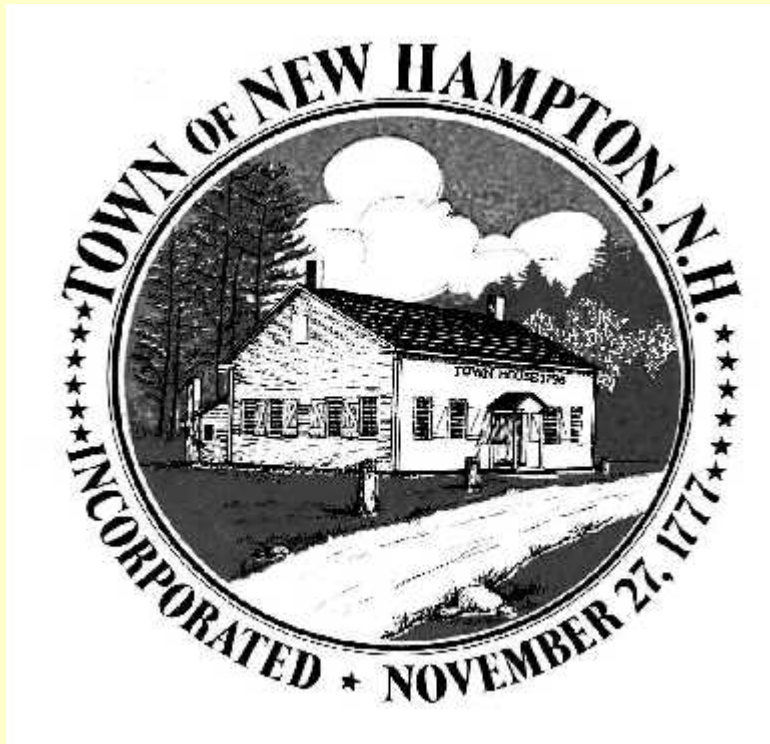


# **ANNUAL REPORT**

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**For the Year Ending  
December 31,**

**2017**

## Dedication



### Fred and Jane Smith

Jane and Fred Smith were married on July 10, 1999 in the New Hampton Community Church. While they had known each other since childhood, it was not until the late '90's that they blended their families. Rekindling a cherished friendship from early summer days when Jane Bennet spent summers in New Hampton with her parents, they reconnected when Fred purchased a second home in New Hampton, and started spending more time back in the bucolic "small gore of land." They shared many friendships and activities and interests related to their home town as well as golf, literature, the outdoors, travel, music (Pemigewasset Choral Society), and many other things.

Jane was born in Brooklyn, New York. She grew up with her parents, Peg and Fred Bennett, in an apartment facing the west side of Prospect Park in Brooklyn. Jane's ties to New Hampton trace back to her childhood. In 1941, her parents answered an ad in the New York Times for an opportunity to spend the summer in Randall Hall on the campus of the New Hampton School for Boys. Jane and her parents came to love New Hampton, and within a matter of years had purchased a house just off the campus on Shingle Camp Hill. Jane's early friends from the summers she spent in New Hampton included Janice Smith (Seufert), Jinga Smith (Moore) and Jinga's brother, Fred Smith. Jane's parents also became fast friends with the headmaster of the school, Frederick Smith Sr, and his wife, Grace, a friendship that lasted throughout their lives.

Jane attended the Berkeley Carroll School in Brooklyn, graduating from high school in 1947. Jane enjoyed many activities including radio broadcasts of big band music and baseball. She became a fan of the Brooklyn Dodgers and today she cheers for the Boston Red Sox. She went on to attend Wellesley College, graduating in 1951 with a degree in English Literature.

After college Jane worked for *Women's Day* magazine in New York. At that time, she met playwright and novelist Calder Willingham, and they were married in September 1953. The couple moved to the house on Shingle Camp Hill in 1954, just after the birth of their first son. Jane and Calder's family grew to three sons and two daughters, all born in the 1950's and early 1960's. Jane later returned to school and completed her Master's degree in Education in 1975. She then accepted a position at the New Hampton School, beginning as a special education teacher specializing in learning disabilities, and advancing to English Department Chair, a post she held until her retirement in 1992. In 1995, after 42 years of marriage, Calder Willingham passed away.

Fred was born in New Hampton to parents Frederick and Grace Vohr Smith and was the youngest of three siblings (Jinga and Robinson); his father was the Headmaster of The New Hampton School and mother taught at the school. He attended kindergarten in Bristol, NH and grade school in a one-room schoolhouse in New Hampton, to then study at The New Hampton School where he excelled in academics, earning the school's highest award The Meservy Medal, as well as athletics playing baseball, soccer, hockey, and golf.

Fred attended Dartmouth College entering in June of 1945, shortly before his 16<sup>th</sup> birthday. Fred went on from Dartmouth to Cornell Law School graduating in 1952, and then joined the law firm of Upton, Sanders, and Upton in Concord, New Hampshire. After a year with the firm, Fred was commissioned as an Ensign in the U. S. Navy serving on the USS Platte in the Pacific from 1953 to 1957; the USS Platte provided logistic support of US 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet Operations out of San Diego Harbor, touching Yokosuka on her way to Subic Bay in the Philippine Islands, on to Formosa, Hong Kong, and to Sasebo.

Following military service, Fred moved to Washington, DC to pursue a career in government service. He joined the State Department as an Attorney-Advisor in the Office of the Assistant Legal Advisor for Inter-American Affairs. In this role, Fred drafted and negotiated international boundary treaties, drafted legislation, and testified on treaties and legislation as well as holding responsibility for international extradition matters. During this time, he met Sharon Higbie from Kalamazoo, MI and they were married at the National Cathedral in Washington, DC. Fred and Sharon's family grew with the birth of their 3 daughters and a son.

Promoted to Assistant Legal Advisor for Security and Consular Affairs, Fred was then awarded a fellowship to study at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government earning a Master's in Public Administration. Fred then served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Security and Consular Affairs, was selected to head the U.S. Delegation to the United Nations Conference on Rights and Duties of States in Vienna, Austria, and in 1976 selected as the Consul General for Consular Affairs at the American Embassy in Mexico. Following assignments as a Foreign Service Inspector and Director of the Foreign Service Grievance Staff back in Washington, DC, Fred was selected as the Consul General for Consular Affairs in Toronto Canada. After Canada, Fred held positions in the Bureau of Consular Affairs retiring from the Foreign Service with the rank of Minister-Counselor after 31 years of government service. He went on to serve on the Board of Appellate Review, as a Consultant to the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, and a Senior Reviewer and Legal Advisor.

Their community service represents countless hours and their dedication reveals a true commitment to making New Hampton a great place to live. Jane was a member of the New Hampton Trustees of Trust Funds from 1993-1995, a member of the Town Newsletter Committee from 1996-2008, a volunteer proof editor of the town's annual report from 2001-present. Fred was the Chairman of the town Heritage Commission from 2000-2004, a member of the Town Newsletter Committee from 2000-2008, served on the Municipal Building and Planning Committee in 2001, the Town Facilities Planning and Development Committee from 2002-2005 and has served as a Commissioner for the Village Precinct for more than 16 years. He also wrote and received for the Town a grant to restore the windows in the 1798 Town House. Between the two of them they have also been involved with the New Hampton Nature and Fitness Trail, New Hampton Historical Society, Gordon-Nash Library, New Hampton Community Church, the Church choir, the Pemigewasset Choral Society and New Hampshire Music Festival Choir.



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## State of the Community

As we enter 2018 it is fitting to look back and recap some significant events of 2017.

Our infrastructure, particularly our roads, remain an important focus of the Town. Last year we completed some major paving projects which included Beech Hill Road and Shingle Camp Hill Road. Shingle Camp, based on a traffic study, is the heaviest traffic count road in Town. Thanks to an unexpected increase in the State Highway Block Grant we were able to complete these projects along with several others. The Highway Department is already planning upgrades on roads for this year based on current conditions, public safety, and traffic volume. Additionally, an acceptable design has been agreed on for the Snake River Bridge on Waukegan Road between New Hampton, Center Harbor and the State Department of Transportation. A culvert inventory was also completed through cooperation with Lakes Region Planning Commission and interns from Plymouth State University. The intent is to use this information to create a future repair, maintenance, and replacement plan to keep our roads as safe and reliable as possible. Our roads came through relatively unscathed during the late year floods that hit the state and any minor issues were quickly addressed by our Highway Department. Our new grader was finally delivered and its improved abilities over the old one has really made a difference for our Highway Department to better construct and repair our dirt roads.

A Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Committee was formed last year and brought together the department heads and their projected needs for the future. The intent is to prioritize major spending and spread expenditures out as evenly as possible to avoid spikes in our tax rate due to these costly capital equipment items.

The Town grappled with several litigation issues last year which heavily burdened our legal fund and assessing line items. We are pleased to report that we were able to protect the valuation of the Ayers Island Dam through the divestiture process, agreed to a settlement with DirecTV's tax assessment issue, and at least for now, have helped in stopping Northern Pass from coming through our beautiful Town.

Over the last year many communities in the State have been dealing with contamination of groundwater from Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFA's). The Town was required this fall by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services to test the groundwater at the town landfill, which has been closed since 1993. We are happy to report that our groundwater sampling done at the landfill detected NO PFA compounds.

The Town was presented with a plaque and certificate in recognition as a "NH HeartSafe Community" for the efforts of the New Hampton Fire Department to improve survival from sudden cardiac arrest. Our Fire Department has developed and implemented lifesaving networks that focus on coordinating local resources to prevent sudden cardiac arrest from becoming sudden cardiac death.

Unfortunately, we could not agree to an acceptable course of action to preserve the old Grange Hall. The perceived cost and potential use, or lack thereof, was unpalatable to the majority of voters who took a position on the project. Hopefully we will have an opportunity in the future to come together on another approach to create a place for community interaction and events.

Finally, the Selectboard wish to extend a heartfelt thanks to the employees and volunteers here in Town for all their hard work and dedication. New Hampton is a treasure here in the heart of New Hampshire. Your hard work, and the support of our community goes a long way to keep it precious.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth A. Mertz  
Neil G. Irvine  
Mark T. Denoncour

## **Town Officers ELECTED OFFICIALS**

### **Selectmen**

Kenneth A. Mertz 2018                      Neil G. Irvine 2019  
Mark T. Denoncour 2020

### **Treasurer**

Karon A. Mertz 2020

### **Town Clerk/Tax Collector**

Cynthia M. Torsey, Retired August 2017  
Regina M. Adams, Appointed September 2017

### **Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector (appointed)**

Regina M. Adams, August 2017  
Pamela B. Vose – Interim; Appointed August 2017

### **Moderator**

Kenneth N. Kettenring 2018

### **Supervisors of the Checklist**

Christina M. Pollock 2020                      Lucinda A. Ossola 2022  
Mary L. Tierney 2018

### **Trustees of Trust Funds**

Michel S. LeDuc, Jr. 2018                      Andrew S. Moore 2019  
A. Alden Hofling 2020

### **Sarah Dow MacGregor Scholarship Fund**

Theodora A. Denoncour 2019                      Eileen Curran-Kondrad 2018  
Christine Hofling-Davol, School Board Rep.

### **School Budget Committee**

John L. Jenness II 2020

### **School Board**

Christine Hofling-Davol 2020

## **APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

### **Chief of Police**

George C. Huckins

### **Public Works Director**

Jim O. Boucher

### **Fire Chief and Fire Warden**

Michael A. Drake

### **Emergency Management Director**

Michael A. Drake

### **Town Administrator**

Barbara A. Lucas

### **Health Officer**

Thomas J. O'Shea

### **Planning Board**

Kenneth N. Kettenring 2020

Tania Hiltz 2018

Paul E. MacDonald 2018

Robert E. Broadhurst, Jr. 2020

Kenneth A. Mertz, Sel. Rep. 2018

W. Wesley Hays 2019

David E. Katz 2018

### **Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Sub Committee**

David E. Katz 2018

Tania Hiltz 2018

Robert E. Broadhurst, Jr. 2020

### **Master Plan Sub Committee**

Kenneth A. Mertz 2018

W. Wesley Hays 2019

Robert E. Broadhurst, Jr. 2020

### **Zoning Board of Adjustment**

Paul J. Tierney 2018

Roni Karnis 2020

Wallace G. Orvis 2019

Brenda S. Erler 2019

Brenda S. Erler 2019

Kermit G. Frazier 2018

A. Alden Hofling, Alt. 2019

### **Conservation Commission**

Daniel P. Moore 2018

Patricia P. Schlesinger 2019

Robert W. Pollock 2019

Barry W. Rolfe 2018

Richard Leroux 2020

Gordon DuBois 2020

Tyler W. Simpson, Alt. 2018

William C. Walsh, Honorary Member

### **Heritage Commission**

Kristin J. Harmon 2019

Shana M. Martinez 2020

Marilyn D. Woodward 2017

Neil G. Irvine, Sel. Rep. 2019

### **Ballot Inspectors**

Patricia E. Torsey

Virginia S. Haas

Dana S. Torsey

Jessie Whalen

Muriel C. Smith

Nathan S. Torsey

**Town of New Hampton  
First Session of the Annual Meeting**

**February 8, 2017**

Officials Present: Town Moderator, Ken Kettenring  
Selectmen: Nathaniel Sawyer, Jr; Kenneth Mertz; Neil Irvine  
Town Clerk / Tax Collector, Cynthia Torsey  
Deputy Town Clerk / Tax Collector, Regina Adams

Others Present: Supervisors of the Checklist: Christina Pollock & Mary Tierney  
Ballot Inspectors: Patricia Torsey; Dana Torsey; Nathan Torsey  
Department Heads:  
Police Chief, George Huckins  
Fire Chief, Michael Drake  
Public Works Director, James Boucher  
Town Administrator, Barbara Lucas

Moderator, Ken Kettenring called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Moderator asked Police Chief Huckins to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator recognized the Board of Selectmen, who on a yearly basis presents a plaque for dedication of service. This year's award is given to Nathaniel H. Sawyer, Jr.

Selectman, Neil Irvine continued by saying that "Nathaniel "Chip" Sawyer retired from the New Hampton Police Department in November 2008. He served the town as Police Chief for 15 years. His career totals 29 years in law enforcement.

Mr. Sawyer represented the Town and Department on several different boards, committees and associations. He was the Selectmen's representative on the Planning Board, the Town's representative to the Board of Directors for Youth Services Bureau and involved in the Juvenile Justice Initiative. He served two terms on the Newfound Area School District Budget Committee. He served as President of the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police, as well as President of the Belknap County Chiefs of Police Association, the Newfound Area Chiefs Association and was first vice president of the New England Association of Chiefs of Police. He also volunteered countless hours to the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics. He was also an active member in Belknap County Traffic Accident Reconstruction Team (TAR).

He also worked as an EMT and Ambulance driver for the Fire Department. He even drove a plow truck for our Public Works Department!

He has continued to be involved in the community and has served on the Board of Selectmen for the last 6 years – 2 terms. It has been a very busy 6 years and he has given much of his personal time. We greatly appreciate his service over the years and wish him the best. We know this isn't the end of his public service – it is just in him to continue to serve his community.

We recognize his wife Lori, his daughter Kaycee and his son Nate. Congratulations Mr. Sawyer!"



The Moderator listed his guidelines for this deliberative session as follows:

- ❖ All debate is through the Moderator.
- ❖ When asking to speak please address the Moderator and state your name and the street you live on for the record.
- ❖ Non New Hampton residents or non-property owner participation requires approval of the meeting.
- ❖ You may speak a 2<sup>nd</sup> time on an article only after all others have had an opportunity to be heard.
- ❖ Motion to call the question before all have spoken requires a 2/3 vote.
- ❖ Any resident or property owner may participate in the discussions, but only REGISTERED voters in the Town of New Hampton can vote.
- ❖ Any person who is not a “registered voter” in the Town of New Hampton please stand and be identified by the vote counters.
- ❖ Motions can be made to amend the articles (without changing the purpose, eliminating the subject matter or nullifying the subject matter). You can amend the dollar amount to include zeroing out the appropriation or the article can be accepted as written to be placed on the official ballot for consideration.
- ❖ Ballot votes
  - Requires written request of 5 voters prior to voting
  - Challenge to a non-ballot vote, immediately after vote is declared, requires 7 voters
- ❖ A motion for reconsideration must be made immediately following closure of the article.
- ❖ Once discussion has closed on any article, and the meeting has proceeded to subsequent articles, there shall be no reconsideration of any article.

**Selectman Mertz made a motion to allow Town of New Hampton Department Heads, who are not residents of New Hampton; Barbara Lucas and Jim Boucher, to participate in this meeting as necessary. This was seconded by Selectman Irvine. All were in favor – motioned passed.**

#### **Article #1: Election of Town Officers**

1 Selectman                      3 year term  
    Richard J. Spead  
    Mark Denoncour  
    W. Wesley Hays  
1 Town Treasurer              3 year term  
    Karon Mertz  
1 Trustee of Trust Funds 3 year term  
    A. Alden Hofling

The Moderator read the names who filed for office into the minutes and said that this is an announcement only and will appear on the ballot on March 14, 2017.

**The Moderator said the following Articles 2 through 7 will be read and discussed but cannot be changed as far as the wording is concerned and will appear on the ballot as written on March 14, 2017.**

#### **Article #2: Zoning Amendment #1**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Amend the criteria for the granting of a special exception to require that the building, parking and/or driveway shall not exceed 20% of the lot in the General Residential Agricultural and Rural District, 30% in the Business Commercial District 3, 40% in the Business Commercial District 2, and 50% in the Business Industrial District

(BI) and Mixed Use Districts. This change makes the lot coverage requirements for special exception consistent with the requirements for permitted uses.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Mertz and seconded by Peter Gulick.

**Discussion** - *Nora Foster* of Anchorage Road asked how would the 30% in the Business Commercial District 3 impact a 1 acre lot if there was a grocery store that needed a large parking lot – what would be the maximum size? Selectman Mertz said it would depend on the size of the business and size of the lot.

**Nathan Torsey of Jackson Pond moved the question which was seconded by Richard Spead of Lake View Drive. All were in favor of moving Article #2.**

### **Article #3: Zoning Amendment #2**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Remove all references to Accessory Apartments and adopt a new use permitted by Special Exception of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) and to allow for one ADU for each single family dwelling, with up to 800 square feet of inhabitable space, two bedrooms and adequate parking and septic disposal system. This proposed amendment is to comply with recent State law changes.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Irvine and seconded by Selectman Mertz. There was no discussion.

**Peter Gulick of Main Street moved the question which was seconded by Richard Spead of Lake View Drive. All were in favor of moving Article #3.**

### **Article #4: Zoning Amendment #3**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Allow Agri-tourism by Special Exception in all Zoning Districts other than the Business Industrial District and define Agri-tourism as the direct sale of agricultural products, offering educational experiences, B&B accommodations and entertainment in order to contribute to the economic viability and long term sustainability of agricultural activities in New Hampton.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Chris Pollock of Hillside Drive and seconded by Selectman Mertz.

**Discussion** - *Chris Pollock* of Hillside Drive asked if we could spell out the wording on B & B and the Moderator said that we cannot change the wording.

*Kelsey Peterson* of Riverwood Drive asked what type of entertainment would be considered. The Moderator said it would depend on the event and would require a special exception.

**Peter Gulick of Main Street moved the question which was seconded by Richard Spread of Lake View Drive. All were in favor of moving Article #4.**

#### **Article #5: Zoning Amendment #4**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Allow the Zoning Board to grant a special exception to reduce the setbacks for septic systems on non-conforming lots from 20 feet to no less than 10 feet unless the State of NH Department of Environmental Services grants a waiver to reduce the setback further, in which case the ZBA may consider reducing the setback to less than 10 feet.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Mertz seconded by Wes Hayes of Seminole Avenue.

**Discussion -** *Nora Foster* of Anchorage Road asked if this article would override the current DES setbacks. The Moderator said that it wouldn't because the DES setbacks are less than ours. Mrs. Foster then asked if the setback would be different near a body of water. Selectman Irvine said this article is for non-conforming lots and that this article does not override the pre-existing requirements that are already in place.

*Dana Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road asked if a property owner owns 100 acres would the setback be different. Selectman Irvine responded that this article is to bring the town setbacks into what the state already allows and the state already allows a smaller setback.

*Nathan Torsey* of Jackson Pond Road, referring to article #2, asked why is the town trying to control what we can do with our land and how big our house and parking lot can be. The Moderator said that there is a conflict and this rule is correcting the rules that are currently in place.

There was no further discussion and the Moderator asked for all in favor and not in favor by voice vote. The Moderator said the voice vote was too close to call and asked the ballot inspectors to count the show of hands. The ballot inspector results were 34 – Yes, 2 – No.

#### **Article #6: Zoning Amendment #5**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Amend the Sign Ordinance regulations in all districts to address changes in the law which will remove or amend any language that regulates signs based on the content/message on the sign, to exempt signs of less than 2 square feet from the ordinance, and to require that notice shall be given for the placement of temporary signs.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Mertz and seconded by Selectman Sawyer.

**Discussion -** *Nora Foster* of Anchorage Road asked if this article would do away with the current size restriction. Selectman Mertz responded by saying that it does not necessarily change the size of the signs that are permitted in various zones, it does exempt signs of less than 2 square feet. Selectman Mertz said this article is an intent to get some grasp on the temporary signs that are placed, which does not require a permit, but you do need to notify the town that a sign will be erected so the town can see how long that sign has been in place.

*Richard Spead* of Lake View Drive expressed concern on this warrant article. Selectman Mertz responded by saying that this article is mainly for temporary signs not permanent signs. Selectman Mertz said that 2 temporary signs are allowed per lot. Selectman Irvine said that this zoning amendment came about because of a Supreme Court case limiting the language and this was the best language we could come up with that you didn't need a sign permit to have an entrance and exit sign or no trespassing sign.

*Patricia Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road asked if she needed to get permission to put out a yard sale sign. Selectman Mertz said that you did not need permission but you do need to notify the town.

*Ruth Gulick* of Main Street had a question on the wording of the article. The Moderator said that the wording cannot be changed but if you read the actual ordinance it is much clearer.

**Richard Spead of Lake View Drive moved the question which was seconded by Peter Gulick of Main Street. All were in favor of moving Article #6.**

#### **Article #7: Zoning Amendment #6**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Amend the ordinance to remove Flags from the definition of Signs and add a separate definition and section under General Provisions that will permit Flags in all zoning districts. In the Mixed Use District, Business Commercial Districts 2 & 3 and the Business Industrial District, the combined area of all flags on a lot may not exceed 40 square feet and only two (2) flags are permitted on a lot.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Paul Tierney of Huckleberry Road and seconded by Wes Hays of Seminole Avenue.

**Discussion -** *Dana Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road asked if this would affect the Town House flags. Selectman Irvine said that being a Municipality we would be exempt. Selectman Mertz said that in the previous language flags were exempt. Selectman Mertz said the new Supreme Court ruling said you could not exempt a flag so by the new definition the flag doesn't count towards your signage.

*Nathan Torsey* of Jackson Pond Road made a comment regarding new law changes. The Moderator said that this article does not apply to agricultural or rural but applies to the business districts. Selectman Irvine answered by saying having this law a business cannot have a 100 foot flag advertising something. If a business closes, their sign will stay there until the next business comes in to take its place.

*Barbara Lucas, Town Administrator* said that this is strictly for commercial districts and if this particular amendment fails it will remain part of the definition of signs and the town would be faced with including the square footage.

**Peter Gulick of Main Street moved the question which was seconded by Richard Spead of Lake View Drive. All were in favor of moving Article #7.**

## **Article #8: Town Operating Budget**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling two million seven hundred and twenty-three thousand and two hundred thirty seven dollars and no cents (\$2,723,237.00)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be two million six hundred and eighty five thousand and two hundred forty nine dollars and no cents (\$2,685,249.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action by the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriation contained in ANY other warrant articles. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. Selectman Irvine made a motion which was seconded by Selectman Mertz. Selectman Irvine proposed an amendment which was seconded by Selectman Sawyer and the Moderator read the amendment as follows:

**“Shall the town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by the vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling two million seven hundred and eighteen thousand and sixty five dollars and no cents (\$2,718,065.00)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be two million six hundred and eighty thousand and seventy eight dollars and no cents (\$2,680,078.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action by the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revises operating budget only. This operating budget warrant does not include appropriation contained in ANY other warrant articles.”**

Selectman Irvine explained the amendment is to reduce the operating budget by \$5,172.00. It was discovered as we were going through the preparation of the budget that the interest on debt service was counted twice, which is the reason for the amendment. There was no further discussion on the amendment.

**The Moderator ask for those in favor of the amendment. All were in favor. Amendment Passed.**

**Discussion -** *Bill Gilson* of Mountain Vista Drive asked about the interest of \$5,000 listed under the tax anticipation note and do we borrow on a regular basis. Selectman Irvine said no. Mr. Gilson then asked have we borrowed on a tax anticipation note and when was the last time. Barbara Lucas answered that it was about 4-5 years ago for projects such as when you have a large expense, if you have grant money, that is anticipated and have to pay first before you receive the grant reimbursement which can affect your cash flow and also if tax bills are mailed late, that can also affect the cash flow.

*Dana Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road asked if we could borrow money without the wording. Barbara said no.

*Richard Spead* of Lake View Drive asked if the number had to be \$5,000. Barbara Lucas said no - if it is \$1 and borrowing has to be done the Board of Selectmen have the ability to vote to transfer money into it from other budgets.

*Ingrid Heidenreich* of Main Street - asked if DRA had a number we could use. Barbara Lucas answered no, but there is for overlay and DRA does recommend that you have a tax anticipation appropriation.

**Selectman Irvine moved this portion of the discussion so that he could get into the operating budget which was seconded by Richard Spead of Lake View Drive. All were in favor.**

Selectman Irvine continued to explain the budget in detail and discussed the 4 main components of the tax bill – Town (37%), School (45%), State (12%) & County (7%), and explained that only the Town portion was the subject of tonight's deliberative.

**Discussion** - *Bill Gilson* of Mountain Vista Drive asked if Public Works had a highway improvement program in place for the roads. Jim Boucher said that we do not have a long term plan in place as we don't know what the available funds will be, which comes from the Highway Block Grant, that we get from the state and at that time we determine what roads need the most attention. Mr. Gilson said he feels the road are deteriorating. Selectman Irvine said it takes roughly \$1M to fix 1 mile of road depending on the condition it is in and we have 26 miles of paved road.

*Dana Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road said that when Gordon Huckins was road agent he had a plan set up and repaved every mile of road in town.

*Richard Spead* of Lake View Drive said it seems that the town is training police officers and they don't stay around very long and wonders why the budget does not include any more compensation for the Officers. Selectman Irvine said that the Chief had included some pay adjustments in his budget and referred to the Chief. Chief Huckins said the Town is still below the average for pay round the area and it has been that way for a number of years. Mr. Spead asked if the Town was losing money by training the officers and then they do not stay. Chief Huckins said that was correct. Selectman Irvine said that all small Municipalities have this problem and new this year the Police Department has a policy that when a new officer comes on board that they sign a contract for three years. Mr. Spead said the Police Department should be making more money as the responsibility is getting greater. Chief Huckins said the Board did make an adjustment recently but we are still off and need to do something to keep the people we have.

*Dana Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road asked why wasn't the interest going down and the principal going up. Selectman Irvine said it changes on a monthly basis and over the year we are locked into the payment.

*Richard Spead* of Lake View Drive asked if the loans/bond were in the same bank. The answer was no.

*Ashley Bureau* of Birdrunner Road asked if there are any plans to expand the recycling program to take more categories of plastics, etc. Jim Boucher said that they are restricted because of the size of the facility and do have a bailer on the warrant this year.

The Moderator asked if the second would like to speak and the answer was no. There was no further discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #8 as amended to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

#### **Article #9: Appropriation for PSB loan payment**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to partially pay the fourth year's bond payment on the Public Safety Building and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of this amount from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, which was authorized to be used for this purpose in 2011? The remainder of the annual bond payment (\$145,636.40) is included in the Operating Budget Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Sawyer and seconded by Selectman Irvine.

**Richard Spead of Lake View Drive moved the question which was seconded by Selectman Sawyer. All were in favor of moving Article #9 to be placed on the March 2017 ballot.**

## **Article #10: Evaluation of the Grange Building**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) for the evaluation, potential acquisition and relocation of the “Grange” building to its original location on the town property at 86 Town House Road, next to the Old 1798 Town House and gather sufficient information about the building to present to a Special Town Meeting later in 2017? Information will consist of research on potential uses by public and private organizations, estimates for repairs, hazardous materials survey, a plan for possible future improvements, etc. and negotiate the acquisition of the building to present such findings to a Special Town Meeting in May/June of 2017 for a final determination by the voters on acquiring the building. The Grange was originally built in 1826 on town property next to the Old 1798 Town House and was relocated in the mid 1800’s and then again in 1911 to its present site on Main Street. The current owner is the New Hampton Community Church, which has determined it does not have a use for the building and plans to demolish it in the fall of 2017. This article will be contingent on the passing of the Warrant Article # 11. The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Sawyer which was seconded by Wes Hays of Seminole Avenue. Selectman Sawyer explained the article by saying that the Board learned a very short time ago that the Church who has owned the building for over 10 years was going to tear the building down. Selectman Sawyer said that the history of the “Grange” building is significant to the town and the building used to be next to the Town House and was moved years ago. Selectman Sawyer said that we would like to do a study to make sure that this is a viable option for the Town so as not to cost us a lot of money down the road.

**Discussion -** *Bill Gilson* of Mountain Vista Drive asked why we cannot make it a historic building. Selectman Irvine said that we are not the owner and went on to say the current owners are the ones that would have to pursue it.

*Nora Foster* of Anchorage Road asked why the Town House is not used for additional uses as it is only used a few times a year.

*Peter Gulick* of Main Street and President of the New Hampton Historical Society said if you change the use of the Town House building it will change what the building is and that would destroy the character of the building. He said it is the building where we held our first town meetings and elections and historically it is very significant in the history of our Town and as soon as you change the building you have lost the historical value. Mr. Gulick said this is a true historical building, it is 200 years old and has been moved 3 times and once it is gone it is gone and to put it back where it originally started two centuries ago couldn’t be a better thing for this town.

*Richard Spead* of Lake View Drive asked if the \$4,000.00 would be to look for grants as well. Selectman Sawyer said that this article is mainly to look for asbestos, lead paint, etc. in the building and as far as looking for grants that is what the next article will accomplish when the 3 person committee is set up. Mr. Spead asked if the Church gave the Town a deadline and the answer was August of 2017.

*Megan McGrauth* of Winona Road asked if the Grange would be restricted for uses as the Town House is. Selectman Sawyer said that it would be up to the 3 person committee.

*Eduard Van Lingen* of Riverwood Drive asked is the property where this building is being moved to large enough to accommodate events. The Moderator said yes and that it is located next to the Town House and currently there is a stone memorial plaque saying that this is where the building was originally. Barbara Lucas said that it is a 5 acre lot so there is sufficient land area but further investigation needs to be done as to the placement. Mrs. Lucas said the original location has quite a bit of ledge and needs to be explored.

*Nathan Torsey* of Jackson Pond Road asked when the Church decided to demolish this building did it come down to one person or a board. Selectman Sawyer said it was the Board of Deacons.

The Moderator asked if there was any further questions and there were none.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #10 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

### **Article #11: Grange Building Acquisition and Relocation**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to acquire, relocate and make necessary repairs to the building known as the "Grange" which was originally built in 1826 on the town property next to the Old 1798 Town House and further authorize the expenditure of any private donations (\$10,000 has been pledged as the first donation), state or federal grants, or other funding that may become available to offset this appropriation? This article will be contingent on the passing of the Warrant Article #10 and an affirmative vote at the Special Town Meeting in May/June of 2017 to acquire and relocate the building. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until December 31, 2018. The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Sawyer which was seconded by Selectman Irvine. Selectman Sawyer explained the article by saying that the initial idea is to move the building and put it on a foundation estimated to be about \$150,000. Selectman Sawyer said that the goal is to do a fundraising event to raise money for this project as well as accepting donations. Selectman Sawyer said if we had fundraising events and we did not reach the goal we would have to return the money back and then we would lose the building. Selectman Sawyer said we do have a \$10,000 pledge and would like to receive more donations.

The second, Selectman Irvine said the reason we made this a non-lapsing fund to the end of 2018 is hopefully to accomplish this in the time period that has been set - our best estimate is yes we can could get it done before snow falls at the end of next year.

**Discussion -** *Richard Speed* of Lake View Drive asked how much is the Church selling the building for. Selectman Irvine said that the Church was donating it to the town. Barbara Lucas explained why this article is appropriating money now is that the Board of Selectmen wanted additional time to really do the investigation to present it to the voters at a special town meeting because we cannot appropriate money at a special town meeting.

*Bill Gilson* of Mountain Vista Drive said he has had experience with these types of projects and they do not come in on time or on budget. Selectman Sawyer said bottom line is if we don't raise the money, we will lose the building and with the time frame the town was given this was the best way to do it. Selectman Sawyer went on to say the way this happened was out of sequence as we were not aware of what was going on and in order to try and salvage something out of it, this was the best way to try and do this under our legal system.

*Richard Speed* of Lake View Drive recapped the article by saying we need the \$4,000 to see if it is feasible and if it is feasible to go and ask the voters for \$150,000 and if is not feasible then we lose the building. The answer was yes.

*Nora Foster* of Anchorage Road asked if the town had approached the Church to purchase the building in the past. The answer was no. Mrs. Foster said the building has been sitting there unused for quite some time. Selectman Irvine said the Church had good intentions when they first acquired the building. The Board of Selectmen only became aware of their plans to raze the building and expand the parking lot when they came in for a demolition permit. We then went to the Church to express the historic significance of the building and asked for a stay to give us the opportunity to pursue this and the Church has been very accommodating through this whole process. Selectman Irvine said if we don't do this article now and everything goes ok with article 10, we will have to wait until March of 2018 to ask for the money to go forward.



*Patricia Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road said that you don't really have to worry about the condition of the building considering its age as years ago it was used 3-4 times a month its entire life and hasn't deteriorated.

The Moderator asked if there was any further questions and there were none.

**Richard Spead of Lake View Drive moved the question which was seconded by Paul Tierney of Huckleberry Road. All were in favor of moving Article #11 to be placed on the March 2017 ballot.**

#### **Article #12: Committee for Management of the Grange Building**

Shall the Town create a three (3) member committee, consisting of a two (2) citizen members and a selectman or their designee, and delegate the authority to manage the use of this building? This article will be contingent on the passing of the Warrant Article # 10 and an affirmative vote at the Special Town Meeting in May/June of 2017 to acquire the building.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Sawyer which was seconded by Selectman Mertz. There were no questions.

**Richard Spead of Lake View Drive moved the question which was seconded by Peter Gulick of Main Street. All were in favor of moving Article #12 to be placed on the March 2017 ballot.**

#### **Article #13: Surplus/Used Equipment and Vehicle Trust Fund**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Surplus/Used Equipment or Vehicle Expendable Trust Fund, established in 2015 for this purpose? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Mertz seconded by Selectman Irvine. Selectman Irvine explained the article by saying currently there is \$20,087.85 in this fund. Selectman Irvine said initially this fund was set up if a vehicle that we rely on was to break down we would have the ability with these funds to replace the vehicle without having to wait until the following year.

There was no discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #13 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

#### **Article #14: Highway Department Road Grader Lease/Purchase**

Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the lease and purchase of a Highway Department Road Grader, with a plow and wing, for a total cost of three hundred thirty one thousand nine hundred dollars (\$331,900), and to raise and appropriate sixty one thousand dollars (\$61,000) for the first year's payment? This lease agreement will contain an escape clause. The balance of \$270,900 will be offset by a trade in value of the 1986 Road Grader at \$40,000 and the remainder of \$230,900 to be financed through the lease/ purchase agreement. The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Irvine and seconded by Selectman Sawyer. The Moderator referred the article to the Public Works Director, Jim Boucher.

Mr. Boucher said the current grader we have is a 1986 and is 30 years old and 4 years ago we put \$40,000 into it for the motor itself and it also has many other issues. He said we purchased the grader for \$130,000 and we will be getting a trade-in of \$40,000. Mr. Boucher said he believes it's a great opportunity now as the grader is still worth something.

There was no discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #14 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

**Article #15: Purchase of Highway Truck w/plow and sander**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifty nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$59,500) for the purchase of a truck with a plow and sander for the Highway Department to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$51,400 from the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, established in 1969 and the remaining balance (\$8,100) from taxation? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Sawyer seconded by Selectman Mertz. The Moderator turned this article over to Mr. Boucher who explained the truck we currently have was purchased from the state surplus for \$3,000 and had 140,000 miles on it. He said now the mileage is 260,000.

There was no discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #15 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

**Article #16: Repair or Replacement of Town Bridge(s)**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Town Bridge Repair or Replacement Expendable Trust Fund, created by Town vote in 2008 under RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of repairing or replacing town owned bridges? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Mertz and seconded by Selectman Irvine. The Moderator turned the article over Mr. Boucher. Mr. Boucher said that in the past 10 years we have done 3 bridges through the State Bridge program. Last year we did the bridge on Coolidge Woods road because it was a red listed bridge and cost around \$140,000, much less than the cost through the State Bridge program. Mr. Boucher said we have one red listed bridge left which is located on Brook Road. Selectman Irvine said that currently the Bridge fund has a balance of \$272.49.

**Discussion -** *Dana Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road asked if we spent \$90,000 on re-assessment this year - did the assessment go up or down and how much. *Barbara Lucas* said that it went up about \$5,000,000. Mr. Torsey pointed out that if everything passed, then the taxes would actually go down.

There was no further discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #16 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

### **Article #17: Purchase Baler for Recycling Center**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to purchase a baler for the Transfer Station/Recycling Center to be offset by a grant from the NH the Beautiful, if the grant is not received the article will be funded by general taxation? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Mertz seconded by Selectman Irvine. The Moderator turned the article over to Mr. Boucher and he said that this would be an additional baler that would reduce the number of barrels currently having to be stacked until there was enough material to bale, making for a much safer workplace.

There was no discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #17 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

### **Article #18: Purchase of Police Portable Tablets**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$15,500) to purchase two (2) Portable Tablets and four (4) mounting brackets for the Police Department? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Sawyer and seconded by Selectman Mertz. The Moderator turned the article over to Chief George Huckins. Chief Huckins said that currently there are no computers in the cruisers and with this technology it would make the job a lot safer and more cost efficient as we would be able to scan driver's licenses and scan the bar code on registrations.

**Discussion -** *Bill Gilson* of Mountain Vista Drive asked if the Town could establish a policy that under a certain dollar amount it didn't have to appear as a warrant article but be included in the operating budget. Selectman Sawyer said the Boards policy is that any amount over \$10,000 generally we do as a warrant article as it gives the tax payers the opportunity to be involved where their money is going.

There was no further discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #18 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

### **Article #19: Fire Department/EMS Defibrillator**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) for the final payment of a two year lease/purchase agreement for the purchase of a Fire Department Defibrillator and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$16,000 from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, with no amount from taxation? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Chief Michael Drake and seconded by Selectman Mertz. Chief Drake explained the article by saying that this is the second payment for the defibrillator for ambulance 2.

There was no discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #19 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

**Article #20: Fire Department Equipment of Radios & Pagers**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand one hundred and forty dollars (\$10,140) for the purchase of replacement radios and pagers for the Fire Department and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$10,140 from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, with no amount to be raised from taxation? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (2-0-1) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Chief Michael Drake and seconded by Selectman Mertz. Chief Drake explained the article by saying we did this last year and the plan is to continue working on replacing the radios & pagers gradually.

There was no discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #20 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

**Article #21: Repair, Replace or Install Dry Hydrants**

Shall the town vote to establish a Fire Department Dry Hydrant Repair or Installation Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the repair, replacement or installation of dry hydrants and to raise and appropriate five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to put in the fund, with this amount to come from taxation; further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 8. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Chief Michael Drake and seconded by Selectman Mertz. Chief Drake explained the article by saying that an inventory was taken of the existing dry hydrants in the community and saw that they were lacking in maintenance and repair work. The intention is to install dry hydrants around the community and work with land owners that have a pond.

**Discussion -** *Dana Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road asked if the Fire Department went around this year to look at ponds. Chief Drake said they did an evaluation in 2009 where a study was done of existing pond locations. Dana said that some of the ponds on his property were dry this summer. Chief Drake acknowledged that this was a challenging year for water due to the drought conditions.

There was no further discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #21 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

**Article #22: Appointment of a Town Treasurer**

Shall the town vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a town treasurer in accordance with RSA 41:26-e, rather than electing a treasurer, with the appointment being made in March 2018 in accordance with RSA 669:17-d?

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Irvine and seconded by Selectman Mertz. Selectman Irvine explained the article by saying with an elected Treasurer you don't know the qualifications or experience that person has on how to handle the towns' money. He said we have been very fortunate for the last few years to have a good treasurer. Selectman Irvine said given the responsibilities of the position the Board felt it was appropriate to have the opportunity to have a look at their resume, qualifications, and to have a background check. If this article passes the appointment would be in March 2018 as that is the way the RSA is written.

There was no discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #22 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

#### **Article #23: All Veteran's Credit**

Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veterans' Tax Credit? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from services and is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be (\$500), the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town under RSA 72:28.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Selectman Sawyer and seconded by Selectman Irvine. Selectman Sawyer explained that with the current law you had to have certain medals, conflicts or wars to receive this credit. With this article, all veterans would receive the credit.

There was no discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #23 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously**

#### **Article 24: Petition for Replacing Playground at NHCS**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to support the replacement of the New Hampton Community School's playground? An independent playground safety auditor has advised the school that the structure should be replaced due to safety and accessibility concerns and significant wear and tear. This one-time donation to the New Hampton Community School Parent Teacher Organization will help to offset the cost to purchase new equipment and create a more engaging play space. As the only community playground in New Hampton, this playground will be enjoyed by many. (BY PETITION) The Selectmen do not recommend (0-3) this appropriation.

The Moderator read the article. The article was moved by Nora Foster and seconded by Megan McGrauth. Mrs. Foster explained the article by saying that the playground is 23 years old and has significant wear & tear and also has rust. The school had an auditor come and they reported two pages of issues and said it was time to replace it. The school district said that they will not fund it. The PTO is looking at a playground for \$50,000 is asking for a one time donation and will be installed in the fall. Mrs. Foster said the playground is used after school and in the summer by residents.

**Discussion -** *Wes Hays* of Seminole Avenue asked why the selectmen did not recommend this article. Selectman Irvine said speaking for himself personally that the school accounts for 57% of our taxes and it is private property. Selectman Irvine said for the town to contribute to a private piece of property when we already pay taxes to the school is why he does not support this article, but

he does support what the PTO is trying to do. He feels that it is the responsibility of the School Board as he does not feel it should be an additional burden on the residents through the town portion of property taxes as they already pay taxes to the school district & state property tax.

**Chief Drake** said that his family had played on the playground for years and should move the article and let the voters decide. Selectman Irvine said since this is a petition warrant article it will go on the ballot for a vote by the townspeople.

**Selectman Sawyer** speaking for himself said that the primary use of the playground is for the school and why did the school neglect it and let it fall into disrepair and why should we pay for what they didn't do. Selectman Sawyer agreed that it needs to be fixed or removed as it is a significant liability.

**Nathan Torsey** of Jackson Pond Road asked if it mattered where the money came from on the pie chart and Selectman Irvine said it is not on the pie chart.

**Ashley Bureau** of Birdrunner Road - ???????

**Nora Foster** of Anchorage Road said that a donor contribution has been set up and they are trying to get businesses to donate \$5,000 which is a platinum sponsorship. Mrs. Foster also said a bench or a tree can have a plaque added to it as well.

**Megan McGrauth** said that at the school deliberative session last week it was amazing to her how much money the school district does not have and she said the playground is just not on their minds. She said no matter how much you should say the school district should pay for it - this is our town and our kids and the kids voted for a new playground.

**Pat Schlesinger** of Birch Way said that the playground was compared to the fitness trail.

**Regina Adams** of Dana Hill Road asked if the playground would still be dedicated to Mrs. Salmon. Nora Foster said no and the current playground would be removed.

There was no further discussion.

**The Moderator asked those in favor of approving Article #24 to appear on the March 2017 ballot please say Aye. The ayes have it unanimously.**

There being no further business to come before this meeting, The Moderator asked for a motion to adjourn. Selectman Mertz made a motion which was seconded by Selectman Irvine to adjourn. Vote was unanimous and the Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectively submitted,  
Cynthia M. Torsey  
New Hampton Town Clerk

**Town of New Hampton  
Second Session of the Annual Meeting**

**March 14, 2017**

The polls were opened by Moderator Ken Kettenring at 11:00 a.m. at the Town House located on 86 Town House Road, New Hampton, New Hampshire for the purpose of voting by official ballot for town officers and warrant articles; also, for the purpose of voting by official ballot for the Newfound Area School District officers and warrant articles. The polls closed at 7:00 p.m.

Ballot Inspectors present were Patricia Torsey, Ginny Haas, Muriel Smith, Jessie Whalen and Dana Torsey.

The results of the election for town officers and warrant articles were as follows:

**ARTICLE #1:****Selectman – 3 years:**

<b>Richard Spead</b>	<b>57 Votes</b>
<b>Mark Denoncour</b>	<b>138 Votes</b>
<b>W. Wesley Hays</b>	<b>62 Votes</b>

**Write-ins:**

Bob Donoly – 1 Vote

Kelsey Petersen - 1 Vote

**Town Treasurer – 3 years:**

<b>Karon Mertz</b>	<b>250 Votes</b>
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**Trustee of Trust Funds – 3 years:**

<b>A Alden Hofling</b>	<b>248 Votes</b>
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**Warrant Article #2**

Yes - 211

No - 54

**Warrant Article #3**

Yes - 234

No - 30

**Warrant Article #4**

Yes - 230

No - 34

**Warrant Article #5**

Yes - 209

No - 53

**Warrant Article #6**

Yes - 198

No - 61

**Warrant Article #7**

Yes - 218

No - 43

**Warrant Article #8**

Yes - 197

No - 68

**Warrant Article #9**

Yes - 232

No - 29

**Warrant Article #10**

Yes - 160

No - 105

**Warrant Article #11**

Yes - 146

No - 118

**Warrant Article #12**

Yes - 160

No - 103

**Warrant Article #13**

Yes - 213

No - 50

**Warrant Article #14**

Yes - 200

No - 63

**Warrant Article #15**

Yes - 224

No - 42

**Warrant Article #16**

Yes - 230

No - 36

**Warrant Article #17**

Yes - 213

No - 49

**Warrant Article #18**

Yes - 173

No - 92

**Warrant Article #19**

Yes - 236

No - 31

**Warrant Article #20**

Yes - 200

No - 68

**Warrant Article #21**

Yes - 201

No - 65

**Warrant Article #22**

Yes - 150

No - 116

**Warrant Article #23**

Yes - 232

No - 35

**Warrant Article #24**

Yes - 166

No - 103

**Results of the Newfound Area School District as follows:****ARTICLE #1:****For School Board:**

Bristol – 3 years

Jason Robert - 60 Votes

Thomas Fitzpatrick - 51 Votes

Heidi Milbrand - 65 Votes

New Hampton – 3 years

Christine Hofling-Davol - 250 Votes

**For Budget Committee:**

Bristol – 3 years

## Write-Ins Only:

Christen Dolloff - 1 Vote

Marsha Elder - 1 Vote

Fred Eichman - 1 Vote

Thomas Fitzpatrick - 1 Vote

Sean Laguex - 1 Vote

Jason Robert - 1 Vote

Jeff Shackett - 1 Vote

Paul Simard - 1 Vote

T.D. - 1 Vote

New Hampton – 3 years

John L. Jenness II 228 Votes

**For District Moderator – 1 year** Edward M. (Ned) Gordon - 226 Votes**Warrant Article #2**

Yes- 102

No- 155

**Warrant Article #3**

Yes - 109

No - 149

**Warrant Article #4**

Yes- 181

No- 83

**Warrant Article #5**

Yes - 187

No - 82

**Warrant Article #6**

Yes -177

No - 92



There were 250 regular ballots and 22 absentee ballots cast. A total of 272 voters out of 1701 voted. This averages out to be a 16% voter turnout.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cynthia M. Torsey, New Hampton Town Clerk

**NEW HAMPTON APPROPRIATIONS APPROVED AT THE SECOND SESSION OF THE ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 14, 2017 WERE AS FOLLOWS:**

<u>Article #</u>	<u>Amount to be raised by Taxes</u>	<u>Amount <b>NOT</b> to be raised by Taxes</u>
1	\$ 0.00*	\$ 0.00*
2	0.00*	0.00*
3	0.00*	0.00*
4	0.00*	0.00*
5	0.00*	0.00*
6	0.00*	0.00*
7	0.00*	0.00*
8	2,718,065.00	0.00*
9	0.00	25,000.00
10	4,000.00	0.00
11	150,000.00	0.00
12	0.00*	0.00*
13	5,000.00	0.00
14	61,000.00	0.00
15	59,500.00	0.00
16	20,000.00	0.00
17	15,000.00	0.00
18	15,500.00	0.00
19	0.00	16,000.00
20	0.00	10,140.00
21	5,000.00	0.00
22	0.00*	0.00*
23	0.00*	0.00*
24	5,000.00	0.00
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	<b>\$ 3,058,065.00</b>	<b>\$ 51,140.00</b>

\*No Monies Appropriated\*

\*\*Article Failed\*\*

**Town of New Hampton  
Special Town Meeting  
1<sup>st</sup> Deliberative Session**

**June 27th, 2017**

**Officials Present:** Town Moderator, Ken Kettenring  
Selectmen: Mark Denoncour; Kenneth Mertz; Neil Irvine  
Deputy Town Clerk / Tax Collector, Regina Adams

**Others Present:** Supervisors of the Checklist: Christina Pollock, Mary Tierney, & Lucinda Ossola  
Ballot Inspectors: Patricia Torsey; Dana Torsey; Jessie Whalen  
Department Heads: Town Administrator, Barbara Lucas  
Police Chief, George Huckins  
Fire Chief, Michael Drake

Moderator, Ken Kettenring called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Moderator led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator listed his guidelines for this deliberative session as follows:

- ❖ All debate is through the Moderator.
- ❖ When asking to speak please address the Moderator and state your name and the street you live on for the record.
- ❖ Non New Hampton residents or non-property owner participation requires approval of the meeting.
- ❖ You may speak a 2<sup>nd</sup> time on an article only after all others have had an opportunity to be heard.
- ❖ Motion to call the question before all have spoken requires a 2/3 vote.
- ❖ Any resident or property owner may participate in the discussions, but only REGISTERED voters in the Town of New Hampton can vote.
- ❖ Any person who is not a “registered voter” in the Town of New Hampton please stand and be identified by the vote counters.
- ❖ Motions can be made to amend the articles (without changing the purpose, eliminating the subject matter or nullifying the subject matter). You can amend the dollar amount to include zeroing out the appropriation or the article can be accepted as written to be placed on the official ballot for consideration.
- ❖ Ballot votes
  - Requires written request of 5 voters prior to voting
  - Challenge to a non-ballot vote, immediately after vote is declared, requires 7 voters
- ❖ A motion for reconsideration must be made immediately following closure of the article.
- ❖ Once discussion has closed on any article, and the meeting has proceeded to subsequent articles, there shall be no reconsideration of any article.

**Selectman Irvine made a motion to allow Barbara Lucas the Town Administrator, who is not a resident of New Hampton to participate in this meeting as necessary. This was seconded by Selectman Mertz. All were in favor – motioned passed.**

**Article #1: Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the donation of the New Hampton Grange Hall and proceed with the relocation and reuse of the building to provide a community focused multi-use building? There will be no appropriation of funds with this article.**

Note: A March 2017 Warrant Article was present and approved by the New Hampton voters at Town Meeting, which authorized the expenditure of \$150,000 to relocate the relocate the “Grange Hall” building to return it back to its

original location next to the Town House, where it was built in 1826, and to make initial necessary repairs. The Selectmen were also authorized to accept donations, state or federal grants, or other funds that may become available to offset this appropriation.

Another Warrant Article in the amount of \$4,000 was approved with the authorization to expend to allow for the evaluation of the building's condition, potential uses and future repair or upgrade costs. Any further town expenditure above the approved \$150,000 would require voter approval.

Selectman Mertz made a motion, seconded by Selectman Irvine.

The Moderator then invited the Selectmen to explain their studies and what stage the "Grange Hall" is at. Selectman Mertz started the presentation by saying Thank you to all of those that attended the meeting. He also said thank you to all those that contributed their time and services to make this meeting possible.

- New Hampton Community Church, State of NH Grange, Wes Hays: Northstar Construction, Billy Huckins, Bruce Barnard, Peter Gulick, Tom Smith, Kris Harmon, George Longo: George Longo Design, Squam Lake Plumbing and Heating, Chris Williams: Architect, Bill Stark Woodwrights, Jess Downing: CCI, NH Preservation Alliance, New Hampton School, Kent Bicknell, Pat Provencher, Matty Huckins, Dan Moore, Ruth Gulick, David Roberts, Robert Smith.

Selectman Mertz explained why we were there. He stated that last fall the Selectmen's office received an application for demolition. It was at this time that the Town was aware that the Church wanted to relieve themselves of the property. The Selectmen decided that they wanted to try and save the building. They went to talk to Pastor Scott Mitchell about saving the building. The Pastor said that it was not the preference of the Church to destroy the building and started researching the feasibility of moving the building.

A preliminary investigation was done on the condition of the building and the possibility of moving it from the present site. The Board presented a warrant article in March for the move to investigate the possibility of moving the building to its original location. The warrant required the Board to report back to the Town the findings of the study.

Selectmen Mertz explained that the building was an important part of the community besides that it is 191 years old. The Grange has served as a Chapel, classrooms at the New Hampton School, the Grange Hall and as a function space for the Church as well as a general meeting place for town activities. It has occupied three different locations in Town (its original site on the Town Common next to the 1798 Town House, the New Hampton School Campus and its current location on Main Street) over its life, and has been known as the "Chapel", "Commercial Hall", "Writin' Room" and finally the "Grange".

The building has been inspected and is capable of being moved. A HazMat assessment was conducted and the only issue was lead paint on the interior and exterior. There was not any asbestos in the building.

Selectman Mertz asked if there were any questions about the movement of the building. Wes Hays was recognized as one of the individuals that could speak to the details of this part of the project.

**Discussion-** *Don McCormack* of Old Bristol Road, asked since the church was going to have the building taken down, and the Town stepped in to take the building, if the Church was paying us to take the building away for them. Selectman Irvine explained that the church was donating the building and \$10,000 to help move the building. Further into the presentation will show a breakdown of costs and with the help of fundraising and grants, it should defray the money that was appropriated in March. Mr. McCormack then said that \$10,000 was probably still lower than what it would have cost to take it down. Selectman Irvine noted that the Church will still have a considerable site work to contend with after the building was moved which is not the responsibility of the Town.

*Dana Torsey* of Lower Oxbow Road asked how the building was going to be moved. Mr. Hays answered that it will travel Shingle Camp Hill Road, then travel up the I-93 South Bound On Ramp,

it will then go onto the Emergency Access Road before the Pinnacle Hill Overpass, after which it will go back down the I-93 North Bound Exit Ramp onto NH Route 104 heading toward Town House Road.

**Kevin Conrad** of Birch Way about what the projected uses and what the cost was to move the building? Selectman Irvine said that the question would be covered in the next slide.

**Tom O'Shea** (Moderator of the New Hampton Community Church and Chairman and Sewer Commissioner of the New Hampton Village Precinct) of Main Street was concerned about the moving of the building and its effect on the Water and Sewer pipes that the New Hampton Village Precinct had constructed for \$225,000 twelve years ago under Shingle Camp Hill Road. Mr. Hays answered that the dollies used to carry the building have many tires to spread the load over and that the pounds per inch was much lower than standard trucks and that the pipes were at least four feet under the road, so they should be fine.

**Jon Moore** of NH Route 132 N understands that there were some appropriated funds for the initial movement of the building, he asked if the Selectmen had an idea on how much future funds would be needed to do repairs on the building. The Moderator said that the question will be answered later in the presentation.

**Brad Ober** of Winona Road asked if the Board had secured the permits to move it over I-93. Mr. Hays answered that the company moving the building was in the process of getting them now, and that the company has moved buildings on the Interstate before. Mr. Ober asked if there was a projected cost. Mr. Hays answered that the answer about cost was coming up in the presentation.

Selectman Mertz explained the two phases of moving the building. Phase One focuses on Accepting and Moving the building, while Phase Two is about the renovations needed to make the building usable.

Phase One is formed into three parts which includes: the site work for a new foundation, septic, and electric connection, pouring of the foundation and the moving of the building.

The electrical would be added to the meter on the existing Town House. It involves the tasks of tree clearing, stumping, and the trenching and conduit for electric services. The Timber pays for clearing the site. The site preparation and use of the Public Works Department is an estimated cost of \$4,500.

The Foundation estimate is based on full eight foot walls and a poured floor. The maximum cost for the part of the project is \$18,500. The site is on ledge, so the Board does not anticipate that it will be a full foundation. Selectmen Irvine said that Mr. Billy Huckins can talk more on the site condition. Mr. Huckins said that they determined where the building used to sit. They also determined whether it was feasible to install a water line and a septic system and how much soil there was to put in a full foundation. The amount of soil was measured between two inches and two feet before the team hit ledge. The building would sit on footers. The ground does slope in the back, so the addition that was added onto the building will have ample space to put a small utility room. He reiterated that there would not be a full foundation. Selectman Mertz said that the \$18,500 would be the maximum amount that could be faced if there was ample soil for a full foundation.

The moving of the building cost will be done by Geddes and is about \$116,422. This includes the building mover, the wrapping of the building, dropping of utility lines, and the use of the State and Town Police Departments. Selectman Irvine explained that the reason they chose the building route that Mr. Hays described was due to fewer utility lines. He then read a breakdown of what each company was charging. The breakdown charges include:

- PSNH/Eversource.....\$9,600.00
- Fair Point (fiber optic lines).....\$27,054.00
  - They have fiber optic lines without enough slack to be able to take down the lines. The company will cut the lines and splice in some slack and then undo them as to have minimal interruption to their customers
- First Light Fiber..... \$16,500.00
  - Another fiber optic company
- Ashland Power Company.....\$5,250.00

- 186 Fiber.....\$5,995.00
- Metrocast.....\$8,343.06

The actual mover cost is \$36,400. The mover is only charging 50% of his normal rate. He is donating the other half. Four Troopers for a four hour detail is \$100 per hour/ per trooper. Plus all of the Town Officers. The wrapping of the building is \$3000. This includes a labor cost of \$1360 and \$400 for material. The contractor was confident that he could accomplish wrapping the building one day. The Board has calculated for two days.

Total money anticipated to be spent on Phase One is \$139,442. This is the highest possible price.

#### **Discussion-**

**Dana Torsey** of Lower Oxbow Road asked how the Town planned to get water to the Grange Hall due to the ledge issue. Selectman Irvine said that this was in the next section, but there will be a drilled well. Mr. Torsey asked if any trees will need to be cut down on the building route. Mr. Hays said that one tree and some limbs need to be cut.

**Paul MacDonald** of Carter Mountain Road asked if a special insurance was required for the moving of the building. Selectman Irvine answered that it would be the mover's responsibility. Mrs. Lucas had asked our Insurance Company about coverage to protect the Town, they will be reviewing the insurance agreement with Mr. Geddes moving company and the insurance certificate to make sure that the Town is properly covered.

**Kris Harmon** of Main Street asked if any improvements needed to be made to the roads in order to accommodate the weight of the building. Mr. Hays said that the roads should be fine. They might have to fill in a few ditches, but they would remove it afterward.

**Nora Foster** of Anchorage Road asked for clarification on whether the \$139,442 was a revised number or going to be in addition to the \$150,000 that was voted on last March. The Moderator answered that the \$150,000 was the maximum allotted to be spent.

**David Katz** of NH Route 132 N asked if the mover thought that the road surface of Shingle Camp Hill Road was satisfactory. Mr. Hays said that the mover was comfortable with it.

**Manfred Hoerlhofer** of Overlook Drive asked about the uses of the building and getting it so that the Town can use it and about Interior finishes, insulator costs? He also asked if the building was just going to sit there. Selectman Mertz said that there was not any sense to move a dormant building to be a dormant building. Selectman Irvine confirmed this by saying the next slide had a list of potential uses. *(Hard to Hear)*

**Don McCormack** of Old Bristol Road asked if the building was going to be moved in two sections. Mr. Hays answered that it would be moved in one piece. Selectman Irvine showed everyone on the drawing what part of the building was to be moved.

Selectman Irvine explained the potential uses to bring the building back to life. They are:

- Agricultural- Farmer's Market, Farm Bureau (usually meets in a person's home), Garden Club
- Educational & Recreational- Community Center, Fish & Game, Historical Society
- Arts- Exhibits, Live Performances
- Functions- Family Reunions, Fundraisers, Old Home Day, Weddings
- Organizations- The Grange (bring it back to our community), NANA, 4-H, Scouts
- Other- Craft Fairs, Community Yard Sales, Meet the Candidates Night

#### **Discussion-**

**Pat Schlesinger** of Birch Way said that she has lived in New Hampton for about 47 years and has tried to do projects and has not found the sense of community that the Selectmen had mentioned. She stated that until our community unites that this project will never happen.

**Kris Harmon** of Main Street, currently on the New Hampton Heritage Commission, said that we have a number of communities in our town, and that the Town has had many centers, since its incorporation in 1777. The Town used to have a number of events that it hosted every year. She mentioned the Victorian Fair and the number of people it brought into our Town. She said that if people wanted to have a community in this Town again, then Vote Yes on this Article. If people hated seeing "Old Buildings" being torn down on the news, then Vote Yes on this article. The "Old Buildings" are not going to come back. There will never be another building in Town with this type

of History. This our only chance to save this building. She has talked to different organizations that have trouble finding venues in the center of the State. This building would be their answer. She stated that yes the building will cost money, but what project doesn't. If the Town had decided in the future to put up a newer building, they will find that it will not last as long as this building has. The building has been moved three times. It's in great shape. If people want to feel the sense of community, then this is their answer.

**David Katz** of NH Route 132 N asked if the Board had considered putting money into renovating the Town House instead of putting it into the Grange. Selectman Irvine said that the Town has had a sentimental feeling toward the Town House. It is not a community center. Its primary purpose in Town is to be where the Town votes and to hold deliberative sessions. He mentioned that when the Public Safety Building was first debated, some people wanted to add a Community Center to that, but the Town voters were firmly against the idea stating that the Public Safety Building would only be used for that purpose. Mr. Cass clarified that the "Grange Hall" would become a multi-purpose building. Selectman Irvine answered that it would. Mr. Kettenring said that by adding another building to this location would increase the usefulness of the Town House. For instance, Town Voting. The Town is getting bigger. When we vote, we are already crowding the food section. By having the "Grange Building" next door, the Ruth Joyce Scholarship bake sale could move over there, and there would be more room to vote. He stated that the New Hampton Town House is the oldest, continuous building that has hosted voting in the entire State of New Hampshire. The Town House is used to host Old Home Day and Square Dances.

**Dana Torsey** of Lower Oxbow asked that because if the Historical Value on the Town House limits the use of it and that the Town cannot do much with it. The Moderator said that that was correct. The Town is allowed to make changes to it, if it stays within its current purpose. Its official use is a Town voting place or a meeting place.

**Ruth Gulick** of NH Route 132 S said that the geography of the Town is a mess. Unlikely that someone on Coolidge Woods Road would be friends with Winona Road. The potential location of the "Grange Hall" is in the center. It would not only be good for the State, but for our Town as well.

Selectman Denoncour said that earlier it was asked what it would cost to replace the building. The Board had received a quote from Jeff Downing from CCI. The estimate for a stick built (not a timber frame) building of the same square footage would exceed \$540,000. Selectman Irvine added that this would not be a replica of the "Grange Hall". It would be a single story building of equivalent square footage, and that the estimate did not include site work or foundation.

**Janan Hays** of Seminole Ave believes that the Town has been given a gift. She said yes it costs money, but we just heard what it would be to have a new building. The Town does not have a central place to get together. This is the most central place that New Hampton has. She believes that if you build it they will come. She thinks that this is a great idea.

**Paul Tierney** of Huckleberry Road if we were only talking about potential uses and then into the cost of it later. The Moderator answered that it was.

**Kevin Conrad** of Birch Way asked about where people would be parking. Selectman Irvine said that the Town House currently sits on a five acre lot that is wooded or brush. In talking with the contractors for the well and septic, about two acres would need to be cleared. A parking area would be made within the acreage that was cleared. Selectman Irvine asked Chief Drake what the maximum capacity for the "Grange Building" was. Chief Drake answered that he had passed the information onto the Board. Selectman Denoncour answered that approximately 72 people could be on the main floor. Selectman Irvine said that the building would only need a small parking lot. The parking lot would be a part of the planning process.

Selectman Irvine said that this 191 year old building has been a building that has always served the community. Selectman Irvine restated its different roles in our community; Chapel, classrooms, Grange and as part of the church. For a single building to have that amount of service in so many different forms, he thinks is worthy of the debate this session is having, and why so many people came out to hear about it. Your vote is your vote and your opinions are all valid, but this building is worthy of your consideration. When you think of it as a single structure that

has always been a part of the community and not just a house on the corner. It has always served our community. Selectman Irvine thanked the people for coming out.

**Manfred Hoerl** of Overlook Drive thanked people for speaking about the “Grange Hall”. His main worry is about the future of the building. He would like to see that when we move it, it could be partially ready for the March Election. It would get people excited to see it. He believes a parking lot should be in place when the building is in place, but the money allotted to move it probably would not cover the cost of the parking lot. (*Hard to Hear*)

**Nora Foster** of Anchorage Road disagrees with Mrs. Hays’ term “if you build it they will come”. Mrs. Foster has been in Marketing for over 20 years. There are many businesses that have been started and wonder why their business failed. Obviously, this is not a business that would generate revenue, but a building to get our community to use. She said that the Board came up with a great list, but did they think about the viability of it. What competition was in the surrounding towns? In the 13 years she has been here, the town has turned into a Bedroom Community. There is nothing wrong with that. Our community is about where we live. The town provides its residents with their basic needs. The people have to travel to other communities for their bigger needs. The Board had mentioned the possibility of a recreation center. The people that work and volunteer at the TTCC in Bristol, would give up that building for a bigger, more modern one. The building is too small, there is mildew in the basement, the court is too small to have basketball games, etc. The Board mentioned using the building as a meeting place, the lady’s at the Gordon Nash Library cannot get people to use their meeting room. Mrs. Foster said that our town already covers the “Grange Hall’s” list of possible places to where people can meet. The Board had mentioned a theatre. She asked if anyone had talked to “Little Church Theatre” in Holderness where they took an old building and repurposed it into a theatre. Did anyone talk to them about the different challenges with it? If the Board wants to have a Farmer’s Market all year round, it will need to be advertised. A lot of the profits made at a Farmer’s market are made when people see it on the side of the road and stop. The proposed location is too far from the road for that. She asked if money was budgeted to be used for marketing, so that people will use it. She brought up some of these points because she heard a lot of people were passionate about saving it because it was old and should be preserved. She agrees with the selectmen that it is not worth our tax payer’s dollars to move a building, so that it will sit there unused. She urges everyone to look at the uses that were proposed and see if they would be used here.

**Ruth Gulick** of NH Route 132 S said that the potential uses on the building have been thoroughly thought out, and that the necessary homework has been done. She knows it will take work to get people to get there, but it’s doable. She asked if someone from the Grange could speak about what the Grange used to do. (*Hard to Hear*)

**June Smith** of Main Street said that she has been a “Granger” since she was 14 years old. She said the Grange is one of the reasons we have Old Home Day in New Hampton. She said that the town needs a “Gossip Column” in the Record Enterprise. When Barbara Chase left us, we lost this. She urges someone with any writing ability or from the Gordon Nash Library writer’s club, so start one up again for the Town. The Town almost lost Old Home Day, but the Grange kept it alive. Her generation still refers to the “Grange Hall” as the Grange Hall. She believes that if the building is moved and brought to the attention of the younger generations that the younger generations will keep the Grange history alive and interested in it. She looked around and saw that many parts of our Town were represented. Mrs. Smith hopes that the people will give this project a lot of thought because she believes that the people who worked on it have done their homework. She believes that people need to turn off the TV, electronics, etc. and get together as a community. She wants people to come to Old Home Day. She was the one to have proposed to have Old Home Day on the second Saturday of August, so that people could put it on their calendars and be available for it.

**Pat Provencher** of NH Route 132N said that about 40 years ago New Hampton Community School used to be the heart of this community. Every time that a program was put on, there would be standing room only. There used to be dinners, and carnivals. The whole Town would turn out. As would adjoining towns. Mrs. Provencher’s home sits on the New Hampton/Ashland line. So, she does a lot of her errands in Ashland. When the Veterans came back after World War II, they did not have anything in Ashland. The Veterans got together and built the Booster Club. The Booster Club is still

used to this day for Food For All, birthday parties, meetings, etc. People come from surrounding towns to use this. They come because it is affordable and family friendly. It is also near the park, so the kids can use the playground. The “Grange Hall” could be our Booster Club. There is room here to let the children roam free and you don’t have to worry about them. Mrs. Provencher believes that history is very important. We do not have enough history in our life anymore. She wants to instill history into the younger generations, so that they will carry it on for the older generations. She believes that this is a wonderful opportunity and she can see it being occupied for many things. If the Town charges a nominal fee, this would be affordable for families and would help defray the upkeep costs of the building. She can see it being used for birthday parties, and Thanksgiving. She said this would be a wonderful spot to have a wedding, but she could not see a bride going in there (meaning the outhouse). It would be difficult with the dress. A wedding would be more possible with the “Grange Hall” here. The best thing about having the “Grange Hall” available for Town use is for community gatherings. When Mrs. Provencher went out with flyer’s to promote the “Grange Hall” in her neighborhood, she was ashamed of herself. She met a lady that had lived in town for 14 years and Mrs. Provencher had not met her before, and she lived right down the road. She met another person who had been there for 16 years that she did not know. Another person has been here for 6 years. Same thing happened. Mrs. Provencher recognized a gentleman sitting near her as one that she had given a flyer to. She believes that if the town had a community building, that we would have community gatherings and then she would meet and know the people in the town. Everyone could wear a name tag with their name and road. She believes this would promote our sense of community again and get people together.

Selectman Irvine acknowledged what Mrs. Foster had said about the concept of “if they build it, they will come” and the business environment. Most successful businesses start off slowly, they tweak their plans to make it better. This project will not happen overnight, except the move. Renovations is a multi-year endeavor, primarily because of the money involved. Our hope is to fund as much as possible through grants and fundraising rather than through taxation. It will be a slow process due to not wanting to tax the town’s people. Marketing studies have not been done yet. It will be a lot of hard of work from the community. It would be marketed by the people. There were three separate warrants concerning the “Grange Hall” on the March Ballot. The first was about the \$4,000.00 to do some initial research. The second was \$150,000.00 to move it if the building was deemed movable. The third was the managing committee. It is going to be a community effort to get this building up and running. If everyone shows the amount of enthusiasm they show tonight and sustains it, then the building will come up faster. The people would be the only thing to make this building come back to life. If the historical society has a lecture on the History of the New Hampton Grange Hall, come down to attend. Shut off your phones and computers, iPads, tablets, etc. and attend an event here. This project will only happen if people take an interest and show up and participate. If this passes and it goes into the multi-year process to get it usable, and no one shows up, and no one was interested. We end up where we are today with an empty building owned by the town instead of the church.

***Janan Hays*** of Seminole Ave says that she understands that there is a theatre in Holderness or something in another town where people can go, and that if you have a community that does not offer that, then they will go other paces. If a town does have a place to gather, that is when a rural town can come together. She believes that this building is a perfect opportunity. As New Hampton grows, there will be more of a need to have a building like this. If this does not pass, and years down the road, the town decides to put in a community center it would be about \$550,000.00 for a single story. This building has history and has been a part of this community for a long time. It would be a shame to lose this opportunity to build something for our future, and to bring this community together.

Selectman Denoncour spoke about Phase Two: How to Make This Building Serve the Community. Phase Two is made up of six parts: Paint, Bathrooms and Septic, Well, Electric, Egress and ADA accessibility and Heating. The building has lead paint. The building will need to have the lead paint stabilized, be primed and have two coats of latex paint applied to it. This will cost about \$32,500. The building will need bathrooms and septic. Squam Lakes Plumbing & Heating is donating the plumbing and Bathroom fixtures. Mr. Bruce Barnard is donating time and services. The estimated cost for this is \$6,500. The well drilling and connection will cost \$10,000. The Electricity to be installed and connected on the first floor, stairwells and smoke detectors will be \$22,000. The Egress and ADA



Accessibility portion with a ramp will be \$4,000. Selectman Irvine said that the chimney would not be part of the move. The Egress and ADA Accessibility would be put in where the chimney used to be to be a secondary exit. The Heating will be a Forced Air System will be \$6,818. The roof looks to be in good shape now. It will be looked at again when it is set on its new foundation. The roof will need to be replace in about five years at about \$11,500. The total cost for Phase Two would be \$81,818. This number is low because of donations mentioned above. These are not the only costs that will be involved. These are only starting costs.

**Ann Marie McCormack** of Old Bristol Road asked about the lead paint that is on the building. Selectman Irvine said that the contractor had quoted the stabilization of the paint, which involves a full scraping, primer and two coats of latex paint. This costs \$32,500.

**David Cass** of NH Route 132N asked if there would be an elevator to get to the second floor. Selectman Denoncour said that this would not be included in this Phase. Selectman Mertz said that this would be a future project, and it would most likely be an exterior shaft as to not disturb the current structure.

**Bob Barry** of Birch Way asked if since this was a public building, it would be required to have a Life Safety Code which includes: a sprinkler system. Was this included in the quote? Chief Drake said that this was only the first floor reviewed. The second floor would be for storage use. Reviews of the other floors would be done in the future. Historic buildings are coded differently than modern buildings.

**Peter Gulick** of NH Route 132 S said “Tear it Down! Tear it Down!” That’s what people keep saying to do. This building has been a part of our community since 1826, and people want to tear it down. Go to Main Street and see the house that Jeremy Hiltz just put up. Mr. Hiltz made sure that it fit into the character of the Downtown Area. You want to wreck this Historic building and turn it to ashes. “Don’t Tear It Down!”

**Don McCormack** of Old Bristol Road understands the romance of saving a historic building. There is a lot of emotion there. He has restored and rebuilt a number of homes. There is always unforeseen problems that come up when you do a job like this. Is the town ready for this? Mr. McCormack said that the quotes were too low. This project could eventually cost over \$300,000. Could the money allocated for this be used other places? Like paying off the Public Safety Building. Selectman Irvine explained that the costs were so low because a lot of people are donating their time and energy. Contractors are contacting the Selectman’s Office offering their time and asking what they can do to help. These people are not just from New Hampton. People from surrounding towns have called to assist too. Donations include: architectural drawings, labor, time and services. If there were not any donations, this project would be considerably more expensive. The “Grange Hall” is currently owned by the church. The Town cannot reach out to the various foundations because it is not owned by the town. When the town owns the building and the building undergoes the first phase, the town will then register for the NH State Registry of Historic Places and then reach out to the various foundations and grants. This is why this is a multi-year endeavor. If people want it faster, then the tax payer’s would be affected.

The List of possible grants and foundations to be used when this is a town owned building are:

- State/Government Money
  - Land and Community Heritage investment Program (LCHIP).....\$10,000-\$500,000
  - Moose Plate: .....up to \$10,000
  - NH Preservation Alliance:.....\$3,500
    - For planning studies ad conditions assessments
- Banks
  - Meredith Village Savings Bank.....\$1,000-\$15,000
  - Franklin Savings Bank.....\$2,000-\$7,500
  - Bank Of New Hampshire
- Private Foundations
  - Dunn Charitable, McIninch, Dorr, Seigel, Samuel Hunt, Charter Charitable, Arthur Getz, Audrey Hillman Fisher, National Grange Mutual, Roby Charitable, Roy Hunt

- Range in awards is between.....\$1,000-\$10,000

**Gordon Dubois** of Forest Pond Road was a President and former board member of the New Hampton Historical Society for 15 years. The Historical Society would offer monthly programs on the History of New Hampton as well as the state. They had trouble getting people there. If the Historical Society had trouble getting people to hear about the history of the town, how is the Town going to fill up the building with activities. Who is going to operate this facility? Who will do the maintenance? Who will supervise the use of the building? Will there be a maintenance schedule? What will the budget be to keep this building operational from year to year? This will be a challenge to get people. It would be great to save the building, but we need to get beyond the cost to move it, and focus on what it will be to maintain it.

**Brad Ober** of Winona Road asked to see the expense slide again. He noted that insulation, air conditioning and a fire alarm system were not mentioned. This was not a realistic figure. Selectman Denoncour said that insulation was not looked into yet as it was not decided where the electricity would be. Selectman Irvine said that the fire alarm system was included in the electric quote (smoke & CO2 detectors).

**Nora Foster** of Anchorage Road asked what the square footage was on the building. Selectman Irvine answered 1800 square feet.

**Kris Harmon** of Main Street, member of the Heritage Commission, said that there were still a lot concerns that have been expressed that are decisions that will be determined later. The only things we are concerned with at the moment is whether or not to save the building from demolition, move it back to its original location, and make the first floor ready for some limited use. There will be more to do after this point. But the building will be there to walk into on voting and Old Home Days. So people can see it. There are so many options involved with this building, but are we ever going to get a chance to save this building again? Before the Public Safety Building was put in, people were willing to save it. The old fire station was held together with wire in some places. The Selectmen have put together some reasonable numbers, with a number of donations. There will be plenty of opportunities to discuss what fire alarm system to use. But we will never get this opportunity again. **Janan Hays** said that her husband and this board have worked very hard to get accurate estimates. When the Board says that they were conservative with the numbers, they are. The Board inflated some numbers in case they needed them.

Selectman Irvine made a motion, seconded by Sue LeDuc for Mr. Andrew Cushing of the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance to Speak.

**Mr. Cushing** spoke about the funding opportunities to grant something like this. He said often you see One-third comes from Private or Donated Money; One-third comes from town Appropriations; and One-Third comes from Grant Funding. It does not matter if you are a poor or rich town. It will either be town appropriated or come from private donations. Any project can happen with or without public help. The estimates look accurate and are very generous.

Peter Gulick made a motion, seconded by Ruth Gulick to move the question.

The Moderator said that we would be voting to have the question be a yes or no question on whether the New Hampton Selectmen would receive the “Grange Hall” as a donation and move it to its original location. The Moderator deemed that the Ayes have it. The question was kept the same.

There being no further business to come before this meeting, The Moderator asked for a motion to adjourn. Selectman Irvine made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Mertz to adjourn. Vote was unanimous and the Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.

Respectively submitted,  
Regina M. Adams, New Hampton Deputy Town Clerk

**Town of New Hampton  
Second Session of the Annual Meeting**

**July 25, 2017**

The polls were opened by Moderator Ken Kettenring at 11:00 a.m. at the Town House located on 86 Town House Road, New Hampton, New Hampshire for the purpose of voting by official ballot for one warrant article. The polls closed at 7:00 p.m.

Ballot Inspectors present were Ginny Haas, Muriel Smith, Jessie Whalen and Dana Torsey.

The results of the election for the one warrant article were as follows:

**WARRANT ARTICLE #1:**

**Yes- 97**

**No- 134**

There were 222 regular ballots and 9 absentee ballots cast. A total of 231 voters out of 1702 voted. This averages out to be a 14% voter turnout.

Respectfully submitted,  
Regina M. Adams, Deputy Town Clerk

# **Town of New Hampton, New Hampshire**

## **Warrant 2018**

To the inhabitants of the town of New Hampton in the County of Belknap in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in town affairs are hereby notified and warned that the two phases of the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

### **FIRST SESSION**

**You are hereby notified to meet at the New Hampton Public Safety Building for the First Session of the 2018 Town Meeting to be held at the New Hampton Public Safety Building, 26 Intervale Drive, New Hampton on Tuesday, the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February next at 7:00 p.m. The First Session will consist of explanation, discussion and debate of the warrant articles, which are attached, and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to the warrant articles.**

**In the event of an emergency cancellation, the Deliberative Session will be held on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the same location.**

### **SECOND SESSION**

**You are also notified to meet for the Second Session of the 2018 Town Meeting, to vote by official ballot Election of town officers, zoning amendments and the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First Session, to be held at the Town House, 86 Town House Road, New Hampton on Tuesday, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March next. Polls for voting by official ballot at the Town House will open at 11:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m. unless the town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour.**

#### **Article 01: Election of Town Officers**

- 1 Selectman 3 year term
- 1 Moderator 2 year term
- 1 Town Clerk/Tax Collector 1 year term
- 1 Trustee of Trust Funds 3 year term
- 1 Sarah MacGregor Scholarship Fund 3 year term
- 1 Supervisor of the Checklist 6 year term

#### **Article 02: Zoning Amendment #1**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the planning board as follows: Amend the Ordinance to allow by Special Exception an apartment in an accessory building, such as a garage in all Districts that allow a single family dwelling.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

#### **Article 03: Zoning Amendment #2**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the planning board as follows: Add language to permit one accessory structure on a lot without a principal /primary structure on the same lot provided it is compatible with the permitted uses in that District and complies with all other regulations.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

#### **Article 04: Zoning Amendment #3**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the planning board as follows:

Remove the General Parking Regulations in the Village District and amend the Off Street Loading and Parking regulations to define the number of parking spaces required for a proposed use(s) and allow by Special Exception the ability to supplement or reduce the required spaces.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

#### **Article 05: Zoning Amendment #4**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the planning board as follows: Add to Definition section language to define a structure and an accessory structure.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

#### **Article 06: Prime Wetlands Designation of Snake River**

To see if the Town will vote to designate the Snake River Wetlands Complex as a Prime wetlands in the Town of New Hampton and place it into State Prime Wetlands Status as recommended by the Planning Board?

#### **Article 07: Town Operating Budget**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling two million nine hundred and five thousand and two hundred twenty one dollars and no cents (\$2,905,221.00)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be two million seven hundred and ninety one thousand and six hundred seventy three dollars and no cents (\$2,791,673.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action by the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

#### **Article 08: Appropriation for PSB loan payment**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to partially pay the seventh year's bond payment on the Public Safety Building and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of this amount from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, which was authorized to be used for this purpose in 2011? The remainder of the annual bond payment (\$145,636.40) is included in the Operating Budget Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

#### **Article 09: Highway Department Dump Truck Lease/Purchase**

Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the lease and purchase of a fully equipped Highway Department 1-Ton Dump Truck, with a plow and sander, for a total cost of eighty five thousand (\$85,000), and to raise and appropriate seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) for the first year's payment? This lease agreement will contain an escape clause. The remaining balance of \$68,000 will be financed through the lease/purchase agreement. The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

#### **Article 10: Repair or Replacement of Town Bridge(s)**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Town Bridge Repair or Replacement Expendable Trust Fund, created by Town vote in 2008 under RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of repairing or replacing town owned bridges? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

#### **Article 11: Purchase of Police Cruiser**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of thirty seven thousand two hundred and ninety four dollars (\$37,294) to purchase and equip a Police Cruiser all-wheel drive utility vehicle for the Police Department? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

#### **Article 12: Fire Department/EMS Ambulance**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and ninety five thousand dollars (\$195,000) for the purchase of a Fire Department/EMS Ambulance and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$195,000 from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, with no amount from taxation? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

#### **Article 13: Fire Department/EMS Equipment**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand seven hundred and twenty one dollars (\$17,721) for the purchase of Fire/EMS equipment (Hose rack, turntable, winder and washer; 2 Mobile Ready racks for firefighter gear; Mobile Radio; Infusion Pump; and Water Rescue Sled) for the Fire Department and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$17,721 from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, with no amount to be raised from taxation? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (2-1) this appropriation.

#### **Article 14: Petition for CADY**

To see if the Town of New Hampton will vote to raise and appropriate funds totaling One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for Communities for Alcohol and Drug-Free Youth (CADY) a non-profit organization serving New Hampton and nearby towns. CADY's work protects children from the harms of substance misuse; prevents juvenile delinquency; breaks the cycle of crime; contains community costs; prevents addiction; and saves lives. (BY PETITION) The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

Given under our hands, January 29, 2018	
We certify and attest that on or before January 29, 2018, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Town Office at 6 Pinnacle Hill Road and the Public Works Department at 26 NH Route 132N, and delivered the original to the Regina M. Adams, Town Clerk.	
Printed Name	Position
Kenneth A. Mertz	Board of Selectmen, Chairman
Neil G. Irvine	Selectman
Mark T. Denoncour	Selectman

# New Hampton Budget

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 32:4)	Appropriations 2017	Expenditures 2017	Appropriations 2018	Default Budget
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>				
Executive	238,881.00	229,000.81	224,252.00	238,881.00
Election, Registration & Vital	48,232.00	48,254.79	58,510.00	58,510.00
Financial Administration	49,817.00	47,597.77	106,258.00	49,817.00
Data Processing	23,100.00	24,029.17	22,300.00	23,100.00
Revaluation of Property	90,000.00	120,597.65	98,000.00	90,000.00
Legal Expense	50,000.00	101,182.50	50,000.00	50,000.00
Planning and Zoning	9,461.00	5,662.28	9,461.00	9,461.00
General Government Buildings	12,875.00	7,801.61	25,756.00	12,875.00
Cemeteries	3,900.00	3,900.00	3,900.00	3,900.00
Insurance	70,294.00	70,291.00	69,906.00	69,906.00
Regional Associations	72,001.00	72,001.00	72,054.00	72,001.00
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY:</b>				
Police Department	649,866.00	626,827.40	660,450.00	649,866.00
Fire Department	176,390.00	148,963.67	175,360.00	176,390.00
Emergency Medical Services	181,117.00	161,949.67	185,736.00	181,117.00
Emergency Management	444.00	0.00	495.00	444.00
<b>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS:</b>				
Highways & Streets	625,370.00	639,462.50	638,986.00	628,310.00
Street Lighting	800.00	827.88	800.00	800.00
<b>SANITATION:</b>				
Solid Waste Transfer Station	144,738.00	146,213.71	169,904.00	144,738.00
Landfill	8,888.00	5,994.38	8,888.00	8,888.00
<b>HEALTH:</b>				
Health Department	738.00	578.25	2,574.00	738.00
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL:</b>				
Animal Shelter	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
<b>WELFARE:</b>				
General Assistance	15,613.00	14,937.38	15,613.00	15,613.00
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION:</b>				
Recreation Department	420.00	0.00	420.00	420.00
Patriotic Purposes	300.00	48.00	300.00	300.00
Old Home Day	3,000.00	2,516.98	3,000.00	3,000.00
Heritage Commission	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
<b>CONSERVATION:</b>				
Conservation Commission	1,480.00	1,490.00	1,180.00	1,480.00
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>				
Principal - Public Safety Building Bond	98,134.00	98,133.40	94,656.00	98,134.00
Interest - Public Safety Building Bond	47,503.00	47,503.00	50,981.00	47,503.00
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Other Debt Service	88,203.00	88,203.13	148,981.00	148,981.00
<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>	<b>2,718,065.00</b>	<b>2,714,967.93</b>	<b>2,905,221.00</b>	<b>2,791,673.00</b>

**WARRANT ARTICLES:**

Special Revenue Withdrawal for PSB	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Town Bridge Expendable Trust	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
PD All Wheel Drive Sedan Cruiser	-	-	37,294.00
Surplus/Used Equipment & Vehicle Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	-
FD Ambulance	-	-	195,000.00
FD/EMS Equipment	-	-	17,721.00
FD Defibrillator Lease/Purchase - 1st of 2yr	16,000.00	15,486.74	-
FD Radios & Pagers Replacement	10,140.00	9,728.31	-
Evaluation of Grange Building	4,000.00	1,585.00	-
Acquisition and Relocation of Grange Bldg	150,000.00	-	-
PD Police Portable Tablets w/ 4 mounting brk	15,500.00	14,830.00	-
HWY Road Grader Lease/Purchase	61,000.00	60,776.95	-
HWY Truck with plow and sander	59,500.00	58,317.60	17,000.00
SW Baler	15,000.00	12,579.80	-
FD Dry Hydrant Expendable Trust	5,000.00	5,000.00	-
NHCS Playground - BY PETITION	-	-	-
CADY - PETITION	-	-	1,000.00
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	386,140.00	228,304.40	313,015.00
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<hr/> <b>3,104,205.00</b>	<hr/> <b>2,943,272.33</b>	<hr/> <b>3,218,236.00</b>



	REVENUE 2017	ACTUAL REVENUE 2017	ESTIMATED REVENUE 2018
<b>SOURCES OF REVENUE</b>			
TAXES:			
Land Use Change Taxes	5,000.00	8,350.00	5,000.00
Yield Taxes	24,600.00	36,711.25	20,000.00
Gravel Yield Taxes	1,700.00	1,718.32	1,500.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	36,000.00	43,437.69	35,000.00
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES:			
Business Licenses & Permits	600.00	615.00	400.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	440,000.00	516,382.58	445,000.00
Building Permits	9,000.00	10,775.00	7,500.00
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	3,400.00	5,501.70	3,400.00
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Federal Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES-			
Shared Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rooms & Meals	115,105.00	115,105.09	115,105.00
Highway Block Grant	104,689.00	104,687.48	105,865.00
Reimb. a/c State-Federal			
Forest Land	149.00	148.58	149.00
Reimb. a/c Flood Control	19,358.00	19,138.52	19,358.00
Other - forest fires, grants..	5,000.00	6,070.81	5,000.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICES:			
Income from Departments	62,000.00	77,455.51	55,000.00
Other Charges	259.00	386.40	250.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:			
Sale of Municipal Property	53,000.00	57,846.33	5,000.00
Interest on Investments	11,500.00	16,438.18	12,000.00
Other -Ins. Dividends, Reimb. & Claims, Misc	4,500.00	10,549.33	4,000.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:			
Withdrawals from Capital	51,400.00	51,400.00	0.00
Reserves			
Withdrawals from General	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fund Trusts			
Withdrawals from Special	51,140.00	50,215.05	237,721.00
Revenue Funds			
Proceeds from Long Term Bonds	0.00	0.00	0.00
Voted from Surplus	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fund Balance("Surplus")	160,000.00	160,000.00	100,000.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS</b>	<b>\$1,158,400.00</b>	<b>\$1,292,932.82</b>	<b>\$1,177,248.00</b>

## Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures

	2018		2017			2018
TITLE OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations		Receipts & Refunds	Expenditures	Balance/Overdraft	Appropriations
TOWN CHARGES:						
Executive	238,881.00	( a )	3,646.14	229,000.81	13,526.33	224,252.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	48,232.00			48,254.79	(22.79)	58,510.00
Financial Administration	49,817.00			47,597.77	2,219.23	106,258.00
Data Processing	23,100.00			24,029.17	(929.17)	22,300.00
Revaluation of Property	90,000.00			120,597.65	(30,597.65)	98,000.00
Legal Expense	50,000.00			101,182.50	(51,182.50)	50,000.00
Planning and Zoning	9,461.00	(b&c)	1,774.50	5,662.28	5,573.22	9,461.00
General Government Buildings	12,875.00			7,801.61	5,073.39	25,756.00
Cemeteries	3,900.00			3,900.00	-	3,900.00
Insurance	70,294.00			70,291.00	3.00	69,906.00
Regional Associations	72,001.00			72,001.00	-	72,054.00
Street Lighting	800.00			827.88	(27.88)	800.00
Town Landfill	8,888.00			5,994.38	2,893.62	8,888.00
Health Department	738.00			578.25	159.75	2,574.00
Animal Control	1,000.00			1,000.00	-	1,000.00
Welfare	15,613.00	( d )	435.26	14,937.38	1,110.88	15,613.00
Recreation Department	420.00			-	420.00	420.00
Patriotic Purposes	300.00			48.00	252.00	300.00
Old Home Day	3,000.00	( e )	333.00	2,516.98	816.02	3,000.00
Heritage Commission	500.00			-	500.00	500.00
Conservation Commission	1,480.00			1,490.00	(10.00)	1,180.00
Principal - Public Safety Building Bond	98,134.00			98,133.40	0.60	98,134.00
Interest - Public Safety Building Bond	47,503.00			47,503.00	-	47,503.00
Tax Anticipation Notes - Short term note	5,000.00			-	5,000.00	5,000.00
Other Debt Service (Equipment Loans)	88,203.00			88,203.13	(0.13)	148,981.00
TOTAL TOWN CHARGES	940,140.00		6,188.90	991,550.98	(45,222.08)	1,074,290.00
OTHER TOWN DEPARTMENTS:						
Highway Department	625,370.00	( f )	225.00	639,462.50	(13,867.50)	638,986.00
Solid Waste Transfer Station	144,738.00	( g )	27,027.04	146,213.71	25,551.33	169,904.00
Police Department	649,866.00	( h )	43,099.25	626,827.40	66,137.85	660,450.00

Fire Department	176,390.00		148,963.67	27,426.33	175,360.00
Emergency Medical Services	181,117.00		161,949.67	19,167.33	185,736.00
Emergency Management	444.00		0.00	444.00	495.00
TOTAL OTHER TOWN DEPARTMENTS	1,777,925.00	70,351.29	1,723,416.95	124,859.34	1,830,931.00
SUBTOTALS:	2,718,065.00	76,540.19	2,714,967.93	79,637.26	2,905,221.00
WARRANT ARTICLES:					
Special Revenue Withdrawal for PSB	25,000.00		25,000.00	-	25,000.00
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FD Dry Hydrant Expendable Trust	5,000.00		5,000.00	-	-
NHCS Playground - BY PETITION	*		-	-	-
CADY - PETITION	-		-	-	1,000.00
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- ( a ) Regulations, copies, bldg. permits
- ( b ) Planning Board Application fees and regulations
- ( c ) Zoning Board of Adjustment Application fees
- ( d ) Welfare Reimbursements

- ( e ) Old Home Day Donations
- ( f ) Driveway Permits
- ( g ) Recycling, C&D charges...
- ( h ) Special Details, fines, fees, reports

\*\$5,000-Disallowed appropriation by the NHDRA

## Vehicle and Equipment Lease Payment Schedule

YEAR	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL COST	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	TOTAL
2014	HWY CAT 924K Loader	204,100.00	\$35,026.75	\$35,026.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$70,053.50
2016	FD Fire Tanker Truck	349,995.00	\$53,176.38	\$53,176.38	\$53,176.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$159,529.14
2017	HWY Grader	292,200.00	\$60,776.95	\$60,776.95	\$60,766.95	\$60,766.95	\$60,766.95	\$303,854.75
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$148,980.08</b>	<b>\$148,980.08</b>	<b>\$113,943.33</b>	<b>\$60,766.95</b>	<b>\$60,766.95</b>	<b>\$533,437.39</b>

### PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING BOND PAYMENTS 2017

Date	Regular Payment	Principal	Interest	Balance
BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2017				\$ 1,467,202.30
1/17/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 7,735.50	\$ 6,484.20	\$ 1,459,466.80
2/13/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 10,169.68	\$ 4,050.02	\$ 1,449,297.12
3/16/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 9,602.07	\$ 4,617.63	\$ 1,439,695.05
4/10/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 10,520.51	\$ 3,699.19	\$ 1,429,174.54
5/6/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 10,400.61	\$ 3,819.09	\$ 1,418,773.93
6/5/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 9,845.17	\$ 4,374.53	\$ 1,408,928.76
6/19/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 12,192.41	\$ 2,027.29	\$ 1,396,736.35
8/14/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 6,180.70	\$ 8,039.00	\$ 1,390,555.65
9/8/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 10,646.74	\$ 3,572.96	\$ 1,379,908.91
10/10/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 9,681.35	\$ 4,538.35	\$ 1,370,227.56
1/5/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 10,417.33	\$ 3,802.37	\$ 1,359,810.23
11/20/2017	\$ (14,219.70)	\$ 12,263.09	\$ 1,956.61	\$ 1,347,547.14
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$ (170,636.40)</b>	<b>\$ 119,655.16</b>	<b>\$ 50,981.24</b>	<b>\$ 1,347,547.14 *Balance 12/31/17</b>

\*Public Safety Building Long Term Bond was for 15 years and balance to be paid in May 2027.

## Statement Of Appropriations And Taxes Assessed

### APPROPRIATIONS:

Executive	238,881
Election, Registration & Vital Records	48,232
Financial Administration	49,817
Data Processing	23,100
Revaluation of Property	90,000
Legal Expense	50,000
Planning and Zoning Boards	9,461
General Government Buildings	12,875
Cemeteries	3,900
Insurance	70,294
Regional Associations	72,001
Police Department	649,866
Fire Department	176,390
Emergency Medical Services	181,117
Emergency Management	444
Highways & Streets	625,370
Street Lighting	800
Town Landfill	8,888
Solid Waste Transfer Station	144,738
Health Department	738
Animal Control	1,000
Welfare	15,613
Recreation Department	420
Patriotic Purposes	300
Old Home Day	3,000
Heritage Commission	500
Conservation Commission	1,480
Public Safety Building Bond Principal	98,134
Public Safety Building Bond Interest	47,503
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000
Other Debt	88,203
Public Safety Bldg Special Revenue	25,000
Town Building Expendable Trust	20,000
Town Federal/Surplus/Used Vehicle Fund	5,000
FD Defibrillator	16,000
FD Radios & Pagers	10,140
Evaluation of the Grange	4,000
Acquisition and Relocation of the Grange	150,000
PD Police Portable Tablets w/ mounting brkts	15,500
HWY Road Grader Lease/Purchase	61,000
HWY Truck w/ plow and sander	59,500
SW Baler	15,000
FD Dry Hydrant Expendable Trust	5,000
NHCS Playground Petition	0
SUBTOTAL:	3,104,205

**LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES & CREDITS:**

Land Use Change Taxes	5,000
Yield Taxes	24,600
Gravel Yield Taxes	1,700
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	-
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	36,000
Business Licenses & Permits	600
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	440,000
Building Permits	9,000
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees...	3,400
Federal Grants	-
Shared Revenue	-
Rooms & Meals Tax Distribution	115,105
Highway Block Grant	104,689
Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	149
Reimb. a/c Flood Control	19,358
Other - forest fires, grants...	5,000
Income from Departments	62,000
Other Charges	259
Sale of Municipal Property	53,000
Interest on Investments	11,500
Other - Insurance Dividends & Claims	4,500
Special Revenue Fund	51,140
Capital Reserve Funds	51,400
Bond/Long Term Notes	-
Voted from Fund Balance	-
Unreserved Fund Balance -Reduce Taxes	160,000
TOTAL REVENUES:	<hr/> 1,158,400

Total Town Appropriations	3,104,205
Less Revenues and Credits	<hr/> (1,158,400)
Net Town Appropriations	1,945,805
School Appropriations	3,703,424
County Appropriations	347,248
State Education Appropriations	<hr/> 620,164

Total of Town, School, County and State	6,616,641
Less Shared Revenues and Credits	0
Less Adequate Education Grant	<hr/> -779,304
Net	5,837,337

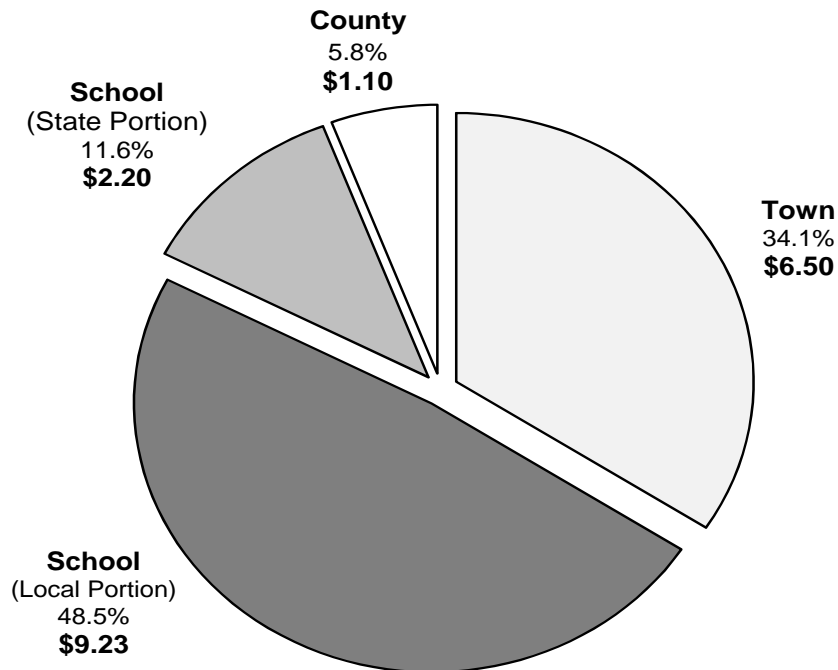
Add: Veteran's Credits	63,808
Overlay	<hr/> 49,054
Property Taxes to be Raised	5,950,199
Less: Veteran's Credits	<hr/> -63,808
Tax Commitment	5,886,391

<b>TAX RATES:</b>	Town	\$6.50	
	School	\$9.23	
	State	\$2.21	
	County	\$1.10	
<b>TOTAL TAX RATE:</b>		<u>\$19.04</u>	per One Thousand Dollars of Valuation

#### PROOF OF RATE

	Assessed Value	Tax Rate	
State Education Tax (no utilities)	281,091,910	2.21	621,213
All Other Taxes	316,636,110	<u>16.83</u>	<u>5,328,986</u>
		19.04	<b>5,950,199</b>

### New Hampton 2017 Tax Rate @ \$19.04/thousand



# Financial Report

## ASSETS:

### Cash:

#### In custody of Treasurer

General Fund	2,793,438.88	
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#### Restricted:

Conservation Commission	116,065.24	
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Fire Department Special Revenue Fund	215,760.32	
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Central Street Bridge Sidewalk Escrow	12,138.13	
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	\$	3,137,402.57
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#### Capital Reserve Funds:

Highway Equipment	51,602.93	
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Conservation Easements	11,747.23	
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Fire Department Equipment	1,769.80	
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Highway Department Building	4,101.80	
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Total Capital Reserve Funds		69,221.76
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#### Expendable Trust Funds:

Town Bridge Repair or Replacement	20,321.02	
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Town Building Maintenance	20,137.02	
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Town Vehicle Repair Fund	27,157.28	
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Gravestone Maintenance Fund	6,325.17	
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Federal/State Surplus Fund	20,157.62	
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Fire Dept. Training Fund	9,166.25	
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Fire Dept. Equip Repair and Replacement	10,629.82	
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Nature and Fitness Trail Fund	2,882.48	
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Veterans Memorial Trust	614.15	
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Total Expendable Trust Funds		117,390.81
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Due Town from Trustees of Trust Funds	73,141.46	
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Due Town from State of NH	-	
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Due Town from Federal Government	-	
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Due Town from Special Revenue Fund	-	
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Due Town from Other	-	
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Petty Cash Accounts	500.00	
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		73,641.46
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#### Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 2016	69,295.20	
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Levy of 2015	41,931.27	
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Levy of 2014	12,314.56	
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Levy of 2013	8,236.06	
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Levy of 2012	6,017.63	
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Levy of 2011	6,504.53	
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Levy of 2010	9,493.04	
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Levy of 2009	8,180.89	
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Total Unredeemed Taxes		161,973.18
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Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 2017	749,903.68	
In Lieu of Taxes	-	
Current Use Penalty	2,511.60	
Yield Taxes	11.97	
Gravel Taxes	-	
Credit Balance	(44,240.44)	
Total of Uncollected		708,186.81
Elderly and Disabled Tax Liens:		
Levy of 2017	-	
Levy of 2016	4,232.35	
Levy of 2015	4,425.89	
Levy of 2014	4,268.41	
Levy of 2013	3,119.92	
Levy of 2012	-	
Levy of 2011	1,351.95	
Levy of 2010	1,197.58	
Levy of 2009	1,281.06	
Levy of 2008	1,226.17	
Levy of 2007	1,143.57	
Levy of 2006	1,112.90	
Levy of 2005	909.05	
Levy of 2004	974.51	
Levy of 2003	930.16	
Levy of 2002	889.33	
Levy of 2001	915.42	
Levy of 2000	1,034.89	
Levy of 1999	1,127.85	
Levy of 1998	984.14	
Levy of 1997	930.93	
Levy of 1996	1,000.00	
Levy of 1995	852.37	
Levy of 1994	1,125.00	
Total of Disabled Liens		35,033.45
Allowance for Uncollected		(85,000.00)
Allowance for Disabled Liens		(35,033.45)
TOTAL		4,182,816.59
Fund Balance - December 31, 2016	1,675,411.00	
Fund Balance - December 31, 2017	1,841,251.22	
Committed Fund Balance - 12/31/2017	-	
Change in Financial Condition	-	
Increase Fund Balance	165,840.22	

**LIABILITIES****Accounts Owed by the Town:****Unexpended Special Appropriations:**

School District Payable	1,757,398.00
Due Acct Payable & Payroll	-
Tax Anticipation Note	-

Total Accounts Owed by the Town 1,757,398.00

Due to Other	2,805.55
Due to State	-
Due to Overpayments	44,240.44
Due to Conservation Commission from Town	6,545.12

**Encumbered Funds**

Appraisal Services Contract	-
Emergency Management LEOP Contract	-

**COMMITTED FUNDS:****Capital Reserve Funds:**

Highway Equipment	51,602.93
Conservation Easements	11,747.23
Fire Department Equipment	1,769.80
Highway Department Building	4,101.80

Total Capital Reserve Funds 69,221.76

**Expendable Trust Funds:**

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Total Expendable Trust Funds 117,390.81

Fire Department Special Revenue Fund	215,760.32
Conservation Commission Fund	116,065.24
Central Street Bridge Sidewalk Escrow	12,138.13

**TOTAL LIABILITIES 2,341,565.37**

**Fund Balance - Current 1,841,251.22**

**4,182,816.59**

# Statement of Receipts

## LOCAL TAXES 2017:

Property Taxes	5,197,628.82	
In Lieu of Taxes	-	
Land Use Change Taxes	3,300.00	
Yield Taxes	26,670.88	
Earth Excav. Yield Tax	1,698.60	
Overpayments	-	
Interest on Taxes	5,413.91	
Fees for - NSF	-	
Miscellaneous	-	
		5,234,712.21

## LOCAL TAXES 2016:

Property Taxes	175,059.56	
Land Use Change	5,838.64	
Yield Taxes	10,145.19	
Earth Excav. Yield Tax	-	
Overpayments	(1,201.77)	
Interest on Taxes	4,540.98	
NSF Fees	31.47	
		194,414.07

## LOCAL TAX LIENS - 2009-2016:

Property Taxes	158,679.31	
Interest and Costs on Taxes	33,475.00	
		192,154.31

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE:

State - Shared Revenue	-	
State - Rooms & Meals	115,105.09	
Highway Block Grant Aid	194,253.39	
Reimb.State & Fed. Forest Lands	148.58	
Reimb. Flood Control Lands	19,138.52	
Other - forest fires, grants....	35,228.32	
		363,873.90

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:

Federal Entitlement Lands	-	
FEMA Storm Cost Reimb.	-	-

## LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:

### TOWN CLERK:

Auto Fees	516,382.58	
Dog Licenses	4,707.50	
Vital Statistics	1,156.00	
UCC fees	615.00	
Marriage Fees	400.00	
Boat Registrations	1,500.20	
Miscellaneous Fees	828.20	
Overpayments	39.00	
NSF Fees	63.12	
		525,691.60

## DEPARTMENTS:

Building Permits	10,775.00
Selectmen's Office Sales & Rec.	3,646.14
Planning Board fees & Copies	1,117.06
Zoning Board Fees	657.44

Police Dept. Report Copies	426.00
Police Dept. Miscellaneous Fines	1,185.38
Police Dept. Special Details	41,487.87
Fire Dept. Report Copies	-
Fire Dept. Reimb.for Training	-
Ambulance Reports	-
Highway Dept. Driveway Permits	225.00
Highway Dept. Miscellaneous	-
Recreation Miscellaneous	-
Welfare Reimbursement	435.26
Old Home Day Sales	333.00
Sale of Recyclables	11,507.04
Tires, Refrigerators, C& D, etc.	15,520.00
Other	386.40
Sale of Town Property	57,846.33
Rental of Town Property	1,800.00
Interest on Investments	16,438.18
Insurance Refunds & Reimb.	8,749.33
Miscellaneous	474.39
CC Check (Fish & Game)	600.00

173,609.82

**CAPITAL RESERVES:**

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**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

Pagers and Radios	9,728.31
Defibrillator	15,486.74
PSB Payment	25,000.00
SCBA Equipment	23,420.00

73,635.05

**OTHER:**

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**EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS:**

Town Vehicle Repair	878.12
Town Building Repair & Maint.	-
Nature-Fitness Trail	692.85
Town Bridge Repair/Replacement	-
FD Equipment Repair/Replacement	-

**TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE**

**TOTAL RECEIPTS** 6,759,661.93

**Balance January 1, 2017** 2,748,660.84

**GRAND TOTAL** 9,508,322.77

## Statement Of Payments

### EXECUTIVE

Salaries	9,000.00
Full-time Wages	95,634.95
Part-time Wages	28,431.35
Overtime	60.42
Longevity Pay	1,250.00
Employee Health Insurance	36,027.15
Employee Other Insurance	3,544.44
Social Security	8,331.28
Medicare	1,948.42
NH Retirement	11,028.28
Auditing Services	10,570.36
Telephone	2,028.39
Professional Services	11,725.25
Stenographer Services	0.00
Copier Maintenance & Supplies	2,322.08
Printing & Advertising	2,387.27
Dues, Subscriptions & Conferences	2,652.92
Registry Fees	93.66
Office Supplies	878.87
Postage	892.17
Miscellaneous	193.55

229,000.81

### TOWN CLERK

Salary	22,740.26
Part-time Wages	4,134.00
Longevity Pay	0.00
Employee Health Insurance	4,255.65
Employee Other Insurance	492.17
Social Security	1,666.23
Medicare	389.81
NH Retirement	2,565.05
Training & Education Reimb.	127.99
Telephone	311.20
Contract Services	2,129.00
Printing & Advertising	860.93
Dues & subscriptions & Conf.	885.59
Office Supplies	776.31
Postage	1,631.51
Equipment	490.00
Miscellaneous	0.00

43,455.70

### ELECTION

Ballot Clerks Wages	451.39
Moderator & Supervisors	934.85
Contract Services	225.00
Advertising & Printing	3,072.00
Office Supplies	59.17
Postage	0.00
Miscellaneous	56.68

4,799.09

**TAX COLLECTION**

Salary	22,745.54
Part-time Hourly Wages	4,140.25
Longevity Pay	0.00
Employee Health Insurance	4,255.65
Employee Other Insurance	492.09
Social Security	1,666.85
Medicare	389.71
NH Retirement	2,565.07
Training	100.00
Telephone	311.17
Contract Services	2,506.27
Dues, Subscriptions & Conference	752.88
Registry Fees	336.18
Office Supplies	867.96
Postage	2,576.28

43,705.90

**TREASURER & TRUSTEES**

Salary	2,999.99
Deputy Wages	500.00
Social Security	217.01
Medicare	50.76
Bank Fees	0.00
Dues, Subscrip., Conferences....	0.00
Office Supplies	124.11

3,891.87

**DATA PROCESSING**

Systems Support	15,006.50
Software Upgrades	229.99
Supplies	2,186.68
Maintenance & Repair	4,731.00
Hardware	1,875.00

24,029.17

**VALUATION OF PROPERTY**

Contract Services - Assessing	120,597.65
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120,597.65

**LEGAL EXPENSE**

Legal Services	101,182.50
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101,182.50

**PLANNING BOARD**

Part-time Wages	1,186.90
Social Security	73.58
Medicare	17.19
Contract Services	0.00
Stenographer Services	0.00
Printing & Advertising	1,837.50
Dues, Subscriptions & Conferences	28.00
Registry Fees	163.50
Office Supplies	0.00
Postage	761.57
Miscellaneous	0.00

4,068.24

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Part-time Wages	501.23
Social Security	31.07
Medicare	7.26
Stenographer Services	0.00
Advertising	767.25
Dues, Subscriptions & Conferences	133.00
Office Supplies	0.00
Postage	154.23

1,594.04

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS**

Custodial Services	1,560.00
Electricity	3,139.74
Heating Fuel	324.59
Water & Sewer	164.75
Repairs & Maintenance	2,179.10
Supplies	159.24
Furniture & Equipment	84.22
Miscellaneous	324.97

7,936.61

**CEMETERIES**

Cemetery Contract Services	-
Cemetery Association Fee	3,900.00

3,900.00

**INSURANCE**

Unemployment Compensation	1,497.00
Workers Compensation	30,000.00
Property & Liability	38,794.00

70,291.00

**REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

Newfound Area Nursing Association	14,725.00
Tapply-Thompson Community Center	25,775.00
Lakes Region Planning Commission	2,117.00
Lakes Region Community Service	300.00
New Beginnings	714.00
Community Action Program	7,500.00
New Hampton Historical Society	350.00
New Hampton Garden Club	200.00
Genesis Behavioral Health Agency	2,820.00
American Red Cross	1,000.00
Gordon- Nash Library	15,000.00
Day Away Program	1,500.00

72,001.00

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Full-time Wages	277,165.23
Part-time Wages	24,102.46
Part-time Officers Wages	6,494.00
Overtime	18,650.42
Call Time	6,459.00
Training Time	3,311.51
Special Duty	22,241.25
Longevity	1,000.00
Employees Health Insurance	79,292.62
Employees Other Insurance	8,337.36
Social Security	1,841.45

Medicare	5,211.70
NH Retirement	89,330.46
Training	2,244.71
Telephone/Cellphone	2,956.27
Medical Services	1,023.00
Custodial Services	2,600.00
Support/Professional Services	24,392.05
Data Processing	5,745.00
Electricity	3,729.41
Heat/Propane	2,006.64
Water & Sewer	388.57
Building Repair & Maintenance	3,525.84
Dues, Subscriptions, & Conferences	1,178.69
General Supplies & Equipment	3,408.70
Office Supplies	4,121.44
Postage	304.02
Equipment Maintenance & Repairs	291.90
Vehicle Fuel	10,684.15
Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance	8,519.72
Books & Periodicals	141.06
Departmental Uniforms	6,128.77
Miscellaneous	0.00

626,827.40

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Part-time Wages	63,568.42
Part-time Wages - Forestry	0.00
Wages - Mechanic	2,346.11
Overtime	0.00
Training	2,598.08
Social Security	4,247.69
Medicare	993.55
Training	208.00
Telephone & Cellphone	1,891.21
Immunizations & Physicals	895.00
Contract Services	25,434.09
Electricity	8,701.97
Heating Fuel	4,682.22
Water & Sewer	906.68
Building Maintenance & Repair	2,789.26
Dues, Subscriptions & Conferences	3,037.99
Supplies	1,051.72
Postage	11.75
Equipment Maintenance & Repair	4,349.80
Vehicle Fuel	2,418.70
Vehicle Maintenance & Repairs	6,808.29
Departmental Supplies	5,134.11
Equipment	6,889.03
Miscellaneous	0.00

148,963.67

#### **AMBULANCE**

Part-time Wages	117,303.96
Training-EMT Continuing Education	3,938.68
Social Security	7,517.09
Medicare	1,757.89
Training	1,156.00



Cell Phones	1,102.80	
Immunizations & Physicals	-	
Professional Services	6,968.14	
Dues, Subscriptions, & Conferences	150.00	
Equipment Maint. & Repair	2,213.16	
Vehicle Fuel	2,000.54	
Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	6,226.82	
Departmental Supplies	6,606.07	
Equipment	5,008.52	
Miscellaneous	0.00	
		161,949.67
<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>		
Salary	0.00	
Social Security	0.00	
Medicare	0.00	
Contract Services	0.00	
Telephone, Cellphone & Pagers	0.00	
Departmental Supplies	0.00	
Miscellaneous	0.00	
		0.00
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>		
Full-time Wages	175,366.26	
Part-time Wages	12,167.50	
Overtime	28,183.11	
Longevity Pay	1,500.00	
Employee Health Insurance	62,986.80	
Employee Other Insurance	6,542.71	
Social Security	13,439.34	
Medicare	3,149.67	
NH Retirement System	23,463.85	
Telephone, Cellphone & Pagers	1,556.21	
Medical Services	315.00	
Contract Services	56,846.00	
Electricity	4,320.89	
Heating Fuel	2,814.66	
Building Maintenance & Repair	2,523.02	
Equipment Rental	10,316.00	
Dues, Subscriptions & Conferences	688.39	
Equipment Maintenance & Repair	16,256.61	
Vehicle Fuel, Oil & Grease	30,617.26	
Sand, Cold Patch & Gravel	26,129.91	
Winter Sand & Salt	39,192.12	
Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	25,462.12	
Department Equipment & Supplies	8,848.50	
Equipment	0.00	
Miscellaneous	0.00	
Highway Block Grant	86,799.07	
		639,485.00
<b>STREET LIGHTING</b>		
Street Lighting	827.88	
		827.88
<b>SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION</b>		
Part-time Wages	37,679.00	
Social Security	2,336.09	
Medicare	546.40	

NH Retirement	0.00	
Contract Services	5,217.81	
Hauling Services	18,939.69	
Landfill Tipping Fees	71,112.58	
Electricity	2,962.02	
Building Maintenance & Repair	6,112.83	
Equipment Rental	0.00	
Dues, Subscriptions & Conference	613.55	
Equipment Maintenance & Repairs	0.00	
Department Supplies	693.74	
Miscellaneous	0.00	
		146,213.71
<b>LANDFILL</b>		
Hourly Wages	0.00	
Social Security	0.00	
Medicare	0.00	
Engineering Services	2,751.75	
Electricity	319.00	
Maintenance & Repair	2,923.63	
Miscellaneous	-	
		5,994.38
<b>HEALTH</b>		
Salary	500.00	
Part-time Wages	-	
Social Security	31.00	
Medicare	7.25	
Dues, Subscriptions & Conferences	40.00	
Miscellaneous	-	
		578.25
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL</b>		
Animal Control	1,000.00	
		1,000.00
<b>WELFARE</b>		
Part-time Wages	0.00	
Social Security	0.00	
Medicare	0.00	
Medical	0.00	
Electricity	751.64	
Heating Fuel/Propane	600.11	
Rent Expenses	13,555.63	
Dues, Subscriptions & Conferences	30.00	
Vehicle Fuel	0.00	
Food Vouchers	0.00	
Miscellaneous	0.00	
		14,937.38
<b>PARKS AND RECREATION</b>		
Contract Services	0.00	
Program Supplies	0.00	
		0.00

**PATRIOTIC PURPOSES**

Veterans Flags & Memorial	48.00
Old Home Day Contract Services	1,880.80
Old Home Day Supplies	636.18
Old Home Day Equipment	0.00
Old Home Day Miscellaneous	0.00

2,564.98

**HERITAGE COMMISSION**

Contract Services	0.00
Dues, Subscriptions, & Conferences	0.00

0.00

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Contract Services	0.00
Dues, Subscriptions & Conferences	1,147.00
Stenographer Services	0.00
General Supplies	0.00
Office Supplies	0.00
Postage	2.51
Registry Fees	0.00
Miscellaneous	21.58
Budget Balance to Conservation Fund	318.91

1,490.00

**DEBT SERVICE**

Principal and Interest - Lease Payments	88,203.13
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes (TAN)	0.00
Principal - Bond/Note for Public Safety Building	98,133.40
Interest - Bond/Note for Public Safety Building	47,503.00

233,839.53

**WARRANT ARTICLES**

Public Safety Building Special Revenue Fund	25,000.00
EX Grange Building Evaluation	1,585.00
Town Building Expendable Trust	20,000.00
Town Surplus/Used Vehicle Fund	5,000.00
HWY Grader	60,776.95
HWY Truck	58,317.60
SW Baler	12,579.80
PD Portable Radios	14,830.00
FD Defibrillator	15,486.74
FD Radios and Pagers	9,728.31
FD Replace/Repair Hydrants	5,000.00

228,304.40

**DISCOUNTS**

0.00

**TAXES PAID TO THE COUNTY**

Belknap County Tax	347,248.00
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347,248.00

**TAXES PAID TO SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Newfound School District	FY 2016-17	1,468,572.00
	FY 2017-18	1,786,886.00

3,255,458.00

**OTHER EXPENDITURES**

Abatements & Refunds	547.92
Overpayments	14,962.69
Town Clerk Refunds	39.00
Acct. Payable 2016	5,525.00
Reissued checks - prior years	80.61
Disabled Tax Liens	4,232.35
50% Current Use Fee to Cons. Comm	4,015.25
CC Transfer	600.00
Bank fee & adjustment	17.36

30,020.18

**GRANTS AND NON-LAPSE FUND PAYMENTS**

HWY Block Grant	89,565.91
EMS Warm Zone Grant	5,387.41
EMPG Trailer Grant	17,330.10
PD Equipment Grant	2,440.00

114,723.42

**CAPITAL RESERVE FUND PAYMENTS**

0.00

0.00

**DUE TO SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

0.00

0.00

**EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND PAYMENTS**

Town Vehicle Maintenance & Repair Fund	6,917.46
Federal and State Surplus Fund	14,824.00
FD Emergency Equipment Fund	0.00
Town Bridge Repair or Replacement Fund	0.00

21,741.46

**INDEBTEDNESS PAYMENTS**

Tax Anticipation Notes	0.00
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0.00

**PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENT DIVISIONS**

State Treasurer (Marriage & Vital Fees)	894.00
Animal Population Fee	1,369.00

2,263.00

**TOTAL PAYMENTS**

6,714,883.89

**BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2017**

2,793,438.88

**GRAND TOTAL**

9,508,322.77

## Summary Inventory of Valuation

Land	\$100,972,765	
Buildings	\$181,480,245	
Electric Utilities	\$35,544,200	
		\$317,997,210
Blind Exemptions	\$30,000	
Elderly Exemptions	\$1,181,100	
School Dining Room, Dorms, etc.	\$150,000	
		\$1,361,100
NET VALUATION		\$316,636,110

## Schedule of Town Property as of December 31, 2017

### Description:

Town Office, Town House, Land & Buildings	\$431,000
Furniture and Equipment	\$58,000
Public Safety Land & Building (Police & Fire Departments)	\$3,590,850
Police Department Equipment	\$222,700
Fire Department Equipment	\$1,216,326
Highway Dept/Transfer Station, Land & Bldgs	\$348,750
Highway Dept. Equipment	\$1,351,400
Transfer Station Equipment	\$76,039
Kelley-Drake Farm Land & Island	\$691,250
Glines Memorial Forest	\$56,000
Jenness Spring Land	\$42,400
Smoke Rise Land	\$334,550
Village Common	\$7,950
Huckleberry Road Land	\$8,550
Snake River Conservation Area (Spear, Baird and Bergeron properties)	\$189,550
Land & Buildings from Tax Deeds:	\$1,374,950
Map No. R-18-14      Jackson Pond	
Map No. R-6-5        Chase Road	
Map No. R-13-9      Old Bristol Road	
Map No. R-5-10A     Off Straits Road	
Map No. U-7-1        Route 104	
Map No. R-8-1, 1R & 1S, 1U, 1V, 18, & 18A	
Winona Heights	
Map No. R-5-13      Off Route 104	
Map No. R-18-32     Winona Road	
Map No. U14-43      West Shore Road	
Map No. R19-3        Dixon Hill Road	
TOTAL	\$10,000,265

## Report of the Trustees of the Trust Funds

DATE	TRUST NAME	HOW INVESTED	PURPOSE	PRINCIPAL					INCOME				TOTAL PRINCIPAL & INCOME
				BEGINNING BALANCE	NEW FUNDS	GAIN/ LOSS	PAID OUT	ENDING BALANCE	BEGINNING BALANCE	INCOME	PAID OUT	ENDING BALANCE	
	<b><u>Cemetery Funds</u></b>												
03/01/44	David H Smith	MMKT, TNotes, Bonds, Stocks	Perp Care	1,425.11		59.07		1,484.18	8,619.63	300.94		8,920.58	10,404.76
02/19/51	John M Flanders	MMKT, TNotes, Bonds, Stocks	Perp Care	855.07		35.44		890.52	3,964.90	144.41		4,109.30	4,999.82
04/02/52	Ephlin Memorial	MMKT, TNotes, Bonds, Stocks	Perp Care	2,288.13		94.84		2,382.97	1,947.13	126.89	(130.00)	1,944.02	4,326.99
03/07/72	Elisha Smith	MMKT, TNotes, Bonds, Stocks	Perp Care	285.02		11.81		296.83	2,947.56	96.85		3,044.41	3,341.24
03/17/79	Frank P. Morrill	MMKT, TNotes, Bonds, Stocks	Perp Care	2,850.28		118.14		2,968.42	7,369.93	306.20		7,676.13	10,644.55
	<b>Cemetery Total</b>			7,703.61	0.00	319.32	0.00	8,022.93	24,849.14	975.29	(130.00)	25,694.43	33,717.36
	<b><u>Scholarship Funds</u></b>												
04/21/58	Sarah Dow MacGregor	MMKT, TNotes, Bonds, Stocks	Ed NH Girls	237,811.88		9,857.34		247,669.23	5,366.04	7,285.70	(6,000.00)	6,651.74	254,320.96
03/13/84	NH Women's Club	MMKT, TNotes, Bonds, Stocks	Ed NH Girls	8,562.59		354.92		8,917.51	346.35	266.91	(425.00)	188.27	9,105.78
	<b>Scholarship Total</b>			246,374.47	0.00	10,212.26	0.00	256,586.74	5,712.39	7,552.61	(6,425.00)	6,840.00	263,426.74
	<b>Trust Fund Total</b>			254,078.08	0.00	10,531.58	0.00	264,609.66	30,561.54	8,527.90	(6,555.00)	32,534.44	297,144.10

### EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND ACTIVITY FOR THE TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON FOR 2017

ACCOUNT PURPOSE		HOW INVESTED	BEGINNING BALANCE	ADDED	PAID	GAIN/ LOSS	INCOME	INC FEES	ENDING BALANCE
513	TOWN BRIDGE MAINTENANCE	MMKT	272.49	20,000.00			38.53	10.00	20,321.02
673	TOWN VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	MMKT	27,953.08		(878.12)		82.32	0.00	27,157.28
680	GRAVE STONE MAINTENANCE	MMKT	6,306.23				18.94	0.00	6,325.17
682	TOWN BUILDING MAINTENANCE	MMKT	20,076.71				60.31	0.00	20,137.02
684	FED & STATE SURPLUS	MMKT	20,087.85				69.77	0.00	20,157.62
930	FIRE DEPT TRAINING	MMKT	9,138.80				27.45	0.00	9,166.25
846	FIRE DEPT REPAIR	MMKT	10,597.98				31.84	0.00	10,629.82
975	HYDRANTS	MMKT	0.00	5,000.00			9.42	0.00	5,009.42
976	VETRANS MEMORIAL TRUST	MMKT	0.00	613.00			1.15	0.00	614.15
081	NATURE & FITNESS TRAIL	MMKT	2,774.12	100.00			8.36	0.00	2,882.48
<b>TOTAL</b>			97,207.26	25,713.00	(878.12)	0.00	348.09	10.00	122,400.23

Notes: Service fee of \$10 applied to Bridge Maintenance account was reversed in 2017

### CAPITAL RESERVES ACTIVITY FOR THE TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON FOR 2017

ACCOUNT PURPOSE		HOW INVESTED	BEGINNING BALANCE	ADDED	PAID	GAIN/ LOSS	INCOME	INC FEES	ENDING BALANCE
671	FIRE DEPT EQUIPMENT	MMKT	1,764.49				5.31	0.00	1,769.80
674	CONSERVATION	MMKT	11,712.05				35.18	0.00	11,747.23
676	HIGHWAY DEPT	MMKT	51,448.37				154.56	0.00	51,602.93
677	WATER DEPT	MMKT	1,467.64				4.41	0.00	1,472.05
678	ELECTRIC DEPT	MMKT	24,747.69				74.34	0.00	24,822.03
685	SEWER DEPT	MMKT	12,390.94				37.22	0.00	12,428.16
686	HIGHWAY DEPT BUILDING	MMKT	4,089.51				12.29	0.00	4,101.80
<b>TOTAL</b>			107,620.69	0.00	0.00	0.00	323.31	0.00	107,944.00

Respectfully submitted:

Michel S. LeDuc Jr., Trustee  
A. Alden Hofling, Trustee  
Andrew S. Moore, Trustee

# Tax Collector's Financial Report

For the Municipality of NEW HAMPTON Year Ending DEC 31, 2017

## DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*	Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2016		
Property Taxes		\$ 296,477.38		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes		\$ 444.04		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
Property Tax Credit Balance**	< >	\$ (1,201.77)		
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**	< >	\$ -		

## TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR

Property Taxes	\$ 5,888,329.69	
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change	\$ 5,811.60	\$ 5,838.64
Yield Taxes	\$ 26,682.85	\$ 10,028.40
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 1,718.32	
Utility Charges		
NSF- Fees		\$ 31.47

## OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS

Property Taxes	\$ 14,962.37			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Costs from 2014 Lien				
Interest - Late Tax	\$ 5,413.91	\$ 14,690.64		
Resident Tax Penalty				
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$ 5,942,918.74</b>	<b>\$ 326,308.80</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

# Tax Collector's Financial Report

For the Municipality of NEW HAMPTON Year Ending DEC 31, 2017

## CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for Year of This Report	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2015		
Property Taxes	\$ 5,197,628.82	\$ 175,059.56		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 5,838.64		
Yield Taxes	\$ 26,670.88	\$ 10,145.19		
Interest (include lien conversion)	\$ 5,413.91	\$ 14,690.64		
Penalties-Costs Execution of Lien		\$ 31.47		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 1,698.60			
Utility Charges				
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		\$ 120,210.25		
NSF Fees				
<b>DISCOUNTS ALLOWED</b>				

## ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes		\$ 5.80		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes		\$ 327.25		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 19.72			
Utility Charges				
<b>CURRENT LEVY DEEDED</b>				

## UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR

Property Taxes	\$ 749,903.68			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	\$ 2,511.60			
Yield Taxes	\$ 11.97			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
NSF - Check Fee				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**	\$ (44,240.44)			
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	\$ 5,942,918.74	\$ 326,308.80	\$	\$



# Tax Collector's Financial Report

For the Municipality of NEW HAMPTON Year Ending DEC 31, 2017

## DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES		
	2016	2015	2014	2013+
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beg. Of Year		\$ 95,942.13	\$ 42,458.82	\$ 49,590.27
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$ 130,359.91			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$ 4,934.44	\$ 13,100.86	\$ 10,386.07	\$ 5,053.63
2nd Lien Executed During Fiscal Year	\$ 2,805.55			
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	\$ 138,099.90	\$ 109,042.99	\$ 52,844.89	\$ 54,643.90

## CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES		
	2016	2015	2014	2013+
Redemptions	\$ 63,870.26	\$ 54,010.86	\$ 29,907.22	\$ 10,890.97
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$ 4,934.44	\$ 13,100.86	\$ 10,386.07	\$ 5,053.63
Refund			\$ (0.32)	
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens			\$ 237.36	\$ 267.15
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	\$ 69,295.20	\$ 41,931.27	\$ 12,314.56	\$ 38,432.15
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	\$ 138,099.90	\$ 109,042.99	\$ 52,844.89	\$ 54,643.90

I certify that the above return is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE Regina M. Adams**

**DATE 2/6/2018**

# **Town Clerk's Financial Report**

January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017

AUTO & MUNICIPAL AGENT FEES	\$	516,382.58
BOAT REGISTRATION FEES	\$	1,500.20
DOG LICENSES	\$	4,707.50
UCC FILINGS	\$	615.00
MARRIAGE LICENSE FEES	\$	400.00
MISCELLANEOUS FEES	\$	828.20
VITAL RECORD FEES	\$	1,156.00
OVERPAYMENTS	\$	39.00
NSF FEES	\$	63.12
TOTAL COLLECTED		<b>\$ 525,691.60</b>

I hereby certify that the above return is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Regina M. Adams, Town Clerk

## Town Treasurer's Report

### Receipts on Hand

January 1, 2017	\$	2,748,660.84
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### Receipts for Year 2017

	\$	6,759,661.93
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Total Receipts:	\$	9,508,322.77
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### Paid Selectmen's Order

	\$	(6,714,883.89)
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### Balance in Treasury

December 31, 2017	\$	<b>2,793,438.88</b>
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### Account Balances:

General Fund Account Balance	\$	(256,232.17)
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Sweep Account Balance	\$	797,524.67
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MBIA Account Balance	\$	2,252,146.38
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Total December 31, 2017	\$	<b>2,793,438.88</b>
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## Selectmen's Certificate

This is to certify that the information in this report was taken from the official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Kenneth A. Mertz  
Neil G. Irvine  
Mark Denoncour  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## Financial Record Audit

Vachon, Clukay & Co., PC (Certified Public Accountants) has audited the financial statements for the Town of New Hampton. Audits have been performed on the financial records beginning January 1, 1996 through December 31, 2016. The audit for the year-end December 31, 2017, will begin shortly. The complete report will be available at the Selectmen's Office for public review.

## **Police Department**

The New Hampton Police Department had another busy year in 2017. The department continued to see an upward trend in calls for services and arrests in 2017. We accomplished our goal of increasing our motor vehicle stops as well as the officers' productivity.

We are happy to welcome three new officers to the New Hampton Police Department. They have been positive and productive additions to our team. We would also like to welcome our new prosecutor, Anthony (Tony) Estee who has also been a successful addition to our team and has made it possible for Sergeant Cunningham the time to be more productive with her administrative duties in the office.

Officer Jonathan Michalski began in March of 2017 and has had a long-time goal of becoming a police officer. We are proud to announce that he has graduated from the 173<sup>rd</sup> Police Academy in August 2017. Officer Michalski grew up in Sandwich and Meredith. He currently lives in Gilmanton with his girlfriend and his Pit Bull. He has been involved with emergency services for the past 4 years as an Advanced EMT. When not working, he enjoys outdoor activities including kayaking and boating and is a huge sports fan.

Officer Tyler Hazel joined us in May of 2017 and graduated from the 274<sup>th</sup> Part-Time Police Academy in November 2017. Officer Hazel works full-time as a Correctional Officer for the Merrimack County Department of Corrections. He is currently enlisted in the United States Airforce Reserve. In his free time, Officer Hazel enjoys going to the gym, hiking, and hunting with his dog, Gemma.

Officer Jonathan Killam is our newest member and joined our department in May of 2017 after working with a neighboring agency. He graduated from the 172<sup>nd</sup> NH Police Academy in April 2017. Officer Killam previously worked in an acute psychiatric facility, primarily working with juveniles. Officer Killam also served in the Army National Guard for six years and served one tour through Kuwait/Iraq where he took the lead gunner position for convoy security missions. He acquired the rank of Sergeant before his honorable discharge in 2015. Officer Killam enjoys target shooting, being outdoors, and driving just about anything with a motor.

Prosecutor Anthony Estee is a New Hampshire native and grew up in the greater Concord area. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from Plymouth State University in 2007 and Doctorate from the University of New Hampshire School of law in 2012. Prosecutor Estee previously worked as a Special Assistant County Attorney of the Merrimack Count Attorneys Office and currently prosecutes for the Town of New Hampton, the Town of Alton, and the Town of Barnstead.

Continued training is vital to our organizational structure. To enhance our officers' knowledge and performance, they participated in several trainings throughout 2017. Officers attended classes on: Contemporary Leadership, Property & Evidence Room Management, Investigating Citizen Complaints & Officer Misconduct, Interview Tactics, conducting Background Investigations, and Identifying & Responding to Aggressive Human Behavior. We are looking at our officers obtaining additional training in the coming year.

Officer Josh Tyrrell obtained training as a Firearms Instructor, Conducting Physical Fitness Testing, and is our newest Field Training Officer. Officer Steven Marsh obtained training as a PBT Instructor as well as obtaining training as an OC Spray Instructor.

Administrative Assistant Kirsten Marsh attended the ICON Conference in Massachusetts. She was able to obtain training to further educate her with our specialized IMC software. Kirsten also is attending S.P.O.T.S. training through the State of New Hampshire because she has been given the title of Terminal Agency Coordinator within the department. She works with Sergeant Cunningham to ensure we meet state and federal security compliancy.

The New Hampton Police Department has only one warrant article to be considered. We are asking to purchase a 2018 Ford Interceptor Utility vehicle to replace our 2013 Ford Intercept Utility vehicle that was purchased in 2012. Last year we requested to purchase two portable Ultra Rugged Tablets with four docking stations for our cruisers. These have been instrumental in increasing our arrest numbers and the officer's productivity. They allow us to enter more data from the cruisers which gives officers more time out in the community.

I want to thank Sgt. Cunningham, Officer Tyrrell, Officer Marsh, Officer Michalski, Officer Killam, Officer Hazel, and Mrs. Marsh for their outstanding work, professionalism, and dedication to the New Hampton Police Department.

Lastly, I would like to thank the community of New Hampton for their unwavering support of our police department.

Respectfully submitted,  
George Huckins, Chief of Police

## Police Department Activity

### **CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS**

Criminal Threatening	3
Harrassment	11
Simple Assault	4
Sexual Assault	1

### **CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY**

Arson	1
Burglary	6
Credit Card Fraud	1
Criminal Mischief	18
Criminal Trespass	8
Drug/Narcotic Violations	16
Motor Vehicle Theft	5
Theft	27

### **OTHER ACTIVITY**

911 Hang Up	10
Alarm - Business & Residential	62
Animal Complaint	93
Assist Other Agencies	130
Assist Motorists	90
Assist - Medical	171
Assist - Miscellaneous	56
Civil Matter	22
Community Service	13
Directed Patrols	8
Disturbance	72
Juvenile Offense	3
Missing Person	6
Motor Vehicle Complaint	149
Open Doors	1
Pistol Permits	24
Police Informations	328
Property Check Requests	32
Property - Lost/Found/Recovered	38
S.R.O.-Related	0
Suspicious Activity	192
Untimely Death	1
V.I.N. Verifications	37
Well Being Checks	28

### **MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS**

Fatal Accidents	0
Personal Injury Accidents	11
Property Damage Accidents	69

### **MOTOR VEHICLE CONTACTS**

Parking Tickets Issued	0
Summonses Issued	257
Warnings Issued	1164

### **ARRESTS**

Assist of Jurisdiction	0
Burglary	0
Conduct After Accident	3
Criminal Threatening	3
Criminal Trespass	4
Default / Breach of Bail Conditions	0
Disobeying An Officer	3
Disorderly Conduct	2
Drivers License Prohibitions	1
Driving After Revocation	33
Driving While Intoxicated	17
Driving Without Giving Proof	8
Endanger Welfare of Child	5
False Inspection Sticker/Regist.	7
False Report to Law Enforcement	3
Hindering Apprehension/Prosec.	0
Juvenile Offenses	0
Obstruct Report of Crime	0
Operating Without A License	4
Possession of Controlled Drug	12
Protective Custody	11
Reckless Conduct	0
Reckless Operation Motor Vehicle	10
Resisting Arrest	2
Sex Offender Violation	0
Sexual Assault	0
Simple Assault	1
Suspended Registration	6
Vandalism/Criminal Mischief	8
Violation of Probation/Parole	0
Violation Protective Order	1
Warrant	61

## **Fire Department**

The Fire Department responded to a total of 555 emergency fire and medical calls this past year. In addition we handled 556 public assists and 97 inspections. Our current staffing level is at 20 part time/call members. Of this number we currently have 7 EMT Basics, 3 EMT Advanced/Intermediates and 2 Paramedics handling our emergency medical needs for our community. On the firefighting side we have 10 Level I certified firefighters and 7 Level II certified firefighters. In addition we have 7 CDL licensed driver/operators for our emergency vehicles. Many members donate endless hours obtaining additional certifications in order to provide a higher level of protection and response for our community. Some of these courses can run for several months and are held mostly at nights and some weekend days. This requires a major commitment from participants who still have to maintain regular jobs and family lives. Their dedication and commitment is very much appreciated by myself, the Board of Selectmen and the community.

This year we applied for and received an EMPG grant for a new enclosed all hazards trailer from the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. This trailer replaces the old open trailer we carried our air cascade system in and allows us to bring more resources to emergency scenes. It also provides shelter and lighting for personnel at major incidents.

This year's budget request shows an increase mainly due to pay increases. It is important that we make every effort to retain our personnel who have invested a lot of time and money training to their current levels. This year we will be asking voters to replace the 2006 Ford Ambulance. This unit has had several breakdowns which have caused us to have to take it out of service for the community. We attempted 2 years in a row to obtain an AFG grant for ambulance replacement and have been unsuccessful. A second warrant article will be asking voters to replace some of our old equipment which we brought from the old station. We will be asking to take these funds out of the Special Revenue account to cover these expenses at no cost to the taxpayers.

Please remember to upgrade your old Smoke Detectors and change your detector batteries (change your clock – change your batteries). Smoke Detectors have a service life and may not function properly after a period of time. You should check the manufacturer's life expectancy for the units you have in your home. If you should have any questions or desire the Fire Department to do a safety walk through of your residence or need assistance/advice with installing or changing these devices, please feel free to call the fire station at 603-744-2735. In addition, please remember to add Carbon Monoxide Detectors on each level of your home for added protection and safety. These units give an added level of safety to your home. For more information, please do not hesitate to call us at the fire station. In closing, I would like to again thank the members of the Fire Department for their dedication and commitment and thank the people of the community for their unwavering support.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Drake, Fire Chief/Emergency Management Director/Forest Fire Warden

## **2017 FIRE DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY RESPONSE BREAKDOWN**

FIRES:	30
OVERPRESSURE RUPTURE, EXPLOSION, OVERHEAT (NO FIRE):	0
RESCUES & EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:	277
HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS (NO FIRE):	47
SERVICE CALLS:	70
GOOD INTENT CALLS:	88
FALSE ALARM & FALSE CALLS:	41
SEVERE WEATHER & NATURAL DISASTER:	2
<b>TOTAL EMERGENCY RESPONSES FOR THE YEAR 2017:</b>	<b>555</b>
<b><u>PUBLIC ASSIST REQUESTS FOR THE YEAR 2017:</u></b>	<b><u>556</u></b>
<b>TOTAL FOR 2017</b>	<b>1,111</b>



## Fire Department Equipment Fund

### Fund Balance January 1, 2017

Franklin Savings Bank	\$	51,233.50	
NH Public Deposit Invest Pool	\$	<u>148,302.98</u>	
			\$ 199,536.48

### *Receipts:*

Interest			
Franklin Savings Bank	\$	52.21	
NH Public Deposit Invest Pool	\$	<u>1,523.24</u>	
			\$ 1,575.45

Ambulance Service Payments	\$	88,577.44	\$ 88,577.44
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### *Expenditures:*

Invoices	\$	<u>(73,929.05)</u>	\$ (73,929.05)
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December 31, 2017	Total FSB	\$	65,934.10	
December 31, 2017	Total NHPDIP	\$	149,680.59	\$ 215,760.32

## **Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger**

This past year we were fortunate enough to have favorable weather conditions in the spring and summer which limited the amount of wildland fire activity throughout New Hampton the state. September and October saw fire conditions change, and the state was faced with some difficult fires. The Dilly Cliff fire in North Woodstock was one of the most challenging fires we have seen in New Hampshire. Steep terrain and extreme fire behavior made this fire difficult to fight. It lasted for over 3 weeks and the final hotspots in inaccessible terrain were extinguished by heavy rains. New Hampton Fire Department and the Division of Forests & Lands worked throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. The fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire detection efforts were supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high.

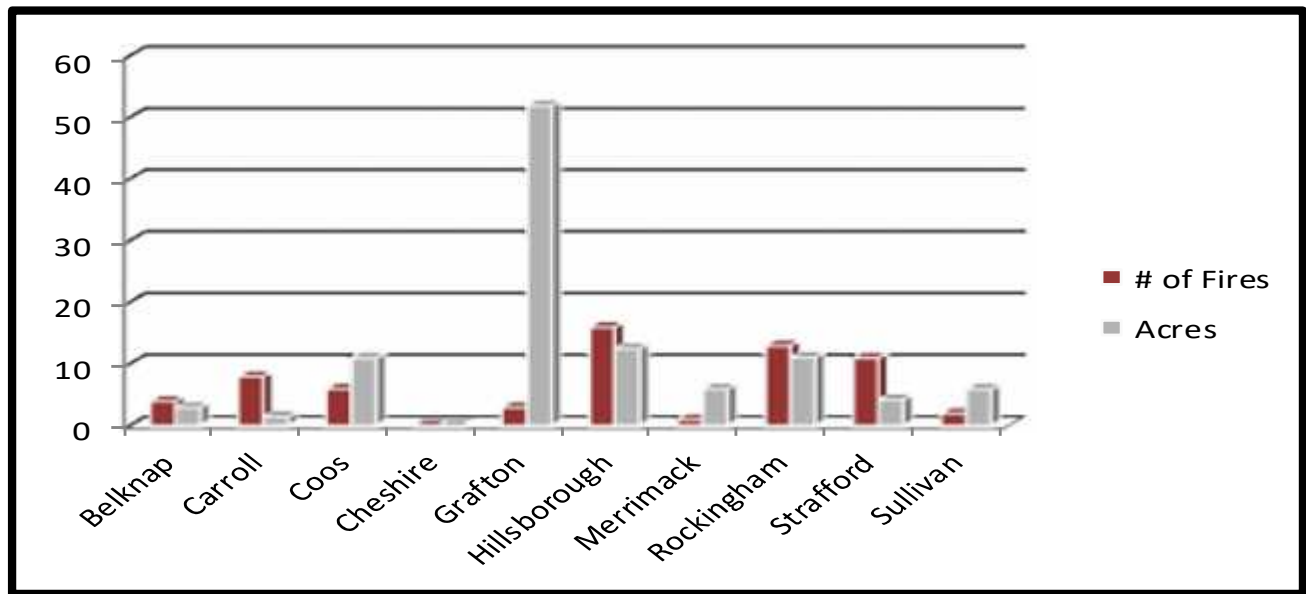
Many homes in New Hampton are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2017 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire 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](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, the fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

As we prepare for the 2018 fire season, please remember to contact the 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. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the fire department 603-744-2735 or DES at 603-271-3503 or [www.des.nh.gov](http://www.des.nh.gov) 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 Fire Department or Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdf.org](http://www.nhdf.org).

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael A. Drake, Forest Fire Warden

## 2017 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of December 2017)



HISTORICAL DATA		
YEAR	NUMBER of FIRES	ACRES BURNED
2017	64	107
2016	351	1090
2015	124	635
2014	112	72
2013	182	144
2012	318	206

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED								
(These numbers do not include the WMNF)								
Arson	Debris Burning	Campfire	Children	Smoking	Railroad	Equipment	Lightning	Misc.
0	7	11	1	4	0	4	0	37

**REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDFIRES!**

## **Public Works Department**

The Highway Department had a busy year once again. Our winter snow this year was more than that of the year before. Our spring mud season was light and easily maintained this year. We had many projects this year in town that were completed.

The Highway Department would like to thank the residents of the town for approving a new Caterpillar Motor Grader with the wing and plow and the new baler for the transfer station. The grader will prove to be most useful for road grading and winging back snow through the winter months. The Highway Department rented a vibratory roller many times this year to compact the roads after being graded. It helps to keep the roads packed for longer periods of time. Coolidge Woods Road had liquid Calcium Chloride treatment for dust control after it was graded and rolled as well. The new baler is a big improvement, providing more space and improving the safety at the transfer station.

The Highway Department rented a Rubber Tired Excavator and did ditching on Shingle Camp Hill Road, Beech Hill Road and Old Bristol Road in preparation of the paving that was done. Thank you to Joel Powers, Garth Woolsey and Bruce Harvey for repairing and replacing the catch basin rings and covers on Shingle Camp Hill Road and Old Bristol Road in preparation for the paving. The paving was done by GMI Inc. GMI did a great job again for the town this year.

The Highway Department also completed its normal maintenance grading, plowing, sanding, ditching, spring mud maintaining, cold patching, culvert cleaning and culvert replacing. I also engaged the Lakes Region Planning Commission to develop a Culvert Inventory with GPS and Assessment of the overall condition of the culverts on Class V roads.

The Highway Department also rented a Boom Mower to do some roadside mowing in town. There were no major repairs this year on trucks or equipment.

Dave Boynton has once again done an excellent job maintaining the 52 cemeteries in town. I would like to express a special thanks to Dave for all his help.

It has once again been a great privilege and pleasure to serve the Town of New Hampton and I would like to thank all the residents, all the Departments, Town Office staff, Barbara Lucas and the Board of Selectman for the help and support. Most of all I would like to thank the crew at the Highway Department Harry Cote, Justin Bernier, Brent Noseworthy and at the Transfer Station Dave Boynton, Joe Morin, Francis Maineri and Richard Shea for all their hard work and dedication to the Town of New Hampton and for supplying the best possible service for the least possible cost.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim O. Boucher, Public Works Director

## Transfer Station/Recycling Center

The Public Works Department, Transfer Station, and Selectmen's Office monitor the disposal of recycled materials, MSW (Municipal Solid Waste) and C&D (Construction and Demolition Debris).

**Note: The requirement for transfer station stickers is enforced. Annual stickers can be obtained at the Town Clerk or Selectmen's Office and new stickers are required beginning January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.**

**One of the best ways to reduce costs at the Transfer Station is to recycle.** Revenues collected for recyclables in 2017 were \$11,507, reflecting an increase from the \$8,203 collected in 2016. The value of the various recyclables fluctuates each year, but they always offset costs to operate the facility and reduce the town's tax rate. The operating staff of the Transfer Station continues to search for vendors that will pay better rates. If you are not making it a practice to recycle now, please make an effort to do so and teach your children and grandchildren to do the same. We recycle paper, plastic, corrugated cardboard, cans, metal, and steel. Paper items include boxes such as cereal, pasta, rice, etc., in addition to your magazines, junk mail, and newspapers. If you hire a hauler to bring your waste to the Transfer Station, consider taking your recyclables there on a monthly basis. **Please remember to rinse your recycled glass, plastic, aluminum and tin containers. This is especially important in the summer months when pests, particularly bees and wasps, become a safety concern for transfer station attendants and residents.**

Our total tonnage in 2017 for recyclables was 131.06 tons, which is less than 141.26 tons in 2016. Most of this increase was recycled metals, which may be due to a reduction in their value, resulting in residents disposing of the metal rather than selling it themselves. The 790 tons of municipal solid waste, which goes into the compactor, compared to 744 tons in 2016 and 751 tons in 2015.

**Recycling more saves the town money as it helps to offset the costs to run the Transfer Station! REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE**

### **Additional savings:**

- Residents using the Mall of New Hampton at the Transfer Station and the Planet Aid clothing donation box have kept many usable items out of the compactor and bulky waste container. In 2015 Planet Aid began paying the town for clothing donations. The amount in 2017 was \$282, compared to \$370 in 2016.
- Used oil is collected by the Transfer Station. This is used to heat the highway department facility and offers a savings on heating expenses.

### **For New Hampton Community School:**

The staff and volunteers at the transfer station collect Labels for Education and pull-tabs for the New Hampton Community School. This money goes towards costs associated with field trips, supplies for various enrichment activities/special projects throughout the school year. For a list of products participating in this program go to: [www.labelsforeducation.com/Earn-Points/ Participating-Products](http://www.labelsforeducation.com/Earn-Points/Participating-Products).

### **Household Hazardous Waste:**

Household hazardous waste includes items which are flammable, corrosive, reactive, explosive or toxic. The 2017 Lakes Region Household Hazardous Waste collections were conducted in a safe and efficient manner on July 29, 2017 and August 5, 2017 at eight different locations. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) coordinated this collection with a total of 25 participating towns, 1,983

participating households, 21 being from New Hampton. Go to: <http://www.lakesrpc.org/hhw/flipbook.pdf> to view their flip book, which has alternatives to hazardous waste products used in the garage, yard, and house. Additionally, there is a Lakes Region Household Hazardous Waste Product Facility located in Wolfeboro, NH. For more information call 569-5826.

**Note: The hazardous waste disposal days for 2017 are on July 28 (Meredith) and August 4 (Bristol).**

All residents and property owners in participating communities are encouraged to take this opportunity to safely dispose of your household hazardous products

Contact the local police station for questions related to disposal of unused prescription drugs and watch for National Drug Take-Back Days, which will be advertised on the town's website.

Fees collected from residents to assist with disposal costs of construction debris, tires, refrigerators, appliances, furniture, electronics, etc. amounted to \$15,520, an increase in the amount collected in 2016 (\$13,165). Handling costs have many variables and the intent is to hold disposal costs steady so that revenues collected will further cover the cost of disposing of these materials.

Our current disposal costs for 2017 (which included 164 tons of C&D, 790 tons of MSW, and 26 tons of glass) were \$71,113, and \$24,158 for hauling, container rental fees, and disposal of tires, electronics, and Freon. Our 2017 tipping cost per ton for MSW was \$71.49 and \$73.75 for C&D. Hauling costs were \$17.76 per ton. Note that we continue to pay for glass disposal since Waste Management stopped accepting commingled plastic and glass. By continuing to separate and handle glass through the recyclable window, we do save money on its disposal costs.

## Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission, in addition to reviewing wetland and development permits, has been effectively and efficiently engaged in utilizing and protecting New Hampton's natural resources through the following activities:

- New bylaws were drafted and accepted, that formalized commission operational processes and procedures and will allow for smooth transitions as members cycle off and on the commission.
- Digitalized easement monitoring reports, which has reduced effort and paper in complying and communicating findings.
- Marked boundaries of town owned properties that the commission manage with specially designed signage the clearly delineate when individuals are entering these properties.
- Clarified the ambiguity surrounding a proposed conservation easement by documenting that proposal was incomplete and lacked acceptance by the parties involved, and therefore, verifying no easement had been conveyed.
- With the assistance of Lakes Region Planning Commission completed an Open Space Plan (OSP), and are now working with the Planning Board to integrate the OSP into the town's Master Plan Update.
- Worked with both the Select and Planning boards to provide testimony and documentation to New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee for the town's position that Northern Pass should bury transmission lines through New Hampton, in order to maintain the our town's desirable rural nature, its scenic vistas, as well as to protect residential property values.
- Finished the surveying of the Glines Memorial Forest.
- Supported local efforts to have the Snake River Conservation Area declare a prime wetlands.
- Completed the Kelley-Drake Conservation Area (KDCA) stewardship plan and began first phases of developing new and improving existing wildlife habitats, reconditioning the snowmobile trails, and planning, designing and building new hiking trails.

We would like to thank our volunteer partners: those organizations and individuals that have worked with and for us this year. Recognizing that because of their curiosity, care, and commitment, our community has benefited and we deeply appreciate their efforts.

- A special partnership between the Squam Lake Science Center (SLSC), New Hampton Community School (NHCS) and Conservation Commission provides David Erler, SLSC's Senior Naturalist, the opportunity to teach ecology to the NHCS fourth graders on the KDCA wetlands, and has done so for the last 30 + years.
- Boy Scout Troop #54, Plymouth's Church of Latter Day Saints, (CLDS), the CLDS Youth Group, several of New Hampton School's faculty and student groups, and the Community Trail Builders, all spent time this year clearing brush around KDCA's historical sites or tracing and clearing KDCA hiking trails, while the Mohawk Trail Riders have busied themselves maintaining and improving snowmobile trails across KDCA.
- Individually, Christy Brodeur, a Plymouth State University student, completed a study that identified natural areas of interest on KDCA, while Eli Lopez, an Eagle Scout candidate, led a number of groups in clearing brush, and with his father, Tom Lopez, is building benches for outlooks along the trail. Also, Tom Baker, Fran Maineri, and Steve Zimmer used GPS to locate, flag, and clear the KDCA trails. Our thanks to each of you for your time, energy, and selflessness.

Respectively submitted,  
Daniel P. Moore, Chair

## Conservation Commission Financial Report

### **Fund Balance January 1, 2017**

Franklin Savings Bank	\$	48,970.69	
NH Public Deposit Invest Pool	\$	<u>71,787.30</u>	
			\$ 120,757.99

### ***Receipts:***

Interest			
Franklin Savings Bank	\$	34.02	
NH Public Deposit Invest Pool	\$	<u>666.83</u>	
			\$ 700.85
Income			
Deposits in FSB Account	\$	12,457.76	\$ 12,457.76

### ***Expenditures:***

Invoices	\$	<u>(17,851.36)</u>	\$ (17,851.36)
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December 31, 2017	Total FSB	\$	43,611.11	
December 31, 2017	Total NHPDIP	\$	72,454.13	\$ 116,065.24



## **Planning Board**

During calendar year 2017 the Planning Board approved two site plan review applications, and three subdivision applications involving a total of four new lots. The Board also reviewed and approved two boundary line adjustments. Fees collected in 2017 totaled \$1,117.06.

The Planning Board held a hearing in November and approved updates to Chapters I, III, and IV of the Town's Master Plan. Work continues on revising Chapter III, Population, and a new chapter is under consideration regarding a potential Open Space Plan. Public hearings will be held as chapter revisions are completed.

The Board is proposing several changes to the Zoning Ordinance:

- a) Amend Article V, Section R to allow an apartment in an accessory building, such as a garage. All Districts that allow a single family dwelling shall allow either an Accessory Apartment or an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) by special exception. This change will allow property owners a choice without causing a conflict with the State Law regarding ADUs.
- b) Add to Article XIV definitions for "Structure" and "Accessory Structure"
- c) Add language to Article V General Provisions (new Section S) to clarify that an accessory structure is permitted on a lot without a principal/primary structure if it is compatible with the permitted uses for that district and complies with all other regulations.
- d) Remove the General Parking Regulations in the Village District (Article IV, Section F(9)) and in the General Provisions (Article V, Section B(2) amend the off street parking regulations for: residential; bed and breakfast; restaurants; places of assembly; and other business and commercial uses for all Districts.

These proposed changes will be on the ballot for the March 13, 2018 Town Election.

On October 17, 2017 a hearing was held on a proposal to designate portions of the Snake River as Prime Wetlands under the State Wetland Law. The Center Harbor side of the Wetlands in question has already been designated Prime. Following the hearing the Board voted to recommend that the Selectmen place this Prime Wetland Designation on the March 13, 2018 ballot.

Testimony on how the proposed Northern Pass project, in its current form, is incompatible with the New Hampton Master Plan, our Zoning Ordinance and our Site Plan Review Regulations has been presented to the State's Site Evaluation Committee.

The Planning Board meets on the third Tuesday of every month. All are welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kenneth N. Kettenring, Chair

## Capital Improvements Plan

The Town Planning Board constituted a Capital Improvements Subcommittee at the regular meeting of April 18, 2017. The subcommittee consists of Planning Board members Tania Hiltz, subcommittee chair, Robert Broadhurst and David Katz. The subcommittee requested the Town Administrator to solicit capital improvement proposals from the Town Department heads. The Department proposals were received by the subcommittee and evaluated by interviews with the Department Heads in a series of meetings posted by public notice over the period spanning May 15, 2017 to May 31, 2017. Further details of this plan can be found on the Town's website under Planning Board.

Item	Original Cost	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
2013 HWY Dump Truck	\$144,000	\$30,500											
2014 HWY Cat 962 Loader	\$204,100	\$35,000	\$35,000										
2016 FD Fire Tanker Truck	\$350,000	\$53,200	\$53,200	\$53,200									
2016 FD Defibrillator	\$32,000	\$16,000											
2017 Grader	\$292,200	\$60,777	\$60,777	\$60,777	\$60,777	\$60,777							
<b>Total Committed</b>		<b>\$195,477</b>	<b>\$148,977</b>	<b>\$113,977</b>	<b>\$60,777</b>	<b>\$60,777</b>							

Item	Forecast Cost	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
FD Command Vehicle (Chevy Tahoe)	\$41,900					\$17,420	\$8,380	\$8,380	\$8,380	\$8,380			
FD Engine 3	\$464,600				\$92,920	\$92,920	\$92,920	\$92,920	\$92,920				
FD Ambulance 1	\$226,600		\$226,600										
FD Ambulance 2	\$196,400			\$39,280	\$39,280	\$39,280	\$39,280	\$39,280					
FD Cots 1 & 2	\$32,700						\$6,540	\$6,540	\$6,540	\$6,540	\$6,540		
Defibrillator 2	\$42,200								\$8,440	\$8,440	\$8,440	\$8,440	\$8,440
Defibrillator 1	\$44,900										\$8,980	\$8,980	\$8,980
Cruiser 2018	\$41,200		\$8,240	\$8,240	\$8,240	\$8,240	\$8,240	\$8,240					
Cruiser 2019	\$42,500			\$8,500	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$8,500				
Cruiser 2020	\$43,800				\$8,760	\$8,760	\$8,760	\$8,760	\$8,760	\$8,760			
Cruiser 2021	\$45,200					\$9,040	\$9,040	\$9,040	\$9,040	\$9,040	\$9,040		
Cruiser 2023	\$48,000							\$9,600	\$9,600	\$9,600	\$9,600	\$9,600	
Cruiser 2024	\$49,500								\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900
Cruiser 2025	\$51,000									\$10,200	\$10,200	\$10,200	\$10,200
HWY 6 wheel Dump	\$191,000			\$38,200	\$38,200	\$38,200	\$38,200	\$38,200					
HWY F450 1 ton Dump	\$82,400		\$16,480	\$16,480	\$16,480	\$16,480	\$16,480						
Total OPEX (First Year Payment)			\$251,320	\$85,980	\$101,680	\$26,460	\$6,540	\$9,600	\$18,340	\$10,200	\$8,980	\$0	\$0
Total CAPEX (Payments years 2-5)			\$0	\$24,720	\$110,700	\$212,380	\$229,800	\$218,780	\$143,740	\$60,660	\$53,720	\$47,120	\$37,520
<b>Total Forecast Payments (OPEX + CAPEX)</b>			<b>\$251,320</b>	<b>\$110,700</b>	<b>\$212,380</b>	<b>\$238,840</b>	<b>\$236,340</b>	<b>\$228,380</b>	<b>\$162,080</b>	<b>\$70,860</b>	<b>\$62,700</b>	<b>\$47,120</b>	<b>\$37,520</b>
<b>Total Payments (Committed + Forecast)</b>		<b>\$195,477</b>	<b>\$400,297</b>	<b>\$224,677</b>	<b>\$273,157</b>	<b>\$299,617</b>	<b>\$236,340</b>	<b>\$228,380</b>	<b>\$162,080</b>	<b>\$70,860</b>	<b>\$62,700</b>	<b>\$47,120</b>	<b>\$37,520</b>

### REVENUE (5 year estimate)

Taxes	\$179,477	\$173,697	\$185,397	\$180,237	\$189,277	\$180,820
Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
FD Special Revenue Fund (SRF)	\$16,000	\$126,600	\$39,280	\$92,920	\$110,340	\$53,720
Capital Reserves/Expendable Trusts						\$1,800
Grants, etc.		\$100,000				
<b>TOTAL REVENUE TO OFFSET APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$195,477</b>	<b>\$400,297</b>	<b>\$224,677</b>	<b>\$273,157</b>	<b>\$299,617</b>	<b>\$236,340</b>

## **Zoning Board of Adjustment**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is appointed by the Board of Selectmen and has the authority to act in four separate and distinct categories:

- a. Appeal from Administrative Decisions.
- b. Approval of Special Exceptions.
- c. Grant of Variance.
- d. Grants of Equitable Waivers of Dimensional Requirements.

The Board consists of 5 members and 2 alternates and all members are volunteers. The members of the 2017 Board were Paul Tierney, Chairman, Roni Karnis, Vice-Chairman, Wallace Orvis, Secretary, Kermit Frazer, Brenda Erler, and A. Alden Hofling, Alternate. The Board is ably supported by Pam Vose and Town Administrator Barbara Lucas.

In 2017 the Board heard five cases: two Special Exceptions and three Variance requests.

Townspeople of New Hampton have been well served by the volunteer members of the Board and their dedicated service.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul J. Tierney, Chairman

## Sarah Dow MacGregor Scholarship Committee

Balance 12/31/16	\$	106.81
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### Deposits

SDM Scholarship Fund		6,000.00
Women's Scholarship Fund		425.00
Interest		.08
Donation		100.00
		6,631.89
Total	\$	6,631.89

### 2017 SDM Scholarships awarded to

Eric Vose  
 Connor Howe  
 Kelsey Danahy  
 Kyle Brewster  
 Robert Donnelly

### Women's Club Scholarship awarded to

Kristin Powell

Stamps		9.80
Scholarship Expenditures	\$	6425.00
		6434.80
Total		6434.80
Balance 12/31/17	\$	197.09

## **Gordon-Nash Library**

The Gordon-Nash Library is proud to serve the town of New Hampton and beyond. We are proud of the legacy of Judge Gordon-Nash and what his gift has meant to the area. The kind of generosity that founded this library is amazing. Everyone in the Corporation is working hard to keep that legacy alive and serving the community into the future.

How long has it been since you and your family have visited the library?

What can you contribute to make the library even better?

Would you like to teach something? Give a lecture? Be part of a group?

We have many groups that meet at the library, including the New Hampton Garden Club, which meets the first Tuesday of the month, and is one of the oldest garden clubs in the State. The New Hampton Historic Society will be hosting three programs this Spring, the first one is March 20th, "Brewing in New Hampshire."

We also have a great Yoga class and Tai Chi, yoga meets on Tuesdays and Thursday mornings at 10:30, Tai Chi meets Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m and Saturdays at 10:00 a.m! These are all beginning classes and are very interested in having new people join.

Chris Hunewill, our Children's Librarian creates amazing an amazing Story Time each Thursday at 10:45 in the morning. She also has a great math program that she conducts at the Newfound Community School. This program is part of our important outreach activities to the community. Lucy Randall-Tapply, our newest employee is also part of our outreach with her theater program at the middle school.

This Spring we will have a Bridge Club starting on Fridays in April, exact time to be announced.

We can, also, find books for you that we may not have through the Interlibrary Loan system run by the State Library system. We are a member of the Scrooge and Marley Coop which provides us with many DVDS. Our own collection of DVD's has grown to over 1200 movies, and counting!

This Spring we will have a Bridge Club starting on Fridays, in April.

Be sure to check out our website and calendar for more information and new events at: <https://gordonnashlibrary.org/>. This library is an amazing resource for the community and we look forward to finding new ways to serve the community at large.

How can you help?

Respectfully submitted,  
Cathy Vincevic, Director

## **New Hampton Historical Society**

The Society had a very active year with its programs held at the Gordon Nash Library. The presentations included many varied themes. Barry and Gretchen Draper gave a wonderful talk on the history of the Pemigewasset River. With the destruction of the Grange Hall a detailed history was given by Peter Gulick. A scale model of the grange was built by Fran Maineri, raffled off and then returned to the museum as a gift. The new owner said, "This is where it really belongs." A highlight at the end of the year is when you bring an unusual gadget found in your attic or garage to the Town House hosted by Bob Curry. This will be on May 22, 2018 in the morning.

We hope that more people will take a tour of the museum in the summer. It is opened every Saturday from 11:00 to 12:00 starting the last weekend in June until the end of July. While we are off the main road it is worth the trip.

Bob Curry looked into state signage on Route 104, but found it not worth the cost, as most people miss the signs that are already there.

Fran Maineri donated some great pictures that will be raffled off at our evening presentations.

We are always looking for new members to join our board and hope some of you may be interested. Our web site is <http://www.newhamptonhistory.org/>.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter L. Gulick, President

## Tapply-Thompson Community Center

2017 was a BANNER YEAR for the TTCC...literally!

We had several amazing team and individual accomplishments this year:

- The third and fourth grade coed basketball tournament team was the Franklin Tournament Champions!
- The fifth and sixth grade girls basketball tournament team were the runners up.
- The 10U Newfound Baseball tournament team was district runner up.
- In our Granite State Track & Field program, Newfound's very own Tyrone Belyea was the STATE CHAMPION in the hammer throw and set a state record in the process!

We had some great NEW offerings in 2017 as well:

- We were able to offer SWIM LESSONS for the first time in over ten years. Thanks to the Town of Bristol offering us a spot at Cummings Beach and our being able to get an amazing new instructor, Will Walker, we had 26 kids participate in lessons this summer.
- We were also fortunate to partner up with Mortensen & McKellar Karate to offer NEW KARATE LESSONS on Tuesdays and Thursdays upstairs here at the TTCC. They've already built up a large group of students and accept new interested students at any time – check them out!

Other noteworthy 2017 TTCC programs that saw participation levels reach all-time highs include:

- The Shape Up Newfound Exercise Class group has been going strong for years now & continues to help improve and maintain the health of many local exercisers. Instructors Bonnie Tisdale and Donna Evans keep the classes fresh with new ideas and music making getting and staying in shape fun! People of all fitness levels are welcomed to join in anytime.
- We had a strong adult softball league this year with 5 teams participating throughout the summer. This is a great way to get some exercise, have fun and meet some awesome local people!
- Our Adult Pickle Ball group continues to grow with games being played on two floors twice a week. They play year round and move to the Kelley Park Tennis Court in the summer.
- We have two high school and two 7th and 8th grade recreational basketball teams this year. This is something we offer to kids not on the school teams that still want to enjoy the sport. So there are over 40 teens participating on these teams that wouldn't otherwise be able to play.
- Speaking of teens...our TTCC Teen Council, under the direction of Regina Richford and Dillon Therrien is going strong with 30 High School youth serving on the Council. This group oversees our youth dances, sponsors sports teams, volunteers in the community for many events and offers Parent Night Out evenings. Last year they raised enough funds to purchase new gym mats and a new water fountain for the game room. They are currently raising funds for the Gym Renovation Project and have already raised close to \$10,000 towards that purpose.

That being said we could not do any of this without the support of our very generous donors and our support from the surrounding towns. These funds have made a huge impact on the youth of our community. With this help we provided programs for 929 individual youth and over \$24,000 in scholarships for families in need. They allow us to offer 9 weeks of summer day camps with outdoor education, after school programs, teen nights on Tuesdays and Thursdays, youth sports and much more. Children and families also learn the value of volunteerism through their volunteer efforts in all of our sports programs and fundraisers – we could not do it without our volunteers!!

We ended 2017 with thankful hearts for all the support we receive in so many forms. This is such a wonderful community and we are so happy to live and work here. Thank you for believing in us. We are grateful for you!

*“ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE; TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH.” – Helen Keller*

Respectfully submitted,  
Leslie Dion, Director

## Community Action Program

The mission of Community Action is to work with low-income families, the elderly and those with handicapping conditions, to assist them in their efforts to become or remain financially and socially independent. The Agency accomplishes this task by providing a broad array of programs that are locally defined, planned, and managed. During the past year, we have provided \$200,945.96 in services through the area center. In New Hampton, we help with fuel and electric assistance, security deposits, emergency assistance and food from the Meredith Emergency Food Pantry. We also work hand-in-hand with other organizations to meet the needs of our residents. For those who are unable to come to the CAP office, we visit their homes and assess how we can help them. A portion of our funding that allows us to offer these services comes from the towns we serve.

<u>Service Description</u>	<u>Units of Service</u>	<u>Household/Persons</u>	<u>Value</u>
Emergency Food Pantries	24,765 meals	1,651 persons	\$123,825.00
Fuel Assistance	55 applications	139 persons	\$ 46,410.00
Electric Assistance		44 households	\$ 29,610.96
Weatherization	0 homes	0 persons	\$ .00
Neighbor Helping Neighbor	2 grants		\$ 500.00
Emergency Assistance Program	1 grant		\$ 600.00

Information and Referral - CAP provides utility, landlord/tenant, legal and health counseling as well as referrals for housing, transportation and other life concerns. These support/advocacy services are not tracked.

New Hampton has been very supportive of our efforts over the years, and we are thankful for the Town's continued commitment to our programs. For more information, please contact us at 279-4096 or stop by our office at 147 Main Street, Meredith, NH.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bob Adams, Meredith Area Center Director



## **Lakes Region Planning Commission**

The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is an organization created by Lakes Region communities as enabled by NHRSA 36 for the broad purpose of responding to and shaping the pressures of change in a meaningful way. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton, and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. As our economy and world change, so does the work we engage in. The Commission offers direct and support services to help our communities meet tomorrow's challenges. Our services include group and cooperative purchasing, technical assistance, geographic information systems, transportation planning, land use, environmental planning, hazards planning, and economic development. LRPC is primarily funded through local, state, and federal resources. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our overall goal is to provide support, knowledge, and guidance to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Some of the services provided on behalf of the Town of New Hampton and the region in the past fiscal year are noted below:

### **OUTREACH**

- Worked on Electricity Aggregation that would ultimately save the town approximately \$1,000 in electricity costs over the next year;
- The regional HHW collection saves the town several thousand dollars per year based on what it would cost if it was bid out separately (not to mention that the regional collection protects the town from residents from another town illegally dumping in town);
- Responded to New Hampton request for community survey information related to a Master Plan update;
- Discussed initial draft Open Space Plan report with Conservation Commission Chairman, requested easement specific details, and confirmation of list in draft;
- Reviewed, printed deed information for conservation lands provided by the Conservation Commission Chairman;
- Revised draft Open Space Plan and map, distributed draft to Conservation Commission Chairman;
- Outreach to New Hampton Town Administrator regarding increasing local HHW participation;
- Discussed status of proposed legislation with New Hampton resident relevant to wetland protection as it relates to transportation and water quality project;
- Signed RSMS/SADES contract;
- Reviewed draft transportation Master Plan chapter;
- Coordinated with NH DOT Safety Engineer and municipal officials to establish Road Safety Audits in New Hampton; and
- Participated in Exit 23 Road Safety Audit on October 5 in New Hampton, reviewed traffic count data and provided updated data for RSA.

### **REGIONAL SERVICES**

- Began work on Electricity Aggregation that would ultimately save participating communities and school districts approximately \$110,000
- Completed environmental assessments on contaminated properties throughout region to control liability and encourage redevelopment through Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Program;
- Provided solid waste technical assistance to Lakes Region Communities through a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Solid Waste & Water grant award;
- Provided Geographic Information System and map making, printing, and scanning services to communities throughout the region;
- Assisted planning boards, ZBA's, and conservation commissions with Technical Land Use Assistance;
- Convened and staffed Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee (PRLAC) meetings;

- Updated the PRLAC website; addressed questions about availability of information relative to Northern Pass testimony - minutes, agenda (10 years) and Management Plan; and sent follow-up information to PRLAC representatives, including legislative tracking links;
- Led Lakes Region community involvement in Regional Public Health Roundtable and webinar on Financing Climate Change Actions;
- Assisted many Lakes Region communities in developing and updating Hazard Mitigation Plans for acceptance by NH Homeland Security and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA);
- Provided Master Plan Update assistance to communities;
- Coordinated with NH Division of Historical Resources Architectural Historian regarding panel to assist in the development of historic resources survey through FEMA Storm Recovery Program;
- Maintained appropriate staff training in FEMA hazard mitigation planning;
- Worked to become designated as Local Development District (LDD) through federal Northern Regional Border Commission to make region eligible for grant funding program and assisted members with upcoming funding round; and
- Conducted Regional Shared Services Survey to gauge communities' interest in potential shared services and cooperative buying opportunities.

## **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

- Handled over 43 tons of Hazardous Substances from 25 Communities and safeguarded the region's overall water quality and environment through coordination of the 28th Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days;
- Had the assistance of over 80 volunteers;
- Had record number of cars in attendance, 1,839;
- Business cards with supplementary information about the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility (LRHHPF) and disposal of unused medications were printed and distributed. New this year were colorful refrigerator magnets with contact information, collection reminders, and a recipe for a non-toxic cleaner;
- This was the first year of a contract with a new vendor, Clean Venture/ACV. This arrangement is an important step in controlling costs to the communities and LRPC; and
- Our survey asked about willingness to pay a disposal fee on both latex and oil-based paints to allow for recycling of unused paint. 74% of those responding approved of the concept.

## **EDUCATION**

- Convened five Area and Full Commission meetings and facilitated discussion on: Solar power, Accessory Dwelling Units, Regional Electricity Demand Aggregation, legislation in the Lakes Region (including legislation on setback on seasonal docks, NH Energy Policy, and Complete Streets among other topics), a view from the NH Senate, and the Winnepesaukee River Basin Program;
- Provided valuable environmental consulting assistance through Phase I and Phase II Brownfield Assessments and redevelopment activity on nearly a dozen Lakes Region sites;
- Maintained a digital and traditional library of significant planning documents from air quality to zoning;
- Prepared strategic planning reports such as demographic studies, build-out analyses, and attitude surveys, etc.;
- Developed and awarded Lake Winnisquam Watershed Management Assistance Program;
- Collaborated with other regional planning commissions through NH Association of Regional Planning Commissions and Executive Directors' meetings in Concord;
- Coordinated with Belknap county conservation district on regional aquifer protection ordinances and supported BCCD's efforts on bank stabilization project;
- Corresponded with staff and others regarding the Lake Winnisquam Watershed Homeowners' Association watershed protection efforts and coordinated Local Source Water Protection Grant outreach meeting with NH DES;

- Coordinated Source water protection workshop and review of groundwater protection model ordinance requirements with planning board representatives from 6 communities;
- Trained by NH DHHS in Climate Adaptation Strategies;
- Researched, developed with health partners and circulated Lyme disease resources and materials;
- Coordinated and hosted several Solid Waste Roundtable meetings. Topics included: Universal Waste, Electronic Waste, Composting, Recycling, and Plastic Bags; and
- Began development of a resource guide for municipal outdoors workers and landscapers.

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

- Served as NH Business Finance Authority (NHBFA) Board member and voted on major credit and bond issues including loan guarantees for area businesses;
- Coordinated with area economic development groups including Belknap Economic Development Council (BEDC), Capital Region Development Corporation (CRDC), Franklin Business and Industrial Development Corporation (FBDIC), Grafton County Economic Development Council (GCEDC) and Mount Washington Valley Economic Council in pursuit of workforce development and growth opportunities for the region;
- Continued to work with area economic development organizations, and pursue relevant opportunities with the Economic Development Administration;
- Worked with NHBFA and City of Franklin officials to develop a loan application to perpetuate downtown development. Assisted city on whitewater park EDA application;
- Participated in search committee and interviews for NHBFA Executive Director; and
- Worked with Northfield EDC on wastewater system expansion.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

- Continued working with the Lakes Region Tour Scenic Byway Advisory Committee to spur economic development and preserve regional scenic quality and visitor experiences;
- Provided Geographic Information System services and technical land use assistance to our communities;
- Conducted over 200 annual traffic counts around the region;
- Coordinated and conducted meetings of the regional Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in regional transportation planning and project development;
- Assisted communities with Road Safety Management Systems analysis;
- Provided assistance to two public transportation groups: The Carroll County Regional Coordinating Council, and the Mid-State Regional Coordinating Council;
- Continued work on the Regional Transportation resources webpage;
- Conducted culvert inventories in New Hampton and other pilot communities throughout the region;
- Supported Complete Streets regional discussion and state legislation;
- Coordinated with NHDOT Safety Engineer and municipal officials to establish Road Safety Audits in several communities; and
- Conducted regional assessment of regional bike-ability including gaps in bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure throughout the region.

## **Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee (PRLAC)**

The Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee (PRLAC) is made up of members from the towns of Bristol, Thornton, Campton, Plymouth, Holderness, Ashland, Bridgewater, and New Hampton. PRLAC members review and comment on state and local permits for activities impacting the Pemigewasset River corridor (1,320 feet on either side of the river) and communicate with municipalities and citizens regarding corridor management. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) provides administrative and technical assistance to PRLAC.

The Pemi is a Class B river. Class B waters have high aesthetic value and are acceptable for swimming and other recreational activities, fish habitat, and for use as a public water supply after treatment. Our mission is to do those things necessary to maintain the Pemi's Class B water quality status. The exposure PRLAC has had to a wide variety of surface water problems places us in a unique position to identify potential water quality issues before they become a crisis.

In 2017, PRLAC completed its 16<sup>th</sup> year of bi-weekly water testing on the Pemi and three of its tributaries. Testing takes place at 9 stations and runs from April into September. Four stations are entirely within the town of Bristol, and are located at the Pleasant Street Bridge, Mooney Clark Landing, Old Bristol Road Bridge and Smith River. Tests are conducted for Dissolved Oxygen, Specific Conductance, Turbidity, pH, and temperature, all key elements in assessing overall river health. Periodic tests are also made for E coli and other parameters at popular recreation sites on the river. The results of our testing are analyzed and posted on the state Department of Environmental Services (NHDES). The indicators show that water quality continues to be good, with only a minimal elevation in river pH, a slight, noticeable decrease in Dissolved Oxygen and a spike in the level of E. coli bacteria at the end of August, but all were well within standards, and may be from a natural source. Turbidity "spikes" are seen after most significant precipitation events, an indication that sediment and organic matter are flushing into the river. All other indicators were fine and consistent with the Pemi's historical profile. In general, a good report card.

Permit applications for development within the Pemi River corridor that potentially risk affecting river water quality/quantity/visual aesthetics are reviewed, and comments on projects are submitted to NHDES. PRLAC members conducted on-site visits at eleven permit application sites in CY 2017. Site visits are conducted with the property owner or an agent. NHDES is not staffed to visit most application sites. We often recommend some changes, but we have no authority to deny approval.

PRLAC was identified as an intervenor in Eversource's Northern Pass project. As such, PRLAC became part of the SEC hearing process that consumed much of the focus and efforts of several PRLAC members. Three members actively participated in the SEC hearings in Concord and presented evidence in support of the protection of the Pemi watershed. All told, these three members expended a combined 750 hours in preparing testimony and attending hearings in Concord. Their vehicle mileage totaled over 2200 miles!

As the SEC completes their permitting process of Northern Pass, we will return to work on several goals described in the 2013 Pemigewasset River Corridor Management Plan. Two years ago, the focus was storm-water runoff and its implications. We have already started the process of prioritizing work for the 2018 calendar year.

PRLAC meets at 7 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the months of January through November; usually at Plymouth's Pease Public Library. All are encouraged to attend.

For more information go to <http://www.lakesrpc.org/prlac/prlacindex.asp>.

Respectfully submitted,  
William Bolton, Chair

## Lakes Region Community Services

On behalf of all of us at Lakes Region Community Services and its Board of Directors, I would like to thank the Town of New Hampton for its ongoing financial support of LRCS to help assist residents of New Hampton.

Lakes Region Community Services is a nonprofit, comprehensive family support agency with a primary focus of providing services to individuals with developmental disabilities and/or acquired brain disorders and their families. A dynamic family-centered human services organization, LRCS and the Family Resource Center offer essential and critical services to those living in the greater Lakes Region communities over a lifespan from early supports and services to elder care. At the core of LRCS' work are inclusion, acceptance, and building strengths and partnerships – whether at the individual, family or community level.

LRCS serves over 1,200 families and individuals residing throughout Belknap and Southern Grafton with a mission “*dedicated to serving the community by promoting independence, dignity and opportunity.*”

**In 2017, LRCS served 22 families in New Hampton, providing a variety of supports, such as Early Intervention, Resource Coordination, Family Support, Residential Supports, and Work/Day Support. All funds allocated to LRCS in a given town's budget go directly towards supporting work/day supports offered to individuals that reside in that town. Of the 22 individuals and families served in New Hampton, 4 children under age 3 receive Early Intervention Services, and 7 individuals receive work/day support living with their families, 6 people live with a shared Family Living provider and 2 individuals receiving support from the HomeAssist Program.**

These funds assist individuals to participate in community and cultural events, social activities and shopping within their community. As a result of the \$300.00 donation received from the town of New Hampton, individuals we serve have an opportunity get out and experience their communities more frequently and participate in daily activities that many of us take for granted.

Lakes Region Community Services is dedicated to serving the needs of the community in the best way possible and the support of the communities we serve is so important to this effort. We are grateful for the funds that the Town of New Hampton provides to our organization and hope we can continue counting on your support in the future.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joanne Piper Lang, VP Development

## Newfound Area Nursing Association

**Mission Statement:** To provide quality and compassionate nursing, therapeutic and hospice care to families in our communities.

### **Summary of Services for the Town of New Hampton for 2017 - Total Visits 1,465.**

**Home Care:** Nursing 504, Physical Therapy 276, Occupational Therapy 88, Speech Therapy 2, Home Health Aide 345, and Homemaker 40. Total 1,255.

**Hospice Home Care:** Nursing 89, Physical Therapy 0, Occupational Therapy 1, Medical Social Worker 3, Chaplain 3, and Home Health Aide 114. Total Hospice 210.

**Organization Outreach Programs - Free Clinics:** Flu vaccine administration, Well Child Clinics, Foot Care Clinics, Hypertension (Blood Pressure) Screenings and walk-in blood tests totaled 1,134 clients with a total of 388 hours valued at \$8,540.

**Federal and State Programs:** Federal and State Programs: Our reimbursement rates continue to decline while patient acuity rises as more and more care is delivered in the home setting. President Obama's Affordable Care Act has decreased Medicare reimbursement to Home Health Agencies representing a decrease of 29% since 2008 for the same services. The percentage of reimbursement for home care visits by payer: Medicare 73.2%, Medicaid 4.3%, Private Insurances 19.7%, and other sources 2.8%.

**Free Care to New Hampton Residents:** Non-billable visits to New Hampton residents \$5,150; Free Care \$3,954.32 for 3 New Hampton residents; Free Clinics for 92 New Hampton residents \$724.17. **Total Free Care: \$9,832.49.**

**All Hazards Planning:** NANA is a participating member of the Central New Hampshire Health Partnership (CNHHP) for the greater Plymouth region. NANA's knowledge of special populations throughout the Newfound region is vital to planning for catastrophic events.

**Community Representation/Collaboration:** Our expanding collaboration with community partners gives us the opportunity to participate in groups that are instrumental in addressing the obstacles that make service delivery challenging to our elderly population and children. We are proud to be a member of several committees advocating for services for our community residents.

**Newfound Area Nursing Association is pleased to offer quality home care and supportive services to area residents.** NANA received a 4-Star Rating for Quality of Patient Care and Patient Satisfaction from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. According to Medicare.gov, "The quality of patient care star rating summarizes 9 of the 29 quality measures reported on Home Health Compare. It provides a single indicator of an agency's performance compared to other agencies." NANA also received recognition as a '2016 Home Care Elite Top Agency' for quality care and positive outcomes, placing NANA in the top 25% of home care agencies nationally. Additionally, NANA was named '2016 HHCAHPS Top 25' for patient satisfaction by Fazzi Associates.

The staff, volunteers, and Board of Directors work very hard to meet the health care needs of those in our community. We are looking forward to a healthy and prosperous 2018.

Respectfully submitted,  
Patricia A. Wentworth, Executive Director

## Lakes Region Mental Health Center

Lakes Region Mental Health Center (LRMHC), formerly Genesis Behavioral Health is designated by the State of New Hampshire as the community mental health center serving the 24 towns that make up Belknap and southern Grafton Counties. LRMHC provides Emergency Services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to anyone in the community experiencing a mental health crisis, regardless of their ability to pay. Additionally, LRMHC provides individual, group and family therapy; mobile crisis teams in the event a tragic event occurs that impacts a community at large, psychiatry; nursing; community support programs for people with severe and persistent mental illness; care management; community-based supports; housing; supported employment; substance use disorder treatment; and specialty services and evidence-based practices for children and their families, including trauma-focused therapy, art therapy and play therapy. Child Impact seminars are offered in Laconia and Plymouth for divorcing families. LRMHC owns two handicapped accessible vans and provides transportation services to patients in the greater Plymouth and Laconia areas as a means to enhance access to care in this rural area.

Founded in 1966, LRMHC provides comprehensive, integrated mental health treatment for people living with - and recovering from - mental illness and/or emotional distress. In Fiscal Year 2017, LRMHC's 190 employees served 3,883 children, adults and families. During this same time period, we provided over \$988,234 of charity care.

In Fiscal Year 2017, **54** residents of New Hampton received services from Lakes Region Mental Health Center, formerly Genesis Behavioral Health, and **8** of these individuals utilized Emergency Services. LRMHC provided **\$3,641.79** in charitable care to New Hampton residents. The age breakdown is as follows:

	<b>Patients Served-Agency</b>	<b>Charitable Care in \$</b>	<b>Patients Served-ES</b>
Children (0 to 17 years)	19	\$2,116.30	3
Adults (18 to 61 years)	30	\$1,525.49	5
Elder (62 + years)	5	\$0	0

Emergency Services (**ES**) are provided by Lakes Region Mental Health Center in accordance with regulations governing community mental health centers in the State of New Hampshire. Services include access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to Master's level clinicians and psychiatrists by individuals of all ages, hospitals, schools, police and others experiencing or dealing with a mental health emergency. The goal of Emergency Services is to reduce the individual's acute psychiatric symptoms, decrease risk of harm to self and others and assist in returning the individual to pre-crisis level functioning. Emergency Services are provided through a 24-hour emergency hotline, mobile crisis response, crisis stabilization, assessments and evaluation and voluntary/involuntary hospitalization. Services are provided in person, over the telephone and via telehealth to ensure rapid access to care.

Your continued support will help us ensure the provision of 24/7 Emergency Services to people in crisis, as oftentimes emergencies are attributable to lack of health insurance and/or the financial resources necessary to seek preventative care. For many, Emergency Services at Lakes Region Mental Health Center are the gateway into treatment. Access to timely and effective treatment supports recovery, and minimizes further harm to the patient, the community, and other systems of care.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ann E. Nichols, Director of Development & Public Relations

## American Red Cross – New Hampshire & Vermont Region

The American Red Cross staff and volunteers provide support and relief after a disaster, emergency preparedness training, courses in health and safety, blood drives, volunteer and youth leadership opportunities, and aid to military families. All Red Cross assistance is free to disaster victims. The Red Cross is a non-profit organization that receives no annual federal funding.

### 2016-2017 Accomplishments

**Disaster Services:** Red Cross-trained volunteers to make up the New Hampshire and Vermont Disaster Action Teams which respond to disasters throughout the two states. This Disaster Action Team is a group of volunteers who are specially trained to provide disaster relief and emotional comfort. **3** of our wonderful volunteers call New Hampton home. They are available to respond at any time, day or night, to disasters in their communities and surrounding towns.

During our last fiscal year, the Red Cross disaster volunteers throughout New Hampshire and Vermont worked on **256** disaster cases, helping a total of **1,218** people (an average of almost five disasters per week). Most local disasters were residential fires. **10** of these occurrences took place in Belknap County, supporting **29** county residents.

**Health and Safety Classes:** The Red Cross focuses on safety and prevention through its many training courses such as Adult, Infant, and Child CPR, AED training, First Aid, water safety, disaster training, first responder, and Babysitter's Skills. In all, the Red Cross imparts hope and confidence along with skill and knowledge. Throughout New Hampshire and Vermont, **32,724** enrollees were trained through health and safety classes. **2** of these classes were held in New Hampton training **21** New Hampton residents.

**Biomedical Services:** Last year, blood drives in New Hampshire and Vermont collected **95,154** units of life-saving blood, with **3** blood drives in New Hampton, collecting **90** units of lifesaving blood.

For more information on the American Red Cross of New Hampshire Vermont Region, visit [www.redcross.org/nhvt](http://www.redcross.org/nhvt).

Respectfully submitted,  
Rachel Zellem, Regional Development Specialist



## New Beginnings

On behalf of New Beginnings – Without Violence and Abuse, I would like to thank the citizens of the Town of New Hampton for their on-going support. Your 2016-17 allocation has enabled our agency to continue to provide trauma informed direct services including 24-hour crisis intervention, long term support and assistance, and outreach and education to people whose lives have been affected by domestic and sexual violence and stalking in all of Belknap County.

Our organization operates a full-time shelter with a food pantry and material goods; staffs a 24-hour crisis line; provides 24-hour advocacy at hospitals and police stations; provides court and social service advocacy; and offers non-judgmental support and advocacy on a one-to-one basis as well as in peer support groups. New Beginnings has programming for children and teens who have witnessed and experienced violence, including resiliency-based programs. Though we serve a small county, the need for services is great. We were able to do a Primary Prevention Programing at the New Hampton school system. We had advocates in Belknap County courts each working day of this budget year. New Beginnings is the only domestic and sexual violence crisis center serving Belknap County, offering support and advocacy to **914** individuals in FY17, including **41** residents of the town of New Hampton and resulting in **12,686** individual services. Some of these services were provided by our volunteers, who donated over **23,000** service hours.

New Beginnings plays a significant role in the greater community. We facilitate outreach activities and offer education programs to businesses, clubs and groups. We also facilitate age-appropriate prevention programs for students in kindergarten through college, including topics such as conflict resolution, bullying, healthy relationships, and dating and sexual violence. We participate in many committees and commissions, including the Belknap County Family Violence Prevention Council, a task force made up of community members and professionals initiated by the Governor's Commission to take a stand against domestic and sexual violence in our county. New Beginnings partners with law enforcement through the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP), to reduce the rate of domestic violence homicides in Belknap County and ensure service provision to victims receiving police response. Advocates participate in the local Sexual Assault Resource Team (SART), a comprehensive collaboration of Belknap County Professionals dedicated to promoting efficient and victim-centered services in sexual assault cases; improving conviction rates and engaging victims' services focused on their health and healing.

We are 1 of 13 member programs of the NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (NHCADSV), promoting statewide networking and resource sharing among domestic violence and sexual assault programs. The coalition is the evaluating body and administrator of state and federal grants and contracts that provide federal and state funding for member programs.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Keller, Executive Director

## New Hampshire Humane Society

Animals finding themselves within the town limits of New Hampton can be assured a positive outcome thanks to the ongoing collaboration with the Town and the New Hampshire Humane Society. For any issue relative to animal welfare, whether it be a stray dog running loose, or a litter of abandoned kittens, a resident needing help with low cost spay neuter options, children enjoying our pet enrichment programs, or the elderly receiving pet therapy visits, we are the resource called upon and are honored to be an important part of the lives of New Hampton constituents.

In 2017 we unveiled the CATIO, a three season space for shelter cats which was funded entirely by donations from our supporters. New Hampshire Humane Society has a staff of 21 dedicated animal professionals. Sixteen part-time and five full-time staff provide all the care necessary for every animal who arrives at our door. Care and comfort, medical, emotional and behavioral rehabilitation happens 365 days of the year. Animal Control Officers and Law Enforcement have access to our facility 24 hours a day, every day, for strays or abandoned animals from the Town. 1,266 creatures passed through our facility in 2017.

All animals are spayed or neutered prior to adoption. Residents of New Hampton can access two spay/neuter options: 1) SNAP Spay Neuter Assistance Program for surgical sterilization of privately owned pets, and 2) our PAW Fund for those truly in financial straits. Application to both funds is streamlined via our online portal [www.nhhumane.org](http://www.nhhumane.org).

We operate a pet food pantry for those who need help feeding their pets since we recognize offering a helping hand keeps families together and avoids the wrenching decision to surrender a pet. We also provide cat litter if it is on hand.

We offer education/outreach to students within the Newfound Region (New Hampton) School System in partnership with the SAU and private school system with volunteer opportunities for all over the age of 16, including programs designed especially for younger animal advocates. Cat Tails allows children not old enough to volunteer to spend time with our cats in the dedicated reading nook – and in Puppy Love, families can visit and spend time with puppies, when we have them, thus providing socialization of these rambunctious outgoing pets and teaching children empathy and respect at the same time.

As a registered 501(c)3 charity, we are pledged to advocate for the animals we serve, speaking for those that cannot speak for themselves. NHHS is funded, and the mission is sustainable, with public support. Funding 100% by donation, like-minded animal stewards, local businesses and the community, allow us to continue these important services which of course, extend to the Town of New Hampton.

### **Animal activity - 2017 - from the Town of New Hampton is as follows:**

- 4** New Hampton families accessed our low cost Spay/Neuter programs.
- 8** Pets were surrendered by 8 New Hampton residents.
- 12** Stray animals were received from the Town of New Hampton.
- 7** naughty dogs running loose were claimed by their New Hampton owners.
- 1** cat was claimed by their owner.
- 25** New Hampton families adopted from NHH.S
- 1** Cruelty case.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marylee Gorham, NHHS Executive Director

## **Day Away Program**

Now in existence for over 4 years, Day Away is a day care program for adults in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease or related dementias. Day Away is held every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. It is a program designed to provide a safe and comfortable atmosphere for our participants to help maintain their independence, encourage socialization, be mentally stimulated and remain active.

Day Away is nondenominational and is open to all families and caregivers in surrounding towns. It is a non-profit program funded by a modest participant fee of \$25.00 per day. This fee is not enough to cover the professional resource needed to keep this program viable.

The funds provided by New Hampton will help to offset the price of crafts, lunch, snacks, and help to support the R.N. Director's salary. Your generosity will make a difference by allowing us to continue our work. We currently have one New Hampton resident served by the Day Away program.

Thank you for your support. If not for your support and the support of other towns and through donations from the private sector, this program would not be in existence today. We have had eight participants and presently have seven participants. As each participant advances in their journey, and he or she is no longer eligible for the program, we know through conversations with their caregivers, we have made a positive difference in each of their lives and in the lives of the caregivers.

Again, we want to thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steering Committee

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**  
**DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION**  
**RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT**  
**01/01/2017-12/31/2017**  
**NEW HAMPTON**

<b>Child's Name</b>	<b>Birth Date</b>	<b>Birth Place</b>	<b>Father's/Partner's</b>	<b>Name Mother's Name</b>
BRISTOW, KAILEIGH ANN	01/21/2017	LEBANON, NH	BRISTOW, JONATHAN	BRISTOW, HEATHER
BATCHELDER, BRYSON RILEY	02/02/2017	CONCORD, NH	BATCHELDER, DANIEL	DANAHY, CAITLYN
PRZEPIORKA, LOGAN CARL-LARS	02/26/2017	CONCORD, NH	PRZEPIORKA, ERIC	PRZEPIORKA, JONNA
GAUDETTE, OLIVER MICHAEL	03/31/2017	PLYMOUTH, NH	GAUDETTE, EVAN	GAUDETTE, KAYLA
MITCHELL, ANTHONY LEVI	05/22/2017	CONCORD, NH	MITCHELL, CHAD	MITCHELL, JENNIFER
MALONE, ALEXANDER EDWARD	06/18/2017	LACONIA, NH	MALONE, JEFFREY	MALONE, JENNIFER
GRAY III, DANNY LEE	06/27/2017	LACONIA, NH	GRAY JR, DANNY	HUNTOON, BRIANNA
SALER, EMMA TRUDIE	08/10/2017	CONCORD, NH	SALER, NATHAN	SALER, ALLISON
MARTINEZ, BENEDICT LAWRENCE ERASMUS	08/18/2017	LEBANON, NH	MARTINEZ, LUCAS	MARTINEZ, SHANA
BOUWENS, ELLIOT ROSE	10/17/2017	CONCORD, NH	BOUWENS, KENNETH	BOUWENS, ALYSSA
SCHWAB, ELIZABETH ROSE	11/17/2017	CONCORD, NH	SCHWAB, JONATHAN	LOVETT-SCHWAB, MARY
GREEN, COLTER PHILIP	11/20/2017	CONCORD, NH	GREEN, BRADLEY	GREEN, CHRISTIANE
ST HILAIRE, OWEN DAVID	12/17/2017	CONCORD, NH	ST HILAIRE, TODD	ST HILAIRE, BRANDY

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION  
RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT  
01/01/2017 - 12/31/2017  
NEW HAMPTON**

<b>Person A's Name and Residence</b>	<b>Person B's Name and Residence</b>	<b>Town of Issuance</b>	<b>Place of Marriage</b>	<b>Date of Marriage</b>
DUQUETTE, ROSE M NEW HAMPTON, NH	SHEERIN, KEVIN M NEW HAMPTON, NH	NEW HAMPTON	NEW HAMPTON	04/22/2017
DAUGHEN, EDITH E NEW HAMPTON, NH	TORREY, NICHOLAS D NEW HAMPTON, NH	NEW HAMPTON	NEW HAMPTON	05/13/2017
RAPTIS, NICHOLAS O NEW HAMPTON, NH	SANTRY, ALEXANDRIA M NEW HAMPTON, NH	NEW HAMPTON	BRISTOL	06/03/2017
CLOUGH, JOEL C NEW HAMPTON, NH	O'CONNOR, SONJA L NEW HAMPTON, NH	NEW HAMPTON	ALEXANDRIA	07/20/2017
GUERRIERO, JOSEPH A NEW HAMPTON, NH	MACDONALD, ELISA M NEW HAMPTON, NH	FRANKLIN	FRANKLIN	08/04/2017
SMITH, ADAM T NEW HAMPTON, NH	HATFIELD, SARAH L NEW HAMPTON, NH	PLYMOUTH	PLYMOUTH	08/12/2017
BLAKE, TYLER R NEW HAMPTON, NH	KEYSER, ASIA R NEW HAMPTON, NH	NEW HAMPTON	CONCORD	10/21/2017

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT  
01/01/2017 - 12/31/2017  
NEW HAMPTON, NH**

<b>Decedent's Name</b>	<b>Death Date</b>	<b>Death Place</b>	<b>Father's/Parent's Name</b>	<b>Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union</b>	<b>Military</b>
MOULTON, ELIZABETH	02/22/2017	PLYMOUTH	HAMMOND, EVERETT	WEINSTEIGER, ANNA	N
SEEVER, CHRISTINE	02/27/2017	CONCORD	HOWARD, HENRY	PERRY, GLORIA	N
SCHOFIELD SR, LUCIAN	03/17/2017	NEW HAMPTON	CLARK, CHARLES	HILDRETH, RACHEL	N
SEEVER, ELAINE	05/17/2017	NEW HAMPTON	SMITH II, ALBERT	HUCKINS, HELEN	N
BELYEA, ROXANNA	06/01/2017	NEW HAMPTON	ROLLINS, HAIRM	SOREL, MABLE	N
GODVILLE, JAMES	06/30/2017	NEW HAMPTON	GODVILLE, JAMES	SHORTT, EDNA	Y
VERRILL, RANDY	07/02/2017	TILTON	VERRILL, SAMUEL	LEROUX, SHERRY	N
LIMBERT, RAYMOND	08/01/2017	CONCORD	LIMBERT, DONALD	DORSCHER, MARGARET	Y
SWIRIDUK JR, JOHN	09/07/2017	LACONIA	SWIRIDUK, JOHN	ROMANSKY, HELEN	Y
HUCKINS, NORMA	09/08/2017	CONCORD	CONDON, MONTFORD	PARKER, NORMA	N
VERRILL, EMILY	09/16/2017	LEBANON	GREEN, MILTON	MERRILL, LILLIAN	N
ECKERT, PATRICIA	10/27/2017	NEW HAMPTON	KELSO, SAMUEL	WEINSTEIGER, MARY	N
HUCKINS, EDWIN	11/15/2017	NEW HAMPTON	HUCKINS, GEORGE	RICHARDSON, BERTHA	N

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**Town of New Hampton**  
**EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER**

**911**

**Police, Fire & Medical**

State Police ..... 1-800-525-5555  
New Hampton Police Station / Police Dispatch ..... 744-5423  
Fire Station / Fire Warden ..... 744-2735  
Poison Information Center ..... 1-800-222-1222

Governor Chris Sununu's Office..... 271-2121  
Executive Councilor Joseph Kenney ..... 271-3632  
State Senator Bob J. Giuda ..... 271-3074  
State Representative Valerie Fraser ..... 744-0107  
U.S. Senator Margaret Wood Hassan ..... 622-2204  
U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen ..... 647-7500  
U.S. Congressman Carol Shea Porter ..... 1-888-216-5373  
U.S. Congressman Ann Kuster ..... 226-1002

Selectmen's Office ..... 744-3559  
Town Clerk / Tax Collector ..... 744-8454  
Public Works Department / Transfer Station ..... 744-8025

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**Selectmen's Office Hours:**

Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Selectmen's Business Meeting Thursday Evenings – Call for time**

**Town Clerk's & Tax Collector's Hours:**

Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. 7:30 – 4:30 pm

Thursday 10:00 – 7:00 pm

Closed Daily for Lunch – 12:00 – 1:00 pm

**Transfer/Recycling Station Hours:**

Monday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.