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OF THE OFFICERS

FOR THE

Town of Thornton, N.H.

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Thornton Bicentennial Program

Friday, September 10th

8 P.M. to 12 Midnight

Dance Sponsored by the Parent Teachers Organization at the school. Music by the Country Travelers. Donation: Adults \$1, Children 12 and under 50¢

Saturday, September 11th

7 - 8 P.M. Bicentennial Films at the Thornton Public Library

8-10 P.M. Community talent show sponsored by Youth Bicentennial Group at the school. Trophies to be awarded.

Emcee — Sherry Smith

Judges — Winifred Haartz, Phyllis Holbrook and William Elmer

Donation: 25¢

Sunday, September 12th

12 Noon Parade beginning at the Rug Shop and ending at the Robbins Nest.

Marshal — Brenda Uhlman

Emcee — Alton Benton

Judges — Lois Ignaszewski, William Whitaker and Dorothy Smith

3 P.M. Church Service at the Thornton United Methodist Church

Speaker — Norris Cotton

4 P.M. Fellowship and Refreshments at the vestry

Tuesday, September 14th — National Primary Elections

1 P.M. Flag Raising Ceremony at the Thornton Town House

Bicentennial Flag presented by our oldest resident, Eda Steele to the Selectmen: Arthur Gross, Chairman, Albin Conkey and Alfred Burbank, Jr.

Town House History by Evelyn Benton, Town Historian

1:45 P.M. Delivery of the Warrant on horseback by Genevieve Benton

2:00 P.M. Opening of the polls

Moderator: Gordon MacIntosh

Town Clerk — Irma Gross

Ballot Clerks — Beverly MacIntosh, Beverly Trask, Heather Baldwin, Sara Harris, Sharon Bradley and Jeri Levasseur

Supervisors of the Checklist — Thedessa Cheney, Evelyn Benton and Nellie Adams

2:45 P.M. Bicentennial Vegetable Contest sponsored by West Thornton Grange

3 P.M. Food Sale by West Thornton Ladies Aid

8 P.M. Closing the Polls

Ballots will be counted by lantern light.

THE THORNTON BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Evelyn M. Benton, *Chairman*

Irma M. Gross

Geraldine Benton

Trophies Donated by

93 Motel — Best Antique Auto

Russ Gilman & Sons — Best Organization Float

Waterville Valley Gateway — Best Bicentennial Fire Engine

Anderson's Bakery — Oldest Unmotorized Fire Apparatus

West Thornton Grange — Best Float in Parade

Benton Farm — Most Original Float

West Thornton Ladies Aid — Best Business Float

Green Valley Motor Court — Best Costumed Horseback Rider

Jack-O-Lantern — Oldest Fire Engine in Parade

Amity House — Best Horsedrawn

Campton/Thornton Fire Dept. Auxiliary — Talent

Campton/Thornton Woman's Club — Talent

Campton, Thornton, Waterville Valley Chamber of Commerce

Ribbons Donated by

F. J. Avery's Garage

West Thornton Ladies Auxiliary

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Cheney

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gross

West Thornton Market

Herbert Chase



Emcee
Alton Benton

Judges
Dorothy Smith,
Bill Whitaker,
Lois Ignaszewski

Parade
Chairman
Ronald Morrison



Marshal—Brenda Uhlman



Anne Brosseau, Shirley Morrison



Ericka Shortt



John & Joyce Benton



Durand — Haley Post #66 Color Guard



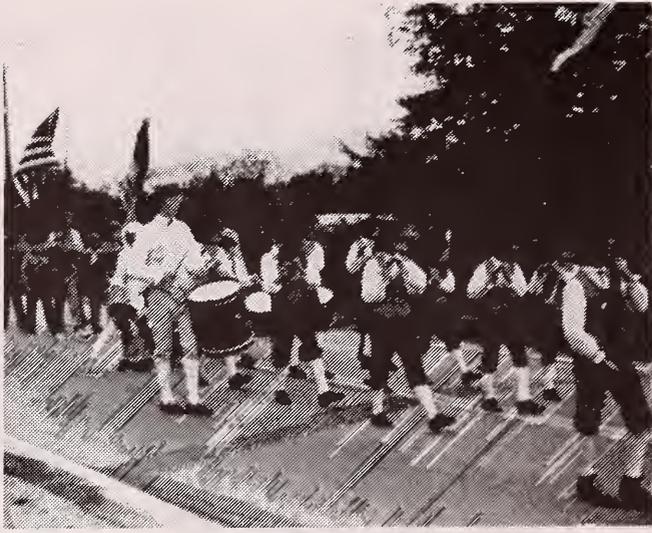
Campton/Thornton Boy Scout Troop #58



Virginia & Chris Dunstan



Evelyn & Shirley Benton



Newfound Fife & Drum



Bride & Groom
Ann Uhlman, Linda Collins
Pioneer Shelly Anderson



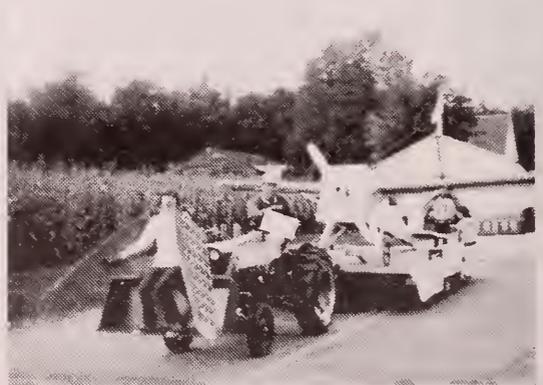
Helen Steele



Jenny Holecek



Mailman, Sid Cheney



West Thornton Grange #253



Antique Car owned by Bill Herting



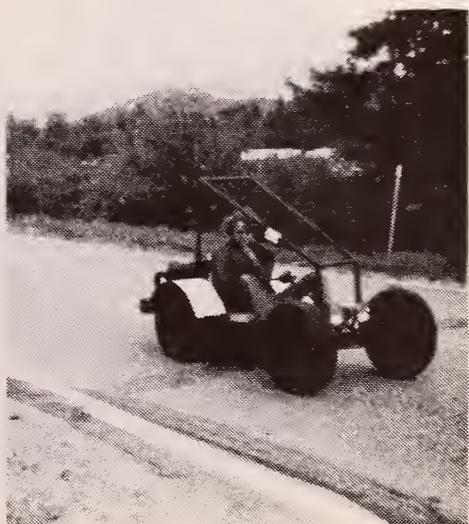
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Campton/Thornton Fire Dept.



Bert Benton & Sons



Alton Benton, II



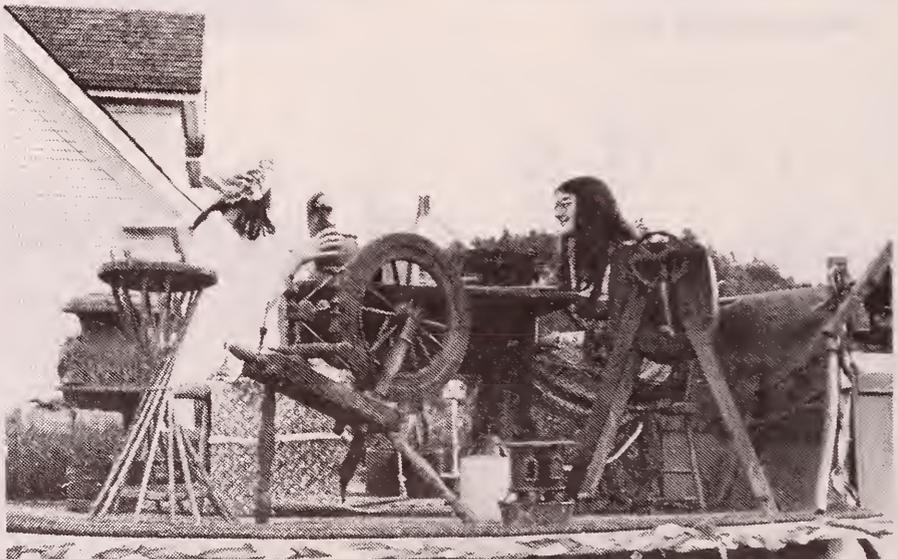
Jerel & Cookie Benton



Erika Shortt & Alfred Duguay



Waterville Valley Gateway



Cindy Steele & friend



Thornton Bicentennial Youth Group



David Uhlman & Janet Downing



Roxcy & Genevieve Benton



Ruth Elliott & Ronnie Morrison



Fadden's General Store



Campton/Thornton Woman's Club



N.H. Dept. of Public Highways



Trophies Displayed at F.J. Avery's also were displayed at Russ Gilman & Sons



**A Service of Worship and Celebration
Commemorating the Two Hundredth Anniversary
of Our Nation and
The One Hundred and Tenth Anniversary of the
Thornton United Methodist Church
September 12, 1976**



110 Years of Service

In this bicentennial year and also the 110th anniversary of our church, we find in the records that several different churches have existed in the town of Thornton and that services were held in private homes, barns and later the first meeting house was completed in 1789.

In 1852 a Chapel was built where our present church now stands. It was very small with only 8 pews. This was torn down and our present church was built in 1866 at a cost of \$2,000.00 It was dedicated as The West Thornton Union Church, October 17, 1866.

We find that women were active in 1860 as the Thornton Female Benevolent Society was organized with about forty members. Rev. Hartwell, who preached in 1840, received for his yearly salary \$176.06 and only \$40.00 of it in cash. Suppers were served for the low cost of five cents.

There was a Sunday School as early as 1860 and they gave the church a pulpit set, sofa and chairs in 1881, which are still in our church today. There were 100 members in the Sunday School.

In 1875 the first organ was bought for our church at the cost of \$100.00. The base viol had been the musical instrument before this time.

Memorial stained glass windows were given in memory of those who worshipped in our church in 1909 and also the present bell was given by a former member, Mrs. Shubal Sanborn of Nebraska.

Three local men were licensed to preach. J. Sanborn in 1888, Riley Butterfield in 1890 and Edward Canfield in 1894 and 1975 Guy Downing a member of our church graduated from Bangor Theological Seminary of Maine and was ordained an Elder of the United Methodist Church at Waterville, Maine in 1976.

In 1966 we joined with our neighboring churches, Woodstock, North Woodstock and Lincoln to form the Pemi Valley Cooperative Parish which has been a most happy rewarding Christian Fellowship under the leadership of Rev. Howard Lawrence.

The present membership of this church is now 103. We extend a warm welcome to you to worship with us at all times.

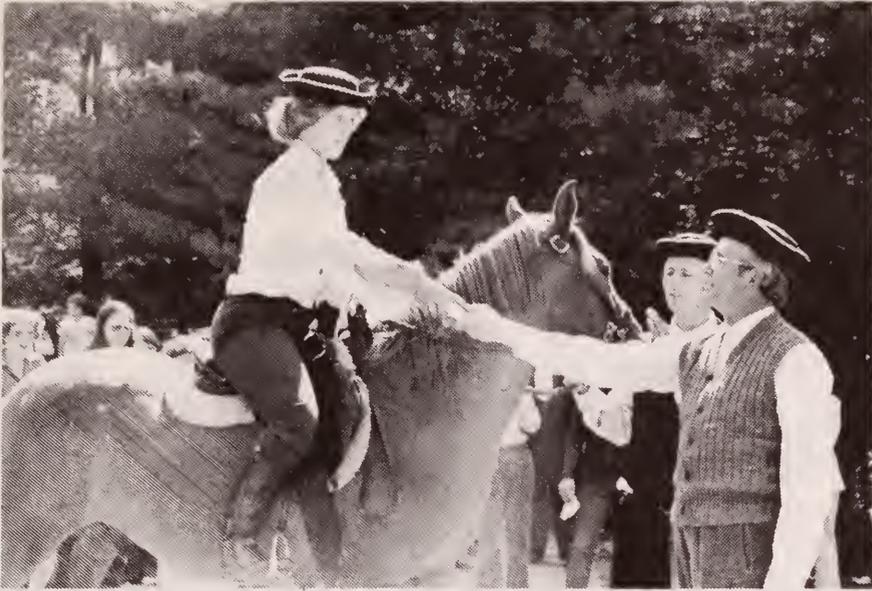
A Service of Worship and Celebration
September 12, 1976

The Order of Worship

Organ and Piano Prelude	Phyllis Holbrook Susan Jane Clay
Call To Worship	Rev. Howard Lawrence
*The Processional Hymn #552	<i>"God of Our Fathers"</i>
The Invocational Prayer	Rev. Howard Lawrence
The Lord's Prayer (trespasses)	
The Apostles' Creed #738	
*Gloria Patri	
A Responsive Reading #628	Mrs. Margaret Blakeney
Guest Soloist <i>"Art Thou The Christ?"</i>	Rev. Dean Roth
Announcements	
*Hymn #543	<i>"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"</i>
The Pastoral Prayer and Choral Response	
Tithes and Offerings	Mr. Stephen Childs
*Doxology and Prayer	
The Auditory Anthem	<i>"America The Beautiful"</i>
The Scripture Reading, <i>Hebrew 2:1-11</i>	Mr. Harry Flad
The Address	The Honorable Norris Cotton
*The Recessional Hymn #28, verses 1, 2, 5, 6	<i>"O God, our Help in Ages Past"</i>
*Benediction	
Postlude	
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*Congregation stands	

Participating In The Service

- Rev. Howard Lawrence, *Minister* Pemi Valley Cooperative Parish
 Lebanon, N.H.
- Honorable Norris Cotton, *Guest Speaker*
 Former U.S. Senator of N.H.
 Supply Minister in 1922
- Rev. Dean Roth, *Guest Soloist* Center Sandwich, N.H.
 Center Sandwich Baptist and Methodist Churches
 Former Minister 1958-63
- Mrs. Margaret Blakeney Greenland, N.H.
 Wife of Former Minister, Rev. Charles Blakeney 1935-42
 Killed as Chaplain in 1944
- Mr. Harry Flad Woodstock, N.H.
 Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor
 Former Minister 1967-72
- Mr. Stephen Childs Laconia, N.H.
 Musical Director of Laconia State School
 Supply Minister and Organist 1958
- Mrs. Rachel Fulton, *Organist* West Thornton, N.H.
- Mrs. Doris Roth, *Organist* Center Sandwich, N.H.
- Mrs. Phyllis Holbrook, *Pianist* West Thornton, N.H.
- Mrs. Susan Jane Clay, *Organist* Plymouth, N.H.
- Mrs. Patricia Flad, *Trumpet* Woodstock, N.H.
- Mrs. Peggy Martin, *Flute* Campton, N.H.
- Pemi Valley Cooperative Parish Choir and Guests.



Genevieve Benton delivering warrant to Moderator, Gordon MacIntosh



Moderator, Gordon MacIntosh & Clerk, Irma Gross



Police Officer, Don Mills & Selectman Alfred Burbank, Jr.

Written and read by Evelyn M. Benton

THORNTON

The Town of Thornton was granted to Matthew, James and Andrew Thornton. Dr. Thornton received land from the proprietors in return for having served as a surgeon in the famous Pepperell Expedition of 1745, which brought about the capture of Louisburg, Nova Scotia, by New England troops, including volunteers from New Hampshire. James and Andrew were co-grantees with their brother. Dr. Thornton came with his parents in 1718, at the age of four, from Londonderry, Ireland. Besides being one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, from New Hampshire, Dr. Thornton was a distinguished physician, judge, statesman and patriot in the American Revolution. He died in 1803 and is buried at Thornton's Ferry, N.H. A monument to his memory was erected in 1892 by the State of New Hampshire.

Our town was named for the Hon. Matthew Thornton but no proof has been found that he ever lived here although members of his family did.

The town of Thornton was chartered July 6, 1763 by Benning Wentworth, Governor of New Hampshire. The grant was first made to provide for fifty families with a total of 23,040 acres. It was later increased to ninety families and 40,071 acres. This was one of the earliest attempts made by the New Hampshire Government to form a new community of individuals having the same native background abroad. The charter was drawn (1763) and a map showed the town to be twelve miles in length and at one end came to an acute right angle. No settlement was made under the first grant and a new charter was issued October 21, 1768 named for Matthew Thornton. The town was incorporated November 21, 1781.

In March, 1803, the town voted a committee to meet with the Proprietors of the first charter of the town of Thornton.

June 6, 1807 by act of the Legislature, Thornton was extended over a tract of land lying eastwardly of said town called Blanchard's Gore.

June 14, 1808, Capt. Jotham Cummings, Jr. of Plymouth was appointed agent on part of the state to meet with the town and es-

establish the easterly line of the town.

June 23, 1842, a strip containing 80 acres as Waterville Gore was severed from Waterville and added to Thornton.

July, 1867, the southwestern part of the town was given to Camp-ton.

Abel Willey was 17 when he came with the Spencer family in 1766 to Camp-ton. He cleared a piece of land and went back to Connecticut and returned with his mother and sisters who had helped in the purchase of the land, making the fifth family in Camp-ton. One of the sisters of Abel Willey became the wife of Benjamin Hoyt and made the first family in Thornton. Believed to have settled on the bank overlooking the Pemlgewasset River on land later owned by William Merrill. The cellar hole marks location in the northeast corner of the Merrill farm which is now owned by Mrs. John F. Merrill, three daughters and a son.

The first settlers were Dutch and Scotch-Irish from Londonderry, N.H. Benjamin Hoyt felled the first tree in 1770. His son, Benjamin, was the first child born in Thornton.

James Rankin, born in Glasgow, Scotland, 1745, came to America in 1776. He and his wife, Margaret, were among the twelve persons to organize the first church. Meetings were held at his home. He was educated in the Scotch Presbyterian church and held strictly to his teachings and creed. Mr. Rankin was made an Elder of the Church. Rev. Noah Esterbrooks was ordained the first minister in 1780 and Rev. Noah Worchester in 1787.

Deacon Rankin and Noah Worcester came to conflict over questions of doctrine. Deacon Rankin exchanged all his land in Thornton with Col. Little for 1050 acres near the Connecticut river with mill privileges at West Littleton. When he left Thornton, many of his parishoners went with him.

In 1784, the town voted to build the first Meeting House. Meetings were being held on the east side of the river in a log school house or a barn. Capt. Elliot, James Pattee and Noah Worcester were appointed as a committee. After several meetings and changes in plans, it was decided to build across the road from our Town house. It was completed in 1789. Both religious and business meetings were held there. In 1823, the name Old Meeting House was changed to Town Hall and later to Town House.

About 1860, this building was moved across the road and fifteen feet added to its length. The janitorship went to the lowest bidder at town meeting which proved to be Alexander Pattee. He offered to sweep the floors six times a year for one dollar.

A new Congregational Society was formed in 1820 and a new church was built across the road from the center school. This building was torn down in 1866.

The Tool Shed was built in 1924 and it is being used today for storage. Town meetings and Elections have been held at the Central school since 1955.

Time does not permit me to continue on. Some day I hope it can all be read from a book.



Oldest resident, Eda Steele arriving with family



Bicentennial Committee	Selectmen	Mrs. Eda Steele
Evelyn Benton, Irma Gross,	Alfred Burbank, Jr.	Arthur Gross,
Cookie Benton	Albin Conkey	Chr. Selectman



Town Historian, Evelyn Benton



Town House



Roxcy Merrill & Henrietta Towers



Selectmen	Treas
Arthur Gross	Cookie Benton
Albin Conkey	
Alfred Burbank, Jr.	



Roxcy Merrill



Tax Collector, Gerge Hall & Wife Mary

Thanks go out to —

Frank Avery
Alton Benton
John Benton
James Burd
Ralph & Mary Crawford
Edward Downing
Russell Gilman
Wm. (Bill) Herting
Donald Mills
Ronald Morrison
Albert Moulton
Neil Robertson
Gene Smith
Sherry Smith
Florence Steele
Charlotte Uhlman

For all the extra hands needed to make our Bicentennial a success.

The Bicentennial Committee

Evelyn Benton
Irma Gross
Geraldine Benton



Certificate of Appreciation

for Meritorious Support of the Nation's Bicentennial
Accorded to

Thornton, New Hampshire

By the
American Revolution
Bicentennial Administration

John W. Warner

John W. Warner, Administrator

Georgia E. Heland

Regional Director

TOWN OFFICERS

Board of Selectmen

Alfred Burbank Jr., 726-3096 Albin S. Conkey, 726-8820
 Arthur L. Gross, Chr. 726-3515

Town Clerk

Irma M. Gross, 726-3515

Town Treasurer

Geraldine Benton, 726-8845

Tax Collector

George O. Hall, 726-3282

Road Agent

Neil Robertson, 726-4463

Police Officers

Robert McGee, 726-8696 *Chief* Donald Mills, 726-8830

Fire Wardens

Bert Benton, *Chief*, 726-8678 Carl Broad, 726-8830
 Richard Bradley, 745-8954 John Benton, 726-8669
 Charles Kimball, 726-8678

Superintendent of Cemeteries

Bert Benton, 726-8678

Overseer of the Poor & Health Officer

Robert McGee

Moderator

Gordon MacIntosh, 745-8964

Library Trustees

Barbara Patterson Barbara M. McDonald Frances D. Hopper

Librarian

Sibyl Canaan, 1-745-3381

Trustees of Trust Funds

Sandra Guiliano F. Everett Steele, *Sec.* Alice Steele

Supervisors of the Check List

Nellie Adams Thedessa Cheney Evelyn Benton

Auditors

Jeraldine Levasseur

Sara D. Harris

Planning Board Chairman

Jack L. Bradley

Conservation Commission Chairman

Peter Wolfe, 726-9881

Historian

Evelyn Benton, 726-8949

Fire Comm.

William Drake

Kenneth Axon

INFORMATION FOR VOTERS

Thornton was incorporated as a town in 1781

Location: Midway of the Pemigewasset Valley between Plymouth and the Franconia Notch.

Population: (1976) 735

Registered Voters: (1976) 490

Area: 32,640 Acres—of which 15,057 Acres are Public Lands

Altitude: From 555 to 2,610 Feet

Town Office: At the Thornton Central School Building

Selectmen Meet: At the discretion of the Chairman

State Senator: Stephen Smith, Plymouth

U.S. Senator: Thomas J. McIntyre

Representative in the General Court: Betty Jo Taffe, Rumney and Murray Clark, Lincoln

Representative in Congress: James C. Cleveland, No. 1215 New House Office Building, Washington, D.C.

Annual Town Meeting: Second Tuesday in March. The Non-Partisan Town Ballot is used. Filing Fee \$1.00. See the Town Clerk if you are a candidate for Town Office.

Polls open at 3:00 P.M. and close at 9:00 P.M. Articles in the Town Warrant are taken up at 8:00 P.M. Non-residents are encouraged to attend, and are welcome to be heard.

Grafton County Sheriff's Department: Watts 1-800-552-0393

Office: 1-787-6911

OUR TOWN (INSIGHT)

THE BUDGET:

A Budget is “a financial statement of estimated income and expenses, and a plan for financing, based upon such a statement”. The Selectmen have estimated figures deemed necessary to raise and based on actual expenditures of the previous year.

If one does not vote to “accept the Budget as printed” each item may be voted upon separately by making a motion to that effect. If one proposes to increase the Budget estimates, you will be assured of raising the tax rate.

Our recommendation is to study both the Town and School Budgets and vote the necessary sums to satisfy them without inflating the tax rate beyond what an average citizen can pay.

EDUCATION:

Although, the governing bodies of the Town and School are separate and distinct, we believe at all times, they should function from within the Town. No District, County, State, or Federal body should be dictating to this Town how it should be run, but the “people” should still control on a local level.

INVENTORIES:

Inventory blanks mailed out with your Town Reports should be filled out properly and returned by all. The Selectmen are pretty good, but they do not have the time to visit every property owner each and every year. Property can then be fair and justly assessed.

TAX MAP:

The Tax Map is taking shape and our investment seems to have been a good one. We have an up to date file on property owners, although response from taxpayers has been slow to date to the map making concern. Errors on several pieces of property in regard to acreage have been brought to the attention of the Selectmen by this Tax Map Study.



Hear Ye- Hear Ye!

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Thornton in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Thornton Central School in said Thornton on Tuesday the 8th day of March, next at 3 of the clock in the afternoon, at which time the polls shall be opened and shall not close earlier than 9:00 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following Article one. All articles except article one will be considered at 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To consider the budget as posted and to raise and appropriate the necessary sums to satisfy it.
3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes.
4. To see if a discount will be allowed on property taxes of 1% if paid before a certain date to be later set by the Selectmen.
5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell Town Property taken on Tax Title, after proper advertisement.
6. To vote to raise necessary sums of money to pay County Taxes.
7. To see if the Town will vote to have the Selectmen accept any and all grants or gifts from State and or Federal Government in the name of the Town of Thornton and apply for same.
8. To set up a Contingency Fund of \$3,000.00 to meet unanticipated expenses. RSA 31:4.
9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund, established under the

provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, for use as set-offs against budgeted appropriations for the following priority and in amounts indicated or take any other action hereon:

Appropriation	Amount
School (New Fuel Tank)	\$ 2,800.00
Highway Dept. (Sand Spreader)	5,000.00
Cemeteries (Road Layout)	2,000.00
Officer's Expenses (Commissions & Clerical)	5,000.00
Fire Dept.	2,000.00
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	\$ 16,800.00

10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Linwood Medical Center.
11. To see if the Town will raise the sum of \$1,470.00 for the Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency, Inc.
12. To see if the Town will raise the sum of \$200.00 for the New Hampshire Humane Society.
13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$745.00 as it's share for the North Country Council, Inc.
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to help support the Campton, Thornton, Waterville Valley Chamber of Commerce.
15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$250.00 if a like sum is raised by the Town of Campton and Waterville Valley for a joint three town fireworks display to be held on a rotating basis each year. The 1977 display is to be held overlooking the Campton Pond, the 1978 display in Thornton and the 1979 display in Waterville Valley. Furthermore, the selectmen are requested to appoint one citizen to serve, along with two individuals from the other two towns, on a Tri-Town Fireworks Commission to oversee the actual display.
16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$927.74 to help support the White Mountain Region Association of New Hampshire.
17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$7,000.00 for Fire Department purposes.

18. To see if the Town will go on record as recommending to the U.S. Forest Service that the Tripoli Road be preserved as a gravel road in it's present location.
19. To see if the Town will vote to accept as Town Roads the two (2) following described roadways located on land owned by Land/Vest Properties, Inc., as Trustee for Land/Vest Properties 1971 Limited Partnership, in the Town of Thornton and accept from Land/Vest Properties, Inc., in its capacity as Trustee for Land/Vest Properties 1971 Limited Partnership, a deed conveying said roads to the Town:

Road #1

The Haselton Road as shown on a plan by E.E. Macomber and J. March, undated, entitled "Mill Brook Valley, Phase IV, Thornton, New Hampshire, Owned by Land/Vest Properties, Inc. as Trustee for Land/Vest Properties 1971 Limited Partnership and Land/Vest Properties, Inc." recorded in the Grafton County Registry of Deeds, Pocket 4, Folder 3, Plan 41 (said Plan being hereinafter referred to as the "Plan") Said road is 50 feet in width and commences at its intersection with Mill Brook Road (which intersection is located easterly of Parcel #19 shown on the Plan and westerly of land now of the Estate of Helen R. Fadden) and then runs generally northeasterly and then northerly a distance of 4,367 feet, more or less, to the northerly and thereof at Parcels 31 and 32 as shown on the plan.

Road #2

Wanosha Road as shown on the Plan. Said road is 50 feet in width and commences at its intersection with Mill Brook Road (which intersection is easterly of Parcel #1 and westerly of Parcel #18 as shown on the Plan) and then runs generally northerly a distance of 2,305 feet, more or less, to the northerly and thereof at Parcels #10 and 11 as shown on the Plan.

Said roads will be conveyed by deed to the Town of Thornton free of all mortgage liens.

20. To see if the Town will vote to stand opposed and reaffirm its opposition to future and past sales of any private lands within the Town of Thornton, to the Federal White Mountain Forestry Dept. or to the State of New Hampshire Forestry Dept.
21. To see if the Town will raise the Town Auditors salaries to \$150.00 each per year.

22. To see if the Town wishes to provide dinners for Moderator and Ballot Clerks at future meetings and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to satisfy same and arrangements to be made by the Moderator.
23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the following: \$25.00 per meeting for Moderator, \$15.00 per meeting for Ballot Clerks, and pay the Supervisors at the current minimum wage per hour rate.
24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 given in Trust by Mrs. Nellie Adams for perpetual care of Cemetery Lot.
25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Title II entitlements support grants any amounts received during 1976-1977 as offsets against salaries of Town Officers or elected officials.
26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept in behalf of the Town from Professional Property Management Corp, for use as a Town Road and to include 1,500 feet more or less in the Northpointe Development in a westerly direction adjacent to Route 175 and fully describes a Warranty Deed to the Town of Thornton once it has been constructed to T.R.A. Standards and the road is upgraded with fill and culverts to meet the approval of the Town Road Agent and The board of Selectmen.
27. To see if the Town, at future elections wishes to elect only Police Officer #1. Police Officer #2 to be appointed by the elected Officer #1.
28. To see if the Town shall have it go on record that regardless of any Legislation the Supervisors shall continue to register voters.
29. To see if the Town will vote to have the Office of Road Agent elected on a three year basis.
30. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 15th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy seven.

ALFRED W. BURBANK, Jr.
 ALBIN S. CONKEY
 ARTHUR L. GROSS
Selectmen of Thornton

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ALFRED W. BURBANK, Jr.
 ALBIN S. CONKEY
 ARTHUR L. GROSS
Selectmen of Thornton

THE BUDGET

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1977 (1977-78)
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,292.00	\$ 3,330.00	\$ 3,240.00
Town Officers' Expenses	5,000.00	6721.25	10,000.00
Election & Registration Expenses	800.00	945.10	350.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings		1,219.50	500.00
Contingency Fund	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Highway Subsidy		7,322.13	7,538.03
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	1,000.00	1,969.50	1,200.00
Fire Department	3,900.00	13,325.95	7,000.00
Insurance	750.00	590.00	600.00
Damages & Legal Expense	500.00	5,558.74	500.00
Sandwich Notch	140.00	140.00	140.00
Health Dept. (Incl. Hospitals & Ambulance)			
Vital Statistics	35.00	29.00	35.00
Tar Fund	2,500.00	1,974.41	2,500.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	10,000.00	9,925.10	10,000.00
Highways & Bridges: New Bridge			
Town Maintenance—Summer & Winter	15,000.00	14,544.04	15,000.00
Bridge Fund	1,000.00	620.19	500.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	5,000.00	3,314.72	5,000.00
Town Road Aid	509.58	509.58	563.01
Libraries:			
	1,800.00	1,800.00	2,230.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	2,000.00	3,021.49	3,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,100.00	1,069.00	1,100.00
Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day, Etc.)			
	25.00	19.00	500.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	300.00	1,246.17	3,000.00

Town Map	5,107.50	5,107.50	5,107.50
Advertising & Regional Associations	1,178.00	750.00	2,672.74
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 88,506.58	\$ 90,037.87	\$102,952.20

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year 1977 (1977-78)
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 5,795.33	\$ 5,800.00
Savings Bank Tax	975.00	1,114.14	1,100.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	4,075.00	4,894.91	4,900.00
Reim. Fire Meet.	40.00	38.86	35.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	7,322.13	7,322.13	7,538.03
Federal Forest	6,500.00	6,504.86	3,300.00
Reimbursement A/C Flood Control Land	3,000.00	3,067.95	
Reim. A/C Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	1,050.00	1,095.28	1,050.00
Reim.—White Mt. Nat'l Forest	3,906.76	3,568.60	3,600.00
Reim. — Old Age Acct.		183.07	
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	275.00	257.00	260.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	50.00	136.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	12,000.00	16,310.99	12,000.00
Income from Trust Funds, Lee & Invest.	290.00	257.25	260.00
Withdrawal Invest. Fund		42,000.00	
Fines & Forfeits		193.62	
Resident Taxes Retained	4,900.00	3,340.00	3,500.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	2,800.00	3,007.74	2,800.00
Rent of Town Property, Sander & Other	50.00	415.07	50.00
Income from Departments, Dump Rent	10,606.19	16,694.40	7,000.00
Timber Advance	500.00	350.00	350.00
Reimb. Bicentennial Comm.		186.00	
From Federal Sources:			
Revenue Sharing (Amt. to be used)	12,909.29	12,909.29	15,000.00

*TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 77,449.37	\$129,642.49	\$ 68,543.03
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***Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes** \$ 34,409.17

TOTAL REVENUES \$102,952.20

*Total estimated "Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year gives "Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes".

**FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON**

ASSETS

Cash:

In Hands of Treasurer	\$ 93,755.18	
Total		\$ 93,755.18

Capital Reserve Funds: (R.S.A., Chapt. 35)
(For the acquisition of equipment and
new construction)

(new Bridges—6 mile, W. Thornton	71,520.04	
Total		\$ 71,520.00

Unredeemed Taxes: (from tax sale on account of)

Levy of 1975	12,548.88	
Levy of 1974	3,000.85	
Previous Years	341.75	
Total		\$ 15,891.48

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1976, Including Resident Taxes	74,862.61	
Levy of 1975	1,144.20	
Levy of 1974	904.78	
Total		\$ 76,911.59

TOTAL ASSETS	\$258,078.29
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CURRENT DEFICIT (Excess of liabilities over assets)	1,231.04
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GRAND TOTAL	\$259,309.33
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Increase-Decrease of Surplus (Deficit)— Change in Financial Condition	— 1,231.04
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LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Bills outstanding, Dec. Old Age '76	\$ 57.00	
White Mt. Region Assoc.	250.00	
North Country Council	678.00	
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	13,855.96	

Due to State:

(Uncollected \$446.96)

(Collected—not remitted to

State Treas. \$551.01) 997.97

School District(s) Tax(es) Payable

+ ½ Nat. For. Reserve '76, '77 129,716.13

Civil Defense 225.00

Preambulation 285.00

Forest Fund 25.00

Other Liabilities:

Town House 1,866.50

Bridge Fund 15,385.79

Due State—New Bridges (Jan '77) 78,569.11

Town Maint. (Highway Dept.) 2,666.83

		\$244,578.29
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State and Town Joint Highway**Construction Accounts:**

Unexpended balance in Town Treasury

6 Mile Bridge 14,731.04

		14,731.04
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Total Liabilities

		\$259,309.33
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Grand Total

		\$259,309.33
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RECEIPTS**Current Revenue:****From Local Taxes:**

Property Taxes—Current Year—1976 \$206,109.65

Resident Taxes—Current Year—1976 3,340.00

Yield Taxes—Current Year—1976 3,007.74

		\$212,457.39
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Property Taxes and Yield Taxes—Previous Years 125,035.20

Resident Taxes—Previous Years 1,170.00

Poll Taxes, State Head Taxes, Previous Years 126.00

Interest received on Delinquent Taxes 6,355.96

Tax Sales Redeemed 30,867.84

From State:

Highway Subsidy	7,322.13
Interest and dividends tax	5,795.33
Savings Bank Tax	1,114.14
Reimbursement a-c State and Federal Forest Lands—'75	6,504.86
State Aid for Flood Control Land and Water Pollution Projects	3,067.95
National Forest Reserve — '76	3,568.60
Fighting Forest Fires	38.86
Reimbursement a-c Old Age Assistance	183.07
Meals and Rooms Tax	4,894.91
Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax	1,095.28

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	257.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	136.00
Fines and Forfeits	193.62
Rent of Town Property	415.07
Income from Trust Funds	257.25
Income from Departments—Dump Rent	16,694.40
Motor Vehicle Permits	16,310.99

Total Current Revenue Receipts

\$443,861.85

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Bicentennial Comm.	186.00
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds	42,000.00
Grants from U.S.A.	
Revenue Sharing—Withdrawal	12,909.29
Timber Advance	350.00

Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue

\$ 55,445.29

Total Receipts from All Sources

\$499,307.14

Cash on hand January 1, 1976—

71,564.28

(July 1, 1976)

570,871.42

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:**General Government:**

Town Officers' Salaries	3,330.00
Town Officers' Expenses	9,721.25
Election and Registration Expenses	945.10
Sandwich Notch	140.00
Expenses Town Hall and other Town Buildings	1,219.50

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	1,969.50
Fire Department, including forest fires	13,325.95
Insurance	590.00
Highway Subsidy	7,322.13

Health:

Health department, including hospitals & ambulance	1,985.50
Vital Statistics	29.00
Tar	1,974.41
Town dumps and garbage removal	9,925.10

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	509.58
Town Maintenance (Summer-\$7,449.31) Winter-\$7,094.73)	14,544.04
Bridge	620.19
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	3,314.72

Libraries:

Libraries	1,800.00
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Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	1,069.00
Town Poor	3,021.49

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations and Old Home Day	19.00
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Recreation:

Lee Fund	226.81	
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries, including hearse hire	1,246.17	
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Unclassified:

Damages and legal expenses	5,558.74	
Advertising and Regional Associations	750.00	
Taxes bought by town	29,909.81	
Discounts, Abatements and refunds	493.83	

Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$ 36,712.38
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Interest on Debt:

Bond & Debt (Yield)	1,243.41	
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Total Interest Payments		\$ 1,243.41
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Interest on Debt:

Bond & Debt (Yield)	1,243.41	
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		\$ 1,243.41
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Capital Outlay:

Payments to Investment Fund	60,000.00	
Tax Maps	5,107.50	

Total Outlay Payments		\$65,107.50
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Taxes Paid to County	29,324.76	
Payments to School Districts (1975 Tax \$153,879) (1976 Tax \$112,000.00)	265,879.75	

Total Payments to Other Governmental Div.		\$295,204.51
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Total Payments for all Purposes

		\$477,116.24
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Cash on hand December 31, 1976—(June 30, 1977)	93,755.18	
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GRAND TOTAL		\$570,871.42
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
As of December 31, 1976; June 30, 1977

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 14,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	
Furniture and Equipment	2,000.00
Police Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	2,800.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	400.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	3,500.00
Materials and Supplies	500.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	410,000.00
Equipment	15,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax	
Collector's deeds	
5.6 Acres Hill & Hiltz Land	3,000.00
TOTAL	\$452,200.00

**COMPARATIVE VIEW
TAX RATE FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS
TOWN OF THORNTON**

Unit of Government	RATES				
	1976	1975	1974	1973	1972
Municipal	\$.13	\$.73	\$-.05	\$.44	\$.39
County	.27	.23	.18	.21	.22
School	2.22	2.34	1.52	1.75	1.64
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*Comb. Rates	\$ 2.62	\$ 3.30	\$ 1.65	\$ 2.40	\$ 2.25

Unit of Government	RATES				
	1971	1970	1969	1968	1967
Municipal	\$.15	\$.11	\$.30	\$.49	\$.27
County	.32	.15	.23	.16	.14
School	1.73	1.84	2.37	2.25	2.49
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*Comb. Rates	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.10	\$ 2.90	\$ 2.90	\$ 2.90
*(Precincts and Single School Districts, Towns and Cities)					

TAX YEAR 1976
SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Town Valuation:

Land—Improved & Unimproved	\$ 3,711,365.00
Buildings	6,379,285.00
Electric	368,797.00
Mobil Homes (57)	246,350.00
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Total Valuations before Exemptions	\$10,705,797.00
Less Elderly Exemptions	24,300.00
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Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed	\$10,681,497.00
Exemption for War Service (52)	
Taken Away from Property Taxes	2,600.00
Tax Rate for 1976 \$2.62 per \$100.00	
County Tax Assessment	\$ 29,324.76
Net Town Appropriations	9,642.92
Net School Appropriations	237,931.83
Less Bus Profits Tax	-1,094.00
Add: War Service	2,600.00
Add: Overlay	1,449.71
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Property Taxes to be raised	\$279,855.22

$$\$106,814.97 \times \$2.62 = \$279,855.22$$

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES**

Levy of 1976

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector		
Property	\$277,255.22	
Resident	4,900.00	
Total Warrants		\$282,155.22
Yield Taxes		3,156.98
 Added Taxes		
Property	9,613.04	
Resident	250.00	
		9,863.04
Overpayment During Year a/c/ Property Taxes	293.54	
		293.54
Interest Collected on Delinquent Prop. Taxes		31.94
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		17.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$295,517.72

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer		
Property Taxes	\$206,109.65	
Resident Taxes	3,340.00	
Yield Taxes	3,007.74	
Interest Collected	31.94	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	17.00	
Overpayments—Property Taxes	293.54	
		\$212,799.87
 Discounts Allowed		1,602.08
 Abatements Made During Year		
Property Taxes	6,213.16	

Resident Taxes	40.00	
		6,253.16
Uncollected Taxes—Dec. 31, 1976 (As Per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	72,943.37	
Resident Taxes	1,770.00	
Yield Taxes	149.24	
		74,862.61
TOTAL CREDITS		\$295,517.72

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1975

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—Jan. 1, 1976		
Property Taxes	\$124,827.56	
Resident Taxes	1,770.00	
		\$126,597.56
Yield Taxes		1,232.52
Added Taxes		
Property Taxes	2,374.35	
Resident Taxes	50.00	
		2,424.35
Overpayments a/c/ Property Taxes	142.78	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Prop. Taxes	4,068.84	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	109.00	
Costs—Tax Sale	612.00	
TOTAL DEBITS		\$135,187.05

CR.Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year
Ended December 31, 1976:

Property Taxes	124,736.88	
Resident Taxes	1,170.00	
Yield taxes	298.32	
Interest Collected During Year	4,068.84	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	109.00	
Costs—Tax Sale	612.00	
Overpayments—Property Taxes	142.78	
	<hr/>	131,137.82
Discounts Allowed		12.08
Abatements Made During Year		
Property Taxes	2,452.95	
Resident Taxes	440.00	
	<hr/>	2,892.95
Uncollected Taxes—Dec. 31, 1976 (As Per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	—0—	
Resident Taxes	210.00	
Yield Taxes	934.20	
	<hr/>	1,144.20
TOTAL CREDITS		<hr/> \$135,187.05

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1974

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1976

Property Taxes	\$	125.40	
Resident Taxes		60.00	
Yield Taxes		719.38	
			\$ 904.78
TOTAL DEBITS			\$ 904.78

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year
 Ended December 31, 1974:

Uncollected Taxes—December 31, 1974:
 (As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$	125.40	
Resident Taxes		60.00	
Yield		719.30	
			\$ 904.78
TOTAL CREDITS			\$ 904.78

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976

—DR—

	1975	Tax Sales on Account of Levies of		
		1974	1973	Prev. Years
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1976	\$	\$ 14,360.26	\$ 2,359.47	\$ 710.62
(b) Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	29,909.81			
Interest Collected After Sale	146.02	429.46	453.03	178.35
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 30,055.83	\$ 14,789.72	\$ 2,812.50	\$ 888.97

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Remittances to Treasurer During Year:				
Redemptions	\$ 16,780.09	\$ 11,359.41	\$ 2,292.78	\$ 435.56
Interest & Costs After Sale	146.02	429.46	453.03	178.35
Abatements During Year	580.84			
Unredeemed Taxes December 31, 1976	12,548.88	3,000.85	66.69	275.06
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 30,055.83	\$ 14,789.72	\$ 2,812.50	\$ 888.97

**UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES
ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES OF**

	1975	1974	1973	Previous Years
Anderson, Olive	257.52			
Anderson, Olive	44.30			
Anderson, Eric et al		138.83		
Albee, G. Paige		131.85		
Axon, Kenneth		46.63	66.69	
B & M Railroad	77.80			
Black, James J.	217.39			
Boyce, Lyman G.	238.32	123.09		
Brennick, Charles	112.69			
Brennick, Charles	107.69			
Burgess, Thomas	283.86			
Caryl, William & Jean	77.80	42.78		
Caryl, William & Jean	69.30	29.21		
Caryl, William & Jean	72.80	37.93		
Caryl, Wm., & Diamond, R.	447.70	227.86		
D'Agostine, Julian	455.32			
Dion, Barbara	42.90			
Dearborn, Marion (Heirs)	25.42			
Donnelly, Thomas	112.69			
Downing, Charles & Priscilla	20.52			
Downing, Mary	42.90			
First Equity Assoc.	432.17			
Fleming, Joseph	82.50			
Fraser, Gertrude	252.28	22.06		
Fraser, Gertrude	247.28	125.20		
Fraser, Ira & Mary	1,836.63	328.44		
Gannett Manag. Co.		287.23		
Gould, Ruth	177.49			
Gould, Irwin & Marilyn	257.52			
George, Paul & Doreen	112.69			

Gurshman, Larry	24.00			
Halligan, Carey	112.69			
Hicks, Elmo	430.26			
Gilpatric, Lester & Beverly				49.93
Mayer, George	42.90			
Michels, J. & Mayer, G.		9.73		
Lucente, Anthony		44.54		
Lockwood Construction Co.		44.54		
Mitchell, Lester Jr.	671.06			
Miles, Donald	11.80			
Mills, Donald				199.34
Olin, Richard	81.27			
Paccione, Raff, Fleming				14.17
Paccione, Raff, Fleming				11.62
Old Colony Invest. & Const.		44.54		
Pope, Edward	147.59	411.20		
Pope, Edward	831.13	326.89		
Regulbuto, Chas. J.	112.69			
Regulbuto, Chas. J.	107.69			
South Hills Realty	1,047.95			
Shores, Clifton & Thelma	524.48			
Veeder, W. & Siegel, E.	11.62			
Uhlman, Charlotte	775.75	77.68		
Waterville Valley Gateway	1,084.82	500.62		
Welch, Joanne	190.87			
Young, John	234.83			
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	\$ 12,548.88	\$ 3,000.85	\$ 66.69	\$ 275.06

UNCOLLECTED YIELD TAXES

	1976	
Timber Products Co.		\$ 149.24
	1975	
Kenneson, G.D.		934.20
	1974	
Lewis, Richard D.		719.38
	1967	
Little, Charles E.		248.93
	1966	
Bickford, Maurice		157.80

	1964	
Downing, Lawrence D.		124.24
Monroe, Russell		71.95
	1963	
Downing, Lawrence D.		56.03
Monroe, Russell		220.08

—CERTIFICATE—

I hereby certify that the foregoing list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1976, on account of the tax levy of 1976 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE O. HALL

Tax Collector

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1976**

<i>Title of Appropriations</i>	<i>Approp.</i>	<i>Expend.</i>	<i>Unexpended Balance</i>	<i>Overdrafts</i>
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,292.00	\$ 3,300.00	\$	\$ 38.00
Town Officers' Expenses	5,000.00	6,721.25		1,721.25
Election & Registrations	800.00	945.10		145.10
Police Department	1,000.00	1,969.50		969.50
Town Dump	10,000.00	9,925.10	74.90	
Fire Department	3,900.00	13,325.95		9,425.95
Insurance	750.00	590.00	160.00	
Damages & Legal Expenses	500.00	5,558.74		5,058.74
Health Department	1,985.50	1,985.50		
Vital Statistics	35.00	29.00	6.00	
Town Map	5,107.50	5,107.50		
Contingency Fund (Town Officers Exp.)	3,000.00	3,000.00		
Town Maintenance:				
Summer	7,500.00	7,449.31	50.69	
Winter	7,500.00	7,094.73	405.27	
Bridge Fund	1,000.00	620.19	379.81	
New Bridge	22,584.00		22,584.00	
Tar Fund	2,500.00	1,974.41	525.59	
Gen. Exp. of Highway Dept.	5,000.00	3,314.72	1,685.28	
Sandwich Notch	140.00	140.00		
Libraries	1,800.00	1,800.00		
Town Poor	2,000.00	3,021.49		1,021.49
Old Age	1,100.00	1,069.00	31.00	
Memorial Day	25.00	19.00	6.00	
Cemeteries	300.00	1,246.17		946.17
Advertising & Region. Assoc.	1,178.00	750.00	428.00	
	<hr/> \$ 87,997.00	<hr/> \$ 80,986.66	<hr/> \$ 26,336.54	<hr/> \$ 19,326.20
			19,326.20	
Unexpended Balance			<hr/> \$7,010.34	

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
Year Ending December 31, 1976

RECEIPTS

Car Registrations:

1975 Registrations in 1976	\$ 207.99	
1976 Registrations	16,103.00	

Total Car Registrations		\$ 16,310.99
Filing Fees		10.00
Dog Licenses		257.00

Total Receipts		\$16,577.99
Paid to Treasurer		\$ 16,577.99

IRMA M. GROSS
Town Clerk, Thornton, N.H.

TREASURER'S REPORT
SUMMARY
January 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976

Cash on Hand		\$ 71,564.28
Receipts to Dec. 31, 1976		
From Selectmen		106,716.76
From Tax Collector		376,012.39
From Town Clerk:		
Car Registration	\$ 16,310.99	
Dog Tax	257.00	
Filing Fees	10.00	
		16,577.99
Total Receipts		\$499,307.14
Total Receipts and Cash		570,871.42
Payments to December 31, 1976		
Selectmen's Orders Paid		477,116.24
Cash on Hand		93,755.18

Geraldine Benton, *Treas.*

**TOWN OF THORNTON
REVENUE SHARING SAVINGS ACCOUNT**

Balance as of Dec. 31, 1975		\$ 9,725.29
Funds received from Jan. 1, 1976 thru Dec. 31, 1976		
Jan. 16	\$ 3,184.00	
Apr. 22	3,184.00	
July 28	3,185.00	
Oct. 22	1,862.00	
		\$ 11,415.00
Returned Item, Thornton School Dist., Aug. 6		5,000.00
Interest Earned		
Jan. 16	\$ 127.10	
Apr. 22	167.76	
June 30	209.42	
Aug. 6	18.23	
Oct. 22	102.45	
		\$ 624.96
Total		\$ 26,765.25
Total Amount Expended as of December 31, 1976		
		12,909.29
Balance		\$ 13,855.96

**SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT WITH
THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Balance due School District 1/1/76		
'75-'76 Appropriation	\$153,879.75	
'76-'77 Appropriation	237,931.83	
½ National Forest Reserve	1,784.30	
Revenue Sharing '76 (P.A.S.)	2,000.00	
		\$395,595.88
Payment to School Districts		
'75-'76 Appropriation	153,879.75	
'76-'77 Appropriation	110,000.00	
Revenue Sharing '76 (P.A.S.)	2,000.00	
		\$265,879.75
		\$129,716.13
Balance Due—December 31, 1976		

Geraldine Benton, *Treas.*

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
Year Ending December 31, 1976

From State:

State & Federal Forest '75	\$	6,504.86	\$
Highway Subsidy		7,322.13	
Flood & Disaster		3,067.95	
Forest Fire Training Reimb.		38.86	
Old Age Acct. Reimb.		183.07	
Business Profits Tax		1,095.28	
Interest & Dividend Tax		5,795.33	
Savings Bank Tax		1,114.14	
Rooms and Meals Tax		4,894.91	
White Mt. National Forest		3,568.60	

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Town of Campton, '75 Dump Rent	10,606.49
Timber Advance, Thomas Roy	100.00
Pistol Permits, Treasurer	32.00
Town of Woodstock, Rent of Equip.	183.07
Timber Advance, Thomas Roy	150.00
Town of Campton, Sander Rental	40.50
Reimb., Bicentennial Comm.	186.00
On Acct. of Sewage, G.R.	50.00
Town of Woodstock, Sander Rental	84.50
For not Filing Bldg. Permit—R.B.	20.00
Waterville Est. Manage. Co., Sander Rental	57.00
Reimb. Fire, R.D.	173.62
Timber Advance, Donald Johnson	100.00
Town of Campton, Dump Stickers	94.00
Trustee of Trust Funds, Lee Fund	226.81
Trustee of Trust Funds, Invest. Fund	30.44
Town of Campton, Dump '76 thru Dec. 19th	6,087.91

\$ 51,807.47

Withdrawals:

Town of Thornton Investment Fund		42,000.00
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Withdrawal Rev. Sharing Acct.	12,909.29
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Total From Selectmen	106,716.76
From Tax Collector	376,012.39
From Town Clerk	16,577.99
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Total Receipts	\$499,307.14

**TOWN OF THORNTON
SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS**

Town Officers' Salaries:

Irma M. Gross, Clerk	\$ 225.00	\$
Geraldine Benton, Treasurer	300.00	
George O. Hall, Tax Collector	600.00	
Alfred Burbank, Jr., Selectman '76	625.00	
Albin S. Conkey, Selectman '77	625.00	
Arthur L. Gross, Selectman, Chr. '78	625.00	
F. Everett Steele, Sec. Trustee '75 '76	120.00	
Robert McGee, Overseer '75 '76	60.00	
Sara D. Harris '75	75.00	
Lois Ignaszewski	75.00	
		3,330.00

Town Officers' Expenses:

		Rev. Sharing Cont. Fund
John Dole Postmaster (Postage)	6.00	
Edith E. Holland, Reg. (Copies)	4.13	
Miss Madeleine Wilkinson '75 (Travel)	25.00	
Joe Lane (Adding Machine Repair)	24.00	
State of N.H., Boat Reports	.77	
N.H. City & Town Clerks Assoc., Dues	10.00	
New England Telephone, Phone	3.00	
John Dole, Postmaster, Postage	6.00	
Sears, Roebuck & Co., Repairs Typewriter	30.50	
Sara Harris, Auditors Expense	30.50	
Lois Ignaszewski, Auditors Expenses	25.00	
Clays News Stand, Inc. Supplies	13.68	
Wheeler & Clark, Dog Tags & Book	44.95	
N.H. Municipal Assoc., Dues	200.00	
Postmaster John Dole, Postage T.R.	204.00	
Clay's Newstand, Rolidex & Cards	56.14	
Irma M. Gross, 100 hrs. \$3.00 TR & Inv.	300.00	
Homestead Press, Prop. Bills	25.29	
Thornton Central School Eight Grade T.R.	72.00	
NHTCA, Tax. Col. Meeting	15.00	
Glen Press, T.R., Ballots, Stamp	1,015.83	35.67
Sceva Speare Mem. Hosp. W.D. Acct.	7.00	
Irma M. Gross, Auto Commissions		600.00
Arthur L. Gross, Expenses to date		89.39
Arthur L. Gross, Meeting (Concord) Exp.		15.80
Irma M. Gross, Part Commissions		150.00
Mountain Media, Inc. Rev. Sh. Notice	17.33	
Glen Press, Envelopes & Letterheads	350.00	
John Dole, Postage	34.58	

John Dole, Postage Tax Col.	48.60		
George O. Hall, Adv. & Expenses		494.90	
Clerical Assistance		200.00	
George Hail, Exp. Tax Sale	157.00		
Vilastimil J. Zak, M.D., W.D. Acct.	10.00		
Town Expenses	105.01		
N.E. Telephone	46.62		
John Dole	69.00		
Irma M. Gross		150.00	
Irma M. Gross, Town Expenses	222.00		
Charles A. Wood, Reg., Mortgage Search	350.00		
Drew, Flowers	10.00		
C.T.W. Valley C. of C. Fireworks	100.00		
Brown & Saltmarsh, Record Tax Sale	13.36		
Branham Publishing Co.	2.50		
Ronald Morrison, Bicent. Trophies	86.51		
Newfound Fife & Drum, Parade	75.00		
Country Travelers, Bicent. Dance	100.00		
George O. Hall, Convention Tax Col.	100.00		
Branham Publishing Co., Auto Book	17.15		
Brown & Saltmarsh Inc., Supplies	109.61		
Mountain Media Inc., Bill to Date	92.38		
Clays Newstand, Inc., Supplies	11.34		
Glen Press, Programs	45.00		
John Dole Post., Postage	76.50		
Arthur L. Gross, Exp. Meetings Concord	40.00		
George O. Hall, C.A. & Exp.	142.00		
Administrative Assistance			1,000.00
New England Telephone, Phone	98.01		
Homestead Press, Prop. Bills	45.82		
N.H. Assoc. Of Assessors, '77 Dues	10.00		
Administrative Assistance			2,000.00
Mountain Media, Supervisors Notices	17.60		
Brown & Saltmarsh Inc.	172.95		
Irma Gross, Expenses	90.83		
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	\$ 4,985.49	\$ 1,735.76	\$ 3,000.00
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Total Expenses		\$ 9,721.25	

Election & Registration:

Glen Press, Check Lists & Reg. Cards	122.00
Mountain Media, Supervisors Notice	13.50
Sharon Bradley, Assist. Clerk T.M.	10.00
Sara D. Harris, Primary Bal. Clerk	15.00
Beverly Trask, Primary Bal. Clerk	15.00
Jerri Levasseur, Primary Bal. Clerk	15.00
Carol Bradley, Primary Bal. Clerk	15.00
Clay's Newstand, Supervisors Supplies	6.52
Russell Gilman, Primary & T.M. Moderator	50.00

Jerri Levasseur, Ballot Clerk T.M.	19.55
Sara D. Harris, Ballot Clerk T.M.	19.55
Mountain Media Inc., Supervisors Notices	13.50
Thelessa Cheney, Supervisor	57.50
Evelyn Benton, Supervisor	25.00
Nellie Adams, Supervisor	57.50
Gordon MacIntosh, Moderator Sept.	34.50
Beverly Trask, Bal. Clerk Sept.	19.55
Sara D. Harris, Bal. Clerk Sept.	19.55
Beverly MacIntosh, Bal. Clerk Sept.	19.55
Heather Baldwin, Bal. Clerk Sept.	19.55
Sara D. Harris, Nov. Bal. Clerk	22.59
Heather Baldwin, Nov. Bal. Clerk	22.59
Mary Mayshark, Nov. Bal. Clerk	19.95
Jeri Levasseur, Nov. Bal. Clerk	19.42
Gordon MacIntosh, Nov. Moderator	32.25
Thelessa Cheney, Supervisor	43.50
Evelyn Benton, Supervisor	75.00
Nellie Adams, Supervisor	39.00
Dorothy Bradley, Supervisor	51.00
Arthur Gross, Dinners Sept. & Nov.	29.74

Police:

945.10

Robert H. McGee, Chief thru 2/76	123.50
Robert H. McGee, Chief thru Sept. '76	275.00
General Electric, Police Radio	1,413.00
Richard Merrill, Police Work	21.00
L.E. Downing, Police Work	40.00
Robert H. McGee, Chief thru 12/31	97.00

1,969.50

Town Hall & Other Town Buildings:

Thornton Bicentennial Acct., Matching Fund	900.00
Thornton School Dist., Rent Office	100.00
Plymouth Furniture Co., Carpet Select. Room	175.00
Curry's Carpet Shop, Carpet & Edging	44.50

1,219.50

Insurance:

Ayer Insurance Agency, Bonds, W.C. '76	442.00
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Noyes Insurance Agency, Buildings Ins.	41.00	
Ayer Insurance Agency, Truck	12.00	
Ayer Insurance Agency, Police Radios	95.00	
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		590.00
Sandwich Notch:		
On Appropriation		140.00
Maps:		
Planning Maps, Inc., On Appropriation		5,107.50
Fire Incl. Forest Fire:		
Campton Precinct Water Dept., 76 Hydrant Rt.	200.00	
Campton-Thornton Fire Dept., Appro. '75 Truck	8,325.13	
John Benton, Dep. Warden, Services	28.30	
Charles Kimball, Warden, Services	18.10	
Bert Benton, Warden, Services	21.10	
Carl Broad, Dep. Warden Services	18.10	
Kenneth Axon, Com. Approp. (\$909.29 Rev. Shar)	1,400.00	
Town of Plymouth, Fire R.D. Field	103.50	
Town of Campton, Fire R.D. Field	59.72	
William Drake, Com. on Approp.	2,450.00	
Bert Benton, Charging Battery for Fire Truck	2.00	
William Drake, Com. ;75 '76 Radios	700.00	
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		13,325.95
Health Incl. Hospital:		
Linwood Medical Center, On Approp.	1,000.00	
Pemi Baker Home Health Agency	985.50	
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		1,985.50
Highway Subsidy:		
International Salt Co., Salt	319.04	
Donald Mills, Snow Plowing	453.75	
Waterville Estates Assoc., Salt, Sand, Snowplow	265.00	
International Salt Co., Salt	370.49	
Roland C. Downing, Snowplowing	817.50	

Roland C. Downing, Snowplowing	562.50	
Neil Robertson, Winter	666.00	
Paul Robertson, Summer	75.00	
Neil Robertson, Summer	225.00	
Augusta Tank & Culvert Co., Culverts	1,020.60	
Metro Chem. Cor. Chem. Additive	140.10	
Campton Sand & Gravel Inc., Mill Brook	67.01	
Neil Robertson, Winter	568.00	
Donald Mills, Snow Plowing	234.00	
Donald Mills, Snow Plowing	202.50	
Neil Robertson, Winter	1,185.00	
International Salt Co., Salt	150.64	
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Vital Statistics

1976 Vital		29.00
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TAR

N.H. Bituminous Co., Inc., Tar		1,974.41
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Highways and Bridges:

Summer	7,449.31	
Winter	7,094.73	
Bridges	620.19	
Town Road Aid	509.58	
	<hr/>	15,673.81

Gen. Expenses of Highway Dept:

J.D. Robinson Inc., Bill to date	1.17
Campton Sand & Gravel Inc., Sand	180.60
E.W. Sleeper Co., Sander Repair	69.81
Hedge & Mathews Co., '75 Repair	37.50
Treasurer State of N.H., Sand Spreader	50.00
Russ Gilman & Sons Inc., Sander Repairs	7.30
Campton Sand & Gravel, Winter Sand	149.74
Pat & Larry's Gen. Store, Drainage Pipe	15.20
Campton Sand & Gravel, Sand & Gravel	102.36
Campton Sand & Gravel, C.B.R.	291.26
Avery's General, Shovel	6.49
Lynn Sign, 4 Signs & Posts	83.90
Irland Lumber Co., Railings Sp.	12.00

Whitehall Chemical Corp. of N.E., Sprayer	201.14
Waterville Estates Assoc., Add Salt	151.54
Campton Sand & Gravel, CBR & Cold Patch	530.76
Campton Sand & Gravel Inc.	91.27
Avery's Gen. Store	48.08
Roger Hoyt, Welding Sander	12.00
Campton Sand & Gravel Inc., C.B.R. & Cold Patch	186.21
Clarence Pulsifer, Plastic	66.19
Campton Sand & Gravel, Sand & Gravel	535.97
Campton Sand & Gravel, Winter Sand	201.26
International Salt Co., Salt	262.35
E.W. Sleeper Co., Fuel Pump	17.02
Russ Gilman & Sons, Oil for Sander	3.60

3,314.72

Dump

Donald Mills, Snow Plowing	30.00
Edward Harkins, Dump Care	132.50
Robert Whitehouse	946.19
Donald Mills, Snow Plowing Dump	45.00
Robert Whitehouse & Son, Dump Work	315.56
William Dickinson, Dump Care	137.50
William Dickinson, Sump Care	65.00
William Dickinson, Dump Care	77.50
Avery's Gen. Store, Lock & Keys	4.15
Donald Mills, Snow Plowing	75.00
William Dickinson, Dump Care	122.50
Donald Mills, Snow Plow Dump	15.00
William Dickinson, Dump Care	105.00
Rands, Lock & Key	6.14
Robert C. Whitehouse & Son, Dump Work	558.60
William Dickinson, Dump Care	105.00
Neil Robertson, Dump Care	105.00
Neil Robertson, Dump Fire	27.00
Donald Mills, Snow Plow Dump	15.00
Sitework Specialists, Dump Fire	18.00
William Dickinson, Dump Care	95.00
Robert C. Whitehouse & Son, Dump Work	661.50
William Dickinson, Dump Care	95.00
William Dickinson, Dump Care	112.00
William Dickinson, Dump Care	115.00

Robert C. Whitehouse & Son, Cover Dump	715.40	
William Dickinson, Dump Care	95.00	
Campton Cupboard, Gloves & Trash Bags	2.54	
Robert C. Whitehouse & Son, Cover Dump	201.14	
William Dickinson, Dump Care	105.00	
William Dickinson, Dump Care	95.00	
Robert C. Whitehouse & Son, Cover Dump	978.28	
William Dickinson, Dump Care	112.50	
William Dickinson, Dump Care	115.00	
Avery's Gen. Store, Lock & Keys	7.25	
William Dickinson, Dump Care	95.00	
William Dickinson, Dump Care	10.00	
Edward Harkins, Dump Care	85.00	
Edward Harkins, Dump Care	105.00	
Glen Press, Dump Stickers	148.00	
Rand's, Lock & Keys	8.14	
Edward R. Harkins, Dump Care	152.50	
Edward Harkins, Dump Care	95.00	
Robert C. Whitehouse & Son, Cover Dump	717.56	
Rebecca Pope, ½ Dump Rent '76 '77	1,500.00	
Mountain Media Inc., Dump Notice	21.00	
Donald Mills, Snow Plow Dump	45.00	
Ken Hoyt, Dump Care	105.00	
Robert C Whitehouse & Son, Cover Dump	531.65	
Campton Sand & Gravel Inc. CBR-Cold Patch	186.21	
Clarence Pulsifer, Plastic	66.19	
Mountain Media Inc., Dump Notice	21.00	
Donald Mills, Snow Plow Dump	45.00	
Edward Harkins	132.50	
Ken Hoyt, Dump Care	105.00	
Donald Mills, Snow Plow Dump	30.00	
Robert C. Whitehouse & Son, Cover Dump	531.65	
		\$ 9,925.10
Libraries		
1976 Appropriation		1,800.00
Old Age Assistance		
State of New Hampshire		1,069.00

Town Poor

Grafton County Nursing Home, D.D. Acct.	355.20	
Bud Burhoe, G.R. Acct.	365.00	
Grafton County Nursing Home, D.D. Acct.	1,912.47	
Bud Burhoe, G.R. Acct.	350.00	
Durgin Oil Co., G.R. Acct.	38.82	
	<hr/>	3,021.49

Memorial Day

Arthur Gross, Flag	13.00	
Geraldine Benton, Flowers for Urns	6.00	
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Lee

Bert Benton, Mad River Cemetery		226.81
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Cemeteries

Bert Benton, Paint Fences & Exp.	352.88	
Paul Steele, Paint Fence	101.00	
Bert Benton, All Cemeteries	792.29	
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Damages & Legal Exp.

Shute, Engel and Frasier, Legal Ex.	39.60	
Ray & Hopkins, Legal Advise	75.00	
Grafton County Sup. Court	7.00	
Shute, Engel and Frasier, Legal Fees	2,624.64	R.S.
Sanders & McDermott, Legal Exp.	2,600.00	R.S.
Ray & Hopkins, Legal Exp.	212.50	
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Advertising and Regional Assoc.

C.T.W.V.C. of C., on Approp. '75	250.00
White Mt. Regional Assoc., On Approp. '75	250.00
Campton, Thornton, Waterville C. of C., On Approp.	250.00

Discounts, Abatements & Refunds:

Maurice Alpaugh, Interest Refund	4.13
Lillian O'Haire, Overpay ref.	73.10
Lester Sabourn, Refund	3.30
Francis O'Conner, Ref. Int.	5.08
J. Angelopolis, Refund	10.97
Marianne Downing, Refund	5.92
D. Sheehan, Refund Int.	15.04
Steven F. Clem, Ref. Int.	17.33
Nat & Natalie Hartwell, Refund	6.73
N.H. Savings, Refund	112.69
Linda Weis, Overpayment	74.50
John & Myrtle Benton, Overpayment	50.04
Neil Robertson, Refund Woodstock Ck.	65.00
James Poyak, Refund	50.00

 493.83
Other Payments:

Taxes Bought by Town	29,909.81
Thornton Investment Fund	60,000.00
Thornton Investment Fund	1,243.41
County Tax	29,324.76
School District	265,879.75

 \$386,357.73

Total

 \$477,116.24

AUDITORS QUESTIONNAIRE
Revenue Sharing Fund
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1976
(June 30, 1977)

Town Auditors of Thornton, N.H.

Gentlemen:

Please answer the following questions relative to the audit of Revenue Sharing Funds, fill out the attached Report of Audit, and forward a copy of both to the Municipal Services Division, Department of Revenue Administration, 19 Pillsbury Street, Concord, New Hampshire, 03301, as soon as your audit is completed. Submit a copy of the Report of Audit for the Revenue Sharing Fund to the Selectmen for publication in the 1976 printed Town Report. This is required by Federal Regulations.

1. Did you verify the receipt of Revenue Sharing Funds and trace the receipt to the town records and bank statements? Yes.
2. Did the town establish a Revenue Sharing "Trust Fund:" Yes.
 If so—
 - (a) In separate account Books?
 - (b) In separate bank accounts? Yes.
3. Are any Revenue Sharing Funds not used, obligated, or appropriated invested in banks, certificates of deposit, etc.? Yes.
4. Did you verify the existance of the investments by sighting benk books or by correspondence? Yes.
5. Did you verify by computation the amount of interest earned on these investments? Coumpounded daily, impossible to compute.
6. Did you determine that Revenue Sharing Funds have been used, obligated or appropriated? Yes.
7. If not used, obligated or appropriated have you verified the unexpended balance? Yes.
8. Did you determine that Revenue Sharing Funds were used for "priority expenditures" as delineated in paragraph 3 in our memorandum? Yes.
9. Have you examined invoices, purchase orders and cancelled checks in support of expenditures? Yes.

10. Have you examined Planned and Actual Use Reports and verified that they were published in the media as required by Section 121 of the Act? Yes.
11. Did you determine that Revenue Sharing Entitlements have been appropriated or expended in accordance with the laws applicable to the expenditure of the Town's own revenues? Yes.
12. Did you determine that the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act have been complied with, if applicable? Non Applicable.
13. Did you determine whether individuals employed by the Town in positions or jobs financed by Revenue Sharing Funds have been paid at least prevailing wage rates, if applicable? Not Applicable.
14. Did you determine that Revenue Sharing Funds have not been used directly or indirectly to match other Federal funds? Yes.
15. Have Revenue Sharing Funds been transferred to a secondary recipient, i.e., to another unit of government? No.
16. If entitlement funds have been so transferred, have you examined the accounts of the secondary recipient? None.
17. Are the expenditures by such secondary recipients accounted for in this report? None.
18. Were any exceptions or instances of non-compliance noted in your review of the Revenue Sharing account? No.
19. The amount of unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds in the custody of the Town Treasurer on December 31, 1976, (June 30, 1977) amounted to \$13,855.96, as stated in the attached statement of revenue, expenditures, and fund balance.

Signed,

SARA D. HARRIS
JERALDINE N. LEVASSEUR

Auditor (s)
Town of Thornton

REPORT OF TOWN AUDIT
Town of Thornton, N.H.
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1976
(June 30, 1977)

REVENUE SHARING FUND

Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Fund Balance
 Available Funds — January 1, 1976

(July 1, 1976)		\$9,725.29
Add Revenue:		
Entitlement Payments	\$ 11,415.00	
Interest	624.96	
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School Appropriation, 1975, returned because of legal technicality	5,000.00	17,039.96
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Total Available Funds		\$ 26,765.25
Less Expenditures:		
Operating/Maintenance Expenses:		
Public Safety	\$ 3,000.00	
Financial Administration	7,000.00	
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Total Operating/Maintenance Expenses		\$ 10,000.00
Capital Expenditures:		
Education	\$ 2,000.00	
Fire Department	909.29	
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		\$ 2,909.29
Total Expenditures		<hr/> 12,909.29
Available Cash—Dec. 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977)		\$ 13,855.96
Total Operating Encumbrances		\$ none
Total Capital Encumbrances		<hr/> \$ none
Available Unobligated Funds—December 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977)		\$ 13,855.96

We have examined the accounts and records of the Revenue Sharing Fund of the Town of Thornton, N.H. for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977).

In our opinion, the above Statement of Revenue, Appropriations, Encumbrances, and Available Unobligated Funds presents fairly the revenue, expenditures and encumbrances incurred, and status of Revenue Sharing Funds of the Town of Thornton, N.H. for the year ended December 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977).

Signed,
 SARA D. HARRIS
 JERALDINE N. LEVASSEUR
 Auditors, Town of
 Thornton, N.H.

January 31, 1977

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Trustees of the Trust Funds for the year ending December 31, 1976 and found them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JERALDINE LEVASSEUR
 SARA D. HARRIS

Auditors

ROAD AGENT REPORT

	Labor	Machinery
Winter Maintenance 1976		
Contracted Work:		
Waterville Estates Assoc.	\$	\$ 498.25
Bud Burhoe (Culvert Repair)		55.00
Robert C. Whitehouse (Grader)		121.23
Alton Benton (Tractor)	12.00	12.00
Snow Removal:		
Donald Mills	341.25	540.00
Neil Robertson	1,040.00	1,796.00
Jack Bradley	16.00	24.00
Winter Sand:		
Neil Robertson (Salt)	389.00	665.00
Neil Robertson (Sand)	505.00	910.00
Tim Cushing (Truck)		120.00
Snow Fence:		
Neil Robertson	50.00	
Total Winter	\$ 2,353.25	\$ 4,741.48
Summer Maintenance:		
Neil Robertson	\$ 350.00	\$
Ditches and Culverts	220.00	220.00
Hauling Gravel	362.00	450.00
Digging Rock	304.00	527.00
Scraping	201.00	343.00
Hauling Brush	240.00	208.00
Patching	309.00	550.00
Cleaning Road & Shoulders	310.00	400.00
Other	378.00	569.00
Helpers:		
Richard Gilpatrick	81.00	
Donald Mills	36.00	
Paul Robertson	201.00	
Grader:		
Robert C. Whitehouse		401.31

Truck:		
Leigh Johnson		156.00
Mowing:		
Alton Benton		54.00
White Mountain Orchard		486.00
Sweeping Service:		
Waterville Estates Assoc.		25.00
Drill & Blast:		
Larry Thompson		60.00
Tree Work:		
Ken Hoyt	8.00	
Total Summer	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>	<u>\$4,449.31</u>

HIGHWAY SUBSIDY FUND
State of New Hampshire
Department of Public Works and Highways
R.S.A. 241:14 (1971)
Thornton, Subsidy Report No. 11
Period July 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976

State Allotment				\$ 3,626.06
Sub. Rep. #10	Bal. Forward			241.79
				\$ 3,867.85
Location Name of Road	Account Number	Week Ending		Amount
Mill Brook, Laborer	1927	8/03/76	\$	75.00
Mill Brook, Trucking & Labor	1928	8/03/76		225.00
All Town Roads, Culverts	1936	8/24/76		1,020.60
All Town Roads, Chemical Additive	47	12/10/76		140.10
Mill Brook, Crushed Bank Run	48	12/10/76		67.01
Mad River Area, Snow Plow Sanding	59	12/10/76		568.00
Gore & Mill Bk., Snow Plow	55	12/19/76		234.00
Gore & Mill Bk., Snow Plow	58	12/31/76		202.50
Mad River Rds., Snow Plow & Sanding	61	12/31/76		1,185.00
All Town Roads, Salt	62	12/31/76		150.64
Total				\$ 3,867.85

HIGHWAY SUBSIDY FUND
State of New Hampshire
Department of Public Works and Highways
R.S.A. 241:14 (1971)
Thornton, Subsidy Report No. 10
Period: Jan. 1, 1976 to June 30, 1976

State Allotment \$ 3,696.07

Location Name of Road	Account Number	Week Ending	Amount
All Town Roads, Salt Thornton Gore & Mill Brook	1756	01/06/76	\$ 319.04
Snow Plowing	1789	02/16/76	453.75
Chickenboro, Snow Plow, Salt & Sand	1792	02/16/76	265.00
All Town Roads, Salt	1800	02/16/76	370.49
M.L. Road GTWAY, Blake Mt. Area Snow Plow	1808	02/25/76	817.50
M.L. Road GTWAY, Blake Mt. Area Snow Plow	1871	05/04/76	562.50
Mad River Area, Sand All Roads Snow Plow and Sanding	1874	05/13/76	666.00
Total			\$ 3,454.28
Balance Forward			241.79

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON

On December 31, 1976

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DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				
				BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CAPITAL GAIN	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR
1/3/61	Gen. Cemetery Fund	Per. Care	C.T. 546 Sh. Puritan	4545.34			4545.34	87.95	330.33	330.00	87.95
	Div. on Above	Per. Care	C.T. Ply. Guar. Sav. Bank	1125.38		114.66	1240.04	87.95	106.33	106.33	
1/3/61	Walter I. Lee	M.R. Cem.	C.T. 287 Sh. Puritan	2388.70			2388.70		173.63	173.63	
	Div. on Above	M.R. Cem.	C.T. Ply. Guar. Sav. Bank	590.79		60.27	651.06		53.18	53.18	
1/3/61	Walter I. Lee	W.T. Lib.	287 S. Puritan	2388.70			2388.70		173.64	173.64	
	Div. on Above	W.T. Lib.	C.T. Ply. Guar. Sav. Bank	599.70		60.27	651.06	61.30	53.18	53.18	
1976-77	Individual Lots	Per. Care	C.T. Ply. Guar. Sav. Bank	2200.00	200.00		2400.00	61.30	177.15	166.70	71.75
4/9/70	Investment Fund	Care of Cem.	Not C.C.	525.00	175.00		700.00		30.44	30.44	
5/19/71	Bert Benton	Per. Care	Not C.T.	100.00			100.00	25.98	6.85		32.83
Totals				14454.70	375.00	235.20	15064.90	175.23	1104.73	1087.43	192.53

Expended 1976	226.81
Lee Fund, Mad River Cemetery	226.82
Lee Fund, W. Thornton Library	30.44
Investment Fund	603.36
Paid Bert Benton	1087.43
Total	1087.43

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Sandra G. Guiliano
 Frank E. Steele, Treas.
 Alice Steele
Trustees of Trust Funds

**TOWN OF THORNTON
INVESTMENT FUND**

Balance as of Dec. 31, 1975		\$ 51,560.93
Withdrawals		
June 30	\$ 25,000.00	
Sept. 3	7,000.00	
Sept. 20	10,000.00	
		- 42,000.00
		\$ 9,560.93
Interest Earned		
June 30	\$ 1,476.60	
Sept. 3	249.83	
Jan. 5	232.68	
		+ 1,959.11
		\$ 11,520.04
Deposits		
Jan. 5		60,000.00
Balance	\$ 71,520.04	

Geraldine Benton, *Treas.*

January 3, 1977

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR 1976

BOOKS CIRCULATED AND RELATED STATISTICS:

Adults	603
Children	1600
Magazines	21
Records	11
New Books Purchased	118
Adult Patrons Served	367
Juvenile Patrons Served	1401
Library Fines	\$11.23

BOOKMOBILE BOOKS LENT TO

THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Fiction	413
Non-Fiction	305
Juvenile	1147
Total Number of Visits to Library	3

THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS:

Tuesday 1:30—4:30 P.M.
 Thursday 10:A.M.—1:00 P.M., 1:30—4:30 P.M.
 Saturday 1:30 — 4:30 P.M.

MRS. SIBYL CANAAN, *Librarian*

January 1977

THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Statement — 1976

Cash on hand, 1/1/76		\$	303.55
Town Appropriation, 1976	1,800.00		
Gift, Thornton PTO, 8/76	100.00		
Walter Lee Trust, 12/76	226.82		
Other Income:			
Books sold & book fines	71.83		
Interest earned	18.41		
Adjust bank chg.	3.67		
IRS rebate	16.06		
	109.97		
Total receipts		\$2,236.79	
Paid Out:		\$	2,540.34
Books	327.74		
Magazines	20.00		
	347.74		
Expenses:			
Insurance	34.00		
Library Supplies	36.50		
Postage	8.94		
Service chg, \$3.50			
*Check book 3.67	7.17		
*IRS	15.61		
Telephone	1.56		
Travel	27.00		
Misc. (Adv.)	1.50		
Carpentry	37.50		
	169.78		
Salary		1,424.59	
Assets:			
Manual Typewriter	59.00		
Shelving	156.75		
	215.75		
Total paid out		\$ 2,157.86	\$ 2,157.86
Cash on hand 12/31/76			\$ 382.48

*Rebated, see other income.

Pemigewasset Nat'l Bank checking account	30.85	
Plymouth Guaranty Savings Account	351.63	
	<hr/>	\$ 382.48

Respectfully submitted,

Thornton Public Library

Mrs. Morris Patterson, *Chr.*

Mrs. Paul L. McDonald, *Treas.*

Mrs. John Hopper, *Sec'y.*

Board of Trustees

Sibyl Canaan, *Librarian*

THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
ANNUAL REPORT
1976

The Bicentennial year 1976 saw much growth in the Thornton Public Library. New shelving has been added to the rearranged and refurbished interior of the library and a very large, functional secretarial desk/worktable and chair for the anteroom have been very generously donated by Dr. and Mrs. John Hopper. Mr. and Mrs. Judge have also very graciously loaned the library their beautifully framed Currier and Ives prints of the Revolutionary War.

The library bought a total of 118 new books this year, 69 adult books and 49 juvenile books. The library has also purchased two new sets of encyclopedias, the 1968 edition of the Encyclopedia Americana, and the 1968 edition of the Book of Knowledge. We have added many more volumes that have been donated copies and we wish to thank all those who have given so freely to the library. There were three successive booksales during the year and a continuous booksale each Saturday afternoon during the summer. Besides entertaining at an Open House March 4th, the library sponsored a historical film on the Manchester Amoskeag Mills at the Bicentennial Talent Show. We also presented two film series, *Tom Brown's School Days*, a two week program, and the *Six Wives of Henry VIII*, a six-part six week series.

Story hours are continuing with the schoolchildren and because of the early dismissal, the library decided to change its hours slightly so that the children would have more time available to take advantage of the library. Public hours are now Tuesday 1:30—4:30 P.M.; Thursday 10:00—1:00 and 1:30—4:30 P.M.; Saturday 1:30—4:30 P.M. The library is also discussing possible plans for presenting State Library films free to children Saturday afternoons on a trial basis sometime next year.

The library is also deeply grateful for the nine years that Mrs. Ardelle Gilman spent as library trustee. Her untiring support and energy displayed true library service to our community. Mrs. Frances Hopper replaces Mrs. Gilman as our newest trustee.

The library warmly invites anyone who hasn't yet visited our new library to stop by and browse through our many new books. We always stand ready to help with any and all reference questions and we have direct and prompt access to the State Library in Concord for more complete service. The library wishes also to offer its facilities and assistance to any community organization or group needing it.

Board of Trustees

Mrs. Morris Patterson, *Chairman*
Mrs. Paul McDonald
Mrs. John Hopper
Mrs. Sibyl Canaan, *Librarian*

January 1977

CAMPTON—THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

This is the annual report to the people of Campton and Thornton. Our report on income and expenses is found in this town report.

Your fire department has gone through another year under trying times. Yes, we finally received the new truck which has been a big help. It was equipped with an AM radio for the time being. The Turret gun was installed which was purchased by the Women's Auxiliary. The firemen have been very happy with this piece of equipment added to the new truck. The Fire Commissioners and Firemen want to thank the Women's Auxiliary for this piece of equipment and the two air packs.

We have been active in the Twin Rivers Mutual Aid this year. Campton has received much needed help from these member towns and we have answered a number of calls to help in other towns of the members of Twin Rivers.

The towns of Campton, Thornton and Waterville Valley have signed an agreement on fighting fires in each town. We have had a good working agreement for years but the Selectmen felt that a signed agreement would let us all know where we stand.

These Firemen have had another rough year answering all types of calls, some big, some small and some false alarms. Please use the Campton Red network 726-4411 to report fire and not to get information. Use phone 726-3300 for information.

We still need much equipment to get a top quality fire department and hope to secure some each year.

Two main problems before the department now are what to do about the rusted body of the GMC Pumper (see article in warrant) and a firehouse to house all our equipment. We failed to be awarded the grant applied for under the Public Works Act of 1976. There is, also, a need of a fire station location in the West Thornton area. The Commissioners still are looking for a small building to rent, lease or buy to house a couple of trucks in that area.

The Selectmen and Commissioners have agreed to push for this location this year and wait for another year on our main fire station. We are still looking into the federal grant area on the main station even though we lost round one.

Chief David Tobine and the firemen of this department have worked long and hard this year covering all types of calls. The Commissioners hope the towns people will back these men in their needs for the coming years.

John L. Dole
Robert Mardin
Harold Luttmann
William Drake
Kenneth Axon
Fire Commissioners

CAMPTON—THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

1/2/76 Balance Brought Forward		\$ 4,054.46
	Receipts	
Town of Campton	\$ 23,910.97	
Town of Thornton	12,875.13	
Town of Ellsworth—Donation	100.00	
Kings Court Inn, Inc. — Use of Equipment	37.50	
Neil Robertson—Tires	75.00	
		36,998.60
Total Available		41,053.06
Total Expenditures		36,068.79
Balance		\$ 4,984.27

Detail of Expenditures

Equipment		\$ 26,823.60
Ward LaFrance Truck Corp.	\$ 23,786.10	
F.M. Radio Escrow Acct.	3,037.50	
Insurance		1,646.05
Ayer Insurance Agency	1,423.55	
Noyes Insurance Agency	222.50	
Utilities:		2,012.51
Public Service Co. of N.H.	328.73	
New England Telephone	515.53	
Waterville Estates Association	180.65	
Durgin Oil Co.	962.35	
Campton Precinct Water Dept.	25.25	
Parts, Repairs, Supplies:		2,278.63
Belknap Tire Co., Inc.	45.00	
Kidder's Radio & Electronics	143.35	
93 Clearing House Mobil	45.96	
Middlesex Fire Equipment Co.	147.26	
Pat & Larry's General Store	735.38	
Brooks Auto Supply	103.51	
Laconia Fire Equipment Co.	85.98	
Bartlett Motors	180.80	
Twin Rivers Mutual Aid	5.00	
Postmaster—Campton, N.H.	71.45	

REPORT OF DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF AND TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Since its beginning in 1893, the State Forestry Department has recognized the fact that forest fire prevention and suppression is a joint state and town or city responsibility. Local authorities recommend names of persons to the State Forester, who appoints one person as town or city fire warden and several other persons as town or city deputy fire wardens to a three year term.

The local forest fire warden controls the kindling of all outside fires, when the ground is not covered with snow, by issuing a written permit for kindling a fire. Permits are only issued at such times and in such places as the fire warden deems as safe.

The State Forest Fire Service trains the local forest fire organization in modern forest fire prevention and suppression tactics. The State also provides backup personnel and equipment for suppression and prevention activities.

The combination of State and local forces has resulted in one of the smallest acreage loss due to forest fires in the United States for the past 20 years.

1976 Forest Fire Statistics

	<i>No. of Fires</i>	<i>No. of Acres</i>
State	746	294
District	18	33
Town	1	10

John Q. Ricard
District Fire Chief

Bert T. Benton
Forest Fire Warden

THORNTON PLANNING BOARD

The Thornton Planning Board continues to meet on the third Thursday of each month, and has been fairly active this past year thanks to the continuing interest and devotion of most members.

We have had some discussions on possible changes in our ordinance, but are not proposing any this year. Our invitation to the community to present suggestions ended with zero participation. We will try again this year.

Some of our other town Boards, particularly the Board of Adjustment, have had a hard time keeping their members. We have proposed to the Selectmen that they attempt to build the membership of this very important board to its required number, and then have the members elected as stated in our zoning ordinance.

Anyone who has an interest in serving on a board should contact its chairman and/or the selectmen.

The North Country Council has been very helpful whenever we have asked for assistance. We will receive from them if we ask for it and I would like to see more use of their services by all departments of the town.

In accordance with State of New Hampshire regulations the following members are recorded with Irma Gross, Town Clerk.

Thomas Anderson	Term Expires 1977
Barbara Brown	Term Expires 1978
Jack Bradley	Term Expires 1979
Donald Manning	Term Expires 1980
Donald Mills	Term Expires 1981
Clarence Gregory	Term Expires 1981
Selectman	Albin Conkey

JACK BRADLEY
Chairman

PEMI-BAKER HOME HEALTH AGENCY, INC.

December 20, 1976

Town of Thornton
Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

The Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency request that the appropriation of \$1,470 be included in the budget for fiscal 1977. This amount is computed on a per capita basis @ 2.00, determined by the census figures as received from the State Office of Comprehensive Planning in Concord, for 1976.

1977 appropriation request: \$1,470.
(1976 State Census: 735)

Very truly yours,

Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency, Inc.
by Dorothy Westberg

Your local representative: Carolyn Wolfe (Mrs. Peter)

TOWN REPORT FOR 1976 FROM NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL, Inc.

The Council provided information on solid waste, and cluster zoning.

The Council assisted the N.H. Public Utilities Commission in preparing an application for Economic Development Administration funds which are being used to improve the Concord-to-Lincoln rail line.

On a regional level, North Country Council, Inc. completed the overall Economic Development Program, a blueprint for increasing the region's economic potential. The Council assisted several communities in making progress with the development of their Industrial Parks, projects which will benefit residents of adjacent communities. With the passage of the Local Public Works Act of 1976, the Council provided some form of technical assistance to 25 potential grant applicants. A wood utilization project is investigating how forest products, the region's most important natural resource, can be used more advantageously to the region's benefit. Word was received in late 1976 that the Federal Highway Administration approved the Public Transportation Demonstration project.

On a community planning level, in addition to local technical services, the Council prepared a report entitled "Model Subdivision Regulations" as a guide for local planning boards. A series of four lectures on planning board activities was sponsored in the spring; the Council co-sponsored a series of five municipal law lectures in September and October. Both were well attended. "Guidelines for Municipal Tax Mapping" provides communities with information on what to look for when preparing a tax map.

Planning News, the Council's quarterly newsletter, disseminates useful information on community planning, economic development, state legislation, court decisions, and general activities to interested persons in town. A town resident can be placed on the mailing list by contacting the town's NCC representative or the Council office in Franconia, N.H., at 823-8108.

In helping communities with their planning, the Council attends approximately 200 night meetings a year.

In 1977, the Council will continue to provide community planning services to member municipalities. The Council will complete work on a Land Use Program and Housing Program in 1977. Efforts to help communities with economic development will continue. The Council's

Economic Development Committee will be investigating the probable impact of the lessening of energy supplies for the North Country and how the Council can assist through the community and regional planning process.

The Council sincerely appreciates and thanks the town for its support and participation. The support and participation of the town has enabled the Council to provide an impressive package of local and regional services.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack L. Bradley

Donald Mills

NCC Representatives

GIC/jjh

**WHITE MOUNTAINS REGION ASSOCIATION
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Chairman, Budget Committee
and/or Selectmen
Town Office, Thornton, N.H.

Gentlemen :

Your White Mountains Region Association is requesting continued support with its work in 1977 with an appropriation from the Town of Thornton.

Please note the formula under which the Association makes the 1977 request has been modified, the effect being a reduction in that request. The old formula called for 7 cents per \$1,000 of valuation based on the most recent "Total Equalized Valuation Table" published by the N.H. Tax Commission. The new formula calls for a reduction from 7 cents to 5 cents per \$1,000 of valuation.

The officers and directors of your Association have taken this action because they feel the State's equalized valuation, upon which your Association computes town requests, in recent years has increased much too dramatically. A 2 cent reduction, then, is a significant attempt to put the "brakes on" such increases during this period of inflation.

However, your Association hopes the selectmen and/or the budget committee realizes the importance of Thornton appropriating the full amount. In addition to supporting on-going projects and activities, local support (much of it community appropriations) has a significant impact on the amount of State funds your Association will receive during 1977. For example, because so many communities appropriated funds in 1976, your Association received significant additional State funds. Some of these added funds already have been used in support of community projects. Lisbon, Twin Mountain, Franconia, Sugar Hill, Bath, Haverhill, and Jefferson have received funds or will receive them shortly. Other communities undoubtedly will be recipients in the future.

Finally, your Association does/will continue to benefit your community and its businesses through its vacation-travel promotions which help to support the room and meals tax, a portion of which is returned to Thornton. For example, in 1976 Thornton received \$4,894.91.

Therefore, according to our records, the total 1974 (latest) equalized valuation for the Town of Thornton was \$18,554,857. The Association, therefore, is asking for an appropriation of \$927.74.

Please find enclosed a 1976 annual report outlining the Association's finances, and activities. (Please note, while inadvertently deleted in the annual report, the Association still continues its financial support of 4-H activities in Grafton, Carroll and Coos Counties, and also continues its support of the N.H. Christmas Tree industry.) I have also enclosed a summary of the Association's activities for the 1975-76 fiscal year which usually is printed in your town's annual report.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Association. Either myself or a director would be most happy to meet with the board to answer such questions.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and look forward to Thornton's support in 1977.

For the officers and directors of the White Mountains Region Association, I am,

Sincerely,

White Mts. Region Association

Edward G. Pinkerton,
Executive Director

EGP:es

Encls.

P.S. We assume you have been receiving copies of *Outlook* magazine.

NEW HAMPSHIRE HUMANE SOCIETY

Office of Selectmen
Town of Thornton
Thornton, N.H.

Gentlemen:

Here are the totals on the number of animals from the Town of Thornton brought to the N.H. Humane Society Shelter during the year 1976.

By your Animal Control Officer:

Dogs and pups	0
Cats and Kittens	0
	—
Total	0

By Thornton Residents:

Dogs and pups	13
Cats and Kittens	11
	—
Total	24

Total number of dogs, pups cats and kittens from the Town of Thornton	24
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Am enclosing copies of the report on all towns that used the Shelter facilities and services in 1976.

Every town has stray and animal problems. We encourage the Town of Thornton and especially the animal control officers to use our services more in 1977. The new addition will soon be open providing additional space for stray animals.

Sincerely,
FRITZ T. SABBOW
Executive Director

NEW HAMPSHIRE HUMANE SOCIETY
REPORT on TOWNS 1976

Town	Dog- Pup	Cat- Kit	Town	Dog- Pup	Cat- Kit
Alton	48	54	Deerfield	4	4
Andover	20	14	Durham	1	0
Ashland	78	70	Derry	0	3
Barnstead	21	23	Enfield	0	2
Belmont	54	27	Grafton	7	6
Bridgewater	20	12	Groton	8	0
Bristol	83	69	Grantham	1	0
Campton	26	11	Groveton	2	1
Canaan	30	22	Hebron	7	25
Ct. Harbor	46	58	Hillsboro	1	0
Ct. Sandwich	26	49	Hanover	1	0
Danbury	37	23	Hopkinton	2	0
Farmington	20	56	Jefferson	0	2
Franklin	77	86	Lancaster	6	0
Gilford	93	48	Littleton	8	7
Gilmanton	44	53	Loudon	1	0
Hill	24	21	Lochmere	1	1
Holderness	29	23	Middleton	2	0
Laconia	967	749	Melvin Village	1	11
Lincoln	23	13	Mirror Lake	1	5
Meredith	277	175	Madison	0	5
Milton	11	15	Merrimack	1	0
Moultonboro	51	20	Out of State	23	26
New Hampton	62	44	Newbury	1	0
Northfield	8	12	New Durham	2	12
Plymouth	89	94	Newport	3	3
Rumney	42	21	Ossipee	14	15
Sanbornton	36	26	Pittsfield	16	19
Thornton	13	11	Penacook	1	0
Tilton	79	61	Pike	1	0
Tuftonboro	19	11	Rye	1	0
Wentworth	13	24	Raymond	0	4
Wolfeboro	21	17	Rochester	2	5
Woodstock	23	10	Suncook	2	0
*****			Somersworth	1	1
Alexandria	1	3	Salisbury	0	4

Allenstown	1	0	Silver Lake	2	0
Beebe River	8	3	Sanbornville	12	0
Berlin	5	3	Springfield	3	0
Boscawen	1	0	Squam Lake	1	0
Bedford	1	0	Sunapee	1	0
Bethlehem	2	0	Tamworth	5	5
Bath	1	0	Twin Mountain	0	6
Barrington	2	0	Union	0	5
Concord	10	13	Unknown	32	64
Chocorua	6	0	Whitefield	1	1
Conway	4	1	Winnisquam	1	4
Canterbury	12	6	Warner	13	14
Stafford Ct.	0	5	Warren	14	0
Candia	3	0	Wilmot	1	0
Dorchester	0	2	Waterville Va.	0	5

1976 STATISTICS

Total stray or unwanted dogs and pups	2775
Total stray or unwanted cats and kittens	2323
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Total animals received at the shelter	5098
Number of stray animals left by animal control officers	828
Number of cities/towns using the society's shelter 1976	101
Other non-domestic animals received at the shelter	143

Births Registered in the Town of Thornton, N.H. for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1976

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Birthplace of Mother	Birthplace of Father
2/13/76	Michael Scott Leonard	M	Michael Scott Leonard	Lindsey Maric Smythe	Thornton	Mass.	N. H.
3/14/76	Patrick Terence Scott	M	Terence Michael Scott	Carol Ann Wall	Thornton	Mass.	England
5/3/76	Dominic Martin Lucente	M	Dominic Martin Lucente	Kathryn Young	Thornton	Mass.	Mass.
5/24/76	Samuel Joseph Brown	M	Kerney Harold Brown	Ruth Helen Jache	Thornton	N. H.	Vt.
7/1/76	Jamie Irene Poyak	F	James Moore Poyak	Susan Gay Schwanke	Thornton	Ill.	Ohio
7/17/76	Jennifer Naomi Joyce	F	Walter George Joyce	Terry Emma Gilman	Thornton	N. H.	N. H.
9/11/76	Kyle Christopher Reynolds	M	Timothy Holman Reynolds	Paula M. Lapham	Thornton	N. H.	N. Y.
12/20/76	Jessica Ann Demers	F	Leslie James Demers	Deborah Jean Burhoc	Thornton	N. H.	N. H.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Thornton, N.H. for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1976

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name & Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Date of Birth of Each	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom Married
1/26/76	Campton	Michael D. Leonard Lindsey Marie Smythe	Thornton Thornton	8/31/57 4/20/59	N. H. Mass.	Richard Leonard Priscilla Drown Robert Smythe	N. H. N. H. Mass. Mass.	William A. Siwert Minister Campton
2/14/76	Thornton	Harold A. Hughen Karen Morrison	Thornton Thornton	7/21/55 6/22/56	Germany N. H.	Marilyn O'Sullivan Willard Hughen Elfriede Hinkleman John Morrison	Mass. Mass. Germany N. H.	Howard Lawrence Minister Woodstock
3/20/76	Thornton	Donald M. McDonald Mary M. Boyce	Holderness Thornton	12/30/55 2/21/58	N. H. N. H.	Doris Hodgson Alan MacDonald Arlene Kimball Lyman Boyce	N. H. Vt. Maine N. H.	Howard Lawrence Minister Woodstock
5/15/76	Thornton	Robert W. Adams Carolyn Emma Boyce	Holderness Thornton	6/23/53 2/28/55	N. H. N. H.	Emma Pearl Knapp Leroy Adams Bulah Vintinner Lyman Boyce	Kansas Maine Canada N. Y.	Horace A. Morse Justice of the Peace Plymouth
7/30/76	Thornton	Denis F. Keating Madonna M. Avellino	Thornton Arizona	11/13/41 1/18/47	Mass. N. H.	Francis Keating Anna Flynn Robert Provençal Germaine Simoneau	Kansas Mass. Mass. N. H.	Justice of the Peace
8/14/76	Thornton	Robert Bruce Clay Susan Jane Holbrook	Plymouth Thornton	8/30/53 1/6/54	Plymouth N. H.	John Clay Jessie Hieken Raymond Holbrook Phyllis Benton	N. Y. Canada Vt. N. H.	Philip Polhemus Minister Plymouth

Marriages (Continued)

9/25/76	Thornton	Charles F. Surette	Thornton	11/18/46	Mass.	Leslie R. Surette Mary Laveine Roger Mace Margaret St. Marie Ira Fraser Mary Randall	Nova Scotia Mass. N. H. Maine Mass. Wisconsin	Howard Lawrence Minister Woodstock
9/25/76	Campton	Nancy Mace Robert R. Fraser	Thornton	4/12/51 7/22/57	N. H. Mass.			William Siwert Minister Campton
10/2/76	Thornton	Linda M. Flanders Stephen A. Orlich	Thornton	1/28/55 7/27/50	N. H. N. J.	Millie M. Flanders Peter Orlich	N. H. N. Y.	Mark Greene Minister Center Harbor
12/24/76	No. Woodstock	Lizbeth Alene Carnie Robert G. Coffin Joanne M. Welch	Ashland Ashland Laconia Thornton	7/23/53 5/27/34 5/2/46	N. Y. N. H. N. H.	Carol Sartore Lester Coffin Mildred Camp Eric Anderson Olive Littlefield	N. J. N. H. N. H. N. J. N. H.	Everett J. LaPointe Minister No. Woodstock

Deaths Registered in the Town of Thornton, N.H. for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1976

Date of Death 1976	Place of Death	Name & Surname of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	Marital Status	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1/13/76	Thornton	Dorothy (Cook) Hayward	80	Somerville, Mass.	F	W	Housewife	Forrest D. Cook	Florence Ada Hurford
6/11/76	Thornton	Rena Olive Drake	68	Woodstock, N. H.	F	W	Housewife	Freeman Sellingham	Hattie Adams
7/22/76	Hanover	Jennifer Naomi Joyce	5 days	Plymouth, N. H.	F			Walter G. Joyce	Terry D. Gilman
8/5/76	Meredith	Florence M. Libby	88	Maine	F	W	Housewife		
8/16/76	Littleton	Lewis Stephen Hanson	70	No. Woodstock	M	M	Rest. Prop.	Ira Hanson	Eliza Bagley
10/17/76	Hanover	Charles Cecil Towers	74	Canada	M	M	Ret. Draper Corp.	Julius C. Towers	Mary Raine
10/21/76	Thornton	Winifred Lydia Corkum	86	No. Woodstock	F	W	Housewife	Henry Dearborn	Jennie Gerrish
11/10/76	Plymouth	Chester H. Brown, Jr.	62	Conn.	M	M	Ret. Teacher	Chester H. Brown, Sr.	Bertha Nichols

THORNTON SCHOOL REPORT

OFFICERS OF THE THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board	Term Expires
Jack Bradley	1977
Dorothy Anderson	1978
Jeraldine Levasseur	1979
Heather Baldwin	1977
Alton Benton	1979

Treasurer and Clerk

Jan Dow

Auditors

Lois Ignaszewski

Sara Harris

Moderator

Gordon MacIntosh

Superintendent

Donald H. Cosgrove

Assistant Superintendent

Daniel A. Cabral

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Thornton, in the County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Thornton Central School in said District on the seventeenth day of March, 1977, at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon and to cast your ballots from that hour until 8:00 o'clock in the evening of said day for candidates for the following District Officers:

1. Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. Clerk-Treasurer for the ensuing year.
3. Two School Board members for the ensuing three years.

You are also notified to meet at the same place at 8:00 o'clock in the evening of the same day to act upon the following subjects:

4. To see if the District will vote to choose all necessary school officers at the same time and place as town officers are chosen, pursuant to R.S.A. 197:1-a (Supp.), commencing with the March, 1978, meeting.
5. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to negotiate for and execute on behalf of the District tuition contracts with other School Districts for one year.
6. To see if the District will vote to provide transportation to school for all students in the Town of Thornton enrolled at the Plymouth AREA High School, provided that said students or their parents shall pay a portion of the costs of said transportation as determined by the School Board.
7. To see if the District will vote to provide kindergarten for children within the District, and to that end, will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,634.00 to establish a kindergarten class within the District.
8. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,210.00 to pay for tuition and transportation charges for kindergarten pupils in Thornton to attend the Campton kindergarten.
9. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to accept and expend on behalf of the School District revenue sharing

money from the Town of Thornton to be used for the purchase of a fuel oil tank.

10. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to make application for, accept, and expend on behalf of the School District all gifts, advances, grants-in-aid, or other funds for educational purposes, as may now or hereafter be available or forthcoming from the United States government, the State of New Hampshire, or any other federal, state, or local agency.
11. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials, employees and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District.
12. To see what action the District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers.
13. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Thornton this second day of March, 1977.

JACK BRADLEY
 DOROTHY ANDERSON
 JERALDINE LEVASSEUR
 HEATHER BALDWIN
 ALTON BENTON
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest

JACK BRADLEY
 DOROTHY ANDERSON
 JERALDINE LEVASSEUR
 HEATHER BALDWIN
 ALTON BENTON
School Board

1977-1978 THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

<i>Purpose of Appropriation</i>	<i>1976-77 Approved Budget</i>	<i>1977-78 Recom. Budget</i>
110 Salaries of District Officers	\$ 925.00	\$ 1,325.00
135 Contracted Services	710.00	730.00
190 Other Expenses of Administration	510.00	715.00
210.1 Salary of Principal	10,700.00	12,100.00
210.3 Salaries of Teachers		
Regular Teachers	50,935.00	60,085.00
Substitutes	1,500.00	1,500.00
210.5 Clerical	2,035.00	2,775.00
210.9 Aides	8,360.00	3,800.00
215 Textbooks	1,100.00	800.00
220 Library and AV Materials	1,200.00	1,300.00
230 Teaching Supplies	5,000.00	4,200.00
235 Contracted Services	1,050.00	1,205.00
290 Other Expenses for Instruction	2,609.00	2,720.00
410 Salary of Nurse	1,000.00	1,400.00
490 Health Supplies	125.00	125.00
535 Pupil Transportation—Contracted	11,500.00	11,750.00
576 Expenditures of Lieu of Transportation	2,700.00	3,125.00
610 Salary of Custodians	3,800.00	4,500.00
630 Custodial Supplies	700.00	725.00
635 Contracted Services	25.00	30.00
640 Heat	3,500.00	4,700.00
645 Electricity and Telephone	3,050.00	4,190.00
690 Other Custodial Expenses	—0—	30.00
725 Replacement of Equipment	120.00	225.00
726 Repairs to Equipment	300.00	200.00
735 Contracted Services Maintenance	150.00	650.00
766 Repairs to Building	100.00	100.00
790 Other Expenses	100.00	100.00
850.2 District Share of Teachers' Retirement	1,606.00	1,786.00
850.3 District Share of FICA	4,816.50	5,327.00
855 Insurance	1,760.00	2,030.00
890 Health Insurance Plan	1,600.00	1,680.00
910 Salaries for School Lunch Program	4,100.00	3,800.00
975 Federal Reimbursements— Lunch Program	3,000.00	3,000.00
District Monies—Lunch Program (Loan)	500.00	—0—
1075 Student Body Activities		
Coaches Salaries	600.00	750.00
General Support—Athletics	370.00	500.00
1267 Equipment—Not built-in	2,430.00	3,000.00
1370 Principal of Debt	65,000.00	65,000.00
1371 Interest on Debt	19,012.50	14,788.00
1477.1 Tuition—High School	91,760.00	93,924.00
1477.2 Transportation to other Schools	950.00	1,061.00

1477.3 Supervisory Union Expenses	7,337.00	8,948.00
1478.1 Tuition/Out-of-State	1,900.00	1,061.00
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Total Appropriations	\$320,546.00	\$331,760.00

REVENUES AND CREDITS AVAILABLE TO REDUCE SCHOOL TAXES

	Adopted Revenues 1976-1977	Estimated Revenues 1977-1978
Unencumbered Balance	47,848.08	—0—
Revenue from State Sources		
Sweepstakes	5,266.09	4,000.00
School Building Aid	19,500.00	19,500.00
Revenue from Federal Sources:		
National Forest Reserve	1,500.00	1,500.00
Sch. Lunch & Special Milk Program	3,000.00	3,000.00
PL 89-10 (ESEA) Title	3,000.00	6,000.00
Local Revenue Except Taxes:		
Rent		100.00
Other Revenue from Local Sources—		
Revenue Sharing	2,000.00	2,800.00
Hot Lunch Loan	500.00	
Total School Revenues & Credits	<hr/> \$ 82,614.17	<hr/> \$ 36,900.00
District Assessment	237,931.83	294,860.00
Total Revenues and District Assessment	<hr/> \$320,546.00	<hr/> \$331,760.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

<i>Date</i>	<i>From Whom</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
8/6/75	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—April	\$ 522.04
8/6/75	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—May	660.52
8/6/75	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—State Money Only	37.41
9/5/75	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	5,000.00
9/12/75	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—June	466.17
9/12/75	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—Sept.	372.80
9/12/75	State of N.H.	Title III	67.20
9/19/75	State of N.H.	Sweepstakes	3,548.82
9/23/75	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	5,000.00
9/30/75	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	5,500.00
10/15/75	State of N.H.	Oct. adv. pay.	594.55
10/30/75	State of N.H.	Title III	203.27
10/30/75	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	2,500.00
11/13/75	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	9,500.00
11/25/75	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	3,000.00
11/25/75	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—Nov.	542.90
11/30/75	Int. on Savings to 11/1/75		6.92
12/11/75	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	10,000.00
12/19/75	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	20,000.00
12/24/75	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—Dec.	462.96
12/31/75	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	30,000.00
1/8/76	Town of Thornton	School, Nat. For. ½	1,442.65
1/24/76	Students	Ski Transport.	92.50
1/30/76	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—Jan.	613.72
1/30/76	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	20,000.00
2/4/76	State of N.H.	Nat. For. Reserve	66.13
2/4/76	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—Sept. Act.	247.10
2/23/76	Town People	Filing for Office	5.00
2/25/76	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch-Feb. (Oct. Nov.)	351.80
2/26/76	Students	Ski Transport.	48.00
2/28/76	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	30,000.00
3/1/76	Interest on Savings Acct.		2.81
3/9/76	Merchants Nat. Bank	Interest on Bonds	7,610.47
3/4/76	State of N.H.	October adj.	233.24
3/22/76	Town People	Filing for Office	4.00
3/29/76	Students	Ski Transport.	76.00
3/29/76	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—Mar., Nov.	784.80
4/1/76	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch—Dec. Act.	320.12
4/2/76	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	20,000.00
4/28/76	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	20,000.00

4/29/76	Super. Union #48	Title I—1975-1976	3,620.07
5/8/76	N.E. Merchants	Trans. for Check	9.62
6/9/76	Town of Thornton	On Approp.	10,000.00
6/10/76	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch Apr.—Feb.	977.11
6/10/76	State of N.H.		130.82
6/18/76	Interest on Sav. Acct.		229.04
6/25/76	State of N.H.	Hot Lunch Apr. Act.	536.64
6/29/76	Town of Thornton	Final Approp.	53,879.75
6/30/76	Thornton School Dist.		2,045.50
Total Receipts During Yr.			<u>\$271,312.43</u>

THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

DISBURSEMENTS

July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976

110	Salaries of District Officers:		
	Treasurer—Carol Haartz	\$	250.00
	School Board		
	Phyllis Holbrook		250.00
	Jack Bradley		200.00
	Dorothy Anderson		200.00
	Gordon MacIntosh		35.00
			\$ 935.00
135	Contracted Services:		
	Auditors		80.00
	Attorneys' Fees		1,039.03
	Ballot Clerks		108.00
	Census Taker		50.00
			1,277.03
190	Other Expenses of Administration:		
	School District Reports		439.00
	Advertising		53.63
	Bond Preparation		3,390.31
	Miscellaneous		50.00
	Treasurer's Expenses		36.60
			3,969.54
210.1	Principal's Salary		
	Philip McCormack		10,000.00
			10,000.00
210.3	Teachers' Salaries		
	W. Mills Davis		8,900.00
	Wayne Demers		7,700.00
	Barbara Goodnough		2,160.00
	Ann Knowles		8,300.00
	Elizabeth Lowden		10,300.00

	Elizabeth Ray	1,575.00	
	Inez Shanley	7,700.00	
	Bette Bourque	137.50	
	Peter Cofran	50.00	
	John Dopkin	25.00	
	Hope Dietz	50.00	
	Michael Hanley	100.00	
	Elizabeth Haartz	12.50	
	Susan Kmon	75.00	
	Cynthia Litchfield	175.00	
	Althea Loomis	412.50	
	Maria McElwee	75.00	
	Constance Rhines	25.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 47,772.50
210.5	Clerical		
	Margaret Hamilton	1,990.00	
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210.9	Aides		
	Elizabeth Carlson	1,260.00	
	Lynn Ciampa	2,250.06	
	Hope Dietz	2,249.94	
		<hr/>	5,760.00
215	Textbooks	503.13	
		<hr/>	503.13
220	Library and Audio Visual Aids	1,657.19	
		<hr/>	1,657.19
230	Teaching Supplies	4,523.90	
		<hr/>	4,523.90
235	Contracted Services:		
	Testing	160.37	
	N.H. Network	119.00	
		<hr/>	279.37

290 Other Expenses of Instruction:

	Staff Development		
	W. Mills Davis	90.00	
	Wayne Demers	93.00	
	Ann Knowles	90.00	
	Elizabeth Lowden	24.00	
	Phillip McCormack	187.00	
	Inez Shanley	251.00	
	Elizabeth Carlson	25.00	
	Field Trips	525.00	
	Graduation Expenses	68.40	
	Postage, Printing, Office Supplies	297.69	
	Professional Subscriptions	115.19	
	Films	24.90	
	Squam Lakes Science Center	109.90	
	Project RISE	250.00	
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410	Salary of Nurse		2,150.18
	Sharon Avery	1,300.00	
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			1,300.00
490	Health Supplies	116.38	
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			116.38
535	Pupil Transportation—Contracts		
	D. Manning	11,500.00	
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			11,500.00
576	Expenditures in lieu of Transportation		
	C. Bradley	2,000.00	
	B. Benton	882.00	
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			2,882.00
610	Salary of Janitor		
	F. Steele	3,518.21	
	A. Steele	95.48	
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			3,613.69
630	Custodial Supplies	628.94	
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			628.94

640	Heat	4,419.58	
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645	Utilities:		
	Telephone	437.11	
	Electricity	3,305.49	
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726	Repairs to Equipment		
	Julius Office Machines	55.00	
	N.H. Audio Vue, Inc.	67.15	
	Taft Business Machines	57.55	
	Smith's Northern Electronics	28.55	
	Russ Gilman & Sons	10.58	
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735	Contracted Services	361.47	
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766	Repairs to Buildings	403.83	
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790	Other Expenses/Maintenance	120.50	
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850.2	District Share of Teachers' Retirement	1,183.10	
		<hr/>	1,183.10
850.3	District Share of FICA	4,466.83	
		<hr/>	4,466.83
855	Insurance		
	Treasurer's Bond	25.00	
	Property	1,579.00	
	Workmen's Compensation	160.00	
		<hr/>	1,764.00
890	Health Insurance Plan	793.72	
		<hr/>	793.72

910	Salaries for Hot Lunch Program		
	Florence Anderson	1,900.00	
	Donna Gilpatric	21.50	
	June Grace	3,415.00	
	Elsie Heyman	25.00	
	JoAnn Welch	11.00	
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			5,372.50
975.1	Federal Reimbursements	5,631.90	
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			5,631.90
1010	Coaches Salaries		
	Lynn Ciampa	75.00	
	Wayne Demers	225.00	
	Hope Dietz	150.00	
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			450.00
1075	Athletic Supplies	3.98	
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			3.98
1266	Buildings	149.32	
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			149.32
1267	Capital Outlay		
	New Equipment (not built-in)	2,232.82	
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			2,232.82
1371	Interest on Debt	16,864.34	
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			16,864.34
1477.1	Tuition		
	Plymouth School District	39,825.46	
	Lin-Wood School District	21,540.47	
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			61,365.93
1477.3	Share of Supervisory Union Expenses		
		5,704.35	
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			5,704.35
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	Total Disbursements		\$216,108.45

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash on Hand June 30, '76 General Fund	\$ 49,646.87
Accounts Due to District:	
Hot Lunch, May & June	1,297.40
Thornton Hot Lunch Program	500.00
	\$ 51,444.27
Total Assets	\$ 51,444.27
Grand Total	\$ 51,444.27

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by District:	
Hot Lunch, April, May, & June	\$ 1,834.04
Mary Richards	15.00
Rand McNally	67.00
Ayer Insurance	1,469.65
Pascoe Roberts	210.50
	\$ 3,569.19
Total Liabilities	\$ 3,569.19
Surplus (Excess of Assets over Liabilities)	\$ 47,848.08
	\$ 51,444.27
Grand Total	\$ 51,444.27

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

Name of Building of Project for Which Notes or Bonds Were Issued:	
Thornton Elementary	
Outstanding at Beginning of Year	\$325,000.00
Issued During Year	—0—
	\$325,000.00
Total	\$325,000.00
Payments of Principal of Debt	—0—
	\$325,000.00
Notes and Bonds Outstanding at End of Year	\$325,000.00

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

For the Fiscal Year

July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand July 1, 1975		\$ 5,643.94
Received from Selectmen		
	\$244,379.75	
Revenue from State Sources	11,740.10	
Revenue from Federal Sources	1,442.65	
Received from Capital Reserve Funds	7,858.86	
Received from all Other Sources	5,891.07	

TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$276,956.37
Less School Board Orders Paid	227,308.50	

Balance on Hand June 30, 1976	49,647.87	

CAROL C. HAARTZ
District Treasurer

July 26, 1976

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Thornton of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and find them correct in all respects.

SARA D. HARRIS
LOIS IGNASZEWSKI

August 26, 1976

Auditors

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

The first part of this school year has been occupied with routine health services consisting of first aid treatment as needed and health conferences with individual students. There has also been the annual height and weight check, and routine hearing and vision screening. Health records of all the students have been reviewed and kept up to date.

We are now in the process of the matching funds dental program sponsored by the Parent Teachers Organization in cooperation with Dr. James Poyak. Plans are now being made for some health education by the nurse in the classroom in conjunction with the teachers.

Pre-school registration will be held again in early May. At that time parents and pre-schoolers will have the opportunity to visit the school, meet with necessary staff members, and gain information regarding health requirements and first grade expectations.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryLee Boucier, *R.N.*

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

I respectfully submit to the citizens and parents of Thornton my annual report.

Although the school population has tended to fluctuate the enrollment, as of January 24th, has stabilized at 110 students. A grade-by-grade break down is as follows: first grade-ten students; second grade-fifteen students; third grade-seventeen students; fourth grade-seven students; fifth grade-eighteen students; sixth grade-fifteen students; seventh grade-sixteen students; and the eighth grade has twelve students.

Aiding our staff in their efforts to provide a viable education to the Thornton students is the Special Education Team. This group, which consists of Mrs. Katherine Fralick, Mrs. MaryLee Boucier and Mrs. Barbara Goodnough, greatly increases the efficiency of the Thornton staff. Mrs. Fralick, our Resource Teacher, spends two full days per week providing individual attention where needed to improve reading skill. She also works closely with the respective classroom teachers, offering supplementary programs and materials. Mrs. Goodnough, our Speech Pathologist, spends one day per week working with individual students in the area of speech. Her sincerity and dedication has proven invaluable. Mrs. Boucier, our School Nurse, spends two half days each week at the school. In addition to a variety of health services, Mrs. Boucier will be offering nutrition and hygiene education.

This year's curricular concerns have centered around our Reading, Language Arts, and Math Programs. In the area of reading, the staff has incorporated a variety of materials and methods which are helping to diagnose various areas of weakness, as well as offer prescriptive activities to strengthen individual performance. In the area of Language Arts, the mechanics of writing are being stressed. The emphasis on grammar, usage, punctuation, capitalization and spelling will, facilitate the acquisition of skills we expect each student to demonstrate upon completion of each grade level.

In an attempt to offer a more sequential program in math, the staff has adopted much of the information and materials presented by our math curriculum committee. The committee presented booklets which will serve as a guide and resource to each classroom teacher. This will benefit each student in that, although individualized, each student will acquire specific skills-computational as well as conceptual-relative to his level of ability. Of special interest is the information dealing with

metrics. This will be of great value as the staff continues to prepare our students to live and work in a world with metric measurements.

The cooperation and enthusiasm displayed by the community is to be commended. Several parent volunteers are giving time to offer extra-curricular programs—swimming, skiing, choir and various athletics—to the Thornton students. These programs are experiencing a great deal of success. Our Parent Teacher Organization continues to experience success. It has offered several substantive programs which serve to involve the community as well as keep parents informed of curriculum. The time and hard work put forth by those involved is greatly appreciated by the staff and students.

On behalf of the staff I would like to thank the community for the support given to the school. The enthusiasm and interest displayed by the parents has greatly affected the learning environment at the Thornton Central School.

Respectfully submitted,

Phillip G. McCormack
Principal

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE REPORT

I present to the Superintendent of Schools, School Board, and citizens of Thornton, New Hampshire, my fourth annual report as Assistant Superintendent for Public School Supervisory Union #48.

The 1975-1976 academic year directed its energies towards preserving and perfecting our current areas of strength while preparing our youth for the confrontations of change in tomorrow's world.

Within the next decade, Americans will be learning a new language in kitchens, factories, and in automobiles. The metric system of weights and measures is being voluntarily adopted in the United States. Few areas of everyday life will remain untouched by conversion. Supervisory Union #48 is a leader in the State of New Hampshire in this movement. Teachers have developed a curriculum guide which documents a scope and a sequence to facilitate this change.

Our efforts at the Thornton Central School would be in vain if it were not for the creative and enthusiastic contributions of faculty and staff. This administration makes every attempt to employ professionals who are cognizant of the heritage of our geographic region as well as those who can bring dimension to our evolving curriculum; Carlene Fish (Grade I—Plymouth State College), Inez Shanley (Grade II—Plymouth State College), Ann Knowles (Grades III and IV—Plymouth State College), Francis Doneski (Grades V—VIII—Boston State College), Gary Carter (Grades V—VIII—Plymouth State College), and Phillip McCormack (Grades V—VIII—University of New Hampshire). These faculty members and the expertise of Rosemary Reed (Richmond College) and Hope Dietz (Johnson State College) commendably contribute toward the attainment of the aforementioned goals.

The future of education in the Thornton Central School demands that basic skills be defined in terms of a changing world. These skills include reading, writing, mathematics, the arts, and personal discipline based on sound values. The back to basics movement can be a big step forward for education, the nation, and the children whose lives we hold in trust.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel A. Cabral

Assistant Superintendent

EXPLANATION OF SUPERINTENDENT'S AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY FOR 1975-1976

Chapter 189, Section 48 Revised Statutes Annotated of the State of New Hampshire, requires that the school district annual report show the total amount paid to the Superintendent of Schools as per the following quotation: "Reports. Each superintendent of a supervisory union shall annually prepare a report of the total salary paid to the superintendent, showing in detail the amount paid by the state and each local school district, and their share of same. Said report shall be filed with the school board of each school district involved and shall be included in the annual report of the respective school district as a separate entry. A like report and entry shall be made for each assistant superintendent, teacher consultant, and business administrators, if any is in service in the union."

One-half of the supervisory union expenses is prorated among the several school districts of the union on the basis of adjusted valuations. One-half is prorated on the basis of average daily membership in the school for the previous school year ending June 30th. The salary of \$20,000 which was received by the Superintendent of Schools of Supervisory Union #48 during 1975-1976 was made up as follows: \$2,500 paid by the State of New Hampshire and \$17,500 was prorated among the school districts comprising the Supervisory Union. Allowance for \$1,000 travel within the Union was also prorated as stated above.

The salary of the Assistant Superintendent during 1975-1976 was made up as follows: \$2,350 paid by the State of New Hampshire and \$14,650 was prorated as stated above. Allowance for \$1,500 travel within the Union was also prorated as stated above.

The table below shows the portion of salary and travel charged to each school district.

<i>District</i>	<i>Adjusted Percent</i>	<i>Supt's. Salary</i>	<i>Supt's. Travel</i>	<i>Asst. Supt's. Salary</i>	<i>Asst. Supt's. Travel</i>
Campton	14.81	\$ 2,591.75	\$ 148.10	\$ 2,169.66	\$ 222.15
Holderness	14.39	2,518.25	143.90	2,108.13	215.85
Plymouth	38.94	6,814.50	389.40	5,704.71	584.10
Rumney	10.05	1,758.75	100.50	1,472.33	150.75
Thornton	8.82	1,543.50	88.20	1,292.13	132.30
Waterville Valley	8.04	1,407.00	80.40	1,177.86	120.60
Wentworth	4.95	866.25	49.50	725.18	74.25

THORNTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
Thronton, New Hampshire

Graduation Exercises
Wednesday Evening, June 16, 1976
8:00 P.M.

List of Graduates

Lori Sue Anderson
Charles Sidney Boyce
Edward Welding Boyce
Brent Scott Bradley
Jonathan Pierce Brown
Joseph William Caruso III
Diane Lynn Collins
Andrew Earl Downing
Tara Leigh Gridley
Timothy John Mills
Clifford Randy Reitsma
Deanna Lynn Reitsma
Leroy Parker Uhlman III
Maureen Worden

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Proposed 1977-1978 School Calander

Thurs. & Fri., Sept. 1 &2, 1977	Teacher In-Service Days (District)
Tuesday, Sept. 6, 1977	Teacher Inservice Days (Supervisory Union)
Wednesday Sept. 7, 1977	Schools Open
Monday, Oct. 10, 1977	Schools Closed (Columbus Day)
Friday, Oct. 14, 1977	Schools Closed (State Teachers' Convention)
Friday, Nov. 11, 1977	Schools Closed (Veterans' Day)
Wednesday, Nov. 23, 1977	Schools Close (Thanksgiving Recess)
Monday, Nov. 28, 1977	Schools Open
Friday, Dec. 23, 1977	Schools Close (Christmas Recess)
Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1978	Schools Open
Friday, Feb. 24, 1978	Schools Close (Winter Recess)
Monday, Mar. 6, 1978	Schools Open
Friday, Apr. 21, 1978	Schools Close (Spring Recess)
Monday, May 1, 1978	Schools Open
Tuesday, May 30, 1978	Schools Closed (Memorial Day)
Firday, June 16, 1978	Schools Close
Mon. & Tue., June 19 & 20, 1978	Teacher In-Service Days (District)

This Calendar provides the following:

- a. 180 Student Days
- b. 185 Teacher Days

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