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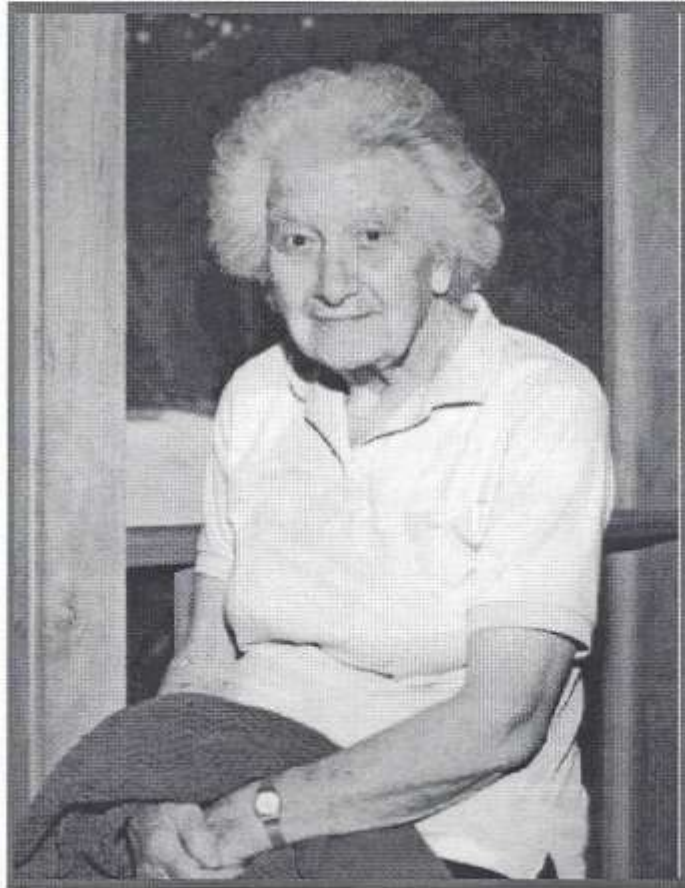
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In Photo: Washington's oldest resident, Margaretha "Margaret" Eccardt, October 4, 1906 - November 30, 2004. Margaret, born in Switzerland, was the matriarch of the Eccardt family.

Cover Photo: Robert William Crane was born and died (December 26, 1929 - October 2, 2004) in the farm house on Crane Farm the operation of which was his life's endeavor. He served the town as Road Agent for 14 years, a member of the Fire Department for 44 years as well as Fire Chief, Supervisor of the Checklist, Forest Fire Warden and of course, his maple syrup business. One of the most colorful speakers at Town Meeting, he loved the Town of Washington and will be missed by all.

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FOR THE YEAR

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 Annual Reports of the Town Officers of
WASHINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2004
 Together with the Reports of the
WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
 for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2004

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Thank you to Grace Jager for the interesting historical facts she supplied for our Town Report.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Date of Incorporation	December 13, 1776
Total area	Approx. 50 square miles
Elevation above mean sea level	
Town Center	1532 feet
Maximum (Lovell Mountain)	2496 feet
Number of registered voters, 2004	635
Population, 2000	895
Housing units	924
Labor force	309
Unemployment rate	3.7%
District Court	Newport

US Senators:

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Gordon B. Flint
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Newport, NH 03773

Executive Councilor, District 2:

Peter Spaulding
107 North Main Street
Concord, NH 03301
271-3632

Law Enforcement:

Chief Steven I. Marshall
Washington Police Department
5 Halfmoon Pond Road
Washington, NH 03280-3102
(603) 495-3295 (office)
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police@washingtongh.org

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NH State Police – Troop C
29 Route 9
Keene, NH 03431
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www.state.nh.us/nhsp/contents.html
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PO Box 27, 14 Main Street
Newport, NH 03773-0027
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sheriff@sullivancounty-nh.com

Total Town Valuation

\$94,606,665.00

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Tax rate \$35.70 (Town \$11.44, Local school \$14.85, State school, \$4.45, County \$4.96)
(plus \$0.68 betterment tax for Highland Haven Village District or \$0.31
betterment tax for Ashuelot Pond Dam Village District)

County and county seat Sullivan, Newport

Town Hall hours:

Selectmen	Thursday 9-3, 6:30-8:30
Assessors	Thursday 9-4
Bookkeeper	Monday – Thursday 9-4
Town Clerk, Tax Collector	Thursday 3-9, Friday 9-4, Last Saturday 9-1 Also second Saturday during June, July and August
Planning Board	First Tuesday at 7
Board of Adjustment	Last Wednesday at 7:30
Conservation Commission	First Thursday at 7

Education:

K-5	Washington Elementary School
6 - 12	Hillsboro Middle and High Schools

Nearby higher education Colby-Sawyer College, New London
New England College, Henniker
Dartmouth College, Hanover
University of New Hampshire, Durham

Hospitals:

New London
Dartmouth-Hitchcock (Lebanon)
Concord, Peterborough, Claremont

Churches:

Congregational, near the Town Hall
Baptist, East Washington
Seventh Day Adventist, King Street
(SDA – not open in winter)

Transportation:

Amtrak	Claremont, NH and Bellows Falls, VT
Major airports	Manchester, NH, Boston, MA and Hartford (Windsor Locks), CT
Bus	Concord, NH

Communications:

Conknet (Keene)
Granite State Telephone (Hillsboro)
Sugar River (Newport)

Town Web Page www.washingotnnh.org

WHERE TO GET THINGS DONE:

Assessor's Card	Town Hall
Assessment Information	Assessors
Bid Package	Selectmen, Town Hall
Birth Certificate	Town Clerk
Boat License	Town Clerk
Building Permit	Selectmen and Town Clerk
Business Permit	Planning Board
Car Registration	Town Clerk
Check List	Town Clerk, Supervisor of the Check List
Death Certificate	Town Clerk
Dog License	Town Clerk
Dog, stray and complaints	Police Department
Driveway Permit	Planning Board
Election Information	Town Clerk, Supervisor of the Check List
Hunting/Fishing License	Town Clerk
Information, general	Town Hall
Intent to Cut	Assessors
Intent to Excavate	Assessors
Maps	Town Hall
Marriage License	Town Clerk
Motor Vehicle Registration	Town Clerk
Minutes of Meetings	Town Hall
OHRV License	Town Clerk
Pistol Permit Application	Town Clerk
Rental of the Town Buildings	Selectmen
RSA's	Selectmen
Sign Permit	Planning Board
State Laws	Selectmen
Tax Payment	Tax Collector
Transfer Station Sticker	Transfer Station
Variance to a Building Permit	Zoning Board of Adjustment
Voter Registration	Supervisor of the Checklist and Town Clerk
Wetland Permit Application	Town Clerk and Conservation Commission
Assessors	(495)-3074
Planning Board	-3661
Police Department	-3294
Selectmen	-3661(phone and fax)
Supervisors of the Checklist	-3422
Tax Collector	-3667
Town Clerk	-3667
Town Hall	-3667, 3661, 3521, 3074; fax 3299
Transfer Station	-5399
Welfare Assistance	-3521

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 TOWN OFFICERS DIRECTORY

Moderator	Ronald Jager	2006
Selectmen	Guy Eaton, Chairman	2006
	J. Rufford Harrison	2005
	Thomas Taylor	2007
Archives Committee	Grace Jager	
	Marcellus Liotta	
	Tom Talpey	
Board of Assessors	Arline R. France, Chairman	2007
	Linda T. Cook	2005
	Algird Krygeris	2006
Communications Officer	Lindsay Collins	
Conservation Commission	Richard Cook, Chairman	
	Michael Andrews	
	Carol Andrews, Secretary	
	Lionel Chute	
	Sandra Robinson, Vice Chair	
	Thomas Taylor, Ex Officio	
Alternate Members	Don Richard	
	Jed Schwartz	
	Marvin Jager	
	Nancy Schwartz	
	Peter France	
	John Tweedy	
	Chris Gannon	
Custodian	Ingrid Halverson	
Emergency Management Director	Edward G. Thayer	
Financial Officer	Lynda B. Roy	
Assistant	Nancy Tanner	
Fire Chief	John Eccard	2005
Forest Fire Warden	John Pasioka	
Deputies	Edward G. Thayer	
	David Hunt	
	John Eccard	
	Jed Schwartz	
	Brian Moser	
	Steve Marshall	
	Robert Ostertag	
	Shawn Atkins	
	Michael Ostertag	
	George Marvin	

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Forester	Lionel Chute	
Forestry Committee	Aileen Ruggles Chute, Chairman Lionel Chute, Secretary Donald Richard Michael Andrews Larry Gaskell Thomas Taylor, Ex Officio John Tweedy	
Alternate Members		
Health Officer	Karl Jurson	
Deputy	John Hendrickson	
Parks & Recreation Commission	Scott Newton, Chairman * Robert Fraser * Danielle Perrino Steve Hanssen Lawrence L'Hommedieu Jennifer Murdough Laurie Newton, Secretary Guy Eaton, Ex Officio Richard Cilley John Pasieka	
Alternate Members		
Perambulator	Lionel Chute	
Planning Board	John Sheehy, Chairman Thomas E. Talpey Charles Fields Gerald Cascio Rufford Harrison, Ex Officio Laurie Newton, Secretary Marvin Jager John Callender Frank Musmanno	2007 2006 2007 2005
Alternate Members		
Police Chief	Steven I. Marshall	
Officers	Brian Moser *Robert McAllister *Peter Powers	
Secretary	Charleen Crowley Laurie Newton	
Recycling Committee	Carolyn Russell, Chairman Robert Hofstetter Rufford Harrison Edward Thayer Ken Tanner John Pasieka Phil Barker	
Road Agent	Edward G. Thayer	2005

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Safety Committee	Steven Marshall, Chairman Larry Gaskell Ingrid Halverson Suzanne Bermudez Bob Wright	
Supervisors of Checklist	Alan Goodspeed, Chairman Natalie Jurson Mary Krygeris	2008 2006 2010
Ballot Clerks	Alice Hannus Louise Bodak Marcia Goodspeed	
Tax Collector Assistant	Janice F. Philbrick Patricia A. Liotta	2006
Town Clerk Assistant	Janice F. Philbrick Patricia A. Liotta	2005
Town Treasurer Deputy	Deborah Cascio Lynda B. Roy	2005
Trustees of the Cemeteries	Philip Barker, Chairman Richard Cilley Lorrie Killam	2005 2006 2007
Trustees of the Library	Suzanne Bermudez, Chairman Elizabeth Talpey Carolyn Russell	2005 2007 2006
Librarian Assistant	JoEllen Wright Marcellus Liotta	
Trustees of the Trust Funds	Arline R. France Lynda Roy Nancy Tanner	2006 2007 2005
Welfare Administrators	Lynda B. Roy Laurie Newton	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Laura Gilbert, Chairman Christopher Gannon, Vice Chair Lawrence L'Hommedieu Janice F. Philbrick Stephen Hanssen	
Alternates	Matthew Taylor Robert Hofstetter	
Secretary	Laurie Newton	

*Resigned during 2004

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State of New Hampshire
TOWN WARRANT
2005

To the inhabitants of the Town of Washington qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Camp Morgan Lodge in said Washington on Tuesday, the eighth of March at nine o'clock in the forenoon. The polls will open at 10:00 a.m. and not close before 7:00 p.m. to elect Town Officers. The following articles will be acted upon:

ARTICLE 1. To elect by non partisan ballot a Town Treasurer and a Fire Chief for a term of one year, and an Assessor, a Selectman, a Road Agent, a Library Trustee, a Cemetery Trustee, a Trustee of the Trust Funds and a member of the Planning Board for three years.

ARTICLE 2. To hear reports of any and all officers, committees and agents of the Town and take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. Do you approve of having 2 sessions for the annual town meeting in this town, the first session for choice of town officers elected by an official ballot and other action required to be inserted on said official ballot and the second session, on a date set by the selectmen, for the transaction of other business?

Petitioned article. Majority ballot vote required.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) for the engineering study and final design of the Halfmoon Pond Road Bridge, to raise Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000.00) of this sum from taxation, and to accept Sixty-Four Thousand (\$64,000.00) from State bridge-aid funds. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the bridge is completed or on December 31, 2008 whichever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.17 to the tax rate in 2005]

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy Eight Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Seven Dollars (\$278,697.00) to defray the costs of General Government for the ensuing year. This article is exclusive of all other warrant articles.

Executive	\$48,722.00
Election, Registration and Vital Statistics	15,982.00
Financial Administration	107,168.00
General Government Buildings	25,753.00
Legal	3,000.00
Planning & Zoning	12,069.00
Insurance	37,003.00
Motor Fuel	29,000.00

[This article is estimated to add \$2.95 to the tax rate in 2005.]

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ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Six Dollars (\$85,966.00) for the operation of the Police Department for the ensuing year.

Chief's Salary	39,600.00
Officers Payroll	11,000.00
Training Payroll Expense	375.00
Secretary Payroll Expense	2,562.00
Health Insurance	12,985.00
FICA	864.00
Medicare	776.00
Retirement	3,359.00
Telephone	2,000.00
Computer Expense	1,500.00
Animal Control	100.00
Dues	150.00
Clerical Supplies	850.00
Cruiser Maintenance	2,000.00
OHRV Expenses	100.00
Equipment	2,500.00
School /Training	300.00
Uniforms	1,000.00
Custodial	500.00
Electricity	1,000.00
Heat	1,750.00
Repairs & Maintenance	300.00
Alarm Maintenance	350.00
Extinguisher Service	45.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.91 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Police Cruiser Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.11 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$6,200.00) for the purchase of Portable Radios for the use of the Washington Police Department.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.07 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for purchasing a digital recording unit for the police cruiser. To raise One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) by taxation and to accept a One Thousand Dollar (\$1,000.00) NH Highway Safety Agency Grant to purchase the unit.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.01 to the tax rate in 2005.]

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ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Forty One Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$341,215.00) for operation of the Highway Department for the ensuing year.

Elected, Payroll	34,279.00
Elected, Overtime Payroll	5,688.00
Elected, Other, Vacation, Sick, Holiday	5,037.00
Payroll Expense	71,615.00
Part Time Payroll Expense	5,200.00
Overtime, Payroll	11,886.00
Other, Vacation, Sick, Holiday, Payroll	10,774.00
Health Insurance	48,574.00
FICA	8,928.00
Medicare	2,095.00
Retirement	9,839.00
Telephone	1,800.00
Drug and Alcohol Testing	250.00
Electricity	3,000.00
Heat and Oil	5,800.00
Alarm Maintenance	400.00
Fire Extinguisher Service	350.00
Rentals and Leases	4,500.00
Safety	1,000.00
Dues	400.00
Parts, Supplies and Equipment	33,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance	15,000.00
Road Maintenance Materials	40,000.00
Miscellaneous	600.00
Training	400.00
Uniforms	4,000.00
General Road Improvements	10,000.00
Emergency Supplies & Trucking	5,000.00
Street Lighting	1,800.00

[This article is estimated to add \$3.61 to the tax rate in 2005]

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept and appropriate the Highway Block Grant Funds estimated to be Fifty One Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Five Dollars (\$51,695.00) anticipated during 2005 for the use of the Highway Department for construction or reconstruction projects in addition to the regular maintenance budget. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

(Accepting the Block Grant Funds, using them to pay for regular road maintenance, and not expending them in addition to the regular highway budget, would reduce the tax rate in 2005 by an estimated \$0.56.)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Funds previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.63 to the tax rate in 2005.]

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ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish or amend fees, as provided in RSA 41:9-a. Such vote shall continue until rescinded.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing a vehicle scale for the use of the Transfer Station. To raise Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) of this sum by taxation and appropriate Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the Recycling Equipment Fund. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32: 3,VI and will not lapse until the scale is purchased or December 31, 2008 whichever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.32 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One Dollars (\$124,561.00) for the operation of the Solid Waste Recycling Center and for the Landfill Closure for the ensuing year.

Payroll Expense	21,859.00
Part Time Payroll Expense	6,500.00
Overtime Payroll Expense	1,000.00
Other, Sick, Holidays, Vacation	3,288.00
Health Insurance	9,619.00
FICA	1,758.00
Medicare	473.00
Retirement	1,489.00
Telephone	350.00
Electricity	300.00
Heat & Propane	300.00
Fire Extinguisher Service	100.00
Rentals & Leases	2,400.00
Safety	200.00
Dues	100.00
Vehicle Maintenance	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00
Training Expense	400.00
Uniforms	525.00
Transportation & Removal	53,000.00
Marlow Side Trash Removal	8,400.00
Landfill Closure	
Hazardous Waste Cleanup	7,000.00
Water Tests	3,500.00

[This article is estimated to add \$1.32 to the tax rate for 2005.]

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ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Three Thousand Four Hundred Fifty One Dollars (\$63,451.00) for the operation of the Rescue Squad and Fire Department for the ensuing year.

Rescue Squad

Payroll	15,000.00
FICA	930.00
Medicare	218.00
Vehicle Repairs	500.00
Equipment Repairs	1,000.00
Training	5,000.00

Fire Department

Administration	500.00
Dues	500.00
Supplies	1,000.00
Equipment	6,000.00
Prevention	350.00
Fire Pond Maintenance	1,200.00
Payroll	12,250.00
Training Payroll	3,736.00
FICA	991.00
Medicare	232.00
Training	1,500.00
Vehicle Repairs Payroll	300.00
Vehicle Repairs FICA	19.00
Vehicle Repairs Medicare	5.00
Vehicle Repairs Retirement	20.00
Vehicle Repairs	3,000.00
Air Compressor Service	500.00
Air Bottles & Extinguishers	1,200.00
NFPA Physicals & Medical	300.00
Telephone	1,400.00
Electricity	1,800.00
Heat	2,600.00
Alarm Maintenance	400.00
Building Maintenance	1,000.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.67 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to be added to the Fire-Apparatus Replacement Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This Article is estimated to add \$0.32 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) to be added to the Rescue Squad Intercept Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$ 0.06 to the tax rate in 2005.]

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ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand One Hundred Sixty Seven Dollars (\$15,167.00) to be added to the Health Insurance Reimbursable Account previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimate to add \$0.16 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00) for Forest Fire Control for the ensuing year.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.02 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$30,200.00) for the operation of the Shedd Free Library for the ensuing year.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.32 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will accept a gift of land at 49 North Main Street, and any other lands adjacent to it or to the Shedd Free Library parking lot, for the purpose of enlarging the parking lot and creating a small surrounding park. (The offer of land at 49 North Main Street may be withdrawn if it is not used for its designated purpose within two years, and is subject to the existing building being able to relocate to a suitable lot in close proximity to its present location.) The Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$49,680.00) for the expansion of the parking lot for the Shedd Free Library that will also provide a landscaped park-like area, to accept Twenty Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Six Dollars (\$22,356.00) in the form of a grant from the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Ten Year Transportation Improvements Plan and to raise Twenty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Four Dollars (\$27,324.00) by donations of property, services and funds. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or by December 31, 2008, whichever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

[This article is estimated to add \$0.00 to the tax rate in 2005]

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty One Thousand One Hundred Seven Dollars (\$21,107.00) for Health and Welfare for the ensuing year.

Community Services:

- Acorn	200.00
- Lake Sunapee Home Health Care	2,407.00
- Marlow Rescue Squad	100.00
- Office of Youth Services	250.00
- Project LIFT	500.00
- Southwestern Community Services	500.00
- Sullivan County Hospice	250.00
- Sullivan County Nutrition Services	400.00

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- West Central Behavioral Health	850.00
- Old Age Assistance	0.00

Health:

- Administration	464.50
- FICA	29.00
- Medicare	6.50
- Department Expenses	150.00

Welfare:

- General Welfare	13,000.00
- Administration	1,500.00
- FICA	93.00
- Medicare	22.00
- Dues	75.00
- Welfare Department Expenses	310.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.22 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00) for the care and maintenance of the Cemeteries for the ensuing year.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.12 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) for the purpose of gravestone restoration, to include base repair or replacement, and stone straightening and realignment, repair or replacement etc. in the old Washington Center Cemetery (Fourth of a five year program). This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the restoration is completed or by December 31, 2008, whichever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$08 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$88,890.00) for Debt Service for the ensuing year. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Interest - Tax Anticipation	1,000.00
Interest - Long Term Notes	14,590.00
Principal - Long Term Notes	73,300.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.94 to the tax rate in 2005.]

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ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Six Dollars (\$39,336.00) for the operation of the Parks and Recreation Commission and for Patriotic Purposes for the ensuing year.

- Caretaker Payroll	1,200.00
- Secretary Payroll	600.00
- FICA	112.00
- Medicare	26.00
Regular Maintenance:	
- Band Stand Electricity	150.00
- Water Tests	150.00
- Band Stand Maintenance	250.00
- Miscellaneous	1,500.00
- Lawn Care	7,700.00
- Grade & Seed Field	100.00
- Advertisements	150.00
- Dock Contract	1,200.00
- Dock Regular Maintenance	300.00
- Dock Repair	1,700.00
Summer Program	
- Payroll Expense	15,000.00
- FICA	930.00
- Medicare	218.00
- Telephone	150.00
- Materials	3,000.00
- Recreation Equipment	300.00
- Training	600.00
- Special Events	2,000.00
- Concerts	500.00
- Senior Trips	1000.00
TOTAL FOR PARKS & RECREATION	38,836.00

Patriotic Purposes:

- Flags	500.00
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[This article is estimated to add \$0.42 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) for major repairs at Camp Morgan Lodge. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the repairs are completed or by December 31, 2008, whichever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.48 to the tax rate in 2005.]

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ARTICLE 30. To see if the town will vote to have the Selectmen enforce the prohibition on possession and consumption of alcohol on public property in accordance with article # 18 of the 1987 town meeting, and to authorize the Selectmen to issue an ordinance enforcing the same, to include a limited exception for private family events at designated facilities under the guidelines established by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$1,600.00) for Emergency Management for the ensuing year.

Emergency Management	100.00
E911 Numbering	1,500.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.02 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Seven Dollars (\$16,927.00) for Emergency Communications for the ensuing year.

Telephone Lines	1,475.00
Dispatch	10,350.00
Radio Tower Electricity	102.00
Radio and Pager Repairs	1,100.00
Improve or Replace Equipment	3,900.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.18 to the tax rate in 2005.]

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to modify the Optional Veteran's Tax Credit (RSA 72:28-a) to \$150.00 and the Service-Connected Total Disability Optional Tax Credit (RSA 72: 35-a) to \$1,500.00

ARTICLE 34. Shall we modify the elderly exemption from property tax in the town of Washington, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years \$20,000.00; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$30,000.00; for a person 80 years of age or older \$ 40,000.00. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$18,400.00 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$26,400.00, and own net assets of not in excess of \$35,000.00 excluding the value of the person's residence.

ARTICLE 35. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

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Given under our hands and seals this 19th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

Guy L. Eaton
J. Rufford Harrison
Thomas H Taylor
Selectmen, Washington, NH

A True Copy - Attest:

Guy L. Eaton

J. Rufford Harrison

Thomas H Taylor
Selectmen, Washington, NH

I, Guy Eaton, hereby certify that true attested copies of this Warrant were posted as follows:

On the Camp Morgan Lodge on February 18, 2005 being the place of meeting,

On the Washington Town Hall on February 18, 2005 being a place of Public Notice; and

On the East Washington Bulletin Board on February 18, 2005 being a place of Public Notice.

Guy Eaton, Selectman

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Sullivan, ss

The above named Selectmen, known to me, acknowledged and signed the above certification in my presence.

Lynda B. Roy
Notary Public
February 17, 2005

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Binding decisions from previous meetings:

- * 82-18: Makes Town Meeting approval necessary before structurally altering Town buildings.
- 84-27: Permits Washington to enter into an agreement with neighboring towns for mutual communication and dispatch services.
- 85-25: Prohibits parking in front of the Town buildings on the Common.
- 87-18: Prohibits consumption of alcohol on Town property.
- 87-27: Establishes a Capital Improvement Plan.
- 87-36: States that the Tax Collector will be paid an annual salary. (Previously a percentage of the tax income.)
- 89-24, 25: Covers tax exemptions for the elderly and the blind.
- 90R: Covers several tax exemptions for the use of certain types of energy and for veterans.
- 90-24: Establishes a Capital Reserve Fund for structures and equipment used in recycling.
- 92-37: Permits the Selectmen to accept gifts to the Town, other than money, for any public purpose.
- 93-25: Makes the Rescue Squad part of the Fire Department, but with its own By-laws, etc.
- 94-5: Establishes a Health Insurance Reimbursement Account under the General Fund Trust Fund.
- 94-33: Permits the Library trustees to apply for, expend, etc., money from various sources.
- 94-34: Permits Selectmen to issue tax-anticipation notes.
- 95-36: Permits Selectmen to apply for, expend, etc., unanticipated money.
- 95-37: Permits Selectmen to dispose of surplus property other than real estate.
- 96-14: Establishes a Capital Reserve Fund for fire apparatus.
- 96-26: Permits Trustees to accept donations of personal property to the library.
- 96-35: Permits the Selectmen to convey Town real estate up to 10 acres.
- 99-6: Makes the position of selectman and police officer incompatible.
- 99-7: Establishes capital reserve fund for cruiser replacement.
- 00-12: Establishes Town forests.
- 00-26: Establishes capital reserve fund for Highway maintenance equipment.

In the summer of 1830 the New Hampshire Spectator reported that 17 buildings burned in the "flourishing town of Washington." Roofs of six buildings were on fire at the same time. The meetinghouse (Town Hall) was saved when a courageous young man named Weston jumped from the belfry on to the roof and extinguished the flames on the meeting house roof.

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**BUDGET OF THE TOWN
OF WASHINGTON, NH**

**Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue
for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005**

s/ Guy L Eaton
J Rufford Harrison
Thomas H Taylor

Acct.	PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	WA NO.	2004 Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	2004 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	2005 Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
4130	Executive	5	48,428	41,641	48,722
4140	Election, Registration & Vital Static's	5	20,694	18,532	15,982
4150	Financial Administration	5	107,486	104,712	107,168
4153	Legal Expenses	5	3,000	6,772	3,000
4191	Planning & Zoning	5	5,703	2,167	12,069
4194	Genrl Gvmnt Buildings	5	32,898	25,404	25,753
4195	Cemeteries	25	11,000	11,000	11,000
4196	Insurance	5	34,926	35,769	37,003
4199	Other/Motor Fuel	5	29,000	30,337	29,000
	PUBLIC SAFETY				
4210	Police	6	76,658	78,110	85,966
4210	Police Grants		9,000	3,762	0
4215	Rescue Squad	16	27,102	19,776	22,648
4220	Fire	16	51,040	37,751	40,803
4290	Emergency Management	31	1,600	1,075	1,600
4290	Forest Fire Control	20	1,700	2,914	1,700
4299	Emerg. Communications	32	14,195	14,644	16,927
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS				
4312	Highways & Streets	10	326,421	298,071	339,415
4316	Streetlights	10	1,800	1,580	1,800
	SANITATION				

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4324	Solid Waste Disposal	15	112,461	108,707	114,061
4325	Landfill Closure	15	9,000	10,009	10,500

Acct.	PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	WA NO.	2004	2004	2005
			Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)
HEALTH					
4411	Administration	24	750	371	650
4415	Health Agencies	24	5,476	5,476	5,457
WELFARE					
4442	Admin & Direct Assistance	24	15,000	18,559	15,000
CULTURE and RECREATION					
4520	Parks & Recreation	28	35,777	33,390	38,836
4583	Patriotic Purposes	28	500	301	500
4611	Conservation Commission				
DEBT SERVICE					
4711	Prin.-Long Term Notes	27	48,300	48,300	73,300
4721	Interest -Long Term Notes	27	14,290	13,096	14,590
4723	Interest on TAN	27	1,000	0	1,000
CAPITAL OUTLAY					
4901	Land & Improvements		61,777	69,798	188,875
4902	Mach., Veh. Equip		160,000	155,190	48,200
4903	Buildings		35,000	22,962	45,000
4909	Other Improvements		35,000	37,211	0
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT					
4912	Library	21	24,914	24,914	30,200
4912	Recycling Equipment Fund To Capital Reserve			18,580	
4915	Fund/Fire To Capital Reserve/HD	17	30,000	30,000	30,000
4915	Equip	12	0	0	60,000
4915	To Capital Reserve/Police	7	0	0	10,000
4915	To Capital Reserve/ Reval		60,000	89,413	0
4915	To CR/Rescue Intercept	18	7,500	12,000	6,000
4917	Health Insurance Trust	19	5,098	15,697	15,167
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS			\$1,464,494	1,447,991	\$1,507,892

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Acct	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	WA NO.	2004 Appropriation Prior Year By DRA	2004 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	2005 Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year
Individual Warrant Articles					
4901	HD Block Grant	11	48,277	48,277	51,695
4901	Millen Pond Dam			8,447	
4901	Half Moon Pond Bridge	4	0	2,064	80,000
4901	Dry Hydrant		6,000	3,439	
4901	Library Parking Lot	22			49,680
4901	Repairing Grave Stones	26	7,500	7,571	7,500
	Total 4901		61,777	69,798	188,875
4902	Police Radios	8			6,200
4902	Tractor-Trailer Scale	14			40,000
4902	Digital Recording Unit	9			2,000
4902	Roll-off Truck		125,000	120,200	0
4902	Snow Plow Equipment		35,000	34,990	0
	Total 4902		160,000	155,190	48,200
4903	Camp Morgan Major Repairs	29			45,000
4903	Paint Town Hall & PD		35,000	22,962	0
	Total 4903		35,000	22,962	45,000
4909	Tax Maps		0	2,750	0
4909	Camp Morgan Septic System		35,000	34,461	0
	Total 4909		35,000	37,211	0

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Acct	Sources of Revenue	2004 Estimated Revenue	2004 Actual Revenue	2005 Estimated Revenue
TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change	10,660	7,526	0
3185	Yield Taxes	4,000	10,527	4,000
3187	Excavation Tax	8	0	8
3189	Betterment Taxes	7,804	3,525	8,334
3190	Interest & Penalties on Taxes	25,000	26,503	25,000

SOURCES OF REVENUE

Acct	Sources of Revenue	2004 Estimated Revenue	2004 Actual Revenue	2005 Estimated Revenue
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
3210	Business License & Permits	325	382	325
3220	Motor Vehicle Permits	150,000	169,716	150,000
3230	Building Permits	1,500	3,060	2,000
3290	Other, License Permits & Fees	7,800	10,849	7,800
3311	FROM FED. GOVERNMENT	9,000	3,424	
FROM STATE				
3351	Shared Revenue	3,258	3,258	3,258
3352	Meals & Rooms Distribution	30,302	30,302	12,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	48,277	48,277	51,695
3356	St & Fed Forest Lands Reimb.	7,029	7,029	7,029
3359	Other	12,397	12,298	87,356
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401	Income from Departments	5,500	6,099	5,500
3409	Other Charges			
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	2,000	1,390	6,500
3502	Interest on Investments	2,500	7,347	2,000
3509	Other	12,200	18,604	600

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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

3915	Transfers from Capital Reserve		35,413	
3934	Proc. From Long Term Debt	100,000	100,000	0
	Fund Balance Voted from Surplus			
	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$439,560	505,529	\$373,405

Total Appropriations \$1,507,892
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Prop Taxes -\$373,405
Amount of Taxes to Be Raised (Exclusive of School & County Taxes) **\$1,134,487**

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Old Home Week celebrations began in New Hampshire in 1899, and one of the features of the festivities was the lighting of beacon fires on the tops of mountains and hills. The Washington and Marlow Times reported on August 21, 1902, that the company from East Washington "who ascended to the top of Mt. Lovell to make a blaze to welcome the old ones back to their native place could see 15 different fires on the mountains." In 1903 they reported "17 fires seen on eve of Old Home Day." In 1904 fires were lit on both Lovell Mountain and Oak Hill.

By July 3, 1930, the Washington news in the Argus-Champion reported: The Old Home Day Association held an adjourned meeting Saturday evening, and after much wrangling and oratory, voted not to have Old Home Day this year."

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DETAILED EXPENSE BUDGET

	2004 Revised Budget	2004 Expenditures (Unaudited)	2005 Proposed Budget
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
EXECUTIVE			
Selectmen, Salary	15,000	13,800	15,000
FICA	930	856	930
Medicare	218	200	218
Mileage Reimbursement	1,500	1,457	1,500
Telephone Expense	3,800	3,583	4,000
Copier/Contract & Repairs	700	0	500
Postage Meter Rental	416	421	416
Town Report	3,800	3,685	4,000
Dues	800	777	800
Supplies	3,000	4,486	3,500
Postage	1,300	1,290	1,300
Office Expense	150	0	100
Equipment	300	1,411	300
Workshops/ Training	200	0	200
Advertising	300	140	250
Contingency Fund	5,000	0	5,000
Selectmen's Secretary, Payroll	8,500	8,200	9,100
FICA	510	508	564
Medicare	123	119	132
Moderator, Payroll	1,200	660	300
FICA	74	41	19
Medicare	18	10	4
Perambulator Payroll Expense	500	0	500
FICA	31	0	31
Medicare	8	0	8
Expenses	50	0	50
Less Reimbursements		0	
Total Executive	\$48,428	\$41,641	\$48,722

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ELECTION , REGISTRATION
& VITAL STATISTICS

Town Clerk, Election & Payroll Expense	2,979	3,865	3,050
Town Clerk, Training Payroll	700	92	600
Town Clerk, Salary	7,978	7,978	8,178
FICA	723	740	740
Medicare	169	173	173
Telephone	360	322	360
Dues	20	20	20
Supplies	200	265	200
Convention	750	820	820
Reimbursement		-330	
Total Clerk	13,879	13,944	14,141
Supervisors , Payroll	2,685	2,045	700
FICA	166	127	45
Medicare	42	30	15
Supplies	850	328	300
Advertising	750	126	150
Total Supervisors	4,493	2,655	1,210
Ballot Clerks, Payroll	1,600	1,340	400
FICA	99	83	25
Medicare	23	19	6
Expenses	600	490	200
Total Ballot Clerks	2,322	1,933	631
School Election			
School Election Payroll		336	0
School FICA		21	0
School Medicare		5	0
Reimbursements		-362	
Total School Election Expenses		0	
Total Election Reg. & Vital Stats.	\$20,694	\$18,532	\$15,982

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Accounting			
Accounting Payroll	24,310	23,150	25,093
Trust Fund Bookkeeper, Salary	500	500	500
FICA	1,538	1,466	1,587
Medicare	360	343	371

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Deferred Compensation	1,277	1,368	1,421
Workshop Training	400	45	400
Total Accounting	\$28,385	\$26,873	\$29,372
Auditing	\$6,500	\$5,150	\$6,500
Assessing			
Assessing, Payroll	23,400	24,864	24,300
FICA	1,451	1,542	1,507
Medicare	339	361	352
Forestry Consultant	6,000	12,700	1,000
Consulting Contract	2,400	0	0
Tax Maps			1,800
Dues	40	20	40
Registry	1,500	975	1,000
Equipment	1,700	649	2,000
School/Conference	1,500	1,090	1,500
Total Assessing	\$38,330	\$42,201	\$33,499
Tax Collecting			
Deputy Payroll	2,975	3,464	3,050
Tax Collector Salary Expense	7,978	7,978	8,178
FICA	679	709	696
Medicare	159	166	163
Land Mark Title Service	2,500	1,580	2,500
Printing Bills	1,500	1,498	1,500
Dues	20	20	20
Postage	3,000	2,986	3,000
Miscellaneous	150	96	150
Conference	750	763	750
Total Tax Collecting	\$19,711	\$19,260	\$20,007
Treasurer			
Treasurer, Salary	2,700	2,700	2,700
FICA	168	167	168
Medicare	39	39	39
Total Treasurer	\$2,907	\$2,907	\$2,907
Information Systems			
Payroll Expense	2,000	2,593	2,000
Town Share FICA	124	161	124
Town Share Medicare	29	38	29

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Software & Support Contracts	6,500	1,749	6,500
Computer Equipment and Software	3,000	3,960	3,000
Web Page Payroll	0	0	3,000
Web Page FICA	0	0	186
Web Page Medicare	0	0	44
Total Inf. Systems	\$11,653	\$8,500	\$14,883
Less Reimbursements		-\$178	
Total Financial Administration	\$107,486	\$104,712	\$107,168

LEGAL EXPENSE

Legal	3,000	6,772	3,000
Total Legal	\$3,000	\$6,772	\$3,000

PLANNING & ZONING

Planning Board			
Clerical, Payroll	450	50	2,500
FICA	30	3	155
Medicare	10	1	36
Board Operations	500	92	100
Master Plan Update	0	0	5,000
Printing	350	0	500
Dues/Subscriptions	875	859	940
CIP/Regulations	1,000	0	0
Training	150	20	0
Advertising	150	0	150
Total Planning Board	\$3,515	\$1,025	\$9,381

Board of Adjustment

Clerical, Payroll	1,800	627	1,800
FICA	112	39	112
Medicare	26	9	26
Board Operations	150	0	150
Printing	0	0	100
Advertising	100	467	500
Total Board of Adjustment	\$2,188	\$1,142	\$2,688
Total Planning & Zoning	\$5,703	\$2,167	\$12,069

GENERAL GOVERNMENT
BUILDINGS

Payroll Expense	5,000	3,977	4,800
FICA	310	247	298
Medicare	73	58	70

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Electricity	1,400	1,489	1,470
Heat & Propane	4,000	4,675	4,000
Maintenance Supplies	1,000	377	500
Alarm Maintenance	350	200	250
Town Hall Repairs	5,500	894	2,500
Fire Extinguishers	250	54	230
Equipment	500	1,065	500
Archives Supplies	100	0	100
CM Misc/Payroll	200	0	0
CM Misc FICA	12	0	0
CM Misc Medicare	3	0	0
CM Telephone	300	327	300
CM Electricity	1,700	1,582	1,785
CM Heat & Oil	1,700	2,202	1,700
CM Septic & Well Maintenance	500	1,775	400
CM Kitchen Maintenance	400	165	400
CM Alarm Maintenance	600	522	600
CM Fire Extinguishers	200	482	200
CM Supplies	750	131	250
CM Regular Maintenance	5,000	2,116	4,000
CM Equipment	0	414	500
PD Alarm Installation	950	1,194	0
School Water Testing	2,100	1,475	900
Less Reimbursements		-15	
Total General Government Buildings	\$32,898	\$25,404	\$25,753
CEMETERIES			
Transfers to Cemetery Trustees	11,000	11,000	11,000
Total Cemeteries	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000
INSURANCE			
Workers' Compensation	12,747	12,747	15,233
Property	1,711	1,951	1,951
Fire Dept Insurance	675	675	675
General Liability	6,269	6,143	6,269
Police Liability	2,534	2,534	2,534
Public Officials Bonding	nc	0	nc
Unemployment Compensation	299	324	325
Vehicles	8,166	6,989	8,016
Fire Truck Replacement Cost	2,525	5,000	2,000
Less Reimbursements		-593	

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Total Insurance	\$34,926	\$35,769	\$37,003
MOTOR FUEL			
Gas	5,000	8,699	7,000
Diesel	23,000	21,378	21,000
Miscellaneous	1,000	294	1,000
Less Reimbursements		-34	
Total Motor Fuel	\$29,000	\$30,337	\$29,000
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$293,135	\$276,334	\$289,697
PUBLIC SAFETY			
POLICE DEPARTMENT			
Salary	37,340	38,110	39,600
Other/ Grant Payroll Expense	9,000	3,762	0
Other/ Detail Expense	0	5,820	0
Officers, Payroll	9,265	6,322	11,000
Training Payroll Expense	375	0	375
Secretary Payroll Expense	1,525	1,554	2,562
Health Insurance	10,934	10,934	12,985
FICA	692	678	864
Medicare	703	821	776
Retirement	2,939	3,593	3,359
Telephone	1,700	2,139	2,000
Computer Expense	1,500	5,357	1,500
Animal Control	250	20	100
Dues	150	100	150
Supplies	550	1,232	850
Cruiser Maintenance	1,700	2,293	2,000
OHRV Expenses	100	87	100
Miscellaneous	0	141	0
Equipment	2,500	512	2,500
School/Training	350	333	300
Uniforms	500	601	1,000
Custodial	500	175	500
Electricity	765	1,091	1,000
Heat	1,675	2,233	1,750
Repairs & Maintenance	300	447	300
Alarm Maintenance	300	375	350

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Extinguisher Service	45	45	45
Less Reimbursements		-6,902	
Total Police	\$85,658	\$81,872	\$85,966
RESCUE SQUAD			
Rescue Squad Payroll	16,769	14,552	15,000
Rescue Squad FICA	1,040	902	930
Rescue Squad Medicare	243	211	218
Rescue Squad/Vehicle Repairs	500	400	500
Rescue Squad/Equipment Repairs	2,500	465	1,000
Rescue Squad Training	6,050	3,246	5,000
Total Rescue Squad	\$27,102	\$19,776	\$22,648
FIRE DEPARTMENT			
Administration	600	152	500
Dues	450	450	500
Supplies	1,000	1,031	1,000
Equipment	6,000	5,990	6,000
Prevention	350	296	350
Fire Pond Maintenance	1,000	1,264	1,200
Payroll	12,750	10,287	12,250
Training Payroll	8,736	2,078	3,736
FICA	1,276	767	991
Medicare	298	179	232
Training	1,680	672	1,500
Vehicle Repairs Payroll		290	300
Vehicle Repairs FICA		18	19
Vehicle Repairs Medicare		4	5
Vehicle Repairs Retirement		17	20
Vehicle Repairs	8,000	5,807	3,000
Air Compressor Service	500	0	500
Air Bottles & Extinguishers	1,000	1,335	1,200
NFPA Physicals & Medical	300	0	300
Telephone	1,400	1,413	1,400
Electricity	1,700	1,762	1,800
Heat	2,600	2,698	2,600
Alarm Maintenance	400	400	400
Building Maintenance	1,000	967	1,000
Less Reimbursements		-126	
Total Fire Department	\$51,040	\$37,751	\$40,803
Total Fire Dept & Rescue Squad	\$78,142	\$57,527	\$63,451

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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency Management Operations	100	0	100
E 911 Expenses	1,500	1,075	1,500
Less Reimbursements		0	
Total Emergency Management	1,600	1,075	1,600
Forest Fire Control	1,700	646	1,700
Forest Fire Payroll		2,106	
Forest Fire FICA		131	
Forest Fire Medicare		31	
Less Reimbursements		-1,327	
Total Forest Fire Control	1,700	1,586	1,700
Total Emergency Management	\$3,300	\$2,661	\$3,300

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Telephone Lines	1,200	1,372	1,475
Dispatch	7,730	7,805	10,350
Radio Tower Electricity	130	96	102
Radio & Pager Repairs	1,100	1,112	1,100
Improve or Replace	4,035	4,259	3,900
Total Emergency Communications	\$14,195	\$14,644	\$16,927
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	\$181,295	\$156,704	\$169,644

HIGHWAY, STREETS & BRIDGES

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Elected Payroll	33,357	30,592	34,279
Elected, Overtime Payroll	5,534	1,129	5,688
Elected, Other, Vacation, Sick, Holiday,	5,018	6,419	5,037
Payroll Expense	74,916	74,005	71,615
Part Time Payroll Expense			5,200
Overtime, Payroll	11,568	5,914	11,886
Other, Vacation, Sick, Holiday, Payroll	10,488	10,322	10,774
Health Insurance	40,900	37,526	48,574
FICA	8,735	7,955	8,928
Medicare	2,043	1,862	2,095
Retirement	8,312	7,257	9,839
Telephone	1,300	1,764	1,800
Drug & Alcohol Testing	250	248	250
Electricity	3,000	3,177	3,000
Heat & Oil	5,500	7,054	5,800

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Alarm Maintenance	400	400	400
Fire Extinguisher Service	200	361	350
Rentals & Leases	5,000	4,231	4,500
Safety	1,000	741	1,000
Dues	400	420	400
Parts, Supplies & Equipment	33,000	31,466	33,000
Vehicle Maintenance	15,000	12,441	15,000
Road Care Materials	40,000	38,829	40,000
Miscellaneous	600	656	600
Training	400	310	400
Uniforms	3,500	4,164	4,000
Road Improvement Materials	10,000	9,385	10,000
Emergency Supplies, Trucking	5,000	2,526	5,000
School Parking Lot	1,000		0
Streetlights	1,800	1,580	1,800
Adjustment/Reimbursement		-3,080	
TOTAL HI'WAY STS & BRIDGES	\$328,221	\$299,651	\$341,215

SANITATION

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Payroll Expense	27,693	28,293	21,859
Part Time Payroll Expense			6,500
Overtime Payroll Expense	1,765	740	1,000
Other, Sick, Vacation, Holidays	2,377	2,577	3,288
Health Insurance	8,099	8,099	9,619
FICA	1,776	1,960	1,758
Medicare	462	458	473
Retirement	1,339	1,486	1,489
Telephone	350	362	350
Electricity	300	356	300
Heat & Propane	300	247	300
Fire Extinguisher Service		32	100
Rentals & Leases	2,400	2,400	2,400
Safety	200	174	200
Dues	100	50	100
Vehicle Maintenance	2,000	2,074	1,000
Miscellaneous	1,000	677	1,000
Equipment	0	1,125	
Training Expense	300	410	400
Uniforms	600	595	525
Transportation and Removal	53,000	48,241	53,000

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Marlow Pickups	8,400	8,400	8,400
Less Reimbursements		-50	
Total Solid Waste	\$112,461	\$108,707	\$114,061

LANDFILL CLOSURE

Household Hazardous Waste Day	7,000	7,730	7,000
Cleanup Closure/Water Tests	2,000	2,279	3,500
Total Landfill Closure	\$9,000	\$10,009	\$10,500

TOTAL SANITATION

\$121,461	\$118,716	\$124,561
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HEALTH & WELFARE

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Officers, Payroll	465	265	400
FICA	29	16	25
Medicare	7	4	6
Departmental Expenses	250	116	219
Less Reimbursement		-30	
Total Health Department	\$750	\$371	\$650

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Acorn	250	250	200
Lake Sunapee Home Health Care	2,376	2,376	2,407
Marlow Ambulance	100	100	100
Office of Youth Services	250	250	250
Project LIFT	500	500	500
Southwestern Community Services	500	500	500
Sullivan County Hospice	250	250	250
Sullivan County Nutrition	400	400	400
West Central Behavioral Health	850	850	850
Old Age Assistance	0	0	0
Total Community Services	\$5,476	\$5,476	\$5,457

WELFARE

Community Assistance	130		130
General Welfare	12,870	17,782	12,870
Administration Payroll	1,500	879	1,500
FICA	93	55	93
Medicare	22	13	22
Dues	60	60	60
Departmental Expenses	325	70	325

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Less Reimbursements		-300	
Total Welfare	\$15,000	\$18,559	\$15,000
TOTAL HEALTH & WELFARE	\$21,226	\$24,406	\$21,107

CULTURE & RECREATION

PARKS & RECREATION

Caretaker Payroll Expense	1,200	1,200	1,200
Secretary Payroll Expense	600	598	600
Town Share FICA	110	111	112
Town Share Medicare	26	26	26
Reg Maint/ Bandstand Electricity	150	114	150
Reg Maint/Water Tests	150	100	150
Reg Maint/Bandstand	0		250
Reg Maint/Miscellaneous	750	855	1,500
Reg Maint/Lawn Care	7,200	7,000	7,700
Reg Maint/Grade & Seed Field	100	0	100
Reg Maint/Advertisements	300	236	150
Reg Maint/Dock FICA	75	0	0
Reg Maint/Medicare	18	0	0
Reg Maint/Dock Contract	1,200	1,300	1,200
Reg Maint/Docks	300	176	300
Reg Maint/Dock Repairs			1,700
Summer Program/Payroll	15,000	14,850	15,000
Summer Program/FICA	930	921	930
Summer Program/Medicare	218	215	218
Summer Program/Telephone	150	117	150
Summer Program/Materials	3,000	3,228	3,000
Summer Program/Rec Equipment	300	0	300
Summer Program Training		0	600
Special Events	2,000	1,814	2,000
Band Concerts	1,000	1,350	500
Senior Trips	1,000	1,000	1,000
Reimbursements		-1,820	
Total Parks & Recreation	\$35,777	\$33,390	\$38,836

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Patriotic Purposes/Flags	500	301	500
Total Patriotic Purposes	\$500	\$301	\$500
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION	\$36,277	\$33,691	\$39,336

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DEBT SERVICE

Principal, Long Term Debt	48,300	48,300	73,300
Interest, Long Term Notes	14,290	13,096	14,590
Interest, Tax Anticipation Notes	1,000	0	1,000
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$63,590	\$61,396	\$88,890

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT

LIBRARY

Payroll Expense	18,200	17,979	18,655
FICA	1,128	1,115	1,157
Medicare	264	261	271
Alarm Maintenance	200	200	200
Fire Extinguishers	55	82	90
Library Cleaning/Payroll	1,560	1,356	1,599
Library Cleaning/FICA	97	84	99
Library Cleaning/Medicare	23	20	23
Custodial/Shoveling Contract	500	120	560
Custodial/Town Share FICA	31	7	
Custodial/Town Share Medicare	8	2	
Transfers to Trustees	2,848	3,689	7,547
Total Library	\$24,914	\$24,914	\$30,200

TOTAL OPERATING TFR'S OUT	\$24,914	\$24,914	\$30,200
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BASIC OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,070,119	\$995,812	\$1,104,650
Percentage Increase (Decrease)			3.23%

CAPITAL OUTLAY

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES FOR 2002

Art # 5 Millen Pond Dam	*15,249.23	8,447	
Total Additional Articles for 2002	\$0	\$8,447	\$0

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES FOR 2004

ART # 4 Transfer Roll Off Truck	125,000	120,200	
ART # 6 C R/Revaluation	60,000	60,000	
ART # 12 Highway Block Grant	48,277	48,277	
ART # 14 Highway Plow Equipment	35,000	34,990	
ART # 17 C R/Fire Apparatus	30,000	30,000	

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ART # 18 Camp Morgan Septic System	35,000	34,461
ART # 18 Dry Hydrant	6,000	3,439
ART # 19 Capital Reserve/Intercept	7,500	7,500
ART # 21 Exp. Trust/Health Maintenance	5,098	5,098
ART # 22 Painting TH & Police Station	35,000	22,962
ART # 27 Grave Stone Restoration	7,500	7,500
Total Additional Articles for 2004	\$394,375	\$374,427

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES FOR 2005

ART # 4 Halfmoon Pond Road Bridge	80,000
ART # 7 CR/Cruiser Replacement Fund	10,000.00
ART # 8 Police Portable Radios	6,200.00
ART # 9 Police Digital Recording Unit	2,000.00
ART # 11 Highway Block Grant	51,695.00
ART # 12 CR/Highway Equipment	60,000.00
ART # 15 Tractor-Trailer Scale	40,000.00
ART # 17 CR/ Fire Apparatus	30,000.00
ART #18 CR/Intercept Fund	6,000.00
ART # 19 Exp. Trust/Health Maintenance	15,167.00
ART # 23 Library Parking Lot-Grant	49,680.00
ART # 26 Grave Stone Restoration	7,500.00
ART # 29 Camp Morgan Maintenance	45,000
Total Additional Articles for 2005	\$403,242

TOWN TOTALS	\$1,464,494	\$1,370,239	\$1,507,892
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Less:

Est. Revenues, Exclusive of Prop. Tax	-\$439,560	-\$373,405
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TOTAL TOWN

Amount to be raised by taxes in 2005 (Exclusive of School & County Taxes)	\$1,134,487
Percentage Increase (Decrease)	2.96%

Note: * Encumbered from previous years

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Town of Washington, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004 as shown on pages 3 through 7. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Washington's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these 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 financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

Management has chosen not to implement Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. Therefore these financial statements are presented following the principles that were in effect prior to GASB Statement No. 34. Management has not presented government-wide financial statements to display the financial position and changes in financial position of its governmental activities and business-type activities. The financial statements presented do not contain separate statements for governmental, proprietary, if applicable and fiduciary fund types, nor are major and non-major funds separately identified and classified. The financial statements presented report expendable and nonexpendable trust funds, some of which should be reported as special revenue and permanent funds under the new reporting model. The financial statements also present a general long-term debt account group which should not be reported as such, but the information contained therein should be included in the government-wide financial statements were they presented. Also, the financial statements do not contain any information on capital assets because the government has not maintained historical cost records of such assets. Management has not presented a management's discussion and analysis as required. The amounts that would be reported in the missing statements and required supplementary information, and the effects of reclassifying and properly reporting the information presented are not reasonably determined.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matters discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Town of Washington as of December 31, 2004, or the changes in its financial position or its cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Washington basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. For reasons stated in the third paragraph of this report, we expressed an opinion that the financial statements of the Town of Washington do not fairly present financial position, results of operations, and cash flows in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Therefore, we do not express an opinion on the accompanying combining and individual fund statements.

January 20, 2005

Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

**STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT
TOWN OF WASHINGTON
December 31, 2004**

	Highland Haven Rd. 1997 6.25%	Landfill Closure 1997 6.25%	Highway Garage 1998 6.25%	Roll-off Truck 2004 4.25%	
Original	\$70,000	\$125,000	\$337,000	\$100,000	
Maturities					Totals
2005	\$7,000	\$7,600	\$37,000	\$25,000	\$76,600
2006	\$7,000	\$7,600	\$37,000	\$25,000	\$76,600
2007	\$7,000	\$7,600	\$37,000	\$25,000	\$76,600
2008				\$25,000	\$25,000
2009					
TOTALS	\$21,000	\$22,800	\$111,000	\$100,000	\$254,800

In the July 1891, issue of the Hillsboro Messenger, the Washington column reported on the Washington Center School end-of-year program: "The village school taught by Miss Agnes Barney closed last Friday. The examination was good, showing that an interest had been taken by teacher and pupils for the advancement of science. The scholars were generally prompt and the most noticeable objection in the general appearance of the school was the low, indistinct pronunciation, and it would seem advisable to have a general class in articulation and give a prize to the best speaker. Ruth Safford recited her piece quite nicely, speaking distinctly. Guy Brockway kept his books very neat without marks to mar the pages. The school room was prettily ornamented with plants and flowers." It was noted later that Miss Barney had been teaching in our public schools "commencing at the early age of fourteen years."

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**TOWN OF WASHINGTON
DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2004**

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE

Appropriation	\$48,428.00	
Selectmen's Payroll Expense		
Guy L Eaton	5,000.00	
J Rufford Harrison	4,400.00	
Thomas H Taylor	4,400.00	13,800.00
Town Share FICA	855.60	855.60
Town Share Medicare	200.10	200.10
Mileage Reimbursement		
Linda T Cook	42.00	
Guy Eaton	70.50	
Arline France	185.10	
Ingrid Halverson	116.80	
Karl Jurson	24.00	
Algird Krygeris	153.00	
Patricia Liotta	7.50	
Laura Newton	44.40	
Janice Philbrick	570.20	
Lynda B Roy	195.00	
Nancy Tanner	48.00	1,456.50
Telephone Expense		
AT & T	3.54	
Granite State Telephone	3,575.07	
Janice Philbrick	4.05	3,582.66
Copier Contract & Repairs		
Postage Meter Rental		
Pitney Bowes Credit Corp	421.00	421.00
Town Report Expenses		
Premier Printing	252.00	
Town & Country Reprographics	3,433.00	3,685.00
Dues		
NH LogIn	10.00	
Local Government Center	741.00	
Notary Law Institute	26.00	777.00

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Supplies		
Deluxe Business Checks	83.70	
Algird Krygeris	33.99	
Patricia Liotta	15.00	
Local Government Center	30.00	
Matthew Bender & Co Inc	13.68	
Pitney Bowes Credit Corp	99.23	
Poster Compliance Center	39.59	
Premier Printing	406.84	
Print Graphics of Maine	327.80	
Quality Re-inking	134.25	
Radio Shack/Eatons Furniture	11.49	
Safeguard Business Systems	228.42	
Staples Credit Plan	418.51	
Viking Office Products	2,030.24	
Jeff Wells Office Machine Service	171.80	
West Group Payment Center	441.00	4,485.54
Postage		
Guy L Eaton	3.52	
Postage by Phone	1,250.00	
Postmaster, Washington	36.00	1,289.52
Office Expense	0.00	0.00
Equipment		
Competitive Computers Inc	50.00	
Dell Marketing LLP	876.86	
Viking Office Products	408.84	
Jeff Wells Office Machine Service	75.00	1,410.70
Workshop & Training		
Advertising		
Granite Quill Publishers	112.50	
The Villager	27.00	139.50
Contingency Fund		
Secretary Payroll Expense		
Laura Newton	8,177.50	
Janice Philbrick	22.50	8,200.00
Town Share FICA	508.39	508.39
Town Share Medicare	118.91	118.91
Moderator Payroll Expense		
Ronald Jager	540.00	
Karl Jurson	120.00	660.00
Town Share FICA	40.92	40.92
Town Share Medicare	9.57	9.57

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Perambulator Payroll Expense	0.00
Perambulator/Town Share FICA	0.00
Perambulator/ Town /Share Medicare	0.00
Perambulation Expense	
TOTAL EXECUTIVE	\$41,640.91
(Balance \$6,787.09)	

ELECTION REGISTRATION & VITAL STATISTICS

Appropriation	\$20,694.00	
Town Clerk Conf. Refund	330.00	
School Election Expenses	361.72	
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Total Available	\$21,385.72	
Town Clerk Election & Hourly Expense		
Patricia Liotta	3,525.13	
Janice Philbrick	340.00	3,865.13
Town Clerk Training Payroll		0.00
Patricia Liotta	31.53	
Janice Philbrick	60.00	91.53
Town Clerk Salary Expense		
Janice Philbrick	7,879.00	7,978.00
Town Share FICA	739.98	739.98
Town Share Medicare	173.08	173.08
Town Clerk Telephone Expense		
Granite State Telephone	321.75	321.75
Town Clerk Dues		
NH City & Town Clerks Assoc	20.00	20.00
Town Clerk Supplies		
Gaskell Print Brokerage	104.98	
Stark & Sons Machining	56.56	
Tower Publishing	90.50	
Viking Office Products	12.71	264.75
Town Clerk Convention/Training		
Mt Washington Hotel & Resort	660.00	
NHCTCA	160.00	
Janice Philbrick		820.00
Supervisors of Checklist Payroll Expense		
Alan Goodspeed	890.00	
Natalie Jurson	650.00	
Mary T Krygeris	325.00	
Nora Pasioka	180.00	2,045.00
Town Share FICA	126.79	126.79

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Town Share Medicare	29.65	29.65
Supervisors Expenses		
Ronald Jager	15.98	
Pherus Press	311.80	327.78
Supervisors/ Advertising		
Eagle Publications	72.00	
The Villager	54.00	126.00
Ballot Clerks Payroll Expense		
Louise Bodak	388.00	
Lionel Chute	16.00	
Barbara Gaskell	8.00	
Marcia Goodspeed	390.00	
Martha Hamill	28.00	
Alice Hannus	388.00	
Patricia Liotta	36.00	
Geraldine Mc Quade	16.00	
Janice Philbrick	70.00	1,340.00
Town Share FICA	83.08	83.08
Town Share Medicare	19.42	19.42
Expenses		
Alan Goodspeed	65.00	
Washington Fire Auxiliary	425.00	490.00
School Election Payroll Expense		
Guy L Eaton	100.00	
Alan Goodspeed	60.00	
Marcia Goodspeed	28.00	
Alice Hannus	28.00	
Karl Jurson	40.00	
Natalie Jurson	40.00	
Nora Pasieka	40.00	336.00
School Share FICA	20.84	20.84
School Share Medicare	4.88	4.88
TOTAL ELECTION REGISTRATION & VITAL STATS		\$19,223.66
(Balance \$2,162.06)		

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation	\$107,486.00	
Systems Equipment	177.76	
Total Available	\$107,663.76	
Accounting Payroll Expense		
Lynda B Roy	22,406.20	
Nancy Tanner	744.27	23,150.47

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Trustees of Trust Funds Bookkeeper		
Arline France	500.00	500.00
Town Share FICA	1,466.31	1,466.31
Town Share Medicare	342.93	342.93
Deferred Compensation		
ICMA Retirement Trust	1,368.28	1,368.28
Accounting Training		
NHGFOA	25.00	
Lynda B Roy	20.04	45.04
Auditing Services		
Plodzik & Sanderson, PA	5,150.00	5,150.00
Assessing Payroll Expense		
Linda T Cook	10,154.75	
Arline France	8,320.00	
Algird Krygeris	6,389.50	24,864.25
Town Share FICA	1,541.59	1,541.59
Town Share Medicare	360.51	360.51
Forestry Consultant		
Woodland Care Forest Mgnt	12,700.00	12,700.00
Consulting Contract	0.00	0.00
Assessors Dues		
NH Association of Assessors	20.00	20.00
Registry Expenses		
Sullivan County Registry of Deeds	975.27	975.27
Assessors Equipment		
Gov Connection	648.90	648.90
Assessors School & Conference		
Local Government Center	140.00	
NHAAO	950.00	1,090.00
Tax Collector Payroll Expense		
Patricia Liotta	3,463.52	3,463.52
Tax Collector Salary Expense		
Janice Philbrick	7,978.00	7,978.00
Town Share FICA	709.34	709.34
Town Share Medicare	165.87	165.87
Title Service		
Barbara Paronto	1,580.00	1,580.00
Printing Bills		
Print Graphics of Maine	1,498.04	1,498.04
Tax Collector Dues		
NH Tax Collectors Association	20.00	20.00

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Postage		
Pitney Bowes	1,900.00	
Print Graphics of Maine	1,086.13	2,986.13
Tax Collector Miscellaneous		
Gaskell Print Brokerage	37.15	
Patricia Liotta	45.99	
Viking Office Products	12.71	95.85
Tax Collectors Conference		
Patricia Liotta	61.80	
NH Tax Collectors Association	691.50	
Janice Philbrick	10.00	763.30
Treasurer Payroll Expense		
Deborah S Cascio	2,700.00	2,700.00
Town Share FICA	167.40	167.40
Town Share Medicare	39.15	39.15
Information Systems		
Payroll		
Algird Krygeris	801.00	
Christopher Scruton	1,792.00	2,593.00
Town Share FICA	160.76	160.76
Town Share Medicare	37.62	37.62
Computer Contract		
UniFund, LLC	1,748.74	1,748.74
Equipment & Software		
Competitive Computers	20.00	
Dell Marketing LP	1,769.84	
Gov Connection Inc	177.76	
Algird Krygeris	189.88	
Christopher Scruton	262.65	
Staples the Office Store	483.78	
Viking Office Products	627.85	
Vision Business Systems	428.00	3,959.76
TOTAL FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION		\$104,890.03
(Balance \$7,773.73)		
LEGAL EXPENSES		
Appropriation		
	3,000.00	
General		
Devine, Millmet & Branch	1,622.37	
Upton & Hatfield, LLP	2,386.92	4,009.29

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Borey		
Upton Hatfield, LLP	2,329.50	2,329.50
Hurst		
Upton Hatfield, LLP	433.42	433.42
TOTAL LEGAL EXPENSES		\$6,772.21
Overdraft \$3,772.21)		

PLANNING & ZONING

Appropriation	5,703.00	
Planning Board		
Payroll Expense	50.00	50.00
Town Share FICA	3.10	3.10
Town Share Medicare	0.72	0.72
Board Operations		
Postmaster, Washington	36.00	
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee	56.00	92.00
Printing		
Premier Printing		0.00
Dues & Subscriptions		
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee	859.00	859.00
CIP Regulations	0.00	0.00
Training	20.00	20.00
Advertising	0.00	0.00
Board of Adjustment		
Payroll Expense		
Laura Newton	627.00	627.00
Town Share FICA	38.88	38.88
Town Share Medicare	9.08	9.08
Board Operations	0.00	0.00
Advertising		
Eagle Publications	96.00	
Granite Quill Publishers	371.25	467.25
TOTAL PLANNING & ZONING		\$2,167.03
(Balance \$3,535.97)		

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

Appropriation	\$32,898.00
Reimbursements	15.00
Total Available	\$32,913.00

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Cleaning Penalty Fee	-15.00	-15.00
Custodial Payroll Expense		
James Berry	40.00	
Robert J Fraser	88.00	
Lawrence Gaskell	109.12	
Ingrid Halverson	3,334.07	
Rachael Halverson	124.00	
Kevin Hanscom	18.86	
Robert Ostertag	5.89	
Edward Thayer	36.92	
Nancy Warena	220.00	3,976.86
Town Share FICA	246.58	246.58
Town Share Medicare	57.68	57.68
Town Hall Electricity		
Public Service Company of NH	1,489.19	1,489.19
Town Hall Heat & Propane		
Amerigas	4,674.59	4,674.59
Town Hall Septic		0.00
Town Hall Maintenance & Supplies		
Central Paper Company	94.16	
Dennis Lumber Company	71.71	
Edmund's Department Store	112.96	
Ingrid Halverson	5.27	
Thomas Taylor	47.97	
Viking Office Products	44.46	376.53
Town Hall Alarm Maintenance		
Mamakating Electric Company	200.00	200.00
Town Hall Repairs		
John Cilley Plumbing & Heating	161.00	
Dennis Lumber Company	2.72	
R P Fraser Electric	82.00	
John's Landscaping & Tree Service	648.00	893.72
Town Hall Fire Extinguisher		
Concord Fire Extinguishers	54.00	54.00
Town Hall Equipment		
Deborah Cascio	10.00	
John Cilley Plumbing & Heating	782.00	
Thomas Taylor	83.28	
Viking Office Products	189.87	1,065.15
Archives Supplies		0.00
Camp Morgan Telephone		
Granite State Telephone	326.66	326.66

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Camp Morgan Electricity		
Public Service Company of NH	1,581.63	1,581.63
Camp Morgan Heat		
Amerigas	703.64	
J B Vaillancourt Inc	1,498.58	2,202.22
Camp Morgan Septic & Well Maintenance		
John Cilley Plumbing & Heating	100.00	
Frank's Septic Service	245.00	
R P Fraser Electric	65.00	
Henniker Septic Service	1,365.00	1,775.00
Camp Morgan Kitchen Maintenance		
Randy's Appliance Repairs	165.00	165.00
Camp Morgan Alarm Maintenance		
Granite State Telephone	322.22	
Mamakating Electric Company	200.00	522.22
Camp Morgan Fire Extinguishers		
Concord Fire Extinguishers	481.50	481.50
Camp Morgan Maintenance Supplies		
Central Paper Co	48.62	
Dennis Lumber Company	29.37	
Edmund's Department Store	19.98	
R P Fraser Electric	0.00	
Viking Office Products	33.47	131.44
Camp Morgan Regular Maintenance		
John Cilley Plumbing & Heating	300.00	
Dennis Lumber Company	15.38	
Frank F Farella	100.00	
R P Fraser Electric	1,400.00	
Scott Newton	300.00	2,115.38
Camp Morgan Equipment		
J Rufford Harrison	49.99	
Lynda B Roy	25.00	
Viking Office Products	23.46	
Zoll Medical Corporation	315.86	414.31
Camp Morgan Furniture	0.00	0.00
PD Alarm Installation		
Electronic Security	1,194.00	1,194.00
School Water Tests		
NHDES	75.00	
Water Systems Operators Inc	1,400.00	1,475.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS		\$25,403.66
(Balance \$7,494.34)		

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CEMETERIES

Appropriation	\$11,000.00	
Transfer to Cemetery Trustees	\$11,000.00	11,000.00
TOTAL CEMETERIES		\$11,000.00

INSURANCE

Appropriation	\$34,926.00	
Worker's Compensation		
Primex	12,747.00	
(Less Amount Deducted)	-593.20	12,153.80
Property		
P & P Bartavian	240.00	
LGC Property - Liability Ins	1,710.80	1,950.80
Fire Department		
LGC Property Liability Ins	675.00	675.00
General Liability		
LGC Property Liability Ins	6,142.84	6,142.84
Police Liability		
LGC Property Liability Ins	2,533.50	2,533.50
Public Officials Bonding		nc
Unemployment Compensation		
Primex Unemployment Comp	324.00	324.00
Vehicles		
LGC Property Liability Ins	6,989.36	6,989.36
Fire Truck Replacement		
LGC Property Liability Ins	5,000.00	5,000.00
TOTAL INSURANCE		\$35,769.30
(Overdraft \$843.00)		

MOTOR FUEL

Appropriation	\$29,000.00	
Reimbursements	34.00	
Total Available	\$29,034.00	
Gasoline		
J B Vaillancourt Inc	8,698.98	8,698.98
Diesel		
J B Vaillancourt Inc	21,378.21	21,378.21

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Miscellaneous		
Noco Energy Corp	293.59	293.59
TOTAL MOTOR FUEL		\$30,370.78
(Overdraft \$1,336.78)		
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		\$277,237.58

PUBLIC SAFETY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriations	\$76,658.00	
Grant Appropriation	\$9,000.00	
Reimbursements:		
Computer Rebate	20.00	
Laptop Reimbursement	4,083.00	
Detail Pay Reimbursements	2,404.50	
NH Chiefs of Police	214.00	
Pistol Permits	180.00	
Total Available	\$92,559.50	
Chief Salary Expense		
Steven Marshall	38,109.91	38,109.91
Grant Payroll Expense		
Steven I Marshall	3,175.72	
Brian P Moser	139.32	
Robert M McAllister	156.00	
Peter W Powers, Jr	291.00	3,762.04
Officers Payroll Expense		
Brian Moser	4,400.45	
Robert M McAllister	1,030.09	
Peter W Powers, Jr	891.00	6,321.54
Training Payroll Expense		0.00
Secretary Payroll Expense		
Laura C Newton	1,553.75	1,553.75
Detail Payroll Expense		
Steven I Marshall	4,370.00	
Brian P Moser	925.00	
Peter W Powers, Jr	525.00	5,820.00
Health Insurance		
LGC Health Trust	10,933.80	10,933.80
Town Share FICA	677.91	677.91
Town Share Medicare	820.55	820.55

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Retirement			
NH Retirement System	3,593.13	3,593.13	
Telephone Expense			
Granite State Telephone	1,691.52		
Nep/UCOM	107.40		
U S Cellular	340.53	2,139.45	
Computer Expense			
Competitive Computers Inc	178.00		
Crimestar Corporation	170.00		
Steven I Marshall	17.99		
Christopher Scruton	907.94		
Transcor-IT/Haywood Associates	4,083.00	5,356.93	
Animal Control			
Lovewell Mountain Regalia	20.00	20.00	
Dues			
NH Association of Police Chiefs	100.00	100.00	
Supplies			
Crystal Rock Bottled Water	90.50		
Eagle Point Gun	196.00		
Gaskell Print Brokerage	40.00		
Law Enforcement Systems Inc	112.00		
Nora Pasicka/NEBS	201.25		
Poster Compliance Center	39.57		
Staples the Office Store	550.85		
Wash. Congregational Church	2.00	1,232.17	
Cruiser Maintenance			
Capital Glass & Mirror Inc	45.00		
Hillsboro Ford Inc	1,356.76		
NAPA Auto Parts	262.15		
R & R Communications Inc	75.00		
Tire Warehouse #108	433.20		
Wright Communications Inc	120.60	2,292.71	
OHRV			
Livingston's Auto Repair	23.00		
Outdoor Performance LLC	61.80		
Sanel Auto Parts Co	2.53	87.33	
Miscellaneous			
Eagle Publications	81.00		
Granite Quill Publishers	56.25		
Steven I Marshall	3.49	140.74	
Equipment			
Gall's Inc	389.90		

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Treasurer St of NH	65.04	
Sanel Auto Parts Co	26.71	
Staples the Office Store	29.99	511.64
Training		
Larry Gellman	40.00	
Lifesaving Resources Inc	160.00	
Steven I Marshall	42.75	
Nackey S Loeb School	90.00	332.75
Uniforms		
Ben's Uniforms	315.00	
Lovell Mountain Regila	286.00	601.00
Custodial Payroll Expense		
Laura Newton	174.50	174.50
Electricity		
Public Service Company of NH	1,091.25	1,091.25
Heat		
Amerigas	2,233.37	2,233.37
Repairs & Maintenance		
John Cilley Plumbing & Heating	320.00	
Steven I Marshall	2.38	
Overhead Door Company Inc	125	447.38
Alarm Maintenance		
Electronic Security	100.00	
Mamakating Electric Company	275.00	375.00
Extinguisher Service		
Concord Fire Extinguisher Service	45.00	45.00
TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT		\$88,773.85
(Balance \$3,785.65)		

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	
Rescue Squad	\$27,102.00
Fire Department	51,040.00
Reimbursements:	
Extinguishers	125.65
Total Available	\$78,142.00
Rescue Squad Payroll	
Shawn Atkins	28.00
Laurie Carter	679.00
Richard Cook	14.00
Benjamin Crane	189.00

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Gary Crane	14.00	
Robert Crane II	679.00	
John Eccard	56.00	
Lawrence Gaskell	14.00	
Denise Hanscom	2,650.00	
David Hunt	28.00	
Brian Moser	70.00	
Jennifer Murdough	838.00	
Robert Ostertag	28.00	
John Pasioka, Jr	1,001.00	
James Russell	1,218.00	
Mary C Russell	1,218.00	
Kenneth Tanner	469.00	
Nancy Tanner	1,050.00	
Cynthia Turner	1,393.00	
Donald Turner	441.00	
Robert Wright	2,475.00	14,552.00
Rescue Squad/FICA	902.27	902.27
Rescue Squad/ Medicare	211.03	211.03
Rescue Squad/Vehicle Repairs		
Diamond Triumph Auto Glass Inc	230.00	
Hillsboro Ford Inc	169.51	399.51
Rescue Squad/Equipment Repairs		
Medtronic Emergency	465.25	465.25
Rescue Squad Training		
Academy of First Response	750.00	
American Red Cross	141.00	
New England Health Solutions	875.00	
New London Hospital	1,480.00	3,246.00
Total Rescue Squad		\$19,776.06
(Balance \$7,325.74)		
Fire Department		
Administration		
John Eccard	8.49	
Fire Barn	118.49	
St of NH Criminal Records	25.00	151.98
Dues		
Southwestern NH District	450.00	450.00
Supplies		
B-B Chain Co	402.20	
Dingee Machine Co	359.56	

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Edmund's Dept Store	21.20	
John Eccard	25.00	
The Fire Barn	33.89	
The Granite Group	35.60	
Kovatch Mobile Company	60.67	
Southwestern NH District	12.00	
Staples Credit Plan	80.70	1,030.82
Equipment		
Batteries Plus #401	59.89	
Bergeron Protective Clothing	5,587.92	
Dingee Machine Co	264.47	
John Eccard	16.00	
Economy 2 Way Distributors	61.99	5,990.27
Prevention		
Alert-All Corporation	295.60	295.60
Fire Pond Maintenance		
Dennis Lumber Company	181.06	
Dingee Machine Co	459.45	
The Granite Group	46.71	
NHDES	100.00	
Everett Prescott Inc	477.17	1,264.39
Payroll Expense		
Shawn Atkins	565.00	
Phillip Bezio	108.50	
Robert Caruso	98.00	
Joseph Coleman	56.00	
Benjamin Crane	318.50	
Gary Crane	311.50	
Robert Crane II	420.00	
John Eccard	1,948.00	
Lawrence Gaskell	325.50	
David Hunt	1,301.00	
Karl Jurson	182.00	
Natalie Jurson	252.00	
Herbert Killam Jr	42.00	
George Marvin	579.00	
Brian Moser	612.00	
Michael Ostertag	428.50	
Robert Ostertag	453.00	
John Pasioka	175.00	
James S Russell	250.00	
Jed Schwartz	554.50	

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William Silveria	42.00	
Kenneth Tanner	217.00	
Edward Thayer	675.00	
Cynthia Turner	38.50	
Donald Turner	292.00	
Bruce Woodbury	42.00	10,286.50
Training Payroll Expense		
Shawn Atkins	49.00	
Robert Caruso	20.00	
Richard Cook	119.00	
Benjamin Crane	203.00	
Gary Crane	98.00	
Robert Crane II	238.00	
John Eccard	105.00	
Lawrence Gaskell	77.00	
David Hunt	28.00	
George Marvin	224.00	
Brian Moser	476.00	
Michael Ostertag	98.00	
Robert Ostertag	84.00	
John Pasieka Jr	42.00	
Jed Schwartz	77.00	
Kenneth Tanner	52.50	
Edward Thayer	59.50	
Cynthia Turner	28.00	2,078.00
Town Share FICA	766.58	766.58
Town Share Medicare	179.31	179.31
Training		
Meadowwood County Area Fire	450.00	
NH Division of Fire Standards	222.00	672.00
Vehicle Repair Payroll		
Robert W Crane II	221.73	
Lawrence Gaskell	68.20	289.93
Vehicle Repair/FICA	17.97	17.97
Vehicle Repair/ Medicare	4.22	4.22
Vehicle Repair/Retirement	17.11	17.11
Vehicle Repairs		
Advanced Towing & Trucking	125.00	
W D Perkins	5,452.60	
Sanel Auto Parts Co	229.08	5,806.68
Air Compressor Services		0.00
Air Bottles & Extinguishers		

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Cove Brook Safety	910.00	
Pufco Inc	378.00	
Simplexgrinnell	46.50	1,334.50
NHPA Physicals		
Telephone		
Granite State Telephone	1,413.34	1,413.34
Electricity		
Public Service Company of NH	1,761.53	1,761.53
Heat		
Amerigas	2,698.15	2,698.15
Alarm Maintenance		
Mamakating Electric Company	400.00	400.00
Building Maintenance		
Dennis Lumber Company	41.20	
Mamakating Electric Company	610.50	
Overhead Door Company Inc	315.60	967.30
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT		\$37,876.18
(Balance \$13,289.47)		

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Appropriation	<u>\$1,600.00</u>	
Emergency Management Expenses		
Terra-Map East	1,075.00	1,075.00
E911 Expenses		
Cartographic Associates Inc		0.00
TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		\$1,075.00
(Balance \$525.00)		

FOREST FIRE CONTROL

Appropriation	\$1,700.00	
Reimbursement	1,327.30	
Total Available	<u>\$3,027.30</u>	
Forest Fire Control		
John Pasioka	6.30	
Town of Washington	640.00	646.30
Forest Fire Payroll		
Shawn Atkins	31.26	
James Berry	21.18	
Phillip Bezio	27.03	

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Robert Caruso	18.02	
Benjamin Crane	36.04	
Robert Crane II	18.02	
John Eccard	93.78	
Denise Hanscom	36.04	
David R Hunt	78.15	
Karl Jurson	18.02	
Natalie Jurson	16.94	
George Marvin	78.15	
Brian Moser	312.60	
Robert Ostertag	359.49	
Nora Pasieka	21.18	
John Pasieka Jr	622.20	
Janice Philbrick	21.18	
Kenneth Tanner	81.09	
Nancy Tanner	21.18	
Edward Thayer	41.68	
Cynthia Turner	36.04	
Donald Turner	81.09	
Bruce Woodbury	36.04	2,106.40
Forest Fire/Town Share FICA	130.56	130.56
Forest Fire /Town Share Medicare	30.50	30.50
TOTAL FOREST FIRE CONTROL		\$2,913.76
(Balance \$113.54)		

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Appropriation	\$14,195.00	
Telephone Lines		
Granite State Telephone Co	623.78	
MCI Comm Service	231.78	
TDS Telecom	516.13	1,371.69
Dispatch		
Central Emergency Dispatch	713.00	
Town of Hillsborough	6,942.00	
Sullivan County Radio Association	150.00	7,805.00
Radio Tower Electricity		
Public Service Company of NH	96.16	96.16
Radio & Pager Repairs		
Lindsay Collins	14.07	
Economy 2 Way Distributors	117.37	
R & R Communications	70.00	

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Southwestern NH District	363.75	
Wright Communications	546.90	1,112.09
Improve or Replace		
Economy 2 Way Distributors	4,033.75	
Southwestern NH District	225.00	4,258.75
TOTAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS		\$14,643.69
(Overdraft \$448.69)		
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		\$165,058.54

HIGHWAYS, STREETS, AND BRIDGES

HIGHWAY

Appropriation	\$326,421.00	
Reimbursements:		
Bailey Rd Interest	9.60	
Calcium Chloride	840.00	
Culverts	1,206.40	
Mowing Cemeteries	285.96	
School District Reimb	577.85	
Signs	60.29	
Tires	100.00	
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Total Available	\$329,501.10	
Elected Payroll Expense		
Edward Thayer	30,591.92	- 30,591.92
Elected/ Overtime Expense		
Edward Thayer	1,128.90	1,128.90
Elected/ Other Compensation(Vacation, Sick, Holidays)		
Edward Thayer	6,418.69	6,418.69
Payroll Expense		
James Berry	1,360.00	
John H Brown	1,033.50	
Matthew Brunt	195.00	
Gary Crane	890.00	
Robert Crane II	22,499.67	
Theodore Drew	1,545.00	
Lawrence Gaskell	24,170.05	
Kevin Hanscom	21,345.03	
Steven Marshall	80.00	
Brian Moser	30.00	
Robert Ostertag	376.64	
Robert Riessle	140.00	

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Cynthia Turner	340.00	74,004.89
Payroll Expense/Overtime		
Robert Crane II	2,387.55	
Lawrence Gaskell	1,167.30	
Kevin Hanscom	1,476.34	
Robert Ostertag	882.64	5,913.83
Other Compensation Pay (Holiday, Sick, Vacation)		
Robert Crane II	2,562.03	
Lawrence Gaskell	3,541.47	
Kevin Hanscom	4,218.43	10,321.93
Health Insurance		
NHMA Health Trust	37,525.84	37,525.84
Town Share FICA	7,954.58	7,954.58
Town Share Medicare	1,861.53	1,861.53
Retirement		
NH Retirement System	7,257.23	7,257.23
Telephone Expense		
Arch Wireless	440.60	
Granite State Telephone	1,323.41	1,764.01
Drug & Alcohol Testing		
Choicepoint Services Inc	248.00	248.00
Electricity		
Public Service Company of NH	3,177.13	3,177.13
Heat & Fuel		
Hilltop Heating	360.00	
J B Vaillancourt Inc	6,693.55	7,053.55
Alarm Maintenance		
Mamakating Electric Company	400.00	400.00
Fire Extinguishers		
Concord Fire Extinguisher Service	360.75	360.75
Rentals & Leases		
Crystal Rock Water	25.75	
Larry's Backhoe Work	100.00	
Merriam Graves Corp	225.00	
Nationsrent	1,495.00	
Owen's Leasing	2,385.00	4,230.75
Safety		
Batteries Plus #401	46.97	
Haltt Sales Inc	103.65	
Place in the Woods Inc	590.42	741.04

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Dues			
NH Good Roads Association	25.00		
NH Public Works	25.00		
NH Road Agents Association	20.00		
NH Motor Transport Association	350.00		420.00
Parts & Supplies			
Atlantic Plow Division	2,731.76		
Av Concepts Corp	219.98		
AW Direct Inc	266.71		
B B Chain	871.35		
Batteries Plus #401	265.41		
Belanger's Auto Parts Inc	321.92		
Cartographic Associates Inc	25.00		
Cheever Tire Service Inc	1,528.01		
Cohen Steel Supply Inc	518.13		
Crystal Rock Water	167.50		
Dennis Lumber Inc	335.93		
Dingee Machine Co	438.65		
Economy 2 Way Distributors	22.44		
Edumnd's Department Store	569.79		
Howard Fairfield Inc	4,181.54		
Steve Fellows	11.00		
Fountain Industries Co	51.78		
Future Supply Corp	528.47		
Grainger Inc	187.33		
R C Hazelton Co Inc	300.86		
Hillsboro Auto	1,000.00		
The Hope Group	100.92		
Jordan Equipment Inc	853.80		
Knoxland Equipment Inc	51.36		
Maintenance Connection	345.53		
Memphis Equipment	132.92		
Merriam Graves Corp	1,392.27		
Mc Divitt Trucks Inc	990.62		
Treas ST of NH	1,092.49		
Northern Tool & Equipment Co	157.51		
Parts Associates inc	702.54		
PB & H Equipment Inc	12.00		
Poster Compliance Center	39.59		
Everett J Prescott Inc	35.63		
Radio Shack/ Eatons Furniture	115.00		
S G Reed Truck Services Inc	48.34		

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Sanel Auto Parts Co	7,149.47	
E W Sleeper Co	1,003.18	
Southwestern NH District	66.75	
Southworth-Milton Inc	590.97	
Staples Credit Plan	196.63	
State Line Truck Service	250.57	
Edward Thayer	19.95	
Tire Warehouse	568.18	
Tyler's Small Engines	58.90	
Viking Office Products	23.99	
Volkman Electric	570.00	
Wright Communications	88.70	
Wyman's Chevrolet	141.21	
Yankee Trucks	123.26	31,465.84
Vehicle Maintenance		
Atlantic Plow Division	660.00	
Cheever Tire Service Inc	468.48	
Donovan Spring Co Inc	412.56	
R C Hazelton Co Inc	1,200.84	
Memphis Equipment	49.28	
Mr Gee's Tire Corp	1,902.00	
Northern Tool & Equipment Co	197.78	
S G Reed Truck Services Inc	5,299.74	
Siegel Oil Company	336.27	
Southworth-Milton Inc	257.00	
SRB Equipment Repair	40.00	
State Line Truck Service	421.56	
Stratham Tire Inc	113.00	
Tire Warehouse	67.98	
Volkman Electric	110.00	
Wyman's Chevrolet	904.56	12,441.05
Road Care Materials		
Sybil C Blakney, Estate of	2,000.00	
Cargill Incorporated	13,161.27	
Daniels Construction	1,168.00	
Eugene Edwards & Son	7,644.00	
Steve Fellows	877.50	
Henniker Crushed Stone	1,615.91	
J A F Industries Inc	360.60	
Carl Matthews Equipment Co	2,440.00	
Oldcastle (Arthur Whitcomb)	1,388.00	
Treasurer State of NH	120.94	

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Pike Industries Inc	128.00	
Everett J Prescott Inc	1,277.73	
Solutions	6,646.80	38,828.75
Miscellaneous		
Frank Farella	400.00	
Generations Florist & Gifts	50.00	
Mamakating Electric Company	150.40	
Washington General Store	20.95	
Windsor Nursery Florist	35.00	656.35
Training		
NH Motor Transport Association	135.00	
State of New Hampshire	70.00	
University of New Hampshire	105.00	310.00
Uniforms		
Unifirst Corp	4,163.53	4,163.53
Other Improvements		
All States Asphalt Inc	3,668.96	
CBC Environmental Services	2,280.00	
Cohen Steel Supply Inc	651.48	
R Niven & Sons Construction Co	812.00	
Everett J Prescott Inc	1,972.27	9,384.71
Emergency Supplies & Trucking		
Howard Fairfield Inc	2,001.12	
T C Heavy Equipment	525.00	2,526.12
Street Lights		
New Hampshire Electric Co-op	112.76	
Public Service Co of NH	1,466.94	1,579.70
TOTAL HIGHWAY STREETS & BRIDGES		\$302,730.62
(Balance \$28,570.48)		

SANITATION

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Appropriation	\$121,461.00
Mobile Unit Security	50.00
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	\$121,511.00

Transfer Station /Payroll Expense

James M Berry	1,390.00
Lawrence Gaskell	27.28
Trafton B Hanscom	436.50

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Clifford Mac Donald	3,255.00	
Robert Ostertag	21,843.92	
Robert Riessle	1,340.00	28,292.70
Overtime Payroll		
Robert Ostertag	740.44	740.44
Other Compensation Payroll (Holiday, Sick, Vacation)		
Robert Ostertag	2,577.10	2,577.10
Health Insurance		
LGC Health Insurance Trust	8,099.04	8,099.04
Town Share FICA	1,959.83	1,959.83
Town Share Medicare	458.34	458.34
Retirement Expense		
NH Retirement System	1,486.22	1,486.22
Telephone Expense		
Granite State Telephone	362.05	362.05
Electricity		
Public Service Company of NH	356.09	356.09
Heat & Propane		
Amerigas	247.05	247.05
Fire Extinguisher Services		
Concord Fire Extinguisher Service	32.00	32.00
Rentals & Leases		
All Clear Services	2,400.00	2,400.00
Safety		
Blue Seal Feeds Inc	82.58	
Place in the Woods Inc	91.19	173.77
Dues		
Northeast Resource and Recovery	50.00	50.00
Vehicle Maintenance		
Chesterfield Tire	640.00	
Leon Costello Company	79.00	
Mr Gee's Tire Corp	695.00	
Sanel Auto Parts Co	33.16	
Southworth Milton Inc	311.83	
State Line Truck Service Inc	315.34	2,074.33
Miscellaneous		
Dennis Lumber Inc	581.29	
Merriam-Graves Corp	77.60	
Edward Thayer	18.50	677.39
Recycling Equipment		
Cohen Steel Supply Inc	912.74	

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Ebster Electric	169.35	
Edmund's Hardware Store	43.11	1,125.20
Training		
NRRRA-C/E	160.00	
Treasurer State of NH	250.00	410.00
Uniforms		
Unifirst Corporation	595.12	595.12
Transportation & Removal		
Achille Enterprises Inc	20.98	
Antifreeze Technology	137.75	
Atlantic Leasing Corp	130.12	
AVRRDD Mt Carberry	22,295.70	
Cohen Steel Supply Inc	110.50	
Northeast Resource Recovery	24,249.91	
Premier Printing	21.00	
Safey-Kleen Systems Inc	411.65	
Wheelabrator Claremont Company	863.04	48,240.65
Marlow Side Pickups		
Town of Marlow	8,400.00	8,400.00
Hazardous Waste Cleanup		
Clean Harbors	7,680.40	
Treasurer St of NH	50.00	7,730.40
Dump Closure/Water Tests		
Dibernardo Associates	980.00	
Eastern Analytical	1,298.76	2,278.76
TOTAL SOLID WASTE		\$118,766.48
(Balance \$2,744.52)		

HEALTH & WELFARE

HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation	\$750.00	
Reimbursements:	30.00	
Total Available	\$780.00	
Officers Payroll		
Karl Jurson	265.00	265.00
Town Share FICA	16.43	16.43
Town Share Medicare	3.84	3.84

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Departmental Expenses		
Karl Jurson	26.22	
NH Health Officer's Association	90.00	116.22
TOTAL HEALTH DEPT ADMINISTRATION		\$401.49
(Balance \$378.51)		

HEALTH AGENCIES

Appropriation	\$5,476.00	
Acorn	250.00	250.00
Lake Sunapee Region VNA	2,376.00	2,376.00
Marlow Ambulance	100.00	100.00
Office of Youth Services	250.00	250.00
Project LIFT	500.00	500.00
Southwestern Community Services	500.00	500.00
Sullivan County Hospice	250.00	250.00
Sullivan County Nutrition Services	400.00	400.00
West Central Behavioral Health	850.00	850.00
TOTAL HEALTH AGENCIES		\$5,476.00

WELFARE

Appropriation	\$15,000.00	
2004 Reimbursements	299.75	
Total Available	\$15,299.75	
Community Assistance		
Case #89 - 002	1,412.66	
Case #99 - 001	2,267.76	
Case #00 - 001	5,092.99	
Case #01- 004	506.09	
Case #02 - 002	167.98	
Case #02 - 004	607.66	
Case #02 - 005	395.27	
Case #03 - 004	1,550.00	
Case #04 - 001	677.76	
Case #04 - 002	2,112.34	
Case #04 - 003	2,991.58	17,782.09
Administration /Payroll Expense		
Laura Newton	93.75	
Lynda B Roy	785.27	879.02
Town Share FICA	54.52	54.52
Town Share Medicare	12.74	12.74

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Dues		
NH Local Welfare Admin Assoc	60.00	60.00
Departmental Expenses		
Local Government Center	24.00	
NH Local Welfare Admin Assoc	22.00	
Laura Newton	24.00	70.00
TOTAL WELFARE		\$18,858.37
(Overdraft \$3,558.62)		
TOTAL HEALTH & WELFARE		\$24,735.86

CULTURE AND RECREATION

PARKS & RECREATION

Appropriation	\$36,277.00	
Reimbursements:		
Gen Maint Reimb	16.00	
Jr Overnight	63.00	
Canobie Lake Park	627.00	
T Shirts	453.00	
Sr Overnight	180.00	
Balance of Advance/Director	481.34	
Total Available	\$38,097.34	
Regular Maintenance		
Caretaker		
Ingrid Halverson	1,200.00	1,200.00
Secretary/Payroll Expense		
Laura Newton	598.00	598.00
Town Share FICA	111.47	111.47
Town Share Medicare	26.08	26.08
Band Stand Electricity		
Public Service Company of NH	114.34	114.34
Water Tests/ Millen & EW Ponds		
NHDES	100.00	100.00
Band Stand Maintenance	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous		
Dennis Lumber Company	258.95	
Edmund's Hardware Store	35.84	
Henniker Septic Service	545.00	
Ann Nelson	15.00	854.79
Lawn Care		
Power Play Mowing	6,999.98	6,999.98

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Grade & Seed Field	0.00	0.00
Advertisements		
Eagle Publications	72.00	
Granite Quill Publishing	123.75	
Washington Volunteer Fire Dept	20.00	
Washington Rescue Squad	20.00	235.75
Docks		
Docks/Contract		
Power Play Mowing	1,300.00	1,300.00
Dock Maintenance		
John A Card Jr	175.54	175.54
Summer Program: Note Income from Registrations \$3,229.00		
Payroll Expenses		
Jamie Bennett	1,000.00	
Patricia J Bennett	850.00	
Heather A Blackwood	850.00	
Matthew P Blackwood	1,000.00	
Gary Michael Butler	200.00	
Eric T Cote	200.00	
Jessica C Cote	900.00	
Andrew H Curtis	1,100.00	
Benjamin L Curtis	400.00	
Robert J Fraser	950.00	
James I Gaskell	200.00	
Elisabeth C Lull	950.00	
Seth G Lull	1,200.00	
Jennifer E Murdough	4,000.00	
Jessica L Newton	850.00	
Nikole Soderlund	200.00	14,850.00
Town Share FICA	920.70	920.70
Town Share Medicare	215.34	215.34
Telephone Expense		
Granite State Telephone	116.59	116.59
Program Materials		
American Red Cross	175.00	
Crotched Mt Rehab CTR-Aquatics	175.00	
Jennifer Murdough	2,200.00	
Teddy's Tees	677.95	3,227.95
Special Events		
Canobie Lake Park	1,439.00	
Clinton Fraser	25.01	
Jennifer Murdough	350.00	1,814.01

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Band Concerts		
Boot Scootin Boomers	200.00	
Gerald Grimo	300.00	
Keene Cheshiremen	300.00	
David Plante	350.00	
Jamie Snell	200.00	1,350.00
Senior Trips		
Dineen Coach Company	1,000.00	1,000.00
Equipment	0.00	0.00
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION		\$35,210.54
(Balance \$2,293.80)		
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES		
Appropriation		\$500.00
Patriotic Purposes		
Balch Bros & West Co	195.00	
Treasurer State of NH	105.77	300.77
TOTAL PATRIOTIC PURPOSES		\$300.77
(Balance \$199.23)		
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION		\$35,511.31

DEBT SERVICE

Appropriation		\$63,590.00	
Tax Anticipation Notes	0.00	0.00	
General Obligation Debt Principal			
Bank of NH (Landfill Closure Note)	7,000.00		
Bank of NH (Highland Haven Note)	7,600.00		
Bank of NH (Garage Note)	33,700.00	48,300.00	
General Obligation Long Term Interest			
Bank of New Hampshire	13,096.04	13,096.04	
Interest Tax Anticipation Notes		0.00	
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE		\$61,396.04	
(Balance \$2,193.96)			

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CAPITAL OUTLAY

HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT

Appropriation

\$48,277.00

Materials

All States Asphalt Inc

35,618.20

Pike Industries Inc

12,308.80

E W Sleeper Co

350.00

48,277.00

TOTAL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

\$48,277.00

HALF MOON POND ROAD BRIDGE

Encumbered

\$34,900.46

Materials

S E A Consultants Inc

2,064.00

2,064.00

TOTAL HALF MOON POND ROAD BRIDGE

\$2,064.00

(Balance Encumbered \$32,836.00)

MILLEN POND DAM

Encumbered

\$11,355.77

Payroll Expenses

Lawrence Gaskell

545.60

Kevin Hanscom

439.95

Edward Thayer

424.58

1,410.13

Town Share FICA

87.44

87.44

Town Share Medicare

20.43

20.43

Town Share Retirement

NH Retirement System

83.20

83.20

Materials

BII Fence & Guardrail Inc

5,167.00

Central NH Concrete Corp

624.00

Cohen Steel Supply Inc

125.96

Dennis Lumber Inc

127.55

Millen Lake Association

801.54

6,846.05

TOTAL MILLEN POND DAM

\$8,447.25

(Balance \$2,908.52)

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 HYDRANT

Appropriation	\$6,000.00	
Hydrant Payroll		
Robert Crane II	171.24	
Lawrence Gaskell	309.93	
Kevin Hanscom	100.56	
Edward Thayer	219.72	801.45
Hydrant FICA	49.71	49.71
Hydrant Medicare	11.62	11.62
Hydrant Retirement		
NH Retirement System	47.28	47.28
Hydrant Materials		
Contoocook Artesian Well Co	50.00	
Dingee Machine Co	389.18	
Edmund's Hardware Store	23.87	
Steve Fellows	351.00	
Carl Matthews Equipment Co	615.00	
Treasurer State of NH	100.00	
Everett J Prescott Inc	999.91	2,528.96
TOTAL HYDRANT		\$3,439.02
(Balance Encumbered \$2,560.98)		

CEMETERY STONES

Appropriation	\$7,500.00	
Encumbered	71.25	
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Total Available	\$7,571.25	
The Stone Vault Co	7,571.25	7,571.25
TOTAL CEMETERY STONES		7,571.25
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY LAND & IMPROVEMENTS		\$69,798.52

ROLLOFF TRUCK

Appropriation	\$125,000.00	
Mr Gee's Tire Corp	1,370.00	
Ron's Fix-it Shop	12,250.00	
Sullivan Tire Inc	1,969.00	

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Edward Thayer	20.00	
Yankee Trucks	104,591.00	120,200.00
TOTAL ROLLOFF TRUCK		\$120,200.00
(Balance \$4,800.00)		
OUTFITTING PLOW TRUCK		
Appropriation	\$35,000.00	
Expenses		
Howard P Fairfields	34,990.00	\$34,990.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT		\$155,190.00
(Balance \$890.00)		
PAINTING TOWN HALL & PD		
Appropriation	\$35,000.00	
Expenses		
North Wood Construction	22,961.80	
TOTAL PAINTING TOWN HALL & PD		\$22,961.80
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY BUILDINGS		\$22,961.80
CAMP MORGAN SEPTIC SYSTEM		
Appropriation	\$35,000.00	
Septic System Payroll		
Kevin Hanscom	62.85	62.85
Septic System /FICA	3.90	3.90
Septic System/Medicare	0.91	0.91
Expenses		
Dennis Lumber Inc	73.42	
R P Fraser Electric	1,487.50	
Henniker Septic Service	365.00	
La Valley Building Supply Inc	92.36	
Meridian Land Services Inc	150.00	
R Niven & Sons Construction Co	32,000.00	
Ralph Pill	75.25	
Treasurer St of NH	150.00	34,393.53
TOTAL CAMP MORGAN SEPTIC SYSTEM		\$34,461.19
(Balance \$ 538.81)		

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TAX MAPS

Encumbered	\$5,525.00	
Expenses		
Terra-Map East	2,750.00	
TOTAL TAX MAPS		\$2,750.00

TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY OTHER IMPROVEMENTS \$37,211.19

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT

SHEDD FREE LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$24,914.00	
Librarian Payroll Expense		
Marcellus Liotta	5,546.65	
Jo Ellen Wright	12,432.65	17,979.30
Library Share FICA	1,114.71	1,114.71
Library Share Medicare	260.70	260.70
Alarm Maintenance		
Mamakating Electric	200.00	200.00
Fire Extinguishers		
Concord Fire Extinguisher Service	81.75	81.75
Library Cleaning/Payroll Expense		
Kathleen Gundek	1,355.57	1,355.57
Library Share FICA	84.05	84.05
Library Share Medicare	19.66	19.66
Library Custodian Expense		
James M Curran	120.00	120.00
Library Share FICA	7.44	7.44
Library Share Medicare	1.74	1.74
Transfers to Library Trustees	3,689.08	3,689.08
TOTAL SHEDD FREE LIBRARY		\$24,914.00

RECYCLING EQUIPMENT FUND

Received from Recycling	\$18,580.10	
Expenses		
Atlantic Leasing	3,400.00	
BME Engineering Inc	4,900.00	
Transfer to Savings Account	10,280.10	

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TOTAL RECYCLING EQUIPMENT FUND \$18,580.10
 (Balance -0-)

TOTAL OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT \$43,494.10

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

FIRE APPARATUS FUND

Appropriation \$30,000.00

Transferred to Trust Funds 30,000.00 30,000.00

TOTAL FIRE APPARATUS FUND \$30,000.00

RESCUE SQUAD INTERCEPT FUND

Appropriation \$7,500.00

Transferred from Trust Fund 4,500.00

Total Available \$12,000.00

Transferred to Trust Funds 7,500.00 7,500.00

Expenditures

Town of Henniker 500.00

Town of Hillsboro 3,000.00

Hopkinton Fire Department 1,000.00 4,500.00

TOTAL RESCUE SQUAD INTERCEPT FUND \$12,000.00

REVALUATION

Appropriation \$60,000.00

Transferred From Trust Fund 29,412.50

Total Available \$89,412.50

Expenditures

Avitar Associates of NE Inc \$29,262.50

Terra-Map East 150.00

Transferred to Trust Funds 60,000.00 89,412.50

TOTAL REVALUATION \$89,412.50

TOTAL TRANSFERS TO/FROM CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

\$131,412.50

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HEALTH MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND

Appropriation	\$5,098.00	
Reimbursements from Trust	\$10,598.53	
Total Available	\$15,696.53	

Transferred to Trust Funds	5,098.00	5,098.00
Expenditures		
Robert Crane II	1,451.31	
Kevin Hanscom	907.49	
Steven Marshall	2,726.44	
Robert Ostertag	3,006.49	
Edward Thayer	2,506.80	10,598.53

TOTAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND **\$15,696.53**

PAYMENTS TO OTHER DIVISIONS

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Sullivan County Treasurer

TOTAL TAXES PAID TO SULLIVAN COUNTY **\$470,743.00**

HIGHLAND HAVEN VILLAGE DISTRICT

Highland Haven Village District 1,997.00 1,997.00

TOTAL TAXES PAID TO HIGHLAND HAVEN VILLAGE DISTRICT **1,997.00**

ASHUELOT POND DAM

Ashuelot Pond Dam Taxes 4,820.00 4,820.00

TOTAL TAXES PAID TO ASHUELOT POND DAM DISTRICT **4,820.00**

WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

03-04 Balance	\$772,458.00	
04-05 Appropriation	1,823,064.00	
Total Available	\$2,595,522.00	

Washington School District 03/04 772,458.00

Washington School District 04/05 835,926.00 1,608,384.00

TOTAL PAID TO WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT **\$1,608,384.00**
(Balance Due 12/31/04 \$987,138.00)

TOTAL BUDGETARY PAYMENTS FOR 2004 **\$3,547,145.07**

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PAYMENTS FROM REVENUES

Taxes Bought by Town	73,481.87	
Property Tax Overpayments	3,310.48	
St of NH/Fish & Game Licenses	1,488.20	
Motor Vehicle Overpayments	86.50	
St of NH/OHRV Registrations	4,396.50	
St of NH/Dog Fees	81.00	
St of NH/Overpopulation Fees	324.00	
St of NH/ Marriage Licenses	228.00	
Building Permit Refunds	30.00	
Driveway Permit Refunds	30.00	
Town Owned Property Refund	50.00	
Security Deposit Refunds	1,150.00	
Health Insurance/Cobra	6,999.20	
Miscellaneous	1,486.00	
Yield Tax Security Refunds	1,005.00	
Road Bond Refund	6,000.00	
TOTAL PAYMENTS FROM REVENUES		\$100,146.75

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE 2003	\$748.39
Balance of GL Accounts	-0.29

TOTAL SELECTMEN'S ORDERS PAID 2004 **\$3,648,039.92**

Before being incorporated under the name of Washington on December 13, 1776, our town had had three other names: first, Monadnock No. 8; next, New Concord; and third, Camden in honor of a prominent British lord. Washington, New Hampshire, is the first town in the United States to be incorporated under the name of Washington, but both Washington, Virginia, and Washington, North Carolina, though named before 1776 were incorporated after that date.

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Tax Accounts

Fiscal Year Ending

Year Ending 12/31/04

Form MS-61

TOWN OF WASHINGTON

DEBITS

Levies of

2004

2003

Uncollected Taxes -

Beginning of Fiscal Year:

Property Taxes		\$221,797.63
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Taxes		
Yield Taxes		\$877.95
Excavation Activity Tax		
Betterment - Highland Haven		\$1,840.00
Penalty		

Taxes Committed to Collector

During Fiscal Year:

Property Taxes	\$3,370,613.00	-\$2,731.00
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax	\$17,683.00	
Yield Taxes	\$11,163.09	
Excavation Tax		
Excavation Activity Tax		
Betterment - Highland Haven	\$8,331.00	
NSF	\$25.00	\$65.00

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes		
Resident Taxes		

Overpayments:

Property Taxes	\$2,097.00	\$1,172.62
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Taxes		
Lien Costs		\$3,762.00
Betterment - Highland Haven		

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Interest Collected on		
Excess Credit		
NSF		
Penalties Collected on		
Interest - Late Tax	\$1,848.52	\$8,544.13
Penalty		\$2,018.00
Other Taxes		
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Total Debits	\$3,411,760.61	\$237,346.33
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On February 20, 1908, The Washington and Marlow Times reported that a Mr. Howard was supposed to come to Washington to give a "moving picture show." He failed to appear, but by 1913 a "moving picture and vaudeville show" visited Washington and went on to East Lempster. By 1916 the newspaper reported that "quite a party from Washington motored to Hillsboro to attend the moving pictures at Dreamland Theatre."

On July 3, 1947, the Washington news in the Hillsboro Messenger reported that "Mrs. Lindquist's tea room, Toby Jug, will open this week." On July 10th it reported that "the Toby Jug was busy and is having a lot of visitors from cities nearby." By July 31 the Messenger reported: "Many are the praises for the owner of the Toby Jug as such a place was so badly needed here in town." The Toby Jug continued to operate until 1952. Today Nancy and Ken Tanner live in the house.

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Fiscal Year Ending

Year Ending 12/31/04

Form MS-61

TOWN OF WASHINGTON	CREDITS	
	2004	2003
Remitted to Treasurer:		
During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$3,091,149.47	\$152,844.00
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax	\$17,683.00	
Yield Taxes	\$10,791.72	\$877.95
Interest	\$1,848.52	\$4,730.85
Penalties		\$2,023.88
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd.		
Betterment - Highland Haven	\$1,685.00	\$1,638.00
Conversion to Lien		\$73,449.92
NSF	\$25.00	\$80.00
Discount Allowed:		
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes	\$3,094.46	\$1,475.78
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Taxes		
Betterment Highland Haven		
Adjustment	\$125.32	\$31.95
Overpayments Refunded	\$2,097.00	
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED		\$194.00
Uncollected Taxes-		
End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$276,243.75	
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Tax	\$371.37	
Utilities		
Excavation & Excavation Tax		
Betterment - Highland Haven	\$6,646.00	
Total Credits	\$3,411,760.61	\$237,346.33

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Tax Accounts

Fiscal Year Ending Year Ending 12/31/04

TOWN OF WASHINGTON	DEBITS		
	2003	Prior Levies 2002	2001
Balanced of Unredeemed Taxes- Beginning of Fiscal Year:		\$43,808.36	\$11,893.58
Tax Liens Executed to Town During Fiscal Year:	\$73,449.92		
Interest & Costs Collected			
After Lien Execution:	\$2,202.55	\$5,440.74	\$3,245.95
Adjustments			
Total Debits	\$75,652.47	\$49,249.10	\$15,139.53

CREDITS			
Remittance to Treasurer - During Fiscal Year:			
Redemptions	\$42,372.46	\$30,617.50	\$10,994.99
Interest and Costs (after Lien Execution)	\$2,202.55	\$6,968.03	\$3,670.01
Interest & Penalty due @ conversion		\$588.91	
Abatement of Unredeemed Taxes:			
Liens Deeded to Municipality	\$381.51	\$674.56	\$474.53
Unredeemed Liens Bal.End of Yr.	\$30,695.95	\$10,400.10	
Total Credits	\$75,652.47	\$49,249.10	\$15,139.53

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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004

1,740	MUNICIPAL AGENT FEES	3,922.40
1,740	MV REGISTRATION	164,698.76
18	MOTOR VEHICLES TITLES	<u>36.00</u>
Total Received from above sources		\$168,657.16
313	DOG LICENSES	<u>2,144.50</u>
Total Received from above sources		\$ 2,144.50
30	UCC FEES	<u>450.00</u>
Total Received from above sources		\$ 450.00
7	FILING FEES	<u>7.00</u>
Total Received from above sources		\$ 7.00
3	HISTORY PACKAGES	120.00
1	OLD HISTORY BOOK	<u>25.00</u>
Total Received from above sources		\$ 145.00
18	PISTOL PERMITS	<u>180.00</u>
Total Received from above sources		\$ 180.00
15	VITAL CERT. & COPIES	82.00
6	VITAL MARRIAGE CERT.	<u>270.00</u>
Total Received from above sources		\$ 352.00
80	BOAT/REGISTRATIONS	946.14
58	HUNTING & FISHING LICENSES	3,746.00
89	OHRV REGISTRATION	<u>2,176.00</u>
Total Received from above sources		\$ 6,868.14
3	NSF-CHARGES	60.00
1	POSTAGE	5.00
1	OVERPAYMENT	<u>86.50</u>
Total received from above sources		\$ 151.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS COLLECTED		\$ 178,955.30

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8 Year Town Clerk Summary

CATEGORY	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
MOTOR VEHICLES	1758	1644	1573	1505	1465	1405	1383	1290
DOG LISCENSES	313	277	276	272	234	238	223	233
UCC'S	30	6	37	19	16	19	26	21
PISTOL PERMITS	18	19	35	19	21	20	36	30
VITAL RECORDS	15	18	21	16	13	20	51	13
RECREATIONAL REG 'S								
BOATS	80	60	71	104	63	70	82	69
HUNT-FISH LICENSES	60	42	33	32	35	49	47	37
OHRV	89	61	44	55	50	56	42	42
TOTAL	2363	2127	2090	2022	1897	1877	1890	1735

In the 1880s and 1890s Frank P. Newman served as the local dentist. Mrs. Clara Hurd recorded in her diary that he replaced both her upper and lower teeth. She paid \$12 for both sets and was pleasantly surprised by the price, which was "one dollar less than I expected - very nice of him.

The East Washington column in the Hillsboro Messenger reported on April 29, 1897, that "the Christian Endeavor Society will hold a sheet and pillow case entertainment next Friday evening at Bradford Springs Hotel." (Really!)

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**REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER
GENERAL ACCOUNT**

CASH ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2004 \$893,375.27

RECEIPTS:

Tax Collector	3,459,181.27	
Less NSF Checks	-2,958.35	3,456,222.92
Town Clerk	179,630.42	
Less NSF Checks	-675.12	
Less NSF Fees	-60.00	
Less Pistol Permit Fees	-180.00	
Less Town Histories	-145.00	
Less Postage	-5.00	178,565.30
State of New Hampshire		
Shared Revenue Block Grant	9,402.00	
Rooms & Meals Distribution	30,301.96	
Highway Block Grant	48,276.74	
Recreation Land Reimbursement	7,029.49	
Forest Fire Reimbursement	230.00	
Ice Storm Grant	7,847.01	
Fish & Game Grant	4,220.50	
Safety Grant	3,424.04	110,731.74
Permits & Fees		
Building Permits	3,090.00	
Driveway Permits	760.00	
Transfer Station Fees	6,000.00	
Current Use Application Fees	40.00	
Sign Permits	30.00	
E 911 Fees	800.00	
Parking Permits	1,175.00	11,895.00
Income From Departments		
Executive	1,019.84	
Planning & Zoning	964.58	
Fire Department	683.00	
Parks & Recreation/Registrations	3,329.00	
Police Department	108.06	6,104.48
Sale of Town Owned Property		
Town Histories	558.00	
Auction Income	951.00	
Sale of Ambulance	1.00	1,510.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots	75.00	75.00

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Interest on Accounts		
Money Market Account	7,902.32	7,902.32
NSF Fines	100.00	100.00
Fines/Bank Charges	-554.74	-554.74
Rent of Town Property	2,050.00	2,050.00
Court Ordered Fines	375.00	375.00
Insurance Dividends		
Primex/ WC Refunds	1,354.35	
Primex/UC Refunds	270.00	1,624.35
Health Insurance Reimbursements	7,674.12	7,674.12
Yield Tax Security Deposits	1,251.25	1,251.25
Road Bond Security Payments	6,000.00	6,000.00
Misc. Reimbursements/Previous Years		
CR/ Intercept Reimb.	1,500.00	
Welfare Reimb/Previous Years	9,875.17	
Misc Reimb/ Cks Returned to Books	1,079.45	
Fire Dept/Previous Year	5,251.98	
Highway Dept/Previous Year	22.44	17,729.04
Capital Reserve/Intercept	4,500.00	4,500.00
Capital Reserve/Revaluation	29,412.50	29,412.50
Long Term Notes	100,000.00	100,000.00
Reimbursements to Departments		
Election & Registration	691.72	
Financial Accounting	177.76	
Motor Fuel	34.00	
Police Department	6,901.50	
Fire Department	125.65	
Forest Fire Control	1,327.30	
Highway Department	3,080.10	
Solid Waste	50.00	
Health Officer	30.00	
Welfare Reimbursements 2004	299.75	
Parks & Recreation	1,820.34	
Recycling Reimbursements	18,580.10	
Health Maintenance Trust Fund	10,598.53	43,716.75
TOTAL RECEIPTS & BALANCE ON HAND		\$4,880,260.30
LESS:		
SELECTMEN'S ORDERS PAID		\$3,648,039.92
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2004		\$1,232,220.38

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AUBREY/DWYER ESCROW ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 2004		\$820.94
Interest Earned	7.01	7.01
Less Bank Fees	-1.00	-1.00
Balance December 31, 2004		<u>\$826.95</u>

RECYCLING EQUIPMENT FUND

Balance January 1, 2004		\$4,148.52
Income from Recycling	18,580.10	18,580.10
Interest Earned	36.07	36.07
Expenditures:		
Atlantic Leasing Corp	-3,400.00	
BME Engineering Inc	-4,900.00	-8,300.00
Balance December 31, 2004		<u>\$14,464.69</u>

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Balance January 1, 2004		\$326.82
Expenditures		
Ctr. for Land Conservation Assist.	-100.00	-100.00
Interest Earned	2.10	2.10
Due from General Fund-12/31/04	7,023.00	7,023.00
Balance December 31, 2004		<u>\$7,251.92</u>

FORESTRY FUND

Balance January 1, 2004		\$0.00
Income from Timber Severance		15,316.88
Balance December 31, 2004		<u>\$15,316.88</u>

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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 2004

NAME OF TRUST FUND & DATE OF CREATION	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			Grand Tot. of Principal & Income	
	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds/ Additions	Withdrawals	Balance End Year	Beginning Year	Income During Year		Expended During Year
SCHOOL FUNDS:								
Washington School - 5 Funds	Var. \$ 5,554.70	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,554.70	\$ 2,060.72	\$ 75.31	\$ -	\$ 2,136.03
Old School #5	Var. \$ 11,244.03	\$ 90.88	\$ -	\$ 11,334.91	\$ 90.88	\$ 111.91	\$ (90.88)	\$ 11,446.82
Donald L. MacPhee	Var. \$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 56.63	\$ 10.48	\$ -	\$ 1,067.11
Lawrence Bron Memorial	Var. \$ 8,149.75	\$ 25.00	\$ (356.28)	\$ 7,818.47	\$ 65.96	\$ 77.76	\$ (143.72)	\$ 7,818.47
TOTAL SCHOOL FUNDS:	\$ 25,948.48	\$ 115.88	\$ (356.28)	\$ 25,708.08	\$ 2,274.19	\$ 275.46	\$ (234.60)	\$ 28,023.13
TOWN FUNDS:								
Bailey Road	Var. \$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.65	\$ 10.32	\$ (9.60)	\$ 1,001.37
Health Trust	Var. \$ 12,075.48	\$ 5,098.00	\$ (10,445.87)	\$ 6,727.61	\$ -	\$ 152.66	\$ (152.66)	\$ 6,727.61
Fire Apparatus	Var. \$ 35,629.87	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ 65,629.87	\$ -	\$ 599.39	\$ -	\$ 66,229.26
Cruiser	Var. \$ 15,960.87	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,960.87	\$ 201.21	\$ 159.75	\$ -	\$ 16,321.83
Highway Equipment	Var. \$ 12,890.79	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,890.79	\$ -	\$ 127.42	\$ -	\$ 13,018.21
Rescue Squad Equipment	Var. \$ 614.35	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 614.35	\$ -	\$ 6.01	\$ -	\$ 620.36
Rescue Squad Intercept	Var. \$ 173.21	\$ 7,500.00	\$ (5,941.91)	\$ 1,731.30	\$ -	\$ 58.09	\$ (58.09)	\$ 1,731.30
Sally Jenkins Memorial Fund	Var. \$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 45.62	\$ 20.68	\$ -	\$ 2,066.30
Revaluation Fund	Var. \$ 100,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ (27,037.54)	\$ 132,962.46	\$ 901.88	\$ 1,473.08	\$ (2,374.96)	\$ 132,962.46
Ashuelot Pond Dam Village Dist.	Var. \$ 2,030.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,030.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 20.36	\$ -	\$ 3,050.67
TOTAL TOWN FUNDS:	\$ 182,374.57	\$ 103,598.00	\$ (43,425.32)	\$ 242,547.25	\$ 1,149.67	\$ 2,627.76	\$ (2,595.31)	\$ 243,729.37
LIBRARY FUNDS:								
Shedd Free Library - 10 Funds	Var. \$ 35,420.01	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,420.01	\$ 52.33	\$ 350.36	\$ (354.30)	\$ 35,468.40
Sally Jenkins Library Fund	Var. \$ 170,424.59	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 170,424.59	\$ 223.62	\$ 1,685.39	\$ (1,676.21)	\$ 170,657.39
TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS:	\$ 205,844.60	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 205,844.60	\$ 275.95	\$ 2,035.75	\$ (2,030.51)	\$ 206,125.79
CEMETERY FUNDS:								
East Washington - 84 Funds	Var. \$ 34,175.16	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,175.16	\$ 6,422.70	\$ 401.33	\$ -	\$ 6,824.03
Washington Center - 88 Funds	Var. \$ 28,567.28	\$ 825.00	\$ -	\$ 29,392.28	\$ 7,883.62	\$ 360.85	\$ -	\$ 8,244.47
TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS:	\$ 62,742.44	\$ 825.00	\$ -	\$ 63,567.44	\$ 14,306.32	\$ 762.18	\$ -	\$ 15,068.50
TOTAL ALL FUNDS:	\$ 476,910.09	\$ 104,538.88	\$ (43,781.60)	\$ 537,667.37	\$ 18,006.13	\$ 5,701.15	\$ (4,860.42)	\$ 556,514.33

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2004 GROSS WAGES FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES**

Atkins, Shawn	Fire Department	614.00
	Forest Fire Control	31.26
	Rescue Squad	28.00
Bennett, Jamie	Counselor	1,000.00
Bennett, Patricia	Counselor	850.00
Berry, James	Highway Department	1,360.00
	Transfer Station	1,390.00
	Forest Fire Control	21.18
	GGB/Custodial	40.00
Bezio, Phillip	Fire Department	108.50
	Forest Fire Control	27.03
Blackwood, Heather	Counselor	850.00
Blackwood, Matthew	Counselor/Sailing Instructor	1,000.00
Bodak, Louise	Ballot Clerk	388.00
Brown John	Highway Department	1,033.50
Brunt, Matthew	Highway Department	195.00
Butler, Gary Michael	Counselor in Training	200.00
Carter, Laurie A	Rescue Squad	679.00
Caruso, Robert	Fire Department	118.00
	Forest Fire Control	18.02
Cascio, Deborah	Treasurer	2,700.00
Chute, Lionel	Ballot Clerk	16.00
Coleman, Joseph	Fire Department	56.00
Cook, Linda	Assessor	10,154.75
Cook, Richard	Fire Department	119.00
	Rescue Squad	14.00
Cote, Eric	Counselor in Training	200.00
Cote, Jessica	Counselor	900.00
Crane, Benjamin	Fire Department	521.50
	Forest Fire Control	36.04
	Rescue Squad	189.00
Crane, Gary	Highway Department	890.00
	Fire Department	409.50
	Rescue Squad	14.00
Crane, Robert II	Highway Department	27,449.25
	Fire Department	658.00
	Fire Department Maintenance	221.73
	Forest Fire Control	18.02
	Rescue Squad	679.00

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	Capital Outlay/Hydrant	171.24
Curran, James M	Library Shoveling	120.00
Curtis, Andrew	Counselor	1,100.00
Curtis, Benjamin	Counselor	400.00
Drew, Theodore	Highway Department	1,545.00
Eaton, Guy	Selectman	5,000.00
	School Moderator	100.00
Eccard, John	Fire Department	2,053.00
	Forest Fire Control	93.78
	Rescue Squad	56.00
France, Arline	Trust Fund Bookkeeper	500.00
	Assessor	8,320.00
Fraser, Robert J	Custodial	88.00
	Counselor	950.00
Gaskell, Barbara	Ballot Clerk	8.00
Gaskell, James L	Counselor in Training	200.00
Gaskell, Lawrence	Highway Department	28,878.82
	GGB/Custodial	109.12
	Transfer Station	27.28
	Fire Department	422.96
	Fire Department Maintenance	68.20
	Rescue Squad	14.00
	CO/Hydrant	289.47
	CO/Millen Pond Dam	545.60
Goodspeed, Alan	Supervisor of Checklist	890.00
	School Election	60.00
Goodspeed, Marcia	Ballot Clerk	390.00
	School Election	28.00
Gundeck, Kathleen	Library Custodian	1,355.57
Halverson, Ingrid	Custodian	3,334.07
	PR/Caretaker	1,200.00
Halverson, Rachel	Custodian	124.00
Hamill, Martha	Ballot Clerk	28.00
Hannus, Alice	Ballot Clerk	388.00
	School Election	28.00
Hanscom, Denise	Forest Fire Control	36.04
	Rescue Squad	2,650.00
Hanscom, Kevin	Highway Department	27,039.80
	GGB/Custodial	18.86
	CO/Hydrant	100.56
	CO/Millen Pond Dam	439.95
	Camp Morgan Septic System	62.85

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Hanscom, Trafton	Transfer Station	436.50
Harrison, J Rufford	Selectman	4,400.00
Hunt, David	Fire Department	1,329.00
	Forest Fire Control	78.15
	Rescue Squad	28.00
Jager, Ronald	Moderator	540.00
Jurson, Karl	Health Officer	265.00
	Assistant Moderator	120.00
	School Election	40.00
	Fire Department	182.00
	Forest Fire Control	18.02
Jurson, Natalie	Supervisor of Checklist	650.00
	School Election	40.00
	Fire Department	252.00
	Forest Fire Control	16.94
Killam, Herbert	Fire Department	42.00
Krygeris, Algird	Assessor	6,389.50
	Systems Coordinator	801.00
Krygeris, Mary T	Supervisor of Checklist	325.00
Liotta, Marcellus	Assistant Librarian	5,546.65
Liotta, Patricia	Deputy Town Clerk	3,556.66
	Deputy Tax Collector	3,463.52
	Ballot Clerk	36.00
Lull, Elisabeth	Counselor	950.00
Lull, Seth	Counselor	1,200.00
Mac Donald, Clifford	Transfer Station	3,255.00
Marshall, Steven	Police Chief	37,884.91
	Safety Grant	3,175.72
	Special Detail	4,595.00
	Highway Department	80.00
Marvin, George	Fire Department	803.00
	Forest Fire Control	78.15
Moser, Brian	Police Officer	4,400.45
	Safety Grant	139.32
	Special Detail	925.00
	Highway Department	30.00
	Fire Department	1,088.00
	Forest Fire Control	312.60
	Rescue Squad	70.00
Murdough, Jennifer	Rescue Squad	838.00
	Summer Program Director	4,000.00
Robert Mc Allister	Police Officer	1,030.09

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	Safety Grant	156.00
Mc Quade, Geraldine	Ballot Clerk	16.00
Newton, Jessica	Counselor	850.00
Newton, Laura	Selectmen's Secretary	8,177.50
	Board of Adjustment Sec.	627.00
	Planning Board Sec.	50.00
	Police Custodial	174.50
	Police Dept Secretary	1,553.75
	Welfare Assistant	93.75
	P & R Secretary	598.00
Ostertag, Michael	Fire Department	526.50
Ostertag, Robert	Transfer Station	25,161.46
	Highway Department	1,259.28
	Fire Department	537.00
	Forest Fire Control	359.49
	GGB/Custodial	5.89
	Rescue Squad	28.00
Pasieka, Nora	Supervisor of Checklist	180.00
	School Election	40.00
	Forest Fire Control	21.18
Pasieka, John F Jr	Fire Department	217.00
	Forest Fire Control	622.20
	Rescue Squad	1,001.00
Philbrick, Janice	Town Clerk	8,378.00
	Tax Collector	7,978.00
	Ballot Clerk	70.00
	Forest Fire Control	21.18
	Selectmen's Secretary	22.50
Powers, Peter Jr	Police Officer	891.00
	Safety Grant	291.00
	Special Detail	525.00
Riessle, Robert W	Highway Department	140.00
	Transfer Station	1,340.00
Roy, Lynda B	Finance Officer	22,406.20
	Welfare Administrator	785.27
Russell, James S	Fire Department	250.00
	Rescue Squad	1,218.00
Russell, Mary C	Rescue Squad	1,218.00
Schwartz, Jed	Fire Department	631.50
Scruton, Christopher	Computer Repair	1,792.00
	PD/ Computer Repair	848.00
Silveria, William	Fire Department	42.00

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Soderlund, Nikole M	Counselor in Training	200.00
Tanner, Kenneth	Fire Department	269.50
	Forest Fire Control	81.09
	Rescue Squad	469.00
Tanner, Nancy	Accounting	744.27
	Forest Fire Control	21.18
	Rescue Squad	1,050.00
Taylor, Thomas	Selectman	4,400.00
Thayer, Edward	Road Agent	38,139.51
	Fire Department	734.50
	Forest Fire Control	41.68
	GGB/Custodial	36.92
	CO/Hydrant	219.72
Turner, Cynthia	CO/Millen Pond Dam	424.58
	Highway Department	340.00
	Fire Department	66.50
	Forest Fire Control	36.04
	Rescue Squad	1,393.00
Turner, Donald	Fire Department	292.00
	Forest Fire Control	81.09
	Rescue Squad	441.00
Warenda, Nancy	Custodial	220.00
Woodbury, Bruce	Fire Department	42.00
	Forest Fire Control	36.04
Wright, Jo Ellen	Librarian	12,432.65
Wright, Robert	Rescue Squad	2,475.00
TOTAL		\$393,633.05

The Hillsboro Messenger noted in its Washington news on March 5, 1896: "E. W. Brockway, who is called the 'Prince of Counterfeiters' and was recently convicted of counterfeiting American and Canadian money in Trenton, New Jersey, formerly lived in the east part of this town."

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PROPERTY VALUATION SUMMARY

as of December 31, 2004

Land	Assessed Value	Acres
Current Use	\$724,547	18,997.230
Commercial	267,800	37.883
Residential	33,818,700	3,747.426
Total Taxable:	\$34,811,047	22,782.539
Buildings	Assessed Value	
Commercial	\$ 379,500	
Residential	58,117,100	
Manufactured Housing	801,700	
Public Utility	329,408	
Total Taxable:	55,888,800	
TOTAL VALUATION:	\$94,738,755	

VALUE EXEMPTIONS

Wood Heat Energy	13	\$28,000
Solar/Wind Heat Energy	3	14,090
Elderly	5	70,000
Blind	1	15,000
TOTAL VALUATION:		132,090

ELDERLY EXEMPTION COUNT

2 at \$10,000	\$20,000
2 at \$15,000	\$ 30,000
1 at \$20,000	\$ 20,000
Total:	\$ 70,000

BLIND EXEMPTION

1 at \$15,000	\$15,000
Total:	\$15,000

VETERAN EXEMPTION COUNT

Veteran	81 at \$100	\$8,100
Disabled Veteran	3 at \$1400	\$4,200
Total:		\$12,300

CURRENT USE REPORT

Number of acres receiving Current Use Assessment:	
FARM LAND	424.960
FOREST LAND	15,873.210
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	333.000
WETLAND	550.900
CONSERVATION	1,815.120
TOTAL ACRES:	18,997.230
Number of Acres receiving 20% Recreational	8,723.102
Number of Parcels in Current Use:	422
Number of Conservation Restrictions	6

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2004 TAX RATE COMPUTATION

TOWN PORTION

Gross Appropriations	1,464,494		Tax
Less: Revenues	-439,560		Rates
Less: Shared Revenues	-4,889		
Add: Overlay	49,760		
War Service Credits	<u>12,300</u>		
Net Town Appropriation		1,082,105	
Special Adjustment		<u>0</u>	
Approved Town Tax Effort		1,082,105	
Municipal Tax Rate			11.44

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget	1,915,093		
Regional School Apportionment	0		
Less: Adequate Education Grant	-92,029		
State Education Taxes	<u>-417,827</u>		
Approved School Tax Effort		1,405,237	
Local Education Tax Rate			14.85

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Evaluation (no utilities)	X	\$3.33	
	125,473,609		417,827
Divide by Local Assessed Evaluation (no Utilities)			
	93,977,257		4.45
Excess Education Taxes to be Remitted to State		0	

COUNTY PORTION

Due to Sullivan County	470,743		
Less: Shared Revenues	<u>-1,255</u>		
County Approved Effort		469,488	
County Tax Rate			4.96

Total Tax Rate

35.70

Total Property Taxes Assessed		3,374,657
Less: War Service Credits		-12,300
Add: Village District Commitments		<u>6,817</u>
Total Property Tax Commitment		3,369,174

PROOF OF RATE

	Net Assessed Evaluation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	93,977,257	4.45	417,827
All Other Taxes	94,606,665	31.25	<u>2,956,830</u>
			3,374,657

Archives Committee

The Washington Town Archives serve as the repository for important town documents that are not currently in use in the Town offices. The records go back to the town's very beginnings, and they are stored in climate-controlled conditions. The new dehumidifier installed last year has been doing a fine job, especially in the summer when humidity outdoors soars.

Most inquiries to the Archives Committee involve requests for information on births, marriages, and deaths in the town, though researchers also used the records to garner information on all manner of subjects. Because information about our genealogical records (up to 1915) is available through the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, we process requests and visitors from many places in the United States.

Thomas Talpey was appointed to the Archives Committee this year, and we are pleased to have him join us.

Respectfully submitted,
Grace Jager
Marcellus Liotta
Wendy Otterson
Thomas Talpey

Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee

**Washington Lempster Marlow Gilsum Sullivan Surry Keene Swanzey
Winchester Hinsdale**

2004 Annual Report

The Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee (ARLAC) was established in 1994, one year after the Ashuelot River was enrolled into the State Rivers Management and Protection Program. Since then members, who are nominated by local municipal officials, have been educated in a broad array of issues associated with the river and its watershed. It is the hope of the committee to be a resource that works well between the interests and concerns of the citizens in the watershed, and State authorities.

The volunteer river water quality monitoring program in conjunction with NHDES Volunteer River Assessment Program (VRAP) continued this year for its fourth season..

Again, ten sites were sampled along the rivers 64-mile length, from Washington to Hinsdale. Analyses were done for E. coli, temperature,

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pH, total phosphorus, dissolved oxygen (DO), turbidity and conductivity, with the City of Keene again donating lab services for E. coli. A grant funded by the Connecticut River Joint Commission enabled us to use our own water quality monitoring equipment, helping to ensure consistency in data. ARLAC members, working with community volunteers, participated in a spring training session, leading into a monthly program sampling from May through September. Donna Hanscom of the Keene Waste Water Treatment Facility, again treated ARLAC and monitor volunteers to a summary presentation of the sampling results. Continued monitoring and public education will keep the Ashuelot River the vital community resource that it is today.

A regular task for the Committee is to review and comment on state permit applications within the river corridor that may have potential impacts on the river. This year we submitted comments on projects proposed in Washington, Gilsum, Surry, Keene, Swanzey, and Winchester.

This past year we saw the removal of a dam in Winchester--the third dam removed on the Ashuelot since 2001. ARLAC is a member of the Homestead Dam Feasibility Study Advisory Group, put together to help the community of Swanzey understand the issues surrounding the potential removal of the Homestead Dam.

This year we began the process of reviewing and updating our Management Plan. With input from ARLAC, The Nature Conservancy, (along with the Monadnock Conservancy, SPNHF, SWRPC and Army Corps) is undertaking a watershed-based land protection plan for the Ashuelot Watershed. The Ashuelot Watershed was chosen as a priority area for its large unbroken swaths of undeveloped lands, forested areas and conservation land (especially unique south of the White Mts.).

The Committee meets each month, on the third Tuesday evening in Keene. The Local Advisory Committee invites citizens and town officials to contact their local ARLAC representatives or the Southwest Region Planning Commission for more information.

Respectfully submitted,
Pablo Fleischmann
Vice Chair

Tom Taylor represents Washington in the ARLAC.

Board of Assessors

This has been a year of preparation for the revaluation. Requests for Proposals were sent out. After evaluation of all the proposals, including checking with towns on the performance of these companies, Avitar Associates of New England was chosen to do a complete revaluation of our town. The revaluation began at the end of November, 2004 and will continue throughout the summer and be completed by September 1, 2005.

Prior to the finalizing of values, a preliminary notice and booklet will be mailed to all property owners with the revised assessments. These values should reflect market values of all properties as of April 1, 2005. This notice will also include a telephone number to call if you have questions or need to schedule a hearing appointment with a representative from Avitar. Once values are finalized, they will be applied to the 2005 fall tax bill.

New tax maps have been prepared and now include the required road and water frontages. We encourage you to come in and review the new maps and offer corrections and comments. Work on all Current Use Land by our contracted forester is complete. Further information will be requested by property owners if necessary to finish the Current Use updates in preparation for our 2006 review by the Department of Revenue.

Construction of new homes, out-buildings and additions continues to increase at a rapid pace. As of December 1, 2004, there were building permits for thirty-three (33) new homes. This growth has resulted in additional work for us as well as other departments in town. Sales and deed transfers have also risen.

We continue to increase our assessing knowledge by attending classes and seminars. We have also begun training in the Avitar software.

Field checks of upgraded property, abatements, Current Use applications and lien releases, deed transfers, address changes, exemption updates, tax map updates, state reports, Intent to Cut applications, Report of Wood Cut forms, timber taxes, tax warrants in May and November, and Highland Haven Betterment warrant were completed as our normal duties. In addition, the monitoring of the revaluation will be an important responsibility this year.

If you have any questions, we encourage you to call or visit our office during regular business hours on Thursdays between 9 AM and 2 PM, (603) 495-3074.

Respectfully Submitted,
Arline France
Linda Cook
Al Krygeris

Cemetery Trustees

In the spring of 2004 the trustees welcomed newly elected Lorrie Killam on board. Due to his handicap Mr. Cilley is not able to get out anymore so Phil and Lorrie do the field work.

The spring walk-through found the Cemeteries to be in good condition. No tree work was needed.

Lorrie was briefed on the ongoing restoration work in the old cemetery and other functions of the Trustees.

Lorrie and Phil attended the Trustees Seminar held in May in Concord by the Attorney General's office.

We are pleased to announce that the Stone Restoration project that we have worked for the past three years will be completed this year one year ahead of expectations. This is due to the excellent working relationship we have with the contractor, Stone Vault of Newport. They are giving us a tremendous discount from the initial quote. Therefore our dollars are going much further.

Our two maintenance contractors are doing excellent jobs and have agreed to hold their price of the past several years.

There were several lots sold, and a few interments.

Phil Barker
Lorrie Killam
Richard Cilley

Washington Conservation Commission 2004 Annual Report

The Conservation Commission was pleased to attend the celebration of the Pillsbury-Sunapee Highlands Legacy Project this fall. Senator Judd Gregg, Congressman Charlie Bass and other local officials came to Pillsbury State Park to celebrate this 8,000 acre project (2500 acres are in Washington). We thank the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests for their diligent efforts on this important project.

The Conservation Commission continues to participate in the NH Adopt a Highway Program. You will see us out on the 2 1/2 mile section of Route 31 north of town 4 times per year.

We continue to work with many landowners in town with wetlands questions and permits. By utilizing the Expedited Minimum Impact permits we are able to save a great deal of time for landowners. Please visit our website for links to the Department of

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Environmental Services for permit applications and information. We are also providing landowners with information on voluntary land protection options.

Please visit our website at www.washingtonnh.org/WCC_Html/index.html for information on wetlands permits, local food resources and more.

In February the Commission sponsored an educational program "The Dollars and Sense of Open Space." Dorothy Taylor presented a good case for land protection as a strategy to stabilize taxes.

On the 14th of August 24 people joined us for a hike on the Camp Morgan Town Forest led by Lionel Chute. Seven people participated in the first annual Columbus Day Weekend Lovewell Mountain hike. Please join us for the second annual Columbus Day hike to the top of Lovewell Mountain on October 8th.

The Conservation Commission has also attended several meetings to discuss "Smart Growth" initiatives. We partnered with the Selectmen and Planning Board to bring the presentation "Minimizing the Impact of Development on Natural Resources in Washington" on August 18th. We continue to receive comments from citizens that something needs to be done about planning for future growth. We will provide research and information to the various boards in town. Our minutes are posted on the website. We meet on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. Please join us!

Members

Nan Schwartz
Marvin Jager, Planning Board Rep
Don Richard
Peter France
John Tweedy
Jed Schwartz
Chris Gannon

Alternates

Nan Schwartz
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Fire Department



Over the past year the Fire Department has responded to 42 calls up from the 36 calls in 2003. Thankfully, Washington did not have any actual building fires that suffered major damage, however we responded to a number of calls that had the potential to become large fire incidents.

The Fire Department has also been busy with training; we have in-house training every last Monday of the month. In October we held a mutual aid drill with a live burn and it was well attended by all. Three of our members attended a three day certified Rapid Intervention Team Course which teaches fire fighters how to rescue fire personal if they were to become trapped in a building.

This past year we had hoped to replace the 30+ year old water tank on our 1986 Tanker housed in East Washington. After receiving quotes from manufactures we felt it would

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be more cost effective to upgrade the complete truck. So we have started looking for good used diesel power fire tankers, and have found a few good options. Unfortunately they didn't pan out for one reason or another, but the plans are still in the works.

The pay proposal that you passed last year was greatly appreciated and will continue again this year. Town firefighters donated their checks to the department and two others opted not to receive their check at all.

We are continuing to upgrade our year-round water sources (dry hydrants). With thanks to the Highway Department, the hydrant on the Marlow side of Ashuelot Pond is now installed and the hydrant at the intersection of Ayers Pond Road and East Washington Road has been upgraded.

New this year we have a commercial washing machine that was purchased jointly with the donations made to the Fire and Rescue from 50 (C) (3) non-profit corporations. This was bought for the purpose of cleaning our personal protective gear.

On behalf of all members, I would like to thank everyone for their support, with special thanks to my wife Rebecca, daughter Megan and son Patrick.

Respectfully submitted,
John R. Eccard, Chief
Washington Volunteer Fire Department

42 Fire Calls

2: Chimney Fires

2: Faulty furnace/smoke

1: Non Permit Burn

1: Water in the basement

16: Mutual Aid Calls

2: Brush

3: Standby for Wires Down

1: Fuel leak

7: Automobile Accidents/Fires

4: Alarm Soundings

1: Basement fire

1: Port-a-potty fire

1: Landing zone for DART

Town Forest Fire Warden

Forestry started early this year in late March and early April with illegal unattended fires. We had a total of 31 non permit fires, 7 smoke investigations and 1 arson with loss of property.

The Fire Wise Community Program was presented to members of Lake Ashuelot Estates Community. The program was well received and has promising hopes of moving forward this coming year. Remember permits are required for all outdoor fires anytime, unless the ground is adequately covered with snow.

I would like to thank the Deputy Wardens, Fire Fighters, Rescue Squad, Auxiliary and you the public; together we make a difference because only you can prevent wildland fires.

Respectfully submitted,
John Pasieka, Warden

Deputies

John Eccard	David Hunt
Edward Thayer	Brian Moser
Jed Schwartz	Michael Ostertag
Robert Ostertag	Steven Marshall
George Marvin	Shawn Atkins

State Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. A fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information contact the Division of Forests and Lands 271-2217 or online as www.ngdfl.org.

This last year was fairly wet throughout the spring and summer months, however we finished with an active fall fire season. In order to meet an increased demand for services, the Forest Protection Bureau was reorganized into three regions with smaller Forest Ranger Districts and over the last several years we have added two Forest Rangers. The fifteen state fire towers were the first to report on many fires. The state implemented a program called Tower Quest to help citizens learn about fire towers. The United States celebrated Smokey Bear's 60th birthday in 2004, and celebrations were held throughout the state.

Forestry Committee Annual Report

The Forestry Committee is pleased to announce the completion of its first Timber Harvest, conducted at Camp Morgan Town Forest. Special thanks go to Aaron Stirling, the logger, for a job well done, and to Lionel Chute, who volunteered his time and knowledge as forester.

With our first sale behind us we were able to accomplish other items on our agenda as well, notably the completion of the Loop Trail in the designated Camp Morgan Natural Area, which connects to the existing Chapel Cove trail. The new trail starts at the Fire Tower on Faxon Hill Rd. Accompanying this well marked trail is an interpretive trail map created in cooperation with Parks and Rec's Steve Hanssen, Lionel Chute and Tom Taylor. The map will be downloadable from the Forestry Committee's website.

Speaking of the website – one major goal for the next year includes a new “look” to our current black and white web page. We hope to have our minutes and meeting times readily available as well as current information about good forestry practices. Any suggestions for things you might want to see on the new page are certainly welcome.

A major expenditure we anticipate in the near future is survey work for some of the lesser marked lot lines. We cannot begin to assess these lots for timber until these lines are established. We hope to have a surveyor take a look at these lines within the next year.

We encourage landowners interested in harvesting their wood lots to contact a Forestry Committee member before they cut. Wood is a renewable resource but as with all resources it must be responsibly managed for future growth. With increasing pressure from development and therefore smaller wood lots to work with, good forestry practices become imperative.

We meet at the Town Hall on the 2nd Tuesday at 7pm every other month or when there is business to discuss. We look forward to another productive year!

Respectfully submitted,
Aileen G.R. Chute
Chair, WFC

Health Officer's Report

This year the main emphasis has again been on failed septic systems. It is imperative that they be repaired as soon as possible. In order to have them repaired I am more than willing to see to it that there are papers available for the designer to facilitate rapid response from the state.

The usual litany of problems with WNV has not changed and as you are all aware is now pervasive throughout the country. It was most unfortunate that this year's flu shots were cancelled only to learn that there was eventually sufficient serum finally available. Hopefully 2005 will not see a similar situation.

Respectfully
Karl Jurson,
Health Officer

Washington Highway Department 2004 Annual Report

The highway department completed many projects this year, the first of which was the installation of the upstream guardrail at the Millen Pond Dam. A concrete cap was poured on the shoulder of Faxon Hill RD. for new posts to be anchored. New galvanized radius rail was bolted to the posts to complete the job.

Faxon Hill Rd. received a 1 ½" hot mix overlay that was placed with a power paver. Several rocks were removed from the roadbed before paving. New culverts were installed and roadside ditches were excavated for better drainage. We would like to sand seal this section of road next summer.

Our annual road shimming placed 700 tons of hot top on East Washington Rd., Lempster Mtn. Rd. and Washington Drive. A sand seal was placed on 2 miles of East Washington Rd. as well. This helps to reduce frost heaving in the winter by preventing water from penetrating through the cracks in the pavement.

The highway department installed a new dry hydrant at the boat launch on Ashuelot Lake. The old hydrant was out of service and removed a couple of years ago. The new hydrant is 6" and buried deep enough to prevent freezing in the winter even during a draw down. We did not encounter ledge, as originally thought, so no blasting was required. We completed the job for \$3,400.00. The fire department applied for and received a \$2,000.00 grant to help offset the cost of the project. An old hydrant

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in East Washington was also upgraded from 4" to 8" capacity. These upgrades will provide much better fire protection to the residents of Washington.

The highway department was asked by the Selectmen to oversee the construction and replacement of the septic tanks at the Camp Morgan Lodge with a new State approved system. The old system constantly failed and required repairs almost monthly. All old tanks were removed and replaced with new ones. A new pump station was installed with a dual pump system. This provides a backup should something go wrong with one pump. A new force main was installed from the pump station to the lagoon. This construction is compatible with the future replacement of the lagoon with a new leach bed.

Our doors are always open to your suggestions or comments. Your support of the Highway department is appreciated and we look forward to a productive 2005.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward G. Thayer
Road Agent

HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRUST FUNDS

In 1989 a charitable trust, known as the Old District #5 School House Trust, was registered by the Board of Directors of the Washington Historical Society with the Attorney General of the State of New Hampshire, pursuant to RSA 7:19. The interest from this trust is to be used for the repair and maintenance of the old school buildings in East Washington. This fund is invested in a Certificate of Deposit, whose value at the beginning of the year, as reported in last year's Town Report, was \$2625.03. When this Certificate matured in June, the accumulated interest of \$167.86 was expended for repairs to the building and the balance was re-invested in a new Certificate of Deposit. The two Certificates earned a total of \$62.07 in interest during the year and the total in the fund at the end of the year 2004 was \$2519.24.

In 1991 a bequest was made to the Town of Washington, in the will of Edna M. Gage, the interest from which was designated to be used for the maintenance of the exterior of the Old District #5 School House in East Washington. The money has been invested in a Certificate of Deposit, called the Gage Fund, whose value at the beginning of the year, as reported in last year's Town Report, was \$4693.60. When this Certificate matured in July, the accumulated interest of \$1218.24 was transferred to the Museum's checking account and used to defray expenses incurred in repairing the roof. The remainder was re-invested in a new Certificate of Deposit and together the two CDs earned \$143.06 during the year. The balance in the fund at the end of the year 2004 totaled \$3618.42.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas E. Talpey, Treasurer

Ice Fishing Derby Committee

Yet again the fishing derby was a success. Enrollment was strong and the prizes were the best ever.

At this time the derby committee and fire department members would like to thank Karl and Natalie Jurson. The Jursons have stepped down after serving the derby for over 20 years. They were very generous both with their time and financially. Again we thank you both for everything and you will be missed.

Respectfully,
The Derby Committee

Joint Loss Management Committee

The Joint Loss Management Committee (JLMC) has been through some changes in 2004. Our function is to serve as a "safety committee" to review and inspect procedures, equipment, and property that employees, citizens, and visitors to the Town (excluding the School and District) may come in contact with. We are charged with making recommendations to the Board of Selectmen, Department Heads and Committee Chairs if we note a safety hazard. We also are responsible for conducting investigations of accidents/injuries when the Town is involved, either by its employees or property/equipment. The Committee is a statutory requirement, and should consist of an equal number of line and supervisory staff from all town departments. Obviously modification is needed to reflect Washington's make-up.

Fortunately the investigation function of our job has not been required at all. Congratulations are due to all Department heads, managers, and town employees who maintain safe standards and working conditions and have helped maintain a zero injury/illness environment

The Committee has been through some personnel changes during the year. Chairman Bob Fraser resigned to work on other projects, and I was told I volunteered to return as Chairman. Other members of the Committee and Departments they represent: Chief Steven Marshall- Police; Larry Gaskell- Highway; Bob Wright- Fire/Rescue, Ingrid Halverson- Town Hall; Sue Bermudez- Library; and Steve Hanssen- Parks & Rec.

The Committee meets quarterly to review and recommend any safety matters. The Town-wide Safety plan, which was submitted to the Selectmen at the end of 2003, was worked and re-drafted during the beginning of 2004 and has now been put into effect. Any citizen or visitor is encouraged to contact the JLMC with any concerns or observations they may have regarding safety issues in the Town of Washington.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steven I. Marshall, Chief of Police
Chairman- JLMC

Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association (Abridged)

A primary responsibility of LSRVNA and affiliates is to respond to changing community needs for home health and hospice care. We must continually "re-invent" ourselves in response to changes in regulations, provider reimbursement and best clinical practice standards so we can bring you value for your dollar as a member town.

This year was a memorable. We adapted to changes in Medicare reimbursement, inadequate Medicaid reimbursement, changes in clinical practice, shortages of nursing personnel, three-fold increases in insurance costs and increased technology demands. 80% of our costs are related to salaries and benefits; one way to control costs was to invest in our own building.

This spring we purchased a building. The Halsey Building will help ensure the availability of exceptional home health and hospice services. Necessary renovations were supported by generous gifts from individuals who believe in our mission.

Recently, Friends of the VNA opened The Renaissance Shoppe in our lower level at 107 Newport Road in New London. These volunteers created the shop to raise funds and to raise awareness of LSRVNA. Quality furniture, estate pieces, glassware, china, jewelry and more, generously donated by people in our area, will be sold with all proceeds to benefit the VNA. Donors will, of course, receive documentation for tax purposes.

Support from the town of Washington makes a difference in the lives of your friends and neighbors for whom LSRVNA provides care. The number of uninsured or underinsured is rising. Currently, Medicaid reimburses at about 55-60% of what it costs to provide care. There has been no adjustment in Medicaid rates since 1999. We expect Medicare reimbursement to decrease as the Federal Government tries to ensure solvency of the Medicare program and a continued problem with Medicaid funding due to State budget challenges.



Your town appropriation helps us to provide medically necessary care. It also helps cover medications and equipment for hospice patients; care for newborns and children; bereavement support for the year following the death of a loved one; and bereavement support groups for adults and children. We are grateful for this support because it helps bridge the gap between reimbursement and our costs. Town support and our other fundraising efforts allow us to continue our mission to keep people healthy and independent at home for as long as that is feasible.

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LSRVNA also offers many services either at no charge or with some subsidy from insurance plans including:

Parent Child Program

Well Child Clinics

Hospice Volunteer Training

Blood pressure and other screenings

Home Telemonitoring

Administration of the Lifeline program

Storage space and distribution for the Kearsarge Area Food Pantry

Speaker's Bureau for local organizations and churches

Health Fairs

Kearsarge Community Christmas project

Educational programs on chronic illness and advance care planning

File of Life and emergency information for each patient admitted to service

Caregiver Support Groups

This year more than 49 residents of Washington used one or more of our services including 124 home care visits and 81 hospice visits for adults and children, 281 hours in long-term care services, and over 44 immunizations. In addition, 3 residents used our Lifeline program, 3 residents used our home telemonitoring program and 15 residents attended our support programs.

Our Board of Trustees, staff and volunteers join me in expressing appreciation for your support and confidence in the work of LSRVNA. We welcome the opportunity to bring care and services to your residents.

Andrea Steel

President and CEO

Mrs. Hurd noted in her diary for March 25, 1882: "Went to School Meeting. There eas an element of rowdysim there that I hope never to see or meet anywhere. The new school house was voted down as we all expected it would be." But a year later on March 29, 1883, she wrote: "The district voted to build a new school house. This has been needed a long time but some who grudged the taxes always voted against it." (This building now houses the Washington Police Department.)

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION



The 2004 Camp Morgan Youth Program had another great summer, even with all the rain! This year we had a total of 118 registered campers. The campers enjoyed swimming, boating, arts and crafts, sports, cooking, mountain biking and numerous other activities. The younger children had a great time sleeping in the lodge at the junior overnight, while the older children braved the cold winds in their tents on the ballfield during the senior overnight. The end-of-summer trip to Canobie Lake Park was enjoyed by all. The Commission would like to thank the Camp Morgan Staff and congratulate them on another job well done!

The Senior Group enjoyed two bus trips and the Easter Egg Hunt was enjoyed by many.

Repairs were made to some of the outbuildings at Camp Morgan and the director's cabin was auctioned off and is soon to be removed.

Bob Fraser and Danielle Perrino resigned from the Board and we would like to thank them for their great dedication and service. We welcome Larry L'Hommedieu and Guy Eaton have filled those positions.

The Commission looks forward to another great year.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Newton, Chairman
Jennifer Murdough
Guy Eaton
Steve Hanssen
Larry L'Hommedieu
Alternate - Richard Cilley

Patriotic Purposes



The American Legion Post #59 of Hillsboro, NH once again was able to provide a Memorial Day Service on the Town Common. Flags are annually placed at the Monument and on the graves of Veterans along with flag holders for the newly departed comrades. Children of the Washington Elementary School were included in the presentation of flags at the Town Monument. Six new American flags and State of New Hampshire flags were provided for the Town Common and the Washington Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Cilley

PLANNING BOARD—ANNUAL REPORT for 2004

At the Town Meeting in March, Jack Sheehy and Charlie Fields were each elected to the Board for three year terms. In August, Frank Musmanno was appointed as an Alternate Member.

Following Public Hearings a Minor Subdivision of two lots was approved on South Main Street and a Major Subdivision of thirteen lots of more than five acres each was approved abutting both Mill Street and East Washington Road.

The Planning Board is charged with predicting what problems in infrastructure the Town may face in the foreseeable future and suggesting ways of dealing with them. In this connection a Public Hearing was held in December to solicit public input concerning the

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sudden rise in building activity in Town and to explore what steps the Town residents might want to take to cope with it. At this hearing three proposals for amending the Land Use Ordinance were discussed, involving a building code, code enforcement and temporary controls on growth. Any proposed action, of course, would have to be presented and discussed in another Public Hearing and eventually voted on at Town Meeting before taking effect.

Fourteen driveway permits and fifteen lot mergers were approved during the year. Most of the mergers involved properties in Lake Ashuelot Estates and the combining of small lots on Valley Road. One business permit and one sign permit were issued.

Twelve regular meetings of the Board were held, as well as two working sessions, in addition to the three Public Hearings mentioned above. Work continued on revisions to the Master Plan. The Capital Improvement Plan was up-dated pursuant to State law and presented to the Board of Selectmen. The latter plan presents the requests and anticipated expenditures of the various Town departments over the next 6 years, and is intended to aid the Board of Selectmen in preparing the annual budget. This plan may be viewed by contacting the Board of Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Sheehy, Chairman
Thomas Talpey, Secretary
Rufford Harrison, Ex-Officio
Charles Fields, Member
Gerald Cascio, Member
Marvin Jager, Alternate
John Callender, Alternate
Frank Musmanno, Alternate

The Washington and Marlow Times, a weekly newspaper published for some years in the early twentieth century, noted on May 2, 1901, that the road agent, J.S. McIlvaine, "has been laying plank sidewalks in our village."

2004 Annual Report of the Washington Police Department**



Back row – L-R ACO Cindy Turner, Chief Steven Marshall and Sec. Laurie Newton
Front row – L-R Ofc. Peter Powers and Ofc. Brian Moser
Photo by Bob Hofstetter

Every year it seems that I start off my annual report by saying... "This has been a busy and challenging year...." Well, I am reporting that 2004 has been a very busy and challenging year for your Police Department. While this report is written before the final totals are done, at the time it was written the overall call volume was up 35%. The number of traffic warnings and summons was up 37%. Traffic crashes were up slightly, most with no injury. There was one serious injury, and again no fatalities. We are only able to keep up with the work because of the fine staff that I have working around me.

One the most frequent questions I have gotten is what do we do since we are not heard on your scanners anymore. In late summer Hillsboro Dispatch converted to a digital radio system. That means your analog scanners will not be able to pick up our voice, and you will only hear an annoying buzzing sound. That buzzing is us working.

We have done our best to make use of the various grant and donation programs that I learn about. To help with traffic enforcement we received two grants from the NH Highway Safety Agency to conduct 60 hours of radar patrols in the early morning during the summer, and 60 hours of DWI enforcement patrols in the late evenings in the fall. We received a supply of bicycle helmets from Highway Safety that we hand out to riders who do not have one, and have not previously gotten one from us. Through a program from Bombardier we obtained a 2-person Bombardier Outlander 400cc ATV. The machine has been invaluable in helping recover two lost hikers on the Monadnock-Sunapee Greenway and a lost 13 year old in the woods of Sunapee. A grant from NH Fish & Game has paid for an officer to use the machine to patrol the various trails in town to look for unsafe and illegal ATV riding. The grant covers all costs of the officer and payroll benefits, maintenance and fuel, and billing costs to NH Fish & Game. There is no cost to the Town, and due to the difference between the billing rate and pay rate the Town

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makes a slight profit from it. That effort has paid off in a significant drop in ATV complaints, and only 1 collision resulting in injury. We applied for a grant under the Homeland Safety Program and were able to purchase a Panasonic Laptop computer with wireless networking to connect our database between the office and cruiser for easy access and retrieval. Grants were obtained for the school and the Congregational Church to be given Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) at no cost. Other grant applications are in the works for additional AEDs, equipment and communications. We also were able to obtain a large number of gunlocks from the Project Childsafe program for free distribution to residents. Lastly on the "freebie" topic, as a result of a grant from the NH Department of Justice we were the recipient of a grant to provide the Law Enforcement Training Network for the station. LETN is a satellite based training system that we can use to keep current in our skills. The satellite dish you may see on the side of the building is for that, not to get movie and entertainment.

As will be a theme at Town Meeting from this and other Department heads, the town is growing faster than we can keep up with it. We have had issues come before us that would have never been a consideration three or four years ago. The largest area of discussion during the year was whether the Town and School would support my plan to bring a drug-detecting dog to town and walk through the school busses. While the plan was ultimately not enacted, it raised issues and concerns that will continue to confront us and direct me to refocus the goals of the Department.

We also continue to address the concerns of the citizens about police coverage. Comments received by the Selectmen's Office and to me have run the full gamut: a very small group of citizens feel we do not need a police department, another small group wants police full-time 24-hour coverage, and number of people want increased coverage. Of course each resident wants us running radar on his or her road all the time, everyday. I hope to address all these issues at the Town Meeting.

Because of our ability to patrol off-road by ATV and snowmobile we had another incident-free year relating to burglaries of seasonal homes. There have been some break-ins of homes, but all have been found to have been either family or business related. Still, we have incidents requiring a great deal of investigation after the initial report. We try to do as much as we can by telephone and e-mail, but sometimes we are required to go to another community for an interview. For every half-hour report we take at a scene, there are probably 6 hours of report writing, evidence logging, follow-up and other investigation requirements. We can't do it in 49 minutes like all the television detectives can.

As mentioned, this would not be an efficient professional organization without the staff I have around me. The motto the staff lives by is that we "Focus on What We Do Best, and Be the Best at What We Do." With the Board of Selectmen, we were able to determine that the existing budget could handle a 4th officer. Peter Powers was hired to fill that position. Unfortunately Peter left the profession a short time later and Bob McAllister left to go to another police department. In December Charleen Crowley from Sutton was hired to fill one of the positions and will be on the road by the time this report is published. Cindy Turner has volunteered her time as the Animal Control Officer (ACO). As the Washington ACO (or as she prefers, The WACO) she has taken over

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responding to all unlicensed and unrestrained dogs, some cats and an occasional wild animal. This takes a colossal load off the patrol officers' shoulders and allows us to concentrate on other areas. Laurie Newton has been invaluable in maintaining and keeping current with all the paperwork, data entry and monthly reporting that is required of a police department. I keep putting more on her, and it is always handled with a smile. Of course I could not do any of this without my "go to guy" Brian Moser. Brian held the department together while I was out after my surgery at the end of last year, and is always there for the Town when he is needed, be it police, highway, fire or EMS. Also, while not employees, my thanks go out to Don Turner, our Fleet Manager for maintaining the cruiser (never been out of service other than for routine or preventive maintenance), and Chris Scruton, the IT Manager, for maintaining our increasing technology systems.

Plans for 2005? To meet the coverage needs of the Town, continue to maintain the quality of life that is Washington, and confront the increasing traffic concerns and complaints. Our commitment and partnership with the school will continue thanks to the support by the sponsors of the Student of the Month lunch, and reestablishing the DARE program. We did not have DARE last year because our DARE instructor, Det. Darren Murdough of the Henniker Police was activated with the 744th and is in Iraq. Sgt. Eric Daignault from Sunapee will be coming to Washington in early 2005 to teach our 4th and 5th graders.

Please always feel free to contact any of us at the Department with any questions, concerns or issues you have. With permission from the Selectmen we allow civilian ride-alongs. If you are interested in doing that please contact me to make the arrangements. We are very proud of the job we do and profession we have chosen and want to show it off. Most importantly, we want to make this a fun and safe community for all! For Ofc. Brian Moser, Ofc. Charleen Crowley, WACO Cindy Turner & Sec. Laurie Newton,

Respectfully,
Steven I. Marshall
Chief of Police, EMT-I

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**Washington Police Department
5 Year Comparison**

The following represents the activity the officers of the Washington Police Department were involved in during the last 5 years

<u>INCIDENT</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>
Alarm	8	15	8	14	18
Alcohol Violation	1	1	3	5	2
Animal Other than Dog	12	9	8	4	1
Arrest	15	14	16	34	31
Assaults					
Simple	3		2	2	0
Felony			0	1	0
Sexual			4	0	0
Assist Agency					
Other Police	21	31	29	35	41
Fire	13	13	10	9	20
Rescue/Med	13	17	17	10	14
Highway	6	3	1	1	0
Selectmen		2	0	0	2
Town Clerk			3	0	0
Other Washington		2	4	3	5
Other		2	0	9	17
Assist Citizen	19	14	23	18	26
Abduction/Attempt			0	0	0
Bad Checks	5	4	3	3	8
BOL	7	2	2	0	0
Burglary/Attempt	6	1	3	2	6
Burn Permit Issued	3	16	28	27	42
Check Welfare	6	13	14	8	12
Child Abuse/Neglect			0	0	0
Civil Complaint	8	3	4	0	0

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Civil Standby	6	6	5	5	9
Criminal Mischief	12	9	11	12	10
Criminal Threatening	1	1	2	3	2
Criminal Trespassing	8	13	7	12	3
Collision:					
No Injury	18	14	26	11	19
Injury	6	5	3	3	4
Fatal			0	0	0
Hit and Run		1	1	0	0
OHRV/Snowmobile	1	1	1	2	5
Community Service	26	25	25	26	28
Dangerous Sexual Offender Registration	2	4	1	1	1
Deliver Message	9	12	6	7	12
Disabled Vehicle.	29	30	8	10	14
Disorderly Conduct	1	5	4	3	6
Dog Complaint	83	61	60	63	115
Domestic Dispute	11	7	6	2	14
Drugs					
Misdemeanor		2	1	1	2
Felony			0	0	0
D.W.I.	1	2	1	1	4
E-911 Hang-up	10	15	11	7	10
Fireworks Complaint			2	2	1
Fish & Game Complaint	2		3	2	4
Fraud	2	2	3	2	6
Harassment	8	8	3	5	5
Homicide			0	0	0
Illegal Dumping	2	3	5	3	5
Juvenile Complaint	11	10	7	14	7
Lost/Found Property	4	12	9	12	9
Miscellaneous	3	8	15	15	13
Missing Person	1	4	2	0	3
Motor Vehicle	29	22	8	11	25

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Motor Vehicle Stops					
Warning	215	309	404	318	522
Summons	22	57	77	77	73
Motor Vehicle Unlock		6	8	11	5
Neighborhood Complaint	2	1	4	4	7
Noise Complaint	5	5	3	2	5
OHRV Complaint	4	13	21	23	11
Open Door/Window	7	4	4	3	6
Parking Complaint	7	8	5	5	5
Pistol Permit Issued	23	23	36	23	20
Police Information	18	12	11	14	39
Property Check		1	3	0	0
Protective Custody	1	4	1	0	0
Serve Paperwork	13	14	15	27	25
Stalking	1		0	2	0
Suicide/Attempt			2	0	0
Suspicious Person/ Vehicle/Activity	22	23	19	18	31
Theft					
Misdemeanor	3	7	9	6	10
Felony		1	0	0	0
Vehicle/Boat		3	2	0	0
Shoplifting			0	0	0
Tobacco Violation	1		0	0	0
Town Ordinance Violation		3	0	2	2
Transport		1	0	0	0
Unattended Death	1		1	1	1
Unwanted Person			0	0	0
Vacant House Check/ Request	73	43	37	27	96
Vehicle Off Road	10	14	16	11	13
VIN Verification	1	24	27	14	20
Totals	863	1,024	1,125	1,015	1,474

2004 Washington Transfer/Recycling Center Annual Report

Recycling markets showed dramatic improvements over 2003. A strong demand for scrap steel in China and India boosted prices into the low hundreds per ton. You may remember two years ago we were paying to get rid of light iron. We shipped over 100 tons of light iron this year with those revenues going into the recycling equipment capital reserve fund. Mixed paper and cardboard revenue increased, driven by higher demand for recycled paper products. Most other markets remain stable.

We purchased two new 45-yard roll off containers this year. One was paid for with recycling revenues and the other was purchased with a grant from the New Hampshire the Beautiful organization. Having several spare containers allows us to operate more efficiently and with fewer delays.

The annual household hazardous waste collection was a big success. Almost 80 households participated in the collection program in August. Everything from waste paint to household chemicals and pesticides were collected. These collections are a safe and cost effective way to dispose of items we do not normally accept at the transfer station during the year.

The new roll off truck and trailer are in service and working very well. We haul to the Berlin, NH landfill once per week with two containers. This will save the town thousands of dollars over the life of the truck.

Below is a comparison of wastes accepted in 2003 and 2004 at the recycling center:

	<u>Recyclables</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	
Commingled cans, bottles, plastic	54	55	Tons
Commingled paper, cardboard	42	41	Tons
Scrap steel	100	130	Tons
Construction Demolition	330	343	Tons
Lead acid batteries	3.5	2	Tons
Cathode Ray tubes/ Electronics	5.5	7.5	Tons
Used oil for recycle	750	850	Gallons
Used antifreeze for recycle	55	75	Gallons
Air conditioners and refrigerators	101	154	Units
Automotive Tires	7	11	Tons

Land filled Waste

Household compactor waste	430	450	Tons
Land filled demolition waste	73	117	Tons

We have two new part time transfer station attendants this year. Jim Berry and Wayne Riessle were hired to work on Sundays and holidays and will be alternating their days so no one employee will have to work consecutive Sundays. We hope to have them become State certified operators by July of 2005. I would like to thank the residents of Washington for their continued support and recycling efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward G. Thayer
Transfer Station Manager

Washington Citizens Solid Waste/Recycling Committee

The 2004 Annual Town Meeting charged the Committee with reviewing disposal and recycling costs in the Town of Washington. The present method of funding the Transfer Station and Recycling Center is by taxing all property owners, regardless of how they actually use the services of the center.

We considered the different materials accepted at the center and found that Demolition and Construction Waste is the most expensive to dispose of and the least widely used by the majority of taxpayers. Therefore we studied alternate ways to fund the disposal of C & D Waste and visited several towns to learn how their systems work.

The current building activity in Washington guarantees that both the volume and the disposal costs of C & D Waste will increase each year and the present system of funding will become more inequitable than ever.

The Committee will propose to the Board of Selectmen that a scale be installed at the Transfer Station to weigh and charge for all C & D and bulky items. We feel that this is the fairest solution to all taxpayers of Washington and one that will allow the Transfer Station/Recycling Center to be prepared for the future growth of our town.

Respectfully Submitted,
Phil Barker
Bob Hofstetter
Carolyn Russell
Ed Thayer

Rufford Harrison
John Pasioka
Ken Tanner

WASHINGTON RESCUE SQUAD 2004 Annual Report

We had another busy year for The Washington Rescue Squad. We had over 890 hours of training to include, several members taking a pre hospital trauma life support class. This class helps in critical assessment thinking during a trauma call.

We also had a couple of members take a Red Cross Disaster Relief class; helping those after a disaster (hurricane, fire flood, etc.) both locally and nationally. They concentrated on relocating disaster victims and helping them gain control of their lives again. Another couple of members gained their Red Cross certification as instructors of First Aid, CPR & AED. Their first community class is planned for the first week of March.

We would like to congratulate Deb Borey, Laurie Carter, John Pasieka & Brian Moser for gaining their First Responder certifications, and Ben Crane for obtaining his EMT-Basic certification.

We would like to thank the community for their ongoing support. With the money we received this year we were able to purchase extrication turnout gear & dress uniforms for our new members. We also were able to assist the fire company in purchasing a new pressure washer for washing the ambulance conveniently all year round. We also assisted in purchasing a commercial size washing machine to wash our extrication turnout gear, and blankets that were made and donated to the squad by Donna Cilley. We are also putting money aside for plans of a new ambulance in 2013.

We said good-bye to our 1993 ambulance; it went to a good home in Ansonia CT. The crew of Ansonia is using it as a HAZMAT truck. Ansonia Fire Chief Bob Caruso, also a member of Washington Fire Department, drove the ambulance down and said he and the members of the department were ecstatic of the vehicle's performance.

I would like to thank Concord Hospital for donating most of the medical supplies to the Rescue services in their catchment area. Thank you to the Fire Company, Highway Department & Police Department for assisting us through the year; we couldn't do it without you.

Have a safe and happy 2005.

Your friends at the Washington Rescue Squad,

Captain Denise Hanscom EMT-I

Lieutenant & Training Officer Robert Wright EMT-I

Treasurer James Russell EMT-B

Deb Borey First Responder

Laurie Carter First Responder

Doug Cook EMT-B

Robert Kalinowski EMT-I

Steve Marshall EMT-I

John Pasieka

Secretary Jennifer Murdough EMT-I

Carolyn Russell EMT-B

Nancy Tanner EMT-I

Cindy Turner EMT-I

Donald Turner EMT-B

Board of Selectmen

This has been a fairly quiet year, with no lightning strikes, for instance. But we nevertheless have to begin this report with an item of bad news: Your tax rate is up again, by approximately another five dollars; we were unable to reduce it by making use of the fund balance this year, as it is approximately 8%, the State's new recommended minimum. Once again, the increase stems from the school district: The State school tax adds about \$1.25, and the school district budget adds about \$4.00. Attend the school district annual meeting on March 19th! The increase would have been slightly greater, were it not for a \$2M increase in the Town's valuation. In an effort to maintain the total tax as low as possible we have reexamined the degree of need in every department, many of which have been able to make small reductions. In addition we have reduced the amount of outsourcing, and are looking into utility costs.

We also have to report the death of one of the stalwarts of the Town: You'll find Robert Crane on the inside and outside front covers.

This was the year for painting the Town Hall and the Police Department, and we are pleased to have received nothing but good comments on the new paint job. But if you beg to differ, be patient, and air your views after another 5-6 years. Well, we did receive one complaint - from OSHA, concerning the handling of lead paint; it was resolved satisfactorily to both sides.

We've had the usual number of personnel changes this year. Charleen Crowley filled a position in the Police Department. Ingrid Halverson stepped in as a very efficient custodian when Nancy Warena resigned. Scott Newton took the chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission, to which Guy Eaton and Larry L'Hommedieu were added to replace Bob Fraser and Danielle Perrino who had resigned. The Safety Committee is also revamped, with Steve Marshall as the interim chairman and new members Ingrid Halverson, Sue Bermudez and Bob Wright. Finally, Nora Pasioka decided not to run again as a supervisor of the checklist, and Mary Krygeris was elected in her place.

The Planning Board is considering the Town's posture in the face of continuing acceleration in the pace of construction. 99 building permits, including 33 for new houses, were issued this year. One aspect of this, the possibility of hiring a building inspector, was discussed in a well-attended hearing in December, but no action was taken.

The junk-yard saga continues: Two are being resolved after court action, and we continue to have a voice in the problem in a neighboring town.

Respectfully Submitted,
Guy Eaton, Chairman
J. Rufford Harrison
Thomas Taylor

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SHEDD FREE LIBRARY**

A year of very great change here at the Shedd! The building was closed from the end of November 2003 till February 3, 2004 when we re-opened (we operated on a limited basis from our Library Annex in the basement of Camp Morgan; we are grateful to the Senior Group, the Selectmen, Bob Fraser, and of course my multi-talented assistant, Marcellus Liotta). We also want to thank our Friends' group, all who so graciously volunteered and especially our high school volunteers who were a tremendous asset to us: Rachel Halverson, Katie Joy, Laura Jackson, Joshua Treadwell, and Maddie Vaillancourt. They helped us move out, in and unpack (along with so many others!). Overwhelmingly, the response to our Victorian red walls has been positive. We're so glad you all like what we chose for you! Along with that color, we chose a multi-hued industrial carpet that was installed throughout the library, with sturdy carpet tiles in both entrances. We have shiny new brass heating ducts, new brass name plates under our portraits, a compilation of history concerning the portraits (lovingly done by Charlene Cobb; pictures by Bob Hofstetter), new foyer tables, a new bathroom mirror, framed drawings of the town in the back hall way by Joyce Paradis, framed and hung by Geri Taylor (who was a great help deciding what stuff we needed to keep and what not).

The Friends of Shedd Free Library really outdid themselves this year. Did you know we are one of the few libraries in the state to even HAVE a Friends' group, much less one as active as ours? Some (and by all means not ALL) of this year's activities include:

*Packing, unpacking and sorting books (90% of the library was removed for the painting and stored down in the Archives cellar...thanx Grace!); feeding Sullivan County House of Corrections inmates twice who did all of the heavy lifting

*Began our videos for Inmates Projects by collecting extra videos from us and other libraries around the state; so far we've donated 100 or so to Sullivan County and Westmoreland County (along with games, puzzles, and of COURSE books)

*Made pins from postage stamps to sell along with the name pins we already had

*Bought Currier Art Gallery passes again for the Library to give out for free

*Bought birthday books for ALL of the school children (except for Early Learning)

*Bought newborn baby books to commemorate their births (12 since we began the program)

*Sold new Library tee-shirts with our Library logo on them; also polo shirts (still for sale!)

* Sold fleas, books, baked goods, tees, pins, etc. at the July Flea Market.

*Nine of us marched in the Hillsboro Balloon Fest; two rode with Hans & Julie Eccardt in Hans' mustang convertible and tossed candy to the crowds

*Sponsored our Grand Re-Opening Celebration (the GRO!); among other activities that day we gave the Historical Society many old pictures and photos; also established our Trustee Emeritus position, honoring our Trustees who had given nine years or more of service.

*Sent out donation requests to all property owners in Washington; 110 donations received thus far netting us over \$2000 (for special projects like new bookshelves and a new computer station)

*Bought a new all-purpose Library banner with our name and logo on it

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*Conducted fall Bake/Book/Etc sale and took in more money than ever in a one day sale by asking for donations only! (A truckload of leftovers went to our Mall; 10 boxes of books went to Springfield Library which acts as a distribution center and will send them on to smaller libraries; Sullivan County HOC received 8 boxes; and 3 boxes of paperbacks went to our troops, along with a note and our bookmarks.) A big THANK YOU to all our Friends and people who so graciously gave their time, money and donations! Also thanks to Bob & Linda Radner who gave us the leather briefcase to raffle, netting us \$121 extra!

We were finally able to get together a donation to sponsor another library through CliF (the Children's Literacy Foundation that gave us a grant two years ago for new children's books). So in the fall, Marcellus Liotta, Ruth Fischer and I traveled to Danbury to watch our donation provide books to their small but charming one-room library (and we thought WE had no room!). It was a very gratifying experience to be able to "pay it forward" and we wish to thank our anonymous donors, the Library Trustees, Friends, and Holly Eaton who helped to make it possible.

After many phone calls and much persuasion, DOT finally came through and filled in the hole in front of our sidewalk and replaced the culvert. Now we don't have to worry about the ice skating rink that was there in the winter months, or the possibility of someone slipping and falling!

Besides all of these extra activities, we were also open for regular business. We continued to hold our monthly Book Discussions (3rd Monday of the month, 10:00 a.m.; copies are available at the Library; no rules...just a librarian named Wright!)

We weeded a lot of dated juvenile non-fiction. We are in the process of replacing some of our old series with new ones from donations given in memory of Sylvia Crane. (thought for the future...remember us in your will or have donations made in your memory to the library...just a thought)

We continue to publish a monthly calendar for the town (thanx again to Charlene Cobb for collecting all the important info) and this summer began printing Library news on the reverse side, including Book Reviews from your friends and neighbors that feature new library books. So be sure to flip that calendar over to read our news!

Carolyn Russell, again, very generously volunteered a ton of hours to assist people filing their income taxes. She had 49 interviews, filed 49 federal returns, 32 filed by e-file and 9 state returns. She also assisted with the State of New Hampshire property tax rebate program, which benefited 25 low-income families.

Our continual bi-monthly exhibits (Geri Taylor and Vivian Hunter are our new co-chairmen) included Antique Doll Beds and Handmade Coverlets by Gretchen Collins, the Lure of the Flies (fishing, that is) by Mr. Collins, bronze Buffalo by Peter France, Campaign and Other Buttons by Nancy Jager, and a collection of Noah's Arks by Ruth Fischer.

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We've continued (and continue to continue) with our Outreach Program, which includes taking Library materials to shut-ins and others.

New for the Library this year is our position of Alternate Trustee. Colleen Duggan, who is being groomed to be a real Trustee one of these days! has agreed to fill that position. We also have a new Story Time lady, Sheila Munson. Sheila's been reading stories, crafting crafts, and offering snacks for the littler ones since June. Come in and join us! (check the Calendar for days; time is always 10 - 11 a.m.)

We re-established our visits to the school bringing Birthday Books for all the children. Ruth Fischer, Chairman of Friends', usually accompanies me. The first grade, in turn, began visiting us at the Library on a monthly basis. We are very happy to see the schoolchildren in the Library once more!

We once again wish to thank all of you for your patronage, support, encouragement, and patience, especially while we were closed this year. Please remember how we may serve you even better with Inter-Library Loans, Photo Copying (free to school children), free Fax Services (495-0410), free Income Tax Assistance (call Carolyn Russell for info), free Internet Access with DSL (provided to the Library at no charge from Granite State Telephone), free E-Mail Access (shedd@gsinet.net), free Computer Use, free Delivery of Library Materials to Shut-Ins, free Printing and Delivery of Monthly Town Calendars, free Notary Public services, and free Videos, DVD's, Books on CD, and Audio Tapes. We also offer parties for children, weekly Story Times, monthly Book Discussions, bi-monthly Exhibits, occasional winter Travelogues, and extremely lively monthly Friends' Meetings. Our Trustees' Bi-Monthly Meetings are always open to the public (check the calendar for the dates). We welcome your comments and suggestions. Remember, this is YOUR town library...please come in and USE it, especially now that we look soooo GOOD! Come in and take advantage of all we have to offer you. It is our job and more importantly, it is our privilege, to serve you.

Jo Ellen Wright
Library Director

2004 STATISTICS

Books Owned	8187
New Books	315
Deletions	318
Books on Tape	243
Books on CD	10
Videos	455
DVDs	51
Magazine Subscriptions (including donations)	37
Patrons	718
Inter Library Loans	
Received from Other Libraries	821
Sent to Other Libraries	49
Programs this Year	82
Total Program Attendance	1482
Total Circulation	3429

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WELFARE DEPARTMENT

During 2004 the following emergency assistance was granted to eleven families:

Electricity	3,004.72
Food	299.44
Fuel	2,995.90
Health Services	777.01
Miscellaneous	410.67
Housing	<u>10,294.35</u>
Total	\$17,782.09

Emergency assistance applications may be made by calling the Town Office at 495 - 3521 or 495 - 3661 Tuesday thru Thursday between 9 AM and 4 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynda B Roy
Richard Cilley
Laura Newton

FOOD PANTRY

This has been another successful year for the Food Pantry with the many generous donations from the community at large. You will notice a reduction of food expenses in the general welfare budget due to the use of the Food Pantry. If you have a need to use the Food Pantry please feel free to call Laurie Newton or Lynda Roy at the Town Hall.

2004 Annual Report of the Website Manager

2004 has brought the first major upgrade to the website since it was first published in 2000. The site has become so large, and convoluted that it became very unwieldy and hard for users to navigate around. The site is an extremely valuable asset to the citizens and customers of the town. Since the majority of town government is "part-time" and only accessible on a weekly or monthly basis, a number of citizens, builders, realtors, other government agencies and agencies within the town use this tool to access forms and ordinances and make contact with the officers and agencies of town.

Right now the site contains over 400 pages, images, pictures and graphics to make the site usable and entertaining. The work is all done on a volunteer basis in my time away from the town and at home. I do have some assistance, and want to thank Bob Hofstetter for formatting the town calendar for easy publishing, and Jed Schwartz & John Hofstetter for taking charge of the Conservation Commission's section. Any and all other volunteers who want to help are welcome to contact me.

Through the website, or by direct e-mail you can contact several town agencies. The agencies and the e-addresses are listed. The e-address is the words in () merely type in @washingtonnh.org following Assessors (assessors), Bookkeeper (accounting), Conservation Commission (wcc), Fire Department (fire), Highway Dept & Transfer Station (highway), Parks & Rec (parksandrec), Police (police), Rescue (rescue), Selectmen (selectmen) or Town Clerk & Tax Collector (clerkandtax).

You can receive via e-mail the Selectmen's meeting minutes, and the Police Chief's Community Newsletter. From the website you can review both of those, look at the calendar of Town events, see pictures of area wildlife, police statistics, Highway Department vehicle inventory, snowfall amounts, and so on.

As you look through the pages and see a form that confuses you, or want a page that would be of help to you or the community, please feel free to contact me and let me know. I'm very receptive and want to make it a site that works for our customers, the citizens of and visitors to Washington.

Respectfully,
Steven I. Marshall
Web Site Manager
police@washingtonnh.org

Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Washington Board of Adjustment is authorized to hear appeals from land use decisions made by Town officials as well as to grant variances and equitable waivers of dimensional requirements in accordance with the Town of Washington Land Use Ordinance and New Hampshire statutes.

The board meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the town hall. During the past year, it has considered 11 cases requesting a variance and one requesting an equitable waiver of dimensional requirements. Approximately three quarters of these requests were approved. The board in many cases stipulated conditions or changes to be met by the applicant. The approved variances were, in large part, related to requests for building construction or additions on nonconforming lots.

During the year, two board members attended sessions held by the New Hampshire Municipal Association on the work of boards of adjustment and updates in state law and judicial decisions related to planning and zoning issues. The board also drafted suggested changes to the request for a variance application packet and submitted these changes/additions to the Selectmen and the Planning Board for their consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura-Jean Gilbert, Chair
Richard Cilley, Member
Chris Gannon, Member
Lawrence L'Hommedieu, Member
Janice Philbrick, Member
Stephen Hanssen, Alternate
Robert Hoffstetter, Alternate
Matt Taylor, Alternate

A service that we offer to the residents of Washington is an inventory of equipment for invalids. It ranges from crutches to hospital beds, via bed pans, back braces – you name it. This is all stored, courtesy of the Town, in the basement of Camp Morgan Lodge, but for reasons of liability the Town cannot manage it. But why rent or buy when you can use this stuff gratis? If you need anything, call Bob Fraser, 495-3087, or John Siciliano, 495-3941. And don't forget that we have room for more. If you've finished with your lift chair, walker, ect., let us know, and we'll be glad to take it off your hands for the use of someone who really needs it.

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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY as of December 31, 2004

East Washington - Purling Beck Beach & Rec. Areas	\$ 14,600.00
Camp Morgan & Millen Pond Rec. Areas	\$ 727,800.00
Old Central School Building	54,400.00
New School Building	614,900.00
Cemeteries	35,200.00
Common Lands & Buildings	45,300.00
Fire Department Land & Buildings	146,900.00
Equipment	370,000.00
Highway Department	
Old Garage	45,900.00
New Garage	295,200.00
Equipment	332,500.00
Materials & Supplies	35,000.00
Recycling Center Equipment	84,000.00
Transfer Station	24,300.00
Library, Land & Buildings	105,400.00
Furniture & Equipment	83,000.00
Police Department	31,200.00
Town Hall, Land & Buildings	183,000.00
Furniture & Equipment	38,000.00
Bandstand	7,400.00
Subtotal	\$3,274,000.00

Land & Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's Deeds

TM 02-003	EW	Back Mtn. Rd.	65.00 AC	\$ 51,400.00
TM 07-011	RT 31N	Twin Bridge Rd.	45.00 AC	34,000.00
TM 10-005	AP	Old Marlow Rd.	146.00 AC	66,000.00
TM 10-054	LAE	U-8 Ashuelot Dr.	1.90 AC	7,200.00
TM 12-194	RT31S	off Highland Lake	15.00 AC	5,300.00
TM 14-012	LAE	L-66 Harrison Dr.	1.50 AC	2,000.00
TM 14-087	LAE	Q-7A off Jefferson Dr.	.76 AC	800.00
TM 14-103	LAE	K-24 Jefferson Dr.	.80 AC	6,200.00
TM 14-236	LAE	E-8 Ashuelot Dr.	.81 AC	6,200.00
TM 14-298	LAE	D-17 Jackson Dr.	.79 AC	7,800.00
TM 14-300	LAE	D-19 Jackson Dr.	.79 AC	6,200.00
TM 14-331	LAE	M-2 Presidential Dr.	1.10 AC	8,100.00
TM 14-368	LAE	R-9 Stowell Rd.	1.26 AC	6,700.00
TM 14-400	AP	Huntley Mt. Rd.	106.00 AC	41,100.00
TM 15-125	LAE	M-1 Presidential Dr.	1.08 AC	6,500.00
TM 15-127	LAE	B-1 Presidential Dr.	.75 AC	7,000.00
TM 18-006	AP	Old Marlow Rd.	56.00 AC	15,700.00
TM 18-007	AP	Russell Mill Pd.	55.00 AC	24,900.00
TM 18-034	AP	Russell Mill Pd. Rd.	80.00 AC	28,800.00
TM 20-121-1	BR	Nuthatch Way	20.39 AC	110,700.00
Subtotal				442,600.00

GRAND TOTAL OF TOWN PROPERTY

\$ 3,716,600.00

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2004 VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

January 9,2004 MULLINER, JORDAN PAIGE, born in Peterboro, NH to Mulliner, Shane and Cameo.

May 13,2004 IRIZARRY, EVELYNN ROSE, born in Concord, NH to Irizarry, Joseph and Crowley, Sarah.

July 22, 2004 IADONISI, LOUIS HENRY, born in Concord, NH to Iadonisi, Michael and Herla.

July 26, 2004 O'CONNOR, JARED MAXWELL, born in Concord, NH to O'Connor Sean and Christine.

August 26, 2004 ROBERTSON, EVERETT BLANCHETT, born in Lebanon, NH to Robertson, Everett and Vuletich, Natalie.

DEATHS

February 11, 2004 ARNOLD, TERRY L., died in Concord, NH

April 18, 2004 SCHECKLER, RUTH, died in Hillsboro, NH

May 20, 2004 MELLEN, NORMA L., died in Hillsboro, NH, buried in East Washington Cemetery.

October 2, 2004 CRANE, ROBERT WILLIAM, died in Washington, NH, buried in East Washington Cemetery.

November 30, 2004 ECCARDT, MARGARETHA, died in Washington, NH, buried in East Washington Cemetery.

MARRIAGES

July 31, 2004 DAVISON, SAMUEL STED and TREMPPE, ANGELA BETH, in Hillsboro NH

August 09, 2004 MCKERNAN, JOHN PAUL and SKAGGS, STEPHANIE ALEXANDRIA, in Washington, NH

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August 14, 2004 LINSLEY, CURTIS MARTIN and DOUGLAS,
HEATHER RUTH, in Washington, NH

August 15, 2004 RADNER, SETH ANDREW and HAKER, YVONNE
REGINA, in Washington, NH

October 31, 2004 BOULEY, RICHARD ERIC and MONTROSS, SUSAN
DEE, in Washington, NH

**State of New Hampshire
Minutes of Town Meeting
March 9, 2004**

All portions of this report typed in **bold type** were sent to the State DRA as the legal record of this meeting.

Moderator Ronald Jager called the 228th Annual Meeting of the Town of Washington, New Hampshire to order at 9:00 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by the introduction of town and election officials. The moderator explained the general rules of order to be followed and invited the audience to enjoy the goodies provided by the Washington Fire Department Auxiliary.

Natalie Jurson interrupted Moderator Jager stating strongly that the men in the room should have removed their hats during the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Ballot Box was shown to be empty and was locked by Moderator Jager.

ARTICLE 1 - The following people were elected to office on a non-partisan ballot:

Moderator for one year	Ronald Jager	154
	M. Otterson (write-in)	12
	Ronald Jager declared elected	
Selectman for one year	Richard Farella	53
	J. Rufford (Ruff) Harrison	119
	J. Rufford (Ruff) Harrison declared elected	
Selectman for three years	Thomas H. Taylor	166
Treasurer for one year	Deborah Cascio	168
Fire Chief for one year	John Eccard	173

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Board of Assessors for three years	Arline R. France	175
Library Trustee for three years	Elizabeth A. Talpey	170
Cemetery Trustee for three years	Lorrie Killam (write-in)	31
Trustee of Trust Funds for three years	Lynda B. Roy	177
Planning Board for three years	John Callender	52
	Charles L. Fields	127
	John Sheehy	141
Charles L. Fields and John Sheehy declared elected		
Supervisor of Check List for six years	Mary Krygeris	173

Write in candidates receiving fewer than 5 votes are not recorded here. 182 voters cast their vote in this election, of the 649 registered voters in Washington.

Moderator Jager reported that today's second ballot included a Yes/No vote on 18 revisions to the existing Land Use Ordinance document. He stated that the Planning Board held the required hearings and made copies of the proposed changes, and that they would be discussed under Article 3. All this must happen, he ruled before the polls opened at 10:00 am.

Moderator Jager asked to proceed to Article 3 before Article 2 allowing time for discussion before the polls opened at 10 am. Guy Eaton moved that we take up Article 3.

Voice vote on the motion: passed

ARTICLE 3 - John Sheehy moved that the Town vote to amend the Land Use Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board. The proposed changes are appended to the posted copies of this warrant. Guy Eaton seconded the motion. John introduced the members of the Planning Board and spoke on the proposed revisions. After a lengthy discussion and much clarification of the proposed revisions, The polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. and closed at 7:00 p.m.

Revision #1 Eliminates business permit application for cottage industries. Permits only family members.

Yes 123 No 51

Revision #2 Requires voter approval for businesses of more than 10,000 sq ft of building space.

Yes 127 No 47

Revision #3 Allows Planning Board to set fees.

Yes 116 No 59

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Revision #4 Clarifies disposal of household wastes.

Yes 134 No 42

Revision #5 Requires that exteriors of temporary buildings be properly maintained.

Yes 133 No 45

Revision #6 Requirements of a permanent dwelling. Posting of the building permit so that it is visible from the road.

Yes 129 No 47

Revision #7 Deals with parking restrictions on RVs and construction trailers.

Yes 116 No 62

Revision #8 Deals with screening and set backs for fuel tanks and vehicles used for storage.

Yes 117 No 60

Revision #9 Prohibits mobile home and trailer parks.

Yes 128 No 49

Revision #10 Identifies structures requiring a building permit.

Yes 131 No 47

Revision #11 Building permit required before commencement of construction.

Yes 134 No 42

Revision #12 Allows Selectmen to waive fees as appropriate.

Yes 135 No 41

Revision #13 Allows Selectmen to delegate responsibility for daily enforcement of LUO to Town Departments.

Yes 130 No 43

Revision #14 Clarification of conflict section.

Yes 127 No 43

Revision #15 Defines parking lot.

Yes 127 No 48

Revision #16 Defines recreation vehicle (RV).

Yes 136 No 42

Revision #17 Redefines structures.

Yes 131 No 43

Revision #18 Redefines waste disposal system or facility.

Yes 130 No 44

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Ballot vote: all revisions passed

ARTICLE 2 - Guy Eaton moved to hear reports of any and all officers, committees and agents of the Town and take any action in relation thereto. Charlene Cobb seconded the motion. Moderator Jager explained that the report of the Solid Waste Committee would be heard and discussed under Article 15. Guy explained that an insert was available because 2002 Town Minutes were printed in the book when it should have been 2003's minutes. Rufford Harrison stated that other than the mistake with the town minutes, he only had one correction. Rufford personally thanked Laurie Newton, the selectmen's secretary, for the great job she did organizing and typing the 2004 Annual Report, especially because she did it one handed as she had suffered a fall and had her arm in a sling.

Changes noted:

Page 14 – Article 8 space and some extraneous characters: no information was missing.

Page 10 – Carolyn Russell was 2004, should be 2006

Don Damm, school board chairman, took exception to the Shedd Free Library Report stating that the children from the school do visit the library.

Michael Otterson asked what is a "binding decision" and how can it be changed.

Moderator Jager discouraged discussion, stating it could be discussed later.

Don Damm questioned the interest rate for the Trust Funds and how it was handled.

Finance Officer Lynda Roy explained how monies were handled and Arline France,

Trustee of the Trust Funds, said that a change was being looked into for this year to find a better interest rate.

Guy Eaton moved to hear Article 5 next. Rufford Harrison seconded this motion.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 5 - Guy Eaton moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) for the purchase of a new roll-off truck and trailer for use by the Transfer Station. To raise Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) by taxation and to authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes not to exceed One hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) under compliance with the New Hampshire Municipal Finance Act, RSA Chapter 33, to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms and conditions thereof. Michael Otterson seconded the motion. Guy Eaton explained that because of the increase expected again this year by the school budget, the selectmen along with department heads had sharpened their pencils and tried to reduce the bottom line as much as feasible. Tom Taylor presented a full explanation of the Selectmen's Priority Analysis, which helped them decide to make the present motion. Len Hutchins questioned the final unknown cost of the 2004 school budget. Don Damm stated the final cost of the school budget would impact next year's budget, not this year's. Lionel Chute thanked the selectmen for their work in trying to hold down the 2004 budget, but in order to complete this exercise a clear reconciliation of monies was needed. Lynda Roy referred to page 19 in the report for clarification. A towns person with a parking lot problem, which was quickly fixed, interrupted the meeting. Ed Thayer gave a history of

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the town's waste-removal program and expressed concern about the truck now being used for hauling waste. James Hofford referred to page 123 (Town Report) and thought that the saving we would realize would almost pay for the truck and he complimented Ed Thayer on a job well done.

Seeing the requisite seven hands raised, Moderator Jager called for a paper ballot on this motion.

The polls having been open for an hour, Moderator Jager opened the voting.

Paper ballot results: passed as moved 105 votes cast 99 yes 5 no

ARTICLE 4 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) for the purchase of a new roll-off truck and trailer for use by the Transfer Station.

Guy Eaton moved to delete Article 4. Charles Fields seconded the motion.

Voice vote: article deleted

ARTICLE 6 - Al Krygeris moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the Revaluation of the Town. Phil Barker seconded the motion. Al explained that the costs involved in the revaluation were less than the \$90,000 anticipated, and that the revaluation would be completed in time to be reflected in the tax bills of fall 2005.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 7 - Guy Eaton moved that the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Two Thousand One Hundred Thirty Five Dollars (\$282,135.00) to defray the costs of General Government for the ensuing year. Rufford Harrison seconded the motion. The moderator directed attention to page 24 - 28 in the Town Report. Lionel Chute questioned Emergency Management; Lynda Roy explained that you put the money in the budget, and then the grant money offsets the line item. James Hofford was concerned about the number of people who can't pay their taxes. **Mr. Hofford moved to amend the motion by cutting the 2004 budget by 2%. Mike Otterson and Hans Eccard seconded the motion.** Several residents indicated where some of the cuts could take place. Guy Eaton said he was comfortable with the proposed budget. Matt Taylor said the selectmen had done a great job and urged not to cut the budget.

Voice vote: amendment failed

Voice vote on the main motion: passed as moved

Moderator Jager asked to move on to Article 11 as Chief Marshall was not available at the time.

The moderator asked for a show of hands for lunch or to move on to the Article 11.

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ARTICLE 11 - Ed Thayer moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Forty Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty One Dollars (\$343,221.00) for operation of the Highway Department for the ensuing year. Guy Eaton seconded the motion. Ed said he had requested a 2½% increase in the Highway Department budget. After reviewing last year's Highway Department expenditures the selectman thought additional money should be added to offset any unexpected costs incurred. Ed answered yes. Ralph Otterson agreed with Ed on taking a risk on the 2½ % increase. Marty Harrison asked Ed if his crew had a good health plan. James Hofford moved to amend the motion to read: that the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Twenty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty One Dollars (\$328,221.00) for the operation of the Highway Department for the ensuing year. Ralph Otterson seconded the motion.

Voice vote: amendment passed as moved

Voice vote: passed as amended

Guy Eaton moved that non-residents be allowed to speak. Rufford Harrison seconded this motion.

Voice vote: passed as moved

The moderator called for a lunch break at 12:20 pm; the meeting to reconvene at 1:20 pm.

Before returning to the meeting Alan Goodspeed, Supervisor of the Checklist called Nora Pasioka forward to present her with a beautiful bouquet of flowers in appreciation of her years of service as a Supervisor.

ARTICLE 8 - Chief Steven Marshall moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars (\$76,658.00) for the operation of the Police Department for the ensuing year. Guy Eaton seconded the motion. Chief Marshall gave a brief summary of the past year and explained his budget.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 9 - Chief Steven Marshall moved that the Town vote to accept and appropriate the State and Federal Highway Safety Grant Funds estimated to be Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) anticipated during 2004 for use of the Police Department for Highway/Trail Patrols and equipment. Lionel Chute seconded the motion. Chief Marshall explained what the grants were for Highway/OHRV patrols, and the money would be spent for that purpose.

Voice vote: passed as moved

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ARTICLE 10 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) to be added to the Police Cruiser Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend.

Chief Steven Marshall moved to delete Article 10. Guy Eaton seconded the motion.

Voice vote: article deleted

ARTICLE 12 - Ed Thayer moved that the Town vote to accept and appropriate the Highway Block Grant Funds estimated to be Forty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars (\$48,277.00) anticipated during 2004 for the use of the Highway Department for construction or reconstruction projects in addition to the regular maintenance budget. Bob Wright seconded the motion.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 13 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Funds previously established.

Ed Thayer moved to delete Article 13. Guy Eaton seconded the motion.

Voice vote: article deleted

ARTICLE 14 - Ed Thayer moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00); for the purpose of outfitting the Highway Department plow truck with wing, plow hitch and sander. Phil Barker seconded the motion.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 15 - Ed Thayer moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty One Thousand Four Hundred Sixty One Dollars (\$121,461.00) for the operation of the Solid Waste Recycling Center and for the Landfill Closure for the ensuing year. James Hofford seconded the motion. Ed explained some of the changes concerning hazardous waste. A lengthy discussion including the report of the recycling committee followed.

Voice vote: passed as moved

Carolyn Russell moved that the selectmen appoint a recycling committee for the coming year and that the committee be instructed to propose a warrant article to next year's Town Meeting for at least one specific change to how recycling costs are covered. Charles Fields seconded the motion. The committee felt the most important

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issue in recycling was to educate all persons using the facility. Suggestions were made, sites were recommended to visit and again all agreed that education was the last word.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 16 - John Eccard moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Eight Thousand One Hundred Forty Two Dollars (\$78,142.00) for the operation of the Rescue Squad and Fire Department for the ensuing year. Phil Barker seconded the motion. John Eccard explained that the budget included the new policy of paying firemen for calls as well as for training. Bob Wright commended John for his budget and the inclusion of money for his department, but he felt strongly that the department should go back to a volunteer department. **Bob Wright moved to amend the motion by cutting the 2004 year's budget by \$20,000. Beth Gallagher seconded the motion.** John Eccard stated that regardless of the vote he was certain that the dedication of the department would not be affected. Many voices were heard for paid vs. volunteer departments. The fire, rescue and police departments received many expressions of heartfelt thanks from town residents. Mike Otterson suggested that the amendment be voted down and the issue be returned to the Fire Department for them to work out.

Voice vote: amendment to motion failed

Voice vote: on the original motion passed as moved

ARTICLE 17 - John Eccard moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to be added to the Fire-Apparatus Replacement Fund previously established. Bob Wright seconded the motion. John said this money was to replace a tanker.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 18 - John Eccard moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) for the installation of a dry hydrant on Lake Ashuelot at the Boat Launch off of Marlow Road, to raise Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) of this sum from taxation and to accept Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) in the form of a grant from Southern NH Resource Conservation and Development Area Council. Guy Eaton seconded the motion. John explained the agreement with Marlow for fire protection and that the dry hydrant would help protect the people and homes on the Ashuelot Pond side of the lake. Don Damm seriously questioned wetlands permits and blasting near the dam. **Ed Thayer moved to strike out "on Lake Ashuelot at the boat launch". Lindsay Collins seconded the motion.** Lindsay, as the Chairman of the Ashuelot Pond Dam Village District, which owns the dam, also echoed Don's concern and asked the selectmen for participation in any discussion or decision.

Voice vote: amendment passed as moved

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Voice vote: passed as amended to read:

That the Town vote to appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) for the installation of a dry hydrant off of Marlow Road, to raise Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) of this sum from taxation and to accept Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) in the form of a grant from Southern NH Resource Conservation and Development Area Council.

ARTICLE 19 - Denise Hanscom moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) to be added to the Rescue Squad Intercept Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Bob Wright seconded the motion. Denise said this money is used to pay paramedics from other towns that come to rescue calls.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 20 - Mike Andrews moved that the town vote to deposit the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (Land Use Change Tax) in the Conservation Fund previously established, in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized By RSA 79-A:25 II. Tom Taylor seconded the motion.

Mike gave an extensive presentation to explain how this program would work and how the money would be spent. Lionel Chute said he looked into growth ordinances and found them to be very challenging, not easy to put into place, and being challenged in the courts. After a lengthy discussion with many good questions asked about issues like current use, building permits, concern for open space and growth ordinances **Charlie Fields moved to amend the motion setting a limit of \$2,500 per year. Barbara Cash seconded the motion.** Hans Eccard expressed a wish to be the last speaker and said that he had come to the meeting with the notion to support this article, but now after listening to the comments he wanted to dismiss it. He felt something like an open trust fund should be set up instead because he felt you don't have to have an easement that it can be given without help, and that there were other ways to give land. Marvin Jager said you need to remember this money is used to leverage other acquisitions.

Voice vote: amendment failed

Seeing the requisite seven hands raised, Moderator Jager called for a paper ballot on Article 20.

Paper ballot results: passed as moved 89 votes cast 65 yes 24 no

ARTICLE 21 - Lynda Roy moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Ninety Eight Dollars (\$5,098.00) to be added to the Health Insurance Reimbursable Account previously established. Guy Eaton seconded the motion.

Voice vote: passed as moved

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ARTICLE 22 - Rufford Harrison moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) for the purpose of painting the Town Hall and Police Station and to replace clapboards as necessary. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32: 3,VI and will not lapse until the job is finished or on December 31, 2007 whichever is sooner. Guy Eaton seconded the motion. Rufford explained that the Town Hall and Police Station desperately needed painting. Discussion of what type of paint or stain would be used followed. Gwen Gaskell suggested going back to the original green color for the doors and Janice Philbrick asked if the doors and locks were also on the list to be repaired.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 23 - John Pasioka moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00) for Forest Fire Control for the ensuing year. Bob Wright seconded the motion.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 24 - Sue Bermudez moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$24,914.00) for the operation of the Shedd Free Library for the ensuing year. Carolyn Russell seconded the motion. Sue thanked everyone for their tax dollar support and for helping during the redecorating project. She invited everyone to stop by and see how beautiful and clean the library looks now. James Hofford referred to pages 132 and 133 in the Town Report and stated how impressed he was at the large number of programs that are offered at the library. Sue gave thanks and credit to the librarian for most of these programs.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 25 - Lynda Roy moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty One Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Six Dollars (\$21,226.00) for Health and Welfare for the ensuing year. Guy Eaton seconded the motion. Lynda said about \$68,000 returned on this investment and we couldn't get a better return than this. A concerned citizen complained that the health officer's budget was cut without his knowledge. Guy Eaton reminded people that Karl Jurson was the health officer and thanked him for a job well done.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 26 - Philip Barker moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00) for the care and maintenance of the Cemeteries for the ensuing year. Guy Eaton seconded the motion.

Voice vote: passed as moved

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ARTICLE 27 - Philip Barker moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) for the purpose of gravestone restoration, to include base repair or replacement, stone straightening and realignment, repair or replacement etc. in the old Washington Center Cemetery (Third of a five year program). This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the restoration is completed or by December 31, 2006, whichever is sooner. Lionel Chute seconded the motion. Phil reported that more work had been done than expected and he felt we were getting double the value with the contractor who had been hired. Lynda Roy referred to page 102 in the Town Report to clarify that the stumps were not in the East Washington Cemetery, but in the Old Cemetery in the Town center.

Voice vote: passed as moved

Moderator Jager announced that absentee ballots were opened at 5:03 pm.

ARTICLE 28 - Lynda Roy moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Three Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$63,590.00) for Debt Service for the ensuing year. Charlie Fields seconded the motion.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 29 - Tom Taylor moved that the Town authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the director's cabin on the Camp Morgan property, or take any other action in relation thereto. Guy Eaton seconded the motion. Tom explained the pros and cons of this article. The general consensus was that it would cost more to repair the building than to remove it, though the selectmen suggested trying to sell the building. **Philip Barker moved to amend the motion to strike out the word "authorize" and insert the word "instruct". Natalie Jurson seconded the motion.**

Voice vote: passed as amended

Voice vote: passed as amended to read:

That the Town instruct the Selectmen to dispose of the director's cabin on the Camp Morgan property, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 30 - Bob Fraser moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$36,277.00) for the operation of the Parks and Recreation Commission and for Patriotic Purposes for the ensuing year. Carolyn Russell seconded the motion. Bob said the reduction was due to requiring bids instead of just going with last year's providers. Lionel Chute thought the summer concert series was very positive. James Hofford asked about the gala picnic and Bob said the date would be June 26, 2004, with a rain date of June 27th and that the town would be invited.

Voice vote: passed as moved

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ARTICLE 31 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) for replacing the shingled roof of Camp Morgan Lodge. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the roof is completed or on December 31, 2007, whichever is sooner.

Guy Eaton moved to delete Article 31. Tom Taylor seconded the motion.

Voice vote: article deleted

ARTICLE 32 – Rufford Harrison moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) for the replacement of the Septic System and lines at Camp Morgan Lodge. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the septic system is completed or on December 31, 2007, whichever is sooner. Guy Eaton seconded the motion. Rufford stated, "a flush beats a full house". Ralph Otterson asked how serious the problem was. Ed Thayer explained what would be done. Some discussion took place about the bacteria in the lake.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 33 – Ed Thayer moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$1,600.00) for Emergency Management for the ensuing year. Bob Wright seconded the motion.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 34 – Lindsay Collins moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Ninety Five Dollars (\$14,195.00) for Emergency Communications for the ensuing year. Ed Thayer seconded the motion. Some discussion took place about looking into other providers. Lionel Chute thought grant money was available and asked that we take advantage of it. Marty Harrison complimented the town on its display of 911 numbers.

Voice vote: passed as moved

ARTICLE 35 – To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

The selectmen were invited by the moderator to speak first. Guy Eaton said the no-alcohol-on-town- property ordinance had been brought to their attention by Chief Marshall who explained the penalty (a misdemeanor and up to a \$1,000 fine) would have to be enforced if he got a complaint. Chief Marshall didn't believe the punishment fit the crime. After consultation with the town attorney it seemed that the two RSA's that govern this issue were in conflict with each other. Guy said the selectmen were looking for guidance regarding this issue. John Callender took exception with the way this issue was handled by the selectmen and thought it should have been on the warrant . **John Callender made a motion that the selectmen are instructed not to modify the town bylaw of no alcohol on town property without an affirming vote of Town Meeting.**

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Philip Barker seconded the motion. Discussion followed with many comments reflecting the opinion that the selectmen should bring this issue back to a town meeting, while others felt the selectmen were capable of handling the matter as they saw fit. Lindsay Collins felt that the Chief of Police and the selectmen were alerted to a very serious problem and should be given the latitude to address the issue. Moderator Jager asked if the people wanted a hand or voice vote on the motion.

Voice vote: motion failed

Phil Barker asked that the veterans' exemption issue be reviewed and brought up at next year's town meeting. He also pointed out that the comment at the beginning of the meeting about hats off when saying the Pledge of Allegiance was not appropriate because the flag present at the meeting represented Martial Law and was not for a democratic purpose because it had gold braid on it.

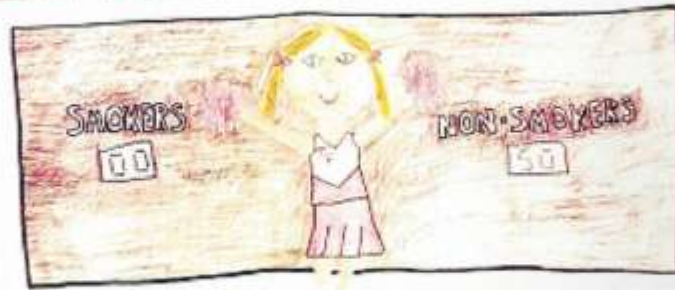
Philip Barker moved to adjourn at 6:12 pm., Daniel Barker seconded the motion, and all approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia A. Liotta
Deputy Town Clerk

A True Copy - Attest:
Patricia A. Liotta
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The cover art work was done by Washington Elementary School student Kelly Tanner. Kelly created this poster while she was in the fifth grade for the Tar Wars poster contest. Her poster "1-2-3 BE TOBACCO FREE" was the 2004 New Hampshire winner. Kelly was awarded a trip to Washington D.C. for the National Tar Wars Conference and Poster Competition. Tar Wars is a tobacco free education program for kids sponsored by the American Academy of Family Physicians.

CONGRATULATIONS KELLY!

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**WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
FY 2005-2006 PROPOSED BUDGET**

	<u>2003-2004</u> <u>Unaudited</u>	<u>2004-2005</u> <u>Budgeted</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>2005-2006</u> <u>Estimated</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>%</u> <u>Ch</u>
REVENUES					
Fund balance	\$ 95,303	\$ 59,651	\$ -		
Appropriation	1,009,722	1,405,237	1,502,211	96,974	7%
Statewide Property Tax	512,736	417,827	485,836	68,009	16%
Tuition	8,068	10,293	10,808	515	5%
Transportation Fees	2,525	2,260	2,328	68	3%
State Adequacy Grant	64,690	92,029	60,472	31,557	-34%
State Building Aid	22,500	18,323	19,688	1,366	7%
Medicaid Revenue	4,405	0	2,000	2,000	NA
Int on Investments	305	300	300	0	0%
Misc Revenue	7,505	0	0	0	NA
Federal Gr Reimburse	54,472				
Tr from Other Funds	434	0	0	0	NA
TOTAL	\$1,782,664	\$2,005,920	\$2,083,643	\$77,723	7%

	<u>2003-2004</u> <u>Unaudited</u>	<u>2004-2005</u> <u>Budgeted</u>	<u>2005-2006</u> <u>Proposed</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>Ch</u>	<u>%</u> <u>Ch</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Regular Instruction	\$1,182,284	\$1,347,993	\$1,409,875	\$61,882	5%
Special Education	\$ 121,577	191,503	184,394	-7,109	-4%
Guidance Services	\$ 101	2,065	2,200	135	7%
Nursing Services	\$ 4,148	3,631	3,656	25	1%
Psychological Services	\$ 6,725	0	5,000	5,000	NA
Speech Pathology	\$ 22,045	11,254	11,857	603	5%
PT & Occup Therapy	\$ 5,000	10,000	5,100	-4,900	-49%
Staff Development	\$ 1,061	3,500	3,250	-250	-7%
Library Media	\$ 601	806	800	-6	-1%
School Board Services	\$ 13,095	12,957	17,620	4,663	36%
School Board Clerk	\$ 75	75	75	0	0%
School Treasurer	\$ 772	900	900	0	0%
District Meetings	\$ 131	650	650	0	0%
SAU Services	\$ 76,249	88,365	93,097	4,732	5%
Office of the Principal	\$ 0	39,092	42,590	3,498	9%
Upkeep of Building	\$ 86,258	80,845	102,558	21,713	27%
Pupil Transportation	\$ 73,311	75,247	77,234	1,987	3%
Interest	\$ 43,695	40,602	37,509	-3,093	-8%
Principal	\$ 75,000	75,000	75,000	0	0%
Tr to Food Service	\$ 10,564	11,435	10,278	-1,158	-10%
Tr to Capital Project	\$ 0	10,000	0	-10,000	NA
Total:	\$1,722,692	\$2,005,920	\$2,083,643	\$77,723	4%

**WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
DETAIL ON REGULAR INSTRUCTION BY OBJECT**

Regular Instruction	<u>2003-04</u>	<u>2004-2005</u>	<u>2005-2006</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
	<u>Unaudited</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Ch</u>	<u>Ch</u>
Teacher Salary	\$ 155,172	\$172,411	\$ 180,522	\$ 8,111	5%
Classroom Aides	\$ 52,909	38,311	49,190	10,879	28%
Substitutes	\$ 11,047	2,000	2,000	0	0%
Health Insurance	\$ 29,650	60,494	48,810	-11,684	-19%
Life Insurance	\$ 442	432	600	168	39%
NHRS	\$ 3,637	3,891	5,265	1,374	35%
FICA	\$ 16,763	16,273	17,573	1,300	8%
Repairs & Maint	\$ 3,190	3,150	4,650	1,500	48%
Postage	\$ 398	450	450	0	0%
Tuition	\$ 891,838	1,032,550	1,082,158	49,608	5%
Supplies	\$ 12,114	12,572	11,872	-700	-6%
Books	\$ 3,198	3,119	3,000	-119	-4%
Equipment	\$ 570	955	2,400	1,445	151%
Academic Excellence	\$ 1,356	1,385	1,385	0	0%
TOTAL	\$ 1,182,284	\$1,347,993	\$1,409,875	61,882	5%

**Washington School District
School Food Service Program**

	<u>2003-2004</u>	<u>2004-2005</u>	<u>2005-</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
	<u>Unedited</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>2006</u> <u>Proposed</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Ch</u>	<u>Ch</u>
REVENUES					
Unreserved Fund Bal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,237		
Sales	7,978	9,500	9,500	0	0%
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	NA
Fed/State Reimburseme	7,558	7,500	7,500	0	0%
Transfer from GenFund	10,564	11,435	10,278	-1,158	-10%
TOTAL	\$ 26,100	\$ 28,435	\$ 29,515	1,080	4%
EXPENDITURES					
Wages	\$ 11,880	\$ 12,620	\$ 12,961	341	3%
FICA	\$ 909	965	991	26	3%
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 1,466	200	200	0	0%
Expendable Supplies	\$ 0	200	200	0	0%
Food	\$ 9,827	14,250	14,963	713	5%
Equipment/Smallware	\$ 0	200	200	0	0%
TOTAL	\$24,082	\$ 28,435	\$ 29,515	\$1,080	4%

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #34

2005-2006 APPROVED BUDGET

	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
SALARIES	\$422,001	\$430,527	\$499,984
TAXES & BENEFITS	\$145,217	\$158,935	\$208,768
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$40,905	\$5,000	\$15,000
OTHER SERVICES	\$42,655	\$63,277	\$34,400
INSURANCE, TRAVEL, PRINTING	\$19,317	\$23,005	\$20,685
SUPPLIES	\$12,859	\$12,838	\$12,600
EQUIPMENT & FURNISHINGS	\$1,336	\$9,650	\$9,200
DUES & FEES & MISC	\$5,058	\$23,455	\$9,460
TOTALS:	\$689,347	\$726,687	\$810,097

**WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICE
PURSUANT TO RSA 32:11-A**

	2002-2003	2003-2004
EXPENDITURES		
Special Education General	\$114,485	\$121,577
Psychological Services	-	6,725
Speech & Language Services	21,196	22,045
Physical & Occupational Therapy	-	5,000
Out-of District Tuition	29,688	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$165,369	\$155,347
REVENUE		
Federal IDEA Grant	\$14,741	\$7,754
Medicaid Reimbursement	0	4,405
TOTAL REVENUE	\$14,741	\$12,159
NET COST OF SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$150,628	\$143,189

**WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
2001 SERIES A NON-GUARANTEED
DATE OF ISSUE 8/15/2001**

FY Ending	Principal Outstanding	Interest	Principal	Interest Balance
2001				\$ 396,212.77
2002	\$ 1,105,012.00	\$ 27,659.36		\$ 368,553.41
2003	\$ 1,030,000.00	\$ 46,789.62	\$ 75,012.00	\$ 321,763.79
2004	\$ 955,000.00	\$ 43,695.63	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 278,068.16
2005	\$ 880,000.00	\$ 40,601.88	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 237,466.28
2006	\$ 805,000.00	\$ 37,508.13	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 199,958.15
2007	\$ 730,000.00	\$ 34,414.38	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 165,543.77
2008	\$ 655,000.00	\$ 31,320.63	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 134,223.14
2009	\$ 580,000.00	\$ 28,161.26	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 106,061.88
2010	\$ 505,000.00	\$ 24,908.13	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 81,153.75
2011	\$ 430,000.00	\$ 21,580.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 59,573.75
2012	\$ 355,000.00	\$ 18,205.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 41,368.75
2013	\$ 280,000.00	\$ 14,830.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 26,538.75
2014	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 11,532.50	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 15,006.25
2015	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 8,303.75	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 6,702.50
2016	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 5,022.50	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 1,680.00
2017	\$ -	\$ 1,680.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 0.00

**WASHINGTON, NH SCHOOL DISTRICT
ACTUAL AND PROPOSED BUDGETED REVENUES & EXPENSES
TAX RATES**

	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005	Estimate 2005-2006
Equalized Valuation	92,237,860	104,214,548	125,473,609	141,822,838
Local Valuation	90,648,599	92,160,878	94,606,665	96,348,815
Local School Tax	\$537,660	\$1,009,722	\$1,405,237	\$1,502,211
State School Tax	\$534,980	\$512,736	\$417,827	\$485,836
Local School Tax Rate	\$5.93	\$10.96	\$14.85	\$15.59
State School Tax Rate	\$5.98	\$5.64	\$4.42	\$5.04
County Rate	\$4.56	\$4.49	\$4.96	\$4.96
Town Rate	\$9.83	\$9.89	\$11.44	\$11.44
TOTAL TAX RATE	\$26.30	\$30.98	\$35.67	\$37.03
Change in School Tax	\$0.95	\$4.68	\$4.69	\$1.36

EXHIBIT A
WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Group
June 30, 2004

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Account Group</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>(Memorandum</u> <u>Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>Capital</u> <u>Project</u>	<u>General</u> <u>Long-Term</u> <u>Debt</u>	
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS					
Assets					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 22,454	\$ 2,437	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,891
Intergovernmental Receivable	39,081				39,081
Other Debits					
Amount to be Provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt				955,000	955,000
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	<u>\$ 61,535</u>	<u>\$ 2,437</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 955,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,018,972</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	\$ 2,304	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,304
General Obligation Bonds Payable				955,000	955,000
Total Liabilities	<u>2,304</u>			<u>955,000</u>	<u>957,304</u>
Equity					
Fund Balances					
Unreserved					
Designated For Special Purposes		2,437			2,437
Undesignated	59,231				59,231
Total Equity	<u>59,231</u>	<u>2,437</u>			<u>61,668</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>\$ 61,535</u>	<u>\$ 2,437</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 955,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,018,972</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>			<u>Total (Memorandum Only)</u>		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 9,500	\$ 8,445	\$ (1,055)	\$ 1,009,722	\$ 1,009,722	\$
	232	232	26,853	81,320	54,467
<u>7,500</u>	<u>11,093</u>	<u>3,593</u>	<u>599,926</u>	<u>600,158</u>	<u>232</u>
<u>17,000</u>	<u>19,770</u>	<u>2,770</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>15,498</u>	<u>7,998</u>
			<u>1,644,001</u>	<u>1,706,698</u>	<u>62,697</u>
			1,303,100	1,304,258	(1,158)
			12,380	38,362	(25,982)
			4,104	1,662	2,442
			22,658	14,074	8,584
			73,959	76,249	(2,290)
			81,196	86,258	(5,062)
			97,838	73,311	24,527
27,564	28,317	(753)	27,564	28,317	(753)
<u>27,564</u>	<u>28,317</u>	<u>(753)</u>	<u>118,696</u>	<u>118,696</u>	
<u>(10,564)</u>	<u>(8,547)</u>	<u>2,017</u>	<u>1,741,495</u>	<u>1,741,187</u>	<u>308</u>
10,564	10,564		<u>(97,494)</u>	<u>(34,489)</u>	<u>63,005</u>
<u>10,564</u>	<u>10,564</u>		10,564	10,998	434
\$ -0-	2,017	\$ 2,017	<u>(10,564)</u>	<u>(10,564)</u>	
	420			434	434
	\$ 2,437		\$ (97,494)	(34,055)	\$ 63,439
				95,723	
				\$ 61,668	

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the School District in the town of Washington qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Washington Elementary School in said District on the 19th day of March 2005 at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following:

1. To choose by nonpartisan ballot the following School District officials:

- A. One School Board Member for a 1-year term and
- B. One School Board Member for a 3-year term
- C. One Moderator: 1-year term
- D. One Clerk: 1-year term
- E. One Treasurer: 1-year term

To hear the reports of agents, auditors and committees or officers chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board, and fix the compensation for any other officers or agents of the District as follows:

- School Board Members: \$500
- School District Clerk: \$75
- School District Treasurer: \$500
- School District Moderator: \$100

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, the sum of \$2,083,643 or take any other action in relation thereto. (The School Board recommends this article)

To see if the School District will accept and appropriate funds from state and federal aid for the support of school projects as follows: for food service, \$19,237 and for Federal and State projects, \$40,739. These appropriations have offsetting revenues from school lunch sales and state and federal revenues and do not affect the tax rate. (The School Board recommends this article)

To see if the school district will vote to create and expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c, to be known as the Special Education Expendable Trust for the purpose of paying for any unanticipated, special education out-of-district tuition, related transportation and special therapy services and furthermore to authorize the use of the sum of up to \$30,000 from the year-end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1 of 2005, if any, toward this purpose and to name the school board as agents to expend from this fund. (The School Board recommends this article)

To see if the school district will vote to create and expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c, to be known as the Maintenance Expendable Trust for the purpose of for the purpose of repairing and maintaining school buildings and grounds and furthermore to authorize the use of the sum of up to \$10,000 from the year-end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1 of 2005, if any, toward this purpose and to name the school board as agents to expend from this fund. (The School Board recommends this article)

Shall the voters of the Washington School District within School Administrative Unit #34 adopt the provisions of RSA 194-C:9-b to allow for the insertion of the school administrative unit budget as a separate warrant article at annual school district meetings? (The School Board does not recommend this article)

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

Given under our hands at said Washington on this 4th day of March 2005.

JOHN CORRIGAN

SUE HOFSTETTER

SHARON CARY-TAYLOR

DAWN ARMSTRONG
School Board

WASHINGTON SCHOOL BOARD REPORT FOR 2004

For 2004 we can report again that our children are receiving the quality education required for success in the twenty-first century. This would not be possible without taxpayer support and the many volunteers who give their time and talents at Washington Elementary School and at the Hillsboro-Deering Schools. Thank you for your continued support.

This year, your school board dealt with many issues including busing, safety, student attendance, and personnel issues. We also worked closely with the Hillsboro-Deering School board to establish a relationship of trust and cooperation to ensure clear communication within our school systems. In the spring of 2004, SAU #34 Board (which includes the Washington School Board) hired a new Business Administrator and Superintendent. Superintendent Dr. Barbara Baker's creativity and unique leadership style will lead our school system to success with the requirements of *No Child Left Behind* legislation. Business Administrator Lisa Braiterman has brought Washington School District's books up to date. She is also implementing new computer software and industry-accepted accounting procedures to ensure that our tax dollars are well managed. At the request of the Washington School Board, the SAU business office has contracted for an outside audit of the Washington School District for fiscal year 2003-04. This audit and future yearly audits will ensure that our district is compliant with government accounting standards.

Hillsboro-Deering Middle and High Schools continue to be our best choice for educating our 6th through 12th graders. This point of view was reinforced with the presentation of the NESDEC study *Present and Future Educational Needs of Washington Students, Grades 6-8*. SAT test scores at H/D High School continue to rise along with the percentage of students who continue on to college. On behalf of the Lawrence Brother's Memorial Fund we were pleased to award their scholarship to 2002 Hillsboro-Deering High School

Graduate Reid Schwartz; his achievements are a credit to our school and community.

Through the guidance of our Leadership Team at Washington Elementary School our teaching staff is our most important district asset. The teachers contribute directly to our children's future success. Each of our teachers is considered *highly qualified* and our teachers' aides will all be state certified by the end of 2005. The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards recently certified Suzanne Lull, our Head Lead Teacher, as a Master Teacher. This is an accomplishment attained by few teachers. Our third grade students continue to score well on the New Hampshire Education Improvement and Assessment Program tests.

The school board, SAU staff, and teachers all impact our children's education, but no one has more influence than the parents. The power of positive parenting is not measurable; however we know that reading to our children daily, setting and enforcing limits and hugging our children often, all contribute to a child who is ready to learn in the classroom. The public is welcome at all school board meetings, so please consider attending the monthly school board meetings, as your concerns and opinions are valuable to the board.

God Bless Washington and Our United States,

Sharon Cary Taylor John Corrigan
Sue Hofstetter Dawn Armstrong

**Superintendent's Annual Report 2003-2004
Dr. Barbara K. Baker**

I am pleased to report to you the wonderful accomplishments the faculty and students of the Washington School District have made over the past year, even though I just arrived this fall. What a pleasure for me to find a "shining jewel" in the beautiful hills of southwestern New Hampshire. During the 2003-2004 school year, Washington students performed well on the NHEIAP in both reading and mathematics, scoring above the state average in both areas. A steady increase in test results in grades 6 and 10 demonstrate the hard work and

efforts of both teachers and students. This academic growth trend is what we want to see from all our students as we move forward.

Based on current data, Washington students represent approximately .13% of the total enrollment at the Middle School and .09% at the High School. As I reviewed the 2004 graduating class data, .05% of our Hillsboro-Deering graduates were Washington students and two were on the honor roll. I'm also pleased to report that three students from Washington attained membership in the Superintendent's Club last year.

An especially proud moment for Washington School was the recognition bestowed to Suzanne Lull as the recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching! She and her colleagues at the elementary school continue to demonstrate exemplary performance as teachers. This year Suzanne has completed her work to attain National Board Certification having met the National Professional Teaching Standards. She is one of 14 teachers in the state of New Hampshire who have met these highest standards of teaching. All the teachers and staff at WES continue to improve their practice through attending professional development workshops and classes as well as seeking grants that enable them to learn more about the content they are responsible for teaching.

Throughout this annual report you will read about many accomplishments and challenges that face the Washington community and the SAU #34. It will be my pleasure to work with you in the coming years to keep the education of our youth foremost in our minds and to seek resources that help us maintain excellence in education at all levels. I look forward to our continued efforts of collaboration and support as we build our future together.

LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT

2004 was a year of activity and growth at WES. As we bid a fond farewell to several students and staff members, we welcomed others on board. We were extremely fortunate to have such highly qualified candidates apply for our openings. In September, Heather Robitaille joined our staff as the 4/5

classroom teacher. Her enthusiasm and energy are endless! Luck was with us again as Hillsboro native Katy Haley accepted the combined Title I, Early Learning, and Classroom Reduction positions. Our increased enrollment over the summer months resulted in the hiring of part-time teacher Nancy Whitney to help with literacy instruction. She is an asset to our staff as we challenge ourselves to best meet the needs of all our students.

As students and staff changed, so did the physical appearance of our school. After many years of fundraising, the Friends of Washington, with taxpayer support, installed a new playground at the school. The equipment was chosen to increase the physical fitness of our students. Many thanks to all those involved in the countless hours of planning, fundraising, site preparation, and installation. You made it seem effortless!

Over the summer, changes were made inside the building to address present and future technology needs. A small instruction room was transformed into a computer lab through the use of federal grants to purchase the equipment needed for this project. This lab contains twenty-three networked computers with a laptop and projector. This enables an entire class to work on keyboarding, take a computerized test, or receive technology instruction all at once. Students receive passwords, log onto computers, and learn the skills outlined in our technology curriculum.

WES continues to emphasize teamwork, leadership, and academic excellence. This year's theme is "WES, Making Healthy Choices." We celebrated the start of the school year with a whole-school hike to the summit of Mt. Kearsage. Older students paired up with the K/1's to ensure a safe trip. Later in the fall, the school visited the Canterbury Shaker Village to learn about their lifestyle and their role in NH history. Additional measures taken to increase the wellness of our students include revamping the lunch menu, and adding an additional day of P.E. classes each week.

This year, students are getting an authentic chance to practice their leadership skills by participating in the WES Student Council. Candidates campaigned with posters and speeches. Elections were held, with one student from each grade

selected as a permanent year-long member. A second student from each grade is appointed monthly. Student councilors ran a mock presidential election in November, raise money by operating a school snack cart, and make many decisions on behalf of the student body. This year, students voted to buy gifts for hospitalized children instead of exchanging gifts themselves and a penny drive to collect money for the tsunami victims.

Academic excellence and continued improvement always remain at the forefront. Staff developed school goals that tied in with the SAU strategic goals. This year, we are working on increasing the problem-solving skills of our students, improving test scores in language arts, becoming more proficient in inquiry-based science, and integrating the arts with social studies. Staff attended national conferences, participated in state and local committees, and worked on their individual professional development plans. Suzanne Lull put in a tremendous amount of effort this year to earn her National Board Certification, an incredible honor. In addition, she received the NH Presidential Award in Science. The artistic talents of WES students have been recognized this year, too. Kelly Tanner won the Tar Wars Poster Contest for all of NH. (a national anti-smoking campaign), which also included a D.C. trip. Artwork by 1st grader Jamie Griffin and 4th grader Christopher Tanner will be featured in the 2005 NH School Recycling Calendar. Congratulations!

We at Washington Elementary are truly fortunate to have such a supportive community. The Duncan-Jenkins trust continues to offer exceptional learning opportunities to students and staff. Parents and community members unselfishly provide countless hours of their time to assist and enrich us. We have a supportive school board, S.A.U., and a hard-working staff. Thank you for making our unique school a success.

Annual Report
Washington School District
SAU Director of Curriculum, Assessment, Grants, and
Title 1

Assessment

Washington Elementary School

Excellent results were achieved by Washington Elementary School on the **Grade 3 NHEIAP (New Hampshire Education Improvement and Assessment Program)** in the spring of 2004. Mean scaled scores were above state average in both Reading and Mathematics. Of the 11 students tested, 81% scored *Basic or above* in Reading, and 90% scored *Basic or above* in Mathematics.

Assessment in Hillsboro-Deering Middle and High Schools

Based on October 1, 2004 enrollment figures, 99 Washington students attend Hillsboro-Deering Middle and High Schools.

State scores for the general population in Grades 6 and 10 have shown **steady improvement** over the past five years. Mean scaled scores on NHEIAP tests for the spring of 2004 were the highest ever in both language arts and mathematics for both grades. The percentages of students earning *Advanced* scores on these tests were also the largest ever. In all but Grade 6 mathematics, the percentage of students earning *Basic and above*—the state's standard for measuring Adequate Yearly Progress—grew substantially. The percentage of language arts students earning *Basic and above* in Grade 10 exceeded the state's percentage by 2 points. The percentage of students achieving *Basic or Above* in Mathematics was just 1 point below the state's percentage. These improvements have been achieved despite Hillsboro-Deering's significantly higher-than-state levels of economically disadvantaged students and students with disabilities.

At the same time that many of Hillsboro-Deering's indicators show improvement trends, not all subgroups of students have made *Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)* under *No Child Left Behind*. Academic data from NHEIAP assessments show that

our at-risk populations, especially students with disabilities, are not achieving progress at an acceptable rate. Hillsboro-Deering Middle School did not achieve AYP in mathematics for students with disabilities in Grade 6, and therefore it was identified as a "school in need of improvement" in 2004. The school filed an Improvement Plan in December 2004 that has been approved by the NH Department of Education. The plan includes tutorial support for at-risk students, a summer program for at-risk students, and training and alignment in the New Hampshire's new Grade Level Expectations for mathematics and language arts.

SAT (Scholastic Achievement Tests) and AP (Advanced Placement) scores at Hillsboro-Deering High School confirm the improvement trend. SAT Verbal scores for the graduating class of 2004 equaled national average (508) and mathematics scores reached 504, short of the national average of 518. Nevertheless, mathematics scores broke into the 500s for the first time in five years, gaining an amazing 62 points over 2001. Five Advanced Placement courses are now offered at Hillsboro-Deering High School with a course enrollment this year of 61 students. The number of scores 3 and above, for which a college may give credit, has grown from 6 in 2000 to 27 in 2004.

New District Assessment: This year Hillsboro-Deering School District, along with 33 other districts in the state of New Hampshire, adopted an internal assessment system designed to measure growth from year to year and to provide teachers with data at the beginning of the year to drive instruction and to target students' strengths and weaknesses. The *MAP (Measures of Academic Progress)* assessment is aligned to the New Hampshire Frameworks and provides staff with data that show individual and district improvement from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. This computerized, adaptive assessment was developed by Northwest Educational Assessment Association (www.nwea.org). The focus this year has been on meeting the technological challenges of administering an on-line assessment for the first time and on understanding the multiplicity of data that it provides. Training planned for this summer will help the district use a year's worth of data to set individual and district goals.

Curriculum

Washington adapts the Hillsboro-Deering curriculum for its own population and context, including the needs of multi-age classes. The SAU office serves as a resource to Washington for curriculum and for guidance on the use of grant funds to achieve curriculum goals. Washington Elementary School staff has participated in the development of K-12 curriculum in the Hillsboro-Deering School District.

The goals for the K-12 **curriculum timeline** in SAU #34 have not been met over the last two years. In large part this is due to Hillsboro-Deering budget shortfalls, the addition of Title 1 responsibilities two days a week to the job description of the Director of Curriculum and Assessment, and an ambitious program to secure and implement grant funding for the district. Social studies, along with high school language arts and mathematics curricula, is overdue for revision, and areas outside of the core curriculum have yet to be aligned to state and national standards. A **five-year plan** is currently being developed with the Superintendent of Schools to align all curricula to state and national standards, to establish grade level expectations for all subjects in the district, to ensure internal alignment from Grade K to 12, and to develop teacher capacity to align their assessments to national, state and district standards. With the clarification of district priorities and the dedication of adequate resources, including time and staff, it is hoped that this plan will be fully implemented over the next five years.

Federal Grants

The office of Curriculum, Assessment, Grants, and Title 1 writes and manages federal grants for Washington Elementary School. For several years, Washington has combined its major formula grants—Titles I, II-A, IV, and V—to help the district fund a fully certified teacher who implements three important programs at Washington Elementary School, including the Early Learning Program (Title V), supplemental reading services for struggling students (Title I, see below), and primary instruction in core curriculum in large classes (Title II-A, Class Size Reduction). In 2004-2005, the combined total for these funds was \$33,800.

Under the No Child Left Behind Act, Washington Elementary School became eligible for **REAP (Rural Education Achievement Program)** funds in 2002. Over the past three years, the SAU office has applied for and managed funds totaling \$26,500. The funds have supported numerous projects, including tutorial services for middle and high school students, the new Delta Science program, CPR training for staff, nonfiction books for classrooms, computers for the new student lab, computerized assessments in mathematics and language arts, and drama productions. This year's REAP allocation is \$8,500, bringing the 3-year REAP total to \$26,500.

Hillsboro-Deering grant funds have provided support to the middle and high schools in the following projects among many others: the purchase of an \$18,000 library "starter" collection for middle school; automation of the high school library (Goals 2000); professional development for staff, with Washington staff invited to appropriate trainings; Comprehensive School Reform projects at the high school, including advisories and (under development) Personal Learning Plans for every student; and afternoon programming for middle school students through the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program grant.

Title I

Each year Washington Elementary School receives a Title 1 allocation that must be dedicated solely to assisting students who are struggling and who may be "at risk of failure." This year's grant, written and managed by the SAU office, was \$20,000. The program is providing supplemental reading instruction in small groups or in one-on-one tutorials to 16 students in Grades K-3. The selection of students is governed by the strict selection criteria of Title 1 programs, including multiple assessments, teacher observations, and parent permission.

Following the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act, Title 1 supplementary reading services are provided by a highly qualified teacher. In 04-05, Title 1 is fortunate to have the services of Katy Haley, a teacher with a Master's Degree in early elementary education. As a full-time teacher, Katy

works in classrooms to support the regular curriculum (Title II-A), runs the Early Learning Program (Titles IV and V), and provides tutorial support in reading to students individually or in small groups (Title I). Her position is being funded by a combination of grants (\$33,800) and district money.

Every two years, Title 1 schools must complete an extensive **self-assessment**. This year's self-assessment revealed several shortcomings in the parent involvement component required by law. The SAU office has filed a plan for corrective action with the state; the plan will be implemented in the spring of 2005. In the next two years, all Title 1 schools in New Hampshire will be visited by a team from the Department of Education as a follow-up to the self-assessment.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Winokur
SAU #34 Director of Curriculum,
Assessment, Grants, and Title 1

Annual School District Meeting
Washington, NH
March 6, 2004

All portions of this report in **bold type** are sent to the State DRA as the legal record of the meeting.

This meeting was called to order by Moderator Guy Eaton at 2:03pm. He led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, introduced the Officials and explained the rules of order.

Rufford Harrison moved to dispense with the reading of the warrant articles. Nancy Damm seconded the motion.

Approved by voice vote.

The ballot box was shown to be empty then locked and the polls were declared open at 2:07pm and were closed at 5:15pm.

ARTICLE ONE: The following officials were elected by non-partisan ballot:

School Board for three years

Sue Hoffstetter	81 votes
Sharon Cary-Taylor	64
Donald Damm (write-in)	10

Sue Hoffstetter and Sharon Cary-Taylor were declared elected

Moderator for one year

Guy Eaton	85
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Treasurer for one year

Louise Bodak	84
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Clerk for one year

Janice Philbrick	75
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Write in candidates receiving fewer than five votes were not included in this report.

ARTICLE TWO: Don Damm moved to hear the reports of agents, auditors and committees or officers chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto. Seconded by John Corrigan. Don Damm introduced the staff. Suzanne Lull reported about the school's status with the help of 6 students. Suzanne Lull resented Don Damm with a gift in recognition of this service.

Approved by voice vote.

Motion was made by Guy Eaton to allow non-residents to speak. Seconded by Sue Hofstetter.

Approved by voice vote.

ARTICLE THREE: Motion by Don Damm to determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board, and fix the compensation for any other officers or agents of the District for the amount of \$3,575.00. Joe DeLucia seconded the motion.

Approved by voice vote.

ARTICLE FOUR: Motion by Sue Hofstetter to direct the School Board to request an audit by independent public accountants from outside the district. Seconded by Joe Coleman.

Approved by voice vote.

ARTICLE FIVE: John Corrigan moved to see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate sum of \$2,005,920 (Two Million Five Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Dollars) for the support of the schools, the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, or take any other action in relation thereto. This article also included the acceptance of additional Special Revenue Funds in the amount of \$78,336 (Seventy eight thousand three hundred and thirty six dollars). Seconded by Joe Coleman. Members of the school board reviewed the particulars of the motion. Questions from the public were answered and concern expressed about the inadequacy of the financial data presented by the SAU.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

District of said affirmation vote. Classes in grades 6, 7 and 8 will begin in Washington in the 2006/07 school year. In the event this Warrant Article shall pass with an affirmative vote the District will raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of preparing detail design and providing a guaranteed maximum price for the expansion and making changes to the existing elementary school to accommodate grades 6, 7 and 8. The school expansion plans and changes with GMP will be presented to voters for approval at the 2005 Annual School Meeting. Seconded by Joe DeLucia. Joe DeLucia and Don Damm spoke at length explaining the particulars of the motion.

Motion defeated by voice vote.

John Corrigan spoke of the fine service and dedication of retiring chairman Donald Damm. He presented Don with a certificate of appreciation.

Motion to adjourn at 4:21pm by Matt Taylor. Seconded by Nancy Damm.

Approved by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Marcellus Liotta
Deputy School Clerk**