VOTE ON MOTION to Amend Article 21 to read: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease/purchase agreement in the amount of Three \$326,131 (Three hundred twenty-six thousand one hundred thirty-one dollars) for the purpose of purchasing a new rescue truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$69,000 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease/purchase agreement contains an escape clause.

YES – MOTION TO AMEND CARRIES.

Discussion on Article 21 as amended: Selectman Florio noted that this item is in the capital equipment plan, it is over twenty years old – needs to be reliable. There are grant funds – thanks to Jim Stone, who needs to be recognized for his efforts. This replaces the previous rescue vehicle acquired by lease/purchase in 2000.

Rob Cunio noted that there have been fund raising events and there are matching grants. Engine 2 qualifies for grant money.

Sue Brown asked if we own the 2000 rescue vehicle and will it be sold? Rob Cunio said we do own it and it can be sold. He is in the process of getting an estimate as to what it should be sold for.

Paul Olzerowicz asked about the sale proceeds – and would it go in to the general operating

fund. He was told that it would. Paul also said he'd like to thank Jim Stone and everybody else who tries to do the best things for the Town of Freedom.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 21 as AMENDED: YES, Article 21 as amended CARRIES.

Article 22:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$46,631 (Forty-six thousand six hundred thirty-one dollars) to purchase and equip a new cruiser for the Police Department. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Maureen Elliott

Selectman Babb noted that the town has a schedule for replacing vehicles as needed, then the old vehicle is handed down from one department to the next. The police department vehicle was not next on the schedule, but the Selectmen decided to alter the schedule and replace a Police Cruiser, as the vehicle currently being used by the Highway Department is in the process of losing the motor, so the schedule had to be accelerated.

When asked, Selectman Babb said it is their intention to purchase a Ford Explorer for the police department.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 22: YES - Article 22 carries.

Article 23:

To see if the Town will vote to ratify the lease agreement made between the Town of Freedom and Carroll Masonic Temple, Inc., a New Hampshire nonprofit corporation, to lease a portion of the certain premises located on 29 Old Portland Road (aka Carroll Masonic Lodge), namely the second floor of the building together with the shared use of the hallway and restrooms, for a period of fifty (50) years. In recognition of the conveyance of the property from Carroll Masonic Temple, Inc. to the Town of Freedom as a gift, there shall be no rent charged for the term of this lease. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Scott Cunningham

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article, noting that in the past year, the Masons had come to the town and offered to gift the Masonic Lodge and property. The Masons own all the land around the town office. The town office owns only its footprint. The Masons have been great neighbors, and have allowed the town to use and maintain the parking lot. Extremely generous of the Masons. It would be catastrophic for the Town Office to lose the parking. This allows the Masons to continue, preserving the history, and the cost would have been the same if the Town had to 'take' the parking lot.

Paul Olzerowicz inquired about the safety issues and would everything be covered by insurance if the property leased out?

Selectman Babb said everything would be covered under the Town's policy.

Robert Libby, Jr. asked if we would saddled with this Lease for the next 50 years.

Selectman Babb said yes.

Robert Libby, Jr., stated he'd recommend voting against this, due to the expense.

Discussion.

Scott Cunningham made a **MOTION TO MOVE** the question.

VOTE on MOTION TO MOVE the question: YES – vote to move the question carries.

VOTE on Article 23: YES – Article 23 carries.

Article 24:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,403 (Nine thousand four hundred three dollars) to complete necessary maintenance repairs to the Carroll Masonic Lodge building located at 29 Old Portland Road. Said repairs to include the chimney, metal roof, and electrical service. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Joyce Watson

Selectman Day spoke to the article: this amount of money would cover the power washing and painting of the existing roof, chimney repairs and the electrical panel.

No discussion.

VOTE on Article 24: Yes – Article 24 carries.

Article 25:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,523 (Fourteen thousand five hundred twenty-three dollars) for the purpose of installing new flooring at the Town Hall. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Melissa Florio

SECONDED: Paul Tung

Selectman Florio spoke to the article, noting that Mark McKinley, the custodian, had brought the condition of the floor to the attention of the Selectmen. This amount would cover installing flooring around the edges and carpet in the middle, which

will assist with the acoustics in the room.

Carol Stansell asked if this would be downstairs, upstairs or both?

Selectman Florio said it would be for the downstairs only.

Discussion.

VOTE on Article 25: YES – Article 25 carries.

Article 26:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500 (Seven thousand five hundred dollars) to upgrade various office equipment at the Town Office. (Majority vote required)
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Melissa Florio

SECONDED: Joyce Watson

Selectman Florio spoke to the Article – noting that funds will be used for administrative management and will save costs in the long term. Items being considered: full size scanner to be able to do large plans, a commercial shredder and addressing cyber security needs; upgrading servers and backups.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 26: YES – ARTICLE 26 carries.

Article 27:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 (Five hundred dollars) for maintenance activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund. Conservation Commission Recommendation 4-0. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Melissa Florio

SECONDED: Jeff Nicoll

Selectman Florio spoke to the article, noting this is a maintenance fund for the town forest to cover signs, locks on gates etc. Items are sometimes destroyed or signs disappear.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 27: YES – ARTICLE 27 carries.

Article 28:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 (Three thousand dollars) for

a licensed forester to oversee the administration of forestry activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund. Conservation Commission Recommendation 4-0. (Majority vote required)
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Melissa Florio

SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

Selectman Florio spoke to the Article, noting that funds are required in order to hire a licensed forester, which is required under the stewardship plan.

Carol Stansell said this is voted on each year – does it need to be voted on annually or could it be for a different specific term?

Selectman Babb noted that when writing the stewardship plan, this is something that must be approved by the people each year.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 28: YES – ARTICLE 28 carries.

Article 29:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 (Two thousand five hundred dollars) to fund the NH Lake Host Program. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Melissa Florio

SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

Selectman Florio noted that the town supports these efforts to protect the water supply and the monitoring of same. Ms. Florio turned the floor over to Ned Kucera to speak to the Article.

Ned Kucera explained that he is the Lake Host Coordinator and the purpose is for education and for boater awareness. Voluntary, complimentary boat inspections are provided; he works with Ossipee and with grant money, it covers employees – has been doing it for a couple of years.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 29: YES – ARTICLE 29 carries.

Article 30:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,950 (Thirty-five thousand nine hundred fifty dollars) for milfoil treatment in Danforth Ponds and other lakes and streams as needed. The sum of \$17,975 to come from the Exotic Aquatic Weed Control Project Grant. The balance of \$17,975 to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

Selectman Babb spoke to the article: this article is on every year and the need changes yearly. Very important to protect the water quality, which in turn protects the tax rate to keep up the property values.

Ned Kucera said he is on the Board of the Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee noting that there has been an existing problem which they are trying to control. Scuba divers are used as well as herbicide treatments. 49 acres were done 2 years ago, it does fluctuate – 30 acres treated last year. Estimated to need to treat 20 acres this year. The State recognizes the problem.

Discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 30: YES – ARTICLE 30 carries.

Article 31:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty thousand dollars) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Scott Brooks, Sr.

Selectman Day spoke to the question – noting this amount would be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund which currently has a balance of \$34,540.83. With the rising cost of equipment, this buffer is needed.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 31: YES – ARTICLE 31 carries.

Article 32:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) to be added to the Town Hall and Office Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Joyce Watson

Selectman Day spoke to the article: this amount will be added to the Town Hall and Office Capital Reserve Fund which currently has a balance of \$37,241.84.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 32: YES – ARTICLE 32 carries.

Article 33:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority

vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Rob Cunio

Selectman Les Babb MADE A MOTION TO AMEND this Article up to \$20,000.00; SECONDED by Rob Cunio.

Selectman Babb noted that the Fire Department is actively writing grants and they want to be able to apply for matching funds. Adding this amount will assist with that process.

VOTE on MOTION TO AMEND: YES – the MOTION TO AMEND carries.

Discussion on Article 33 as amended up to \$20,000:

Selectman Day noted that this amount will be added to the existing Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund which currently has a balance of \$54,921.19. Thanks to Jim Stone, the Fire Department has been very successful in applying for and receiving grants.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 33 as amended: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000. (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

YES – ARTICLE 33 as amended CARRIES.

Article 34:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) to be added to the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.

SECONDED: Melissa Florio

Selectman Day spoke to the article – noting this amount would be added to the existing capital reserve fund which current has a balance of \$34,544.19.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 34: YES – ARTICLE 34 carries.

Article 35:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Public Safety Building Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the maintenance and repairs to the building and grounds, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) 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 the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Melissa Florio

SECONDED: Scott Cunningham

Selectman Florio spoke to the Article, noting that the Public Safety Building is now over ten years old and does not have a Fund established for maintenance and repairs. This year the building had a frozen septic tank and there are cracks showing in the parking lot. Money is needed to manage the costs.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 35: YES - ARTICLE 35 carries.

Article 36:

Are you in favor of authorizing the Selectmen to appoint a Tax Collector to a three (3) year term and to discontinue the election of the Town Tax Collector at the end of the Tax Collector's current term (March 2023) as authorized by NH RSA 669:17-b? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Melissa Florio

SECONDED: Paul Tung

Selectman Florio spoke to the article, noting that it is increasingly harder to fill positions in the area. Ms. Florio also noted that there are multiple volunteer boards in town with over 15 openings. The Selectmen are asking for flexibility. This opens the pool to select from. A resident may be the most qualified, allows for working with other towns, provides flexibility for a qualified person and smart positioning.

Robert Oram asked if there was a dollar figure?

Ms. Florio said this Article would allow the Selectmen to appoint; the budget would not yet be affected.

Paul Olzerowicz asked if this is the direction most towns are headed? Ballpark on the cost?

Ms. Florio said that is a direction a lot of towns have moved to; can also use another Tax Collector from another town. Ms. Florio said the salary is almost \$17,000 now, not expected to change.

Joyce Watson asked about the combining of the Town Clerk and Tax Collector.

Selectman Day noted that it has been discussed. Selectman Babb noted that it makes sense – and if the positions are combined, that position must be an elected position.

Pat McCoy recommended this article be tabled until further down the line.

Ms. Florio said this article today is about the tax collector position only for today.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 36: YES – Article 36 carries.

Article 37: (Submitted by Petition)

The Freedom Historical Society respectfully requests the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to help defray the cost of preservation and storage of Freedom records held by the museum and making them accessible to the public. These items consist of original documents, photographs, maps, artwork, narratives, books, magazines and newspaper articles and a wide variety of artifacts. The Society researches, preserves and stores records that tell the story of Freedom's people, events (including Old Home Week) and buildings. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Alan Fall

SECONDED: Joyce Watson

Alan Fall spoke to the article – noting that he is with the Historical Society and it is important to preserve Freedom's history and sensitive documents.

Roberta McCarthy spoke, as Co-President of the Freedom Historical Society – noting this money would be used for research, preservation and storage.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 37: YES – ARTICLE 37 carries.

Article 38:

To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the Municipal Land and Building Capital Reserve Fund established in 2006 Article No. 6 and further clarified in 2007 Article No. 18 so that the purpose of the fund is to acquire land, build a municipal building, or assess other town buildings and/or properties to meet the Town's municipal building needs including but not limited to site reviews, engineer and architectural studies, preparing acquisition and construction costs, option agreement costs, and all other planning expenses as the Selectboard shall deem appropriate. The Board of Selectmen shall remain as agents to expend from said fund. This article prohibits the acquisition of any land without further vote of the town per RSA 35:15, II with the trustees of said fund authorized to make disbursement from said fund for said fund purposes on the written warrant request of the Board of Selectmen. This fund shall continue until subsequent vote of the town to revoke the fund. (2/3 vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0

MOTION: Les Babb
SECONDED: Ernest Day, Jr.

Selectman Babb spoke to the article – noting that this fund was established under the old Article 26 Committee and now there is a need to clarify the usage, so that the money can be used on sites that the town already has.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 38: YES – ARTICLE 38 carries. The Moderator noted that the Article received more than the 2/3 majority required.

Article 39:

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Michael Gaudette brought it to the meeting's attention that today is our Moderator, Don Johnson's birthday. Don thanked everyone.

Don gave special thanks to all of the volunteers, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator and everybody involved. Elections are complex. He thanked the Town Clerk, Libby Priebe – stating she is an 'unsung hero' – and he thanked the assistants to the town clerk, the moderator pro-tem, the election workers and even the lead tech support manager. All received a round of applause.

Our State Representative, Jerry Knirk, asked if he could loan our Board of Selectmen and our Moderator out to the NH Legislature, as it would certainly run better with their assistance. Don noted that 33 years ago he had thought that becoming the Moderator would be a stepping stone for him to the Senate, but it hadn't quite worked out that way!

Anne Cunningham asked about a swearing in – it was explained it would take place after the close of the meeting for all of those present at the time.

Sue Brown asked for a final number. Don Johnson announced the calculation of \$4,628,381 – which was corrected by the Town Administrator, Ellen White, to \$4,371,250.00. The difference being the wording of the articles and how the articles are handled.

Paul Olzerowicz thanked the town and the school for being able to keep the tax rate flat.

Anne Cunningham made a motion to adjourn.

EVERYBODY seconded same.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

A true record, attest:



A. ELIZABETH PRIEBE, TOWN CLERK

RULES OF PROCEDURE

According to RSA 40, the town Moderator determines the procedures to be used in Town Meetings. The Moderator determines the rules without regard to parliamentary or other procedural rules. The voters can overturn the Moderator's rules at any time, however. A motion to overturn the Moderator's rules, or establish new rules, will always take precedence to other business which is already "on the floor".

So that you will know the ground rules by which we are maintaining order, these procedural rules are announced to you ahead of time.

- The Moderator will read each article in its entirety before that article is considered.
- There can be no discussion until there has been a motion under the article. (usually the first motion is to approve the article as it appears on the warrant)
- All motions must be seconded by a different individual.
- Discussion will only take place after a motion has been moved and seconded.
- All discussion must take place only when called upon by the Moderator. You must have permission from the Moderator before you can speak.
- When the Moderator recognizes you, standup, speak out loudly and announce your name before proceeding with your comments.
- If you want to change a portion of a motion, you can do so by making an amendment. We will consider only one move to amend at any given time. When discussion regarding an amendment comes to a conclusion, the amendment will be voted upon. If the amendment passes, we will then continue considering the original motion as it has now been amended. If the amendment fails, we will return to considering the motion in its form prior to the motion to amend.
- A secret written ballot will be used on any article when requested by any 5 voters in writing (RSA 40:4-a).
- A vote will be re-tabulated by secret written ballot when requested in writing or orally by only 7 voters (RSA 40:40b). This action must be requested before we have already moved onto the next item of business.
- At any time during the meeting, you may make a motion to restrict reconsideration of any one or more votes previously taken at this meeting or warrant articles previously considered at this meeting. (RSA 40:10)

One final word of advice from your Moderator: If you want to get action from the Town Meeting, you have to make a motion. It's okay to get up and ask a question or make a comment (as long as it's relevant to what's on the table), but if you want the Town Meeting to discuss and vote on your idea, you have to get it on the table with a motion. Let's work together to have a successful and efficient meeting.

Thank you,
Donald Johnson, Moderator

**State of New Hampshire
County of Carroll, Town of Freedom
2023 TOWN WARRANT**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Freedom in the County of Carroll in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the 2023 Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Freedom will be held in two separate sessions. The first session will be held at the Freedom Town Hall on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 for voting by Official Ballot for the election of Town Officers and for the adoption of Zoning Amendments. The polls will open at 9:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close.

The second session of Town Meeting will be held at the Freedom Town Hall on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 beginning at 9 a.m., at which all other warrant articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon.

Article 1 (To vote by Official Ballot):

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board to amend Section 1102 Elderly Housing to harmonize with Section 1105 Workforce Housing to comply with RSA 674:17 IV which mandates that effective July 2023, Workforce Housing will be subject to the same rules as Elderly Housing? Currently Section 1102 is more permissive than Section 1105. The proposed amendment also changes the name of "Elderly Housing" to "Independent Living Elderly/Senior Housing" in Section 1102 and throughout the Zoning Ordinance and eliminates assisted living and/or extended care facilities from Section 1102.

Article 3 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board to amend Section 304.5 and Section 702 to allow "shoreland or wetland projects eligible for a permit by notification or expedited minimum impact permit from the NH Department of Environmental Services" as a permitted use? This means that the code enforcement officer can issue zoning permits for these projects after review of materials submitted to DES for the permit. Language to include wetlands permits will also be included in Article 7.

Article 4 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board to add specifications for the tree cutting plans in Section 703.5 for tree cutting in the shorefront from 75 feet to 300 feet from the reference line?

Article 5 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the planning board to amend Section 406 to mirror the state's requirement of a septic tank or leach field setback to poorly drained soils? Setbacks from poorly drained soils and septic systems in the shorefront district do not change.

Article 6 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the planning board to amend town septic system approval process (Section 2402.3 Septic System Plan Requirements) to reflect changes made to Wetlands Section 406 Septic Tank and Leach Field Setback approved in 2022?

Article 7 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the planning board to clarify terms in Sections 1503 and 1507 for short-term rentals, specifically that any owner can rent the primary dwelling on the lot and add language to the ordinance to prohibit special events at STRs?

Article 8 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the planning board to clarify the definition of dwelling unit in Article 23 Definitions to specify that the term “rental “refers to long-term rentals?

Article 9 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the planning board to add a definition of special events to Article 23 Definitions?

Article 10 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the planning board to amend Section 1107.2 to allow single story manufactured homes on a floating/monolithic slab or on a four-foot frost wall?

Article 11 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 6-1-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the planning board to amend Section 805 to specify conditions for driveways and driveway permits?

Article 12 (To vote by official ballot):

(Planning Board vote 7-0-0)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the planning board to add Article 20 to regulate food trucks?

Article 13:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,180,567 (Three million one hundred eighty thousand five hundred sixty-seven dollars) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

	FY 2022 Appropriations	FY 2022 Expenditures	FY 2023 Appropriations
General Government			
Town Office:			
Wages, Fees, and Benefits:			
Town Officers Salaries	\$ 66,480	\$ 66,054	\$ 62,310
Selectmen's Fees	200	-	200
Town Clerk Costs	5,600	4,829	5,600
Deputy Town Clerk	18,018	545	18,018
Tax Collector Fees/Costs	20,000	18,821	26,500
Deputy Tax Collector	6,000	3,028	6,000
Salaries - Full-Time	120,000	120,370	127,000
Salaries - Part-Time	15,000	16,117	16,000
Retirement	3,600	4,545	7,500
Health/Dental Insurance	40,435	40,733	42,000
Life/Disability Insurance	1,300	1,237	1,300
Total Wages, Fees, and Benefits	296,633	276,278	312,428
Town Office Expense	63,000	64,005	66,556
Total Town Office	359,633	340,283	378,984
Assessing	32,784	32,784	33,768
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	17,150	15,990	8,450
Legal Expenses	30,000	22,348	30,000
Payroll Taxes	57,500	61,488	65,500
Planning and Zoning Boards:			
Wages - Part-Time	1,950	1,154	1,950
Expenses	6,600	6,584	6,600
Total Planning and Zoning Boards	8,550	7,738	8,550
Public Buildings:			
Wages - Part-Time	10,300	8,709	10,300
Expenses	61,075	53,332	64,125
Total Public Buildings	71,375	62,041	74,425
Cemeteries	7,725	6,020	8,725
Insurance	53,325	49,942	58,612
Lakes Region Planning Commission	2,506	2,506	2,843
Total General Government	640,548	601,140	669,857
Public Safety			
Police Department:			
Wages and Benefits:			
Salaries - Full-Time	221,360	192,373	236,500
Salaries - Part-Time	42,000	41,774	42,000
Overtime/Holiday/Severance	10,025	9,365	10,025
Retirement	76,985	62,880	79,957
Health/Dental Insurance	40,430	37,886	43,295
Life/Disability Insurance	1,770	1,437	2,218
Total Wages and Benefits	392,570	345,715	413,995
Expenses	35,900	34,293	37,900
Total Police Department	428,470	380,007	451,895

	FY 2022 Appropriations	FY 2022 Expenditures	FY 2023 Appropriations
Fire Department:			
Wages and Benefits:			
Salaries - Full-Time Chief	70,200	72,066	75,000
Salaries - Part-Time Station Duty	3,000	1,575	3,600
Stipends for Responses	35,000	35,000	35,000
Retirement	2,106	2,218	3,375
Health/Dental Insurance	3,600	3,900	3,600
Life/Disability Insurance	900	889	890
Expenses	77,650	76,559	80,350
Total Fire Department	192,456	192,207	201,815
Ambulance	104,759	104,759	105,450
Building Inspector	16,163	6,268	-
Zoning Officer	20,500	31,738	36,663
Forest Fire Protection	3,000	4,323	3,000
Emergency Management & Safety	500	-	500
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	6,487	6,847	6,969
Water Precinct	400	400	400
Total Public Safety	772,735	726,549	806,692
Highway Department			
Wages and Benefits:			
Salaries - Full-Time	214,081	188,899	228,681
Salaries - Part-Time	25,800	38,960	44,900
Salaries - Overtime	58,924	41,372	17,821
Retirement	6,800	4,675	10,000
Health/Dental Insurance	84,500	80,062	76,610
Life/Disability Insurance	4,500	4,675	5,200
Total Wages and Benefits	394,605	358,643	383,212
Expenses:			
Rental Equipment	162,372	215,451	206,170
Contract Services	28,038	30,449	28,038
Operating Expenses	355,091	288,630	430,893
Total Expenses	545,501	534,529	665,101
Total Highway Department	940,106	893,172	1,048,313
Street Lighting	5,000	3,590	5,000
Total Highways and Streets	945,106	896,762	1,053,313
Sanitation			
Transfer Station:			
Wages and Benefits:			
Salaries - Full-Time	50,200	54,774	98,000
Salaries - Part-Time	40,000	45,213	5,000
Retirement	1,506	1,535	7,759
Health/Dental Insurance	19,682	22,146	32,845
Life/Disability Insurance	1,380	1,407	1,800
Total Wages and Benefits	112,768	125,076	145,404
Expenses:			
Engineering	8,000	6,750	8,000
Transport Materials	185,000	145,066	185,000
Operating Expenses	24,181	17,871	24,296
Total Expenses	217,181	169,687	217,296
Total Sanitation	329,949	294,763	362,700

	FY 2022 Appropriations	FY 2022 Expenditures	FY 2023 Appropriations
Health			
Salary and Expenses	500	392	500
Agencies:			
Carroll County Mental Health	1,433	1,433	1,433
Children Unlimited	2,000	2,000	2,000
Tri-County Community Action Program	3,550	3,550	3,800
White Mountain Community Health Center	2,040	2,040	2,030
Central NH VNA	2,500	2,500	2,500
Red Cross	1,300	1,300	1,300
Starting Point	2,965	2,965	4,146
CASA	500	500	500
Ossipee Children's Fund	500	500	500
Lifelight Foundation	372	500	500
Total Health	17,660	17,680	19,209
Welfare			
Salary - Welfare Officer	2,000	-	2,000
Salary - Senior Resource Coordinator	11,150	8,684	11,150
Town Needy	34,100	25,406	10,600
Total Welfare	47,250	34,090	23,750
Culture and Recreation			
Parks & Recreation	12,900	9,180	14,000
Patriotic Purposes	1,400	1,300	1,400
Old Home Week	2,000	2,000	2,000
Heritage Commission	850	11	850
Total Culture and Recreation	17,150	12,491	18,250
Conservation			
Conservation Commission	2,600	1,642	2,250
Water Quality Testing	4,500	4,650	5,625
Milfoil Remediation	-	-	-
Aquatic Invasive Species	750	388	750
Total Conservation	7,850	6,679	8,625
Debt Services			
Bond Principal - Road	125,000	125,000	125,000
Lease Principal - Pump Truck	68,677	68,677	
Lease Principal - Rescue	-	-	64,830
Bond Interest - Road	28,875	28,875	22,600
Lease Interest - Pump Truck	1,863	1,863	-
Lease Interest - Rescue	-	-	5,741
Other Interest	-	342	0.00.
Total Debt Service	224,415	224,757	218,171
TOTAL ARTICLE 13	\$ 3,002,663	\$ 2,814,911	\$ 3,180,567

Article 14: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$120,000 (One hundred twenty thousand dollars) for the annual appropriation for the library. (Majority vote required)

Article 15: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 (Fifteen thousand dollars) to be added to the Library Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

Article 16: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$145,704 (One hundred forty-five thousand seven hundred four dollars) to repave town roads. (Majority vote required)

Article 17: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,000 (Sixty-two thousand dollars) to sealcoat town roads. (Majority vote required)

Article 18: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,200 (Twenty-nine thousand two hundred dollars) to crack seal town roads. (Majority vote required)

Article 19: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$139,723 (One hundred thirty-nine thousand seven hundred twenty-three dollars) for the purpose of installing a new culvert on Watson Hill Road. The sum of \$104,533 to come from unreserved fund balance (monies received in 2022 from Senate Bill 401 to be used for municipal roads and bridges). The balance of \$35,190 to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required)

Article 20: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000 (Eighty thousand dollars) for improvements to the traffic pattern of the Transfer Station including but not limited to tree cutting, creating a new entrance/exit, and adding an attendant's hut. (Majority vote required)

Article 21: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (Forty thousand dollars) for dredging and dry hydrant installation at the fire pond on Watson Hill Road. (Majority vote required)

Article 22: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 (Forty-five thousand dollars) to purchase and equip a new SUV for the Fire Department. Said vehicle to be purchased through State Bid process. (Majority vote required)

Article 23: (Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 (Two thousand five hundred dollars) to fund the NH Lake Host Program. (Majority vote required)

Article 24:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,725 (Twenty-six thousand seven hundred twenty-five dollars) for milfoil treatment in Danforth Ponds, and other lakes and streams as needed. The sum of \$19,650 to come from the Exotic Aquatic Weed Control Project Grant. The balance of \$7,075 to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required)

Article 25:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 (Four thousand dollars) for a licensed forester to oversee the administration of forestry activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund. Conservation Commission recommends this appropriation 4-0. (Majority vote required)

Article 26:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,700 (Six thousand seven hundred dollars) for mowing, culvert replacement, and general maintenance activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund. Conservation Commission recommends this appropriation 4-0. (Majority vote required)

Article 27:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 (Thirty-five thousand dollars) for the repair and reconstruction of formerly Jackman Ridge Road located within the Town Forest with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund. Conservation Commission recommends this appropriation 4-0. (Majority vote required)

Article 28:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) to allow the Town Office Advisory Committee to expend for any associated design and engineering costs in order to consider the option of constructing a new building for a Town Office. Said funds to be withdrawn from the previously established Municipal Land and Building Capital Reserve Fund. No amount to be raised from taxation. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the Town Office Advisory Committee's study is completed or by 2025, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required)

Article 29:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) to be added to the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

Article 30:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

Article 31:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (Forty thousand dollars) to be added to the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

Article 32:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five thousand dollars) to be added to the Road Right-of-Way Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

Article 33:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) to be added to the Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

Article 34:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty thousand dollars) to be added to the Town Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

Article 35:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) to be added to the Public Safety Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

Article 36:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

Shall the Town of Freedom readopt the optional Veteran's Tax Credit in accordance with RSA 72:28, II, for an annual tax credit on residential property of \$250.00? (Majority vote required)

Article 37:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

Shall the Town of Freedom readopt the All Veteran's Tax Credit in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, for an annual tax credit on residential property which shall be the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town of Freedom under RSA 72:28? (Majority vote required)

Article 38:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

Shall the Town of Freedom accept the provisions of RSA 53-G:1-RSA 53-G:11 providing for the establishment of a communications district, together with the municipalities of Albany, Bartlett, Brookfield, Chatham, Conway, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Hales Location, Harts Location, Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough, Ossipee, Tamworth and Tuftonboro in accordance with the provisions of the proposed agreement filed with the Town Office.

Article 39:

(Selectmen Recommend 3-0-0)

(Submitted by Petition) The Freedom Historical Society respectfully requests the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to help defray the cost of preservation and storage of Freedom records held by the museum and making them accessible to the public. These items consist of original documents, photographs, maps, artwork, narratives, books, magazines and newspaper articles and a wide variety of artifacts. The Society researches, preserves and stores records that tell the story of Freedom's people, events (including Old Home Week) and buildings. (Majority vote required)

Article 40:

(Submitted by Petition) The Freedom Cemetery Trustees are directed by the people of Freedom to allow the choice of natural burial in the Freedom cemetery. This directive shall be effective immediately upon passage at Town Meeting and shall be in effect whether the cemetery is run by the town or by an entity acting to fulfill the town duty of providing a cemetery. For the purposes of this article, natural burial is defined as the choice of being buried without requirements for embalming, a casket, or a burial vault. There shall be no added charge for the provision of natural burial. (Majority vote required)

Article 41:

(Submitted by Petition) To see if the Town will vote to accept Friedman Lane, which has been constructed consistent with the Town of Freedom's road construction standards, as a Class V town maintained road. (Majority vote required)

Article 42:

(Submitted by Petition) To ask the Town of Freedom, NH if they would vote in favor of paving a portion of N. Broad Bay Rd. from the beginning of Ossipee Lake Rd. to 58 N. Broad Bay Rd. (approximately 1/4 mile). (Majority vote required)

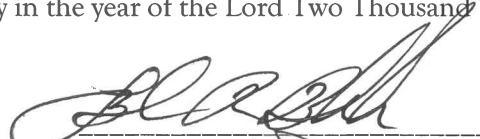
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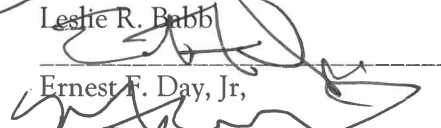
To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.


Given our hands and seal this 21st day of February in the year of the Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Three.

Town of Freedom

By Its Board of Selectmen:




Leslie R. Babb


Ernest F. Day, Jr.,


Melissa M. Florio

State of New Hampshire
County of Carroll, ss

Personally appeared the above-named Leslie R. Babb, Ernest F. Day, Jr., and Melissa M. Florio, or a majority of them, Selectmen of the Town of Freedom, and took oath that the foregoing is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge and belief. Before me,



Ellen N. White, Notary Public
My Commission Expires:

ELLEN N. WHITE
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
FEBRUARY 6, 2024





Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
General Government						
4130-4139	Executive	13	\$66,504	\$66,480	\$62,310	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	13	\$15,990	\$17,150	\$8,450	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	13	\$278,134	\$293,153	\$316,674	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	13	\$32,784	\$32,784	\$33,768	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	13	\$22,348	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	13	\$61,052	\$57,500	\$65,500	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	13	\$39,637	\$29,050	\$8,550	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	13	\$62,117	\$71,375	\$74,425	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	13	\$6,020	\$7,725	\$8,725	\$0
4196	Insurance	13	\$49,942	\$53,325	\$58,612	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	13	\$2,506	\$2,506	\$2,843	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$637,034	\$661,048	\$669,857	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	13	\$381,759	\$428,470	\$451,895	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	13	\$104,759	\$104,759	\$105,450	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	13	\$197,108	\$195,856	\$204,815	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	13	\$6,268	\$16,163	\$36,663	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	13	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)	13	\$6,847	\$6,487	\$7,369	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$696,741	\$752,235	\$806,692	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	13	\$1,623,713	\$1,496,546	\$1,048,313	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	13	\$3,590	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$1,627,303	\$1,501,546	\$1,053,313	\$0



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Sanitation						
4321	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	13	\$295,681	\$329,949	\$362,700	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$295,681	\$329,949	\$362,700	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment						
4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric						
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Administration	13	\$392	\$500	\$500	\$0
4414	Pest Control		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	13	\$17,288	\$17,160	\$18,709	\$0
Health Subtotal			\$17,680	\$17,660	\$19,209	\$0
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	13	\$34,360	\$47,250	\$13,250	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	13	\$0	\$0	\$10,500	\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$34,360	\$47,250	\$23,750	\$0
Culture and Recreation						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	13	\$9,180	\$12,900	\$14,000	\$0
4550-4559	Library		\$111,140	\$111,140	\$0	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	13	\$1,300	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	13	\$4,399	\$4,850	\$3,600	\$0
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$126,019	\$130,290	\$19,000	\$0



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Conservation and Development						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	13	\$22,599	\$49,800	\$7,875	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$22,599	\$49,800	\$7,875	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	13	\$193,677	\$193,677	\$189,830	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	13	\$31,080	\$30,738	\$28,341	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$224,757	\$224,415	\$218,171	\$0
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$53,286	\$115,631	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$492,119	\$463,926	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$6,838	\$7,500	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$552,243	\$587,057	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations					\$3,180,567	\$0



Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	25	\$4,000	\$0
	Purpose: Town Forester			
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	26	\$6,700	\$0
	Purpose: Town Forest Maintenance			
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	27	\$35,000	\$0
	Purpose: FAC - Trail/Road Repairs			
4619	Other Conservation	39	\$2,000	\$0
	Purpose: Historical Society			
4903	Buildings	28	\$10,000	\$0
	Purpose: TOAC Study			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	29	\$10,000	\$0
	Purpose: PD CRF			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	30	\$10,000	\$0
	Purpose: Fire CRF			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	31	\$40,000	\$0
	Purpose: Highway CRF			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	33	\$10,000	\$0
	Purpose: TS CRF			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	34	\$20,000	\$0
	Purpose: Infrastructure CRF			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	35	\$10,000	\$0
	Purpose: PSB CRF			
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	15	\$15,000	\$0
	Purpose: Library ETF			
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	32	\$5,000	\$0
	Purpose: ROW ETF			
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$177,700	\$0



Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4299	Other (Including Communications)	21 <i>Purpose: Fire Pond Dredging</i>	\$40,000	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	18 <i>Purpose: Crack Sealing</i>	\$29,200	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	19 <i>Purpose: Watson Hill Culvert</i>	\$139,723	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	16 <i>Purpose: Paving</i>	\$145,704	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	17 <i>Purpose: Seal Coating</i>	\$62,000	\$0
4550-4559	Library	14 <i>Purpose: Library</i>	\$120,000	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	23 <i>Purpose: NH Lake Host Program</i>	\$2,500	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	24 <i>Purpose: Milfoil Removal</i>	\$26,725	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	22 <i>Purpose: Fire Tahoe</i>	\$45,000	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	20 <i>Purpose: Transfer Station Improvements</i>	\$80,000	\$0
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$690,852	\$0



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	13	\$0	\$17,000	\$5,000
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	13	\$0	\$25,000	\$30,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes	13	\$0	\$6,500	\$6,500
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	13	\$0	\$40,000	\$30,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Taxes Subtotal			\$0	\$88,500	\$71,500
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	13	\$0	\$39,000	\$30,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	13	\$0	\$450,000	\$450,000
3230	Building Permits	13	\$0	\$25,000	\$30,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	13	\$0	\$30,000	\$35,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal			\$0	\$544,000	\$545,000
State Sources					
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	13	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	13	\$0	\$86,970	\$85,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	24	\$0	\$183,697	\$19,650
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$370,667	\$204,650
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	13	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
3409	Other Charges	13	\$0	\$0	\$2,000
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$0	\$20,000	\$22,000
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	13	\$0	\$22,500	\$5,000
3502	Interest on Investments	13	\$0	\$12,000	\$5,000
3503-3509	Other	13	\$0	\$48,000	\$12,000
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$0	\$82,500	\$22,000



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	28	\$0	\$0	\$10,000
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	27, 26, 25	\$0	\$3,500	\$45,700
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal			\$0	\$3,500	\$55,700
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	33, 30, 29, 31, 35, 32, 34	\$0	\$0	\$105,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	19	\$0	\$0	\$104,533
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$209,533
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$0	\$1,109,167	\$1,130,383



Budget Summary

Item	Period ending 12/31/2023
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$3,180,567
Special Warrant Articles	\$177,700
Individual Warrant Articles	\$690,852
Total Appropriations	\$4,049,119
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,130,383
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$2,918,736

TOWN OF FREEDOM
DETAIL OF REVENUE
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2022

Source	Amount
Property Tax Levy	\$ 2,931,182
Interest & Penalties (Late Taxes)	\$ 32,590
Yield Tax (Timber)	\$ 26,884
Boat Tax	\$ 6,194
Land Use Change Tax	\$ 13,500
State Aid:	
Meals & Rooms Distribution	\$ 147,601
Highway Block Grant	\$ 86,972
Other State Aid	\$ 531,517
Town Clerk:	
Dog Licenses	\$ 743
Vehicle Registrations	\$ 488,732
Other Fees	\$ 8
Transfer Station:	
Permits	\$ 32,960
Tipping Fees	\$ 12,035
Recycling Revenue	\$ 5,853
Building Inspector:	
Permits	\$ 37,156
Police Department:	
Reports, etc.	\$ 1,020
Special Detail Fees	\$ 184
Selectmen:	
Short Term Rentals	\$ 1,125
Copies, Printouts, Maps, Checklists, Fax	\$ 269
Donations	\$ 7,100
Planning Board Fees	\$ 765
ZBA Fees	\$ 2,707
Winter Road Maintenance Fees	\$ 1,700
Uncashed Checks	\$ -
Town of Eaton (Fire)	\$ 15,000
Cable TV Franchise Fee	\$ 42,172
Rent of Property	\$ -
Sale of Property	\$ 34,118
Interest Income	\$ 4,402
Fines	\$ 6,650
Other:	\$ 4,459
Insurance Dividends & Reimbursements	\$ 2,278
From Capital Reserve Fund/Expendable Trust Fund	\$ 3,460
From Special Revenue Funds	\$ 2,199
From Unreserved Fund Balance	\$ -
Total	\$ 4,483,535

**TOWN OF FREEDOM
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
FISCAL YEAR 2022**

SOURCE	BALANCE 1/1/2022	NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED	DUE TO/FROM OR A/R	TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND REVENUE	BALANCE 12/31/2022
INTERFUND TRANSFER IN:						
Cemetery P/C Interest	\$ 4,479.03		\$ 26.39			\$ 4,452.64
Municipal Building/Land	\$ 5,000.00					\$ 5,000.00
Town Road R-O-W	\$ 4,800.00					\$ 4,800.00
Total Interfund Transfers In	\$ 14,279.03					\$ 14,279.03
GIFTS AND DONATIONS:	\$ -					\$ -
General Government:	\$ -					\$ -
Town Hall Kitchen	\$ 3,727.61	\$ 4,000.00				\$ 7,727.61
Town						\$ -
Public Safety:	\$ -					\$ -
Police Department	\$ 9,750.00					\$ 9,750.00
Fire Department	\$ 1,065.00					\$ 1,065.00
Highways:	\$ -					\$ -
Highway Department	\$ 5,345.70					\$ 5,345.70
Culture and Recreation:	\$ -					\$ -
Recreation	\$ 2,768.71					\$ 2,768.71
Heritage Commission	\$ -					\$ -
Total Gifts and Donations	\$ 22,657.02					\$ 22,657.02
POLICE:	\$ -					\$ -
Outside Detail						\$ -
First Responder Stipend	\$ -					\$ -
Total Police	\$ -					\$ -
FIRE:	\$ -					\$ -
Firefighter's Grant	\$ -					\$ -
First Responder Stipend	\$ -					\$ -
Total Fire	\$ -					\$ -
CONSERVATION:	\$ -					\$ -
Gifts	\$ 194.70					\$ 194.70
Milford Grant	\$ -					\$ -
Milfoil Gifts	\$ 9,324.98					\$ 9,324.98
Land Use Tax	\$ 32,562.12					\$ 32,562.12
Wildlife Habitat	\$ 25,298.05					\$ 25,298.05
Town Forest Maintenance	\$ 78,504.21					\$ 78,504.21
Town Forest Stewardship Gifts	\$ 27,146.24					\$ 27,146.24
Total Conservation	\$ 173,030.30					\$ 173,030.30
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$ 209,966.35	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 26.39			\$ 213,939.96



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations As Voted
General Government			
4130-4139	Executive	11	\$66,480
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	11	\$17,150
4150-4151	Financial Administration	11	\$293,153
4152	Revaluation of Property	11	\$32,784
4153	Legal Expense	11	\$30,000
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	11	\$57,500
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	11	\$29,050
4194	General Government Buildings	11	\$71,375
4195	Cemeteries	11	\$7,725
4196	Insurance	11	\$53,325
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	11	\$2,506
4199	Other General Government		\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$661,048
Public Safety			
4210-4214	Police	11	\$428,470
4215-4219	Ambulance	11	\$104,759
4220-4229	Fire	11	\$195,856
4240-4249	Building Inspection	11	\$16,163
4290-4298	Emergency Management	11	\$500
4299	Other (Including Communications)	11	\$6,487
Public Safety Subtotal			\$752,235
Airport/Aviation Center			
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal			\$0
Highways and Streets			
4311	Administration		\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	11,14,15,16,1 7,18,19	\$1,496,546
4313	Bridges		\$0
4316	Street Lighting	11	\$5,000
4319	Other		\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$1,501,546
Sanitation			
4321	Administration		\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	11	\$329,949
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$329,949



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations As Voted
Water Distribution and Treatment			
4331	Administration		\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$0
Electric			
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0
Electric Subtotal			\$0
Health			
4411	Administration	11	\$500
4414	Pest Control		\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	11	\$17,160
Health Subtotal			\$17,660
Welfare			
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	11	\$47,250
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$47,250
Culture and Recreation			
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	11	\$12,900
4550-4559	Library	12	\$111,140
4583	Patriotic Purposes	11	\$1,400
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	11,37	\$4,850
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$130,290
Conservation and Development			
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	11,27,28,29,30	\$49,800
4619	Other Conservation		\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$49,800



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Appropriations As Voted
Debt Service			
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	11	\$193,677
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	11	\$30,738
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest		\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$224,415
Capital Outlay			
4901	Land		\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	21,22	\$115,631
4903	Buildings	13,20,24,25	\$463,926
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	26	\$7,500
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$587,057
Operating Transfers Out			
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	31,32,33,34,35	\$70,000
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds		\$0
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds		\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal			\$70,000
Total Voted Appropriations			\$4,371,250

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	Budgeted	Expenditure	Encumbered	Remaining
TOWN OFFICER SALARIES				
TOWN OFF SAL - SELECTMEN	18,000.00	18,000.00	0.00	0.00
TOWN OFF SAL - CLERK	37,280.00	37,403.53	0.00	(123.53)
TOWN OFF SAL - TREASURER	4,100.00	4,000.00	0.00	100.00
TOWN OFF SAL - TAX COLLECTOR	6,500.00	6,500.00	0.00	0.00
TOWN OFF SAL - TRUSTEES	600.00	600.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	66,480.00	66,503.53	0.00	(23.53)
ELECTION & REGISTRATION				
ELECTIONS - WORKERS	9,900.00	7,668.52	0.00	2,231.48
ELECTIONS - SUPERVISORS	2,500.00	2,246.75	0.00	253.25
ELECTIONS - PRINTING	3,750.00	4,920.54	0.00	(1,170.54)
ELECTIONS - OPERATING	1,000.00	1,154.66	0.00	(154.66)
TOTAL	17,150.00	15,990.47	0.00	1,159.53
TOWN OFFICE EXPENSE				
TOE - SELECTMEN'S FEES	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
TOE - TOWN CLERK COSTS	5,600.00	4,829.36	0.00	770.64
TOE - TAX COLLECTOR'S FEES	10,000.00	9,447.00	0.00	553.00
TOE - TAX COLLECTOR COSTS	10,000.00	9,374.15	0.00	625.85
TOE - FULL TIME SALARY	120,000.00	120,369.82	0.00	(369.82)
TOE - PART TIME SALARY	15,000.00	16,225.53	0.00	(1,225.53)
TOE - DEPUTY TOWN CLERK	18,018.00	544.50	0.00	17,473.50
TOE - DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR	6,000.00	3,028.00	0.00	2,972.00
TOE - RETIREMENT	3,600.00	4,545.16	0.00	(945.16)
TOE - LIFE/DISABILITY	1,300.00	1,236.84	0.00	63.16
TOE - HEALTH/DENTAL	40,435.00	40,732.68	0.00	(297.68)
TOE - OFFICE SUPPLY	7,500.00	7,334.02	0.00	165.98
TOE - POSTAGE	2,500.00	2,980.68	0.00	(480.68)
TOE - TRAINING/CONF/MTG	1,000.00	85.00	0.00	915.00
TOE - REIMBURSEABLE EXP	2,000.00	2,587.34	0.00	(587.34)
TOE - COMPUTER SUPPORT	20,000.00	22,720.58	0.00	(2,720.58)
TOE - DUES	2,800.00	2,673.00	0.00	127.00
TOE - REGISTRY OF DEEDS	200.00	87.20	0.00	112.80
TOE - TAX MAPS REVISIONS	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00
TOE - PROFESSIONAL AUDIT	13,500.00	17,000.00	0.00	(3,500.00)
TOE - TELEPHONE	2,500.00	2,414.03	0.00	85.97
TOE - PRINTING & ADVERTISING	2,000.00	627.38	0.00	1,372.62
TOE - EQUIP PURCHASE/REPAIR	3,000.00	3,088.09	0.00	(88.09)
TOE - BANK CHARGES	1,000.00	1,203.22	0.00	(203.22)
TOTAL	293,153.00	278,133.58	0.00	15,019.42
ASSESSING	32,784.00	32,784.00	0.00	0.00
LEGAL EXPENSE				
LEGAL - TOWN OFFICES	20,000.00	14,494.77	0.00	5,505.23
LEGAL - PLANNING	2,500.00	1,606.50	0.00	893.50
LEGAL - ZONING	3,000.00	822.50	0.00	2,177.50
LEGAL - BLDG/ZONING OFFICER	2,000.00	1,598.00	0.00	402.00
LEGAL - CONSERVATION	500.00		0.00	500.00
LEGAL - TAX DEEDED	1,500.00	3,825.74	0.00	(2,325.74)
LEGAL - PERSONNEL	500.00		0.00	500.00
TOTAL	30,000.00	22,347.51	0.00	7,652.49
PAYROLL TAXES				
TOWN - FICA	46,500.00	49,277.17	0.00	(2,777.17)
TOWN - SUTA	500.00	250.46	0.00	249.54
TOWN - MEDICARE TAX	10,500.00	11,524.53	0.00	(1,024.53)
TOTAL	57,500.00	61,052.16	0.00	(3,552.16)

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	Budgeted	Expenditure	Encumbered	Remaining
PLANNING BOARD				
PLANNING - PART TIME SALARY	800.00	552.00	0.00	248.00
PLANNING EXPENSES	2,250.00	2,251.22	0.00	(1.22)
TOTAL	3,050.00	2,803.22	0.00	246.78
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT				
ZONING - PART TIME SALARY	1,150.00	601.76	0.00	548.24
ZONING EXPENSES	4,350.00	4,332.80	0.00	17.20
TOTAL	5,500.00	4,934.56	0.00	565.44
ZONING OFFICER				
ZONING OFFICER - PART TIME SALARY	20,200.00	27,945.10	0.00	(7,745.10)
ZONING OFFICER EXPENSES	300.00	3,954.60	0.00	(3,654.60)
TOTAL	20,500.00	31,899.70	0.00	(11,399.70)
TOWN BUILDINGS				
TOWN BLD - JANITOR	10,300.00	8,784.80	0.00	1,515.20
TOWN BLD - OPERATE SUPPLY	1,000.00	967.99	0.00	32.01
TOWN BLD - VILLAGE FIRE MAINT	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
TOWN BLD - OFFICE MAINT/REP	7,000.00	2,453.86	0.00	4,546.14
TOWN BLD - TOWN HALL MAINT/REP	8,000.00	3,614.33	0.00	4,385.67
TOWN BLD - PSB MAINT/REPAIR	4,000.00	5,675.05	0.00	(1,675.05)
TOWN BLD - MASONIC LODGE MAINT	0.00	1,951.55	0.00	(1,951.55)
TOWN BLD - GROUNDS	3,500.00	5,944.37	0.00	(2,444.37)
TOWN BLD - EQUIPMENT	1,000.00	139.99		860.01
TOWN BLD - UTILITIES	36,075.00	32,584.63		3,490.37
TOTAL	71,375.00	62,116.57	0.00	9,258.43
CEMETERIES				
CEMETERIES - PART TIME LABOR	3,225.00	2,020.00	0.00	1,205.00
CEMETERIES - LAKEVIEW	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	0.00
CEMETERIES - OPERATING	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
TOTAL	7,725.00	6,020.00	0.00	1,705.00
INSURANCE				
INSURANCE - WORKMEN'S COMP	20,851.00	19,629.30	0.00	1,221.70
INSURANCE - GENERAL TOWN INS	32,474.00	30,312.61	0.00	2,161.39
TOTAL	53,325.00	49,941.91	0.00	3,383.09
REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS				
LAKES REGION PLANNING	2,506.00	2,506.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	2,506.00	2,506.00	0.00	0.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT				
POLICE - FULL TIME SALARIES	221,360.00	193,020.14	0.00	28,339.86
POLICE - PART TIME SALARIES	42,000.00	42,877.36	0.00	(877.36)
POLICE - HOLIDAY	10,025.00	9,364.96	0.00	660.04
POLICE - RETIREMENT	76,985.00	62,897.88	0.00	14,087.12
POLICE - LIFE/DISABILITY	1,770.00	1,437.10	0.00	332.90
POLICE - HEALTH & DENTAL INS.	40,430.00	37,885.93	0.00	2,544.07
POLICE - OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,000.00	1,693.66	0.00	(693.66)
POLICE - OPERATE SUPPLIES	500.00	138.43	0.00	361.57
POLICE - UNIFORMS	2,500.00	430.69	0.00	2,069.31
POLICE - COMPUTER SUPPORT	4,000.00	2,115.09	0.00	1,884.91
POLICE - MEETINGS	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
POLICE - TRAINING	500.00	4,124.80	0.00	(3,624.80)
POLICE - TELEPHONE	4,200.00	4,544.01	0.00	(344.01)
POLICE - GAS/OIL	9,000.00	10,335.13	0.00	(1,335.13)
POLICE - VEH MAINT/REP	6,000.00	6,430.11	0.00	(430.11)
POLICE - RADIO/EQUIP REPAIRS	2,500.00	307.50		2,192.50
POLICE - EQUIPMENT PURCH	5,000.00	3,655.81	0.00	1,344.19
POLICE - ANIMAL CONTROL	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	428,470.00	381,758.60	0.00	46,711.40
AMBULANCE	104,759.00	104,758.80	0.00	0.20

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	Budgeted	Expenditure	Encumbered	Remaining
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
FIRE - CHIEF FULL TIME SALARY	70,200.00	72,642.92	0.00	(2,442.92)
FIRE - PART-TIME STATION DUTY	3,000.00	1,575.00	0.00	1,425.00
FIRE - STIPEND FOR RESPONSE	35,000.00	34,999.52	0.00	0.48
FIRE - RETIREMENT	2,106.00	2,218.32	0.00	(112.32)
FIRE - LIFE/DISABILITY	900.00	889.20	0.00	10.80
FIRE - STIPEND FOR INSURANCE	3,600.00	3,900.00	0.00	(300.00)
FIRE - OFFICE EXPENSE	4,000.00	3,150.45	0.00	849.55
FIRE - TRAINING/CONF	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
FIRE - TURN OUT GEAR	11,000.00	8,644.94	0.00	2,355.06
FIRE - MUTUAL AID DUES	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00	0.00
FIRE - TELEPHONE	1,200.00	1,518.12	0.00	(318.12)
FIRE - GAS/OIL/DIESEL	3,500.00	4,601.24	0.00	(1,101.24)
FIRE - DRY HYDRANTS	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
FIRE - REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	30,550.00	27,420.71	0.00	3,129.29
FIRE - RADIO/EQUIPMENT	3,500.00	3,952.70	0.00	(452.70)
FIRE - PREVENTION	800.00	0.00	0.00	800.00
FIRE - EQUIP PURCH	7,000.00	15,251.77	0.00	(8,251.77)
FIRE - FIRST RESPONDERS	5,000.00	4,849.59	0.00	150.41
FIRE - IMMUNIZATIONS	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
FIRE - SEAGRAVES	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
FIRE - OPERATING	800.00	1,169.68	0.00	(369.68)
TOTAL	192,456.00	192,784.16	0.00	(328.16)
FOREST FIRE				
FOREST FIRE PROTECTION -	1,000.00	1,225.42	0.00	(225.42)
FOREST FIRE - EQUIP. PURCHASE	2,000.00	3,097.94	0.00	(1,097.94)
TOTAL	3,000.00	4,323.36	0.00	(1,323.36)
HYDRANTS	400.00	400.00	0.00	0.00
BUILDING INSPECTION				
BLDG. INSPECTOR - PARTTIME	12,875.00	4,596.00	0.00	8,279.00
BLDG. INSPECTOR - OPERATING	3,288.00	1,671.60	0.00	1,616.40
TOTAL	16,163.00	6,267.60	0.00	9,895.40
DAM OPERATIONS	6,487.00	6,846.82	0.00	(359.82)
HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE				
HIGHWAYS - SUMMER LABOR	137,916.00	110,107.96	0.00	27,808.04
ASPHALT	2,288.00	1,464.75	0.00	823.25
GRAVEL	13,600.00	33,216.23	0.00	(19,616.23)
STONE	3,550.00	3,542.69	0.00	7.31
CULVERT	4,200.00	49.25	0.00	4,150.75
SIGN'S & SIGNAL'S	6,000.00	3,069.80	0.00	2,930.20
CONTRACT SERVICES	28,038.00	30,448.85	0.00	(2,410.85)
DRAINAGE STRUCTURES	20,000.00	260.00	0.00	19,740.00
ROAD STRIPPING	14,000.00	14,681.64	0.00	(681.64)
RENTAL EQUIPMENT SUMMER	51,540.00	106,473.00	0.00	(54,933.00)
HIGHWAYS - WINTER LABOR	160,889.00	161,584.90	0.00	(695.90)
SALT	80,256.00	47,763.16	0.00	32,492.84
SAND	46,925.00	25,106.00	0.00	21,819.00
VILLAGE SNOW REMOVAL	1,400.00	1,380.00	0.00	20.00
RENTAL EQUIPMENT WINTER	110,832.00	108,977.50	0.00	1,854.50
ROAD AGENT MILEAGE	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
HIGHWAYS - OPERATING	7,200.00	5,008.82	0.00	2,191.18
RETIREMENT	6,800.00	5,561.46	0.00	1,238.54

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	Budgeted	Expenditure	Encumbered	Remaining
LIFE/DISABILITY	4,500.00	4,675.24	0.00	(175.24)
HEALTH INSURANCE	84,500.00	80,062.19	0.00	4,437.81
DRUG TESTING	250.00	511.25	0.00	(261.25)
TRAINING	500.00	0.00		500.00
UNIFORMS	5,200.00	6,123.53	0.00	(923.53)
BUILDING/SAFETY SUPPLIES	1,200.00	2,906.04	0.00	(1,706.04)
OFFICE SUPPLIES	500.00	99.99	0.00	400.01
MEALS & BEVERAGES	1,000.00	295.02	0.00	704.98
WATER	600.00	575.00	0.00	25.00
ELECTRIC	2,600.00	2,563.62	0.00	36.38
TELEPHONE	800.00	519.87	0.00	280.13
FUEL OIL	6,060.00	0.00	0.00	6,060.00
GASOLINE	6,400.00	6,020.79	0.00	379.21
DIESEL FUEL	48,722.00	41,060.22	0.00	7,661.78
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	70,940.00	71,304.18	0.00	(364.18)
TOOLS/EQUIPMENT	4,000.00	1,681.49	0.00	2,318.51
VEHICLE SUPPLIES	1,000.00	701.26	0.00	298.74
OILS SUPPLIES	5,200.00	11,778.40	0.00	(6,578.40)
OXYGEN & ACETYLENE	400.00	255.50	0.00	144.50
TOTAL	940,106.00	889,829.60	0.00	50,276.40
STREET LIGHTS - ELECTRIC	TOTAL	5,000.00	3,589.75	0.00
1,410.25				
TRANSFER STATION				
SANITATION - FULL TIME SALARY	50,200.00	55,150.69	0.00	(4,950.69)
SANITATION - PART TIME SALARY	40,000.00	45,755.43	0.00	(5,755.43)
SANITATION - RETIREMENT	1,506.00	1,534.98	0.00	(28.98)
SANITATION - LIFE/DISABILITY	1,380.00	1,407.33	0.00	(27.33)
SANITATION - HEALTH/DENTAL	19,682.00	22,145.94	0.00	(2,463.94)
SANITATION - UNIFORMS	1,500.00	1,465.77	0.00	34.23
SANITATION - ENGINEERING	8,000.00	6,750.00	0.00	1,250.00
SANITATION - SUPPLIES	200.00	326.20	0.00	(126.20)
SANITATION - ELECTRIC	4,500.00	4,667.36	0.00	(167.36)
SANITATION - TELEPHONE	1,000.00	890.50	0.00	109.50
SANITATION - DIESEL	600.00	0.00	0.00	600.00
SANITATION - EQUIPMENT RENT	600.00	0.00	0.00	600.00
SANITATION - TRANSPORT	185,000.00	145,066.39	0.00	39,933.61
SANITATION - SITE	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
SANITATION - BUILDING MAIN	750.00	3,049.03	0.00	(2,299.03)
SANITATION - EQUIPMENT REPAIR	4,000.00	924.66	0.00	3,075.34
SANITATION - BACKHOE	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
SANITATION - HAZARDOUS	3,431.00	5,688.29	0.00	(2,257.29)
SANITATION - PRINTING	600.00	127.50	0.00	472.50
SANITATION - OPERATING	1,000.00	730.99	0.00	269.01
TOTAL	329,949.00	295,681.06	0.00	34,267.94
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES				
HEALTH - PARTTIME	400.00	310.00	0.00	90.00
HEALTH - OPERATING SUPPLY	100.00	82.23	0.00	17.77
HEALTH AGENCIES	17,160.00	17,288.00	0.00	(128.00)
TOTAL	17,660.00	17,680.23	0.00	(20.23)
GENERAL ASSISTANCE				
WELFARE - PART TIME	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
SR. RESOURCE COORD	11,150.00	8,820.08		2,329.92
SRC OPERATING SUPPLY	100.00	134.11		(34.11)
WELFARE - UTILITIES	1,000.00	271.97	0.00	728.03
WELFARE - GENERAL	26,000.00	16,210.09	0.00	9,789.91
WELFARE - FOOD	2,000.00	3,923.50	0.00	(1,923.50)
WELFARE - FOOD PANTRY	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	47,250.00	34,359.75	0.00	12,890.25

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	Budgeted	Expenditure	Encumbered	Remaining
PARKS & RECREATION				
P & R - PARTTIME SALARY	850.00	360.00	0.00	490.00
P & R - ELECTRIC SUPPLY	500.00	550.12	0.00	(50.12)
P & R - EQUIP MAINT/REPAIRS	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
P & R - WATER	575.00	575.00	0.00	0.00
P & R - BALLFIELD MOW/MAINTAIN	5,000.00	1,727.98	0.00	3,272.02
P & R - PORT A POTTIES	3,000.00	4,489.20	0.00	(1,489.20)
P & R - FISHING DERBY	175.00	175.00	0.00	0.00
P & R - BEACHES	200.00	199.36	0.00	0.64
P & R - TENNIS COURTS	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
P & R - TOWN BEAUTIFICATION	400.00	203.50	0.00	196.50
P & R - LITTLE LEAGUE	800.00	900.00	0.00	(100.00)
TOTAL	12,900.00	9,180.16	0.00	3,719.84
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES				
TOTAL	1,400.00	1,299.99	0.00	100.01
OLD HOME WEEK				
TOTAL	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00
HERITAGE COMMISSION				
TOTAL	850.00	11.00	0.00	839.00
AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES				
TOTAL	750.00	387.70	0.00	362.30
CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
CONSERVATION - PART TIME	500.00	892.00	0.00	(392.00)
CONSERVATION - OPERATING	1,200.00	499.57	0.00	700.43
CONSERVATION - DUES	250.00	250.00	0.00	0.00
CONSERVATION TRAINING	450.00			450.00
CONSERVATION - MEETINGS	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
TOTAL	2,600.00	1,641.57	0.00	958.43
WATER QUALITY TESTING				
TOTAL	4,500.00	4,650.00	0.00	(150.00)
DEBT SERVICES				
BOND - PRINCIPAL PSB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LEASE - PRINCIPAL FIRE TRUCK	68,677.00	68,677.00	0.00	0.00
BOND- ROAD BOND	125,000.00	125,000.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	193,677.00	193,677.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST EXPENSE				
INTEREST - FIRE TRUCK	1,863.00	1,863.00	0.00	0.00
ROAD BOND INTEREST	28,875.00	28,875.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER INTEREST -IRS	0.00	342.44	0.00	(342.44)
TOTAL	30,738.00	31,080.44	0.00	(342.44)
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	3,002,663.00	2,819,240.80	0.00	183,422.20

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	Budgeted	Expenditure	Encumbered	Remaining
CAPITAL OUTLAY / INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES				
FIRE NEW RESCUE	69,000.00	0.00	69,000.00	0.00
HISTORICAL SOCIETY	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00
FAC - FOREST MAINTENANCE	500.00	74.09	0.00	425.91
NH LAKE HOST PROGRAM	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00
POLICE CRUISER	46,631.00	53,285.65		(6,654.65)
HIGHWAY GRAVEL CRUSHING	40,700.00	40,700.00		0.00
HIGHWAY -RECLAIM SWETT HILL	273,740.00	364,528.02		(90,788.02)
HIGHWAY SWETT HILL CULVERTS	115,000.00	205,255.57		(90,255.57)
HIGHWAY WINTER SAND	420,000.00	453,249.00		(33,249.00)
FAISC - MILFOIL REMOVAL	35,950.00	10,800.00	12,575.00	12,575.00
FAC - FORESTER	3,000.00	2,125.00	0.00	875.00
LIBRARY APPROPRIATION	111,140.00	111,140.00	0.00	0.00
LIBRARY REPAIRS	20,000.00	5,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
HIGHWAY - PAVING	75,000.00	0.00	0.00	75,000.00
HIGHWAY-SEALING	112,000.00	101,149.86		10,850.14
HIGHWAY - CRACK & SEAL	25,000.00	22,250.00		2,750.00
TOWN HALL- FLOORING	14,523.00	14,523.00		0.00
TOWN BLDG-MASONIC LODGE	9,403.00	9,944.25		(541.25)
TOWN OFFICE EQPT UPGRADES	7,500.00	6,837.97		662.03
TOTAL	1,383,587.00	1,405,362.41	27,575.00	(49,350.41)
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS				
CAPITAL RESERVES				
CAPITAL RESERVE - POLICE	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00
CAPITAL RESERVE - HIGHWAY	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00
CAPITAL RESERVE - FIRE EQUIP.	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00
CAPITAL RESERVE - T.HALL/OFFICE	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00
CAPITAL RESERVE -PSB MAINT/REP	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	70,000.00	70,000.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY/INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES	1,453,587.00	1,475,362.41	27,575.00	(49,350.41)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,456,250.00	4,294,603.21	27,575.00	134,071.79

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF PROPERTY VALUATION

	Acres	Valuation	Total
Value of Land Only			
A. Current Use (at current use values)	11,519.71	\$ 699,551	
B. Discretionary Preservation Easement	0.26	450	
C. Residential	6,235.03	283,645,400	
D. Commercial/Industrial	415.01	6,386,400	
Total of Taxable Land	18,170.01		\$ 290,731,801
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land	3,437.73	14,783,100	
Value of Buildings Only			
A. Residential		325,285,401	
B. Manufactured Housing		29,889,700	
C. Commercial/Industrial		11,006,800	
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement (21 Structures)		71,499	
Total of Taxable Buildings			\$ 366,253,400
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings		15,636,200	
Public Utilities - Value of all property used in production, transmission and distribution including production, machinery, land, land rights, easements, etc.			
Electric		4,826,900	
Total Public Utilities			\$ 4,826,900
Valuation Before Exemptions			\$ 661,812,101
Blind Exemptions RSA 72:38-b			
Total Number Granted - 0			
Elderly Exemptions RSA 72:39, a and b			
Total Number Granted - 4		175,500	
Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b			
Total Number Granted - 1		20,000	
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$ 195,000
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is Computed			\$ 661,617,101
Less Public Utilities			\$ (4,826,900)
Net Valuation without utilities which the Tax Rate for State Education is Computed			\$ 656,790,201



Tax Rate Breakdown Freedom

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$2,986,416	\$661,617,101	\$4.51
County	\$741,344	\$661,617,101	\$1.12
Local Education	\$2,266,623	\$661,617,101	\$3.43
State Education	\$768,313	\$656,790,201	\$1.17
Total	\$6,762,696		\$10.23

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Freedom Village Water	\$0	\$18,093,181	\$0.00
Total	\$0		\$0.00

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$6,762,696
War Service Credits	(\$30,950)
Village District Tax Effort	\$0
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$6,731,746

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11/18/2022

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$4,371,250	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$1,171,659)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$273,740)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0
War Service Credits	\$30,950	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$29,615	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$2,986,416	

County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$741,344	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$741,344	

Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$3,328,519	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Education Grant		(\$293,583)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$768,313)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$2,266,623	
State Education Tax	\$768,313	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$768,313	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)

Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$661,617,101	\$657,946,874
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$656,790,201	\$652,079,174
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$0	\$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$661,617,101	\$657,946,874

Village (MS-1V)

Description	Current Year
Freedom Village Water	\$18,093,181

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	\$0
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$8,147,530
Final Overlay	\$29,615

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the determination of the adequacy of your municipality's unrestricted fund balance, as currently defined in GASB Statement 54. Retention amounts, as part of the municipality's stabilization fund policy [1], should be assessed dependent upon your governments own long-term forecasts and special circumstances. Please note that current best practices published by GFOA recommend, at a minimum, that "...general purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months of regular general fund operating revenues or regular general fund operating expenditures." [2],[3]

[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)*, pg. 17.

[2] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2015), *Best Practice: Fund Balance Guidelines for the General Fund*.

[3] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2011), *Best Practice: Replenishing General Fund Balance*.

2022 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Freedom	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (16.16%)	\$1,316,374
17% Retained <i>(Maximum Recommended)</i>	\$1,385,080
10% Retained	\$814,753
8% Retained	\$651,802
5% Retained <i>(Minimum Recommended)</i>	\$407,377

TOWN OWNED PROPERTY SCHEDULE

Assessed Values
As of December 31, 2022

Town Hall, Land and Building.....	\$553,900
Town Office, Land and Building	328,900
Public Safety Building and Land.....	955,000
Roller Shed, Land and Building.....	32,700
Masonic Lodge Land and Building	373,300
Library, Land and Buildings	492,000
Highway Department, Land and Buildings.....	230,000
Transfer/Recycling Facility, Land and Buildings.....	95,100
Parks, Commons, Playgrounds and Beaches.....	875,400
Schools, Land and Building	3,990,500
Conservation Commission	729,300
Trout Pond Town Forest	2,656,700
All Land Acquired Through Tax Collectors Deed.....	513,800
All Other Property:	
Backland off Cushing Corner Road	
abuts Morrow/Hayes - Owners Uncertain	48,300
abuts Danforth Pond/Ossipee Lake Road	71,200
	\$11,946,100

TOWN OWNED EQUIPMENT

In Excess of \$1,000

Highway Department

2021 Chevrolet Silverado 5500
 2018 Ford F-550 One Ton
 2016 Ford F-550 One Ton
 2018 Ford F-150
 2022 Mack GR44F Dump
 1985 GMC Tank Truck
 2014 Cat 924K Loader
 2014 Cat 420 Backhoe (Used at Transfer Station)
 2011 Cat 140M2 Motor Grader
 2019 Hi-Way 10' 6 yd stainless steel sander
 2018 Hi-Way 4 yd stainless steel sander
 2017 Hi-Way 6.5 yd stainless steel sander
 2016 Hi-Way 4yd stainless steels sander
 2006 Hi-Way 12' stainless steel sander
 1999 Shoulder Gravel Machine
 1994 Billy Goat
 1992 Morbark Chipper
 1991 MB Sweeper
 1963 York Rake
 2011 Pressure Washer
 Miller Generator/Welder

Transfer Station

3 Hydraulic Compactors
 6 Containers
 12' Snowpusher
 Ariens 28" Professional Snowblower

Police Department

2022 Chevrolet Tahoe
 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe
 2016 Ford Explorer
 2 Axon Taser 7 Units
 2 Kustom Golden Eagle II Radar units
 3 Mobile Motorola Astro Digital Radio
 2007 Polaris Ranger 6x6
 Stationary Radar Unit
 3 RhinoTab M1 Mobile Data Transmitters

Fire Department

2017 HME Fire Truck
 2012 International Tank Truck
 2013 Chevy Tahoe
 2011 Ford F550 One Ton (Fire only)
 2006 F550 Ford Forestry Truck
 2000 F550 Ford Rescue Truck
 1989 Mack Fire Truck
 1926 Seagrave Fire Truck
 2004 Portable Deck Gun
 1996 Stinger Deck Gun
 2006 (23) XTS 2500i Portable Radios
 2004 (4) Motorola Astro Digital Radios
 1996 100-Watt Kenwood Radio
 2020 Sava Tech Air Bag System
 2020 Holmatro Cutter
 2020 Holmatro Spreader
 2020 Holmatro Combi Tool
 2020 Holmatro Ram
 2020 Stabilizer Lifting Bracket
 2020 Windshield Cutter & Accessories
 2004 Stabilization Kit
 MSA 5500 Thermal Imaging Camera
 2020 MSA 6000 Thermal Imaging Camera
 14 MSA Airpacks
 Honda Generator
 2007 13,000-watt Honda Generator
 10,000-Watt Diesel Generator
 2 MSA Multi Gas Meter
 2 Darley Portable Pumps
 2000 275-Gallon Forestry Skid Unit
 2002 450-Gallon Forestry Skid Unit
 2007 75-gallon Skid Unit with Pump/Reel
 2020 Kawasaki Mule Pro-FXT EPS UTV
 2006 Akron Hose Tester
 2007 Can Am 4x4 ATV
 2007 Polaris Ranger 6x6
 2007 315PSI Forestry Pump
 2006 120GPM Forestry Pump
 Phillips 12 Lead Cardiac Monitor
 1998 Positive Pressure Fan
 2008 Rescue Sled
 3000-Watt Light Tower
 Extractor
 RAD 57
 Remote Light
 Lucas Auto Pulse
 Alaris Med System 3 IV Pump

DEBT AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

Purpose: Rescue	
2022 Installment	\$1,640.00
Interest Rate	2.89%
Date of Final Payment	1/10/2027
Bonds o/s at beginning of year	326,131
Bonds issued this year	\$0.00
Bonds retired this year	\$0.00
Bonds o/s at end of year	324,491

Annual requirements to amortize all general obligation
(debt as of 12/31/22)

Year	Principal	Rate	Interest	Total
2023	\$59,622.21	2.89%	\$9,377.79	\$69,000.00
2024	\$64,829.44	2.89%	\$5,741.03	\$70,570.47
2025	\$64,789.33	2.89%	\$5,781.14	\$70,570.47
2026	\$66,661.75	2.89%	\$3,908.73	\$70,570.47
2027	\$68,588.27	2.89%	\$1,982.20	\$70,570.47
Total	\$324,491.00		\$26,790.88	\$351,281.88

Purpose: Ossipee Lake & Bennett Roads	
2022 Installment	\$125,000
Interest Rate	5.02%
Date of Final Payment	8/15/2026
Bonds o/s at beginning of year	\$500,000
Bonds issued this year	\$0
Bonds Retired this year	\$0
Bonds o/s at end of year	\$375,000

Annual requirements to amortize all general obligation
(debt as of 12/31/21)

Year	Principal	Rate	Interest	Total
2023	\$125,000	4.02%	\$22,600	\$147,600
2024	\$125,000	4.02%	\$17,575	\$142,575
2025	\$125,000	5.02%	\$12,550	\$137,550
2026	\$125,000	5.02%	\$6,275	\$131,275
Total	\$500,000		\$59,000	\$559,000

SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY

Liability at Beginning of Year	\$ 438,903
Assessment for Current Year	\$3,034,936
Total Liability within Current Year.....	\$3,473,839
Payments made to School District.....	\$2,688,903
Liability at End of Year	\$ 784,936
Total.....	\$3,473,839

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
(January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)

Report of Revenue Received

3159 Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	\$ 488,732.16
136 Dog Licenses	680.00
67 Vital Copies	810.00
6 Marriage Licenses	300.00
Facilities Permits	520.00
Postage	54.00
State - UCC filings	1,005.00
State Checklist Copies	350.00

MISCELLANEOUS:

Dog License Late Charges	11.00
Vital VSX Form	10.00
Replacement dog tag	2.00
State Rep Filing Fees	8.00
Dog Fine	<u>50.00</u>
	81.00 <u>81.00</u>

TOTAL:	\$ 492,532.16
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Respectfully submitted,

A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2022

DEBITS				
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year:	Levy for Year of this Report	2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes		359,457.61		
Land Use Change Taxes				
Timber Yield Taxes		457.59		
Excavation Tax @\$.02/yd				
Prior Years' Credit Balance	(19,665.49)			
This Year's New Credits				
Tax Committed This Year:		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	6,737,160.00	248.00		
Land Use Change Taxes	10,000.00	17,000.00		
Timber Yield Taxes	34,141.59			
Excavation Tax @\$.02/yd				
Overpayment:		2021	2020	2019
Credits Refunded	19,769.10			
Interest - Late Taxes	3,175.50	11,604.35		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 6,784,580.70	\$ 388,767.55	\$ -	\$ -
CREDITS				
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	6,464,255.02	285,265.98		
Land Use Change Taxes	10,000.00	17,000.00		
Timber Yield Taxes	30,383.38	457.59		
Interest	2,770.50	7,693.35		
Penalties	405.00	3,911.00		
Excavation Tax @\$.02/yd				
Converted to Liens (principal only)		72,416.63		
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned				
Abatements Made:		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	2,424.00	2,023.00		
Land Use Change Taxes				
Timber Yield Taxes				
Current Levy Deeded	321.00			
Uncollected Revenue End of Year:		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	289,026.61			
Land Use Change Taxes				
Timber Yield Taxes	3,758.21			
Excavation Tax @\$.02/yd				
Property Tax Credit Balance	(18,763.02)			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 6,784,580.70	\$ 388,767.55	\$ -	\$ -

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF TAX SALES / TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2022

SUMMARY OF DEBITS		Prior Levies:	
	2021	2020	2019
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year		45,945.86	30,325.18
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	77,999.37		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	1,531.15	3,622.29	7,956.07
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 79,530.52	\$ 49,568.15	\$ 38,281.25
SUMMARY OF CREDITS		Prior Levies:	
	2021	2020	2019
Redemptions	34,924.42	19,814.29	28,455.74
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	1,531.15	3,622.29	7,956.07
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	144.03	617.59	361.67
Liens Deeded to Municipality	710.00	700.00	804.75
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	42,220.92	24,813.98	703.02
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 79,530.52	\$ 49,568.15	\$ 38,281.25

Respectfully submitted,
Annette Babb
Tax Collector

ABATEMENTS

Name	Location	Tax Year(s)	Amount
Eaton, Chuck	Map 60, Lot 1-000E21	2017	361.67
Janvrin, Glen	Map 60, lot 000P03	2020	165.52
Machane III, Joe	Map 60, Lot 0YLI33	2020	452.07
Purity Spring	Map 60, Lot 1-0YCA23	2021	40.82
Purity Spring	Map 60, Lot 1-0YAD12	2020	103.21
Janvrin, Glen	Map 60, Lot 1-000P03	2021	41.00
Baril, James	Map 05, Lot 04	2021	109.00
Beaudet, Kyle	Map 60, Lot 1-0YLA03	2021	248.00
Heron, Michael	Map 60, Lot 1-YLI13	2021	139.00
Ness, Brad	Map 5, Lot 4	2021	109.00
O'Connor, Joseph	Map 60, Lot 1-0YLA03	2021	248.00
Parseghian, Ken	Map 5, Lot 4	2021	109.00
Peterson, Carin	Map 5, Lot 4	2021	109.00
Police, Karla	Map 60, Lot 1-000P16	2021	293.00
Rapoli, Louis	Map 60, Lot 1-0YIS05	2021	266.00
Thurston, Dave	Map 60, Lot 1-0YOW49	2021	352.00
Banks, Robert	Map 60, Lot 1-0YWI09	2022	162.00
Beyer, Barbara	Map 60, Lot 1-0YPI13	2022	99.00
Carroll County YMCA	Map 1, Lot 15-02	2022	1188.00
Carroll County YMCA	Map 1, Lot 15-03	2022	171.00
Cooper, Phyllis	Map 60, Lot 01-YOW21	2022	58.00
Corey Jr., Calvin	Map 60, Lot 01-YOW16	2022	132.00
Cutter, Kim	Map 60, Lot 01-000N42	2022	254.00
Halnon, Douglas	Map 60, Lot 1-0YMA08	2022	141.00
Lamper, Christine	Map 60, Lot 1-0YFL01	2022	103.00
McArthur, Robert D.	Map 60, Lot 1-0YZE05	2022	116.00
Total			\$5,570.29

TREASURER'S REPORT
For Fiscal Year Ending 12/31/2022

Bank Balances as of 12/31/2022	\$ 1,766,925.46
Income 2022	
Boat Registration	\$ 6,194.07
Building Inspection	\$ 43,979.93
FEMA	\$ 27,289.38
Highway Block Grant	\$ 161,450.49
Interest Income	\$ 4,848.88
Returned Checks Recovered	\$ 371.37
Selectmen	\$ 1,827,075.32
Short-Term Rental Permits	\$ 1,793.20
Tax Collector	\$ 6,927,107.44
Town Clerk	\$ 492,382.16
Trustees of Trust Fund	\$ 397,170.98
Total Income	\$ 9,889,663.22
Expenses 2022	
Bank Service Charge	\$ 1,315.22
Operating Expenses	\$ 7,899,603.85
Payroll Expenses	\$ 789,053.97
Returned Check Fee	\$ 45.00
Trustees of Trust Fund (NHPDIP)	\$ 90,000.00
Total Expenses	\$ 8,780,018.04
Net Income	\$ 1,109,645.18
 Bank Balances as of 12/31/2022	 \$ 2,876,570.64

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Jayne Britton, Treasurer

TOWN EMPLOYEES

Fire Department		
	Rob Cunio	\$ 73,900.00
	Charlie Hatfield	\$ 1,220.00
	Jeff LeDuc	\$ 355.00
Forest Fire Department		
	Rob Cunio	\$ 44.07
	Charlie Hatfield	\$ 60.45
	Eric Seamans	\$ 60.45
	Christopher Vittum	\$ 60.45
Highway Department		
	Lance Bolduc	\$ 68,766.75
	Scott Brooks, Sr.	\$ 50,355.11
	Michael D'Andrea	\$ 609.50
	Ken Derouin	\$ 39,676.25
	Barry Kittredge	\$ 8,216.25
	Jim MacDonald	\$ 66,258.75
	Lucas McKinley	\$ 688.50
	JP McVitty	\$ 5,168.00
	Bruce Morgan	\$ 27,630.75
	Jeffrey Towle	\$ 3,776.25
	Rusty White, Jr.	\$ 8,422.00
Police Department		
	Eric Diaz	\$ 69,078.09
	Tyler Eldridge	\$ 720.00
	Robert King	\$ 8,385.00
	Rich Laferriere	\$ 81,606.96
	James Mullen	\$ 88,130.86
	Jocelyn Rogers-Hamalainen	\$ 3,660.00
	Josh Shackford	\$ 1,040.00
	Matt Tyler	
Transfer Station		
	Justin Brooks	\$ 51,165.14
	Sean Coriaty	\$ 1,224.00
	Richard Despres	\$ 2,502.00
	Raymond Johnson	\$ 16,716.50
	Charlene MacCurtain	\$ 10,193.51
	George Stone	\$ 26,843.03
Office		
	Stacy Bolduc	\$ 43,027.05
	Emily Fournier	
	Tammy Nason	\$ 980.00
	Samantha Porter	\$ 5,998.00
	John Roman	\$ 9,651.39
	Joyce Watson	\$ 120.00
	Ellen White	\$ 79,603.18
	Jo Williams	\$ 544.50
Building Inspector		
	David Senecal	\$ 5,606.50
Zoning Officer		
	Gary Williams	\$ 28,098.00
PB/FAISC/FAC/FCC		
	Melissa Donaldson	\$ 2,340.00
ZBA		
	Stacy Bolduc	\$ 601.76
Facilities Custodian		
	Mark McKinley	\$ 9,310.50
Health Officer		
	Frank Evitts	\$ 310.00
Senior Resource Coordinator		
	Renee Wheaton	\$ 8,115.00

STIPENDS

Fire/Rescue

George Boewe, Jr.	\$	2,038.40
Robert Brown	\$	111.36
Dave Cribbie	\$	108.00
Patrick Cunio	\$	50.00
Jason Daggett	\$	627.72
Michael Eldridge, Jr.	\$	5,340.92
David Farinella	\$	680.04
Charles Hatfield	\$	6,982.20
Daniel Jones	\$	353.52
Timothy Powers	\$	491.04
Laurel Roberts	\$	326.52
Timothy Roberts	\$	380.52
Eric Seamans	\$	6,171.92
James Stone	\$	5,227.44
Richard Ullrich	\$	3,260.76
Christopher Vittum	\$	2,849.16

TOWN OFFICIALS

	Salary	Costs/Fees	Expenses	Total
Selectmen				
Leslie R. Babb	\$ 6,000.00			\$ 6,000.00
Ernest F. Day, Jr.	\$ 6,000.00			\$ 6,000.00
Melissa M. Florio	\$ 6,000.00			\$ 6,000.00
Town Clerk				
A. Elizabeth Priebe	\$ 37,996.76		\$ 1,572.32	\$ 39,569.08
Tax Collector				
Annette Babb	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 9,425.00	\$ 943.54	\$ 16,868.54
Moderator				
Don Johnson			\$ 30.91	\$ 30.91
Chuck Brooks			\$ 60.84	\$ 60.84
Supervisors of the Checklist				
Maureen Brooks	\$ 690.25			\$ 690.25
Patricia McCoy	\$ 880.00			\$ 880.00
Carol Stansell	\$ 676.50			\$ 676.50
Treasurer				
M. Jayne Britton	\$ 4,000.00			\$ 4,000.00
Trustees of Trust Funds				
Anne Cunningham	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00
Patricia McCoy	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00
Paul Olzerowicz	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VENDORS

Vendor Name	Payments		Vendor Name	Payments
12 East Ridge Prop Maintenance	5,171.18		Charles Watts III	36,864.00
Action Ambulance	104,758.80		Charrette'S Flooring	14,523.00
Admiral Fire & Safety, Inc.	272.22		Charter Communications	8,529.17
Advanced Diesel	14,285.00		Charter Communications	5,258.08
Airgas Usa, Llc	347.50		Chasse Equipment Repair	243.00
All States Construction Inc	126,294.61		Children Unlimited, Inc.	2,000.00
All-Temp Services Inc	3,193.50		Cintas Fire Protection	3,923.86
Allied Equipment, Llc	18,070.37		Clark'S Grain Store Inc.	531.63
Alpine Machine Company Inc	1,662.50		Cma Engineers, Inc.	77,792.21
American Red Cross	1,300.00		Code-2, Llc	3,589.04
American Test Center, Inc.	420.00		Coleman Concrete Inc.	1,799.25
Anne Cunningham	2,939.44		Coleman Rental & Supply	5,674.10
Annette Babb	10,368.54		Coleman, A.J. & Son	5,853.40
Aqualogic Inc	9,900.00		Conger & Son	600.00
AST	15,000.00		Consolidated Communications	821.25
Atlantic Recycling Equipment	701.00		Conway Area Humane Society	500.00
Aubuchon Hardware	324.08		Conway Daily Sun	4,724.85
Averys Industrial Services Llc	2,500.00		Conway Embroidery	83.00
Avitar Assoc. Of New England	11,990.00		Corelogic Tax Services	16,181.65
AWSI	58.00		County Of Plymouth	200.00
B.H. Keith Associates	2,375.00		Cws Fence & Guardrail	13,380.00
Bank Of New Hampshire	1,130.94		Deyab Electric Llc	1,590.00
Bank Of Nh-Cardmember Service	29,577.24		Dieselworks Llc	1,074.16
Benchmark Office Systems	1,069.99		Dig & Doze, Llc	2,000.00
Bergeron Technical Services Ll	17,695.50		Digital Federal Credit Union	79.00
Betsy Moody	100.00		Diprizio Gmc Trucks Inc.	2,398.53
Bob Bryant'S Wrecker Service	600.00		Diver For Hire	450.00
Boewe, George Jr.	2,020.00		Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	6,430.45
Brooks, Scott	97,036.52		E & E Electric	1,533.25
Burke Quarry Llc	1,464.75		E.J. Prescott Inc.	4,000.00
Business Mgt Systems	3,145.00		Eastern Minerals Inc	31,593.73
C.C. Registry Of Deeds	469.74		Eastman'S Welding	3,069.42
C.C. Treasurer	741,344.00		Eaton'S Cleaning & Restoration	535.00
C.N. Brown	71,398.55		EFTPS	227,006.82
C.N. Brown	18,170.07		Eldridge Logging Llc	7,100.00
Capital One Trade Credit	356.30		Emergency Medical Products	3,843.33
Capital One Trade Credit	639.22		Eversource	16,404.22
CASA	500.00		Eversource	3,906.04
Casella Waste Mgt Inc	138,878.37		F.W. Webb Company	313.89
Certified Laboratories	5,401.00		Finley & Mulvena Inc	1,962.00
Chappell Tractor Sales, Inc.	2,153.90		Firematic Supply Co, Inc.	20,059.99
Charles Brooks	627.34		Firetech Training	1,100.00
First Signs Of Fire	147.80		Lakeview Cemetery	4,000.77
Fournier Heating & Cooling Llc	684.39		Lawson Products, Inc.	778.46
Frechette Oil & Backhoe	145.00		Liberty Chevrolet	44,376.65
Freedom Elementary School	2,850,000.00		Lifesavers Inc.	1,698.00
Freedom Firefighters Assoc	2,784.60		LTD Diving	450.00
Freedom Food Pantry	5,000.00		Macdonald Motors	480.09
Freedom Historical Society	2,000.00		Maine Commercial Tire	1,178.81

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VENDORS

Vendor Name	Payments		Vendor Name	Payments
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Freedom Library	111,140.00		Maple Ridge	625.00
Freedom Old Home Week	2,000.00		Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc.	420.57
Freedom School District	300,360.00		Matton Security Systems	144.00
Freedom Title Services	790.00		Merrimack County Conserv Dist	75.00
Freedom Village Water Precinct	3,275.00		Michie Corporation	69,864.40
G.W. Brooks & Son, Inc.	247,655.21		Milton Rents	12,450.00
Gbd Enterprise Llc	1,680.00		Minuteman Press	11,916.99
Gold Title	175.98		Moore's Crane Rental Corp.	5,398.00
Gorham Flag Center	1,255.00		Morton Salt, Inc.	7,396.38
Granite VNA	2,500.00		Motorola Solutions	173,966.34
Green Mountain Conservation Gr	4,650.00		MR Wood Recycling	6,000.00
Gregory A Colby, CPA	3,100.00		Municipal Leasing Credit Corp	1,640.00
Hartford Communications Llc	3,821.50		Municipal Mgmt Assc Of Nh	110.00
Healthtrust	178,059.87		MWVCRBL	900.00
Heb Engineers, Inc.	4,914.50		N.H. Retirement System	84,434.76
Hews Company	3,719.08		Nancy Ferry	203.50
Hilltop Chevrolet	3,835.93		National Fire Protection Assc	1,345.50
Horizons Engineering Inc	4,861.16		Ne Lift Co.	375.00
Hp Fairfield	105,240.00		Ne Vehicle Outfitters	1,050.00
Hubbard Consulting Llc	6,000.00		New England Barricade Co	2,843.94
IDS	264.46		New England Vehicle Outfitters	8,909.00
IIA Fire Department Testing	2,957.50		New Hampshire Lakes	2,500.00
Industrial Traffic Lines, Inc.	14,681.64		Nh Assoc. Of Conservation	250.00
Intervale Lock & Safe	186.00		Nh Assoc.Of Assessing Official	20.00
Interware Development	3,063.00		Nh Building Officials Assoc.	150.00
Jarrold Hurd	270.00		Nh City & Town Clerks Assoc	40.00
Jay K Hounsell Gen Cont	8,552.00		Nh Dept Health & Human Service	4,109.43
Jc Madigan Inc	7,842.40		Nh Dept Of Revenue Admin.	10.00
Jgs Overhead Doors	2,182.50		Nh Health Officers' Assoc.	45.00
John E. Roberts	2,532.00		Nh Motor Transport Assn	80.00
Kezar Falls Auto & Truck Parts	2,494.59		Nh Municipal Association	2,433.00
Lakes Region Fire App.Inc	9,819.97		Nh Municipal Bond Bank	153,875.00
Lakes Region Planning	6,296.50		Nhctca 2022 Conference	75.00
Lakes Region Regional/Nhctca	75.00		NHGFSA	35.00
Lakeside Security Systems, Inc	2,395.13		Nicom Coatings Corporation	22,250.00
North Coast Services, Llc	3,224.27		Stratham Tire Inc.	1,234.48
North Country Metal Craft Llc	7,410.02		Stryker Medical	7,845.35
Northeast Earth Mechanics Inc	106,690.53		Texas Refinery Corp	990.00
Northeast Resource Recovery	111.72		The Lifeflight Foundation	500.00
Northern Human Services	1,433.00		Tmde Calibration Labs, Inc.	187.50
O'Connor Motor Company	113,112.00		Top Cat Car Wash	14.40
O'Reilly/First Call	322.20		Town Of Madison	271.97
Old Dominion Brush	1,192.38		Treasurer State Of Nh	267.50
Ossipee Aggregates	10,301.57		Treasurer State Of Nh	665.00
Ossipee Auto Parts	3,135.83		Treasurer State Of Nh	81.58
Ossipee Children'S Fund	500.00		Treasurer State Of Nh	50.00
Ossipee Concerned Citizen	3,060.75		Trh Heavy Equipment Repair,Llc	3,762.50

## ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VENDORS

Vendor Name	Payments		Vendor Name	Payments
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Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	6,846.82		Tri-County Com. Action Program	3,550.00
Ossipee Mt. Electronics	16,297.60		Tritech Software Systems	1,731.61
Ossipee Tailor Shop	65.00		Trustee Of Trust Funds	70,000.00
Ossipee Valley Mutual Aid	6,000.00		Unifirst Corporation	8,226.11
Palmer Spring Company	2,685.08		United Ag & Turf Ne	244.39
Park Lane Construction Co Inc	453,249.00		USPS	258.00
Pinnacle Public Finance	70,540.00		Vachon Clukay & Company Pc	12,000.00
Pitney Bowes Inc	690.99		Verizon Wireless	3,101.09
Pope Security Systems, Inc	922.50		Village Green Lawncare Llc	1,683.00
Porter Office Machines	1,676.43		W.C. Barrows & Assc Llc	1,517.00
Primex	53,325.00		W.S. Darley & Co	1,762.62
Primex - Unemployment Comp.	500.00		Water Industries, Inc.	514.38
R & D Paving Inc.	264,910.48		Wells Fargo	3,064.81
R.B. Wood & Associates, Llc.	32,784.00		Wells Fargo Advisors	33,405.21
R.N. Craft	424.95		White Mountain Audio Visual	460.00
Red Door Title LLC	309.00		White Mt. Community Health Ct.	2,040.00
Reliance Standard Life Ins Co	9,645.71		White Mtn Oil & Propane, Inc.	3,549.51
Remote Data Backups, Inc.	480.00		William A Day Jr. & Sons Inc.	2,672.03
Rowe Westbrook	4,164.56		Windy Ridge	117.50
Rufus Mtn Forest Products Inc	3,600.00		Witmer Public Safety Group	242.70
Rymes Propane & Oil Inc.	677.32		WM Corporate Services	7,450.07
Schaeffer'S	142.44		Wsb Technologies	3,431.59
Schwaab, Inc.	468.91			
Skehan Home Center	857.35			
Soule Leslie Kidder Sayward	16,672.74			
Southworth-Milton, Inc.	7,277.72			
Stantec Consulting Services	6,750.00			
Staples	6,537.42			
Starting Point	2,965.00			
State Of Nh-Criminal Records	75.00			

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS (MS-9)
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH
December 31, 2022

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			PRINCIPAL				INCOME			
			BALANCE	EXPENDED	BALANCE	CURRENT	EXPENDED	BALANCE	TOTAL	
DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	START OF	NEW	DURING	END OF	YEAR	DURING	ADDED TO	NEW
			YEAR	FUNDS	YEAR	YEAR	INCOME	YEAR	PRIN	PRINCIPAL
COMMON TRUST:										
1919	Nancy Skillings	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1919	Nancy Burns	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1922	Lord & Fowler	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1922	Eliza A Alley	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1924	Ina E Foss	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1924	Metcalf & Cushing	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1924	M C & Stephen Allard	Cem P/C	150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	2.50	2.50	0.00	150.00
1924	Edward H Nason	Cem P/C	210.00	0.00	0.00	210.00	3.50	3.50	0.00	210.00
1925	A R & Lilla Bennett	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1927	F W Towle	Cem P/C	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	8.33	8.33	0.00	500.00
1927	Parsons Yard	Cem P/C	700.00	0.00	0.00	700.00	11.67	11.67	0.00	700.00
1927	J C Libby & V H Connors Lots	Cem P/C	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	8.33	8.33	0.00	500.00
1928	John W Smith	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1928	Jennie Meserve	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1932	James Wood	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1935	George W Chase	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1937	Joseph H Corson	Cem P/C	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.83	0.83	0.00	50.00
1937	Hulda J Downing	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1938	Godfrey Fund	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1939	Frank P Corson	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1939	Lavinia F Farnsworth	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1939	Howard B Moulton	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1940	Ellen Mitchel	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1941	Stevens,Sweetser,Marston,Harmon	Cem P/C	450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	7.50	7.50	0.00	450.00
1943	Jessie Drew	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1948	Jessie S Allard	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1952	Minnie R Towle	Cem P/C	112.00	0.00	0.00	112.00	1.87	1.87	0.00	112.00
1952	John J Giles	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1953	Carrie B Moses	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1957	Minnie A Eastman	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1957	F M Meloon & J M Parsons	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1958	Elsie M Thurston	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1958	Ernest A Leavitt	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1958	Kezar Cemetery Fund	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1958	Moulton Cemetery	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1959	George & Alfreda Hayes	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
SUBTOTAL Page 1			6,272.00	0.00	0.00	6,272.00	104.54	104.54	0.00	6,272.00

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			PRINCIPAL				INCOME			
			BALANCE	EXPENDED	BALANCE	CURRENT	EXPENDED	BALANCE	TOTAL	
			START OF	NEW	DURING	END OF	YEAR	DURING	ADDED TO	NEW
DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	YEAR	FUNDS	YEAR	YEAR	INCOME	YEAR	PRIN	PRINCIPAL
COMMON TRUST:										
1960	Chester H Drake	Cem P/C	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	8.33	8.33	0.00	500.00
1963	Emelie P Holmgren	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1963	Charles H Watts	Cem P/C	450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	7.50	7.50	0.00	450.00
1963	Nelson C Works	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1965	Giles Lot - Swetts Hill	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1965	Cutting Lot	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1965	Andrews Lot	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1966	Lord Cemetery	Cem P/C	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	33.33	33.33	0.00	2,000.00
1966	Florence Seymore	Cem P/C	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	8.33	8.33	0.00	500.00
1968	John Works	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1968	John C & Marie Lee	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1968	Jesse Nason & Beck Lot	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1969	Albert Phinney	Cem P/C	150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	2.50	2.50	0.00	150.00
1969	Drake Lot	Cem P/C	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	300.00
1972	Lord Lot	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1973	B F Allard & J Durgin	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1976	Charles Bryant Lot	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1977	David Smith Lot	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1977	Albion & Alonzo Pease Lot	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1982	Winston V & Margaret Morrow	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1982	Stephen & Elmira Danforth	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1987	Ernest & Rachel Mulvery	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1988	Gordon D Stokes	Cem P/C	800.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	13.33	13.33	0.00	800.00
1988	Pauline Sargent Rounds	Cem P/C	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	3.33	3.33	0.00	200.00
1988	Abe Sargent	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1988	Frederick & Elisabeth Towle	Cem P/C	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	300.00
1988	Mary S Morrison	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1989	Charles & Mary H Stewart	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1989	William A & Sally Stoops	Cem P/C	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
1989	David Sargent	Cem P/C	40.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.67	0.67	0.00	40.00
1999	Town Cemetery Fund	Cem P/C	1,841.00	0.00	0.00	1,841.00	30.68	30.68	0.00	1,841.00
TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS			15,653.00	0.00	0.00	15,653.00	260.89	260.89	0.00	15,653.00
1938	Belinda C Wood	Library	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	16.67	16.67	0.00	1,000.00
1985	Ernest Myrick	Library	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.67	1.67	0.00	100.00
TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS			1,100.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00	18.34	18.34	0.00	1,100.00
TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUNDS			16,753.00	0.00	0.00	16,753.00	279.23	279.23	0.00	16,753.00

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			<u>PRINCIPAL</u>				<u>INCOME</u>				
			<u>BALANCE</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>		
			<u>START OF</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>DURING</u>	<u>END OF</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>DURING</u>	<u>ADDED TO</u>	<u>NEW</u>	
<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME OF TRUST FUND</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>FUNDS</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRIN</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	
<u>GENERAL FUNDS:</u>											
Expendable Trust Funds:											
2001	School District	Special Education	261,160.05	20,000.00	0.00	281,160.05	4,424.82	0.00	4,424.82	285,584.87	
2002	Town	Road Right of Way	6,287.03	0.00	0.00	6,287.03	104.79	0.00	104.79	6,391.82	
2006	Milfoil Removal	Remediation of Milfoil	6,422.16	0.00	0.00	6,422.16	107.02	0.00	107.02	6,529.18	
2009	Freedom Public Library	Maintain Bldg & Equipment	16,805.13	0.00	0.00	16,805.13	280.09	0.00	280.09	17,085.22	
2015	School District	Tuition Stabilization	263,104.66	0.00	0.00	263,104.66	4,385.16	0.00	4,385.16	267,489.82	
TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS			553,779.03	20,000.00	0.00	573,779.03	9,301.88	0.00	9,301.88	583,080.91	
<u>CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:</u>											
1996	School Bus	School District	342,044.35	0.00	95,000.00	247,044.35	5,596.71	0.00	5,596.71	252,641.06	
1989	Highway Equipment Fund	Equipment	34,540.83	20,000.00	0.00	54,540.83	729.26	0.00	729.26	55,270.09	
2002	Fire Department Equipment	Equipment	54,921.19	20,000.00	0.00	74,921.19	1,068.94	0.00	1,068.94	75,990.13	
2006	Municipal Land and Buildings	Town Buildings & Land	139,369.25	0.00	19,049.00	120,320.25	2,299.67	0.00	2,299.67	122,619.92	
2007	Transfer Station Equipment	Equipment	43,381.40	0.00	0.00	43,381.40	723.02	0.00	723.02	44,104.42	
2009	School Building Maintenance	School District Bldg Maint	181,141.38	0.00	0.00	181,141.38	3,019.08	0.00	3,019.08	184,160.46	
2011	Police Dept. Equipment	Equipment	34,544.19	10,000.00	0.00	44,544.19	652.53	0.00	652.53	45,196.72	
2011	Town Hall and Office	Maint Town Hall/Office Bldg	37,241.84	10,000.00	4,077.55	43,164.29	633.92	0.00	633.92	43,798.21	
2012	Highway Drainage Struct Improv	Rplc Failing Drainage Infrastr	43,264.25	0.00	0.00	43,264.25	721.09	0.00	721.09	43,985.34	
2014	School Technology	School District	52,763.18	0.00	0.00	52,763.18	879.39	0.00	879.39	53,642.57	
2014	Water Systems Repairs Fund	Rprs to Existing Water Sys	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
2015	Town Infrastructure	Infrastructure	283,276.19	0.00	279,040.94	4,235.25	3,204.87	0.00	3,204.87	7,440.12	
2022	Public Safety CRF	Building Maintenance/Repair	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	162.53	0.00	162.53	10,162.53	
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVES			1,246,488.05	70,000.00	397,167.49	909,320.56	19,528.48	0.00	19,528.48	939,011.57	
TOTAL ALL TRUST FUNDS			1,817,020.08	90,000.00	397,167.49	1,499,852.59	29,109.59	279.23	28,830.36	1,538,845.48	

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DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	PURPOSE	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL	
		BALANCE	GAINS	BALANCE	CURRENT	EXPENDED	BALANCE		
		START OF	OR	END OF	YEAR	DURING	ADDED TO		
		YEAR	NEW FUNDS	(LOSSES)	YEAR	INCOME	YEAR		PRIN
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	Cem P/C	15,653.00	0.00	0.00	15,653.00	260.89	260.89	0.00	15,653.00
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	Library	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00	18.34	18.34	0.00	1,100.00
TOTALS		16,753.00	0.00	0.00	16,753.00	279.23	279.23	0.00	16,753.00

Freedom Public Library

Beginning Balance 01/01/2022

Checking	\$	54,601.42
Money Market	\$	8,061.47
Centennial Fund	\$	25.00
Cayford Fund	\$	6,698.00
Williams Fund	\$	11,899.49
Total as of 01/01/2021	\$	81,285.38

2022 Income

Library Funds	\$	323.25
Friends Donation	\$	12,086.50
Interest	\$	27.07
Misc Income	\$	290.00
Town Appropriation	\$	111,140.00
Unanticipated Gifts	\$	3,710.00

2022 Expenses

Total Income	\$	127,576.82
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Library Materials	\$	12,341.36
Programs	\$	4,013.21
Library Supplies	\$	2,132.67
Computer/Technology	\$	3,029.80
Salaries	\$	84,988.62
Utilities	\$	7,539.79
Maintenance/Building	\$	3,793.64
Grounds	\$	2,915.00
Professional Development	\$	1,494.24
Other Expenses	\$	384.08

Total Expenses	\$	122,632.41
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Balance 12/31/2022

Checking	\$	59,270.85
Money Market	\$	8,080.86
Centennial Fund	\$	25.00
Cayford Fund	\$	6,698.00
Williams Fund	\$	11,899.49
Total as of 12/31/2022	\$	85,974.20

January 3, 2023

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Freedom, New Hampshire

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 2021. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated May 20, 2022. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted, and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended December 31, 2021. We noted no transactions entered into by the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected.

The most sensitive estimates affecting the financial statements of the Governmental Activities were:

Management's estimates of the useful lives of depreciable capital assets are based on historical records of utilization, necessary improvements and replacements. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the useful lives of depreciable capital assets in determining that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole. Additionally, management's estimate for the liability for landfill postclosure care costs is based on anticipated future monitoring and maintenance costs provided by the Town's engineering firm. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the liability for landfill postclosure care costs in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Significant estimates also include actuarial assumptions used in determining cost-sharing pension costs and other postemployment benefit costs which are based on plan audited financial statements. We evaluated the assumptions used in the plan audited financial statements to determine that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosure affecting the financial statements was:

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Town has not implemented all provisions of GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*. The single employer plan provisions of GASB Statement No. 75 were required to be implemented by the Town during the year ended December 31, 2018.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. Please see the attached schedule of material adjustments detected and corrected as a result of audit procedures.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated January 3, 2023.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

The Town did not adopt all provisions of GASB Statement No. 75 – *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* during the current year which resulted in an ‘Adverse’ opinion on the Governmental Activities.

As described in the Report on Internal Control Based on an Audit of Financial Statements, we noted that the control procedures over payroll disbursements are not being consistently followed. We considered this finding to be a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the management’s discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, schedule of changes in the Town’s proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, schedule of Town OPEB contributions, schedule of changes in the Town’s proportionate share of the net pension liability, and schedule of Town pension contributions, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management’s responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We were engaged to report on the combining nonmajor governmental fund financial statements, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Selectmen and management of the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Vachon Clukay & Company PC

Town of Freedom, New Hampshire
Material Audit Adjustments
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

The following is a listing of the material audit adjustments made for the year ended December 31, 2021 and have been corrected by management:

General Fund:

- To record an additional receivable for the Danforth Bay Bridge project in the amount of \$59,017.
- To record an additional expenditure for the Danforth Bay Bridge project in the amount of \$57,797.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORT

2022 provided continued challenges to us all. The town was no exception and the Board of Selectmen (Board) is grateful for the dedicated employees and volunteer boards that worked with us to continue to provide a high-level of service and successfully accomplish multiple projects and initiatives for the town.

Our Highway Department closed out the Danforth Bridge project, worked through a heat-wave and installed the Swett Hill culvert, and completed excavation work finishing the salt and sand shed installation within budget. Further, our Highway Department managed multiple road repairs throughout 2022 due to extensive rain events that damaged our roadways and caused dangerous runoff into our waterways. In order to reduce future issues, we have identified areas in town that have a critical impact to our road, environment and waterways and developed a long-term program to complete the necessary improvements. Watson Hill Road had three areas identified as part of this process. At this time, we have decided to improve the most critical of the three and that is in the warrant. The majority of the project costs will be reduced through funds received as part of the NH Senate Bill 401. We are also working closely with the Friends of Danforth Bay and the Green Mountain Conservation Group via A grant to make improvements on Ossipee Lake Road.

Chief Mullen, Chief Cunio and their teams again provided superior service to the town. They both ensured their teams and departments had the resources necessary to perform their jobs at a high-level and safely. This meant managing supply-chain issues that impacted deliveries of new equipment and part availability for repairs of existing equipment. They also pursued and obtained grants to off-set costs for the town. We know that the process is cumbersome and thank the volunteers who gave freely of their time in those endeavors.

We also thank Chief Cunio for his partnership in our management of the multi-town ambulance contract through Action Ambulance. Action met with the towns and Chiefs each quarter allowing us to build a solid relationship. So much so, that they offered to continue the terms of the current contract through the year 2030. All the towns were in agreement and this will go into effect in the next month.

The Board also worked on identifying areas of improvement for safety and efficiency at the Transfer Station. We completed an RFQ process for waste management services and entered into a new service contract with Casella as it offered the most cost stability to the town. We shifted the operations of the station to provide a better quality of life for the employees and we thank the townspeople for your understanding of this change as we know it impacted your home routines. And we began accepting debit and credit cards for the purchase of station stickers and tipping fees. Finally, the Board along with Justin and Scott Brooks completed a traffic and safety analysis of the Transfer Station. Areas of improvement were identified and a project plan developed. We feel strongly that these improvements are necessary and should be completed this year. The improvements will have a cost benefit through reduction of station road repairs and water run-off as well as redirecting employee labor to value-added projects and duties.

Another area that we made improvements was in the building and zoning department. We combined the departments into one providing efficiency, continuity, and ease of use to our builders and homeowners. To further these efforts, Gary Williams worked with the Planning Board to identify areas to streamline. These are in the warrant for vote March 14. Gary has also worked

closely with Chief Cunio, the Planning Board and our Board to roll-out the new Short-term Rental (STR) ordinance. Despite its first year and some expected hiccups, this has been successful and we appreciate the majority of STR owners who have cooperated through this new process. This past year Gary was busy once again with zoning violations and the permitting of both new construction and renovations. The Board feels that this is a new level of service that will continue to grow as our town grows. That is why we made the decision to provide the role with a town vehicle. This will lower costs to the town in terms of eliminating IRS level reimbursements and offer safety to the homeowner and to the Officer/Inspector as site visits will be in an identifiable vehicle. The Board decided that Chief Cunio, who must be able to respond to emergency calls, would receive a new vehicle. His 2013 Tahoe would then be passed down to the Zoning/Inspection office to finish its' usable life.

Finally, the Board has worked with our Department Heads, the Library Board of Trustees, and the Freedom School Board to manage the continued supply chain challenges, rising costs, and labor shortages. We appreciate these relationships, in particular with the school, as it allows us to identify cost savings across all organizations in the town such as purchasing power, think out-of-the-box when dealing with challenges such as an emergency shelter, and to work together to provide a low-tax rate to you, the townspeople. Albeit, the latter would be easier if our property valuations were assessed at their market values. At this time, we have a valuation rate of 56%.

We understand the economic challenges that you are facing. We realize that every family is struggling with higher fuel costs, higher grocery bills, and that we all are uncertain of the strength of the economy moving forward. That is why the budget we present to you is one managed to this reality. Last year we were able to provide a significant tax reduction of .65/\$1,000. And despite the valuation hurdle, although we could not sustain additional reductions, we were able to contain the combined tax rate increase to approximately \$0.07 to \$0.10.

We close in thanking everyone again for all of their efforts. We did not mention all of the achievements made by each department and volunteer board, but please know that there were many and they are appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Florio, Selectmen

ROAD AGENT REPORT

2022 NOTES:

As you may or may not have noticed our winter season has been different these last three years. With more rain, freezing rain, and sleet than snow. Making winter operations more challenging for the men and equipment. We have adapted by having sand and salt spreaders in every truck that are working in these storms to keep the roads safe. The new High Arch Gambrel Sand Storage Barn has been a tremendous help to the crew. By keeping the sand under cover, the sand is not soaked with water to freeze into a large block that cannot be utilized. We thank you for your continuing support.

IMPROVEMENTS:

- Completion of the New High Arch Gambrel 60' x 104' Sand Storage Barn
- Tree Removal
- Installed 840' of Underdrain
- Reclaimed old Asphalt, Reshaped Ditches, Constructed Slopes
- Installed 6" of 1 ½" Crushed Gravel
- Installed 2 ½" of ¾" Winter Binder
- Installed 450' of Paved Swale
- Rubber Chip Seal
 - Loon Lake, Nason, Old Stagecoach, West Bay Roads
- Shoulder Gravel
 - Bennett, Ossipee Lake Roads
- Cut Trees and Removed Stumps
 - Huckins, Burnham Roads

NEW OR REPLACED CULVERTS:

- Swett Hill Rd. – Installed 43' x 6' x 5' Precast Concrete Culvert with Wing Wall Retaining Walls

I would like to thank the Highway Crew for their hard work and dedication to their jobs in the maintenance of our roads and infrastructure.

Thank you to all Departments for their cooperation and team work.

Respectfully Submitted
Scott N. Brooks Sr.
Road Agent



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Action Ambulance Service Inc is proud to be serving the residents of Freedom New Hampshire. We are grateful to have been chosen by the 6-town ambulance search committee to provide Advanced Life Support Ambulance service to the towns of Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Madison, Ossipee, and Tamworth starting on April 1, 2020.

We operate two Advanced EMT staffed ambulances, and a Paramedic Staffed Ambulance 24-7, 365 days per year with an on-duty supervisor, and an on-call senior manager.

Our bases of operation are in Center Ossipee, and Tamworth.

Special thanks to Chief Cunio and the Freedom Fire department, and all local first responders for their much-appreciated assistance on each call.

Action has responded to the following calls in the town of Freedom since January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022:

286 calls requiring Advanced life support care.

11 calls requiring Basic life support care.

119 calls requiring no transport or Fire standby request.

Once again thank you for allowing us to become your community partner.

Respectfully,

John S. Hatch, Executive Vice President

New Hampshire Division, Chief

FREEDOM FIRE-RESCUE DEPARTMENT

In 2022, the department received a total of 387 calls with the majority of the calls being requests for medical aid.

With continued education being a goal to better serve the community, one member has obtained an EMS certification and another has enrolled in an EMT course starting February 2023.

Projects completed over the summer consisted of the Durgin Hill fire pond dredging, and dry hydrant installation.

A friendly reminder that campfire and brush permits are required when there is not adequate snow cover and can be obtained online 24 hours a day at nhfirepermit.com and any new construction or replacement oil furnace installation, including the oil tank, requires a permit issued through the fire department. Please contact the fire station with any questions.

In addition, we received two grants in 2022, one state and one federal, in the amount of \$52,121.00, with the town portion being \$6,542.00. We purchased 1 Physio control LP15 cardiac monitor, 2 Automated external defibrillators(AED) and one portable forestry pump. We continue to apply for grants when they become available.

Thank you to the residents of Freedom for your continued support.

Respectfully,

Chief Rob Cunio

2022 FIRE-RESCUE RESPONSES

Structure Fires.....	1
Chimney Fires.....	1
Vehicle Fires.....	1
Stove Fires	1
Fire Alarms.....	39
CO Alarms	10
Smoke Investigations	7
Brush/Woods Fire	6
Illegal Fires	2
Trees/Wires Down	7
MVA with Injury.....	4
MVA with no Injury	15
Snowmobile/Bicycle Accidents	1
Mutual Aid Fires	23
Ice/Water Rescue	2
Service Calls	17
Police Standby/Assist	3
Medical Aid.....	239
Transport to Hospital	196
Not Transported to Hospital.....	69
ALS Care Provided	7
Member Transporting with Ambulance	3
No Medical Responders Available	5
No Responders Available	51
Daytime Calls 7a-7p	253
Nighttime Calls 7p-7a	134
Duty Crew Responses	99
Responses to Town of Eaton.....	27
Responses with COVID Precautions	2
Fire Chief on Duty Responses.....	115
Fire Chief off Duty Responses	192

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE 387

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

This year was another year where we observed wet weather in early spring followed by rapid drying and drought conditions which extended through the summer for much of the state. Drying conditions in early May led to large fire growth on numerous fires which required multiple days to extinguish and firefighter response from local, state, and federal agencies. Wildfire activity continued through the summer months where dry conditions led to more multi-day fires. Fires burned deep into the ground, requiring firefighters to establish water supplies and to spend days digging out all the hot spots.

This fall we had multiple fires started 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. 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!

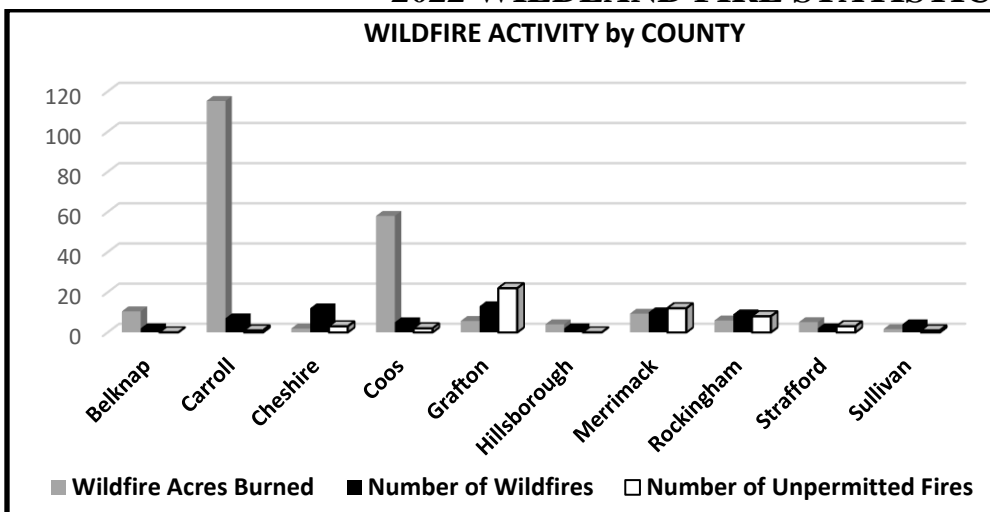
The long-lasting drought effects in Rockingham County are showing some minor signs of improvement but a good portion of Rockingham County remains in moderate drought and much of the state is still in the abnormally dry category. While the drought conditions have improved, we expect some areas of the state may still be experiencing abnormally dry or drought conditions this spring. For this reason, 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 2023 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/nhdfl/. For up-to-date information, follow us on Twitter and Instagram: **@NHForestRangers**



2022 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS

WILDFIRE ACTIVITY by COUNTY



(All fires reported as of December 01, 2022)

Year	Number of Wildfires	Wildfire Acres Burned	Number of Unpermitted Fires*
2022	66	217	52
2021	66	86	96
2020	113	89	165
2019	15	23.5	92
2018	53	46	91

*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
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Freedom Police Department

2022 TOWN REPORT

2022 was another busy and productive year for the department. Officer Eric Diaz has stepped down from his position as a full-time officer. We are happy to announce that he remains a vital part of the team as a part-time officer. In addition to his patrol and investigative duties, he is the Vehicle Fleet Maintenance Officer and has written grants for AED's and Radios. Cpl. William French has joined the department on a full-time basis. He served in the United States Army and brings valuable experience from his time as an Officer with the Ossipee Police Department. Sgt. Laferriere has taken on the responsibilities of Department Prosecutor and Evidence Officer.

We continue to rely heavily on the Mobile Data Terminals in the cruisers. Although we do not record every road we drive on, we have documented 1,106 directed patrols. This is up 377 patrols from last year's 729. Our Motor-Vehicle Stops are up from 296 in 2021 to 383 this year. We used to have to copy the information on a stop by hand before bringing it back to the office and entering it into the computer. Cutting this step out in many cases and having more staff has allowed us to be out on the road more.

Sexual Assault continues to be among the most serious and challenging offenses the department investigates. In some cases, they can be complicated by the passage of time, having been reported years after the fact. I am thankful for the support, tenacity, and preparation of the Carroll County Attorney's Office. Our officers attend the County Attorney's training in the area of Sexual Assault Investigation each year, and we all place the highest priority on these investigations.

As a small agency, the Freedom Police Department also relies heavily on the Carroll County Sheriff's Office, The New Hampshire State Police, The Attorney General's Drug Task Force and the surrounding agencies. We currently enjoy a good working relationship with each of them, and they deserve our thanks.

In closing, I would like to thank you and all the other Freedom Town Employees, Department Heads, and the Board of Selectmen. Many of the area's law enforcement agencies struggle with recruiting and retention. I have yet to have these problems. Compensation of course, plays a part but more importantly, as I stated last year: I feel like it is a privilege to work here, that my staff and co-workers are team players, and the Community has set us up for success. Thank you.

Sincerely,

James Mullen
Chief of Police
Freedom Police Department

FREEDOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

2022 Annual Report

15,588 items were checked out this year by 8,258 visitors to the Library during its hours of operation, as well as those enjoying the option of picking up reserve items from the vestibule at their convenience. 11,878 books and 2,352 DVDs were borrowed in 2022; with books costing up to \$30 each, and DVDs running around \$20 each, patrons are saving a lot of money by borrowing from the library instead of purchasing. 1,352 items were removed from the collection to make room for 1,153 new items. Space continues to be tight in some areas of the Library, but we're slowly working on getting the most out of our available space.

In addition to physical items, digital items continue to be popular as well. Through the generosity of the Friends of the Library, we are able to offer access to the New Hampshire Downloadable Library, and the streaming service Kanopy. Our patrons borrowed 3,580 e-books, e-audiobooks, and e-magazines; and streamed 564 different titles ranging from major theatrical releases to independent films, children's programming, and great courses.

Our year started off with the Winter Film Series, which was scaled back due to COVID restrictions in place at the time. Seating was limited for each showing, but each of the six movies had two showings to compensate. We hosted two programs sponsored by the Friends of the Library: "The Common Loon: a New Hampshire Icon" and "Preserving Your Harvest: the Basics of Preserving Food Safely." As part of Old Home Week, we hosted entertainer Steve Blunt, and "Turtles of New Hampshire," a presentation from the Squam Lakes Science Center. The start of the school year saw the return of an in-person Preschool Storytime at the Library, as well as the return of Fun Fridays (after-school activities, pizza dinner, and family movie night). In November, we began hosting weekly Yarn Arts and Cribbage groups at the Library again. For Freedom Rings In the Holidays, Amanda facilitated a holiday card-making workshop.

Summer Reading was done a bit differently this year. Everyone who participated in the program had the same goal: to read six books over the course of six weeks. Anyone who choose to read more could win additional prizes, including Library merchandise for teens & adults, and free books for kids & preschoolers. A total of 50 participants read six books, earning each a \$10 Amazon gift card, made possible through generous funding from the Friends of the Library. There are still some kinks to iron out in this new system, but we look forward to next summer's program. We also had a Writing Workshop, Preschool Storytime, and Fun Friday each week during the program.

In addition to our usual Summer Reading Program, we held a Winter Reading Program for students in grades K-6 during the month of February. Students read for a total of 487 minutes during the month, and those who completed the program were able to enter a raffle for prizes.

The Library would once again like to thank Mark Morrow, who made a generous donation to the Library on behalf of the estate of his mother, Margaret S. Morrow. The interest generated by this gift will be used to promote literacy and the love of reading and writing in Freedom's children, especially for those to whom these skills do not come easily. Margaret was an exemplary elementary school teacher who brought a love of reading to many students, and we hope to live up to her legacy and generosity.

We would also like to thank the voters for their support in helping us renovate our main entrance, so that it is more easily accessible to everyone. A contract has been signed, and we look forward to work beginning in the spring of 2023.

Volunteers donated over 140 hours of their time both inside and outside the Library, and the support of both the community and the Friends of the Library has been invaluable in allowing us to continue to serve as a community center. The tireless work of Assistant Librarians Margarete and Amanda also deserve a special note of thanks. We look forward to growing and improving with your support.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Mathieu, Chair
Luane Genest, Secretary
Robin Waters, Treasurer
Maureen Elliott, Trustee
Ann Pierce, Trustee

Town of Freedom
2022 Safety Officer's Report
Prepared for Town Official's Meeting
October 26, 2022

TO: Freedom Board of Selectmen
FROM: Kelly J. McClare, Safety Officer

This report will summarize the activities of the Freedom Safety Officer for the period January 1 to October 26, 2022.

The participation of Department Heads and Town Employees in the quarterly Joint Loss Management Safety Committee (JLMSC) quarterly meetings generally remains strong. The cooperation of Department Heads and employees continues to be excellent. Quarterly meetings continue to take place at the Highway Department facility with lunch being provided to the participants.

Safety Issues Discussed

Safety related training available through Primex was distributed to department heads and employees at the March Meeting. The need for town officials IDs was a continuing discussion and Town Administrator White advised that she researched the town official ID issue and advised that she will design the ID and have them made by the Town of Ossipee or a commercial entity. We discussed the Masonic Hall roof snow shed issue and parking warning signs will be made in time for the winter season. It was also mentioned that a rail for the ramp at the Masonic Hall is needed. TA White mentioned snow coming off the roof oftentimes damages the railing. A discussion ensued concerning the various health and safety issues at the town offices. It was the consensus of the group that we will have to wait for the results of the Town Office Committee report to be issued. TA White advised the group that Horizons Engineering will issue their final report on their analysis. SO McClare advised that he took part in the recent elementary school security and safety assessment with Kevin Partington, NH Homeland Security Emergency Management trainer. It was reported that the school assessment went well with the following areas noted as suggested improvements.

1. Main Entrance
 - Office Area Glass Is Not Ballistic Glass
 - Outer Door Controlled Electronically
 - Bollards to Prevent Vehicle Breach
 - Other Doors – Vigilance to Ensure They Are Always Secure
2. Window Glass – All Windows Should Have Wire Reinforcement
3. Kindergarten / First Grade Play Area Fence Is Not High Enough

2022 Activities to Date

Facilities Inspections – 3

Elementary School

Public Safety Building

Highway Department

Notes: The inspections revealed no safety hazards. The Town Hall, Town offices and Transfer Station are due for 2022 inspections.

JLMSC Quarterly Meetings – 3

Required quarterly meetings were held on March 29th, June 14th and September 20th.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly J. McClare
Safety Officer
Town of Freedom

TRANSFER STATION REPORT

It was a semi-normal year for activity at the Transfer Station. 300-yards of brush was hauled out of the Transfer Station because of the drought.

Some changes were made to the hours of the operation and personnel. We went to Friday through Monday 8 am to 4 pm. This will be a year-round schedule. George Stone retired, and Charlene MacCurtain was hired to take his place. Charlene comes to us from the Madison Transfer Station and knows the operation really well. So, if you see Charlene, introduce yourself and welcome her aboard. I would like to thank George Stone for working with me for 21-years.

A big thank you goes to the town staff and department heads for their help. I would also like to thank the townsfolk for their support.

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Brooks

North Coast Services LLC Sales by Customer Detail January through December 2022

Items	Sum of Qty
18" Fluorescent Lamps, for Recycling	4
2' Fluorescent Lamps, for Recycling	15
3' Fluorescent Lamps, for Recycling	19
4' Fluorescent Lamps, for Recycling	256
6' Fluorescent Lamps, for Recycling	2
8' Fluorescent Lamps, for Recycling	57
Alkaline Batteries, for Recycling	3
Battery Sorting Fee	44
Circle Lamps, for Recycling	1
Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFL), fo	38
Computers and Laptops, for Recyclin	43
CRT Glass, for Recycling	6
Flat Screen Monitors, for Recycling	169
Flat Screen Televisions, for Recycling	1406
Halogen Lamps, for Recycling	2
Incandescent Lamps, for Recycling	8
Laptops, for Recycling	24
LED Lights, for Recycling	1
Lithium Ion Batteries, for Recycling	13
Microwaves, for Recycling	57
Miscellaneous Electronics, for Recycl	175
NiCD, Dry Batteries, for Recycling	24
NiMH, Dry Batteries, for Recycling	10
Printers, for Recycling	98
Smoke Detectors, for Recycling	3
Televisions, for Recycling	6422
U-Bend Lamps, for Recycling	5
Ultra Violet Lamps, for Recycling	1
Grand Total	8906

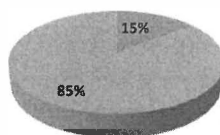


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Location Town of Freedom

Yearly Activity Report

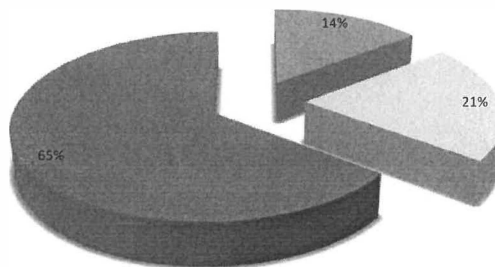
Material	Total Tons	Percentage Recycled	Total Tons Recycled	Percentage Landfilled	Total Tons Landfilled	Percentage of Total Tonnage
Recycle	143.63	100.00%	143.63	0.00%	0.00	15%
C&D	204.76	0.00%	0.00	100.00%	204.76	21%
Trash	638.22	0.00%	0.00	100.00%	638.22	65%
Totals	986.61	14.56%	143.63	85.44%	842.98	100%

Recycle Percentage



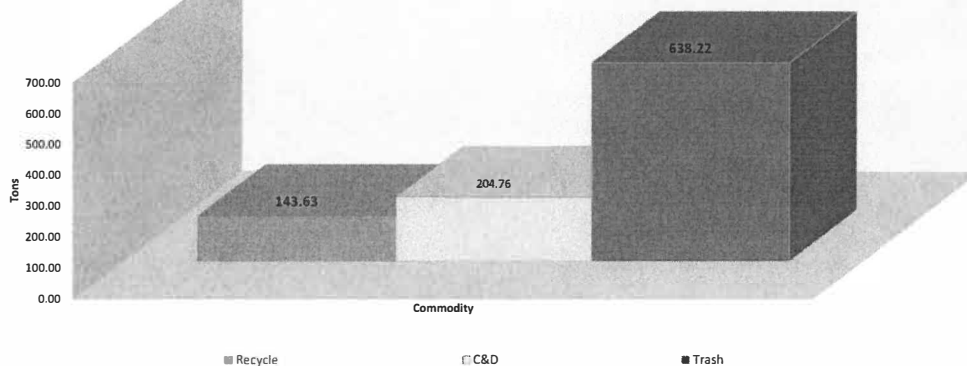
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Commodity Percentage Breakdown



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Commodity Tonnage Breakdown



Town of Freedom
2022 *Emergency Management Director's Report*
Prepared for Town Official's Meeting
October 26, 2022

This report will serve as an update concerning the activities of the Emergency Management Director from January 1 to October 26, 2022.

- Reviewed 2022 update of Town of Freedom Hazard Mitigation plan
- Participated in Freedom Elementary School Safety and Security Assessment with Kevin Partington, Fire Chief Rob Cunio and FES Principal Elaine Sherry
- Completed NH Homeland Security & Emergency Management grant intention report for elementary school generator project
- Arranged site inspection with a standby generator contractor at the elementary school

Hazard Mitigation Plan

The Freedom Hazard Mitigation plan update was completed and approved. Jane Hubbard of Hubbard Consulting assisted in the process which involved forming a citizen's committee. Four meetings were held in late 2021 and early 2022. The following Freedom citizens and town officials were members of the committee,

Ellen White, Town Administrator
Donna Cupka
Rob Cunio, Fire Chief
Alan Fall
Courtney Jordan, NHHSEM
Darwin Moulton
Jamie Mullen, Police Chief
Kelly McClare, EMD

Many thanks are due the committee for their time, input, and expertise.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly J. McClare
Emergency Management Director
Town of Freedom

2022 Zoning/Building Report

During the year 2022 the following changes have been achieved:

- The Zoning/Building Inspector position was combined into one position.
- In this new position, I have been attending monthly Planning Board meetings and working closely with the Planning Board to make positive changes to the Zoning Ordinance.
- I have been working with the Fire Chief as well to ensure building codes and fire safety regulations are met.
- Online permit applications have been updated so they can be filled out online.
- Staff is now using Avitar software to its fullest potential, to preserve town records digitally.
- This year we issued a total of 291 permits with the following permits being issued for 2022:
 - Building: 128
 - Electrical:70
 - Plumbing: 26
 - Gas: 67

Total fees collected: \$43,276.03

Respectfully submitted,

Gary R. Williams

2023

FOREST ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Forest Advisory Board will meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 at the Freedom Town Hall.

January 4	May 3	September 6
February 1	June 7	October 4
March 1	July 5	November 1
April 5	August 2	December 6

FREEDOM AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE

The Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee will meet on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 at the Freedom Town Hall.

No January Meeting	May 11	September 14
No February Meeting	June 8	October 12
March 09	July 13	November 9
April 13	August 10	December 14

FREEDOM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Freedom Conservation Commission will meet on the third Tuesday of each month commencing at 7:00 pm at the Freedom Town Hall. Deadline for agenda items is the Tuesday prior to the meeting date.

January 17	May 16	September 19
February 21	June 20	October 17
March 21	July 18	November 21
April 18	August 15	December 19

FREEDOM HERITAGE COMMISSION

The Freedom Heritage Commission will meet on the following dates at 6:00 pm at the Freedom Church.

January 12	June 8	November 9
April 13	September 14	

2023

FREEDOM PLANNING BOARD

The regular monthly meetings of the Freedom Planning Board are held on the third Thursday at the Freedom Town Hall at 7:00 pm. Items submitted either after the deadline or incompletely filled out, will not be placed on the agenda. Such applications will be deferred.

Application Submittal Closing Deadline	Regular Planning Board Meeting
December 29, 2022	January 19
January 26	February 16
February 23	March 16
March 30	April 20
April 27	May 18
May 25	June 15
June 29	July 20
July 27	August 17
August 31	September 21
September 28	October 19
October 26	November 16
November 30	December 21

FREEDOM ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The regular monthly meetings of the Freedom Zoning Board of Adjustments are held on the fourth Tuesday at the Freedom Town Hall at 7:00 pm. Items submitted either after the deadline or incompletely filled out, will not be placed on the agenda. Such applications will be deferred.

Application Submittal Closing Deadline	Regular ZBA Meeting
January 9	January 24
February 13	February 28
March 13	March 28
April 10	April 25
May 8	May 23
June 12	June 27
July 10	July 25
August 14	August 22
September 11	September 26
October 10 Tuesday after Holiday	October 24
November 13	November 28
December 4	December 19

Planning Board Submission to the 2022 Town Report

The Planning Board continues its work to implement the Master Plan adopted in 2020 by proposing zoning changes to move Freedom closer to the Master Plan goals of preserving Freedom's rural character (particularly its natural resources) and providing for a mix of ages and families in town.

The Planning Board has been busy drafting eleven proposed zoning ordinance changes for voters to consider on March 14. The number of proposals reflects some changes in state law and proposals from the code enforcement officer to make the zoning ordinance more clear and more usable by property owners. The are briefly described below. Please review them and contact Anne Cunningham with any questions.

Amendment No. 1 amends Section 1102 Elderly Housing to harmonize with Section 1105 Workforce Housing to comply with a new state law whose goal is to support more housing for workers in the state. Legislators found that municipalities often offer incentives (e.g.; increased density, reduced lot size, expedited approval) to housing for older persons not offered for workforce housing. The law gives municipalities until July 1, 2023, to make any adjustments to those incentives before they automatically apply to developments of workforce housing. Because Freedom's ordinance offers incentives to senior housing not offered to workforce housing developments, the Planning Board is proposing changes to make the two sections the same rather than have existing senior housing rules become workforce housing rules on July 1, 2023.

Amendment No. 2 to allow low impact shoreland and wetland projects as a permitted use. This means that the code enforcement officer can issue zoning permits for permit by notification or expedited minimum impact permit from the NH Department of Environment Services after reviewing materials submitted to DES for the permit and the permit itself rather than have them go to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Amendment No. 3 to add specifications for tree cutting plans in the shorefront district from 75 feet to 300 feet. (Specifications for tree cutting plans up to 75 feet are already in the zoning ordinance.)

Amendment No. 4 to change septic setbacks in the Freedom zoning ordinance from seventy-five (75) feet to fifty (50) feet to mirror the state's requirement of a septic tank or leach field setback to poorly drained soils if the tank is sealed. Setbacks from poorly drained soils and septic systems in the shorefront district do not change. The board made this proposal because of improvements in septic system technology.

Amendment No. 5 to amend the town septic system approval process (Section 2402.3 Septic System Plan Requirements) to reflect changes made to Wetlands Section 406 Septic Tank and Leach Field Setback approved in 2022 that allows an owner whose septic system has failed to fix their system once they have a DES approval (without another town review).

Amendment No. 6 to clarify terms of Sections 1507 and 1503 short-term rentals (STR) (1) to prohibit special events at STRs and (2) to clarify that any owner—resident or not—can rent the primary dwelling on the lot.

Amendment No. 7 to clarify the definition of a dwelling unit in the zoning ordinance to specify that the term "rental" refers to long-term rentals.

Amendment No. 8 to add a definition of special events to Article 23 Definitions

Amendment No. 9 to allow single story manufactured homes on a floating/monolithic slab or on a four-foot frost wall. All manufactured homes now require a four-foot frost wall.

Amendment No. 10 to specify conditions for driveways and driveway permits

Amendment No. 11 to allow food trucks in commercial zones or commercial businesses, allow operation between 8:00 am and 9:00 pm, and make the operator responsible for maintaining order on the site and managing waste generated at the site.

This year the board also acted on two minor subdivisions (one lot into two) and two site plan reviews—for The Spot and Camp Huckins.

The full text of these articles is on file at the Town Clerk's office and is available for public inspection when the town office is open or on the town's website at townoffreedom.net.

My thanks to the Board!

The town is fortunate to have volunteers who give so generously of their time and talents to this board. I would like to thank Bill Elliott, the vice chair, who resigned after eight years on the board. I also want to thank members Carol McIntire, Paul Olzerowicz, Brian Taylor, Linda Mailhot, and Bobbie McCracken and alternates Beth Earle and Jeff Nicoll—for all their contributions! Thanks to our recording secretary, Melissa Donaldson. And finally, thanks to Melissa Florio, the Selectmen's Representative and Ernie Day, the Selectmen's alternate, for their service on the Planning Board this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Cunningham, Chair



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FY22 Annual Report

Town of Freedom

The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is a voluntary association of 30 communities in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton, and Merrimack counties within a 9 region state-designated planning area established 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 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 FY22 activities. For our full FY22 Annual Report, please visit the *About LRPC* page on our website at www.lakesrpc.org.

Highlighted Local and Regional Planning Services Provided for FY22

American Rescue Act Funding (ARPA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated with NH Municipal Association and member communities on local and state ARPA Grant distribution and assisted the Town of Freedom in obtaining an ARPA award in the amount of \$165,724.
Economic Development and Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We do not have any record of Freedom receiving these types of services in FY22, but we anticipate providing outreach to the town on the newly updated Regional Housing Needs Assessment in FY23.
General & Technical Land Use Planning Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with the Town to address the 2010 US Census under-counting of housing units resulting in a correspondingly large increase in the Census 2020 housing units. • Resolved HHW Appropriations issue resulting from US Census housing unit miscounts. • Explained and discussed Development of Regional Impact (DRI) process with Freedom Commissioner. • 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"> • Provided technical assistance to Planning Board Chair regarding use of online mapping tools. • The LRPC is a great resource for community maps. Give us a call if your town needs an updated zoning, town roads, or community facility map 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.
Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This year's 36th Annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collections Days in the Summer of 2022 resulted in nearly 27 tons of household hazardous waste being collected. • Freedom Household Participation: 46 • <i>Please go to our website (lrpc.org) if you missed this year's collection for alternative disposal options.</i> • The next annual collections are scheduled for July 29 and August 5, 2023.
Master Plan, Site Plan, and Zoning Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LRPC maintains a professional land use planner position to assist towns with technical land use issues which require a knowledge of land use law, NH RSA's, state, and local regulations on a short-term or longer basis.
Newsletters, Articles, and Website	<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.
Planning and Land Use Regulation Books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated the purchase and delivery of 378 copies of the annual <i>NH Planning and Land Use Regulation</i> books as part of a regional bulk purchase at a savings of \$89.00 for each book and \$81.50 for each book with e-book. Freedom purchased 31 books and 2 books with e-book. Total saved: \$2,922.00
Solid Waste Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handled several inquiries from residents regarding our annual Household Hazardous Waste Collections. • 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.

Transportation Planning

- Conducted traffic counts at four locations within Freedom as requested by the NH Department of Transportation.

Commission Meetings

- Convened 5 regular Commission Meetings with guest speakers covering topics including:
 - Wake Boats
 - Opportunities for Sidewalks & Street Lighting
 - Updates on Solid Waste Legislation and Recycling Markets
 - Lakes Region Housing Needs Assessment & Local Housing Best Practices
 - Bike/Ped Plan Update and Survey Results
 - 36th Annual HHW Collection Days (Summer 2022)
 - Lakes Region Transportation Program Updates
 - Lakes Region Transportation Program

Regional Services & Activities of Benefit to Multiple Communities

- 2022 Household Hazardous Waste Collection **BY THE NUMBERS:**
36 years of regional collections | 24 participating communities | 8 collection sites | 4 HHW Coordinator meetings | 65 workers & volunteers contributing more than 350 hours | 1,697 households | 17,696 feet or 3.3 miles of fluorescent tubing | 937 compact fluorescent lightbulbs (CFLs) | 53,515 pounds or nearly 27 tons of household hazardous waste safely removed and disposed of from our region.
- Bulk ordered and distributed 378 *NH Planning and Land Use Regulation* books for a group discount of \$89 per book and \$81.50 per book with e-book. TOTAL SPENT by 29 Member Communities = \$4,320 | TOTAL SAVED by 29 Members = \$33,180.
- Reviewed 4 Developments of Regional Impact for the Planning or Zoning Boards in Effingham, Laconia, Moultonborough, and Northfield pursuant to RSA 36:54.
- Reviewed 12 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.
- Housing: Contracted with BEA to address the RSA requirement that regional planning commissions complete a housing needs assessment every 5 years which resulted in:
 - The LRPC has been working on the development of a Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) which is scheduled to culminate in December 2022. This project seeks to document the current housing needs in the Lakes Region to identify availability, affordability, and provide a gap analysis. The project will also fill the needs of RSA 36 as well as provide current, regional, and local data on housing needs for communities to determine compliance with the Workforce Housing Statute (RSA 674:58-61). Through research, data, modeling, and input, the LRPC hopes to develop a toolkit of strategies which communities should be able to utilize by Spring 2023 to assist in the development of a plan to meet their “fair share” of the housing needs.
 - Reviewed and analyzed over 80 data sets on regional and statewide housing conditions.
 - Received public input from hundreds of individuals and businesses through a series of surveys.
 - Scheduled delivery of a completed assessment in December 2022 to the full Commission for adoption consideration.

Solid Waste Management Accomplishments

- Held over 6 round table discussions with solid waste operators on a variety of topics.
- Educated area youth on composting and solid waste management techniques at Plymouth State University Earth Day event.
- Helped reduce critical waste stream from Winnepesaukee islands by supporting composting and other waste stream reduction efforts at several camps in Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro.
- Conducted dozens of transfer station site visits to share and collect information on regional best practices and solid waste management.
- Piloted a new battery disposal collection effort saving municipalities hundreds of dollars.
- Researched a new and improved veteran-owned nonprofit which recycles clothing and works with statewide groups to distribute some clothing locally.
- Since May 2022, successfully reached over 300 Lakes Region residents through on-going promotions for the 2022 HHW collection event and ultimately removed over 2,000 pounds of hazardous waste preventing negative effects on human health.
- Researched all relevant Lakes Region Home Depot's and Lowes's that contain free drop off locations for universal waste including rechargeable batteries, CFL light bulbs, and plastic bags.

Environmental Planning

- In order to support the region's superior water quality, the Lakes Region Planning Commission focuses on not only the water, but the land and air quality of the region.
- Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee (PRLAC). Provided organizational support including planning and preparation for 8 meetings, distribution of meeting materials, and maintenance of membership list. We successfully applied for corridor management plan update funding and expect a complete update will be available by the end of June 2023.

Total Communities Served: 9

Economic Development

- **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS).** Update drafted and posted on LRPC website.

- **Community Development Block Grants (CDBG).** Aided Belknap, Carroll, and Grafton counties in supplying CDBG Microenterprise and special COVID assistance to economic development corporations serving the region.
- **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 successfully de-obligated a \$1 million NBRC grant award to the former state school property in Laconia given recent changes in State law on disposing of State surplus property.
- Developed new population projections for our counties and towns working with other regional planning commissioners and state agencies.

Transportation

- **LRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).** Provided administrative support for meetings, submitted press releases to local newspapers, and facilitated communications. The TAC met 8 times involving city/town appointed representatives to drive community participation and local involvement in regional transportation planning and project development. Topics and guest speakers included:
 - Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan with guest speaker Nick Sanders (NH DOT)
 - State Clean Diesel Grant Program and Ten-Year Plan Updates with guest speaker Ricky Dicillo (NH DES)
 - SADES Drainage Dashboard and NH Acquisition Of Infrastructure Funding
 - Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill on Transportation Funding Opportunities with guest speaker Leigh Levine (FHWA)
 - NH Ditch Maintenance Policy and Road Safety Audit Application with guest speaker Samantha Fifield (NH DOT District 3)
 - Regional Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan and Ten-Year Plan Update:
 - Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan Updates and Ten-Year Plan & Grant Opportunities
 - NH153 Annual Reporting and Ten-Year Plan Update with guest speaker Representative Mark McConkey
- **Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning.** Led public involvement, data collection, and project identification process in coordination with NH DOT on state-wide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. Began updating plan with a community survey reaching over 500 residents and identified opportunities for new bike lanes pedestrian access with regional connections.
- **Regional Transportation Plan.** Developed new corridor-based analysis approach to regional transportation plan update.
- **Ten Year Plan (TYP) Funding and Project Prioritization (TYP 2023 – 2032):**
 - Laconia – Elm Street sidewalk and path
 - Laconia – Weirs Boulevard bridge replacement
 - Meredith – NH Route 25 intersection improvements at Laker Lane, True Road, Quarry Road, and Patrician Shores
 - Plymouth – NH Route 25 Tenney Mountain Highway intersection improvements at Smith Bridge Road
- **LRPC Streetscaping Project – Technical Assistance:**
 - provided information on streetscaping concepts
 - offered sidewalk assessments and mapping
 - met with Town Officials to discuss potential projects
 - provided information on potential funding sources
- **Data Collection & Analysis.** Completed 160 municipal traffic counts and submitted to NH DOT. This year's counts included twice as many detailed, classification counts compared with past years in order to meet new FHWA requirements. We also conducted several Laconia Motorcycle Week counts, municipally requested counts, bicycle/pedestrian counts, and turning movement counts.

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. • Freedom's representatives to the LRPC during FY22 were:

Commissioners: Jean Marshall (06/01/25)	Alternate: Vacant
Mark McConkey (06/01/25)	
Executive Board: Jean Marshall , Area 3 Commissioner	
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC): Scott Brooks (07/01/23)	Alternate: Vacant

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey R. Hayes
Executive Director

2022 ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment received applications from thirty-one applicants. The applications comprised of forty-two variance requests (requests to build new structures or additions which are located at least in part in the side, front, or rear setbacks). Sixteen requests were withdrawn, thirty-three were approved.

Of the thirty-one applications, fourteen contained requests for special exceptions. The applications comprised of twenty-one special exceptions. Special exceptions are uses that must meet criteria outlined in the zoning code. Three of the requests were withdrawn and eighteen were approved.

There six applicants that requested ten special exceptions all ten were approved.

The Zoning Board would like to hear from citizens who may be interested in serving on the board. Please contact a Board member or one of the Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Lees, Chairman

Freedom Conservation Commission

Annual Report 2022

The Freedom Conservation Commission (FCC) was established by residents at the annual town meeting on March 5, 1973. Pursuant to RSA 36-A, “ for the proper utilization and protection of the watershed resources of the town.”

At the FCC, we provide detailed plan reviews of ZBA and NHDES applications to provide our support, guidance, and recommendations. Shorefront projects dominated our activities in this area, including review of projects that involved tree cutting and clearing, stormwater runoff, and erosion control, all with goals to maintain our conservation efforts of Freedom’s lakes, streams, and forests.

We worked with the FAC, Freedom’s Fire Chief, the Board of Selectmen, and representatives from the Scrub Oak Scrambler Skimobile Club to address ambiguities with the trail names and locations within the town forest that posed challenges to first responders. A special work-group was put together to clarify skimobile trail names, e911 marks, and GPS coordinates with new trail names within the forest. New trail maps were created, currently available on the town website, and will be available for distribution within the forest. New trail signage and trail marking will be installed this spring, and we look forward to seeing these improvements within the town forest.

The Freedom Town Forest Annual State Easement Monitoring site visit was conducted in November. No major issues or concerns were noted and, areas of continued maintenance and improvement were identified to benefit the forest. We want to thank our town forester, Barry Keith, for his guidance and support throughout this process. The collaboration between the FCC and FAC will continue this year as we work to address boundary marking, erosion control, and road maintenance within the forest.

The FCC supported water testing within Loon Lake and Round pond and will be expanding this to include Trout Pond this year. We will be compiling a summary of all water test data and exploring various methods of sharing this information with the public.

Our continuing goal is to sponsor environmental presentations for the community centered on our precious natural resources in Freedom. We welcome interested volunteers in Freedom to visit and learn more about what the FCC does and consider supporting the commission.

We would like to especially thank our support staff, Stacy Bolduc and Melissa Donaldson, that are such integral members of our team. The town is fortunate to have volunteers who give their time and talents to the Freedom Conservation Commission. I want to thank Robert Oram, Sue Hoople, Alice Custard, Linda Mailhot, and our newest members, Michele Keenan, and Paul Elie, for their time and expertise this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Nicoll, *Chair* Freedom Conservation Commission

FAC Report 2022

Your Freedom Town Forest is such a gift to all of us! So many people take advantage of the well-maintained trails to take small walks and/or long hikes. Often you see people getting exercise for themselves and their dog or a group of friends riding their horses. In the spring and summer, many people enjoy fishing at Trout Pond. In the winter, the Scrub Oak Scramblers Snow Machine Club keeps trails open for snow machines, walkers, snowshoers, and x-country skiers.

The FAC would like to publicly thank the Scrub Oak Scramblers for miles of trail maintenance year-round and especially for constantly trying to keep the persistent beavers from stopping water flow to Cold Brook!

Road work on Trout Pond Rd (formerly called Jackman Ridge Rd) was postponed this past year. Still, plans are being made for the summer of 2023 to address road erosion, repair and add culverts, and perform general road maintenance so vehicles can safely access the pond for fishing.

FAC board member, Ron Newbury deserves a special shout-out for all his work maintaining the Kiosks and for spending many, many hours tagging the boundary line of your 2,661-acre forest. Thank you, Ron.

We are very fortunate to have Barry H. Keith as our forester. Under his guidance, our forest is considered the best in the State of NH! Together with the FCC, we encourage you to visit.

Janet Johnson, Chair
Janet Meyers, Vice-Chair
Ron Newbury
John Roman
Sean Coriaty
Paul Olzerowicz, PB rep
Les Babb, Selectmen rep

FAISC Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee

The year 2022 went very well from our perspective. It was not necessary to do an aquatic herbicide treatment on the Danforth ponds. This resulted in a lot of unused funds being returned to the Town.

The invasive weed, Variable Milfoil, is still present in the Danforth ponds and areas of Ossipee Lake and its bays. This year's growth in Freedom was limited ; thus, we could use SCUBA divers to pull the weeds. This is our preferred method of weed control. They worked in the middle and upper areas of Danforth. They also cleared an area at the northern tip of Berry Bay. The limited weed density meant that aquatic herbicides were not needed.

For 2023, we are planning for the same levels of treatments that we applied for in 2022. This includes 10 days of SCUBA diving and 20 acres of potential herbicide treatments. Differences in costs are due to contractor cost differences. The State of NH will again will reimburse the Town for 50% of our expenses. This current level of planning is the minimum we feel necessary while being responsibly prepared for a bad growing season. There are a lot of unknowns when dealing with a living plant and variable weather and water conditions. Also, State DES permitting and grant funding require us to budget now because we will not be able to apply again later in the same year.

The NH Lakes Lake Host program was continued this past summer. FAISC board member Michel Cloutier is coordinating this program. They seek to educate local boaters about invasive weeds and organisms threatening our waters. They also provide free boat inspections at local boat ramps. The more we can stop invasive organisms from spreading, the less we will have to spend on invasive species removal later. Boat owners are an essential part of this effort. Funding from the Town of Freedom and Ossipee is combined with grants to operate this valuable program. The funding request for 2023 is unchanged from last year.

Thank you for your support!

The FAISC Board members

Freedom Heritage Commission

Annual Report – 2022

This Commission was established at the March 2009 Town Meeting to research and record the history of buildings and land features in the Town of Freedom, NH, offering education to the public and responding to the Select Board on their questions regarding these matters. This is done in cooperation with the Freedom Historical Society.

The six members, the Select Board Representative, and three alternates meet five times a year to report, plan and transact the formal business of the Commission. The agenda and approved meeting minutes are available on the Town Web Site and in printed form at the Town Office. The public is always welcome to participate in the activities at these meetings.

The real work is done by members, associates, and friends outside the meetings. We have a list of projects that will take years to accomplish. During 2022, our efforts were focused on the following:

The Heritage Commission met three times in 2022 to conduct the formal business for the Commission.

Elections of the Executive Board were held in April 2022. Peg Scully stepped down as the Vice Chairperson. Scott Cunningham was reappointed as a member. At the September meeting, Brandy Buttrick accepted the position of Vice-Chair.

During the past year, the commission had two members resign. Those members were Peg Scully and Bill Carney. The Heritage Commission wishes to thank all former members for their time given to the Commission and to the Town of Freedom. We especially want to recognize Peg Scully, who has been with the Heritage Commission since it was formed in 2009. The Heritage Commission has one new member, Brandy Buttrick, appointed to the board in June as a member; this leaves three alternate positions open.

The Heritage Commission continues working closely with the Freedom Historical Society to restore the snow roller. Scott Cunningham and Alan Fall have been working on the restoration project.

During Old Home Week, the Heritage Commission, and the Freedom Historical Society, co-sponsored the Freedom Historical Walk conducted along Old Portland Road. The tour was provided by Alan Fall.

Commission members continue to work on the Houses of Freedom binders that are located in the Freedom Historical Society's Edwin T. Boyer Resource Room.

Members and alternates contributed approximately 650 volunteer hours to the accomplishments and/or ongoing work of the Commission in 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alan Fall - Chairperson

Brandy Buttrick - Vice-Chairperson

Karrie Buttrick - Secretary/Treasurer

Ernie Day Jr. - Select Board Representative

Sue Hoople, Member

Mark McKinley, Member

Scott Cunningham, Member

Open, Alternate

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Town Office Advisory Committee Report

At the March 10, 2020, town meeting, those present voted to pass Article 30 (amended) to “conduct a feasibility study for the restoration and/or additions to the existing Town Office and further to create a Town Office Advisory Committee to consider ways to optimize the Town Office space, accessibility, and mobility needs.

The committee has been working with Bergeron Technical Services (BTS) to complete a four-phase project:

1. Information Gathering and Reconnaissance: Document the current condition of the existing buildings and complete septic and hazardous waste analyses. Complete.
2. Preliminary Planning and Design: Meet with town office users to develop lists of needs and wants; determine required code upgrades; provide photos and floor plans for three proposed layouts. (See below.) Complete.
3. Community Outreach, Input, and Support: Coming in the summer of 2023. The committee hopes that all Freedom residents will participate!
4. Finalized Schematics and Warrant Articles: Based on public input, BTS will revise and update the top two preferred scenarios and develop preliminary budget estimates for them. Finally, they will assist the committee to draft warrant articles for March 2024 town meeting.

In 2022, BTS developed three options for the existing building:

- Option #1: Redo the existing building space, including the one-story addition at the back of the building
- Option #2: Redo the existing building and expand the addition to two stories
- Option #3: Do Option 2 with a full basement. BTS described this as the unlimited money and time option.

The committee favored Option #1 because it reused the building, provided needed space, and was more affordable. The contract provided for costing of a second option, but the committee decided to shift to look at a new building. We felt that it would be difficult for towns people to decide on Option #1 without an alternative. Therefore, at town meeting, attendees will be asked to vote to fund the costing of a new building so that at town meeting 2024, we can make this decision.

The committee remains optimistic that we will find a publicly-supported use for the historically significant town office building. We urge all members of the community to be engaged this summer and beyond. Please get involved!!!

Respectfully submitted:

Denny Anderson, Construction Manager and Designer
Karrie Buttrick, Heritage Commission representative
Anne Cunningham, Chair
Ernie Day, Selectmen’s representative
Mark McKinley, Town Buildings Manager

Freedom Advisory Committee on Aging Report

The Freedom Advisory Committee on Aging, having researched the needs of the senior population of Freedom, supported the creation of the Senior Resource Coordinator. The COA now serves in an advisory capacity to the Senior Resource Coordinator. The committee also supports the Mount Washington Valley Age-Friendly Community Initiative.

The Senior Resource Coordinator, Renée Wheaton, will submit a detailed report in the Freedom Town Report elaborating on her many activities supporting Freedom and working with the Mount Washington Age-Friendly Community. Renée works with Freedom citizens in need. She has created avenues of communication, including a presence on the town website, a monthly newsletter, a calendar of events, mailings, and posts on the Freedom Bulletin Board. She works with local organizations and initiates social and informative events.

If you need help with health services, residential care, nutrition, recreation and fitness, transportation, educational opportunities, or wish to take part in social events, contact Renée at Coordinator03836@gmail.com or 802-424-2074

Respectfully submitted by,
Rick Davidson, Chairperson of the Freedom Advisory Committee on Aging

2022 Senior Resource Coordinator Report

2022 was a busy year with just over 40 requests for assistance in a variety of needs. Many of those requests related to transportation to and from appointments, home maintenance concerns and requests, energy assistance and overall requests regarding resources available to individuals and households. All of these have provided opportunities to make more **personal contacts** to different agencies providing services to those over age 55. Many connections have been made regarding different resources available to seniors in the community. These connections have led to me being part of the following committees/councils: Currently a member of the following Committees/Councils:

- Carroll County Regional Coordinating Council which is part of the North Country Council
 - Goal is to look at transportation options across Carroll Country. The Gibson Center applied for and obtained a CDC Disparity Grant to help provide transportation for Freedom residents
- MWV AARP Age Friendly Community Steering Committee
 - This group works to provide a framework for assessing and improving the region's ability to become more Age-Friendly
- Lifelong Maine Community Leaders
 - This group is part of UMaine Center on Aging and works to provide information regarding initiatives for senior living and program details from different organizations. This group has provided details on how small rural communities can thrive with an aging population
- Gibson Center Programs and Services Committee
 - Goal is to coordinate programs between Gibson Center and Freedom to provide more programs and different types of social activities
- Carroll County Public Health Advisory Council
 - Work with the different health agencies to provide services to our residents and updates on health needs in the MWV

These groups meet on a regular basis to discuss issues related to seniors and how resources can be used to meet those needs. The connections made have been of great importance when assisting residents.

Emails are sent out on a regular basis using the Freedom Bulletin Board highlighting different services available. It has been well received as emails of thanks are sent back in response. The emails remind residents of services available; many requests for assistance have been made in regards to meal delivery, assistance setting up transportation, sand buckets, medical equipment, energy assistance, advocacy for services and for more information regarding respite care available in the area.

Website - A Google based website has been developed and is updated as requests for information and knowledge regarding resources become available. It includes information regarding the services available, contact information for Renée, a calendar of events, the monthly newsletter and links to different services and activities being planned. The website can be found on the town website.

Calendar of Events -We have used coffee/breakfast times at Traditions Restaurant and the Freedom Village Store to make connections with individuals. There were two trips planned utilizing the van from the Gibson Center. One trip was the attendance of a Portland Seadogs game and an October fall foliage tour to Cannon Mountain tram.

We are hoping to begin a congregate meal opportunity a couple times a month with the goal to bring individuals together for a nutritious meal and social time.

The Senior Resource Kiosk at the Freedom Public Library was set up and stocked. It contains a variety of information from different organizations and service providers available to seniors.

Food Preservation classes during the summer and fall were very successful. After seeing so much food going to waste we partnered with Ossipee Concerned Citizens to provide opportunities for individuals to learn about the different ways to preserve food for future enjoyment. Those who participated were able to take home many jars of fruits and vegetables for future use.

The Senior Resource Coordinator and the Gibson Center worked to establish a program to assist individuals with small home repair issues (changing batteries, light bulbs, fixing leaky faucets, etc). The **Stay Warm, Dry & Safe Program** sponsored by the Gibson Center provides Mount Washington Valley homeowners with a resource to schedule small modification projects to improve the safety, warmth or tightness of their homes. Individuals call the coordinator at the Gibson Center who will learn the details of the needs, and convey them to a reliable, licensed and vetted contractor who will complete the work. Individuals pay for the materials and the fee for the contractor. For homeowners of low and very-low income, the coordinator will connect the homeowner to a representative of the USDA Rural Development for up to \$10,000 in grants to cover the costs of the improvements. This is not an emergency service but one that will be available by request and subject to scheduling for all the towns of the MWV Age-Friendly Community that include Hart's Location, Chatham, Jackson, Bartlett, Conway, Albany, Madison, Eaton, Freedom, Tamworth, Ossipee and Fryeburg.

Future Plans & Goals:

Increase transportation options: With the assistance of the Gibson Center for Seniors and the region 2 mobility manager, we are hoping to have a system in place providing transportation options for the residents of Freedom by mid-year.

Intergenerational community garden – The school gardens have been cleaned of perennials and we hope to begin utilizing those gardens to begin an intergenerational garden for all participants to enjoy.

Social Events – Organize social events that would meet on a regular basis based on common interests. Other activities would be local part of the day events such an ice cream social, tours and enjoyment of local beverage establishments and restaurants, etc. Other activities would be a day trips to county fairs, fall luncheon train ride, dinner cruise, etc.

Senior Center – It would be ideal to have some type of designated Freedom Senior Center. Many of the events being planned are ongoing so it would be ideal to have a location identified which could be used on a regular basis. This is where weekly exercise classes, clubs, social events, etc. could be held and materials needed for the events would not have to be packed away and removed from the premises after each event.

Respectfully Submitted on January 31, 2023

Renée Wheaton
Senior Resource Coordinator
Town of Freedom

Mount Washington Valley Age Friendly Community

Freedom is a member of the 12-town, regional Mount Washington Valley Age Friendly Community.

The Mount Washington Valley Age Friendly Community is housed at the Gibson Center in North Conway. This initiative is affiliated with the state and national AARP Livable Communities Network.

The Mission: Using the AARP Livable Community Framework, we combine the talents and resources from all of our 12 towns to further develop the Mount Washington Valley as a place for people of all ages and abilities to thrive. **The Vision:** Our goal is to have citizens of all ages say they would rather live here than anywhere else.

The initiative is a regional approach that capitalizes on the resources and assets that exist in our communities and is supported by a multitude of well-coordinated non-profits. The leaders magnify each other's work, seek opportunities to learn and replicate successful models and share best practices across our towns.

The focus is on 5 Domains: Housing, Health, Transportation, Community Connections and Outdoor Spaces. We encourage anyone to contact us to offer ideas or to participate.

Freedom has not only benefited by participating in many of the initiatives but has also helped other organizations in accomplishing their goals.

To date, Freedom has benefited with the following information and programs:

1. **MWV Walkable Trails** (by Town) A list of 44 “most walkable” trails have been identified in the 12 towns. A rack card was printed and distributed throughout the Valley that explains our walkable trails and lists one example from each community. The complete list of all the 44 trails can be found on the website:
 - a. <https://www.gibsoncenter.org/mwv-walkable-trails-by-town/> The list will be updated on a regular basis. You can also reach us at agefriendly@gibsoncenter.org. An interactive map/app is planned for 2023.
2. The Freedom Public Library has hosted a **Garden Project** for families:
 - a. A bucket of potting soil, seeds and planters were available in the summer through the library for anyone who was interested.
3. **Window Dressers**- In conjunction with Tin Mountain Conservation Center, North Conway Rotary and the Gibson Center, we had the opportunity to have custom insulating window frames covered with plastic and inserted into windows to help retain heat in the winter. This was an extension of the work done by WindowDressers.org of Maine.
4. This year senior residents of Freedom received free **Chromebook and iPad** tablets and access to training by Andrea Libby of Libby Computers and other volunteers. They learned skills to communicate and connect through email and video conferencing (Zoom) as well as how to access medical practice portals for appointments, labs and questions.
5. **The Stay Warm, Safe and Dry** program enables seniors to remain in their homes and active in their community by providing help to ensure a healthy and safe home environment, rather than having to move into an institution. Handyman projects (grab bars, ramps, repairs and simple modifications) can be coordinated by Renee Wheaton at 603-205-0909 or staywarm@gibsoncenter.org. Low-income persons can apply for USDA grants up to \$10,000.

6. The Freedom library and town website have hard copies and links to the 21-page **Senior Resource Directory**. The guide offers resources in six general areas: - Connecting services in local towns and the state. -Health Programs -Housing and Residential Care -Nutrition and Food resources. -Recreation -Transportation
7. A **winter wellness fitness challenge** is another initiative that was organized by UNH Ext. and Carroll County Coalition for Public Health for the MWV Age Friendly Community. A winter bingo card was designed to offer many activities for families of all ages. By completing the suggested activities (or creating others), the completed bingo cards are gathered and prizes awarded. The bingo cards were available through many organizations in the 12 communities. A summer wellness challenge is planned
8. To help support **workforce development** and retention, low-income people who qualify may be eligible for free car inspections and up to \$1000 in inspection related repairs to help them have adequate transportation. Carroll County Coalition for Public Health in conjunction with the Transportation Regional Coordinating Council is sponsoring this program.
9. Members of the Age-Friendly Community have been advocating for Freedom to receive Federal and State funds to assist in making **High-Speed Internet** available to all households that need it in the Valley.
10. Affordable housing continues to be an important conversation. **Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU)** are at the top of the list for discussion with town zoning and planning boards. If you are considering an ADU as part of your property in an effort to ease the housing deficit, help can be found at www.aarp.org/livable-communities/housing. Conversations are happening now with our local leaders. Be sure to check in with them
11. Listening and learning sessions around **transportation issues** have taken place in many of the communities this year. Scott Boisvert, the new director of Carroll County Regional Transportation Council, is planning several new programs including a bike coop, volunteer driver incentive program and others.

In addition to the above outcomes, Freedom has access to regional and national Livable Community meetings and many resource guides.

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Davidson Chairperson for the Freedom Committee on Aging
Renée Wheaton Senior Resource Coordinator

Freedom Food Pantry

The Freedom Food Pantry provides food for qualified, in need, Freedom residents. Our distribution of food enables each person served the food necessary to prepare 21 meals per week, including 7-10 packages of meat.

<u>2022</u>		
<u>Freedom Food Pantry Statistics for Freedom</u>		
<u>Month</u>	<u># of People Served</u>	<u># of Meals Provided for Clients to Cook</u>
January	8	168
February	20	420
March	20	420
April	48	1,008
May	16	336
June	44	924
July	20	420
August	29	609
September	24	504
October	29	609
November	36	756
December	<u>63</u>	<u>1,323</u>
	357	7,497

In 2022, the Town of Freedom contributed \$5,000 to the Freedom Food Pantry. As a result of this contribution, the cost was \$14.00 per person weekly to produce 21 meals each week, including 7 – 10 packages of meat.

Thank you for the support the Pantry receives from the Town of Freedom.

Dorís Sirois, Co-Director

**Request for \$5,000 level funding from non-profit funds
Freedom, March 2023 Town Meeting**

Freedom Food Pantry

The Freedom Food Pantry was established in 1992 to serve those families in need from the towns of Freedom, Effingham, and Ossipee. (Attached are statistics showing the number of families served by month and town thru August, 2022 and all of 2021). The Food Pantry is located in the basement of the First Christian Church of Freedom, 12 Elm Street, Freedom, New Hampshire. The church provides the space, electricity, heat and office supplies to the Food Pantry at no charge. No funding is received from the church. All funds received are spent on purchasing food. The pantry operates using only volunteers. The pantry has no paid staff.

The Freedom Food Pantry receives food from different sources. The first source is to receive USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) Emergency Food Assistance, at no cost from the government. In 2021, due to the extra COVID-19 funding, we received monthly commodity food from USDA. In 2022, commodity food reverted back to every other month. The second source of food is to purchase food from the New Hampshire Food Bank (NHFB) in Manchester, NH. The NHFB struggles to keep their food supply shelves stocked during the pandemic/inflation. In order to maximize NHFB resources, NHFB has imposed case limits. Also, some foods are no longer available or others are available either so infrequently or on a different order and delivery cycle that the Freedom Food Pantry cannot get them. (Note: This NHFB delivery schedule is once per month to a drop site in West Ossipee.) Our pantry is included in the Hannaford, No. Conway and the Walmart, No. Conway donation cycle to receive meat on a weekly basis. Food prices can be impacted by fires/drought, major weather events, the pandemic and inflation.

Funding for the Freedom Food Pantry has always been through donations. The donations that we receive are primarily from the residents of Freedom or from people who have ties to Freedom. In 2022, the pantry received non-profit funding from Ossipee, Effingham and Freedom. Both monetary and food donations to the Freedom Food Pantry fluctuate and are not predictable sources of funding. In 2020/2021, due to the pandemic, extra donations were received from individuals, organizations/foundations. Those donations have declined.

Additionally, the 10 year Farm Aid Bill was passed in 2014 and \$8.7 Billion was cut from the Federal Food Stamp program known as SNAP. This cut to the SNAP program has impacted our food pantry clients. The job market in this area remains challenged due to the pandemic and seasonal employment. Also, the annual Social Security/Disability cost-of-living (COLA) adjustment does not keep pace with increases in living expenses.

Due to the pandemic, pantry clients are able to access the pantry weekly. Clients receive a week's worth of food and 6–10 packages of meat weekly due to Hannaford, Walmart and USDA donations. The pantry has been able to maintain serving our clients with social distancing and wearing masks. Our pantry remained open through the pandemic, without closing for any Saturday. We also continue to allow our clients their choice of food, instead of pre-packed boxes.

In the past 12 months, Freedom client family participation levels are from 28% to 42% of the total client families served on any given Saturday. Based on current food prices, the pantry will need continued support to feed Freedom clients next year.

Thank you for your consideration of this very important mission in our area.

 9-29-22

Doris Sirois, Co-Director
539-1339

FREEDOM FOOD PANTRY
(Serving Freedom, Effingham, Ossipee)
Number of Families Served by Month and Town

	JAN 2022	FEB 2022	MAR 2022	APR 2022	MAY 2022	JUN 2022	JUL 2022	AUG 2022	SEP 2022	OCT 2022	NOV 2022		DEC 2022		YTD 2022
Notes:	@	@	@					***			***	THANKSGIVING	***	CHRISTMAS	
TOWN	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Meals # of Turkeys	# of Families %	# of Meals # of Turkeys # of Hams	# of Families %
EFFINGHAM	7 32%	13 37%	11 34%	18 33%	17 44%	15 32%	16 34%	17 32%	-	-	-	-	-	-	114 34.5%
FREEDOM	7 32%	13 37%	12 36%	23 42%	11 28%	19 40%	13 28%	16 30%	-	-	-	-	-	-	114 34.5%
CENTER OSSIPEE	7 32%	8 23%	8 25%	13 24%	7 18%	9 19%	7 15%	10 19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	69 20.9%
OSSIPEE	1 5%	1 3%	1 3%	0 -	0 -	0 -	7 15%	4 8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	14 4.2%
WEST OSSIPEE	0 -	0 -	0 -	1 2%	4 10%	4 9%	4 9%	6 11%	-	-	-	-	-	-	19 5.8%
subtotal	8 36%	9 26%	9 28%	14 25%	11 28%	13 28%	18 38%	20 38%	0 -	0 -	0 -	0 0	0 -	0 0 0	102 30.9%
*Miscellaneous Towns	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0 0.0%
GROSS TOTALS	22	35	32	55	39	47	47	53	0	0	0	0 0	0	0 0 0	330

GROSS TOTAL FOR MONTH INCLUDES SPECIAL MEALS FOR HOLIDAYS (as shown above)

*** Note: Food Pantry Closed for Old Home Week, Thanksgiving Weekend, Christmas and New Year's Day

@ Note: Low usage due to weather and driving conditions

*Miscellaneous Towns = Clients served from towns outside our serving area

Percentages are based on portions of the **gross totals** for each month and are rounded off to the nearest whole number

FREEDOM FOOD PANTRY (Serving Freedom, Effingham, Ossiipee) Number of Families Served by Month and Town

	JAN 2021	FEB 2021	MAR 2021	APR 2021	MAY 2021	JUN 2021	JUL 2021	AUG 2021	SEP 2021	OCT 2021	NOV 2021		DEC 2021		YTD 2021
Notes:	@	@	@					***			***	THANKSGIVING	***	CHRISTMAS	
TOWN	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Families %	# of Meals # of Turkeys	# of Families %	# of Meals # of Turkeys # of Hams	# of Families %
EFFINGHAM	20 36%	10 30%	8 35%	13 42%	12 34%	11 32%	8 20%	8 22%	14 35%	20 38%	20 41%	13 26	17 34%	14 0 14	188 33.9%
FREEDOM	21 38%	12 36%	8 35%	12 39%	16 46%	16 47%	21 53%	17 47%	12 30%	16 31%	16 33%	12 19	15 30%	12 0 12	206 37.2%
CENTER OSSIPEE	7 13%	6 18%	6 26%	5 16%	6 17%	6 18%	11 28%	4 11%	10 25%	12 23%	9 18%	9 14	12 24%	8 0 8	111 20.0%
OSSIPEE	4 7%	1 3%	1 4%	0 -	1 3%	0 -	0 -	2 6%	2 5%	1 2%	2 4%	1 3	2 4%	3 0 3	20 3.6%
WEST OSSIPEE	3 5%	4 12%	0 -	1 3%	0 -	1 3%	0 -	5 14%	2 5%	3 6%	2 4%	2 3	4 8%	2 0 2	29 5.2%
subtotal	14 25%	11 33%	7 30%	6 19%	7 20%	7 21%	11 28%	11 31%	14 35%	16 31%	13 27%	12 20	18 36%	13 0 13	160 28.9%
^A Miscellaneous Towns	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0 0.0%
GROSS TOTALS	55	33	23	31	35	34	40	36	40	52	49	37 65	50	39 0 39	554

GROSS TOTAL FOR MONTH INCLUDES SPECIAL MEALS FOR HOLIDAYS (as shown above)

*** Note: Food Pantry Closed for Old Home Week, Thanksgiving Weekend, Christmas and New Year's Day

@ Note: Low usage due to weather and driving conditions

^AMiscellaneous Towns = Clients served from towns outside our serving area

Percentages are based on portions of the gross totals for each month and are rounded off to the nearest whole number

Operation Expenses*

Description	2021 Previous Fiscal Year	2022 Current Fiscal Year (thru Aug. 2022)	2023 Next Fiscal Year
Food Storage & non-food items (1)	\$ 379.00	\$ 1,015.00	\$ 1,829.00
Volunteer Transportation (2)	\$ 1,213.00	\$ 1,755.00	\$ 3,168.00
Generator and Maint. (3)	\$10,172.00	\$ 260.00	\$ 260.00
Computer and Maint. (4)	\$ 110.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 100.00
Food (5)	<u>\$11,657.00</u>	<u>\$11,030.00</u>	<u>\$19,858.00</u>
TOTAL	\$23,531.00	\$14,060.00	\$25,215.00
Estimate for all of 2022		\$21,090.00	

Notes:

- (1) Toilet paper, paper towels, tooth paste, bar soap, deodorant, freezer bags, maintenance, postage, office supplies, pest control, bank fees.
- (2) Gas for vehicles used for shopping trips and NHFB delivered food orders to Tramway Plaza in West Ossipee, with a delivery fee.
- (3) New generator and maintenance.
- (4) New computer and maintenance.
- (5) Food costs continue to increase in 2022. The drought, weather events, pandemic and inflation have an impact on food prices.

Additionally the 10 year Farm Aid Bill was passed in 2014 and \$8.7 Billion was cut from the federal food stamp program known as SNAP. This cut to the SNAP program has impacted our food pantry clients. The job market in this area remains challenged due to the pandemic and seasonal employment. Also, the annual Social Security/Disability cost-of-living (COLA) adjustment does not keep pace with the increases in living expenses.

2022 FREEDOM OLD HOME WEEK ANNUAL REPORT

Every Summer for 123 years, the community of Freedom has been one of NH towns that celebrate an “Old Home Week” – a New England tradition officially recognized by Proclamation in the New Hampshire State Legislature in 1913. Freedom Old Home Week (FOHW) is a time for residents, guests, their friends and their families to attend and participate in fun and informative activities and events throughout Freedom.

Our focus is on making FOHW fun and accessible for everyone in our community. Our volunteers provide the momentum that helps deliver events that bring people together to socialize, engage, eat, laugh (and sometimes sing!) and more. It really is all about celebrating this beautiful town we are all proud to call Freedom.

The 2022 Freedom Old Home Week returned in full force after two years of non-existent/modified events due to the Covid pandemic. It was well received by the young and young at heart within our community. Not only were the events attended by full and part-time residents but also by folks in other communities.

Our amazing team of volunteers planned and implemented events which appealed to all ages, abilities and interests. These events included Ducky Day, Lawn Party, 123rd OHW Parade, Cribbage Tournament, Mah Jongg Tournament, Ice Cream Social, Prospect Mtn Hike, Talent Show and 5K. In addition many other events were sponsored by other Freedom community organizations. These events were well attended and received a positive response from the community.

Planning is underway for the 2023 Freedom Old Home Week Celebration.

Ducky Day: June 24th

Old Home Week: July 28th to August 6th

For further updates and information, check out the Freedom Old Home Week website: www.freedomoldhomeweek.com or Facebook Page. Is there an event that is near and dear to your heart or do you have some new ideas? The committee welcomes volunteers! Meetings are held monthly at the Town Hall/via Zoom. Please contact the association at freedomfohw@gmail.com with any questions.

We look forward to seeing old friends and making new ones during the 2023 Freedom Old Home Week.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of all FOHWA Members,
Kate Chaput 2023 Chairperson
Freedom Old Home Week Association

Ossipee Lake Dam Authority's Expense Report 2022

The following is a report of the expenses of the Ossipee Lake Dam Authority for the year, October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. Figures for the split between the two towns of Freedom and Ossipee are based on the assessed equalized value of the two towns. These values are furnished by the State of New Hampshire, D.R.A in the NH Town Comparison, Equalization Survey.

Expenditures for the Ossipee Dam Authority in 2021-2022

2021 Equalization Assessment Value as a Percent of Ossipee Lake Dam Expenses

Ossipee: \$789,077,518 54.52% of \$15,323.12 = \$8,354.16

Freedom: \$647,099,439 45.48% of \$15,323.12 = \$6,968.96

The percent of Ossipee and Freedom total dam expenses are revised each year according to the changes in the NH Equalization Assessment Value. and the actual costs from the prior year to bring the deficit of the past year up to the beginning balance for the coming year for the Ossipee Lake Dam Authority.

The following is the list of 2020-2021 actual expenses for the Ossipee Lake Dam Authority:

Eversource (Electricity)	\$199.53
Post Office Box	61.00
Consolidated Communications (phone/internet)	632.59
John Picard (Salary)	5,000.00
Snow Removal at the Dam	400.00
D.E.S. Bear Camp Gage	8,930.00
Total Expenses October 2021-September 2022	\$15,323.12

Submitted by,
Roberta MacCarthy
Secretary/Treasurer
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority
PO Box 339
December 2022

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Father/Partner</u>	<u>Name of Mother</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>
01-31-22	King, Alexander Robert	King, Jr., Robert Joseph	Dubuque, Jessie Lynn	N. Conway
04-01-22	Nason, Haylee Rose	Nason, Steven Scott	Nason, Nicole Marie	N. Conway
04-21-22	Williams, Piper Rae	Williams, Gregory A.	Gray, Crystal D.	N. Conway
05-30-22	Bolduc, Lainey Elyse	Bolduc, Cody Catlin	Porter, Samantha J.M.	Dover
12-17-22	Maxwell, Reid Michael	Maxwell IV, Foster Alexander	McAlister, Nicole Marie	N. Conway
12-21-22	Towle, Mackenzie Katherine	Towle, Zachary Curt	Turner, Abigale Mackenzie	N. Conway

Respectfully submitted,
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Name of Deceased</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Maiden Name</u>
01-25-22	Dover	Rolando, Theresa M.	Cody, Robert	Corr, Marie
01-28-22	Freedom	Breslin, James Arthur	Breslin, George	Fontaine, Georgine
02-16-22	Meredith	Troast, Charles Neal	Troast, Cornelius	Reed, Valera
03-20-22	Freedom	Dill, Shirley T.	Fontaine, Mozart	Cartier, Cecile
05-21-22	Freedom	Palacio, Debra Kinsch	Kinsch, Edward	Burkhead, Ethel
06-04-22	Freedom	Furnbach, Edith Winifred	German, Henry	Dean, Winnifred
06-10-22	N Conway	Perry, Peggy Ann	unknown	Strout, Marion
06-18-22	Wolfeboro	Martin, Fred Jr.	Martin, Fred Sr.	Meaney, Eleanor
07-04-22	Wolfeboro	Ingham, William Philip	Ingham, William	Blinn, Margaret
08-10-22	Lebanon	Vater, Susan Jean	Onufrak, Michael	Malcom, Esther
08-14-22	Meredith	Boyle, Neal E. Jr.	Boyle, Neal Sr.	Rogers, Catherine
08-21-22	Laconia	Whitehouse, Eric Christian	Whitehouse, James, Jr.	Poulsen, Britta
08-22-22	Freedom	Hunt, Roger Miles	Hunt, Fred	Taylor, Adelaide
09-02-22	Madison	Bouve, Sylvia Dunham	Dunham, Roy	Johnson, Elodie
09-16-22	N Conway	Begin, Robert J.	Begin, Roger	Unknown, Mary
10-18-22	Freedom	Apanel, Patrick Bernard	Apanel, Edward	O'Rielly, Josephine
12-15-22	Freedom	Fritz, Lee Rosenbloom	Rosenboom, Jacob	Moore, Minnie
12-21-22	Freedom	Haynes, Helen Day	Day, Edwin	Sutherland, Elizabeth

Respectfully submitted,
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

MARRIAGES REGISTERED THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

<u>Date of Marriage</u>	<u>Name and Surname of Person A and Person B</u>	<u>Residence at time of marriage</u>
06-04-2022	Gerety, William W. Finucci, Janice L.	Freedom Freedom
08-06-2022	Barton, Richard H. Hanna, Jennifer M.	Freedom Freedom
09-10-2022	Williams, Gregory A. Gray, Crystal D.	Freedom Freedom
10-09-2022	Yeaton, Cassandra M. Rivers, James C.	Freedom Winnisquam
10-22-2022	Farinella, David J. Cyr, Shelby K.	Freedom Freedom
12-30-2022	Jackson, Renee M. Nuwer, Jamie M.	Freedom Pacific Palisades, CA

Respectfully submitted,
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

TOWN OF FREEDOM
REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEER
APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OR COMMITTEE

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Board or Committee of interest? _____

Full Time Resident: Yes/No (circle one) Registered Voter: Yes/No (circle one)

How long have you lived in Freedom? _____

Are you able to attend monthly meetings? _____

Have you ever served on any commissions or boards? _____

If so, which ones? _____

If not, what is your background or experience pertaining to this board or committee?

Are you willing to attend classes and/or seminars to educate yourself about laws and procedures for the desired position? _____

Current clubs or organizations you are affiliated with: _____

In your own words, why do you want to serve on this board or committee and what can you contribute?

The completed form will be reviewed by the Board of Selectmen and the appropriate department(s).

The filing of this form does not assure appointment. Citizens deemed most qualified to serve in a particular capacity will be considered for all vacancies.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Please return this form to the Freedom Town Office or mail to:

Freedom Board of Selectmen
PO Box 227 Freedom, NH 03836

NOTES

SELECTMEN

Leslie Babb, Chairman
Ernest Day, Jr.
Melissa Florio

Hours:

Monday 6:30 pm
Telephone: 539-6323

TOWN OFFICE

Monday thru Thurs 8am to 3pm
Telephone: 539-6323

TOWN CLERK

A. Elizabeth Priebe

Office Hours:

Monday 11am to 5pm
Tuesday 11am to 5pm
Wednesday 9am to 5pm
Thursday 11am to 5pm
Telephone: 539-8269

TAX COLLECTOR

Annette Babb

Sam Porter, Deputy

Office Hours:

Monday 11am - 1pm
Wednesday 11am - 1pm
Telephone: 539-5572

ZONING-BUILDING-CODE OFFICER

Gary Williams

Office Hours:

By Appt.
Telephone 539-6323
Cell 986-0486

**TRANSFER/RECYCLING
FACILITY****Year-Round Hours:**

Monday 8 am to 4 pm
Friday 8 am to 4 pm
Saturday 8 am to 4pm
Sunday 8 am to 4 pm
Telephone: 539-5364

TOWN OFFICE**HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

Memorial Day: Mon 5/29/2023
July 4: Mon 7/4/2023
Labor Day: Mon 9/4/2023
Columbus Day: Mon 10/9/2023
Thanksgiving Day: Thurs 11/24/2023
Christmas: Mon 12/25/2023
New Years: Mon 1/1/2024
Civil Rights Day: Mon 1/15/2024
Presidents Day: Mon 2/19/2024

TAX COLLECTOR**HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

Memorial Day: Mon 5/29/2023
July 4: Mon 7/4/2023
Labor Day: Mon 9/4/2023
Columbus Day: Mon 10/09/2023
Christmas: Mon 12/25/2023
New Years: Mon 1/1/2024
Civil Rights Day: Mon 1/15/2024
Presidents Day: Mon 2/19/2024

TOWN CLERK**HOLIDAY & ELECTION DAY
CLOSINGS**

Town Meeting & Elections: Tues 3/14/2023
Memorial Day: Mon 5/29/2022
July 4: Mon 7/4/2023
Labor Day: Mon 9/4/2023
Columbus Day: Mon 10/09/2023
Thanksgiving: Thurs 11/24/2023
Christmas: Mon 12/25/2023
New Years Day: Mon 1/1/2024
Civil Rights Day: Mon 1/15/2024
President's Day: Mon 2/19/2024
Town Meeting & Elections: Tues 3/12/2024

TRANSFER STATION**HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

Easter: Sun 4/9/2023
Christmas: Mon 12/25/2023
New Years Day: Mon 1/1/2024

*Meeting times and office hours
are subject to change.*

