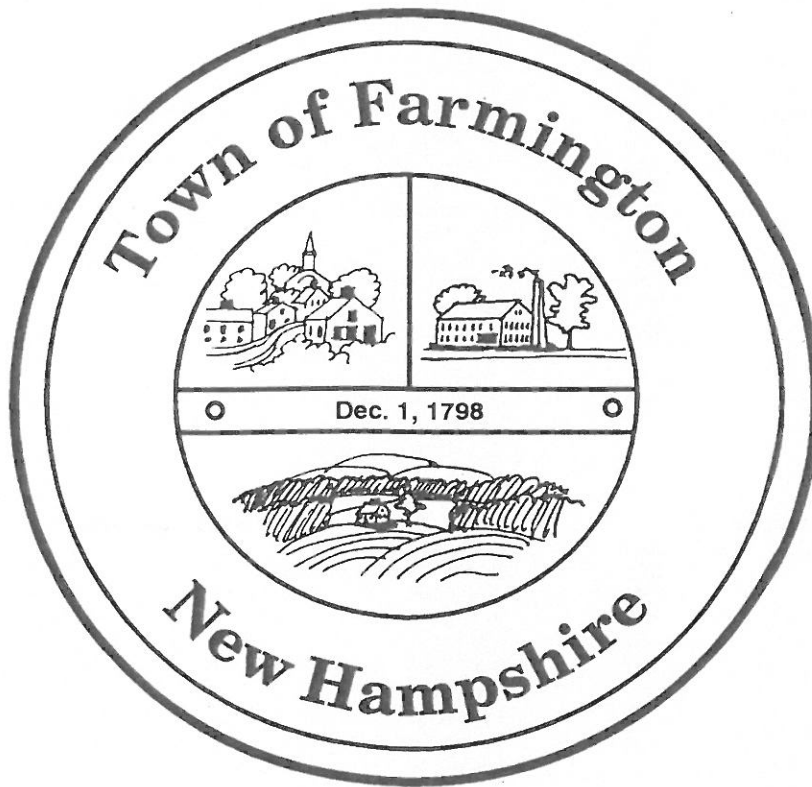


Dedicated in loving memory of Chief Carl Worster...



January 1, 2002 - December 31, 2002

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Former Farmington Chief of Police Carl W. Worster 1922 to 2002

Written by Chief Scott Roberge

Chief Carl Worster was affectionately known to most residents as 'Popsie.' For almost 30 years Carl served the town he loved so much, first as a patrol officer and then for 27 years as its Police Chief. Carl's career as Chief of Police began in 1960 and he retired in 1987.

In 1985 Chief Worster hired me as a patrolman. I fondly remember Carl telling me how special Farmington was to him. Chief Worster's legacy is his devotion to people and his ability to pass on to other officers the understanding that people are the most important thing in an officer's job. Carl knew everyone in the town and was always willing to help the people he served. Many times people came to see him who had lost a job or were having money problems and Carl would reach in his own pocket to help put food on their table, or make a crucial phone call to find someone a new job and get them back to work.

When one of the shoe shops was going to close in town and put many people out of work, Carl and others worked hard to find a buyer and were able to keep many people employed. Carl Worster's main focus, as always, was people. His relationship with State officials and local agencies enabled him to always get the job done and to solve problems.

I remember Carl saying to me after I took over as Chief that I was the captain of the ship now. He went on to tell me that a police chief, at times, experiences rough water. Carl talked to me of ways to steer my way through those rough times and eventually see the waters calm. To Carl police work was not about statutes, written laws, court decisions or books. To him the essence of the job was simply helping people over the rough times that life threw at them. Law enforcement from Carl's point of view came from the heart and a need to make others happy.

In conclusion, I feel, it is fitting to repeat part of my eulogy given at Carl's funeral. In the movie 'It's a Wonderful Life', Jimmy Stewart learns at the end of the story that no man is a failure who has friends. If I had to judge Carl's life by this, he would be the most successful person I have ever known.



Chief Carl Worster and his wife Mae, at their home in New Durham, NH

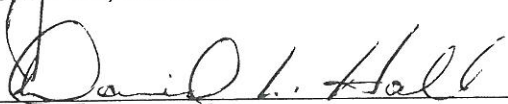
There is another important accomplishment to report. The Cable Franchise Negotiations Team, yet another dedicated group of volunteers appointed by the Board of Selectmen, met throughout the year to negotiate the franchise renewal agreement between Metrocast Cablevision and the Town of Farmington. The new agreement has been executed and involves extension of service to three new areas of town, an institutional network link, a grant for local video equipment for the taping of community events, a channel specifically for the Town and live cable cast of six local events, including Town and District Meetings and High School graduation. We owe this dedicated committee a debt of gratitude for its hard work. The members were able to negotiate the best possible contract with Metrocast on behalf of both the town and the school.

While on the topic of volunteers, we wish to express our thanks to all the volunteers of all the Town's Boards and Committees, the Planning Board, the ZBA, the Conservation Commission, the Budget Committee, the Downtown Committee and the CIP Committee. These individuals work very hard in the best interest of our community and we are very grateful for their hard work and dedication.

Respectfully,



John Fitch, Chairman



David Hall, Selectman



Gerald McCarthy, Selectman



Chairman John (Evel Knievel) Fitch

Town Administrator's 2002 Report

The past few years have been years of growth for the Town of Farmington. Since 1999, 240 new homes have been added to the Town's real estate inventory. Residential growth is typically a cost driver. As undeveloped areas are developed, spreading people out over larger areas, demands for services increase, which cannot be covered by the tax revenue derived from the new development.

Year	New Homes	Mobile Homes	Total
1999	23	29	52
2000	38	27	65
2001	35	23	58
2002	43	22	65
			240

For example, as new families continue to come to Farmington buying land and building on the west side of Route 11, demands will be placed on the Farmington school system - more students cost more money to educate. As new residents buy previously undeveloped land and build, the chances are that they will at some point in the future expect to have the

road that they reside on paved, which will create associated maintenance costs.

Nothing is wrong with residential development. People have choices and opportunities in this country. For reasons of public health, safety, and preservation, among others, regulatory land use techniques have been in use for a century in this country and have been reaffirmed as valid tools that can be implemented to help guide growth. It is important to do so with the goal of balancing development so that important aspects of the community are retained. Some of those important aspects could be the preservation of the look of the downtown, or other historical elements of the community, like the Town Pound, which is on the National Register of Historic Places (*National Park Service: www.nr.nps.gov*). Other important features are natural, such as the Flume, or include environmentally sensitive areas such as the numerous wetlands that are located throughout Farmington. Another concern that must be considered with the increase in development is the protection of our drinking water. Virtually all of Farmington lies in an aquifer recharge area. As you can see, how the development of the town unfolds is not just a question of nature lovers versus developers. It goes much deeper to the heart of this question: How does Farmington approach the future in a manner that will preserve what its citizens like best about it, maintaining affordability and quality of life for its citizens without infringing on the rights of property owners to use their land the way they would like?

Some people would like to see a concerted effort to attract more industrial and commercial development to offset costs of residential development. Others think that it's important to control the rate of residential growth before the town actively pursues growth of any kind.

The Planning Board has been struggling with these issues. During 2003 the Planning Board will embark upon the effort of updating the Master Plan in an attempt chart the course the Town of Farmington should take over the next five to ten years. It is important that you, as a citizen of Farmington, take a small amount of time to speak your mind on these issues. It is your community. Don't leave it to a small number of volunteers to try to figure out what's best for you. Tell them yourself! The Master Plan is a template defining what the Town should be striving for and the policies that will be developed to accomplish the resulting objectives, so please, during the Master Plan update verbalize or otherwise get your opinions to the Planning Board. It is one of the ways you can affect what your community will look like in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest M. Creveling, Town Administrator

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$61,606 (Sixty-one Thousand Six Hundred Six Dollars) to be added to the previously established Highway Motorized Equipment Capital Reserve Fund in accordance with the 2003-2008 Farmington Capital Improvement Program. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).**

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Bridge & Road Design and Construction Capital Reserve Fund" for the purpose of setting aside annually the design, engineering and construction costs anticipated for road and bridge repair to be done in accordance with the 2003-2008 Farmington Capital Improvement Program and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$73,500 (Seventy-three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) to be added to said fund. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).**

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Recreation Equipment Capital Reserve Fund" for the purpose of setting aside annually for anticipated recreation equipment in accordance with the Capital Improvement Program and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 (Eight Thousand Dollars) to be added to said fund. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).**

Article 11.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$225,000 (Two Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of final engineering and design and development of specifications and bid documents for final landfill closure and to authorize the withdrawal of \$125,000 (One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars) from the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund (established 1995) established for the purpose of engineering and closure of the landfill and \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) from the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund (established 1986) for the purpose of defraying costs associated with the closure of the Landfill. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).**

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$76,000 (Seventy-six Thousand Dollars) for the purchase of a new plow truck and authorize the withdrawal of up to \$57,725 (Fifty-seven Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-five Dollars) from the previously established Highway Motorized Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for said purchase, with the balance of \$18,275 (Eighteen Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-five Dollars) to come from general taxation. **The Budget**

Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$23,000 (Twenty-three Thousand Dollars) for the purchase of a police cruiser and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$4,000 (Four-thousand Dollars) of surplus funds from the Police Outside Details Special Revenue Fund to apply toward purchase, with the balance of \$19,000 (Nineteen Thousand Dollars) to come from general taxation. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).**

Article 14.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$32,500 (Thirty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) for the purchase of two (2) stainless steel sanders and one (1) York Rake, as outlined in the 2003-2008 Capital Improvement Program and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$32,500 (Thirty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) from the previously established Highway Motorized Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for said purchase. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).**

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$45,000 (Forty-five Thousand Dollars) for the purchase of a new alarm system for the Fire Department to be funded by withdrawal of up to \$30,000 (Thirty-thousand Dollars) from the previously established Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for said purchase, with the balance of \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to come from general taxation. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).**

Article 16.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) as a donation to the 500 Boys & Girls Club for the express purpose of the purchase of property along the Paulson Road to establish ball fields to remain under the ownership and management of the 500 Boys & Girls Club. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required)**

Article 17.

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict one hundred percent (100%) of revenues from the private rental of the hall in the Farmington Fire Station to expenditures for the purpose of maintaining the Farmington Fire Station facility. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund known as the "Fire Station Maintenance Special Revenue Fund," separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said

Article 29.

The Health Care for New Hampshire Resolution:

Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and

Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and

Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and

Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved that we, the citizens of FARMINGTON, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

- Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un- and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;
- Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;
- Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and
- That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.
(by petition)

Article 30.

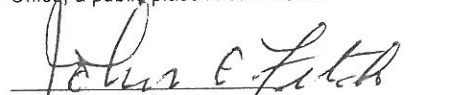
To transact such other business as may legally come before this meeting. **(Majority Vote Required)**

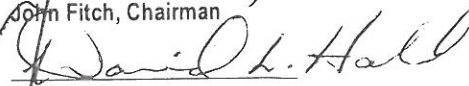

John Fitch, Chairman

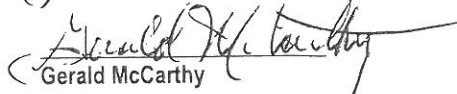

David Hall


Gerald McCarthy


We hereby certify that on the _____ day of February 2003, we posted an attested copy of the warrant at the place of Meeting within named and a like copy at the Farmington Post Office, a public place in said Town.


John Fitch, Chairman


David Hall


Gerald McCarthy

Then personally appeared the above named Gerald McCarthy, John Fitch, and David Hall, and made oath that the above certificate by them is true.


Kathy L. Seaver, Town Clerk



**Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen 2003 Proposed Budgets
Appropriations Actually Voted**

Acct Number	Budget Purposes of Appropriations (RSA 31:4)	FY02 Appropriated	FY02 Actual Expended YTD	FY03 Budg. Com. Bdgt. Ensuig Fiscal Year	FY03 Selectmen's Bdgt. Ensuig Fiscal Year	Appropriations Actually Voted
4520-4529	CULTURE & RECREATION					
	Recreation	\$ 98,658	\$ 101,191	\$ 108,469	\$ 108,469	\$ 0
4550-4559	Library	\$ 118,575	\$ 118,575.00	\$ 143,206	\$ 143,206	\$ 0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	\$ 900	\$ 900	\$ 900	\$ 900	\$ 0
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	\$ 11,700	\$ 11,415.49	\$ 13,900	\$ 13,900	\$ 0
	CONSERVATION					
4611-4612	Purchase Natural Resources	\$ 7,800	\$ 5,389	\$ 7,800	\$ 7,800	\$ 0
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
4651-4659	Econ. Dev. & Coast Bus	\$ 15,415	\$ 15,444	\$ 16,952	\$ 16,952	\$ 0
	DEBT SERVICES					
4711	Principle - Short /Long Term Debt	\$ 238,108	\$ 237,724.59	\$ 210,007	\$ 210,007	\$ 0
4721	Interest - Long Term Debt	\$ 83,202	\$ 83,201	\$ 71,982	\$ 71,982	\$ 0
4723	Interest on TAN's	\$ 15,000	\$ 0.00	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 0
	CAPITAL OUTLAY					
4902-4909	Mach., Vehicles, Comp. Equip.	\$ 558,012	\$ 558,012	\$ 340,680	\$ 340,680	\$ 0
	OPERATING TRANSFERS					
4912	To Capital Projects Fund	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 0
4914	Enterprise Funds					
	- Wastewater	\$ 355,538	\$ 333,322	\$ 298,748	\$ 298,748	\$ 0
	- Water	\$ 320,055	\$ 288,915	\$ 297,032	\$ 297,032	\$ 0
	Operating Budget	\$ 4,491,283	\$ 4,319,031	\$ 4,397,288	\$ 4,397,288	\$ 0
	(Not inclusive of special warrant articles)					
4915	To Capital Reserve (Articles 4-10)	\$ 100,564.00	\$ 100,564	\$ 277,085	\$ 277,085	\$ 0
	Special Warrant Articles (Articles 11-16)			\$ 411,500	\$ 411,500	\$ 0
	Total Recommended Articles	\$ 4,591,847	\$ 4,419,595	\$ 5,085,873	\$ 5,085,873	\$ 0
				Represents Articles 4-10 in 2003 Town Warrant		
				Represents Articles 11-16 in 2003 Town Warrant		

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ACCT. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)		Appropriations		Actual Expenditures		SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
	Warr. Art.#		Prior Year As Approved by DRA		Prior Year	Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	
			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.										
4316		Street Lighting	\$	34,000	\$	33,932	\$	34,680	\$	34,680
4319		Other								
SANITATION										
4321		Administration	\$	115,775	\$	112,529	\$	128,462	\$	128,462
4323		Solid Waste Collection								
4324		Solid Waste Disposal								
4325		Solid Waste Clean-up								
4326-4329		Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other								
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT										
4331		Administration								
4332		Water Services								
4335-4339		Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other								
ELECTRIC										
4351-4352		Admin. and Generation								
4353		Purchase Costs								
4354		Electric Equipment Maintenance								
4359		Other Electric Costs								
HEALTH/WELFARE										
4411		Administration	\$	49,690	\$	51,972	\$	49,750	\$	49,750
4414		Pest Control	\$	8,000	\$	7,994	\$	8,000	\$	8,000
4415-4419		Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	\$	16,010	\$	16,010	\$	16,010	\$	16,010
4441-4442		Administration & Direct Assist.								
4444		Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts	\$	4,000	\$	4,000	\$	4,000	\$	4,000
4445-4449		Vendor Payments & Other								

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations		Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	
			Prior Year As Approved by DRA	xxxxxxx		(RECOMMENDED)	xxxxxxx	NOT RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.									
	Electric-						xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
	Airport-								
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		\$ 100,564	\$ 100,564	See Page 16			See page 16	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917				Articles 4 thru 10			Articles 4 thru 10	
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds								
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds								
4919	To Agency Funds								
SUBTOTAL 1			\$ 4,591,847	\$ 4,293,706	\$ 4,397,288			\$ 4,397,288	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.



1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		\$ 6,714	\$ 25,929	\$ 7,440
3180	Resident Taxes		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3185	Timber Taxes		\$ 8,139	\$ 9,400	\$ 8,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		\$ 90,000	\$ 97,301	\$ 85,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		\$ 3,264	\$ 3,264	\$ 3,264
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		\$ 3,345	\$ 4,100	\$ 3,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		\$ 700,000	\$ 713,659	\$ 700,000
3230	Building Permits		\$ 42,000	\$ 48,537	\$ 38,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		\$ 32,000	\$ 29,279	\$ 30,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FROM STATE					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		\$ 34,833	\$ 34,833	\$ 34,833
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		\$ 169,683	\$ 169,683	\$ 160,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		\$ 121,259	\$ 121,259	\$ 126,564
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$ 26,434	\$ 21,283	\$ 16,131
3355	Housing & Community Development		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$ 375	\$ 375	\$ 12,280
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 56,000
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		\$ 71,000	\$ 79,016	\$ 112,042
3409	Other Charges		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3502	Interest on Investments		\$ 4,691	\$ 5,745	\$ 5,000
3503-3509	Other		\$ 18,500	\$ 18,500	\$ -
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Comparative Statement of Appropriations & Expenditures 2002

	Budget Category	Appropriation	Receipts & Reimbursements	Total Available	Expended	Unexpended Balance
4130	<i>Executive</i>	\$ 138,655.00		\$ 138,655.00	\$ 135,394.08	\$ 3,260.92
4140	<i>Election, Reg. & Vitals</i>	\$ 82,313.00	\$ -	\$ 82,313.00	\$ 82,558.76	\$ (245.76)
4150	<i>Financial Administration</i>	\$ 84,112.00	\$ -	\$ 84,112.00	\$ 81,246.50	\$ 2,865.50
4152	<i>Revaluation of Property</i>	\$ 10,500.00		\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,128.77	\$ 371.23
4153	<i>Legal Expenses</i>	\$ 50,000.00		\$ 50,000.00	\$ 69,076.20	\$ (19,076.20)
4155	<i>Personnel Administration</i>	\$ 448,029.00	\$ 435.73	\$ 448,464.73	\$ 415,055.63	
4191	<i>Planning & Zoning</i>	\$ 23,501.00		\$ 23,501.00	\$ 21,065.02	\$ 2,435.98
4194	<i>General Gov't Buildings</i>	\$ 60,087.00		\$ 60,087.00	\$ 57,657.39	\$ 2,429.61
4196	<i>Insurance</i>	\$ 53,476.00		\$ 53,476.00	\$ 50,777.75	\$ 2,698.25
4210	<i>Police Department</i>	\$ 660,106.00		\$ 660,106.00	\$ 630,725.09	\$ 29,380.91
4215	<i>Ambulance</i>	\$ 62,331.00		\$ 62,331.00	\$ 65,863.19	\$ (3,532.19)
4220	<i>Fire Department</i>	\$ 121,987.00	\$ 2,220.00	\$ 124,207.00	\$ 119,406.41	\$ 4,800.59
4240	<i>Building Inspection</i>	\$ 51,228.00	\$ -	\$ 51,228.00	\$ 52,855.19	\$ (1,627.19)
4290	<i>Emergency Management</i>	\$ 6,001.00	\$ -	\$ 6,001.00	\$ 3,893.86	\$ 2,107.14
4311	<i>Admin. Hwy & Streets</i>	\$ 247,419.00		\$ 247,419.00	\$ 234,562.21	\$ 12,856.79
4312	<i>Highway & Streets</i>	\$ 260,600.00	\$ 484.33	\$ 261,084.33	\$ 234,796.97	\$ 26,287.36
4313	<i>Bridges</i>	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
4316	<i>Street Lighting</i>	\$ 34,000.00		\$ 34,000.00	\$ 33,932.30	\$ 67.70
4321	<i>Sanitation Administration</i>	\$ 75,735.00		\$ 75,735.00	\$ 72,982.13	\$ 2,752.87
4323	<i>Solid Waste Collection</i>	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 898.70	\$ 101.30
4324	<i>Solid Waste Disposal</i>	\$ 39,040.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 40,040.00	\$ 38,647.92	\$ 1,392.08
4414	<i>Animal Control</i>	\$ 8,000.00		\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,512.62	\$ 487.38
4415	<i>Health Agencies</i>	\$ 16,010.00		\$ 16,010.00	\$ 16,010.00	\$ -
4441	<i>Welfare Administration</i>	\$ 3,190.00		\$ 3,190.00	\$ 3,217.40	\$ (27.40)
4444	<i>CAPP</i>	\$ 4,000.00		\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
4445	<i>Welfare</i>	\$ 46,500.00	\$ 2,699.67	\$ 49,199.67	\$ 48,754.63	\$ 445.04
4520	<i>Recreation</i>	\$ 98,658.00		\$ 98,658.00	\$ 101,191.10	\$ (2,533.10)
4550	<i>Farmington Library</i>	\$ 118,575.00		\$ 118,575.00	\$ 118,574.92	\$ 0.08
4583	<i>Patriotic Purposes</i>	\$ 900.00		\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ -
4589	<i>Culture & Recreation</i>	\$ 11,700.00		\$ 11,700.00	\$ 11,415.49	\$ 284.51
4652	<i>Conservation Commission</i>	\$ 7,800.00		\$ 7,800.00	\$ 5,388.83	\$ 2,411.17
4659	<i>Eco.Dev./Coast Bus</i>	\$ 15,415.00		\$ 15,415.00	\$ 15,444.10	\$ (29.10)
4711	<i>Principal-LT Notes/Bonds</i>	\$ 238,108.00		\$ 238,108.00	\$ 237,724.59	\$ 383.41
4721	<i>Interest-LT Notes/Bonds</i>	\$ 98,202.00		\$ 98,202.00	\$ 83,201.41	\$ 15,000.59
4901	<i>Capital Outlay</i>	\$ 531,500.00	\$ 152,396.90	\$ 683,896.90	\$ 407,384.78	\$ 276,512.12
4902	<i>Capital Outlay</i>	\$ 80,000.00		\$ 80,000.00		\$ 80,000.00
4903	<i>Transfer to Cap. Reserve</i>	\$ 100,564.00		\$ 100,564.00	\$ 100,564.00	\$ -
4909	<i>Capitol Outlay-skid steer</i>	\$ 26,512.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 31,512.00	\$ 26,512.00	\$ 5,000.00
4915						\$ -
		\$ 3,916,254.00	\$ 164,236.63	\$ 4,080,490.63	\$ 3,599,319.94	
					SURPLUS	\$ 447,761.59

CONSERVATION

Purchase Natural Resources \$7,800

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Administration \$11,063

COAST Bus \$4,352

DEBT SERVICES

Principle - Short & LT Debt \$238,108

Interest - Short & LT Debt \$83,202

Interest on TAN's \$15,000.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Mach., Vehicles, Comp. Equip. \$531,500

OPERATING TRANSFERS

Special Revenue Funds \$80,000

Enterprise Funds

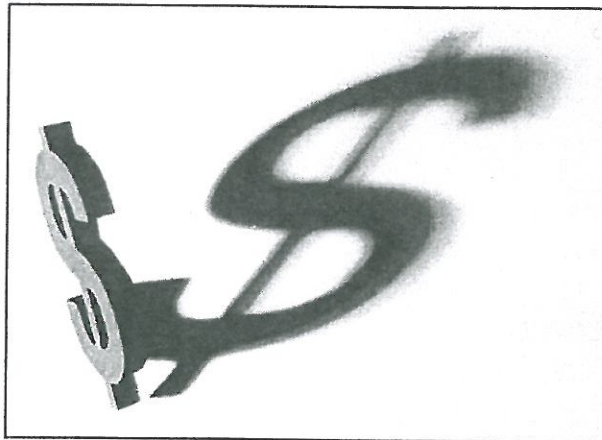
- Sewer \$355,538

- Water \$320,055

To Capital Reserves \$100,564

TOTAL APPROPRIATION:

\$ 4,591,847



Department of Revenue Administration
Municipal Services Division
Concord, NH 03302-0457
2002 Tax Rate Calculation

Tax Rates

Town of Farmington



Appropriations	4,591,471	
Less: Revenues	2,521,842	
Less: Shared Revenues	38,308	
Add: Overlay	13,770	
War Service Credits	50,500	
Net Town Appropriation	2,095,967	
Special Adjustment	0	
Approved Town Tax Effort	2,095,967	
Municipal Tax Rate		11.29

School Portion

Net Local School Budget	8,261,250	
Regional School Apportionment	0	
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(4,648,241)	
State Education Taxes	(1,262,475)	
Approved School Tax Effort	2,350,534	
Local Education Tax Rate		12.66

State Education Taxes

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$5.80	
\$217,668.122 =	1,262,475	
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
\$183,194,538 =		6.89

County Portion

Due to County	531,950	
Less: Shared Revenue	(7,531)	
Approved County Tax Effort	524,419	
County Tax Rate		<u>2.82</u>
COMBINED TAX RATE		33.66

COMMITMENT ANALYSIS

Total Property Taxes Assessed	6,233,395
Less: War Service Credits	(50,500)
Add: Village District Commitment	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	6,182,895

Net Assessed Valuation	Proof of Tax Rate	Assessment
183,194,538	State Education Tax	1,262,475
185,699,838	All Other Taxes	4,970,920
		<u>6,233,395</u>

2002 General Fund Financial Report

Town NOW Account 12/31/02	\$ 845,180.28	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT	
Petty Cash/Tax Collector's Office	\$ 225.00		
Payroll Account	\$ 0.60	Housing Partnership Reimb.	\$ 77,378.13
Community Econ. Development Corp.	\$ 465.55	Interest NHPDIP Account	\$ 512.72
NHPDIP/General Funds	\$ 12,365.69	Main Street Elevator	\$ 44,082.85
Bank of NH CD General Funds	\$ 1,000,738.36	Balance Dec 31, 2002	\$ 33,808.00
Retainage West Milton Road Bridge	\$ 11,844.05		
Total Cash	\$ 1,870,819.53	CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
A/R 2002A Property Tax	\$ 173,683.18	Balance January 01,2002	\$ 151.26
A/R 2002B Property Tax	\$ 610,060.39	2002 Interest	\$ 1.23
A/R Current Use	\$ 17,500.00	Balance Dec 31, 2002	\$ 152.49
A/R Yield Tax	\$ 3,851.94		
A/R Excavated Material	\$ 493.26	NHPDIP--CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
A/R 1992 Tax Lien	\$ 69.19	Balance January 01,2002	\$ 56,789.64
A/R 1993 Tax Lien	\$ 2,076.11	2002 Interest	\$ 877.47
A/R 1994 Tax Lien	\$ 2,041.64	Current Use Warrant Share	\$ 9,214.00
A/R 1995 Tax Lien	\$ 1,983.41	Deposit Frm Appropriations	\$ 5,000.00
A/R 1996 Tax Lien	\$ 16,781.34		
A/R 1997 Tax Lien	\$ 4,430.61	Balance Dec 31, 2002	\$ 71,881.11
A/R 1998 Tax Lien	\$ 10,481.14		
A/R 1999 Tax Lien	\$ 29,157.24	Fund-6-- Conservation Commission	
A/R 2000 Tax Lien	\$ 82,255.74	Beginning Balance Jan 01.2002	\$ (65.75)
A/R 2001 Tax Lien	\$ 143,604.04	Reimb. Wetlands Soil Expense	\$ 140.00
Intergovernmental A/R Police	\$ 1,725.86	Revenue Current Use Warrants	\$ 10,000.00
Police Prosecution	\$ (4,816.05)		\$ 10,074.25
Trustee of Trust Funds	\$ (556.25)	Expenses	
Reserve for NonCurr. Taxes Receivable	\$ (75,000.00)	Warrants Collected to NHPDIP	\$ 9,214.00
Water/Sewer/Parks/Bond/Police/Main	\$ (285,289.36)	Wetlands Soil Expense	\$ 140.00
Total Assets	\$ 734,533.43		\$ 9,354.00
		Balance Dec 31,02	\$ 720.25
Total Cash & Assets	\$ 2,605,352.96	Sarah Greenfield Industrial Park	
Total Liabilities		Balance January 01,2002	\$ 2,120.49
A/P Savings Account	\$ 12,309.60	Interest	\$ 8.02
Employee Benefit Plans	\$ 2,113.56	Canatel Refund of Expenses	\$ 2,687.57
Fiscal Impact Studies	\$ (325.93)	Total Income 2002	\$ 4,816.08
State Dog Licenses	\$ 271.50	Expenses 2002	
State Population Control Fees	\$ 1,012.00	Engineering Park	\$ 297.30
A/P Conservation Commission	\$ 298.92	Landscaping	\$ 536.00
A/P Police Contract Reimb.	\$ 13,863.68	Total Expenses 2002	\$ 833.30
A/P Police Department Bicycle	\$ 548.68		
A/P SAU 61	\$ 1,473,894.98	Balance Dec 31, 2002	\$ 3,982.78
Downtown Committee	\$ 22.10		
Impact Fees	\$ 48,500.00	NHPDIP-Sarah Greenfield Account	
2002 Encumbrances	\$ 97,066.43	Balance Jan 01, 2002	\$ 42,818.72
	\$ 1,549,575.52	Interest	\$ 641.24
		Balance Dec 31,2002	\$ 43,459.96

2002 Detail of Receipts Town General Fund

Cash Balance January 1, 2002	\$	666,138.12
From Local Taxes	\$	5,954,202.29
Tax Liens	\$	189,852.69
Interest & Penalties	\$	97,300.71
Business Licenses & Permits	\$	4,100.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$	713,659.00
Licenses, Permits, & Fees	\$	48,537.03
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	\$	29,278.58
Shared Revenue Block Grant	\$	80,474.44
Rooms & Meals Distribution	\$	169,683.34
Highway Block Grants	\$	121,259.06
Water Pollution	\$	21,282.50
State & Federal Forest	\$	375.32
Other State Grants & Reimb.	\$	36,384.02
Income from Departments	\$	79,016.23
Interest on Investments	\$	2,202.61
Fines & Forfeits	\$	5,395.80
Insurance Div & Reimb.	\$	435.73
Other Misc. Revenues	\$	10,758.01
Transfer from Capitol Reseve Funds	\$	37,500.00
Transfer from Trust Agency Funds	\$	175,307.90
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$	<u>1,617,038.36</u>
Total Revenues	\$	10,060,181.74
Cash on Hand Jan 1, 2002	\$	666,138.12
FROM LOCAL TAXES		
Tax Collection 2001A	\$	172,563.22
Tax Collection 2001B	\$	315,225.40
Tax Collection 2001 Added Tax	\$	1,611.00
Tax Collection 2002A	\$	2,086,418.82
Tax Collection 2002B	\$	3,343,883.29
Current Use Tax	\$	24,798.80
Yield Tax	\$	6,843.20
Excavated Material	\$	<u>2,858.56</u>
TOTAL FROM TAXES	\$	5,954,202.29
TAX LIENS		
1992 Tax Lien	\$	896.01
1993 Tax Lien	\$	87.53
1994 Tax Lien	\$	59.52
1995 Tax Lien	\$	789.28
1996 tax Lien	\$	6,400.13
1997 Tax Lien	\$	5,370.06
1998 Tax Lien	\$	10,941.60
1999 Tax Lien	\$	45,232.14
2000 Tax Lien	\$	60,193.08
2001 Tax Lien	\$	<u>59,883.34</u>
TOTAL	\$	189,852.69
Interest & Penalties		
Interest Received Property Taxes	\$	97,300.71

2002 Detail of Receipts Town General Fund

Income from Departments

Planning Board	\$ 6,079.30
Police Reports	\$ 1,959.05
Reimb. For Fire Department	\$ 2,220.00
Landfill Charges	\$ 13,170.26
Reimb. For Highway Department	\$ 484.33
Reimb. For Landfill Department	\$ 1,000.00
Reimb. Welfare	\$ 2,699.67
Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$ 1,899.00
Income Fire & Ambulance	\$ 49,504.62
TOTAL	\$ 79,016.23

Interest on Investments

Interest NOW	\$ 2,202.61
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Fines & Forfeits

Court Fines	\$ 5,395.80
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Insurance Div. & Reimb.

NH Unemployment	\$ 435.73
TOTAL	\$ 435.73

Other Misc. Revenues

Legal Fees Reimb.	\$ 10,392.65
Misc.	\$ 365.36
Totals	\$ 10,758.01

Trans from Capitol Reserve Funds

New Plow Truck	\$ 37,500.00
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Trans from Trust Agency Funds

Landfill, Fences, Etc.	\$ 175,307.90
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Misc. Revenues

Transfer from NHPDIP-General	\$ 1,200,000.00
Transfer from Com. Savings	\$ 1,270.00
Cobra Retirees Health Insurance	\$ 9,080.59
Police Prosecution	\$ 21,000.00
Dog Licenses-A/P State of NH	\$ 496.50
Certified's-State of NH	\$ 937.00
Fiscal Impact Studies	\$ 14,400.00
Population Control Fees- Dog Lic.	\$ 1,820.00
Marriage Licenses	\$ 1,596.00
Police Contract Reimbursement	\$ 9,500.00
School Resource Officer Program	\$ 32,626.25
Insurance Checks/Payable	\$ 2,608.79
Impact Fees	\$ 12,500.00
Pay Per Bag	\$ 103,750.00
Downtown Committee	\$ 835.00
Bridge Aid from State	\$ 124,880.80
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (Frisbee)	\$ 21,018.00
Retainage Hornetown Road Bridge	\$ 4,473.57
2001 Checks Voided	\$ 353.00
Checks Voided	\$ 53,892.86
	\$ 1,617,038.36

Financial Administration

Bookkeeper	\$ 29,715.60
Auditor	\$ 4,750.00
Assessing Clerk	\$ 29,324.80
Tax Map Update	\$ 1,222.50
Registry-Research	\$ 2,196.00
Treasurer	\$ 772.00
Clerk-Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$ 13,265.60
Total	\$ 81,246.50

Revaluation of Property

Earls, Nieder, Perkins, LLC	\$ 10,128.77
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Legal Expenses

Legal Services	\$ 69,076.20
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Personnel Administration

Staff Physicals	\$ 505.00
Personnel Liabilities	\$ 19,012.16
Encumbered to 2003	\$ 8,326.00
Health Insurance	\$ 216,624.10
Life, Short and Long Term Disability	\$ 15,282.49
FICA/Town Contribution	\$ 54,934.72
Medicare	\$ 19,484.36
ICMA Retirement Corp.	\$ 24,864.68
Unemployment Compensation	\$ 6,742.59
Worker's Compensation	\$ 26,384.68
NH Retirement (Police)	\$ 22,894.85
TOTAL	\$ 415,055.63

Planning & Zoning

Master Plan & Planning Consultants	\$ 16,448.46
Printing and Ads	\$ 915.12
Postage	\$ 1,750.00
Enforcement Funds	\$ 1,951.44
TOTAL	\$ 21,065.02

General Government Buildings

Custodian	\$ 27,372.24
Town Hall Electricity	\$ 10,232.88
Town Hall Fuel Oil	\$ 9,999.97
Town Hall Water/Sewer	\$ 270.59
Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 4,151.80
Encumber to 2003	\$ 2,992.17
Town Hall Supplies	\$ 1,461.30
Encumber to 2003	\$ 984.42
Town Clock	\$ 192.00
TOTAL	\$ 57,657.37

Insurance

Encumber to 2003	\$ 20,087.33
Vehicle Insurance	\$ 5,490.67
Bonds	\$ 22,910.75
Total	\$ 50,777.75

Police Department

Police Salaries & Wages	\$ 444,198.36
Encumbered to 2003	\$ 2,000.00
Crossing Guard	\$ 3,722.00
Police Department Overtime	\$ 26,903.39
Holiday Pay	\$ 17,081.74
School Resource Officer	\$ 29,784.71
Training	\$ 840.90
Mileage	\$ 904.41
Telephone	\$ 11,678.70
Dispatching & Prosecution	\$ 34,012.00
Uniforms	\$ 7,126.96
Maintenance	\$ 734.92
Office Supplies	\$ 3,183.21
Gasoline	\$ 10,887.00
Tires	\$ 752.00
Cruiser Maintenance	\$ 6,600.89
Police Supplies	\$ 4,955.54
New Equipment	\$ 8,774.35
Police Department Investigations	\$ 3,185.17
Outside Services	
Encumber to 2003	\$ 10,500.00
Police Misc. Expenses	\$ 2,898.84
TOTAL	\$ 630,725.09

Ambulance

EMS/Fire Dept Secretary	\$ 6,304.00
Ambulance Corps Pay	\$ 25,000.00
Ambulance Dispatch	\$ 3,004.50
Training	\$ 4,787.90
Office Supplies	\$ 482.58
Ambulance Fuel	\$ 1,428.69
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 1,746.54
Medical Supplies	\$ 7,121.99
New Equipment	\$ 15,986.99
TOTAL	\$ 65,863.19

Fire Department

Fire Inspector	\$ 13,561.51
Fire Department Physicals	\$ 1,623.93
Fire Department Mileage	
Fire Department Telephone	\$ 4,594.25
Fire Department Software	
Fire Department Office Supplies	\$ 531.48
Fire Department Payroll	\$ 38,000.00
Fire Department Training	\$ 3,095.00

Animal Control		Conservation Commission	\$ 5,388.83
Animal Control Personnel	\$ 1,937.50		
Animal Control Training	\$ 609.08	Economic Development	
Sheltering Animals	\$ 4,966.04	Economic Development Salary	\$ 1,072.30
TOTAL	\$ 7,512.62	Economic Development Expenses	\$ 10,146.80
		Coast Bus Operation	\$ 4,225.00
		TOTAL	\$ 15,444.10
Health Agencies		Principal-Long Term Bonds and Notes	
Rural District Health	\$ 12,018.00	Lease Purchases	\$ 34,997.38
NSC-JCDP/Chances	\$ 2,500.00	Principal	\$ 202,727.21
Sexual Assault Services	\$ 1,492.00	TOTAL	\$ 237,724.59
TOTAL	\$ 16,010.00		
Welfare Administration		Interest Long Term Bonds and Notes	
Welfare Director	\$ 3,217.40	Tax Anticipation Note Interest	
		Interest	\$ 83,201.41
Intergovernment Welfare Payments		TOTAL	\$ 83,201.41
Strafford County CAPP	\$ 4,000.00		
		Capitol Outlay-Machinery, Veh, Equip	
Welfare		Bridges	
Welfare-Medical	\$ 4,229.29	Encumber to 2003	\$ 500.00
Welfare- Rents Etc.	\$ 44,525.34	Revaluation	\$ 84,999.92
TOTAL	\$ 48,754.63	Capitol Outlay Machinery	\$ 4,500.00
		Capitol Outlay Vehicles	\$ 72,640.00
Parks & Recreation		Landfill Closure Activities	\$ 130,884.90
Recreation Payroll	\$ 86,444.76	Sidewalk Rehab	
Parks and Recreation Training	\$ 1,486.96	Encumber to 2003	\$ 10,000.00
Parks and Recreation Telephone	\$ 1,868.80	Roads	\$ 87,789.96
Recreation Department Supply	\$ 2,938.96	Encumber to 2003	\$ 4,210.00
Parks and Recreation Equipment	\$ 3,000.00	Fire Department Air Packs	\$ 11,860.00
Parks and Recreation Grant	\$ 999.20	TOTAL	\$ 407,384.78
Maintain Parks	\$ 4,452.42		
TOTAL	\$ 101,191.10	Capitol Outlay Improvements	
		Skid Steer Landfill	\$ 26,512.00
Farmington Library	\$ 118,574.92		
		Trans to the Capital Reserve Fund	
Patriotic Purposes	\$ 900.00	Public Facilities	\$ 2,500.00
		Capitol Reserve Fire Department	\$ 21,326.00
Other Culture & Recreation		Technology	\$ 1,000.00
Hay Day	\$ 2,289.83	Highway Equipment	\$ 58,550.00
Road Race	\$ 930.00	Ambulance	\$ 17,188.00
Summer Program	\$ 5,996.21	TOTAL	\$ 100,564.00
Girl's Club	\$ 1,699.45		
Boy's Club	\$ 500.00	Taxes Paid to County	
TOTAL	\$ 11,415.49	Strafford County Tax	\$ 531,950.00
Taxes Paid to School District			
SAU 61	\$ 2,546,643.84	Taxes Bought By Town	
		Kathy L. Seaver, Tax Collector	\$ 203,487.38
Miscellaneous		2001 Encumbrances	
BNH--Repurchase Agreement	\$ 1,000,000.00	01 Encumbrance Fire Dept	\$ 107.36
Transfer of NHPDIP	\$ 1,000,000.00	01 Encumbrance Road	
Prosecution Services Various Towns	\$ 15,510.88	Encumbrance to 2003	\$ 20,000.00
Trustee's Main Street Fence	\$ 4,443.75		

2002 PARKS & RECREATION-INCOME & EXPENDITURES

Beginning Balance 01-01-02 **\$ 3,755.45**

Parks & Recreation Income

After School Program	\$ 23,753.00
Hay Day	\$ 4,092.00
Nute Ridge Half Marathon	\$ 3,060.00
Summer Camp	\$ 48,384.85
JRHS Summer Trips	\$ 1,465.00
Various Programs	\$ 4,349.46
Family Fun Night Program	\$ 1,575.00
Pee Wee Cheering	\$ 2,475.68
Basketball Camp	\$ 460.00
Parks and Rec. State Grant	\$ 6,029.00
Senior Programs	\$ 5,216.79
Skate Board Park	\$ 1,500.00
Misc Expenses	\$ 1,946.80
	\$ 104,307.58

Parks & Recreation Expenditures

After School Program	\$ 24,689.84
Hay Day	\$ 3,581.43
Nute Ridge Half Marathon	\$ 2,498.00
Summer Camp	\$ 48,383.18
JRHS Summer Trips	\$ 185.00
Various Programs	\$ 4,068.10
Family Fun Night	\$ 2,045.00
Pee Wee Cheering	\$ 1,243.00
Basketball Camp	\$ 125.00
Parks and Rec. State Grant	\$ 6,693.30
Senior Programs	\$ 8,760.43
Skate Board Park	\$ 2,000.00
Misc. Expenses	\$ 2,820.81
	\$ 107,093.09

Balance 12/31/2002 **\$ 969.94**



2002 WATER DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

Balance Jan 1, 2002 \$ 155,782.36

Receipts

2001 Water Rents--March	\$	11,700.82
2001 Water Rents-September	\$	34,462.65
2002 Water Rents-March	\$	108,184.86
2002 Water Rents-September	\$	116,780.60
Finals	\$	3,137.92
Service Work	\$	2,855.34
Connections	\$	30,000.00
Water Rents Interest	\$	3,611.75
Well 6 State Reimbursement	\$	26,467.52
Now Interest	\$	2,281.91
Transfer from Capitol Reserve	\$	35,000.00
Total	\$	374,483.37

Expenditures

Water Dept. Administration

Water Department Personnel	\$	72,219.74
Treasurer	\$	772.00
Overtime	\$	2,121.25
Personnel Liabilities	\$	778.50
Health Insurance	\$	15,394.45
Disability	\$	1,112.68
FICA and Medicare	\$	6,050.25
ICMA Retirement	\$	2,683.61
Training	\$	50.00
Unemployment	\$	236.00
Workers Comp	\$	2,800.00
Auditor	\$	1,000.00
Uniforms	\$	1,062.20
Building and Liab. Insurance	\$	1,400.00
Vehicle Insurance	\$	2,193.00
Printing	\$	425.40
Dues	\$	354.50
Office Supplies	\$	694.64
Postage	\$	974.26
Bond Principal	\$	47,393.22
Bond Interest	\$	14,586.93
Consultants	\$	5,818.36

Water Treatment

Telephone	\$	1,735.05
Telemetry	\$	1,844.56
Electricity	\$	24,708.24
Hydant Maintenance	\$	1,102.46
Pump Repair	\$	4,465.56
Gas	\$	1,547.10
Diesel	\$	457.20



Vehicles	\$	761.49
Supplies	\$	1,732.00
Sodium Hydroxide	\$	5,214.76
Corrosion Control	\$	787.41
Petroleum	\$	2,013.92
New Equipment	\$	1,555.06
Maintenance	\$	575.15
Mainline Maintenance	\$	707.59
(Encumbered to 2003)	\$	1,790.00
Materials	\$	3,360.96
Tools/Misc	\$	2,965.35
Connection Fees	\$	19,500.00
01 Encumbered Consultants	\$	3,208.18
(Encumbered to 2003)	\$	5,000.00
01 Encumbered Water Meters	\$	16,469.69
(Encumbered to 2003)	\$	4,946.35
Trans to Capitol Reserve	\$	35,922.60
Withdrawal Capitol Reserve	\$	35,000.00
Total	\$	357,491.67

Beginning Bal. & Receipts	\$	530,265.73
2002 Expenses	\$	357,491.67
Refunds - Taxes	\$	106.43

Balance Dec 31, 2002 \$ 172,667.63

NH PDIP-Money Market

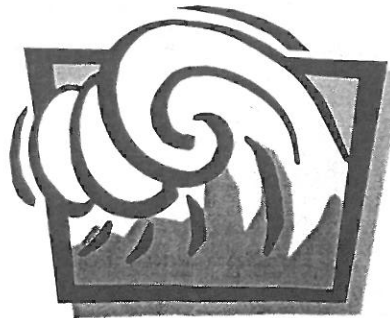
Balance Jan 01, 2002	\$	3,655.91
Interest	\$	54.67

Balance Dec 31, 2002 \$ 3,710.58

NH PDIP-Capitol Reserve

Balance Jan 01,2002	\$	110,974.02
Interest	\$	2,066.66
Connection Fees	\$	19,500.00
Transfer from NOW Account	\$	35,922.60
Transfer to NOW Account	\$	(35,000.00)

Balance Dec 31, 2002 \$ 103,463.28



NH-PDIP Wastewater Capital Reserve

Balance January 1, 2002	\$ 73,309.27
Interest Earned	\$ 983.47
2002 Connection Fees	\$ 11,250.00
Transfer to NOW Account	\$ (35,000.00)
Balance December 31, 2002	\$ 50,542.74

NH-PDIP Water Money Market

Balance January 1, 2002	\$ 3,655.91
Interest Earned	\$ 54.67
Balance December 31, 2002	\$ 3,710.58

NH-PDIP Water Capital Reserve

Balance January 1, 2002	\$ 110,974.02
Interest Earned	\$ 2,066.66
Connection Earned	\$ 19,500.00
Transfer From NOW Account	\$ 35,922.60
Transfer to NOW Account	\$ (35,000.00)
Balance December 31, 2001	\$ 133,463.28

NHPDIP General Funds

Beginning Balance January 1,2002	\$ 208,811.92
Deposits 2002	\$ 1,000,000.00
Interest Earned	\$ 3,553.77
Transfer to NOW	\$ (1,200,000.00)
Balance December 31,2001	\$ 12,365.69

Bank of New Hampshire

Repurchase Agreement (Dec 19,2002)	\$ 1,000,000.00
Interest to December 31, 2002	\$ 738.36
	\$ 1,000,738.36

NH-PDIP 2001 Bond

Beginning Balance January 1,2002	\$ 747,299.91
Interest Earned	\$ 9,754.52
State Bridge Aid	\$ 125,062.80
Transfer to Town NOW Bond Expenses	\$ (478,295.40)
Balance December 31, 2001	\$ 403,821.83

NH-PDIP Sarah Greenfield

Balance January 1, 2002	\$ 42,818.72
Interest Earned	\$ 641.24
Balance December 31, 2002	\$ 43,459.96

NH-PDIP Conservation Commission**Land Acquisition**

Balance January 01, 2002	\$ 56,789.64
2002 Interest	\$ 877.47
Deposits	\$ 14,214.00
Balance December 31, 2002	\$ 71,881.11



**Route 11 – Industrial Park Bond
Total \$830,000 @ Interest of 5.22 %**

<u>Principal Maturity Date</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>
April 15, 2003	\$16,998.75	
October 15, 2003	\$16,998.75	\$45,000.00
April 15, 2004	\$15,701.25	
October 15, 2004	\$15,761.25	\$45,000.00
April 15, 2005	\$14,580.00	
October 15, 2005	\$14,580.00	\$40,000.00
April 15, 2006	\$13,530.00	
October 15, 2006	\$13,530.00	\$40,000.00
April 15, 2007	\$12,480.00	
October 15, 2007	\$12,480.00	\$40,000.00
April 15, 2008	\$11,430.00	
October 15, 2008	\$11,430.00	\$40,000.00
April 15, 2009	\$10,380.00	
October 15, 2009		

**Well #6 Bond Issue
\$520,284 @ Interest of 2.865%**

<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Administrative Fee</u>	<u>Annual Payment</u>
11/01/03	\$57,332.23	\$7,484.72	\$4,013.26	\$68,830.21
11/01/04	\$55,635.65	\$6,225.63	\$3,338.14	\$65,199.42
11/01/05	\$53,599.76	\$4,998.18	\$2,679.99	\$61,277.93
11/01/06	\$51,054.89	\$3,808.70	\$2,042.20	\$56,905.79
11/01/07	\$47,661.74	\$2,666.67	\$1,429.85	\$51,758.26
11/01/08	\$42,572.01	\$1,587.94	\$851.44	\$45,011.39
11/01/09	\$32,392.55	\$604.12	\$323.93	\$33,320.60

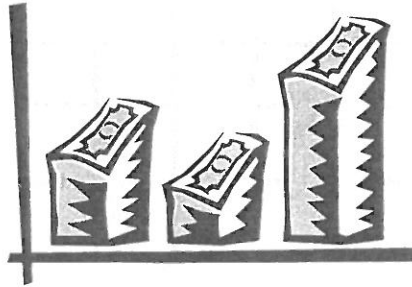
**WATER METER LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING
Water Department
2002-2006**

<u>Pmt #</u>	<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Payment Amount</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>
1	08-15-02	\$98,939.38	\$1,604.67	\$97,334.71
2	08-15-03	\$28,939.38	\$5,112.73	\$23,826.64
3	08-15-04	\$28,939.38	\$3,926.16	\$25,013.21
4	08-15-05	\$28,939.38	\$2,680.51	\$26,258.87
5	08-15-06	\$28,939.38	\$1,372.81	\$27,566.56
Totals		\$214,696.88	\$14,696.88	\$200,000.00



Town Clerk Report Year-Ending 12/31/02

1 Bridge Aid	\$ 107,020.80
4 Bad Check Fines	\$ 135.00
202 Building Permits	\$ 48,517.03
81 Certified Copies - Town	\$ 495.00
81 Certified Copies - State	\$ 937.00
10 Court Fines	\$ 5,395.80
1 Current Use Applications	\$ 16.00
6 Donations- Town	\$ 235.00
4 Downtown Committee	\$ 600.00
909 Overpopulation Dog Fee	\$ 1,820.00
17 Dog Fines	\$ 600.00
991 State Dog License Fees	\$ 496.50
996 Town Dog License Fees	\$ 4,538.50
12 Election Filings	\$ 17.00
49 Fire & Ambulance Income	\$ 49,504.62
3 Federal Forest	\$ 375.32
2 Fiscal Impact Study	\$ 12,500.00
4 Highway Subsidy	\$ 121,259.06
2 Impact Fee	\$ 14,400.00
22 Landfill Charges	\$ 13,170.26
4 Lanfill Reimbursement	\$ 1,000.00
42 Marriage License to State	\$ 1,596.00
42 Marriage Licenses to Town	\$ 294.00
5 Miscellaneous - Town	\$ 262.36
6174 Municipal Agent Fees	\$ 15,410.00
7934 Motor Vehicle Fees - Town	\$ 710,291.00
2 Oil Burner Permits	\$ 20.00
7 Parking Tickets	\$ 190.00
300 Pay Per Bag Dedicated Fund	\$ 103,750.00
2 Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 21,018.00
29 Photo Copies	\$ 631.00
10 Pistol Permits	\$ 550.00
48 Planning Board	\$ 5,902.00
2 Police Contract Reimbursement	\$ 9,500.00
11 Police Cruiser Revenue	\$ 6,029.91
21 Police Detail Payroll	\$ 12,650.62
9 Police Outside Services	\$ 6,255.23
11 Police Reports	\$ 1,959.05
10 Prosecution Fund	\$ 21,000.00
2 Reimbursement - Clarifier	\$ 21,282.50
13 Reimbursement - Cobra	\$ 9,080.59
11 Reimbursement - Court Time	\$ 3,240.00
1 Reimbursement - Fire Dept.	\$ 1,995.00
2 Reimbursement - Highway Dept.	\$ 459.33
1 Reimbursement - Ice Storm	\$ 1,676.50
2 Reimbursement - Insurance Line	\$ 2,608.79
2 Reimbursement - Legal Fees	\$ 10,392.65
1 Reimbursement - State Bridge	\$ 17,860.00
1 Reimbursement - Unemployment	\$ 435.73
33 Reimbursement - Welfare Dept.	\$ 2,699.67


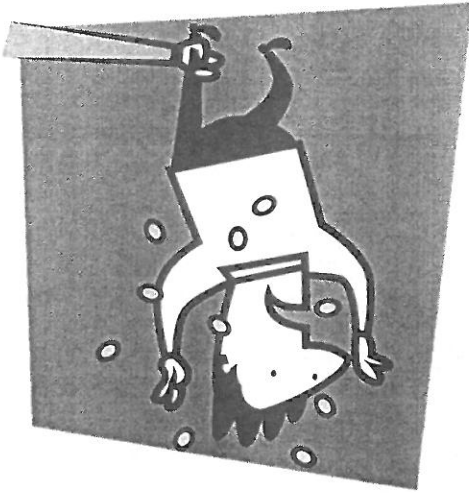


Tax Sale-Tax Lien Accounts Year-Ending 12-31-02

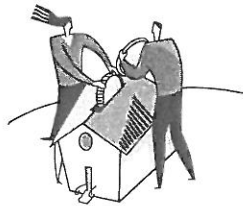
	Debits		
	Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies of 2001	2000	1999-Prior
<i>Balance of Unredeemed Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year</i>		\$143,251.80	\$139,105.22
<i>Liens Executed during Fiscal Yr.</i>	\$203,487.38		
<i>Interest & Cost Collected After Lien Execution</i>	\$3,713.43	\$11,088.21	\$36,074.82
TOTAL DEBITS	\$207,200.81	\$154,340.01	\$175,180.04
	Credits		
<i>Remittances to Treasurer during Fiscal Year Redemption</i>	\$59,883.34	\$60,193.08	\$69,776.27
<i>Deeded During Year</i>			
<i>Abatements During Year</i>		\$802.98	\$2,308.27
<i>Interest & Costs after Lien</i>	\$3,713.43	\$11,088.21	\$36,074.82
<i>Unredeemed Taxes End of Year</i>	\$143,604.04	\$82,255.74	\$67,020.68
TOTAL CREDITS	\$207,200.81	\$154,340.01	\$175,180.04



**Tax Collector's Report
Summary of Water-Wastewater Accounts
Year-Ending 12-31-02**

		Debits
		Levies of:
		2001/2002
Uncollected Beginning of Year:		
Water Rents		\$46,221.37
Water Services		2,467.51
Water Finals		\$359.07
Sewer Rents		\$45,937.10
Sewer Services		\$958.50
Sewer Finals		\$110.26
		
Taxes Committed this Year:		
Water Rents		\$266,940.05
Water Services		\$3,107.34
Water Connection Fees		\$31,000.00
Water Finals		\$3,043.72
Sewer Rents		\$194,972.27
Sewer Services		\$448.30
Sewer Connection Fees		\$16,000.00
Sewer Finals		\$3,229.01
Interest Collected on Delinquents		\$7,067.04
TOTAL DEBITS		\$621,861.54
		
Remitted to Treasurer During Yr:		Credits
Water Rents		\$271,128.93
Water Services		\$2,855.34
Water Connection Fees		\$30,000.00
Water Finals		\$3,137.92
Sewer Rents		\$199,000.79
Sewer Services		\$390.80
Sewer Connection Fees		\$16,000.00
Sewer Finals		\$3,014.45
Water Interest		\$3,611.75
Sewer Interest		\$3,455.29
Abatements Made:		
Water Rents		\$5,002.79
Water Finals		\$264.87
Sewer Rents		\$8,740.64
Sewer Finals		\$324.82
Water Connections		\$1,000.00
Uncollected End of Fiscal Year		
Water Rents		\$37,029.70
Water Services		\$2,719.51
Sewer Rents		\$33,167.94
Sewer Services		\$1,016.00
TOTAL CREDITS		\$621,861.54

Ferland, Beverly	\$	873.02			
First Equity Partners, Inc.	\$	12,557.96			
Fisher, Daniel & Anita	\$	531.75	\$	371.31	
Foster, Charles & Ursula	\$	527.42	\$	551.46	
Freeman, Dennis	\$	202.75			
Gordon, Marcus L. Jr.	\$	962.44	\$	968.43	
Gorman, Dennis & Roberta	\$	5,219.96			
Gosselin, Donald	\$	859.78	\$	899.86	
Gray, Dean	\$	538.46			
Guay, Lawrence	\$	237.52			
Gullison, Joyce	\$	484.38	\$	370.92	
Gullison, Joyce	\$	1,989.00			
Haen, Lloyd Estate	\$	100.15	\$	103.98	
Ham, Ernest J.	\$	105.46			
Hapsis, Michael & Margaret	\$	1,706.48	\$	1,845.39	\$ 1,844.48
Henderson, Martha	\$	523.80			
Hodgdon, Royce Estate	\$	943.99	\$	1,279.63	\$ 468.41
Hogan, Kevin D.	\$	1,354.43	\$	1,419.63	
Hogan, Kimberly	\$	1,727.62	\$	1,810.31	
Howard, Ilene	\$	1,368.89	\$	1,230.74	
James, Kenneth	\$	2,605.82	\$	2,528.58	
James, Kenneth	\$	115.99	\$	121.33	
James, Kenneth	\$	407.46	\$	426.28	
James, Kenneth	\$	97.21	\$	101.27	
James, Kenneth	\$	143.59	\$	150.24	
Johnston, Robert H. & Norma J.	\$	486.81	\$	346.07	
Kalar, Kenneth A.	\$	535.17	\$	469.25	
Kalar, Kenneth A. & Janet M.	\$	1,346.67	\$	1,410.72	
Karpenko, Kevin R.	\$	217.87			
Kendrick, Mahala	\$	1,289.40			
Kimball, Howard & Nancy	\$	796.83	\$	834.18	\$ 564.47
Kimball, Howard W. III	\$	455.88			
King, Lindsay Et Al	\$	385.72			
Laquerre, Donald & Darlene	\$	1,031.41	\$	87.60	
Laquerre, Donald & Darlene	\$	774.04			
Leavy, Cal	\$	179.62	\$	187.48	
Lebrun, Thomas & Antoinette	\$	30.13			
Libby, James A. & Linda J.	\$	496.66	\$	86.19	
Lopes, Kevin & Asaro, Glen	\$	317.64	\$	332.18	
Lougee, Joseph Harry	\$	2,113.70	\$	2,712.56	
Lougee, Joseph Harry	\$	292.24			
Lumbert, George	\$	377.30	\$	394.53	\$ 746.26
Lumbert, George	\$	352.30	\$	369.53	\$ 698.26
Masson, Joseph	\$	2,179.21	\$	2,284.43	\$ 3,917.99
Masson, Joseph	\$	1,041.24	\$	1,091.86	\$ 4,755.90
McCabe, James	\$	1,454.88	\$	1,525.37	\$ 1,506.74
McCarthy, Shaun & Donna	\$	224.88	\$	234.23	\$ 221.05
Mccollum, Joseph W. & Lisa W.	\$	788.99	\$	413.30	
McCormack, Douglas	\$	1,401.34	\$	1,243.39	\$ 2,104.45
Migneault, Amalia	\$	269.05	\$	280.97	\$ 4,941.35
Miller, Marie	\$	1,588.90	\$	1,899.72	\$ 2,797.74
Morley, William Jr.	\$	499.41			



Trustees of the Trust Funds Accounts
Period Ending December 31, 2002

Name of Trust Fund	Fund Purpose	How Invested	PRINCIPAL		New Funds Created	Gains/Losses on Securities	Withdrawals	Transfers In / (Out)	Balance End of Yr	INCOME		Income During Year % Amount	Expended During Yr	Transfers In / (Out)	Balance End of Yr	Grand Total P&I End of Yr
			% Balance	Balance Beg. Of Yr						Balance Beg of Yr	Balance End of Yr					
Nonexpendable Trusts																
Isabelle Billings	Town Poor	15mth CD	\$ 22,882.12	\$ 22,882.12					\$ 22,882.12	\$ 6,799.24	\$ 691.48				\$ 7,490.72	\$ 30,372.84
Samuel Burnham	Cemetery	15mth CD	\$ 1,649.99	\$ 1,649.99					\$ 1,649.99	\$ 791.49	\$ 56.87				\$ 848.36	\$ 2,498.35
Leon Hayes	Town Benefit	15mth CD	\$ 128,376.20	\$ 128,376.20					\$ 128,376.20	\$ 22,998.58	\$ 3,916.72	\$ 130.00			\$ 26,765.30	\$ 155,161.50
Leon Hayes	Town Benefit	486sh UCL	\$ 16,767.00	\$ 16,767.00					\$ 16,767.00	\$ 729.00	\$ (2,357.10)				\$ (1,628.10)	\$ 15,138.90
Simpson-Cotton	Town Benefit	BNH-REPO	\$ 23,808.69	\$ 23,808.69		\$ 3,291.00			\$ 20,517.69	\$ 1,218.06	\$ 393.91	\$ 1,500.00			\$ 111.97	\$ 20,629.66
Nathaniel Home	Cemetery	BNH-REPO	\$ 767.52	\$ 767.52					\$ 767.52	\$ 1,770.03	\$ 42.38				\$ 1,812.41	\$ 2,579.93
Helen McLaughlin	Needy Children	BNH-REPO	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00					\$ 15,000.00	\$ 557.72	\$ 256.63	\$ 687.43			\$ 126.92	\$ 15,126.92
Joseph McLaughlin	Hospital Care	BNH-REPO	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00					\$ 15,000.00	\$ 7,858.59	\$ 381.80				\$ 8,240.39	\$ 23,240.39
Thayer Tree Fund	Trees	BNH-REPO	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00					\$ 5,000.00	\$ 707.76	\$ 95.33				\$ 803.09	\$ 5,803.09
Jas & Beulah Thayer	Town Clock	15mth CD	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00					\$ 4,000.00	\$ 311.68	\$ 100.45				\$ 412.13	\$ 4,412.13
J E Thayer Fund	Town Benefit	BNH-REPO	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00					\$ 100,000.00	\$ 4,359.12	\$ 1,730.08	\$ 5,000.00			\$ 1,089.20	\$ 101,089.20
			\$ 333,251.52	\$ 333,251.52	\$ -	\$ 3,291.00			\$ 329,960.52	\$ 48,101.27	\$ 5,308.55	\$ 7,317.43			\$ 46,092.39	\$ 376,052.91
Capital Reserve Funds																
Landfill Study	Dump Closure	BNH-REPO	\$ 26,288.52	\$ 26,288.52		\$ 27,332.37			\$ 54,355.74	\$ 68,076.53	\$ 1,458.45			\$ 4,045.13	\$ 73,580.11	\$ 126,892.00
		EatonVance	\$ 54,355.74	\$ 54,355.74					\$ 54,355.74	\$ 3,777.75	\$ 267.38				\$ -	\$ -
Highway Department	Equipment	BNH-REPO	\$ 154,327.89	\$ 154,327.89	\$ 58,550.00	\$ 37,500.00			\$ 175,377.89	\$ 5,106.73	\$ 1,868.85				\$ 6,975.58	\$ 182,353.47
Trash Bag	Dump Closure	BNH-REPO	\$ 52,058.00	\$ 52,058.00	\$ 84,356.46	\$ 129,064.53			\$ 681,667.22	\$ 71,571.42	\$ 2,233.05			\$ 30,173.83	\$ 103,978.30	\$ 785,665.52
		EatonVance	\$ 278,116.19	\$ 278,116.19					\$ 278,116.19	\$ 16,384.91	\$ (1,019.77)				\$ 15,365.14	\$ -
		EatonVance	\$ 396,221.10	\$ 396,221.10					\$ 396,221.10	\$ 16,142.84	\$ (1,334.15)				\$ 14,808.69	\$ -
Bandstand	Maintenance	BNH-REPO	\$ 841.79	\$ 841.79					\$ 841.79	\$ 137.33	\$ 16.35				\$ 153.68	\$ 995.47
Ambulance	Ambulance	BNH-REPO	\$ 13,389.30	\$ 13,389.30	\$ 17,188.00				\$ 30,577.30	\$ 632.44	\$ 358.13				\$ 990.57	\$ 31,567.87
Fire Department	Equipment	BNH-REPO	\$ 28,900.00	\$ 28,900.00					\$ 13,900.00	\$ 568.58	\$ 260.04				\$ 828.62	\$ 15,828.62
Fire Dept - CRA	Equipment	BNH-REPO			\$ 21,326.00				\$ 13,900.00	\$ 35,226.00	\$ 151.97				\$ 151.97	\$ 35,377.97
Future Technology	Technology	BNH-REPO	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00					\$ 2,000.00	\$ 0.06	\$ 71.74				\$ 176.11	\$ 2,071.80
Town Maintenance	Maintenance	BNH-REPO	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 15,620.00			\$ 4,360.00	\$ 176.11	\$ 176.11				\$ 176.11	\$ 4,556.11
			\$ 1,022,998.53	\$ 1,022,998.53	\$ 184,920.46	\$ 209,516.90			\$ 988,402.09	\$ 182,398.59	\$ 4,508.15				\$ 186,906.74	\$ 1,185,308.83
Agencies																
Annie Thayer	Scholarship	15mth CD	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00					\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,076.69	\$ 164.86				\$ 2,241.55	\$ 7,241.55
Beulah Thayer	Scholarship	BNH-REPO	\$ 224.78	\$ 224.78					\$ 27,610.32	\$ 27,835.10	\$ 11.43			\$ 6,536.62	\$ 6,557.58	\$ 34,392.68
		EatonVance	\$ 27,610.32	\$ 27,610.32					\$ 27,610.32	\$ 7,384.60	\$ 152.02	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 6,536.62	\$ -
C & E Webster Fund	Scholarship	BNH-REPO	\$ 36,126.89	\$ 36,126.89					\$ 49,561.80	\$ 85,688.69	\$ 15,454.18				\$ 151,917.67	\$ 187,044.56
		EatonVance	\$ 49,561.80	\$ 49,561.80					\$ 49,561.80	\$ (723.84)	\$ (1,449.79)				\$ -	\$ 101,377.70
James Thayer	Scholarship	BNH-REPO	\$ 47,500.00	\$ 47,500.00		\$ 400,000.00			\$ 47,500.00	\$ 4,920.05	\$ 849.64	\$ 2,500.00			\$ 3,289.69	\$ 50,789.69
FSD New Facility CRF	High School	BNH-REPO	\$ 379,641.00	\$ 379,641.00					\$ (20,359.00)	\$ 176,814.20	\$ 6,361.99				\$ 183,176.19	\$ 162,817.19
FSD Art III 1985	School Bus	15mth CD	\$ 669.66	\$ 669.66					\$ 669.66	\$ 92.88	\$ 17.77				\$ 110.65	\$ 780.31
FSD Bus CRF	Improvements	15mth CD	\$ 5,007.90	\$ 5,007.90	\$ 25,000.00				\$ 30,007.90	\$ 338.05	\$ 279.50				\$ 617.55	\$ 30,625.45
FSD BLD/GRDS CRF 93	Ballfields	15mth CD	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 100,000.00				\$ 150,000.00	\$ 22,845.91	\$ 2,371.44				\$ 25,217.35	\$ 175,217.35
Outdoor Athletic Fields	Construction	15mth CD	\$ 100,111.07	\$ 100,111.07	\$ 10,000.00				\$ 110,111.07	\$ 16,166.20	\$ 2,770.87				\$ 18,937.07	\$ 129,048.14
SAU61 Cap Improvement	Computers	15mth CD	\$ 360,000.00	\$ 360,000.00		\$ 300,000.00			\$ 60,000.00	\$ 44,831.78	\$ 6,654.12				\$ 51,485.90	\$ 111,485.90
SAU61 Tech Fund	Equipment	BNH-REPO	\$ 29,972.16	\$ 29,972.16	\$ 10,000.00				\$ 39,972.16	\$ 2,189.77	\$ 540.32				\$ 2,730.09	\$ 42,702.25
School Equipment Fund	Equipment	BNH-REPO	\$ 1,091,425.58	\$ 1,091,425.58	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 700,000.00			\$ 20,000.00	\$ 292,400.00	\$ 19,057.29	\$ 3,500.00			\$ 310,130.92	\$ 866,566.50
Totals			\$ 2,447,675.63	\$ 2,447,675.63	\$ 349,920.46	\$ 912,807.90			\$ 1,884,788.19	\$ 522,899.86	\$ 28,873.99	\$ 10,817.43		\$ 2,173.63	\$ 543,130.05	\$ 2,427,918.24

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

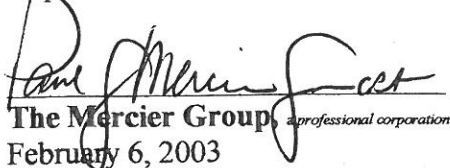
To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Farmington, New Hampshire
Farmington, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Farmington as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Farmington, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2002, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Farmington, New Hampshire. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.


The Mercier Group, *a professional corporation*
February 6, 2003

2002 TOWN MEETING MINUTES
Town of Farmington
March 13, 2002

Moderator, John Scruton opened the meeting at 7:10. After a presentation of the flag by Boy Scout Troop 88, the moderator led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Randall Goslin, Acting Fire Chief along with Douglas Houston and Don Vachon were called to the podium. They presented former Fire Chief Richard Moulton with a plaque for his years of service to the Fire Department and Town of Farmington.

The moderator had the head tables introduce themselves. Town Clerk, Kathy Seaver, then read the results of the election (Articles 1-4) from yesterday.

Article 1.

To choose one Selectman for three years, one Treasurer for one year, one Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years, three Budget Committee Members for three years, two Budget Committee Members for two years, one Supervisor of the Checklist for four years, one Supervisor of the Checklist for six years, and one Moderator for two years. (Official Ballot)

Article 2.

Are you in favor of increasing the board of selectmen to 5 members? (Official Ballot)

Yes 212 No 140

Article 3.

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance adopted March 13, 2001 as follows:

Yes 206 No 117

Section 1.04

(C) (1) Existing lots of record are exempt from dimensional requirements. Setback requirements must be met and the lot must have a minimum of 50' frontage on a street giving access.

Section 1.14

(A) For lots that meet the subdivision criteria, the provisions of each district shall apply to each portion of the lot.

(B) For lots that cannot be subdivided, the provisions of the district where the greatest street frontage exists, shall apply to the entire lot.

Section 2.01

(B) Table Minimum Side Setback

- Non-residential buildings or structures, including agricultural buildings
- One (1) foot for each foot of height, but not less than 15 feet

Section 2.07 (B) Table

Front setback (principal and accessory buildings 50').

Section 2.08 (B) Table

Front setback (principal and accessory buildings 50').

Section 2.09 Section VI (A.)

- **Financial Institutions** - add PR in ORB district
- **Financial Institutions with a drive-through** - add PR in VC district.

Main Street School. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund known as the **Main Street School Operations & Maintenance Fund**, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of revenue. **The Budget Committee recommends this article. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Included in Article 16) (Majority ballot vote).**

William Tsiros made a motion to approve, seconded by Mary Barron. Being no discussion, the Moderator asked to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The motion was approved by a show of cards vote.

Article 6.

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict one hundred percent (100%) of revenues derived from working of outside details by members of the Farmington Police Department for the purpose of paying the cost of said details and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be offset by said revenues, with no impact on the general tax rate, for the purpose of providing and reimbursing police personnel for said details. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund known as the **Police Department Outside Detail Fund**, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose in support of the Town of Farmington Police Department. **The Budget Committee recommends this article. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Included in Article 16) (Majority ballot vote).**

Gerry McCarthy made a motion to approve, seconded by John Fitch. Being no discussion, the moderator asked to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The motion was approved by a show of cards vote.

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 (Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) to be added to the Public Buildings Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2000 by Town Meeting vote). The purpose of this fund is to offset the cost of expensive building maintenance activities such as roof replacement and other large-scale maintenance or repair projects. The Board of Selectmen are the agents of this Capital Reserve Fund. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Included in Article 16) (Majority vote required).**

Ed Parent made a motion to approve, seconded by Mary Barron. Being no discussion, the moderator asked to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The motion was approved by a show of cards vote.

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Future Technology Improvements Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2000 by Town Meeting vote). The purpose of this fund is to offset the cost of future computer and communications technology needs for municipal operations. The Board of Selectmen are the agents of this Capital Reserve Fund. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Included in Article 16) (Majority vote required).**

Walter Mills made a motion to approve, seconded by Mark McGowan. After a short discussion, the moderator asked to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The motion was approved by a show of cards vote.

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,326 (Twenty-one Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-six Dollars) to be added to the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund in accordance with the Farmington Capital Improvement Program. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Included in Article 16) (Majority Vote Required).**

Article 14.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$76,000 (Seventy-six Thousand Dollars) for the purchase of a new plow truck and authorize the withdrawal of up to \$37,500 from the Highway motorized Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize the use of \$38,500 from the December 31, 2001 fund balance. **The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Included in Article 16) (Majority Vote Required).**

Mary Barron made a motion to approve, seconded by Ed Parent. After some discussion, the moderator asked to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The motion was approved by a show of cards vote.

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend and authorize the withdrawal of up to \$26,512 (Twenty-six Thousand Five Hundred Twelve Dollars) from the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund established per vote of the legislative body (1986) for the purpose of defraying costs associated with the closure of the Landfill. This appropriation is for the purchase of a skid steer for the landfill/recycling center in anticipation of a December 31, 2003 closure of the Town Landfill. **The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Not included in Article 16) (Majority Vote Required).**

Gerry McCarthy made a motion to approve, seconded by John Fitch. After a short discussion, Mark McGowan asked to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The article was approved by a show of cards vote.

Article 16.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,418,500 (Four Million Four Hundred Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) for the operation, expenses, and commitments of Town Government which represents the bottom line of column No. 8 (The Budget Committee's Budget) in the posted budget (MS-7). **Said sum includes Articles 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 14. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation. The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).**

Gerry McCarthy made a motion to approve \$4,443,917, not including articles 13 and 15. This was seconded by Todd Gray. Doug Houston made a motion to amend by \$29,509. This was seconded by David McGuigan. After some discussion, it was decided that this, coupled with Gerrys' motion, resulted in some double appropriation. A friendly amendment was offered to have the increase be \$18,918. This was accepted by Doug and Dave. After some discussion, the moderator asked to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The amendment was approved by a show of cards vote. Todd Gray made a motion to amend by \$2,500 for the Juvenile Court Diversion program. This was seconded by Arthur Capello. After some discussion, the amendment was approved by a show of cards vote. Mark McGowan asked to call the question. The moderator said he was going to wait to call the question to see if there were any more amendments to be offered. Mary Barron made a motion to add \$20,000 for the resource Officer. Mark McGowan seconded the motion. There was some question as to whether this should be in the school budget. Mary withdrew her amendment and Mark withdrew his second. After some discussion and talk of amendments, it was decided to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The main motion, as amended (\$4,465,335), was approved by a show of cards vote. Gerry McCarthy made a motion to restrict reconsideration of articles 1-16. The moderator asked to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The motion was approved by a show of cards vote.

Article 17.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder municipal vehicles and other equipment as determined by the Selectmen. **(Majority Vote Required)**

Ed Parent made a motion to approve, duly seconded. Being no discussion, the moderator asked to call the question. This was approved by a show of cards vote. The motion was approved by a show of cards vote.



2002 Parks & Recreation Department



2002 was another great year for the Parks & Recreation Department. Recreation staff now includes – Kerry Mucher, Director, Kellie Chase, Assistant Director and Kim Brackett Program Assistant. We also have many dedicated part time and seasonal employees as well as a number of volunteers that help to make our programs successful.

Attendance in our senior programs continued to grow this year. We currently offer bingo every Wednesday in the Town Hall gym. On any given day you will find close to 100 seniors playing bingo. We also offer free monthly meals and serve close to 100 people. Other activities offered during the year include many trips to area lunch and activity spots as well as trips for adults to Foxwoods Casino. We plan to continue to offer many programs for this population and hope more seniors get involved in the activities we are offering throughout the year.



One of the most popular programs in town is our Summer Day Camp for students entering grades 1-7. Last year over 100 participant spaces were filled in a few days time. Registration for our 8-week camp program occurs the first Thursday in May. This past summer we offered a program for 50 children in grades K-3 and 55 children in grades 4-7. The theme for the summer was "Rec Around The World". Summer staff members planned a great summer packed full of fun. Our summer staff did a tremendous job keeping our campers happy & safe all summer. Recreation Program Assistant Ryan Smith, (who left us in November) along with supervisors Kevin Mosher & Jill Langis did an excellent job planning and supervising this program. Summer camp 2003 registration will take place on Thursday, May 1st from 5 – 6pm in the Town Hall Gym.

In addition to our camp program, we offered a 6 week Teen Trip Program for students in grades 5-8. This summer we traveled to 3 different locations during the week in our 15-passenger van. Some of the places visited include, Funtown, Water Country, Deep Sea Fishing and Old Orchard Beach as well as many other exciting attractions. This program was successful with an average of 13 participants per trip. Information on the 2003 program will be released in May. We are planning on 3 trips a week on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday's.

"Family Nights at Fernald Park" continues to be one of the favorite family programs we offer during the year. In the summer of 2002 we offered 6 weeks of free family entertainment at Fernald Park. Acts varied from magicians to singers. This program has become a great summer event for many Farmington families and we would like to thank all of our sponsors for helping us provide this great community event. Family Nights will return for the summer of 2003.

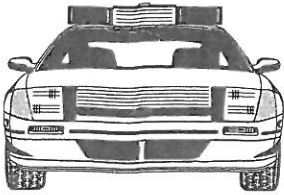
2002 was the third year of our "After Hours" program for students in grades 5-8. The Recreation Department received an \$11,000 Health Care Fund – Community Grant for the 2002-2003 school year to provide free after school programs and special events. This program is a joint effort between the Recreation Department and the staff at the Henry Wilson Memorial School. Over 300 students have participated in programs including homework

help session, computer lab class, sports, arts and crafts, sewing club, cheering club, trips and special events. This is a great free program so get your 5th – 8th graders involved. The program will undergo some changes for the 2003-2004 school year including clubs and activities being offered at the Recreation Department as well as in the Junior High School. We hope to expand this program to offer classes to students in grades 1-8. Details will be coming in the fall of 2003.



Other special events & programs offered during the year include our annual egg hunt, trick or treat parade, elementary grade 3,4 & 5 socials, junior high dances, midnight madness programs, toddler sports and craft programs, karate and many other programs.

Hay Day 2002 theme was "All American" Hay Day honoring the men & women who serve our country each and every day. The day was packed full of fun activities for the entire family. The highlight of the day by far was the Noontime Parade. The parade was a huge success with nearly 75 participants ranging from bands to clowns to



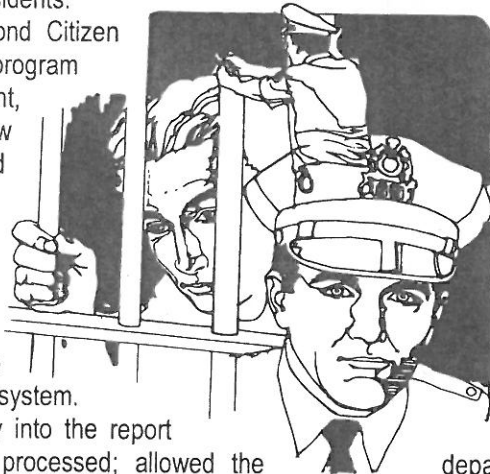
2002 Farmington Police, Fire & Rescue Annual Reports

Police Department

The department continued to move forward in 2002. The most notable change to citizens with scanners is that radio transmissions could no longer be monitored. The department, as well as all of the other police departments in the state, transitioned from an analog radio system to digital. I have mixed feelings about the transition. Although radio transmissions are more secure, which provides greater officer safety, the citizens of this community are deprived of an essential crime prevention tool. Citizens can no longer listen to transmissions and provide information to officers, when needed. I cannot count the number of crimes that have been solved from tips from those concerned citizens who were listening to scanners.

In 2002 the department was able to continue to provide programs and opportunities for the community. Detective Drury fingerprinted over 200 children on Hay Day; Lt. Willey, in conjunction with the Department of Juvenile Justice Services, instituted the JOLT (Juvenile Offender Locator Team) program; Sgt. Dugas conducted bicycle safety classes for children; SRO Durkin helped teach a law class at the high school and the officers personally distributed over 500 surveys to residents.

We conducted the second Citizen format. As part of the program tours of the police department, County Dispatch, and New and Training. They also witnessed demonstration. We will be fall and encourage anyone department. A Citizen Academy and expertise to compile the the department a tremendous



The department also system as part of the computer system. photos to be downloaded directly into the report amount of film purchased and processed; allowed the by entering a suspect's physical information and has saved the department's personnel valuable time.

Academy under the revamped participants were treated to Strafford County Jail, Strafford Hampshire Police Standards a district court trial and a K-9 offering the program again in the interested to contact the graduate volunteered her time results of the survey; this saved amount of man-hours.

installed a digital imaging This system allows digital file. It has greatly reduced the department to create photo lineups just

The department also made the most of grants and donations to meet some equipment needs. Anonymous donors generously provided the department with funds to buy a surveillance camera system and other investigative equipment. This equipment has been used in investigations and helped us solve a number of crimes that might have otherwise gone unsolved.

There will be a number of changes for 2003. The number of officers in the department has been reduced from 13 to 12 full time officers. The benefit is that officers received a raise with no impact to the taxpayer. Furthermore, the department is in the process of creating a Crimeline that will allow citizens to pass on information about crimes anonymously. Also, we plan to start a Police Explorer program for local youths in September.

As always the department is committed to providing the best police service possible within our budget. We welcome input and comments from the public.

Scott R. Roberge
Chief of Police

2002 Department of Water & Waste Management

Water Department

The Water Department pumped an average of 297,300 gallons per day of water that meets all current federal and state requirements. We mailed out our fourth Annual Water Quality Report to all of our customers describing the quality of the water they are required by USEPA related to drinking water look their report over. If you have any please call us at 755-4883. All the water metering program. Thanks to everyone for take the time to clean out around fire hydrants and obviously provides a higher level of fire

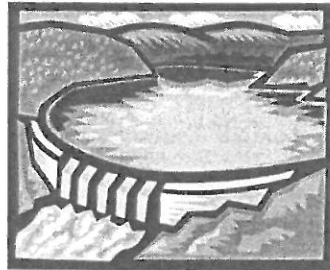


We will continue our search for a extremely difficult to locate a site that meets supplies. As time goes on, with developmental impacts and environmental issues it will become increasingly difficult to locate a new supply. Our goal is to locate an additional source and be able to protect that source(s) from growth impact.

receiving as well as some mandatory language issues. I hope everyone had an opportunity to questions concerning your drinking water, meters were installed for the new radio read cooperating. Also, I want to thank those who after each snowstorm. That is a big help to us safety for those areas.

future long-term water supply. It is getting the NHDES criteria for new public water

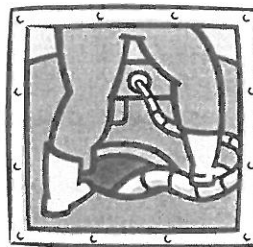
Respectfully submitted,
Dale Sprague



Wastewater Department

The Wastewater Treatment Facility continues to operate very well with an average biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) average removal efficiency of 94.6% and a total suspended solids (TSS) average removal efficiency of 96.1%. These two parameters are well above the permit. The wastewater flows averaged

The comprehensive study of the evaluated. However, in order to reach a DES and EPA, which may not be made to proceed with a limited scope of work, new mechanical equipment that would be equipment required for dependability and performance. This portion of the project will be designed in 2003 with a tentative schedule of bidding in November/December 2003 and construction April/May 2004.



minimum 85% removal required by our 174,100 gallons per day. facility has been completed and alternatives final conclusion we need data from the NH available to us until 2004 or 2005. We plan which entails replacements and additions of part of the larger facility upgrade. This is redundancy and to help improve plant

When the required data and information becomes available from NHDES we will proceed with the rest of the facility upgrade which includes new aeration, sludge handling and disposal and septage management.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Sprague

2002 CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE REPORT

This has been an extremely busy year for this office with Tom Rozwadowski who was Code Enforcement Officer leaving in March and new Code Enforcement Officer Paul Charron coming on board April 1st. The Department has had many new challenges for many applications to come before the Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustment, research on developing new Private Road Standards, research into many legal issues to face the boards this year. Overall it has been a busy year.



Both the Code Enforcement Officer Osborne have attended Planning and with Fran recording the minutes of the

There have been (163) building million eight hundred ninety nine thousand (\$7,899,580.00). The CEO has done care facilities, apartment buildings, etc. information for applications coming public hearings. The workload seems to be greater this year. Overall it seems to have been the busiest year in the last several years.

(CEO) Paul Charron and Secretary Fran Zoning Board of Adjustment meetings, meetings.

permits issued in 2002 valued at seven five hundred eighty dollars many inspections for building permits, child The CEO has reviewed required before the PB and ZBA for scheduled

There were also (66) electrical permits issued for a total of (\$1,370.00) and (18) plumbing permits issued for a total of (\$350.00).

The Building Permits (163) are broken down as follows:

New Homes	43
Sheds	9
Mobile Homes	22
Miscellaneous	12
Apartment Buildings & Repairs to Same	3
Garages/Carports (2)	17
Replacement Homes	2
Open & 3-Season Porches	9
Deck	6
Additions	18
Renovations/Repairs	2
Signs	3
Above Ground Pools	5
Roof Over Mobile Home	3
Office Building/Self Storage Units	2 (one each)
Pole Barns	3
Convert Single Family to Duplex	2

There were (687) inspections conducted related to building permits (to include foundation, framing, electrical, plumbing, certificates of occupancy), child care facilities, violations, junk yards, earth removal operations, etc.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Charron, Code Enforcement Officer
Town of Farmington

New Planning Board members this year were Brad Anderson, Martin Chagnon, Charlie King, Christina Purdum, William Tsiros and Gerald White.

At present the Planning Board consists of 7 regular board members - Norman Russell-Chairman; Jim Horgan-Vice Chairman; Troy Robidas-Secretary; Brad Anderson; Hiram Watson; Martin Chagnon and Selectmen's Representative John Fitch. Alternate board members include Gerald White; Charlie King; William Tsiros; Christina Purdum.

The Planning Board is made up entirely of dedicated volunteers. Applications to become a board member are available in the Code Enforcement Office and Selectmens Office. Planning Board meetings are held at 7:00 p. m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. The public is encouraged and welcome to attend. Planning Board Meetings have been well attended by the public this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Russell, Chairman
Planning Board
Town of Farmington

2002 ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT YEARLY REPORT

This has been a busy year for the Zoning Board of Adjustment with thirteen (13) meetings being held this year.

Meetings which included public hearings this year included:

- (7) Applications for Variances
- (3) Appeals from an Administrative Decision
- (1) Motion for Rehearing
- (1) Site Walk
- (2) Motions to Rehear & reconsider ZBA Decision
- (1) Application for Special Exception

Chairman Paul Parker has been an active member of the Subcommittee meetings for the Planning Board Subcommittee on reviewing and amending the Master Plan/Zoning Ordinance changes. Board members attended conferences throughout the year.

Kelly Parlman, Vice Chairman and Liaison for the Planning Board/Zoning Board of Adjustment resigned in October due to her moving out of the area.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment Paul Parker - Chairman; Margaret Gary Feroz. Alternate board Reinauer and Gordon Grant. Selectmen and anyone with an member is encouraged to contact 755-2774 or inquire at the Applications are available in the Code Enforcement Office.



consists of four (4) regular members: Russell - Secretary; John Law; and members include Jeffrey Members are appointed by the interest in becoming a volunteer the Code Enforcement Office at Selectmen's Office at 755-2208.

2002 Rochester/Rural District VNA & Hospice

Your VNA continues to serve your community as a private, independent, non-profit home health agency certified by Medicare and licensed by the state in home health and hospice. Your VNA & Hospice provides high quality care in a cost-effective, caring manner. In addition to our full range of home health and hospice services, we are supported by a dedicated group of volunteers providing companionship and respite to patients and families.

Our Board of Directors, including your Board Representative, Robert Moriarty, are continually evaluating the health care needs in Farmington to ensure that decisions we make are in the best interest of your community. Your VNA & Hospice continues to serve patients regardless of their financial circumstances. Your town contribution is essential to meeting the intermittent skilled home health and hospice needs of those with little or no insurance.

Your VNA & Hospice (Rochester/Rural District Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice) has grown with a steady increase in admissions throughout 2002. The acuity of our patients has increased dramatically, requiring the skills of our nurse specialists. Our patients are sicker when they are admitted, many requiring home IV therapy and many more requiring complicated dressing procedures. We are facing many challenges: the two most critical include the shortage of nurses and the technical challenges of our computer system. The nursing shortage is a national problem and one way we are fighting the problem is by utilizing technology. We are moving forward with computers for the professional staff with the goal of decreasing paperwork and increasing efficiency. Via grant funding we are initiating a telehealth program.

Please know that you have a right to choose your home care and hospice provider. Choose quality combined with a long-standing commitment to your community. Ask for Your VNA & Hospice (Rochester/Rural District VNA & Hospice) by name. If you have any questions about the availability of care/services please call 332-1133 for information.

Thank you to everyone that has made personal contributions in support of our programs and memorial donations. We are proud to be meeting your home health and hospice needs and look forward to working with you in the future.

Visits Jan.-Oct. 2002, annualized

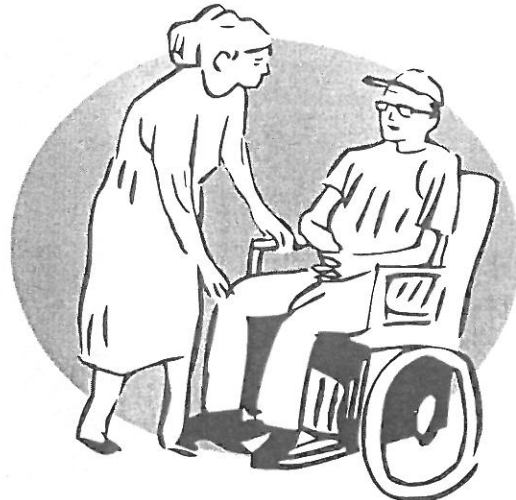
Skilled Nursing Visits	3708
Perinatal Visits	37
Physical Therapy	645
Occupational Therapy	180
Speech Therapy	15
Medical Social Worker	140
Home Care Aide	1728
Homemaker	1073
Nursing: non-billable	149
Office Visits	125
Bereavement	4
Total Visits	7804

% of Visits by Payor

Medicare	55%
Medicare/HCBC	24%
HCBC=(low income nursing home eligible)	
Insurance	11%
Other: self pay, grants, etc.	10%

Report submitted by:

Linda Hotchkiss, RN, MHSA, Executive Director



2002 Library Report

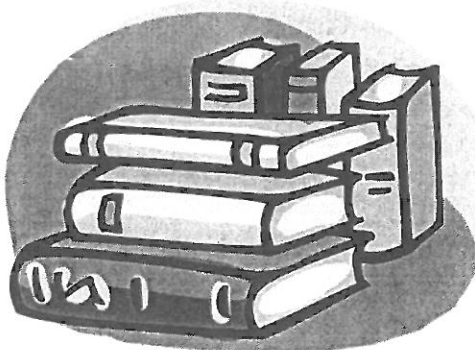
The Goodwin Library continued to grow and change in 2002 to meet the needs of its community in the 21st century. We added 677 new adult books, 120 Large Print, 1621 juvenile books, 65 videos and 84 audio books, for a total of 2585 new items for our patrons. We have 1868 patrons who borrowed 19,796 volumes. We now subscribe and/or have donated subscriptions to almost 60 magazines and five newspapers. We also borrowed 227 books on behalf of our patrons through the State Library Inter-Library Loan program, and loaned 167 items to other libraries. Our very bush staff answered 4062 reference questions in 2002. We offered our Book Club for adults and Story-Times for children, as well as the Summer Reading Program and services through the school year to 2nd and 3rd grades at the Valley View Elementary School. We reserved 403 items to support curriculum units for all three schools. We had 653 people attend our children's programming, and 163 adults attend our adult/family programming. We offered free family passes to six local attractions: NH Farm Museum, Children's Museum of Portsmouth, Odiome Science Center, Christa MacAuliffe Planetarium, Squam Lake Science Center, Strawberry Banke Museum, and the Play Zone. These passes circulated 91 times.

We continued to update our technology. Our web page has been redone and is much easier to negotiate. We now have e-mail accounts directly to the Circulation Desk, Children's Services and Reference Services and can provide online services through those accounts. From the NH State Library we now can offer patrons access to EBSCOhost and First Search (journal articles) NH Newslink (NH newspaper database) and Ancestry Plus (genealogy search database). We logged a record 1133 hours in our computer lab for 2002. Through a donation from Wal-Mart, we were able to purchase two HP high-end photo quality printers that are networked to our computer lab. Worldpath and Metrocast continue to support our efforts to provide public access to technology by providing Internet services to the library and hosting our web page. In October we were notified that we had successfully applied for the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grant in the amount of \$16,895.00. In the spring of 2003 we will be receiving four brand new Gateway computers loaded with educational and professional software as well as a content server to more efficiently manage our more complicated network.

The library also made great strides in updating its facility. From a very generous donor we received the funds to purchase two more wingback chairs for our adult reading room as well as a new front door that is both beautiful and much easier for our patrons to use. We also rearrange our collection and furnishing to enable our patrons easier access to the collections, as well as to make our facility more comfortable for our patrons. We will be continuing to address the needs of our aging building in 2003.

The Goodwin Library would also like to take this opportunity to extend our deepest appreciation to the continued financial support of the Farmington Women's Club, the Farmington Historical Society, the Thayer family, and to all our volunteers who have donated countless hours to help us to provide great service. The staff and administration look forward to continuing to provide the best service, programs and materials that we possibly can to our valued community. And we thank you, the townspeople of Farmington for your continued support; and urge all of you to visit us and check out all the things you can do and learn at your library.

Respectfully Submitted,
Deborah A. Christie
Director, Goodwin Library

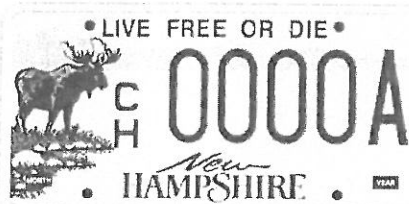


In 2002, SRC and MMRG helped the Conservation Commission to permanently protect the Flume on the Mad River. Thanks to the generous donation of a conservation easement by Fred and Nancy Smith (who continue to own and enjoy the property) public use of this land is now guaranteed forever. The Commission continues to assist landowners like the Smiths to place land under protective easement. Such protection benefits the environment, the community, the landowner and the taxpayers.

On the regulatory side, the Commission spent more time conducting reviews of development proposals this year than at any time in the previous three years. Language in the Wetlands Overlay and Shoreland Protection Overlay portions of the Zoning Ordinance were identified as problems. While the Planning Board failed to post needed changes to the Wetlands Overlay this year, there are minor changes to the Shoreland Protection Overlay on the ballot whose passage will improve the ordinance significantly.

Pursuant to its authority under the Zoning Ordinance, the Commission designated a 50-foot buffer around class two wetlands in the town. (The Office of State Planning recommends 100-foot buffers around all wetlands). Re-designations to a lesser buffer distance have been made on a case by case basis to prevent unreasonable application of the requirement. Only about 5% of the town's land area is known to be class two wetland.

The Commission received the results of a survey of public opinion about conservation issues conducted by MMRG which showed that Farmington residents support land conservation, and underestimate threats to water supplies. The results of this fascinating survey are available through the Conservation Commission. Another study funded by MMRG and the Office of State Planning helped identify and document ten of the most important wetlands in town.



The Commission reminds all residents that the town clerk/tax collector can issue you a **conservation license plate**. The additional cost of these plates is applied to conservation funding programs and their state-level administration. If you are uneasy about sending more money to the state, you could consider making a donation to the town Conservation Fund or to the regional conservation organization of your choice.