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PLAINFIELD WEATHER 1974

Observations by John F. McNamara at Meriden Village

	<i>Average Daily Temp.</i>	<i>Snow Fall Inches</i>	<i>Precip- itation Inches</i>	<i>Degree Days</i>	<i>High Temp.</i>	<i>Low Temp.</i>
January	20.1	12	1.84	1396	53	-22
February	18.3	11.5	2.42	1312	53	-14
March	28.7	15.5	2.41	1140	60	- 2
April	42.7	10	3.13	669	88	10
May	51	0	4.14	414	78	22
June	62.6	0	2.87	108	92	34
July	64.1	0	3.64	40	90	40
August	66.4	0	2.98	0	86	38
September	56.2	0	5.95	283	83	28
October	36.4	trace	1.09	732	72	15
November	34.1	6	3.97	927	72	10
December	25.8	14.5	2.03	1189	55	- 3
Totals	42.2	69.5	36.47	8210	92	-22
10 yr. Ave.	43.8	76	44.25	7678		
From Ave.	- 1.6	- 6.5	+7.78	+532		

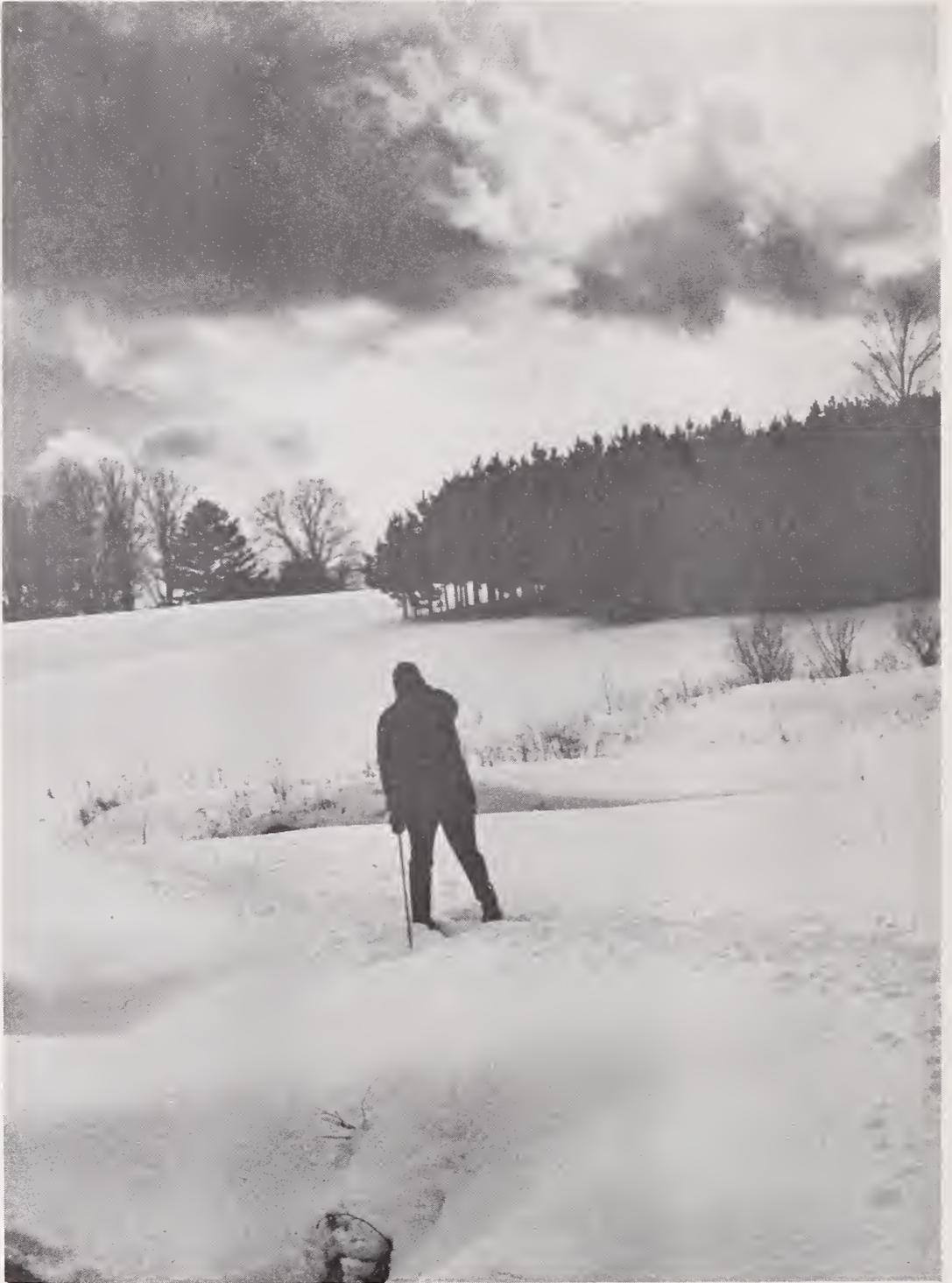
THE COVER—A Plainfield pasture abloom with dandelions makes the subject of the cover of this year's annual report. The scene was photographed by Larry McDonald of Meriden Village on a warm day in late May. It was taken along Kenyon Road near the O.W. Jordan farm, looking north toward the center of town.

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ANNUAL REPORT
of
THE OFFICERS AND SELECTMEN AND
OTHER TOWN OFFICERS AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
for the
TOWN of PLAINFIELD,
NEW HAMPSHIRE

*Please bring this report to the
School District and Town Meetings*

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WINTER QUIET – A solitary skier wends his way homeward across a snowy meadow near Meriden Village. Plainfield's fields and forests have become popular for recreation by townspeople and visitors alike. Skiing, snowshoeing, snowmobiling and other sports have been increasing during the winter months. (Parker Jones photo)

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR	Marion J. Creeger	
TOWN CLERK	Howard Zea	
SELECTMEN	Stephen H. Taylor	1975
	Louis H. Houser	1976
	David R. Stone	1977
TREASURER	Fred Sweet	1977
TAX COLLECTOR	Dorothy T. McNamara	1976
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS	Arthur W. Quimby	1975
	Basil D. McNamara	1976
	Howard Zea	1977
AUDITORS	Herman D. Rogers	1975
	John F. McNamara	1976
TRUSTEES OF PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY	E. Mary Stone	1975
	Ruth A. Wheeler	1976
	Sally Dinan	1977
TRUSTEES OF MERIDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY	Gretchen S. Taylor	1975
	Susan L. McGee	1976
	Stephen B. Bishop	1977
SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST	Sylvia J. Clark	1974
	David W. Stockwell	1976
	Ruth A. Wheeler	1978
HIGHWAY AGENT	Arthur W. Thompson	
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK	Sylvia J. Clark	
DEPUTY TREASURER	Marjorie Spalding	
REPRESENTATIVE	Sara M. Townsend	
BALLOT CLERKS	Margaret E. Meyette	
	John F. McNamara	
	Anita Barrett	
	Alice J. Jordan	
FENCE VIEWERS	Stephen F. Kimball	
	Nelson Green	
	William C. Quimby	
HEALTH OFFICER	Douglas C. Grearson Jr.	
TREE WARDEN	Arthur W. Thompson	
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	Joseph M. Longacre	
BUILDING INSPECTOR	Joseph M. Longacre	
YIELD TAX AGENT	Louis H. Houser	

OVERSEER OF WELFARE	David R. Stone	
CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR	Maude A. Earle	
PLANNING BOARD	Wallace G. Pickering	1975
	S. Russell Stearns	1975
	John T. Stephenson	1976
	Kinsley H. Walker	1977
	Jay D. Waldner Jr.	1978
	Judith A. Belyea	1979
	Louis H. Houser	<i>ex officio</i>
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	H. Fenton Smith	1975
	Joseph C. Meyette	1976
	David A. Gaskin	1977
	Ira P. Townsend	1978
	William F. Franklin Jr.	1979
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	Lester W. Claflin	1975
	Jay D. Waldner Jr.	1975
	James H. Longacre	1975
	Phyllis Hodgman	1976
	Beatrice B. Clark	1976
	Margaret E. Meyette	1977
	Peter Stettenheim	1977
RECREATION COMMISSION	Russell E. Kelley	1975
	Willis Downing Jr.	1975
	Marcia W. Putnam	1976
	Jesse W. Stalker	1976
	Ann G. Grobe	1977
FINANCE COMMITTEE	H. Fenton Smith, Chairman	
	Hazel G. Amidon	
	Sylvia M. Hayes	
	John Conly Jr.	
	Edward G. Martin	
	Sara M. Townsend	
CONSTABLES	Joseph C. Meyette	
	James B. Pringle	
	John Conly Jr.	
SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS	Clayton E. Morse	
	Harold A. Pringle	
	William A. Smith	
DOG OFFICER	Robert J. Orr	
FOREST FIRE WARDEN	Arthur W. Thompson	
DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS	Ira P. Townsend	
	John L. Meyette	
	John C. Morse	
	G. Gardiner MacLeay	
	John Conly Jr.	
	Lester J. Bouchier Jr.	
	Ralph K. Jordan	
	Francis W. Sullivan	
		<i>Honorary</i>
		<i>Honorary</i>

WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN, SS:

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield in the County of Sullivan in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield School gymnasium in said Plainfield on Tuesday, the fourth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE I: To choose by ballot one Selectman for three years, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, one Auditor for two years, two Library Trustees for three years, and any other necessary town officers.

The polls shall remain open from ten o'clock in the forenoon until six o'clock in the afternoon for voting under Article I.

You are further notified to meet at the Plainfield School gymnasium on Saturday, the eighth day of March next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE II: To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE III: To see if the town will vote to authorize withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 the following sums for use as setoffs against operating budget appropriations: Rubbish removal, \$14,000; Libraries, \$9,000; Welfare, \$9,000; Recreation, \$3,000; and Conservation, \$1,000.

ARTICLE IV: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a dump truck, and to authorize the selectmen to sell or trade the 1967 Mack dump truck now owned by the town and apply the proceeds of such sale or trade to the purchase price of the new truck.

ARTICLE V: To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the 1975 fiscal year.

The selectmen propose the following budget:

1. Town officers salaries	\$ 7,500
2. Town officers expense	8,000
3. Election & registration	600
4. Town buildings	3,000
5. Reappraisal expense	1,000
6. Retirement & social security	4,500
7. Police Department	1,000
8. Fire Department	9,450
9. Insurance	8,000
10. Planning & Zoning	3,000
11. Damages & legal expense	6,000
12. Health Department	4,000
13. Vital statistics	50
14. Rubbish removal	25,000
15. Town maintenance	65,000
16. Street lighting	2,300
17. General expense	7,000
18. Town road aid	1,400

19.	Truck & plow expense	9,000
20.	Machine expense	3,500
21.	Fuel & oil expense	8,500
22.	Libraries	9,745
23.	Welfare Department	9,000
24.	Old Age Assistance	1,200
25.	Memorial Day	75
26.	Recreation	3,000
27.	Conservation	1,000
28.	Cemetery Department	4,100
29.	Airport	650
30.	Region Association	75
31.	Principal of debt	13,500
32.	Interest	3,600
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	TOTAL	\$224,245

ARTICLE VI: To see if the town will vote to increase the real estate tax exemption on dormitories, dining halls and kitchens of Kimball Union Academy above \$150,000 as allowed in RSA 72:23, and to take any other necessary action relating thereto.

ARTICLE VII: To see what action the town will take with respect to report of town officers.

ARTICLE VIII: To see if the town will vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a Finance Committee of six persons, one of whom shall be designated as chairman, to advise and consult with the selectmen and other town officers in the financial affairs of the town.

ARTICLE IX: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to support activities related to the celebration of the national bicentennial in 1976 by the town.

ARTICLE X: To see if the town will vote to approve application of provisions of RSA Chapter 204-A and Section 23 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, to permit the New Hampshire Housing Commission to sponsor a project to provide not more than 12 units of housing for the elderly within the town.

ARTICLE XI: To see if the town will vote to discontinue that portion of Freeman Road which formed a hairpin westerly of the former Erwin Williams farm, said portion being more fully described in a plan by James H. Neil, registered land surveyor, identified as project number 0335 dated July 24, 1974, and to be recorded in the Sullivan County land records.

ARTICLE XII: To see what action the town will take relative to the provision of police protection, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purpose.

ARTICLE XIII: To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of property acquired by Collector's deed.

ARTICLE XIV: To take any other action that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 12th day of February, in the Year of Our Lord 1975.

A True Copy – Attest:

STEPHEN H. TAYLOR
 LOUIS H. HOUSER
 DAVID R. STONE
 Selectmen of Plainfield

STEPHEN H. TAYLOR
 LOUIS H. HOUSER
 DAVID R. STONE
 Selectmen of Plainfield

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the
Fiscal Year January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975

as compared to

Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures
of the Previous Year, January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1974

APPROPRIATION	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations For Fiscal Year 1975
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Town Officers Salaries	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 10,177.29	\$ 7,500.00
Town Officers Expenses	7,000.00	8,350.78	8,000.00
Election & Registration	1,800.00	2,072.13	600.00
Town Buildings	8,000.00	6,908.73	3,000.00
Retirement & Soc. Security	4,000.00	4,901.19	4,500.00
Reappraisal of property	700.00	2,207.74	1,000.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY:			
Police Department	4,000.00	6,288.86	1,000.00
Fire Department	7,250.00	7,483.50	9,450.00
Insurance	7,500.00	7,868.40	8,000.00
Planning & Zoning	3,000.00	2,495.98	3,000.00
Dam. & Legal Expense	2,000.00	2,607.27	6,000.00
HEALTH DEPARTMENT:			
Ambulance, Health Officer & Nurse	3,700.00	3,589.27	4,000.00
Vital Statistics	50.00	32.25	50.00
Rubbish Removal	19,400.00	24,900.87	25,000.00
HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES:			
Town Maintenance	30,500.00	128,081.68	65,500.00
Street Lighting	2,100.00	2,214.17	2,300.00
General Expense	5,500.00	7,926.46	7,000.00
Town Road Aid	1,400.00	1,293.30	1,400.00
Trucks	5,500.00	10,397.24	9,000.00
Loader & Grader	5,000.00	5,408.08	3,500.00
Fuel & Oil	6,500.00	8,405.36	8,500.00
LIBRARIES:			
Town Share	9,368.00	9,347.15	9,745.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Town Poor	5,000.00	9,633.93	9,000.00
Old Age Assistance	3,500.00	1,190.04	1,200.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:			
Memorial Day	75.00	79.52	75.00
RECREATION:			
Town Share	2,500.00	2,604.54	3,000.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:			
Conservation	1,000.00	11,000.00	1,000.00

Cemeteries	4,100.00	4,646.28	4,100.00
Airport	650.00	650.00	650.00
Region Assoc.	75.00	75.00	75.00
DEBT SERVICE:			
Principal of long term notes	12,000.00	12,000.00	13,500.00
Interest	3,600.00	9,302.21	3,600.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY:			
Grader	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>27,035.00</u>	
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$178,768.00		\$224,245.00

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Fiscal Year 1975
FROM STATE:			
Interest & Dividend Tax	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 15,761.50	\$ 15,500.00
Savings Bank Tax	750.00	1,091.58	900.00
Meals & Room Tax	6,000.00	8,183.15	7,500.00
Highway Subsidy	17,500.00	17,904.10	17,900.00
Reim. Forest Cons. Aid		124.52	
Reim. A/C Bus. Profit Tax	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Conservation Grant		5,000.00	
FROM LOCAL SOURCES:			
Dog Licenses	700.00	301.50	400.00
Permits & Filing Fees	900.00	1,616.00	1,000.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	21,000.00	24,578.96	23,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	4,000.00	5,909.62	5,000.00
Income from Trust Funds	2,500.00	790.00	4,500.00
Withdrawal Cap. Reserve Fund		5,000.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	25.00	25.20	25.00
Resident Taxes Retained	6,000.00	8,150.00	8,000.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	3,500.00	10,042.07	4,000.00
Rent of Town Property	500.00	773.60	200.00
Sale of Town Property		720.73	
Income from Departments	500.00	2,274.75	1,500.00
Bond & Note Issues (Contra)		22,500.00	
FROM FEDERAL SOURCES:			
Revenue Sharing*	<u>7,400.00</u>	<u>7,400.00</u>	<u>36,000.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES:	84,475.00		126,625.00
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES:	<u>94,293.00</u>		<u>97,620.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	\$178,768.00		\$224,245.00

***REVENUE SHARING SETOFFS 1975:**

Rubbish Removal	\$14,000.00
Library	9,000.00
Town Poor	9,000.00
Recreation	3,000.00
Conservation	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$36,000.00

TOWN MEETING

March 5, 1974

Plainfield, N.H.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs, holden at the Plainfield School gymnasium, in said Town, on Tuesday, March fifth at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the business of the day was disposed of in the following manner:

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Marion J. Creeger. All the requirements for the opening of a Town Meeting, as prescribed by law having been met, the polls were declared open.

ARTICLE I:

Number of Names on the Check List	761
Number of votes cast	363

Selectman for Three Years

David R. Stone	had	229
Hans E. Nicolaisen Jr.	"	79
Susan Clarke	"	41
Eugene Krause	"	2
John Meyette	"	1
Nancy Clark	"	1

David R. Stone was declared elected.

Town Clerk for Three Years

Howard Zea	had	277
Judith A. Belyea	"	79

Howard Zea was declared elected.

Auditor for Two Years

John F. McNamara	had	337
Louise Sawyer	"	5
Claire Downing	"	1

John F. McNamara was declared elected.

Treasurer for Three Years

Fred Sweet	had	342
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Fred Sweet was declared elected.

Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years

Howard Zea	had	346
David Carver	"	1
Ira Townsend	"	1
Marjorie Spalding	"	1

Howard Zea was declared elected.

Library Trustee for Three Years, East Part of Town

Stephen B. Bishop	had	338
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Stephen B. Bishop was declared elected.

Library Trustee for Three Years, West Part of Town

Sally A. Dinan	had	331
Louise M. Sawyer	"	1

Sally A. Dinan was declared elected.

ARTICLE II:

For Delegate to the Constitutional Convention, Sullivan County District I

Harlan D. Logan	had	179
John F. McNamara	"	114
Celia Wilder	"	42
Norman Blue	"	19
H. Stanley Graf	"	4

ARTICLE III:

"Shall the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board be adopted?"

Yes	263 votes	No	84 votes
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The vote was in the affirmative and it was so declared.

Then the following came forward and took the oath of office, as prescribed by law, in open meeting:

- David R. Stone as Selectman for three years;
- John F. McNamara as Auditor for two years;
- Howard Zea as Town Clerk for three years;
- Howard Zea as Trustee of Trust Fund for three years.

Pursuant to the Warrant for the meeting, the meeting was again called to order by the Moderator on March 9, 1974, at two o'clock in the afternoon, Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mason Ellison of the Meriden Congregational Church.

ARTICLE IV:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Selectmen be instructed and authorized to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

It was voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE V:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town authorize and instruct the Selectmen to withdraw from the Revenue Sharing Fund under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, the sum of \$7,400 in principal and interest for use as a set off against the following operating budget appropriations: Welfare, \$4,000; Senior Citizen Aid, \$1,400; and visiting nurse service, \$2,000.

It was voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE VI:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town authorize and instruct the Selectmen to purchase the 1973 Galion Grader now leased by the town; that proceeds from the sale or trade of the 1954 Austin-Western Grader, now owned by the Town and all lease payments heretofore made be applied toward said purchase, and that the sum of \$27,500 be raised and appropriated to complete said purchase, with \$5,000 of such sum to be raised through current year's appropriation, and the balance through issuance of serial notes in the name of the Town to be retired one each year beginning in 1975.

It was voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE VII:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$169,018.00 to defray town charges for the 1974 fiscal year.

The following amendments were then offered: Resolved that the appropriation for Town maintenance be increased by \$500.00 to defray the cost of snow removal on the sidewalk along Route 12A in Plainfield Plain.

The resolution was seconded and the vote was in the affirmative.

It was moved and seconded that the \$680 for the Airport be deleted. Voted in the negative.

It was moved and seconded that the \$1,000 allocation for conservation be raised to \$2,000. This motion was moved and seconded and voted in the negative

The resolution to raise the sum of \$169,018.00 as amended to be increased to \$169,518.00 was voted in the affirmative and it was so declared, thereby raising the following to defray town charges.

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 7,000
Town Officers' Expenses	7,000
Election and Registration	1,800
Town Buildings	2,000
Retirement & Social Security	4,000
Reappraisal of Property	700
Police Department	4,000
Fire Department	1,600
Insurance	7,500
Planning & Zoning	3,000
Damages & Legal Expense	2,000
Health Department	1,700
Vital Statistics	50
Solid Waste Removal	19,400
Town Maintenance	30,000
Street Lighting	2,100
General Expense of Highway Department	5,500
Town Road Aid	1,400
Truck & Plow Expense	5,500
Machine Expense	5,000
Fuel & Lubricant Expense	6,500
OSHA Compliance	6,000
Libraries	9,368
Welfare Department	1,000
Old Age Assistance	3,500
Memorial Day	75
Recreation	2,500
Conservation	1,000
Cemetery Department	4,100
Airport	650
Regional Association	75
Long Term Notes	12,000
Interest	3,600
Revenue Sharing Accounts	7,400
Plainfield Plain Snow Removal	500
	<u>\$169,518</u>

ARTICLE VIII:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town accept the reports of Town Officers as printed in the 1973 Annual Report subject to corrections, and that a corrected copy be placed on file with the Town Clerk.

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE IX:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town authorize and instruct the Moderator to appoint a Finance Com-

mittee of six persons, of whom one shall be designated as chairman, to meet quarterly with the selectmen and other town and school district officers to review, discuss and make appropriate recommendations on the financial affairs of the town.

It was voted in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE X:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town vote to construct a swimming facility on land of the Plainfield School District adjacent to Blood's Brook, said facility to be constructed following the design and supervision of the Sullivan County Conservation District, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,000 for said purpose, with \$5,000 to be raised through current year appropriation and the balance through issuance of serial notes in the name of the Town, to be retired one each year beginning in 1975, and further, that the Selectmen be authorized and instructed to apply matching funds from State and Federal sources for said purpose, such funds to reduce the Town's outlay for this purpose, and the Selectmen and Recreation Commission be authorized to take all other necessary action relating thereto.

The Recreation Commission gave their report on Article X and after discussion the following resolution was offered. Resolved: That the report of the Recreation Commission under Article X be referred back to the Commission for further study and report to a recessed session of the annual meeting to be held on May 1, 1974 at 7:30 PM at the Plainfield School Gymnasium. Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XI:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town discontinue that portion of Whitaker Road which lies adjacent to the barn owned by Charles Stone on the Hackett place, subject to the Selectmen negotiating with the said Charles Stone for land to permit relocation of the approach of Whitaker Road to State Route 120 southerly of its present location.

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XII:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town vote to increase the membership of the Conservation Commission from five to seven, with one of the additional members to serve initially for one year, and the second initially for a two-year term.

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XIII:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to dispose of property acquired by Collector's Deed.

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XIV:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town support the Volunteer Fire Departments in the Town through provision of annual appropriations toward the operating expenses of each department in lieu of the existing policy of billing for individual fire calls, and that the sum of \$4,400 be raised and appropriated to effect the new policy, such sum to be placed with the \$1,600 appropriated in the operating budget, making the sum of \$6,000 available for fire departments, to be divided equally between the two departments.

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XV:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,250 for fire hydrant rentals, such sum to be paid to the water districts within the town in consideration of their providing

water for fire fighting purposes.

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XVI:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town authorize the Clerk to receive applications for registration of voters, as provided in RSA Chapter 55:9C;

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XVII:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town amend the Snow Traveling Vehicle Ordinance adopted March 7, 1972, by striking out "7:00 PM" and inserting in place thereof "8:00 PM" in Paragraph 10, so that the first sentence of said paragraph shall permit one additional hour of operation in the vicinity of Main Street in Meriden Village on Sunday through Thursday evenings.

Voted in the negative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XVIII:

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town designate Underhill Road between Route 120 and Penniman Road as a Scenic Road as provided in the 1971 Scenic Road Statute (RSA 253: 17-81, and as amended by 1972 Senate Bill 56.)

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XIX:

No motion being offered under Article XIX it was moved and seconded that we proceed with Article XX.

It was voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE XX:

It was moved and seconded that the Governors letter be laid upon the table.

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the voters of this Town of Plainfield offer their grateful appreciation to the members of the Town Planning Board for their diligent work in service to the Town, culminating in an overwhelming acceptance of the comprehensive zoning ordinance for Plainfield.

Voted in the affirmative and it was so declared.

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the voters of the Town of Plainfield this day assembled, do hereby offer grateful thanks to our Moderator, the Rev. Marion J. Creeger. Mr. Creeger, who will retire from this office in the fall, has conducted our town meetings with justice, clarity, good humor and wisdom. We do now express our appreciation for his devoted service to our Town.

Unanimously voted in the affirmative.

The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Resolved: That the Town and especially the Selectmen and the Road Department be commended in the fast and excellent manner that the town roads were put back into good condition after the July floods of 1973. Also that this year our very bad steep section of Freeman road was not allowed to become impassable at any time due to the fine work of the road crews.

It was voted in the affirmative.

There being no further business, the meeting was recessed until May 1, 1974, at 7:30 PM.

HOWARD ZEA, Town Clerk
Plainfield, New Hampshire

May 1, 1974

Plainfield, New Hampshire

The recessed meeting of the Town of Plainfield was called to order by the Moderator, Marion J. Creeger, May 1, 1974, at 7:30 PM.

Article X of the Warrant was read, and the action taken under the article was read also, by the Clerk. The Recreation Committee then gave its report.

The resolution offered under Article X was then read. The following vote was then taken by paper ballot with the use of the check list.

Yes	22	No	169
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The resolution was voted in the negative and it was so declared.

There being no further business the meeting was voted adjourned.

HOWARD ZEA, Town Clerk
Plainfield, New Hampshire

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 10, 1974

Plainfield, New Hampshire

At a special Town Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield in the County of Sullivan, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs was held at the Plainfield School Gymnasium, in said Town on Tuesday September 10, 1974.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Marion J. Creeger. The polls were opened and the ballot was as follows:

Number of names on the Check List	768
Number of ballots cast	239

ARTICLE I:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

ARTICLE II

Section 2.5 (Schedule A)

Minimum Lot Size: Delete the words "Building Line" and insert instead the words "Front Lot Line"

Yes	208	No	31
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Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

ARTICLE VIII

Section 8.7 (Definitions) add: "Lot Line (Front). That boundary of a lot abutting on a street or way and ordinarily regarded as the front of the lot, but it shall not be considered ordinary side of a corner lot."

Yes	199	No	26
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All ballots cast having been counted, the Moderator declared the Amendments adopted. Special meeting was voted adjourned.

HOWARD ZEA, Town Clerk
Plainfield, New Hampshire

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

Instead of the usual recounting of activities during the past year, the selectmen in their report wish to first briefly identify some of the highlights of municipal activities in 1974 and then discuss some of the problems and challenges which confront the town as it looks ahead to the remainder of the decade of the 1970's.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 1974: Certainly the most important local development during 1974 was the adoption of the comprehensive zoning ordinance by voters at the March town meeting.

This action followed years of hard work and study by the town Planning Board and its consultants, plus much advice and help from local citizens. The new ordinance will significantly shape the direction the town's growth will take in the years immediately ahead.

The great majority of voters approved the ordinance, and it continues to have the solid support of the people which is vital to having it work and achieve the objectives of the plan on which it is based. Now approved for Flood Plain Insurance.

Work on repairs to highways and bridges damaged by the floods in 1973 was completed at midyear. Inspectors from the state and federal governments examined and approved the work and auditors went over all accounts. The town was still waiting for the final payment on the disaster relief account at year's end, however.

The town Highway Dept. in conjunction with flood damage repair widened and improved portions of Ladieu Hill and Freeman Roads and rebuilt three bridges.

Town Road Aid work was started on Bonner Road, and will be completed in the spring of 1975. Duncan Fund money was applied to Ladieu Hill Road and Whitaker Road projects.

A new pipe arch was installed at Great Brook in East Plainfield, and several small culverts were replaced or reset at various locations along the town road network. The town resurfaced some 14 miles of paved road, most of it in bad need of work.

For the first time in several years the entire length of town-maintained road was mowed with brush cut back to provide adequate passing room and snow storage. A large number of dead and diseased trees were removed and burned, as well.

The town now has a complete set of tax maps which are in compliance with present and pending regulations. All New Hampshire towns must have complete tax maps by 1980. Plainfield has its set now, and at a fraction of the cost being charged by various consulting firms.

Bookkeeping and certain other day-to-day administrative functions that were previously handled by individual selectmen from their homes are now handled at the town office by the town bookkeeper. This has resulted in more efficient and accurate handling of town business and has generally been more convenient for the public.

LOOKING AHEAD TO 1975...AND BEYOND: With the decade of the 1970's now half gone, it would seem to be a good time to look at what may be Plainfield's problems over the coming 12 months and the next five years. Some of these involve money, others require establishment of public policy which can affect town finances as well as the trend of growth and development, the manner in which local government is organized and conducted and a variety of other things.

Since the bulk of town appropriations deal with public works, probably first attention should be directed to that area.

Most important is the town bridge problem. In the past five years the town has rid itself of at least 12 antiquated and dangerous bridges. The 1973 floods helped things along in that regard, but there remain a number of bridges whose age and condition indicate replacement will be necessary in the near future.

The increasing use of pipe and plate arches has sharply reduced the cost of replacing the old cast iron bridges, but nonetheless a considerable sum of money will have to be spent to replace the old structures. Among the bridges which will need replacement are those at Mill Village, Daniels Road, Westgate Road, Hayward Road, Grantham Mountain Road, Camp Road and Penniman Road.

Another high-cost area is road surfacing. No matter which way the town turns, be it gravel surface or more tar surface, the costs are high and will go higher.

Tar roads are popular with people who don't like mud, dust and washboard, while others prefer the quaintness and charm of gravel roads.

Surfacing roads with tar reduces maintenance costs, but requires good construction before the surface goes on and costly sealing every five to six years. Gravel roads are cheaper to build, but gravel wears away at the rate of about an inch a year, and after six or eight years needs to be replenished. And gravel is getting scarcer and more costly all the time.

Plainfield people for the most part work outside of town, so they want and expect good roads to get to and from work, shopping facilities and other services. The challenge here would appear to be to find which approaches can provide the lowest costs in an era of rising prices and shortages of products such as oil for tarring roads.

The town's fleet of highway construction and maintenance equipment has never been better. Maintaining an orderly schedule or replacement can hold this level of quality and keep operating costs under control. The selectmen favor a schedule of replacing trucks after six years of service, loader after 10 years and grader 15 to 18 years.

A second major need the selectmen see is for continuing the momentum of the town's planning and zoning effort. Times and needs change, and Plainfield will need to continue to try to look ahead and be ready for whatever types of development and growth trends appear.

Some residents feel the town should adhere to a "no growth" policy. Others feel it needs to plan for possible industrial development to broaden the tax base.

Reaching these and other choices in the field of planning and zoning will require a lot of thought and study on the part of the Planning Board and the voting public.

Much is made about the citizens' rising demand for services. It is held that the public has an insatiable demand for more and better services, with continuing tax increases the result.

Actually, looking back over the past several years, most of the new or improved services have been forced on the town by new state and federal laws. For example, consider the rubbish situation. The state ordered the town to close its dump, and the solution to that problem was to hire the collection of rubbish and ship it to Lebanon.

The new system suits most people as to convenience, but it wasn't a local cry for the service that brought it—it was state law. Similar examples abound in the town's school system, and even reach the libraries, where state law each year demand improvements such as better water heaters, etc.

A big enough problem for Plainfield will be maintaining the services it has these next few years. Yet the past experience would certainly indicate more services and costs from new state and federally mandated programs.

That leads to another area of grave concern to the selectmen: the ability of parttime, volunteer government to cope with ever-expanding requirements from higher authorities, new legislation and pressure groups.

Town selectmen throughout New Hampshire are expected to value real estate under the "Current Use" program. To do the job right, selectmen should visit each forest tract and meadow to see if it qualifies for the special tax program, and if so, what category it should be assigned. But in Plainfield that job could take days or even weeks to accomplish, so the selectmen do their best by guess and estimate from the town office.

Forms, questionnaires and inquiries stream into the town office each week. These demand prompt replies and take time to complete.

Town officials, be they selectmen, Planning Board members, building inspector or what-have-you, make decisions as lay persons based on their common sense and personal experience. Yet their decisions are subject to second guessing by parties ranging from land developers' lawyers to welfare caseworkers. These same officials in many cases are legally bound or pressured by citizens to play the role of policeman, judge and jury on matters as diverse as barking dogs, dead trees and building code violations.

Local government in Plainfield and elsewhere in New Hampshire has survived because the majority of the citizens have realized it is an imperfect system run by people who generally try to do their best. Whether it can continue to survive in Plainfield and elsewhere depends on even greater patience on the part of the public and greater sacrifice and dedication on the part of elected and appointed local officials.

We hope the people of Plainfield will give thought to some of these subjects in the coming months.

We wish to thank everyone who has contributed time and effort to the operation of Plainfield government in 1974 and express the hope that we may count on these people again in 1975.

Respectfully submitted,
STEPHEN H. TAYLOR
LOUIS H. HOUSER
DAVID R. STONE
Selectmen of Plainfield



PLAY BALL! – Youngsters participating in the various town recreational baseball programs enjoyed the use of fields and facilities at the Plainfield School during the summer months. The fields were also used for other outdoor activities. During the months school is in session, they are used for physical education activities, sports competition and playground fun by the pupils of the school.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee met at the Plainfield School on Bonner Road, Monday, January 27, 1975 with the Selectmen and the School Board.

The estimated total cost of running the Plainfield School District for the year 1975/76 is \$429,400 representing an increase of approximately \$34,400 over the prior year. However due to a decrease in the balance on hand at the beginning of the year, the amount to be raised by local taxes of \$387,400 is \$46,300 greater than the prior year—an increase of 13½%. Increases in the following items account primarily for this year's increased budget: Teachers' salaries, which have been held to an 8% increase \$11,900; Tuition \$9,600; Custodial salaries, an 8% increase plus more time \$3,500; Capital outlays \$2,500; Instructional supplies and expenses \$2,400; Insurance \$1,800; and Transportation \$1,500.

The Selectmen's budget for 1975 totals \$224,200 including expense of the Police Department of only \$1,000 to cover costs until Town Meeting Day at which time voters will determine the type and cost of police protection they desire. Funds to be raised by local taxes for the present budget are \$97,600 an increase of \$3,300 or 3½% over funds raised the prior year. Increased funds have been budgeted for the following items: Rubbish removal \$5,600; Legal expenses \$4,000; Town Poor \$4,000; Trucks \$3,500; Fire Departments \$2,200; and Fuel and oil \$2,000. Increases in estimated revenues include \$28,600 from Revenue Sharing; Interest \$3,500; Motor Vehicle Permit Fees \$2,000; and Resident Taxes Retained \$2,000.

The Finance Committee discussed with the Selectmen the Special Article which will be presented to the Town recommending the purchase of a Diesel Dump Truck to replace the 1967 truck at an estimated cost of approximately \$22,000 and agreed such a purchase would be in the best interests of the Town.

The Finance Committee felt that both the School Directors and the Selectmen had continued to do an excellent job in curtailing expenditures in those areas over which they were able to exercise control and wish to commend them for their dedication and service to the town.

H. FENTON SMITH
SYLVIA M. HAYES
HAZEL G. AMIDON
SARA M. TOWNSEND
JOHN CONLY
EDWARD G. MARTIN
Finance Committee

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board continued the activity of 1973 into 1974. The work of developing a new zoning ordinance was the major effort prior to Town Meeting. With the expert assistance of Harry Henderson, project planner of the U.V.L.S. Regional Council, a full set of regulations was prepared for two public hearings. These were based on the soil classification and mapping for the complete Town prepared by the Soil Conservation Service.

This ordinance was adopted at Town Meeting in March, giving the Town a needed master plan for future land transactions and development, and protection for critical areas including steep slopes, wetlands, and flood plains. The zoning ordinance, by establishing controls on lot size, land use, and premature development, provides the necessary tools to maintain orderly, desirable growth leading to efficient services.

The Sullivan County Soil Conservation District at its meeting in 1974 awarded the Plainfield Planning Board, together with the Conservation Commission, its annual award

for contributions in soil conservation and land planning. Planning Board members attended the annual dinner, and John L. Meyette, Chairman, accepted the award for the Board.

The Planning Board held twelve regular meetings, on the second Monday of each month. Meetings are now held in the new Plainfield School. In addition, the Board was in session for seventeen special meetings. These included two joint meetings with the Board of Adjustment, two public hearings in January and February for the new zoning ordinance, and two public hearings prior to the Special Town Meeting called in September for a change in the ordinance. Members of the Board met with the Town attorney three times and conferred with him informally on several other occasions.

Five recommendations were made to the Board of Adjustment at its request. Fourteen minor subdivisions were approved after the required public hearings were held in each case. Attendance at public hearings varied from one to twenty-five, in addition to the members of the Board.

However, in most cases, those attending were abutting landowners, and few from other parts of Town attended, which we regret. The Board also acted on two boundary line adjustments. One major subdivision was approved and four others were presented for discussion. Of these four, one application was received, a preliminary public hearing held, and the application is pending subject to requirements set by the Planning Board. Information on possible minor subdivisions was requested in person by seven other parties, but no applications were received.

A major portion of the Planning Board's time was used in implementing the Zoning Ordinance, developing procedures, and interpreting regulations in terms of specific proposals and applications. It has been a major educational experience for us all. We hope, however, that the Board will be able to turn some of its attention this coming year to more creative and constructive matters.

John L. Meyette retired from the Board in March after long and devoted service as member and chairman. His wit and efficient handling of meetings has been missed. Kay Jones also left the Board after serving her appointed term of one year, the latter part of which she served as secretary.

Three new members were appointed in March: Judy Belyea, John Stephenson, and Jay Waldner. Judy, our new secretary, has written articles about Planning Board activities for *Plain Facts*.

Respectfully submitted,

JUDY BELYEA, Secretary

LOUIS HOUSER

WALLACE PICKERING

RUSSELL STEARNS, Chairman

JOHN STEPHENSON, Vice Chairman

JAY WALDNER, JR.

KINSLEY WALKER

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

On April 12, 1974, the Board granted a special exception concerning Article 2, Section 2.5 of the zoning ordinance to allow William Smith to convert the old Plainfield School into an Auction Gallery.

On May 29, 1974, the Board granted a special exception concerning Article 4, Sections 2.1 and 2.2 of the zoning ordinance to allow the "Singing Hills Christian Fellowship, Inc." to temporarily locate up to five camping trailers on their property.

On July 25, 1974, the Board granted a Special exception concerning Article 4, Sections 2.1 and 2.2 of the zoning ordinance to allow Michael and Marilyn McNamara to temporarily locate and occupy a trailer while constructing their home.

On October 14, 1974, the Board denied a request for a special exception under the terms of Article 4, Sections, 2.1 and 2.2 to allow Joseph and Dorothy Bourget to locate and occupy a camper bus because in the Board's opinion the use could not be considered temporary nor would it be consistent with the spirit and intent of the ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,
IRA P. TOWNSEND, Clerk
Board of Adjustment

REPORT OF THE WELFARE DEPARTMENT

The Welfare Department is still an essential part of our community, actively helping all people in need of these services.

The Surplus Food Program has been discontinued and replaced by a State Food Stamp Program. The stamps are sold continuously by participating banks and local representatives. In this town, they are sold by the Tax Collector, Dorothy McNamara at the Town Office.

The Food Stamp Program does not eliminate all other welfare services and is only one section of the whole welfare system. The rest of the program is carried on in the usual way with direct relief from the town in the form of payments for help as needed.

We have some elderly residents taking part in the Meals on Wheels program in Lebanon and Windsor.

The Mary Hitchcock Hospital Free Bed Fund has been used by various citizens of the town during the past year.

The Food Stamp Program is Federally funded but the rest of the welfare program is handled through monies appropriated from taxes, and is a program for those in need and help is available at all times.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID R. STONE
Overseer of Welfare

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

A total of 36 inspections, conferences and site reviews were performed during 1974 down from a high of 85 in 1973. These included 6 system approvals and 3 rejections of layouts not in accordance with the State approved plans. These rejections were all corrected and the systems approved.

Eighteen permits were received from the Water Pollution Commission for new construction in the town. The two previous years, over 30 were received each year.

Four complaints were investigated. Mary Hitchcock Hospital reported one dog bite.

At the request of the New Hampshire Department of Health and Welfare the two day nursery schools in town and three foster homes were inspected.

DOUGLAS C. GREARSON, JR.
Health Officer

1974 POLICE REPORT – EAST END

Complaints	86	Injury Accidents	4
Arrests (M/V)	21	Non-injury Accidents	7
Arrests (Criminal)	9	Property Damage	\$16,821.00
Warnings Issued	23	Stolen Property	\$ 7,185.00
Defective Equip. Tags	18	Untimely Deaths	2
Hours	290	Miles	2,684

The year 1974 was a good year and one which saw improvement in the Police Department.

Constables Conly and Meyette attended a special class held at the Claremont Vocational Technical College. I have been employed full-time with the Claremont Police Department and have been graduated from the New Hampshire Police Training Academy, held at Pease Air Force Base in Portsmouth.

Also, I have attended many classes and seminars held at the Claremont Vocational Technical College, which are made available through the efforts of the New Hampshire Police Standards & Training Council, New Hampshire Crime Commission, Federal Bureau of Investigation agents, New Hampshire State Police, local police departments, Votech staff, and teachers from St. Anselm's College in Manchester. I feel these classes and seminars are very helpful to all Law Enforcement officers and more are being made available each year.

I would like to thank all citizens for their cooperation and understanding during the past year. Also, I would welcome and pass along to the Selectmen and other Constables, any and all suggestions on ways to improve the Police Department.

Deep appreciation and thanks is also given to the New Hampshire State Police (especially Troopers in Troop C and Trooper John Clarke of Troop G), Sullivan County Sheriff's Department, New Hampshire Fish & Game Department Officers, and area police departments for all their assistance and cooperation during the past year. Also, a special thanks to John Roche and his crew for all their assistance in times of injury, emergency, and crisis.

Respectfully,

JAMES B. PRINGLE
1st Constable, East End

REPORT OF THE PLAINFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

West End
Constable Meyette

Summons: 20	
Excessive Speed	11
Misuse of Plates	1
Bald Tires	1
Driving without Corrective Lens	1
Solid Line	2
Driving after Revocation	1
Operating Unregistered Vehicle	1
Failing to Restrain Dog	1
D.W.I.	1

Warnings: 43	
Excessive Speed	26
Tires	2
Passing on Right	1
Solid Line	9
Stop Sign	5
Arrests: 1	
Illegal Discharge of Firearm	
Complaints	65
Accidents	12
Burglaries	18
Untimely Death	2
M.V. Verifications	9
Stolen Vehicle	2
Dog Bite	2
Requests for Information	51

JOSEPH MEYETTE
1st Constable

Constable Conly

Summons: 10	
Excessive Speed	3
Misuse of Plates	1
Bald Tires	1
Driving without Corrective Lens	1
Solid Line	2
D.W.I.	1
Driving after Revocation	1
Warnings: 18	
Excessive Speed	12
Tires	2
Passing on Right	1
Solid Line	1
Stop Sign	2
Complaints	19
Accidents	6
B & E	9
Stolen Cars	1
Dog Bite	1
M.V. Verifications	3

JOHN R. CONLY
Constable



REPORT OF PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

We were very fortunate during 1974 in having very few fires.

We have been having Mutual Aid drills during 1974 with Meriden, Cornish, Windsor and West Lebanon. With all the man power and equipment the departments have, Mutual Aid is giving us tremendous fire fighting powers.

Several members of the department during the fall attended fire schools in Norwich, Fitzwilliams and Keene State College.

The department purchased this year a generator, a smoke ejector, two flood lights and numerous smaller items. We also purchased thirteen plectron home alarm receivers. These receivers will be operated from our base station Lebanon Fire Dept. Also purchased was a radio receiver so as we can have radio contact with the Cornish Fire Dept.

I would like at this time to express my deep appreciation to John L. Meyette for the many years of service and hard work given this department. John's leadership is going to be missed.

The department had sorrow with the death of Tracy Spaulding. Tracy was the master of ceremonies of our Sat. night social parties.

I would like to thank Mrs. Emma Spaulding for the tremendous job she is doing for the department in running the social parties. Also to Mrs. Becky Meyette for her fine job in the refreshment department.

Anyone interested in becoming an active member in our department may do so by coming to any of our meetings held on the second Sunday of the month at seven o'clock at the fire house.

I would like at this time to thank the active members and the community for their support and cooperation.

Remember to report a FIRE Dial 1-603-448-1212 as Lebanon does our dispatching for us.

JOHN R. CONLY
Fire Chief

REPORT OF THE MERIDEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Meriden was fortunate this year not to have any fire loss. Even though we had some grass and brush fires, the damage to property was insignificant.

With the towns' appropriation and funds raised by the Department, some new equipment was purchased—two new Scott Air Packs, a Forcible Entry Saw, which will cut metal as well as wood. We haven't had the need to use this tool much, but I'm sure it will become very valuable in the future. Two new rechargeable lights with automatic charger were mounted in Engine Two. One length of 4½ inch suction hose, plus various small articles, were purchased.

A monitor was purchased to be used for sounding our siren. This will be done from Lebanon dispatch, the same time the home alert is sounded. This alarm receiver was dedicated to Gardiner MacLeay at the annual Fire Association meeting for his many years as Chief (not very high pay for a Chief). I'm sure he will be missed by all as Chief, but is still in the Department and still first to the station when the alarm is sounded. Many thanks, Gardiner!

Engine One was out of service for a short time this summer in order to have the pump rebuilt.

We are working closely with our mutual aid neighbors, Plainfield, Cornish and Lebanon, when there is a fire. We had some joint drills this year and hope to have more next year to get the men better acquainted with the equipment and each other.

I would like to thank the members and associate members for their strong support and cooperation which makes a very dedicated Department.

Respectfully submitted,

ART THOMPSON
Fire Chief

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

All open burning when the ground is not covered with snow is controlled by the Town Forest Fire Warden in cooperation with the New Hampshire Forest Fire Service. Anyone wishing to kindle a fire out-of-doors when the ground is not covered with snow must have a written permit signed by the Town Forest Fire Warden. If the fire is to be kindled on land not owned by the person kindling the fire then he must have the permission of the landowner. No outdoor fires can be kindled between 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. unless it is raining, without the additional approval of the District Forest Fire Chief.

The 1974 forest fire season was one of the worst in the past two decades. Woodlands in central and southern New Hampshire became so dry in mid-August that the Governor and Council, upon the recommendation of the State Forester, enacted a partial woodlands closure in Sullivan, Cheshire, Hillsborough, Merrimack and Belnap Counties and a complete woodlands closure in Strafford and Rockingham Counties plus the Towns of Barnstead, Gilmanston and Alton in Belknap County. Through the excellent cooperation of the citizens of our State no major forest fire occurred at any time during the year.

1974 FOREST FIRE STATISTICS

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres
State	871	915
District	52	26.5
Town	2	4.1

GERALD GROSS
District Fire Chief

ARTHUR W. THOMPSON
Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

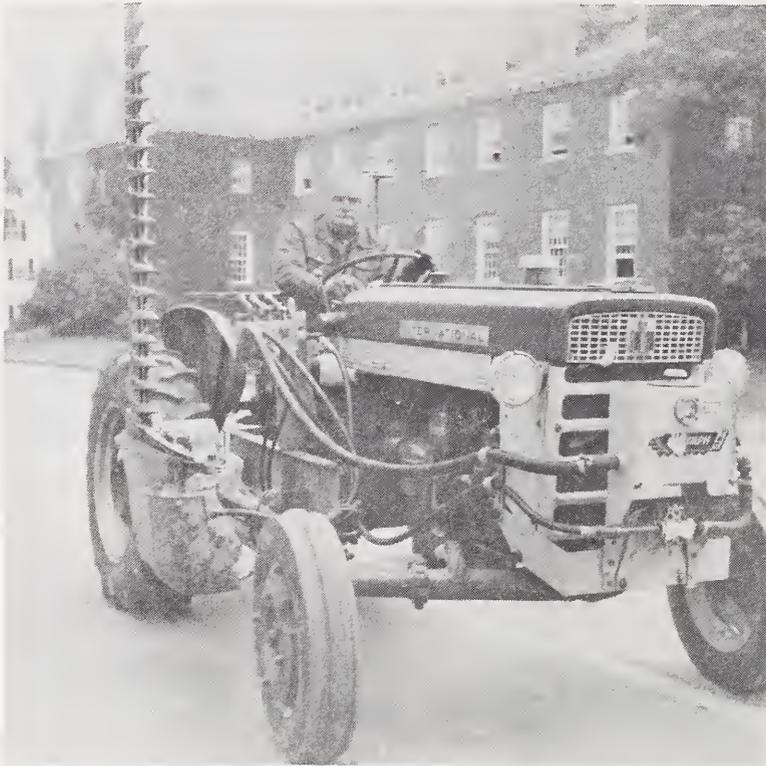
There was a total of eighty building permits issued in the Town of Plainfield during 1974. The majority of these was for garages and storage sheds totaling twenty-two. There were eleven permits for residences issued along with sixteen renovations and eighteen additions. Seven permits for barns were approved besides two warehouses, three swimming pools and one silo.

With the beginning of 1975 the Selectmen and Building Inspector have implemented a new procedure for building inspections and occupancy of new structures. As required by the adopted National Building Codes, no new structure can be occupied until a certificate of

occupancy has been issued. Certificates will be issued upon completion of a series of inspections as instructed by the building inspector.

Any resident with building plans for the ensuing year should inform himself of the current building codes and ordinances. We have pamphlets available at the town office, explaining all the regulations and ordinances.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH M. LONGACRE
Building Inspector



ROADSIDE IMPROVEMENTS – Veteran town Highway Dept. employee Arnold H. Chapman operated this tractor and mower rig during the summer months. His job was to cut weeds and brush along all town roads to permit easier maintenance work and improved traffic safety convenience.

UPPER VALLEY-LAKE SUNAPEE COUNCIL

The Council—until two years ago known as the Upper Valley Planning and Development Commission—has been undergoing a period of rapid growth and change. From what originated as an economic development association, it has become a comprehensive regional planning agency. And, where it originally served just six towns, it now serves twenty-two communities in New Hampshire and Vermont, from Orford on the North to Charlestown on the South; from Canaan on the East to the three Vermont member towns of Hartford, Norwich and Thetford.

The Council operates on an annual budget of more than \$100,000—\$109,000 for the current 1974-75 fiscal year. It is under the direction of a 45 member board of directors composed of two directors from each of its 22 member communities (plus one director-at-large). Since these directors are appointed by the member communities—the Selectmen or City Councilors—and set the overall policies and programs to be administered by the professional staff, there is complete local control of the Council's activities.

Yet, the membership dues from local communities (Plainfield's share for the coming year, figured on a per capita basis will be just \$979.00) account for less than 30 percent of the Council's total revenue. The remainder, more than 70 percent, comes from various state and federal sources; sources available to the Council because of its status as a comprehensive regional planning agency recognized by the federal government and the states of New Hampshire and Vermont. In other words, these added sources of revenue have increased the Council's income and thus its ability to serve its members at a better than two-to-one ratio of service to local dollars spent.

Many programs have been undertaken with that money. There are large-scale regional studies which can benefit all member towns. Within the present year, there has been the completion of a comprehensive *solid waste management study*, which has helped all member towns head in the right direction as they approach the state-mandated deadline for closing their open burning dumps; and which has revealed new options and technical areas for exploration by those towns which already have a landfill established. There are smaller-scale studies which benefit smaller groups of communities in the region. Presently, for example, more than 20 towns are involved in the Council's tax mapping program, designed to help all New Hampshire communities meet the state deadline. Others have benefited from Council aid in local but multi-town problems in areas such as public transportation and recreation.

Direct staff assistance is made available to most communities via a technical services program with help given in such diverse areas as subdivision regulations, land use maps, downtown improvement studies, new zoning ordinances, planning for new municipal facilities and the many technical and graphic needs inherent in these programs.

These are a few of the types of services which the Council has provided in the past year. These types of services will be continued in its new fiscal year, which will begin July 1, 1975. The exact components remain to be identified and they will depend largely on what the town-appointed directors see as pressing this spring, since the Council is not a sort of regional government. It is a membership group, established to serve its members.

While each town or city has its own pressing problems, it does not exist in a vacuum. Many of its neighbors face some of these same problems. Or a neighbor's solutions may cause it problems.

This is where a regional planning program can help, working with and for local communities to seek solutions to these common problems. That is the continuing mission of the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council.

EDWARD ROHRBACH
MERRILL THOMPSON
Plainfield Council Representatives

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE

During the last term I became extremely busy in my capacity of your Representative. I was placed on two active Committees: Resources and Recreation as well as Executive Departments and Administration. In addition, it was my pleasure to be chairman of the Legislative Orientation Joint Committee. In this capacity I planned the pre-session conference for new members and also an on-going program of education about State Government together with the rest of the Committee. It has been a full two years.

I have been gratified at the number of requests for help and information which you have sent my way. I am always glad to try to find answers for you. I am in Concord every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from January until July 1 during the time the Legislature meets.

In addition to Legislative activities, I serve on the finance committee for Sullivan County. This requires many hours of meetings in January and February listening to county agencies' budgetary requests, then making up the budget which is paid for by the towns according to the accustomed formula. Too few people are aware of the increasingly important role played by the counties in N.H. I hope all will study the County report in March.

New Hampshire still does not have a decent land-use plan. I hope we can pass good legislation in this area in '75. We continue to rely on "sin" taxes to support the human and other services for the people of the state. There has been progress in the establishment of community mental health facilities, more is needed. Vocational-technical training is on the rise and this is good for many of our youth will not attend college for various reasons. As yet we do not give adequate tax relief to our senior citizens who are saddled with increasingly higher rates for utilities, rent, food and medicine. We must send state monies back to the towns and cities in order to give our elderly a break which they so richly deserve. The local tax base has been eroded too much.

I am proud to have co-sponsored the N.H. Housing Authority bill; I also managed to get the bounty on bobcats repealed and established free access to all state-owned parks and recreation areas for N.H. Senior citizens. My ethics bill failed, but it will have another appearance in '75. I feel strongly about the need for a strong conflict-of-interest statute for Legislators. I think it will pass this time, thanks to Watergate.

It is a privilege to be your Representative. I stand ready to do my best whenever I am called upon.

SARA M. TOWNSEND

SUMMARY OF LUMBERING OPERATIONS April 1, 1973 to March 31, 1974

	<i>Present Year</i>	<i>Previous Year</i>
Number of Operations	23	20
Board Feet Cut	3,168,304	1,668,023
Cords (Pulp)	70	-
Christmas Trees	1,104	1,214
Normal Tax Yield (Town)	\$ 7,227.73	\$ 3,891.97
Bond & Debt Retirement (State)	<u>1,373.55</u>	<u>778.40</u>
TOTAL YIELD TAXES ASSESSED	\$ 8,601.28	\$ 4,670.37

LOUIS H. HOUSER
Yield Tax Agent

REPORT OF TOWN AUDIT
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, N.H.
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1974 (June 30, 1975)

REVENUE SHARING FUND

Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Fund Balance

Available Funds, January 1, 1974 (July 1, 1974)		\$ 3,941.49
Add Revenue:		
Entitlement Payments	\$ 8,900.00	
Interest	<u>253.81</u>	
		<u>9,153.81</u>
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS		\$13,095.30
Less Expenditures:		
Operating/Maintenance Expenses:		
Public Safety	\$	
Environmental Protection		
Public Transportation		
Health	1,400.00	
Recreation		
Libraries		
Social Services For Poor and Aged	6,000.00	
Financial Administration	<u> </u>	
Total Operating/Maintenance Expenses		\$ 7,400.00
Capital Expenditures:		
Multipurpose and General Government	\$	
Education		
Health		
Transportation		
Social Development		
Housing and Community Development		
Economic Development		
Environmental Conservation		
Public Safety		
Recreation/Culture		
Others (Specify)	<u> </u>	
Total Capital Expenditures		\$
Total Expenditures		<u>7,400.00</u>
Available Cash - December 31, 1974 (June 30, 1975)		\$ 5,695.30
Less: Encumbrances (Appropriations Authorized)		
December 31, 1974 (June 30, 1975)		
Operating/Maintenance Expenses:		
Public Safety	\$	
Environmental Protection		
Public Transportation		
Health		
Recreation		
Libraries		

Social Services For Poor and Aged
Financial Administration

Total Operating Encumbrances

\$

Capital Outlay:

Multipurpose and General Government \$
Education
Health
Transportation
Social Development
Housing and Community Development
Economic Development
Environmental Conservation
Public Safety
Recreation/Culture
Others (Specify)

Total Capital Encumbrances

\$

Total Encumbrances

Available Unobligated Funds - December 31, 1974 (June 30, 1975)

\$15,912.03

We have examined the accounts and records of the Revenue Sharing Fund of the Town of Plainfield, N.H. for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974 (June 30, 1975).

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 Plainfield, N.H. for the year ended December 31, 1974 (June 30, 1975).

Signed,

HERMAN D. ROGERS

JOHN F. McNAMARA

Auditors, Town of Plainfield, N.H.

Date: 30 Jan. 1975

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town halls, land and buildings	\$ 71,400.00
Furniture and equipment	7,000.00
Libraries, land and buildings	69,950.00
Furniture, equipment and books	11,400.00
Police Department equipment	2,680.00
Highway Department, land and buildings	19,860.00
Equipment	140,400.00
Materials and supplies	11,450.00
Cemetery Department equipment	5,000.00
School District land and buildings	553,500.00
Equipment	45,000.00
Town Dump lot	4,200.00
Mill Road lot	900.00
Burnap Island	200.00
Stage Coach Road lot	750.00
Town Forest	15,000.00
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$958,690.00</u>

(Land and buildings valued by Dept. of Revenue Administration, Appraisal Division; furniture, equipment, materials and supplies valued at replacement cost.)

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1974	\$ 93,393.47
Receipts from all sources through December 31, 1974	<u>905,187.28</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$998,580.75
Less Selectmen's orders paid	<u>924,075.94</u>
Balance on Hand, December 31, 1974	\$ 74,504.81

Respectfully submitted,
FRED SWEET, Town Treasurer

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

<u>Purpose of Loan</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Date Due</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Equipment Purchase No. 74	5.0%	12/1/75	\$ 6,000.00
Equipment Purchase No. 76	5.7%	12/15/75	7,500.00
Equipment Purchase No. 77	5.8%	12/15/76	7,500.00
Equipment Purchase No. 78	5.9%	12/15/77	<u>7,500.00</u>
Total amount of long term notes outstanding: (Notes held by Claremont National Bank)			\$28,500.00

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash in hands of Treasurer	\$ 74,504.81
Accounts due town:	
Gas tax refund	366.25
Federal disaster relief	53,972.99
Unredeemed taxes:	
Levy of 1973	7,452.83
Levy of 1972	1,367.61
Uncollected taxes:	
Levy of 1974	68,412.98
Levy of 1973	635.73
Levy of 1972	<u>12.67</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$206,725.87

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by town:	
Uncollected bond & debt taxes	547.90
Bond & debt taxes collected, unremitted	1,196.15
School district taxes payable	<u>231,169.89</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$232,913.94
Current deficit Dec. 31, 1973	1,508.82
Current deficit Dec. 31, 1974	26,188.07
Increase of deficit	<u>24,679.25</u>

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1974**

-DR.-

Taxes Committed To Collector:

Property Taxes	\$475,763.97	
Resident Taxes	8,150.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	25.82	
Total Warrants		\$483,939.79

Yield Taxes

8,673.28

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 2,014.36	
Resident Taxes	<u>490.00</u>	
		2,504.36

Overpayments During Year:

a/c Property Taxes	\$ 747.26	
a/c Resident Taxes		
a/c Yield Taxes	<u>360.21</u>	1,107.47

Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes

290.17

Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes

24.00

TOTAL DEBITS

\$496,539.07

-CR.-

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$406,544.30	
Resident Taxes	6,820.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	25.82	
Yield Taxes	6,064.83	
Interest Collected	278.01	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	24.00	
Cash on Hand, Collector	<u>12.41</u>	
		\$419,769.37

Discounts Allowed

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 7,966.72	
Resident Taxes	360.00	
Yield Taxes	<u> </u>	
		8,356.72

Uncollected Taxes--December 31, 1974:

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 63,984.32	
Resident Taxes	1,460.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>2,968.66</u>	
		<u>68,412.98</u>

TOTAL CREDITS

\$496,539.07

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1973**

-DR.-

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1974:

Property Taxes	\$ 36,830.94		
Resident Taxes	1,330.00		
Yield Taxes	1,791.01	\$ 39,951.95	

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 334.89		
Resident Taxes	170.00		
		504.89	

Overpayments:

a/c Property Taxes	\$ 27.25		
a/c Resident Taxes			
		27.25	

Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes

On Yield Taxes	\$ 1,158.96		
	30.75		

Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes

	140.00		

1,329.71

TOTAL DEBITS

\$ 41,813.80

-CR.-

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

Property Taxes	\$ 36,506.71		
Resident Taxes	1,330.00		
Yield Taxes	1,472.24		
Interest Collected During Year	1,189.71		
Penalties on Resident Taxes	140.00		
		\$ 40,638.66	

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 389.41		
Resident Taxes	150.00		
Yield Taxes			
		539.41	

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

Property Taxes	\$ 296.96		
Resident Taxes	20.00		
Yield Taxes	318.77	635.73	

TOTAL CREDITS

\$ 41,813.80



**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1972**

-DR.-

Uncollected Taxes—January 1, 1974:

Property Taxes	\$	246.32
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes		31.13

TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 277.45
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*Remittances to Treas. During Fiscal Year
Ending December 31, 1974:*

Property Taxes	\$	233.65
Interest Collected During Year		31.13

\$ 264.78

*Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List
December 31, 1974:*

Property Taxes	\$	12.67
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TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 277.45
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**UNCOLLECTED TAXES
LEVY OF 1972**

PROPERTY TAXES

Richard & Irma Kendall		\$ 12.67
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**UNCOLLECTED TAXES
LEVY OF 1973**

PROPERTY TAXES

Brown, Edgar & Joanne	\$	74.97
Kendall, Richard & Irma		115.73
O'Keefe, James & Yvonne		106.26

Total Uncollected		\$296.96
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RESIDENT TAXES

Kendall, Richard & Irma		20.00
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Total Uncollected		\$ 20.00
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YIELD TAXES

Brown, Edgar		318.77
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Total Uncollected		\$318.77
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UNCOLLECTED YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1974

Atkinson-Davis	\$ 298.69
Brodeur, Maurice	102.91
Davis & Symonds	121.44
Jache, Erwin	52.82
Simino, Wayne	2,169.70
Slayton, Ray	223.10
Total Uncollected	\$2,968.66

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1974

-DR.-

	Tax Sale on Account of Levies of:			
	1973	1972	1971	Previous Years
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1974	\$	\$ 5,732.28	\$ 2,418.79	\$
(b) Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	19,667.42			
<i>Interest Collected After Taxes</i>	461.34	650.66	541.68	
<i>Redemption Costs</i>	79.94	35.95	25.90	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$20,208.70	\$ 6,418.89	\$ 2,986.37	\$

-CR.-

Remittances to Treasurer During Year:

Redemptions	\$12,140.41	\$ 4,300.19	\$ 2,358.94	\$
Interest & Costs After Sale	541.28	686.61	567.58	

Abatements During Year:

Deeded to Town During Year:	74.18	64.48	59.85	
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Unredeemed Taxes-December 31, 1974

	7,452.83	1,367.61		
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$20,208.70	\$ 6,418.89	\$ 2,986.37	\$
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UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES

DECEMBER 31, 1974

	LEVIES OF:		
	1973	1972	1971
Barton, Lawrence & Addie	\$ 391.77	\$	\$
Barton, Verne	346.57		
Burgess, Theodore & Betty	3,852.44		
Fadden, James	16.91		
LeClair, Margaret et al	727.27	649.30	
Martin, Paul & Anjta	530.66		
Powell, Albon & Helen	456.17	409.66	
Raymond, Betsy & Robert	765.99		
Slayton, Hazel	16.78		
Slayton, Hayden & Bernice	220.92	194.23	
Strobel, Charles & Richard	127.35	114.42	
	\$7,452.83	\$1,367.61	\$

UNCOLLECTED RESIDENT TAXES

LEVY OF 1974
December 31, 1974

Aldrich, George	Hector, Eugene	Powell, Helen
Aldrich, Joyce	Hector, Freda	Pratt, Bert
Baril, Barbara	Hendrick, John	Pratt, Priscilla
Baril, Richard	Hendrick, Ruth	Riley, Norma
Barnes, Shirleigh	Hodges, Deborah	Rogers, Collette
Barnett, Betty	Hodgman, Phyllis	Rogers, W. Robert
Barnett, W. E.	Holland, Peter	Sadoques, Anthony
Barton, Deborah	Howard, Mark	Sadoques, Barbara
Barton, Richard	Husted, Bernita	Samuelson, Karen
Bliss, Penelope	Husted, Delbert	Samuelson, Stephen
Brooks, Edith	Herrick, Allen Jr.	Sanville, Betty
Brooks, Roger	Jarvis, John	Sanville, Raymond
Brown, Joan	Jarvis, Polly	Sargeant, Alice
Brown, Edgar	Joslin, Mary-Ann	Sargeant, Edward
Carver, Douglas	Joslin, Robert	Sexton, Peter
Carver, Susan	Keller, Donald	Slayton, Barbara
Cass, Gary	Keller, Susan	Slayton, Bernice
Cassedy, Margaret	Kelley, Russell	Slayton, Geraldine
Cassedy, Ruth	Kelley, Susan	Slayton, Hayden
Clydesdale, Christine	Kenyon, Bernard	Slayton, Ray
Comstock, Augusta	Kenyon, Shirlie	Slayton, Scott
Cronin, Anne	Kiendl, Arthur	Smith, Arthur
Cronin, William	Kiendl, Beth	Smith, Marcia
Curran, Bruce	Kimball, Stephen	Stevens, Patricia
Davis, Danny	LaHaye, Franklin	Sullivan, Alberta
Davis, Donna	LaHaye, Shelda	Sullivan, Ralph
Davis, Ellsworth	Laurent, Philip	Swett, Patricia
Davis, James	LeClair, Margaret	Swett, Wendell
Davis, Judith	LeClair, Clifford	Therrien, Barbara
Dean, Warren, Jr.	Ledyard, George	Therrien, David
Densmore, Betty	Lewellyn, Albert	Therrien, Henry Jr.
Dellabough, John	Lewellyn, Linda	Therrien, Louise
Dunham, Fred	Leader, Rosa	Tillman, James
Dunham, Wendy	Martin, Richard	Tillman, Paula
Earle, Maude	Morse, Anita	Tomkins, Bill
Earle, Robert, Sr.	Morse, Clayton	Walker, David
Emde, Anna	Nicolaisen, Hans	White, George
Fellows, Hazen	Nicolaisen, Hope	White, Mary
Fellows, Sally	Nutbrown, Edna	White, Peter
Fortune, John	Nutbrown, William	Williams, Caroline
Fortune, Pauline	O'Keefe, James	Williams, Gary
Freeland, Barbara	O'Keefe, Yvonne	Williams, Mary
Freeland, Brenda	Perkins, Donald	Williams, Norman
Freeland, Robert	Perkins, Orville	Williams, Thomas
Gardiner, Paul	Perkins, Rosalba	Woods, Cora
Gobin, Dennis	Perry, Harold	Woods, Fred
Grace, Howard	Perry, Roberta	
Grace, Luella	Perry, Roland	
Hadlock, Gretchen	Poland, Norma	
Hadlock, Stephen	Powell, Albon	

Total Uncollected: \$1,460.00

I hereby certify that the above list showing the amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1974, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DOROTHY T. McNAMARA, Tax Collector

UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES

LEVY OF 1974

December 31, 1974

Aldrich, Henry & Karen	\$ 139.73	LeClair, Margaret et al.	743.90
Atkinson-Davis	3,307.76	Leavitt, Sidney & Margaret	131.48
Barton, Lawrence & Addie	399.63	LaRue, Charles	296.38
Barton, Richard & Joanne	346.00	Martin, Paul & Anita	543.22
Barton, Verne	352.92	McLaughlin, James & Margaret	143.59
Bevan, David & Susan	2,639.98	Mitchell, William	56.02
Blow-Me-Down Const. Co.	5,862.97	Morse, Clayton & Anita	505.50
Blue Mtn. Forest Assoc.	3,727.71	Northern Forest Products	1,141.80
Blue, Norman	416.32	Nutbrown, William & Edna	202.65
Boivin, Ferne	18.30	O'Keefe, James & Yvonne	176.46
Bolton, Burton & Dorothy	470.56	O'Leary, Eric & Constance	225.43
Brown, Edgar & Joanne	148.78	Parkhurst, Kenneth	96.07
Burgess, Theo. & Betty	4,146.81	Perkins, Orville & Rosalba	38.23
Carver, Douglas & Susan	494.78	Perron, Maurice	75.03
Cassedy, Mary	33.85	Poirier, Andre et al.	29.28
Ce-NYCorp.	1,674.64	Poland, George & Norma	21.94
Chase, Alfred & Shirley	1,477.42	Powell, Albon & Helen	463.64
Comstock, Augusta	21.67	Pringle, George & Janice	347.90
Coleman, Howard	256.19	Raymond, Robert & Betsy	825.38
Daley, Frederick & Gertrude	9,272.80	Riley, Norma	65.74
Davis & Symonds	487.86	Sadoques, Anthony & Barbara	418.66
Davis, Stephen & Joan	380.60	Salls, Archibald & Alice	100.23
Davis, Heirs of Arthur	129.75	Samuelson, Stephen & Karen	1,039.73
DeFeo, Anthony	1,785.36	Schelewa, Charles & Anne	699.09
Demerse, Warren	37.51	Slayton, Hayden & Bernice	212.96
Deslande, Joseph & Florence	71.37	Slayton, Ray & Geraldine	45.75
Dinan, Dennis & Sally	795.25	Slayton, Ronald & Kathleen	6.40
Dunham, Fred	176.46	Slayton, Scott & Barbara	273.02
Earle, Robert Sr.	645.29	Smith, Marcia Ricker	209.33
Fadden, Annette	49.41	Soper, Bruce & Barbara	431.24
Farnham, Jean	117.68	Spitz, Steven	183.91
Fellows, Hazen & Sally	553.60	Stark, Thomas & Joyce	10.38
Fletcher, Alfred	35.68	Stowell Enterprises	283.72
Foley, Wesley & Diana	166.85	Strobel, Charles & Richard	126.29
Freeland, Robert & Barbara	467.27	Strobel, Robert & William	128.02
Gomez, Philip & Dorothy	83.04	Strong, Frank & Marie	884.03
Grace, Howard & Luella	460.18	Sullivan, Ralph & Alberta	268.15
Hall, G. Kenneth & Barbara	465.37	Swett, Wendell & Patricia	533.01
Hector, Eugene & Freda	177.89	Therrien, David	531.11
Hodges, Deborah	179.92	Town Line Equipment	13.84
Hooker, Kenneth & Viola	167.20	Trevithick, Earle & Etta	379.72
Jarvis, John & Polly	35.52	Tri-State Timberland	525.92
Jordan, Otis, Alice & Raymond	530.93	Tuttle, David, Trustee	387.04
Joslin, Robert & Mary-Ann	262.96	Walker, David	1.73
Judy, James & Harriet	3,264.01	White, Jeffrey & Audrey	268.09
Kelley, Russell & Susan	32.41	Williams, Norman	1,236.95
Kelton, Augusta	441.15	Yatsevitch, Gratian	7.26
King, Earl & Marion	1,032.81	Yeaton, Paul et al.	34.60
LaHaye, Franklin & Shelda	323.91		
Laurie, Francis	48.44	Total Uncollected	\$63,984.32

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

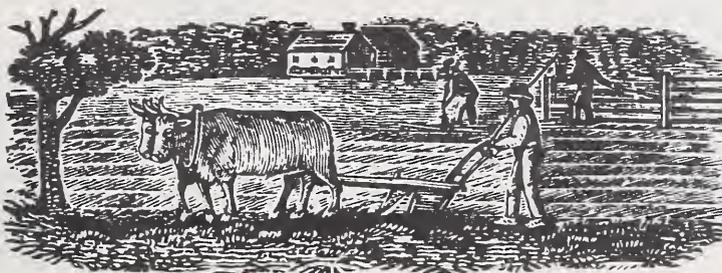
APPROPRIATIONS:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 7,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	7,000.00
Election & Registration Expenses	1,800.00
Re-appraisal of Property	700.00
Town Building Expense	2,000.00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	4,000.00
Police Department	4,000.00
Fire Departments	1,600.00
Insurance	7,500.00
Planning & Zoning	3,000.00
Damages & Legal Expenses	2,000.00
Health Department	1,700.00
Vital Statistics	50.00
Town Dump & Trash Collection Expense	19,400.00
Highway Department	
Summer & Winter Maintenance	47,500.00
Street Lighting	2,100.00
General Expense	5,500.00
Town Road Aid	1,400.00
	<u>56,500.00</u>
Libraries	9,368.00
Town Poor	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	3,500.00
OSHA	6,000.00
Revenue Sharing	7,400.00
Memorial Day Expense	75.00
Recreation	2,500.00
Conservation	1,000.00
Cemeteries	4,100.00
Airports	650.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	75.00
Payment on Debt	
Principal	12,000.00
Interest	3,600.00
	<u>15,600.00</u>
Capital Outlay	
Article No.	
Fire Depts. XIV	4,400.00
Hydrant Rental XV	1,250.00
Grader VI	5,000.00
	<u>10,650.00</u>
TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATIONS	\$180,168.00
LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES AND CREDITS:	
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 15,761.00
Savings Bank Tax	1,092.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	6,500.00
Reimbursement a/c State & Federal Lands	75.00
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	7,227.00
Interest Rec'd. on Taxes and Deposits	4,000.00

Licenses, Permits, Filing Fees	900.00
Dog Licenses	700.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	21,000.00
Rent of Town Property & Equipment	500.00
Income from Trust Funds	2,500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	25.00
Resident Taxes retained	8,150.00
Revenue Sharing (Article V)	7,400.00
Highway Subsidy	17,837.00
Income from Departments	500.00
TOTAL REVENUE AND CREDITS	\$ 94,167.00
Net Town Appropriations	86,001.00
Net School Appropriations	345,604.34
County Tax Assessment	33,561.14
TOTAL OF TOWN, SCHOOL AND COUNTY	\$465,166.48
Deduct: Reimb. Exempt Property	\$ 6,332.00
Add: War Service Credits	6,550.00
Add: Overlay	16,929.49
PROPERTY TAXES TO BE RAISED	\$482,313.97
Taxes Committed to Collector:	
Gross Property Taxes	\$482,313.97
Less War Service Tax Credits	6,550.00
TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT	\$475,763.97
1974 Tax Rate: \$3.46 per hundred	
Town \$.77	
County .24	
School 2.45	

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, January 1, 1974	\$ 93,393.47
Local Taxes, Current Year	422,261.96
Local Taxes, Previous Years	61,493.45
From State of New Hampshire	72,278.47
Local Sources except Taxes	2,194.10
Income of Departments	2,274.75
Trustees of Trust Funds	5,790.00
Social Security Reimbursements	675.44
Registration of Motor Vehicles	24,578.93
Receipts other than Current Revenues	313,640.18
Grand Total	\$998,580.75



DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1974	\$ 93,393.47	
Local Taxes, current year:		
Property taxes	406,544.92	
Resident taxes	6,820.00	
Nat'l. Bank Stock tax	25.20	
Yield taxes	8,569.83	
Interest & Penalties	<u>302.01</u>	
		\$515,655.43
Local Taxes, previous years:		
Property taxes	36,740.36	
Resident taxes	1,330.00	
Yield tax	1,472.24	
Interest & Costs	3,017.44	
Resident tax penalties	140.00	
Tax Sales redeemed	<u>18,793.41</u>	
		61,493.45
From State of New Hampshire		
Gas Tax refund	1,437.16	
Forest Land grant	124.53	
Business Profits Tax	6,331.24	
TRA reimbursement	2,315.44	
Duncan Fund	8,225.91	
Interest & Dividends tax	15,761.50	
Savings Bank tax	1,091.58	
Rooms & Meals tax	8,183.15	
Highway Subsidy	23,763.15	
OAA refund	16.84	
Conservation Commission Grant	5,000.00	
Forest Fire reimbursement	23.57	
Food Stamp sales	<u>4.40</u>	
		72,278.47
Local Sources except taxes		
Dog licenses	301.50	
Permits & filing fees	1,616.00	
Rent of town property	273.60	
Bicycle registration	<u>3.00</u>	
		2,194.10
Income of Departments		
Highway	<u>2,274.75</u>	
		2,274.75
Trustees of Trust Funds		
Ward Fund	110.00	
Burnap Fund	220.00	
Cemetery Trust Funds	460.00	
Conservation Commission	<u>5,000.00</u>	
		5,790.00
Social Security Reimbursements	<u>675.44</u>	
		675.44
Registration of Motor Vehicles		
1973 Permits	199.67	
1974 Permits	<u>24,379.26</u>	
		24,578.93

Receipts other than Current Revenues		
Temporary loans	277,745.89	
Interest on deposits	2,590.17	
Equipment purchase notes	22,500.00	
Refunds from vendors	960.00	
Insurance claim adjustments	1,723.39	
Sale of surplus property	720.73	
Revenue sharing program	<u>7,400.00</u>	
		<u>313,640.18</u>
Total		\$998,580.75

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers Salaries	\$ 10,177.29
Town Officers Expenses	8,350.78
Election & Registration Expense	2,072.13
Town Hall and Building Expense	6,908.73
Reappraisal of Property	2,207.74
Retirement & Social Security	4,901.19
Police Department	6,288.86
Fire Department	7,483.50
Insurance	7,868.40
Planning & Zoning	2,495.98
Vital Statistics	32.25
Health Department	3,589.27
Dump & Rubbish Removal	24,900.87
Town Maintenance	120,810.96
Duncan Fund	8,260.74
Street Lighting	2,214.17
General Expenses of Highway Department	7,926.46
Town Road Aid	1,293.30
Truck & Plow Expense	10,397.24
Loader & Grader Expense	5,408.08
Fuel & Lubricant Expense	8,405.36
Libraries	9,347.15
Old Age Assistance	1,190.04
Welfare Department	9,633.93
Memorial Day	79.52
Cemetery Department	4,649.28
Damages & Legal Expenses	2,597.27
Regional Association	75.00
Taxes Bought by Town	19,677.42
Discounts, Abatements & Refunds	5,870.49
Interest	9,302.21
New Equipment	27,035.00
Airport	650.00
Conservation	11,000.00
Recreation	2,604.54
Repayment of Debt	282,000.00
Payments to State & County	34,467.77
Payments to School District	<u>252,784.14</u>
Total Expenditures	\$924,957.06
Cash on hand, January 1, 1975	74,504.81
Less 1973 check returned	<u>881.12</u>
	<u>\$998,580.75</u>

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Stephen H. Taylor, Selectman	\$ 1,211.91
David R. Stone, Selectman	877.01
Louis H. Houser, Selectman	1,039.18
Howard Zea, Clerk	1,754.92
Fred Sweet, Treasurer	564.90
Dorothy McNamara, Tax Collector & Bookkeeper	3,429.41
Joseph Longacre, Building Inspector	456.90
Sylvia Clark, deputy clerk	51.00
Marjorie Spalding, deputy treasurer	50.00
Herman D. Rogers, auditor	133.00
John F. McNamara, auditor	120.00
State Treasurer, FICA	271.47
State Treasurer, retirement	135.85
Claremont National Bank, withholding	81.74

\$ 10,177.29

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES

Brown & Saltmarsh, office supplies & forms	116.00
State Treasurer, FICA	210.08
N.H. Clerks Association, Dues	8.00
White River Paper Co., paper supplies	10.10
Valley News, notices	43.48
Branham Publishing Co., forms	22.80
N.H. Municipal Association, dues & printed matter	180.64
Kimballs, officer supplies	130.83
Meriden Telephone Co., telephone service	769.93
Franklin Barto, postmaster	227.20
Zella Eastman LaForge, recording fees	185.60
Howard Zea, clerks expenses	106.00
Homestead Press, forms	17.49
Bridgman's, blind	35.00
Poultney Rubber Stamp Co., rubber stamps	31.57
Dorothy McNamara, tax collector's expenses	479.98
Kearsarge Computer Co., payroll expense	161.59
G. Gardiner MacLeay, postmaster	503.60
Judith Belyea, typing	231.56
Office Machines of N.H., file cabinet	224.95
Malcolm Grobe, delivering town reports	68.75
KUA, copying notice	5.00
Richard Sheaff, town report cover	12.80
Hildreths, office supplies	3.29
Greydon Freeman, office supplies	363.69
Accounting Control, printing tax bills	894.71
MacLeay's Store, office supplies	6.68
David Stone, selectman's expense	165.35
Louis H. Houser, selectman's expense	429.24
Stephen H. Taylor, selectman's expense	537.50
Joseph Longacre, building inspector expense	91.20
N.H. Association of Assessors, dues	10.00
Wheeler & Clark, supplies	11.34
Pitney Bowes, postage meter rental	169.00
N.H. Tax Collectors Association, dues	10.00

Sullivan County Conservation, annual meeting dinners	84.00
Roger Burt, printing town report & forms	1,436.50
PTA, calendar	12.00
Data Forms, tax forms	23.92
Walter Clifford, table for map cabinet	112.50
Equity Publishing Co., law books	52.00
Business Products of N.H., copy paper	41.02
Eagle Publishing Co., notices	6.60
Fred Sweet, Treasurer's expenses	50.00
L. H. Hardy & Daughter, Book binding	57.29

8,350.78

ELECTION & REGISTRATION EXPENSES

Arthur Quimby, election official	42.00
Sylvia Clark, supervisor of check list	240.50
Marion J. Creeger, moderator	161.00
Jerome Doolittle, moderator	30.00
Margarette Meyette, ballot clerk	102.00
Anita Barrett, ballot clerk	102.00
John F. McNamara, ballot clerk	102.00
Alice Jordan, ballot clerk	102.00
David Stockwell, supervisor of check list	189.00
Ruth Wheeler, supervisor of check list	156.00
Judith Belyea, election official	42.00
Valley News, printing notices	146.43
KUA, chair rental	25.00
Plainfield Cooperative Kindergarten, dinners	142.00
Meriden Congregational Church, dinners	60.00
Cory Hewitt Press, printing check lists	347.20
Roger Burt, printing	83.00

2,072.13

TOWN HALL AND TOWN BUILDING EXPENSE

Connecticut Valley Electricity, service Plain Town Hall	124.17
N.H. Electric Cooperative, service highway garage	249.39
Granite State Electric, service Meriden Town Hall	82.78
Johnson & Dix, fuel	27.93
Plainfield Water District, water service	90.00
Frank Chellis, electrical work	237.05
Cody's, supplies	3.50
Plainfield Oil Co., fuel	492.91
Harold Clark, electrical work	234.59
Suburban Natural Gas Co., fuel	534.95
Ellsworth G. Sawyer, electrical work	55.40
Barber Sales, furniture highway office	215.00
Executone, amplifier	175.15
W. Bailey, cleaning town hall, Meriden	33.00
H. Willer, cleaning town hall, Meriden	33.00
MacLeay's Store, supplies	4.33
K-Ross, Materials, town garage	130.94
Cote-Reney, materials, town garage	555.01
Taylor Rental	20.00
Johnson's Home Center, material, town garage	463.66
Cash Way, materials, town garage	330.70
Kibby Equipment, supplies	27.43

Dulac's, materials, town garage	90.21	
Miller Construction, town garage	85.76	
Wesley Laurie, foundation, garage addition	400.00	
John McNamara, plumbing town garage	1,254.44	
Treas. State of N.H., FICA	11.99	
Claremont National Bank, withholding	20.84	
D. MacLeay, labor & equipment, town garage	<u>924.60</u>	
		6,908.73
REAPPRAISAL OF PROPERTY		
State of N.H., appraisal services	1,411.24	
Marshall Moyer, tax map work	<u>796.50</u>	
		2,207.74
RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY		
State of N.H., actuarial fee	9.61	
State of N.H., FICA	4,590.73	
State of N.H., retirement	<u>300.85</u>	
		4,901.19
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Meriden Telephone Company, telephone service	208.94	
Motorola, radio work	65.00	
Scientific Detection, equipment	62.80	
Evans, equipment	22.93	
Newshire Forms, stationery	35.70	
Treasurer, State of N.H., FICA	201.40	
New England Telephone Co., telephone service	239.67	
Redlands Gun Shop, equipment	228.95	
Roger Burt, printing	25.75	
Arthur Creighton, constable	268.85	
James Pringle, constable	1,321.04	
Harold Pringle, constable	331.66	
John Conly, constable	625.44	
Joseph Meyette, constable	<u>2,650.73</u>	
		6,288.86
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
New England Telephone Co., telephone service	159.13	
Meriden Volunteer Fire Department	3,233.50	
Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department	2,840.87	
Plainfield Village Water District, hydrant rental	<u>1,250.00</u>	
		7,483.50
INSURANCE		
John F. McNamara, insurance premiums	5,527.00	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	<u>2,341.40</u>	
		7,868.40
PLANNING & ZONING		
Lebanon Graphics, printing	48.70	
Valley News, notices	413.15	
Catherine Jones, postage	10.46	
Paul Atherton, map work	150.00	
Roger Burt, printing	725.10	
Judith Belyea, clerk's expense	21.38	

Upper Valley Council, services, dues	1,110.00	
Homestead Press, forms	17.19	
		2,495.98
VITAL STATISTICS		
Howard Zea, clerk	32.25	
		32.25
HEALTH DEPARTMENT		
Douglas Grearson, health officer expenses	189.27	
City of Lebanon, ambulance charge	1,400.00	
Lebanon Nursing Service	2,000.00	
		3,589.27
DUMP AND RUBBISH REMOVAL		
Waste Controls System, trash collection	17,995.87	
Moulton Construction Co., landfill operation	2,130.00	
Charles Stone, fencing old dump	440.00	
City of Lebanon, landfill agreement	4,335.00	
		24,900.87
TOWN MAINTENANCE		
Arthur Thompson, road agent	10,859.24	
Arnold Chapman, labor	6,551.82	
John H. McNamara, Jr., labor	6,576.56	
Wallace Chesley, labor	6,753.02	
Henry Thompson, labor	2,054.83	
Clayton Jamieson, labor	3,482.34	
Stanley Rogers Jr., labor	3,436.59	
William LaPan, labor	5,762.70	
Peter Austin, labor	843.30	
George Kibbie, traffic control	163.31	
City of Lebanon, roll rental	204.00	
N.H. Bituminous, tarring	13,528.56	
Kenneth Moore, sand	77.50	
Pike Industries, hot patch	8,580.96	
James Woodbury, roadside mowing	24.00	
Matthew McConnel, mulch	25.00	
Albert Barker, gravel	504.00	
J. Meyette, mulch	7.50	
Miller Ready Mix, concrete	447.30	
David Stockwell, gravel	913.50	
Richard Jenks, truck hire	360.00	
Peter Burling, mulch	10.00	
William McNamara, mulch	27.50	
Don Langley, truck hire	90.00	
Tom Ireton, truck hire	180.00	
Don Crate, truck hire	90.00	
Claremont National Bank, withholding	6,793.54	
Fred Sweet, tree cutting	100.00	
State of N.H., FICA	4,740.67	
Moulton Equipment, equipment hire	93.00	
Larry Small, gravel	1,184.50	
Andrew Kuhre, truck hire	120.00	
Earl King, truck hire	80.00	
Trumbull-Nelson, concrete work	7,396.96	
United Construction Co., equipment rental	3,405.00	
Milton Jewell, equipment hire	4,620.00	
Clifton Marsh, truck hire	192.00	

Plainfield Oil, equipment hire	3,112.50
Town of Cornish, Thrasher Bridge job	3,174.37
Wayne Simino, clearing right-of-way	4,147.00
Lebanon Crushed Stone, aggregates	3,704.87
Blaktop, cold patch	2,655.74
Arnold Chapman, chain saw	180.00
Kibby Equipment, supplies	237.76
Ralph Sullivan, labor	27.50
Wallace Chesley, chain saw use	184.50
Chemical Corporation, salt	738.27
Whitehall Chemical Co., salt	657.25
Berwick & Sons, barrels	72.00

120,810.96

LOADER & GRADER EXPENSE

B & B Chains, chains for grader	240.00
R. C. Hazelton, grader lease and parts	4,005.30
Jordan Milton, parts	1,065.69
Murphy & Wilson, parts	.68
Kibby Equipment, parts	96.41

5,408.08

TRUCK EXPENSE

Sanel, parts	142.12
Hathorns, parts	528.37
Bailey Brothers, parts	2,047.47
Hilliker, parts	12.64
Car-Go, tires	1,524.24
Meriden Garage, inspections and parts	107.02
Daniels Sales, repairs	1,691.28
Ray Decato, parts	64.00
Hazeltons, parts	727.14
M & M Equipment, parts	493.80
Ross Express, freight	5.15
Holmes, freight	6.55
Kibby Equipment, blades	796.37
Decato Motors, repairs	1,568.07
Kelton Motors, parts	227.15
Barrett Equipment, parts	22.10
Jordan Milton, parts	351.88
Rosen-Berger, truck parts	60.00
Hartford Motors, parts	11.88
Cliffords, parts	10.01

10,397.24

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State Treasurer, town share	1,293.30
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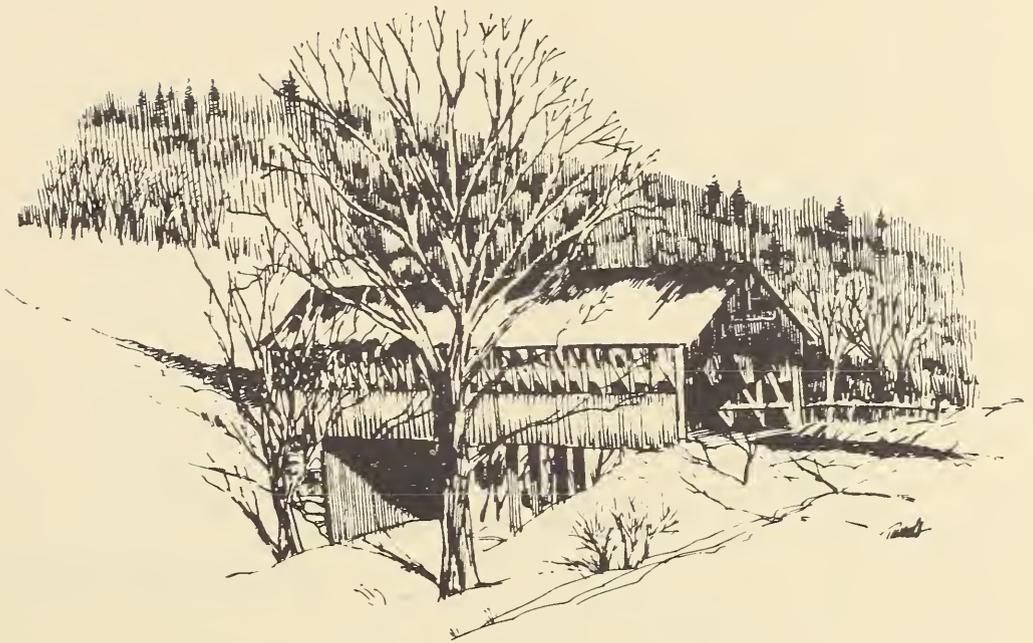
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Lebanon Crushed Stone, aggregates	2,096.56
Blaktop, cold patch	666.78
Milton Jewell, machine hire	1,546.00
Kenneth Moore, sand	547.50
Moulton Construction Co., machine hire	1,722.10
Earl King, machine hire	520.00
Miller Construction Co., dynamite, caps	46.00
Thomas Dokton, gravel	208.30
Don MacLeay, machine hire	863.50

8,260.74

Town of Plainfield



Guide to Services

*Information for
New Residents and Taxpayers*

OFFICE OF SELECTMEN Plainfield, N.H.

To the Citizens and Taxpayers of Plainfield:

This booklet has been prepared by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Plainfield to serve as a helpful guide to new residents and landowners. It is furnished to all town residents to help them in understanding their local government, the services it provides and who and where to call if they need such services. It is also intended to familiarize people with the town's building and zoning regulations, controls on the subdivision of land and other important and relatively new aspects of local government.

STEPHEN H. TAYLOR
LOUIS H. HOUSER
DAVID R. STONE
Selectmen of Plainfield

February 1975

Town of Plainfield TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Emergency Numbers:	
Ambulance	448-3333
Fire East part of town	448-1212
Fire West part of town	675-5152
Police East part of town	469-3333
Police West part of town	675-6833
Town Offices:	
Clerk	469-3276
Highway Department	469-3240
Selectmen	469-3253
Tax Collector	469-3201

BEFORE YOU BUILD:

Sooner or later almost every Plainfield landowner either builds a new structure or makes renovations or additions to existing buildings.

Town ordinances require anyone planning to build, renovate or otherwise improve his property to go through certain steps leading up to issuance of a town building permit to the property owner. These steps may seem cumbersome to some, but they can be completed quite quickly if a person knows what to do in advance.

For new residential construction—erecting any kind of a new dwelling unit, be it camp, cottage, conventional house or multi-family residential building—these are the steps to follow:

1. Determine if your property lies in an area in which you can legally build. To do this, go to the selectmen's office at the Plainfield School and examine the zoning map. The best time to do this is Wednesday evening during the regular selectmen's meeting. The town building inspector and the selectmen can help you determine which zone you are in and whether your planned structure is permitted in that zone.
2. Secure a state septic tank permit from the Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission in Concord. Contractors generally handle this matter as it involves digging test pits, taking percolation tests, etc. No construction can begin until this

permit has been obtained. No building permit can be issued until this permit has been obtained.

3. Go to the building inspector who is in session each Wednesday evening at the selectmen's office and fill out a building permit application and a zoning permit application. If your construction plans require connecting a new driveway onto a town road, you must also apply for a driveway permit from the road agent. Connecting to a state highway requires a permit from the Division 4 office of the state Dept. of Public Works and Highways, located on Rt. I-89 at Enfield.
4. The building inspector will collect a fee of \$1 for the zoning permit. The fee for the building permit is \$1 for projects up to \$1,000 value; \$10 for projects valued between \$1,000 and \$10,000; and \$25 for projects above \$10,000. The building permit application will be advertised in the *Valley News* two days after making application, and if no objections are raised by abutters or others, the permits will be issued seven days following the filing of the application.

For additions to or renovations of residential property:

1. Make application for a building permit to the building inspector exactly as in steps 3 and 4 above.

Construction work which only preserves or replaces what already exists in a structure does not require a building permit. Replacing an old sink with a new one, painting and papering or repairing roofs are examples of maintenance work which do not require permits.

For commercial or other non-residential property:

1. If new construction, a septic tank permit will probably be required.
2. Apply to the building inspector as for residential. If the project conflicts with the zoning ordinance, the building inspector will deny the application. If you wish to proceed further, you must apply to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) for an exception or variance. Forms and details on how to apply may be obtained from the clerk of the ZBA, c/o town office.
3. If all zoning conditions are met, complete application, pay fees and abide by waiting period as summarized above, and then your permit will be issued.

The delay between making application and issuance of permits allows for public notice of the application to be given. This permits any person who may object to your proposed project to express himself prior to the start of construction rather than after.

During construction or renovation work the building inspector will visit the job to observe whether local codes are being followed. Violation of codes is a misdemeanor punishable by fine.

Copies of the building code, zoning ordinance and zoning map may be inspected at the town office at any time. Booklets containing the zoning ordinance and map may be obtained by contacting the building inspector or selectmen.

MUNICIPAL CALENDAR

<i>Jan. 1</i>	Start of town fiscal year
<i>Month of January</i>	Preparation of town report, auditing of books, preparation and review of town budget, drafting of town meeting warrant, school district budget and warrant
<i>Early February</i>	Posting of meeting warrants; Tax Collector sells properties on which taxes remain due, penalty is 11 per cent per annum
<i>Late February</i>	Delivery of town report, budget hearings
<i>Last Saturday in February or 1st Saturday in March</i>	Annual School District meeting
<i>First Tuesday in March</i>	Town and School District elections
<i>First Saturday after 1st Tuesday</i>	Town business meeting
<i>April 1</i>	All property taxes assessed as of this date
<i>April 15</i>	Tax inventories must be filed with selectmen by this date
<i>April 30</i>	Dogs must be licensed by this date
<i>July 1</i>	First property tax payment due; unpaid balance draws 6 per cent penalty until Dec. 1. School District fiscal year begins
<i>September</i>	Tax rate for town set by state Dept. of Revenue Administration
<i>Second Tuesday in September</i>	Primary election in even numbered years
<i>First Tuesday in November</i>	General Election in even numbered years
<i>Dec. 1</i>	All property and resident taxes due by this date. Penalty imposed at 9 per cent per annum on unpaid taxes
<i>Dec. 31</i>	Close of town fiscal year

THINGS WORTH KNOWING ABOUT

AMBULANCE—The town contracts with the City of Lebanon for ambulance service. Users of the ambulance may be liable for a small additional charge. The Lebanon ambulance will go to any location in the town. When summoning the ambulance, be certain to give the road the victim or patient is located on and any other helpful directions.

ASSESSING OF TAXES—All real and personal property liable for taxation is appraised and the taxes are assessed against such property as of April 1. That means if you build a new house during April you will not pay any taxes on it until the following April.

In mid-March you will receive an inventory form to complete and return to the selectmen. It is very important to answer the questions fully and return the form to the selectmen by April 15. Failure to file the inventory forfeits the opportunity of appeal.

Since it is impossible for appraisal of every property to be done April 1, property owners with improvement projects in progress on April 1 should take note of what work is incomplete on that date and inform the appraiser when he comes to examine the property.

All appraisal work in the Town of Plainfield is performed by the Dept. of Revenue Administration's trained, professional appraisers. All appraisal records are public documents and are available for inspection during normal office hours. Town tax maps are also maintained and are open to inspection.

Resident taxes are also assessed as of April 1. Proof of payment of this tax is required in order to register motor vehicles, hold operator licenses and obtain hunting and fishing licenses. Failure of the selectmen to list one's name as of April 1 does not excuse a person from paying the tax.

Persons who are veterans of the several armed conflicts are eligible for a \$50 exemption on their real estate tax bill if they are also residents as of April 1.

BOUNDARIES—Persons owning land along any of the town's geographical boundaries may request assistance of the selectmen in locating town line markers and bounds. Disagreements between abutting landowners over fence maintenance and repair may be arbitrated by one or all of the town's three fence viewers.

BRIDGES—Many of the bridges in the town are posted as to maximum weights which may safely pass over them. Any person operating a vehicle having a greater gross weight than the posted limit on a bridge will be liable to pay costs of repair of damage to such a bridge.

BUILDING CODE—The Town of Plainfield has adopted the National Building Code as its building code. Enforcement of the code is the responsibility of the building inspector and selectmen. Copies of the code are available for inspection at the selectmen's office or either of the town libraries.

BUILDING PERMITS—The town requires that a building permit be obtained prior to any improvement project being begun, including new construction, additions or renovations. Projects which are of a maintenance nature do not require permits—painting, replacing roofing, installing a new sink to replace an old one, etc. If you are in doubt as to whether a permit is needed, consult the building inspector or selectmen. (See a fuller explanation under section entitled "Before You Build.")

CEMETERIES—The town maintains 15 cemeteries, 14 of which are public and nonsectarian. The 15th, the Mill Cemetery at Meriden Village, is partly private and partly public and also nonsectarian. Since 1973, space in any of the cemeteries has been provided at the rate of \$60 per grave, a grave being approximately four feet wide and 10 feet long. Persons purchasing burial lots are also encouraged to endow a trust fund for "perpetual care" of their lot. Traditionally this has been \$100 for a two-grave lot. This guarantees the lot will be kept mowed. It does not guarantee maintenance of the head stone, shrubbery or any floral decorations. The town does not require burial vaults. Digging of graves for casket burials costs about \$60, and for cremated remains \$25. Purchase of cemetery lots may be accomplished by contacting one of the selectmen, or in the case of the Mill Cemetery, Howard Zea, superintendent.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION—Plainfield's Conservation Commission is appointed by the selectmen to oversee a variety of activities, including carrying out education programs, acquisition of scenic easements, scenic and ecologically sensitive lands and other property, and identifying and protecting valuable natural resources. Among its noteworthy achievements in recent years are its publication of the town resource map and acquisition of the 100-acre town forest on Columbus Jordan Road.

DOGS—Dogs in Plainfield must be licensed. Fees payable to the Town Clerk are \$2 for males and spayed females and \$5 for open females. Prior to applying for a license, the owner must have the dog vaccinated against rabies and present proof of such immunization. Plainfield enacted a "leash law" in 1957, but stricter state regulations are now enforced against owners of nuisance dogs. Enforcement is the responsibility of the dog officer, who investigates all complaints and takes appropriate action where necessary including the initiation of court charges.

Owners of dogs are liable for any damages caused by their dogs, including fines and losses caused by injury to persons or livestock.

Licenses must be obtained by May 1. Unlicensed dogs are subject to destruction after June 1.

DUMP—Plainfield's old town dump was closed in 1973. Household rubbish is now collected by a contractor paid by the town from tax revenue. The contractor collects weekly. Persons with heavy or bulky materials to be disposed of may transport them to the City of Lebanon's sanitary landfill site on Rt. 12-A in West Lebanon. A bumper sticker for gaining access to the landfill is available from the selectmen or town clerk.

EDUCATION—The Plainfield School District is a separate municipal corporation from the Town of Plainfield, but its geographical boundaries and voter registration are identical with the town's. The school district receives the majority of its financial support from taxes assessed by the town selectmen and paid over to the district. The district operates a school for Grades 1 through 8 and pays tuition for Grade 9-12 pupils attending Lebanon High School. Some Grade 9-12 students choose to attend Kimball Union Academy as private day students. The district provides bus service to all pupils in Grades 1 through 12 who are eligible under state law. In general, transportation is available to those pupils residing more than two miles from the school they are attending.

ELECTIONS—The Town of Plainfield administers all federal, state and local elections. Elections are conducted under the supervision of the town moderator and town clerk according to rigid procedures laid down by state law. Primary and general elections are held on the second Tuesday of September and the first Tuesday of November respectively in even-numbered years. Local elections are held each March in conjunction with the annual town meeting. Public notice is given of all elections through posting of appropriate warrants at the Plainfield School, location of all elections, and at the town halls at Plainfield Plain and Meriden Village. Details as to eligibility and procedures for filing for elective office are available from the town clerk.

EXPLOSIVES AND FIREARMS—Persons who wish to purchase and possess dynamite, blasting caps or other explosive materials must obtain a license to do so from the Board of Selectmen. Persons who wish to carry a concealed handgun must obtain a pistol permit from the Board of Selectmen. Anyone owning and using any firearm is advised to become familiar with state laws relating to firearms.

FINANCE—The Town of Plainfield's financial affairs are administered by the Board of Selectmen. The town treasurer is custodian of all funds and countersigns all orders for payments drawn by the selectmen. The town budget is drawn up by the selectmen, reviewed by the Finance Committee and then is presented to the voters of the town at the annual town meeting for adoption or revision. The bulk of town expenditures are paid from the property tax, which the selectmen assess under power conveyed on them by the state. Financial control is maintained by the town auditors and complete reports of all aspects of the town's finances are prepared at the end of each fiscal year and printed in the annual town report.

FIRE PROTECTION—Two volunteer, non-profit departments exist in the Town of Plainfield. Both are supported by appropriations by the town plus charitable contributions by townspeople and fund-raising activities by members of each department. Both departments continually strive to upgrade their equipment and training. Membership in the departments is open to all able-bodied persons. The chiefs of both departments are available to provide advice and assistance on fire prevention programs and practices to citizens and taxpayers. All landowners should be mindful of strict laws relating to burning brush, leaves and other materials out-of-doors. A permit is required for such burning during the period April 1 through Nov. 1. The permit is obtainable from the town forest fire warden.

HEALTH OFFICER—The town health officer together with the Board of Selectmen constitute the town Board of Health. It is the health officer's duty to inspect all complaints which indicate a possible danger to public health. These may range from septic tank seepage to improper disposal of waste to communicable disease outbreaks. The health officer is nominated by the selectmen and confirmed by the state Division of Public Health. In Plainfield, the health officer is also the agent for the state Water Supply and Pollution

Control Commission in inspecting septic system installations.

HIGHWAYS—A major responsibility of town government in Plainfield is maintenance of highways. The town maintains over 60 miles of town road. The state Dept. of Public Works and Highways maintains the three major highways in the town, Rt. 120, Rt. 12-A and Stage Road. Highway work is performed on town roads by a permanent crew of five men supervised by the town highway agent. The highway agent is appointed by and works under the general supervision of the Board of Selectmen. The town Highway Dept. maintains only public rights-of-way, and does not plow any private driveways or roads or provide private services. The Board of Selectmen attempts to inform all adjacent landowners of any intended major road reconstruction projects in advance and to promptly handle all inquiries relative to road maintenance. Many miles of town-owned right-of-way exist in Plainfield which are not presently maintained by the town. These are called Class VI or “gates and bars” roads. They are open to public use but the town is not liable for maintenance and persons using such roads do so at their own risk.

JUNK YARDS AND JUNK VEHICLES—Any person wishing to operate a junk yard for motor vehicles and other scrap materials must first obtain a license from the town. No person may keep on his property more than one junk vehicle unless they are housed in a garage, barn or shed. A junk vehicle, by state definition, is one which lacks current license plates and valid inspection sticker. Periodically the town has waged “drives” against junk cars, but with vastly improved markets for scrap metals in recent years, individuals for the most part have gotten rid of old vehicles without town prodding.

JURY DUTY—All persons whose names appear on the town voter checklist are liable for jury duty at Sullivan County Superior Court. The Selectmen each year forward a list of 30 Plainfield persons chosen at random from the checklist to the clerk of court. From this list only about a half dozen names are drawn each year. Physicians, schoolteachers and women with children under 12 are excluded from the jury list.

LIBRARIES—Two libraries exist in Plainfield. Each is administered by a three-member board of trustees. Operations of the libraries are financed by town appropriations and gifts and endowment income. Services of the libraries are open to all, and emphasis in book acquisition is to provide reading of interest to as many persons as possible.

LICENSING—The following require licenses issued by the town: auto time trials; beano or bingo games; bicycles; billiard tables for public use; dogs; explosives; fireworks displays; games of chance where monetary or other valuable prizes are awarded; junk yards; motor vehicle race tracks; open air motion picture theaters; and parades, carnivals and shows; and pistols.

MAPS—An interesting and informative map of the Town of Plainfield prepared under sponsorship of the town Conservation Commission is available without charge to all citizens and taxpayers. It shows the town road network, the names of all roads and geographical features and places of interest around the town. Supplies of the map are available at the town office. The official town zoning map is also at the town office where it may be inspected. Copies of the zoning map are also included in the town zoning ordinance booklet. The town’s tax maps are filed at the town office and may be examined by anyone. They are based on aerial photographs with overlays depicting property lines, ownership and lot identification numbers. A grid overlay may be employed to determine acreages of parcels. Many landowners have generously provided the selectmen with surveys of their properties. These are filed and prove helpful in taxing property fairly and in unsnarling boundary questions which seem to develop over the years.

OPEN SPACE—Also called “current use” by some, the Open Space Law permits owners of farm and forest land to apply for reductions in their appraised valuations. The law is quite detailed, but a number of Plainfield landowners who either farm or grow timber have found it advantageous to apply. Application forms are available from the selectmen and deadline for filing is April 15.

PLANNING—Responsibility for town planning activities rest with the town planning board.

The town first created the board in 1958, and enacted its first planning ordinance in 1959. This has been amended and revised several times, culminating in adoption of a comprehensive plan and zoning ordinance in 1974. The town also has subdivision regulations and building codes.

POLICE—Police protection in Plainfield is afforded by a combination of agencies, including local police officers, state police and the Sullivan County Sheriff's Dept. The town provides two local telephone lines to summon police assistance. Misdemeanor cases are tried in the Claremont District Court, while appeals and more serious cases are heard in the Sullivan County Superior Court, holden at Newport.

PUBLIC INFORMATION—All town records and papers are public property and may be examined at any reasonable time. All town officers and boards are legally bound to operate under provisions of the New Hampshire "right to know" law, hence meetings are open to the public in all cases except where personnel matters or certain contracts are being discussed.

RECREATION—The town Recreation Commission conducts a variety of activities for children and adults in the town. A summer program for youngsters is especially popular, as is a "learn to ski" program in the winter. Town and school district facilities are used for many activities, while private citizens often donate facilities and assistance.

TAXATION—The town levies various taxes directly, and receives taxes collected by the state on behalf of municipalities. Direct taxes include: the real estate tax on buildings, land, mobile homes and certain other categories of real property; the yield tax on timber and wood products at time of cutting; the resident tax which is a flat \$10 tax assessed against everyone age 18 to 64; and the National Bank stock tax. Taxes collected by the state from local persons and remitted to the town include the interest and dividend tax and the savings bank tax, which is paid by the banks but is based on the hometown and size of a person's deposits. Taxes of which the town receives a share after having been collected by the state are the business profits tax; meals and rooms tax; forest lands tax; and highway subsidy, which is derived from the gasoline tax. The town also receives federal tax money in the form of revenue sharing payments.

TOWN MEETING—All registered voters are eligible to attend and participate in the annual town meeting. The meeting is conducted by the town moderator, and follows the meeting warrant, which is the agenda prepared by the selectmen for the meeting. No substantive action may be taken by the meeting on an item which does not appear on the warrant. The warrant is prepared by the selectmen in late January. Any 10 citizens may petition to have an item, or "article," placed in the warrant. The warrant is posted in three public places in the town in early February and is printed in the town report. The annual town meeting is held in early March. Plainfield voters in 1971 decided to conduct the business portion of the meeting on a Saturday afternoon in order to permit more people to attend and participate. Voting for local offices is still held on the first Tuesday of March as required by state law. The annual school district meeting is conducted in much the same fashion as the town meeting. It is traditionally held the Saturday prior to the town meeting. Voters may petition for a special town meeting at some other time during the year, but the special meeting cannot appropriate any money unless the need is of an emergency nature and the Superior Court has given its approval in advance.

TOWN REPORT—The annual town report is prepared by town and school district officers to provide voters and taxpayers with a financial and narrative record of the previous year's activities and information and suggestions upon which voters may base their evaluation of present and future problems and needs. The town report is delivered to each household in Plainfield. Non-residents may apply for a copy of the report to the town clerk.

VILLAGE DISTRICTS—Two village districts exist within the town of Plainfield. Both have been created to provide municipal water service to residents within their boundaries. Only users of the water service support these special districts.

VOTER REGISTRATION—The Supervisors of the Checklist are responsible for registration of voters. They maintain files of registered voters and prepare the checklists for use at all

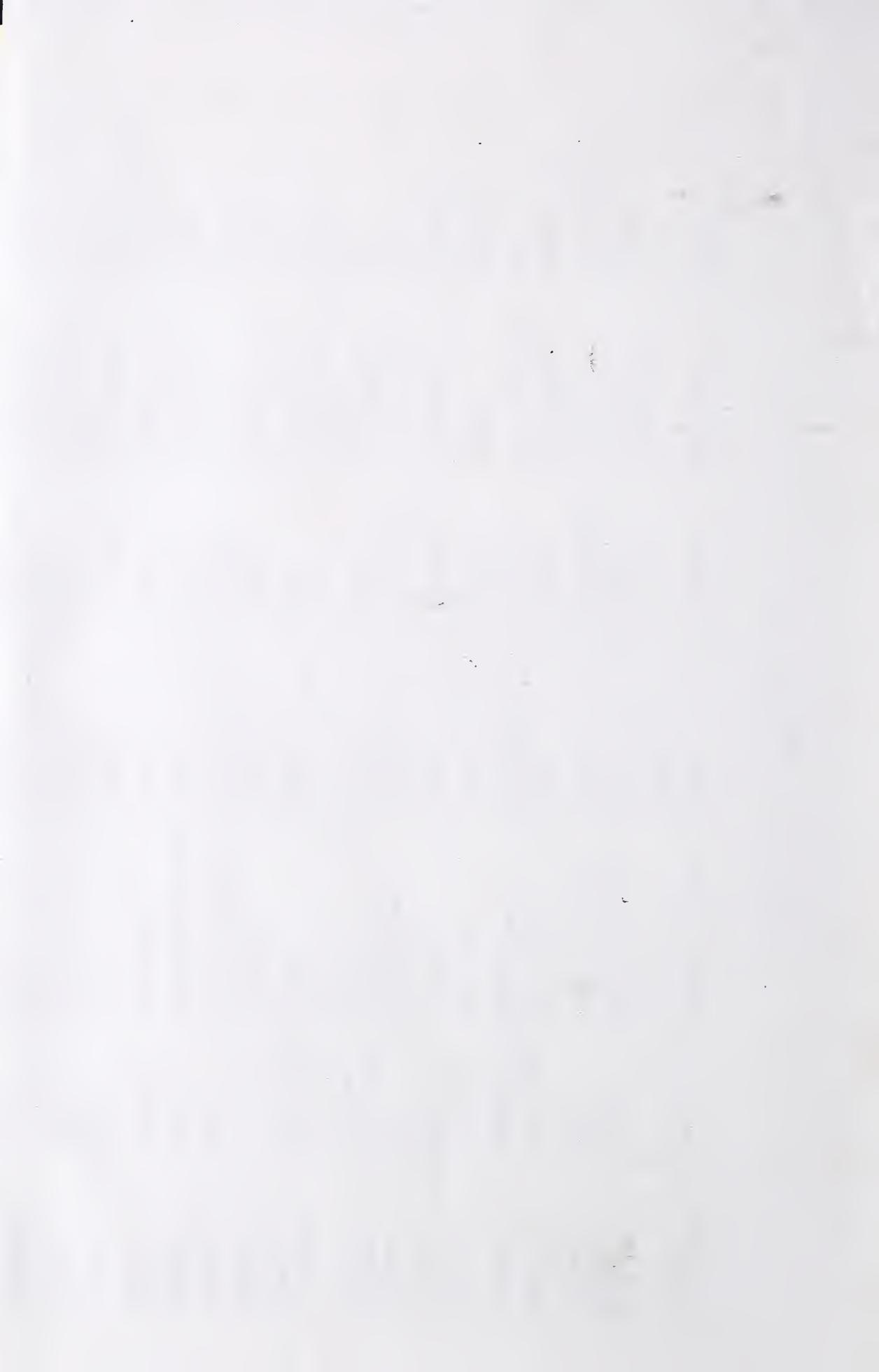
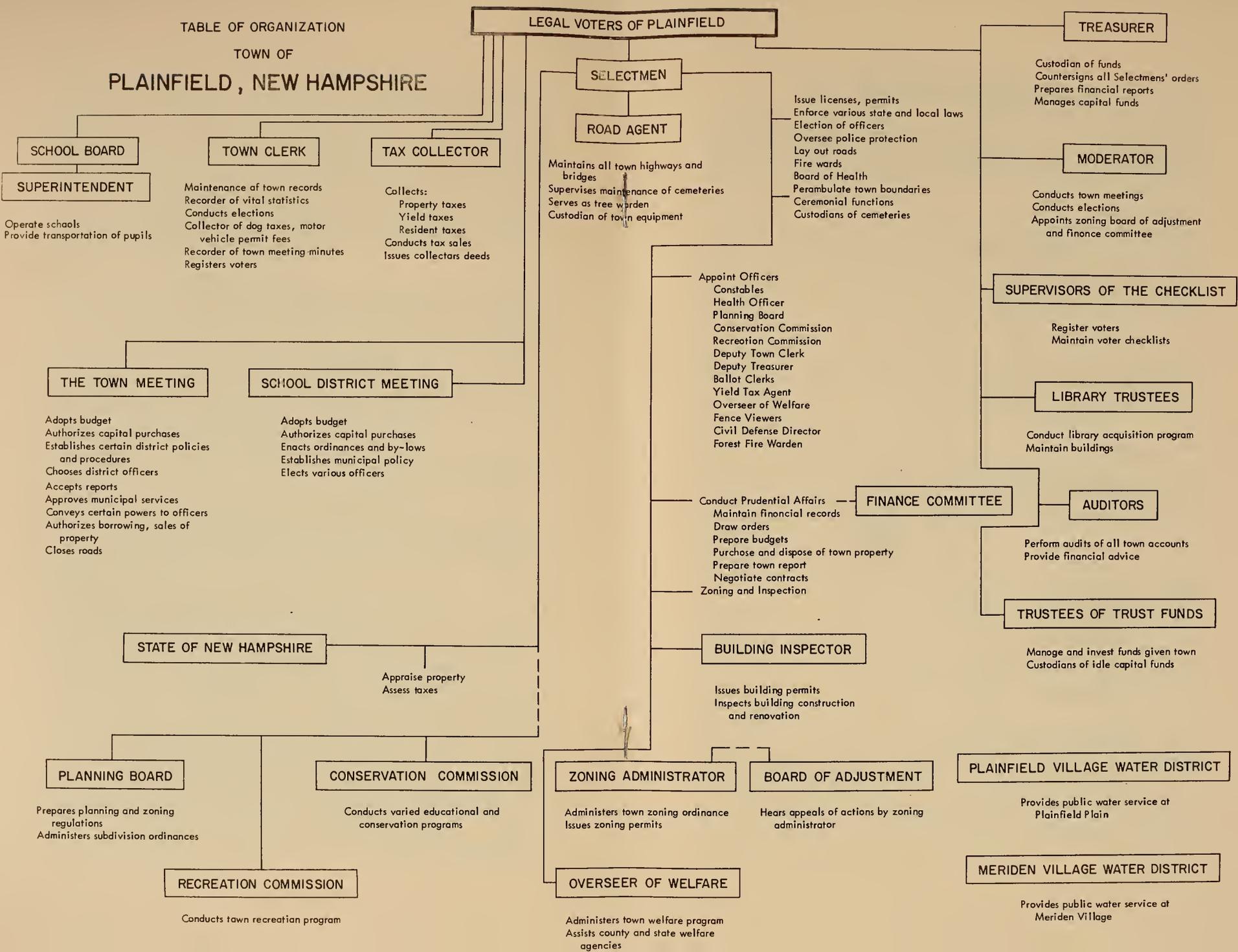


TABLE OF ORGANIZATION

TOWN OF
PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE



LEGAL VOTERS OF PLAINFIELD

SELECTMEN

ROAD AGENT

Maintains all town highways and bridges
Supervises maintenance of cemeteries
Serves as tree warden
Custodian of town equipment

Issue licenses, permits
Enforce various state and local laws
Election of officers
Oversee police protection
Lay out roads
Fire wards
Board of Health
Perambulate town boundaries
Ceremonial functions
Custodians of cemeteries

Appoint Officers
Constables
Health Officer
Planning Board
Conservation Commission
Recreation Commission
Deputy Town Clerk
Deputy Treasurer
Ballot Clerks
Yield Tax Agent
Overseer of Welfare
Fence Viewers
Civil Defense Director
Forest Fire Warden

Conduct Prudential Affairs
Maintain financial records
Draw orders
Prepare budgets
Purchase and dispose of town property
Prepare town report
Negotiate contracts
Zoning and Inspection

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Issues building permits
Inspects building construction and renovation

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Administers town zoning ordinance
Issues zoning permits

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Hears appeals of actions by zoning administrator

OVERSEER OF WELFARE

Administers town welfare program
Assists county and state welfare agencies

TREASURER

Custodian of funds
Countersigns all Selectmen's orders
Prepares financial reports
Manages capital funds

MODERATOR

Conducts town meetings
Conducts elections
Appoints zoning board of adjustment and finance committee

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Register voters
Maintain voter checklists

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Conduct library acquisition program
Maintain buildings

AUDITORS

Perform audits of all town accounts
Provide financial advice

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Manage and invest funds given town
Custodians of idle capital funds

PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT

Provides public water service at Plainfield Plain

MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT

Provides public water service at Meriden Village

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Appraise property
Assess taxes

PLANNING BOARD

Prepares planning and zoning regulations
Administers subdivision ordinances

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Conducts varied educational and conservation programs

RECREATION COMMISSION

Conducts town recreation program

elections and town and school district meetings. The supervisors hold periodic meetings at which persons may appear to register to vote and to change their party affiliation. New residents may also apply for voter registration at the office of the town clerk.

WELFARE—The town, along with the county and the state, provides welfare services to eligible individuals under state law. In addition to assistance to needy persons, the town contributes to certain categorical programs operated by the state Division of Welfare, such as Old Age Assistance. The town provides through tax money a number of special services to benefit the people, ranging from Meals on Wheels to visiting nurse service. (See Human Services section.)

FACTS ABOUT PLAINFIELD

Population Trend:	1930	843
	1940	970
	1950	1,011
	1960	1,071
	1970	1,323
	1975	1,500 (est.)

Land Area: 50.25 square miles

Taxable Land: 24,600 acres

Largest Landowner: Blue Mountain Forest Assn., 3,300 acres

Largest Taxpayer: Kimball Union Academy, 1974 tax bill, \$48,000

Property Valuation Trend:	1930	878,935
	1940	783,730
	1950	1,330,352
	1960	1,487,365
	1965	4,446,895
	1970	5,616,880
	1975	14,100,000 (est.)

Town Road System: 108 miles
62 miles actively maintained

Highest Point: Grantham Mountain, 2,661 feet above sea level

Lowest Point: Hart Island, 288 feet above sea level

Average Temperature: 43.8 F.

Average Snowfall: 76 inches

Average Precipitation: 33.14 inches

HUMAN SERVICES AVAILABLE TO PLAINFIELD CITIZENS

A variety of human services is available to Plainfield citizens and taxpayers. Some are provided through direct tax support within the town; some are provided through contractual agreements between the town and outside agencies or municipalities; some are provided as charitable endeavors of local organizations; and some are available through county and state agencies. These are the services:

DIRECT RELIEF—This is provided by the town to needy persons and is administered by the Overseer of Welfare. Generally, this assistance takes the form of payments for food, fuel and shelter of persons in time of need. Persons must make application in person to the overseer and they can expect immediate response if need is indicated. Typically, the town assists persons who have undergone personal or family emergency such as severe illness, loss of employment without jobless benefits being available, death, loss of home through fire, etc. Also, the town is often called upon to provide direct relief to persons awaiting certification under categorical county and state welfare programs. Funds for direct relief are appropriated out of town tax revenues. The town is also beneficiary of two trust funds, the Ward Fund and the Burnap Fund, which provide direct relief to needy persons.

DANIELS FREE BED—This fund is available to persons who are patients at Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital in Hanover. Many years ago it literally provided a “free bed” at the hospital for any Plainfield resident who was determined to be needy. Now, with vast increases in cost of medical care and hospitalization, the Daniels Free Bed provides money to Plainfield residents toward their overall hospital bill. Determination as to need and eligibility is made jointly by the Plainfield Overseer of Welfare and the admitting office at Mary Hitchcock.

SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS—Plainfield senior citizens have a variety of services available to them from the Lebanon Senior Center and the Windsor Senior Citizen Center. Among these services are “meals on wheels” programs which will bring nutritious hot meals to the homes of older persons who are unable to come to the dining rooms maintained at the Lebanon and Windsor Senior Centers. Various recreational and cultural activities are provided at the centers and discount certificates honored at area stores are issued and transportation to stores, medical care facilities, banks and other points is provided by the Lebanon Center to Plainfield residents.

VISITING NURSE—Plainfield residents are included in the coverage of the Lebanon Visiting Nurse. This agency provides nursing care in the home for any person needing such care, including administration of medication and therapy under direction of the patient’s personal physician. The visiting nurse is also available as a consultant to local organizations.

LEBANON AREA HEALTH COUNCIL—This agency provides preventive health care and social services through the Lebanon Well-Child Clinic to children under seven years residing in Plainfield.

SULLIVAN COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC—This agency provides mental health care for all residents of Sullivan County. It is located in Claremont, but provides care and treatment services to many in the Plainfield community. It is available to all and charges are based on the ability to pay.

UNITED WAY AGENCIES—A large number of organizations provide human services to Plainfield residents although they are situated in Lebanon, Hanover and White River Junction. An annual fund drive to support these agencies is conducted each year by the Upper Valley United Way, which can furnish further information on any of its component organizations. United Way is based in Lebanon.

FOOD STAMPS—The food stamp program is sponsored by the state and U.S. Dept. of Agriculture is open to all Plainfield residents who meet the income requirements of the program. Determination as to eligibility is made by officials of the state Division of Welfare

office in Claremont. Persons wishing to apply for certification must apply to the Claremont office. An interview is arranged and applicants must furnish evidence as to income, family expenses and other personal financial data. Once certified, persons then purchase the stamps from vendors. In Plainfield, the tax collector sells food stamps during normal office hours. They may also be obtained at locations in Claremont and Lebanon.

LOCAL CHARITABLE PROGRAMS—Various local churches and organizations provide human services in the Town of Plainfield. For example, the Meriden Congregational Church has a fund which is available to assist families living in the Meriden Parish area. Usually local organizations band together at the Christmas season to assist needy families and also to conduct community social activities. Pastors of the three churches in Plainfield often serve as agents in conducting these charitable activities.

COUNTY, STATE PROGRAMS—Various programs are administered by the county and state which are available to Plainfield residents. These include such programs as Old Age Assistance, Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), Aid to Totally and Permanently Disabled, soldier's aid and others. Facilities of the Sullivan County Home and Hospital are available at Unity. Further details and referrals can be obtained from the Plainfield Overseer of Welfare.

IF YOU'RE THINKING OF SELLING LAND....

Plainfield has very specific rules and regulations affecting the subdivision of land, and any person contemplating selling any of his real estate in the town should become familiar with the town subdivision ordinance. Copies of this ordinance can be obtained at the town office.

Landowners should be aware that the term "subdivision" doesn't simply mean a place with a whole bunch of small lots with houses built on them. Under New Hampshire law, subdivision means any act which makes two or more tracts where one existed previously. Selling a one-acre building lot from the corner of a 100-acre farm is a subdivision just as creating 50 lots on 50 acres is a subdivision.

All subdivisions in Plainfield are subject to approval by the town Planning Board. The board has specific rules and procedures to be followed. Since most subdivisions involve only two parcels—the severing of one from another—the board has a procedure for "minor subdivisions" which applies to these. A major subdivision occurs when more than two tracts are created out of one original tract.

Here in brief terms is the procedure a landowner should expect to follow if he is planning a minor subdivision: (This must be done before the land is offered for sale.)

1. Have the property to be severed surveyed by a licensed land surveyor or civil engineer. A map of the property must be prepared on "mylar" material and submitted with the application for subdivision approval.
2. Obtain an application for minor subdivision approval from the secretary of the Planning Board. This must be completed and submitted with a \$25 application fee and the map. Make certain the proposed subdivision provides adequate road frontage for the parcels in accordance with the zoning ordinance.
3. The Planning Board will schedule a public hearing on the application and will also notify all abutting landowners by registered mail of your intentions. They will have an opportunity to speak at the hearing, just as you will.
4. After the hearing the Planning Board will either approve or deny your application. If it denies the application, the Board must inform the landowner why. If the application is approved, the "mylar" map will be endorsed by the chairman of the Board and this is then recorded along with the deed at the Register of Deeds in Newport.

Certain rules apply to minor subdivisions which a landowner should consider before making plans to sell property. These include:

- A limit on the number of times a parcel can be subdivided. One "cut" can be made in 12 months, and two in five years.
- A parcel once subdivided may not be resubdivided without Planning Board approval, and will likely require following the major subdivision procedure.
- Property assembled from two separate purchases and covered by separate deeds is subject to subdivision control even if the parcels are to be resold in exactly the same form as they were purchased.
- Land divided by a public road cannot be considered as being separate tracts. A lot on one side of a road is of the same tract as that on the other, if the owner is the same, and so it cannot be sold until subdivision approval is granted.

The rules for major subdivisions are far more complex. A person contemplating such an undertaking can confer informally with the Planning Board to gain interpretations of the regulations spelled out in the town ordinance.

Major subdivision applications are given the same public hearing as minor subdivisions, and abutting landowners are given written notice in advance of such hearings.

Most subdivisions also require approval by the state Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission. The purpose of this is to ensure that small lots are not being created in areas where soils are inadequate for septic systems. Details on state subdivision requirements may be obtained by contacting the Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission at Concord.

50 YEARS OF PLAINFIELD AGRICULTURE

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>1925</u>
Horses	221	113	247
Milking cows	76	497	531
Oxen	18	9	12
Beef cattle & young stock	241	81	149
Sheep	334	170	302
Goats	26	13	8
Brood sows	16	8	10
Fowl	350	2,038	1,155
Commercial poultry farms	0	5	?
Dairy farms shipping milk	2	24	33
Farms reporting livestock	52	43	50

(Sources: Town tax inventories, Sullivan County Cooperative Extension Service, local survey.)

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD ORGANIZATIONS 1974-75

Church or Church-Related

Plainfield Community Church and Ladies' Aid
Meriden Congregational Church and Women's Fellowship
Meriden Baptist Church and Ladies' Baptist Missionary Society

Libraries and Affiliated Groups

Philip Read Memorial Library – Plainfield
Friends of the Philip Read Memorial Library
Meriden Library
Friends of the Meriden Library
Meriden Library Association. Custodian of endowment funds.

Granges

Blow-Me-Down – Plainfield
Meriden Grange

Fire Protection Organizations

Meriden Volunteer Fire Department
Meriden Firemen's Association. Purpose: To raise money for the Fire Department.
Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department

Other Adult Organizations

Meriden Bird Club. Organized 1910 for the preservation and care of birds. Maintains a museum and sanctuary on Main Street. Membership open.

Mothers' and Daughters' Club. Founded in the 1890's in Plainfield "to embrace the sojourners from the city and the country women so that interests might be shared and helpful work done together." Today's purpose: To offer programs of pleasure and culture. Maintains own meeting-house. Membership open.

Taxpayer's Association. Any local taxpayer may join. Purpose: To keep informed on matters of interest in town affairs and to encourage dialogue and action for the good of the community and its residents.

Plain-Meri Home Economics Club. Purpose: Improvement in skills and techniques of home-making, aided by resources of the University of New Hampshire Extension Service.

Plainfield Parent-Teachers' Association

Specifically for Children and Young People

4-H Clubs – open to those nine years old or in 3rd Grade, through high school:

Dandy Kandies – Meriden, south end
Bonnie Lads and Lasses – Meriden, north end
Blow-Me-Down-Beavers – Plainfield

Junior Bird Club. Open to local grammar-school-age children interested in participating in the activities of the Meriden Bird Club.

Plainfield Cooperative Pre-School – Meriden. Open to kindergarten-age children. Non-profit.
Cub Pack #30 - Meriden

A GUIDE TO TOWN MEETING

Many new people in Plainfield have questions about how the Town Meeting is run, and even old-timers sometimes get mystified by the complexities of parliamentary procedure. The Town Meeting at its best is democracy in its purest form. But the Meeting can't be at its best unless all the participants know the rules—what they can't do, and more important, what they can do to exercise their rights as town citizens. This brief guide is a summary of the most important facts and rules about Town Meeting. It is meant to be an introduction for newcomers and a quick reminder for everyone else of what we will be doing when we come together early in March.

WHAT IS THE TOWN MEETING?

The Town Meeting is the legislative branch of town government. As a registered voter of the town you fill the same role in the Town Meeting as your Congressman does in Washington. You authorize town expenditures and decide on the laws or ordinances by which the town is governed. The Town Meeting derives its powers from the state of New Hampshire, and it cannot do anything that is inconsistent with state or federal law. But that still leaves plenty of freedom, since the state has given the town more than 140 different powers in the form of "enabling acts." Among other things, the town can elect its officers, approve or regulate their actions, and direct them to take special action. It can raise, borrow, and spend money. It has significant control over the town's roads, sewers, cemeteries, garbage, police, fire protection, dogs, and parks. It can adopt building codes and zoning ordinances to control quality of structures and types of land use. For other examples of what the town can do, look at the Town Meeting warrant in any town report.

In Plainfield the annual Town Meeting occurs in two parts. Election of officers by ballot takes place on the first Tuesday in March and the Meeting to discuss other business convenes on the following Saturday. Special Meetings to consider urgent business at other times of the year may be called by the selectmen or by petition of 50 or more town citizens. Special Town Meetings are an extra expense to the town, however, so they are not called unless absolutely necessary.

THE WARRANT

The warrant is the schedule or agenda for the Meeting. It is a "warning" to all citizens telling them the time and date for the Town Meeting and what items of business or "articles" will be discussed. The state requires that all townspeople have sufficient notice of the Meeting so that they can inform and prepare themselves for discussion and voting. Therefore it sets forth strict requirements about posting and publishing the warrant well in advance of the Meeting. (If the selectmen don't post the warrant properly, they can be fined.) For the same reason, no new item of business that has not been "duly warned" can be acted upon at the Meeting. The townspeople can amend articles of the warrant or make detailed changes such as altering sums of money in the budget. But they can't bring up something totally new that wasn't on the warrant in some form. The last article on the warrant may refer to "any other business which may legally come before the meeting," but the only *legal* motions allowed at that point are resolutions of thanks to town officials, or other gracious speeches.

HOW DO ARTICLES GET ON THE WARRANT?

The selectmen or other town officers put most of them on, since they know what decisions must be made to keep the town running smoothly—a new snowplow is needed, or the state has ruled that the old dump must be closed. Articles on the budget or on other financial matters are written in consultation with the town's budget and finance committee. The planning board may submit articles related to such things as zoning or subdivision ordinances;

Any ten qualified voters of the town may submit to the selectmen an article for insertion in the warrant. It must be presented at least 35 days before the Meeting date. The selectmen are obliged to include such voter-originated articles on the warrant, as long as their content doesn't violate state law. They are usually distinguished on the warrant with the notation: (by petition).

WHO'S THAT GUY UP FRONT?

He is the town moderator, the presiding officer of the Town Meeting. He is like a friendly traffic cop, trying to keep the traffic of ideas, suggestions, and resolutions flowing smoothly until a consensus is reached. The state gives the moderator a great deal of power. He can make the rules by which the meeting is run, and he can even change them as he goes along (although they are not required to, most moderators use *Robert's Rules of Order* as a guide). He can decide whether a motion is in order and whether the "ayes" or "nays" have won in a voice vote. He can order disruptive people to be thrown out of the Meeting. No one can speak at the Meeting unless he or she has been recognized by the moderator.

There are only two things limiting what a moderator can do in the conduct of a Town Meeting. He cannot violate any state or federal law. And he can be overruled by the majority vote of the citizens. If you disagree with a moderator's decision, you can challenge it, after recognition, by saying, "I appeal from the decision of the chair." Then the moderator must ask the entire Meeting to sustain or counteract his judgement.

CONDUCT OF THE MEETING

The moderator is required to read the entire warrant at the beginning of the Town Meeting. Then he proceeds through the warrant, article by article, until the people have acted in some way on each one. Before discussion of each separate article the moderator usually reads it again and then says to the Meeting "What will you do with this article?" At this point a proponent of the article (usually designated in advance by the selectmen) rises, says "I offer the following resolution and move its adoption," reads the exact wording he would like the resolution to have, and hands a written copy of the resolution to the town clerk. If the motion is seconded, the moderator gives it to the meeting for discussion and action.

At this point you as a qualified voter of the town have many options. You can:

- ask a question about the resolution
- offer your opinion about it (the moderator is entitled to limit the time allotted to each speaker)
- suggest a change or amendment to the resolution
- move to table the resolution or to postpone it until a future time
- move to refer the matter to a committee, town officer, or some other body for further study
- "call the question," or ask that the discussion be ended, and the matter be put to a vote.

VOTING

When discussion of an article is ended, the moderator puts the resolution to a vote. Only qualified voters of the town are allowed to vote. There are five methods of voting, and the moderator may choose which to use. They are:

- voice vote (the quickest and most often used)
- show of hands
- standing vote (the proponents stand and are counted, and then the opponents)
- division of the house (the "ayes" move to the moderator's right, the "nays" to his left, and each side is counted).
- ballot vote (in cases of an extremely close vote or one where secrecy is desired, votes are written on slips of paper and given to the town clerk for counting. Each voter must be checked against the town's checklist to ensure that he is indeed a qualified voter in the town. This voting method is very time-consuming and rarely used. However, if 7 citizens ask for a ballot vote on any issue, the moderator is required to conduct one.)

In general, a majority vote is required to pass any resolution. If the vote is an exact tie, the motion is defeated unless the moderator votes to break the tie.

ADJOURNMENT

When all the business on the warrant has been transacted, the moderator will call for a motion to adjourn. Anyone can make an adjournment motion at any time during the Meeting provided it is in order; and like any other motion, it must be passed by a majority

vote. On rare occasions, a Meeting will not be adjourned, but will be recessed until a later date, in order to consider tabled resolutions. Each Meeting is considered a separate body, ending at its adjournment, and thus no Meeting can stipulate procedure or rules for a subsequent Meeting.

HOW CAN I REGISTER?

To participate in the Town Meeting, you must be a registered voter in Plainfield. To register, you must either appear at a meeting of the Supervisors of the Checklist or fill out an application for registration at the office of the Town Clerk.

The supervisors give notice of their meetings, usually held two or three times preceding elections and town meetings. When you appear to register, they will ask you to complete a simple questionnaire. If you are unable to appear at a supervisors meeting, you may fill out an application at the town clerk's office. This will be passed on to the supervisor who will place your name on the checklist.

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FUEL & OIL

Plainfield Oil, diesel fuel	1,696.87
Gulf Oil, gasoline	787.95
Sanborn Oil Co., grease	418.95
Purcell Oil Co., oil	77.45
Dow's Arco, gasoline	65.32
Meriden Garage, gasoline	93.16
Lakeside Oil, diesel fuel	29.04
Johnson & Dix, diesel fuel	985.09
Texaco, gasoline	<u>4,251.53</u>

8,405.36

GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Meriden Telephone Company, telephone service	466.81
Kibby Equipment, supplies	601.57
K-Ross, spikes and materials	174.60
Joe's Equipment, saws, tools	537.10
Oxygen & Welding, welding supplies	208.38
Dulac's, building materials	423.80
Roberts Lumber, lumber	130.00
Ross Freight, delivery charges	5.15
Milton Jewell, bridge plank	950.70
N.E. Wood Products, stickers	12.00
Texaco, drum deposit	10.00
Holmes, freight	14.25
Don's Sales and Service, parts	3.00
West Lebanon Supply, seed and tools	298.95
Murphy & Wilson, parts	231.20
State of New Hampshire, signs	170.50
Charles Stone, posts	505.00
Moultons, welder and drill press	500.00
Ray Decato, machine work	9.50
Adams, McNichol & Melon, tile	168.00
Trumbull-Nelson, cement	4.05
Sears, storage cabinet	72.14
Northeast Culvert, drainage pipe	50.00
Berwick & Sons, drums	8.00
Barney Bass, screen iron	186.24
G.E. Alexander, grade stakes	20.00
Sanel, supplies	87.98
Taylor Rental, staging	10.48
Miller Construction Co., dynamite	390.00
L.L. Reed, parts for mower	68.35
5000 Line, grease	129.00
James Neil, survey work	992.75
Les Ladd, signs	84.60
Cory Hewitt, bridge posters	67.50
Meriden Garage, bulbs	2.04
Consolidated International, generator	89.50
Don MacLeay, auger work	90.00
Powers Country Store, hardware	4.16
Upper Valley Feed, sprayer unit	19.50
N.H. Explosive, parts for broom	<u>72.17</u>

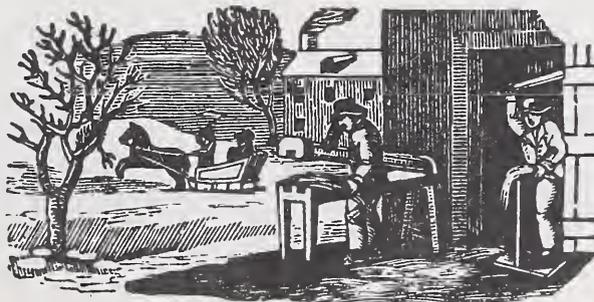
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STREET LIGHTING

Granite State Electric, Meriden, East Plainfield	1,389.05
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Connecticut Valley Electric, Plain	<u>825.12</u>	2,214.17
LIBRARIES		
Meriden Library	4,168.00	
Philip Read Memorial Library	5,000.00	
State Treasurer, FICA	<u>179.15</u>	9,347.15
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE		
State of New Hampshire, town share	<u>1,190.04</u>	1,190.04
WELFARE DEPARTMENT		
For support of Needy Persons	<u>9,633.93</u>	9,633.93
MEMORIAL DAY		
Flags, Memorial Day	<u>79.52</u>	79.52
CEMETERY DEPARTMENT		
Windsor Road Nurseries, shrubs	195.50	
State of New Hampshire, FICA	157.99	
Claremont National Bank, withholding tax	106.38	
David Stockwell, fertilizer	139.30	
Elmer Robinson, labor	10.00	
Arthur Creighton, labor	246.00	
Clifford LeClair, labor	7.50	
Joe's Equipment, supplies	48.65	
West Lebanon Supply, supplies	62.00	
Dulac's, supplies	3.80	
Meriden Garage, gas	5.94	
Pinnacleview Equipment, tractor	1,546.00	
George Kibbie, labor	1,156.72	
Frank Sullivan, labor	654.00	
Wayne Bailey, labor	167.50	
Walter Picknell, labor	54.00	
Douglas Chapman, labor	10.00	
Frank Chapman, labor	<u>78.00</u>	4,649.28
DAMAGES & LEGAL EXPENSES		
Dow Manufacturing Co., dog tags	22.39	
Leahy & Denault, legal services	2,023.51	
Robert Orr, dog officer	426.39	
Nolin, Spanos & Spanos, legal services	<u>125.00</u>	2,597.27
ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS		
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Regional Association, dues	<u>75.00</u>	75.00
TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN		
Dorothy T. McNamara, Collector	<u>19,667.42</u>	19,677.42
DISCOUNTS, ABATEMENTS & REFUNDS		
Refunds, motor vehicle permits	8.97	
Dorothy McNamara, yield tax deposits	4,655.00	

Overpayments, Levy of 1973	99.05	
Overpayments, Levy of 1974	<u>1,107.47</u>	
		5,870.49
INTEREST		
Claremont National Bank	<u>9,302.21</u>	
		9,302.21
NEW EQUIPMENT		
R.C. Hazelton, grader	<u>27,035.00</u>	
		27,035.00
AIRPORT		
Lebanon Regional Airport	<u>650.00</u>	
		650.00
CONSERVATION		
To trust fund	1,000.00	
Protestant Episcopal Church, land	<u>10,000.00</u>	
		11,000.00
RECREATION		
Plainfield Recreation Commission, appropriation	2,500.00	
Meriden Garage, gas	11.50	
State of New Hampshire, FICA	<u>93.04</u>	
		2,604.54
REPAYMENT OF DEBT		
Claremont National Bank, Notes	<u>282,000.00</u>	
		282,000.00
PAYMENTS TO COUNTY AND STATE		
State of N.H., bond & debt retirement tax	906.63	
James Saggiotes, county tax	<u>33,561.14</u>	
		34,467.77
PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICT		
Fred Sweet, District Treasurer	<u>252,784.14</u>	
		<u>252,784.14</u>
Total expenditures for all purposes		\$924,957.06
Cash on hand, January 1, 1975		74,504.81
Less 1973 check returned		<u>881.12</u>
	GRAND TOTAL	<u><u>\$998,580.75</u></u>



COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year ending December 31, 1974

	APPROP.	RECEIPTS	TOTAL AVAIL.	EXPENDED	BALANCE UNEXP.	OVERDRAFT
Officers Salaries	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 1,789.10	\$ 8,789.10	\$ 10,177.29	\$	\$ 1,388.19
Officers Expense	7,000.00		7,000.00	8,350.78		1,350.78
Election & Reg.	1,800.00		1,800.00	2,072.13		272.13
Town Buildings	8,000.00	273.60	8,273.60	6,908.73	1,364.87	
Reappraisal	700.00		700.00	2,207.74		1,507.74
Retirement & SS	4,000.00	675.74	4,675.74	4,901.19		225.45
Police	4,000.00		4,000.00	6,288.86		2,288.86
Fire	7,200.00	23.57	7,223.57	7,483.50		259.93
Insurance	7,500.00		7,500.00	7,868.40		368.40
Vital Statistics	50.00		50.00	32.25	17.75	
Health Dept.	3,700.00		3,700.00	3,589.27	110.73	
Rubbish Removal	19,400.00		19,400.00	24,900.87		5,500.87
Town Maint.	30,500.00	12,816.10	43,316.10	120,810.96		77,494.86
Street Lighting	2,100.00		2,100.00	2,214.17		114.17
General Expense	5,500.00	720.73	6,220.73	7,926.46	106.70	1,705.73
Town Road Aid	1,400.00		1,400.00	1,293.30		3,173.85
Trucks	5,500.00	1,723.39	7,223.39	10,397.24		468.20
Fuel & Lub.	6,500.00	1,437.16	7,937.16	8,405.36		408.08
Machine	5,000.00		5,000.00	5,408.08		
Libraries	9,368.00	26.10	9,394.10	9,347.15		
OAA	1,000.00	16.84	1,016.84	1,190.04		173.20
Welfare	3,500.00	330.00	3,830.00	9,633.93		5,803.93
Memorial Day	75.00		75.00	79.52		4.52
Cemetery Dept.	4,100.00	460.00	4,560.00	4,649.28		89.28
Dam. & Legal Fees	2,000.00	301.50	2,301.50	2,597.27		295.77
Region Ass'n.	75.00		75.00	75.00		
Interest	3,600.00	5,607.61	9,207.61	9,302.21		94.60
New Equipment	5,000.00	22,500.00	27,500.00	27,035.00	465.00	
Airport	650.00		650.00	650.00		
Conservation	1,000.00		11,000.00	11,000.00		
Recreation	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,604.54		104.54
Long Term Notes	12,000.00		12,000.00	12,000.00		
Planning & Zoning	3,000.00	1,602.00	4,602.00	2,495.98	2,106.02	
				TOTAL	4,218.02	103,093.08
				NET OVERDRAFT OF APPROPRIATIONS		98,875.06

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

	PRINCIPAL Dec. 31, 1973	ADDED	PRINCIPAL Dec. 31, 1974	BALANCE Dec. 31, 1973	INCOME 1974	EXPENSE 1974	BALANCE Dec. 31, 1974
CEMETERIES:							
Daniels Cemetery	\$2,000.00	\$	\$2,000.00	\$ 377.84	\$ 163.95	\$ 50.00	\$ 491.79
East Plainfield Cemetery	950.00		950.00	134.61	89.43	25.00	199.04
Freeman Cemetery	700.00		700.00	156.67	61.64	0	218.31
Gilkey Cemetery	100.00		100.00	13.61	8.84	0	22.45
Gleason Cemetery	4,257.63		4,257.63	581.66	389.46	138.72	832.40
Methodist Hill Cemetery	100.00		100.00	16.38	12.41	0	28.79
Mill Cemetery	3,450.00		3,450.00	448.46	288.22	229.50	507.18
Moulton Yard	1,683.60	105.00	1,788.60	287.58	166.14	50.00	403.72
Penniman Lot	300.00		300.00	58.52	18.34	0	76.86
Westgate-Peterson Cemetery	250.00		250.00	55.59	31.01	10.00	76.60
River Cemetery	200.00	100.00	300.00	24.90	21.49	10.00	36.39
Ward General Cem. Fund	1,000.00		1,000.00	156.45	127.88	31.00	253.33
Raynsford Cemetery	400.00		400.00	75.89	46.06	10.00	111.95
General Cemetery Fund	1,665.00		1,665.00	130.14	125.57	0	255.71
Plainfield Plain Cemetery	11,550.00	100.00	11,650.00	1,503.71	1,092.91	300.00	2,296.62
	28,606.23	305.00	28,911.23	4,022.01	2,643.35	854.22	5,811.14
LIBRARIES:							
Lucy Eastman Fund	200.00		200.00	0	20.09	20.09	0
Philip Read Fund	3,000.00		3,000.00	0	313.68	313.68	0
Abbie Spalding Fund	100.00		100.00	0	10.46	10.46	0
Mary True Fund	500.00		500.00	0	44.24	44.24	0
Bryant Fund	185.00		185.00	0	10.12	10.12	0
	3,985.00		3,985.00	0	398.59	398.59	0
MISC.							
Ward Christmas Fund	1,000.00		1,000.00	112.03	124.06	112.02	124.07
Earl Mower Fund	300.00		300.00	0	14.62	14.62	0
Ward Worthy Poor Fund	1,500.00		1,500.00	114.89	113.76	110.00	118.65
Ward Essay Prize	1,000.00		1,000.00	68.50	75.46	68.50	75.46
Elijah Burnap Worthy Poor	2,750.80		2,750.80	223.16	198.37	220.00	201.53
Duncan Piano	300.00		300.00	117.81	22.86	17.00	123.67
Vernon A. Hood Fund	100.00		100.00	10.55	6.04	0	16.59
	6,950.80		6,950.80	646.94	555.17	542.14	659.97
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:							
School Bus	2,017.00		2,017.00	973.96	163.50	0	1,137.46
Highway Equipment	0		0	11.87	.61	0	12.48
Conservation	2,950.00	1,687.09	4,637.09	357.08	180.78	0	537.86
	4,967.00	1,687.09	6,654.09	1,342.91	344.89	0	1,687.80
Grand Totals	44,509.03	1,992.09	46,501.12	6,011.86	3,942.00	1,794.95	8,158.91

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Plainfield Planning Board and the Conservation Commission were jointly awarded the 1974 Distinguished Service Award (Environmental Award) of the Sullivan County Conservation District Board of Supervisors. Everyone in Plainfield can take pride in this recognition of "your outstanding efforts towards *Wise Land Use* in development of a comprehensive plan and resulting zoning to protect and guide growth in your community, based on land capability."

The "Spencer Lot" on Columbus-Jordan Road was purchased by the Town from the Episcopal Diocese of the State of New Hampshire in April, 1974. Half the cost of \$10,000 was provided by public donations and accumulated appropriations to the Conservation Commission, and half by a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. The history of the property has been summarized in a report from the Town's attorney to the Selectmen. Now designated "Town Conservation Land," the property is open to the public for the study and enjoyment of nature. The Conservation Commission has posted a sign and will mark the boundaries of the property so that it can be recognized. Picnicking is permitted but not camp fires because it would be impossible to bring in equipment if a fire should get out of hand. Motor vehicles may cross the property as long as they stay on the road. Visitors are requested to carry out all trash instead of burying it.

Two young people, Patty Dupuis and Gene Descoteau, were sent by the Commission to the Youth Conservation Camp at Bear Brook State Park. The Commission also paid half the cost for Robert Brewster, a teacher in the Plainfield School, to attend the Conservation Workshop for Teachers. We believe that training and assisting teachers in outdoor education is a good way to promote conservation in the Town.

The Commission studied the Soil Conservation Service's "Soil and Water Conservation Plan" for the Plainfield School, bearing in mind the vote last May not to build a community swimming pool. We will offer suggestions to the School Board on the use of the school grounds for outdoor education. We are also planning the planting of flowers and shrubs around the school that will attract birds, serve for nature study, and beautify the grounds.

Members of the Commission attended several meetings and workshops in New Hampshire on land use and the preservation of open space.

Many copies of the town map published by the Commission were given out, free of charge, by the Town Clerk, the Tax Collector, and the Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

LESTER CLAFLIN
BEATRICE CLARK
PHYLLIS HODGMAN
JAMES LONGACRE
MARGARET MEYETTE
PETER STETTENHEIM, Chairman
JAY D. WALDNER, JR.
Conservation Commission

1974 Financial Report of the Plainfield Conservation Commission

Checking account no. 210-0863, Claremont National Bank.

Balance, January 14, 1974

Portion of allowance from Town

\$ 82.25

250.00

\$332.25

Payments:	
Postage, stationery, phone calls	\$ 20.87
Society for the Protection of N.H. Forests for fees for Youth Conservation Camp	120.00
Robert Brewster, for one-half the fee for Conservation Workshop	39.00
N.H. Association of Conservation Commissions for annual meeting	6.00
N.H. Association of Conservation Commissions for annual dues	<u>35.00</u>
Total payments	\$220.87

Balance, January 13, 1975

\$111.38

In accordance with the instructions of the Selectmen, the Commission's savings account in the Claremont Savings Bank was closed on December 27, 1974. The full amount of \$5687.00 in the account was turned over to the Town Clerk for safekeeping.



MILL BRIDGE LONG AGO – This photograph was taken near the turn of the century and shows Mill Bridge over Blood Brook and the old Cuddy Mill buildings at left. The dam which impounded water for power creates the waterfall visible at the center of the scene. Only traces of the foundations of the mill and dam are visible at the site now.

(Dorothy McNamara collection)

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION

The Recreation Commission sponsored a summer program from July 1 to August 2, with 150 children registered and an average daily attendance of 55.

This year's program centered around weekly themes which were: 1 - Independence Week, 2 - Know your community week, 3 - Nature Week, 4 - Sports Week, 5 - Arts and Crafts Week.

All trips centered around swimming with three trips to Sunapee State Park, and one to Hampton Beach.

Swimming lessons under the direction of Dan Biebel, head swimming instructor of Singing Hills Recreation Area, were conducted Monday through Thursday. Fridays were reserved for field trips.

The program was directed by Denis Reisch, assisted by Sandee Burbank, instructor of Arts & Crafts; Cathy Pardoe, Sports & Swimming Instructor.

Coaching the various summer league baseball teams were: Babe Ruth (14-15) - Tim Ellison; Midget (13) - Dennis Reisch (both teams Twin State League); Little League (10-12) - Read assisted by Ted Burgess and Wendell Cherrier; Minor League (10 and under) Eugene Wheeler, Gerry Wilder and George Pringle.

The Commission also sponsored a Kite Flying Workshop in May. A Halloween Party was provided in partnership with the PTA, consisting of costume parade, movies and refreshments.

The increased budget this year reflects the desire to formulate a four team little league of boys and girls 9-12. This would allow more children to participate and create more interest. Teams could have rosters of 15 to 18 children. Every child who wanted to play could play, and all games would be in Plainfield. Also the need to purchase more equipment such as baseballs, bats, catchers equipment and safety helmets.

JESSE STALKER
WILLIS DOWNING JR.
RUSSELL KELLEY
MARCIA PUTNAM
ANN GROBE
Recreation Commission

RECREATION COMMISSION BUDGET 1974

Income:

Town appropriation	\$2,500.00
Cash on hand	321.28
Farm Team Donation	<u>10.65</u>

\$2,831.93

Expenses:

Baseball	600.14
Insurance	36.90
Salaries	1,464.46
SS & WH	325.54
Supplies	150.00
Halloween Party	26.70
2 Ping Pong Tables	131.98

Kite Day	10.47	
Sullivan Conservation District	<u>57.00</u>	
	2,803.19	
Cash Balance:	<u>28.74</u>	2,831.93

PROPOSED BUDGET 1975

Income:		
Town appropriation	\$3,000.00	
Little League Donation	200.00	
Cash on hand	<u>28.74</u>	
		\$3,228.74
Expenses:		
Baseball	1,000.00	
Insurance	40.00	
Salaries	1,400.00	
SS & WH	350.00	
Supplies	130.00	
UNH Work-Study	100.00	
Special Programs	<u>200.00</u>	
	3,220.00	
Cash Balance:	<u>8.74</u>	3,228.74

PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The work on the addition of the Philip Read Memorial Library is progressing slowly. Due to rising costs of everything over the past year it is costing more than anticipated. The added cost may be seen in the new budget. However, by cutting other items here and there we have managed to keep our budget for 1975 down to that of last years' request and are hopeful that by the time next year the work will be done, paid for and in use. We are sure the added benefit of the addition will justify its cost.

Having the library open on Wednesday evenings has proven to be well worth the effort. More and more people are using the library and more and more books are being circulated. We would like to see the library become a center for community meetings as well as a home for historic items, especially in the coming years of the Bi-centennial celebration and we plan to make it available for meetings at a minimal fee when the addition is completed and in use.

We now have a thriving Friends of the Library organization. They hold monthly meetings and over the past year have sponsored the following projects: a purchase of 100 book covers, installed a new check-out system, cleaned the library, put up exhibits, held an Easter egg coloring party for pre-schoolers, a lecture and movie on wolves by Dr. Charles Berger, held paper drives, food sales, held a weekly story hour for pre-schoolers, a reading program for grade-school children, had a table at the Grange Christmas fair with an afghan raffle, donated \$100.00 to the Building Fund. They also have manned the library on Wednesday evenings, thereby enabling us to keep up with the requirements of the State Library.

Our sincere thanks to this organization on behalf of all those who use and enjoy the library and to Mrs. Plummer our Librarian, the grateful thanks of the trustees.

SALLY DINAN
 RUTH WHEELER
 MARY STONE
 Trustees

PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BALANCE January 1, 1974

Checking Account	\$2,350.76
Savings Account	37.64
Cash	<u>1.37</u>

\$2,389.77

RECEIPTS

Town Appropriation	\$5,000.00
Interest on Savings	2.99
Mericafters	69.03
Trust Funds	313.68
Friends of the Philip Read Memorial Library	100.00
Sale of Books	<u>10.00</u>

\$5,495.70

\$7,885.47

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	\$ 424.96
Book Purchase	732.49
Electricity	57.94
Oil	298.41
Supplies	160.52
Water	90.00
Misc.	14.00
New Addition	<u>5,947.69</u>

-\$7,726.01

\$ 159.46

PROOF OF BALANCE

Balance in Checking Account	\$ 157.89
Cash on hand	<u>1.57</u>

\$ 159.46

PROPOSED BUDGET

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Salaries	\$ 750.00
Book Purchase	900.00
Electricity	100.00
Oil	600.00
Supplies	200.00
Maintenance	500.00
Improvements	<u>2,500.00</u>

\$5,550.00

ESTIMATED INCOME

Trust Funds	\$ 300.00
Checking Account	157.89
Town Appropriation	<u>5,092.11</u>

\$5,550.00

REPORT OF TRUSTEES

The Meriden Library completed another successful year in 1974. A wide variety of activities for the benefit of the community complemented expansion of the library's book resources.

Among the notable events and programs during the year 1974 were these:

An open house and cleaning bee to celebrate National Library Week in April.

Needlepoint classes taught by Mrs. Sue McGee during May and then continued through the summer due to widespread interest.

A book sale at the library which earned \$85.

Story hours once a week during August for all children conducted by Mrs. Barbara Soper and attended by a large number of youngsters.

A crewel embroidery class which began in September and was held every other Wednesday.

A film program for everyone on Thursday each month. This will continue into 1975. In addition, the kindergarten group uses the library and views films during the morning of days when the film program is held.

Exhibits in the Howard W. Chellis Memorial Case, which have included the following: Margaret Rosa's Dickens figurines; Katherine MacLeay's Easter egg collection; Sara Townsend's collection of lions; Guido Rosa's calligraphy; and samples from the needlepoint class.

The Meriden Library is now open 12 hours per week, to conform to state regulations. Library hours are: Monday, 2-6 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.; Tuesday, 2-5 p.m.; and Thursday, 2-5 p.m.

A new Book Committee was formed by librarian Sue Carver to help with suggestions for purchase of adult books. This committee meets approximately three times each year.

Mrs. Carver attended a spring course in cataloging, the third course of eight required by the state. The Friends of the Library have met three times during the year, while the trustees meet monthly. The last two storm windows for the library were installed during the summer.

GRETCHEN S. TAYLOR
SUSAN L. McGEE
STEPHEN B. BISHOP
Trustees

MERIDEN LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT

Balance on hand January 1, 1974

Checking account	\$ 5.22
Petty cash	18.31
Memorial savings account	<u>101.15</u>

\$ 124.68

RECEIPTS

Book fines	67.19
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Town funds	4,168.00	
Trust funds	111.02	
Other gifts	195.84	
Book sale	81.45	
Savings interest	6.28	
Memorial trust fund	<u>44.72</u>	
		<u>4,674.50</u>
		\$4,799.18

EXPENDITURES

Librarians' salaries	1,747.28	
Custodians' salaries	191.78	
Book purchases	1,452.46	
Telephone	131.55	
Electricity	175.32	
Oil	428.31	
Maintenance	121.71	
Supplies	155.44	
Professional activities	<u>160.40</u>	
		<u>\$4,564.25</u>

BALANCE

\$ 234.93

RECONCILIATION

Checking account	46.31	
Petty cash	36.47	
Memorial savings	<u>152.15</u>	
		\$ 234.93

**MERIDEN LIBRARY
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1975**

RECEIPTS

Book Fines	\$ 50.00	
Town Appropriation	4,650.00	
Trust Funds	50.00	
Gifts	<u>150.00</u>	
		\$4,900.00

EXPENSES

Librarians' Salaries	1,950.00	
Custodians Salary	280.00	
Book Purchases	1,400.00	
Telephone	140.00	
Oil	475.00	
Electricity	250.00	
Maintenance	120.00	
Supplies	185.00	
Professional Activities	<u>100.00</u>	
		\$4,900.00

NURSING SERVICE

Your Visiting Nurse Service made 175 visits to people in the Town of Plainfield since January 1, 1974. Most of these visits made by Mrs. Christine Benware Paul, B.S.R.N. were for either skilled nursing services or health promotion calls. Six physical therapy calls were made. Age breakdown for this care is as follows:

0-28 days	14
1 mo. - 1 yr.	16
1 yr. - 5 yrs.	11
6 - 10 yrs.	21
21 - 44 yrs.	12
45 - 64 yrs.	3
65 yrs. plus	98

Clearly it is the older population that has benefitted most by our first year of service. The children under ten years are the next largest consumer and this is the group that has received the majority of the health supervision calls. Our nurse calls on each new baby born in town.

Lebanon has agreed to charge us only for the cost to them. We did not use the twelve hours we contracted for this year. The calls did increase, especially in the last quarter as people became more aware of our service.

COST OF SERVICE

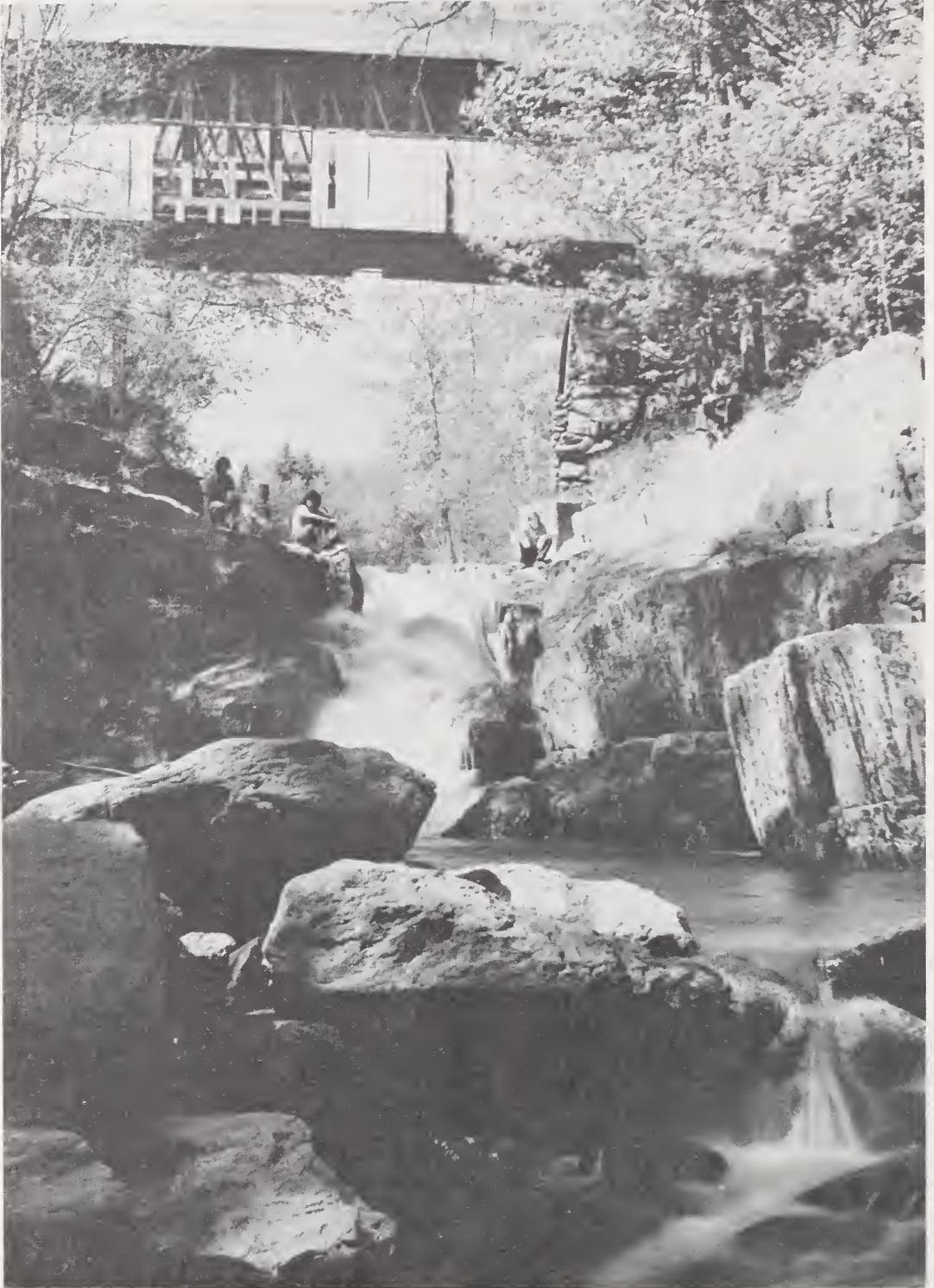
Nurses Salary	\$ 785.43
Travel expenses	196.25
Telephone	16.11
Overhead to Lebanon*	266.57
Physical therapist	50.00
Our share of insurance	<u>86.60</u>
Total	\$1,400.96
Revenue from persons & Ins.	336.00
Cost to Town (paid to Lebanon)	\$1,064.96
Amount in Fund	\$2,000.00
Net cost of Service	<u>1,064.96</u>
Balance on hand	\$ 935.04

**Secretary, office, uniform, medical supplies.*

All residents in Plainfield are eligible for this service and can procure it by telephoning the City of Lebanon Public Health office 448-1451 Monday-Friday, 8 AM to twelve noon.

Respectfully submitted,
MARIE STEINSIECK
for Nursing Service Committee





MILL BRIDGE IN AUGUST – The gorge beneath Mill Bridge has long been a favorite spot for bathers to “cool off.” Young and old alike enjoy the cool waters of Blood Brook as they cascade over the rugged ledges below the bridge. (Parker Jones photo)

WARRANT

State of New Hampshire
Sullivan, SS

Town of Plainfield

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield in the County of Sullivan in said State, who are legal voters residing in the Plainfield Village Water District, qualified to vote in said District's affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Plainfield Village Water District on Tuesday the eighteenth day of March, 1975 at 7:30 PM to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To choose necessary District officers for the ensuing year or otherwise as the law directs:

1. a moderator for one year.
2. a clerk for one year.
3. a treasurer for one year.
4. a commissioner for three years.
5. Other officers and agents the voters judge necessary for managing District affairs, or as directed by law to be chosen.

ARTICLE 2. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray District costs for 1975, and any assignments to debt service and/or capital reserves.

ARTICLE 3. To fix District officer's salaries to be paid for the ensuing year, and to establish expenditures in 1975, by and for the District, to be paid by the Treasurer upon authorizations by the Commissioners.

ARTICLE 4. To see what action the District will take with regard to reports of the District Officers.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the District will approve the expenditure of an amount, not to exceed \$10,000., for the cost of engineering for, and construction of, an infiltration trench from Blow-Me-Down Brook to the well system.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the District will approve application by the Commissioners to the Farmer's Home Administration for a matching grant, not to exceed \$5,000., to be used toward the cost of engineering for, and construction of, an infiltration trench from Blow-me-Down Brook to the well system.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the District will allow the Commissioners to borrow an amount, not to exceed \$5,000., from the Farmer's Home Administration at 5½% interest per year for five years term, to be used toward the cost of engineering for, and construction of, an infiltration trench from Blow-Me-Down Brook to the well system.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the District will approve the transfer of the balances in the Well Development Reserve Account and the Generator Account to one account, to be identified as Plainfield Village Water District Capital Reserve Account.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the District will approve application by the Commissioners of undedicated cash funds on hand, in excess of \$1,000. on December 31, 1975, toward reduction of the principal of debt or debts to Farmer's Home Administration, providing such payment will exceed \$100.

ARTICLE 10. To enact any other District business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and official seal this eighteenth day of January in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-five.

A true copy attest:
FLORENCE BARTO
Clerk

WALLACE G. PICKERING
DAVID A. GASKIN
T. P. AMIDON, Commissioners

**PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT
PLAINFIELD, N.H.**

BUDGET FOR 1975

Cash Operating Income:		
Water rent	\$9,510.00	
Hydrant rent	1,250.00	
Interest	<u>200.00</u>	
		\$10,960.00
Cash Operating Expense:		
Officers' salaries	6.00	
Operating wages	675.00	
Auditing fees	30.00	
Legal & court fees	185.00	
Bookkeeping wages	375.00	
Utilities	625.00	
Insurance & bonding	110.00	
Repairs & maintenance	935.00	
Chemicals	65.00	
Office expense	225.00	
Banking travel	70.00	
Operations, phone-alarm	100.00	
Officers' expense	<u>197.00</u>	
		3,598.00
Other Cash Requirements:		
Payment to FHA	3,967.00	
Fixed asset additions	250.00	
Transfer to reserve	<u>715.00</u>	
		<u>4,932.00</u>
Total Operating Expense & Requirements		<u>8,530.00</u>
Balance Available		\$ 2,430.00

A True-Attest Copy

FLORENCE BARTO
Clerk

WALLACE PICKERING
DAVID GASKIN
T. PAUL AMIDON
Commissioners
Plainfield Village Water District

**PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

Receipts:		
Cash on hand	\$ 1,630.93	
Water rents	10,736.66	
New services	247.34	
Interest	<u>192.26</u>	
		\$12,807.19
Disbursements:		
Commissioners' expense	91.65	
Legal expense	2.00	

Auditing expense	20.00	
Well expense	47.72	
W.S., repairs & maintenance	708.52	
Interest & debt payment	3,963.00	
Utilities expense	560.25	
Travel expense	149.68	
Bond expense	40.00	
Office expense	149.54	
Salary expense	872.50	
Total Disbursements		\$ 6,604.86
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		<u>\$ 6,202.33</u>

PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Commissioners' Expense:		
Wallace Pickering	\$	91.65
Legal Expense:		
Claremont District Court		2.00
Auditing Expense:		
John McNamara		10.00
Herman Rogers		10.00
Well Expense:		
Wallace Pickering		47.72
W.S., Repairs & Maintenance:		
Red Hed		46.97
Badger Meter		132.33
Don MacLeay		340.33
Dusfresne-Henry		188.89
Debt Repayment:		
F.H.A.		3,963.00
Utilities:		
Conn. Valley Electric Co.		487.33
New England Telephone Co.		72.92
Travel Expense:		
Paul Martin		18.95
Wallace Pickering		63.33
Nancy Lawrence		67.40
Bond Expense:		
John McNamara		40.00
Office Expense:		
Kimballs Inc.		23.93
Plainfield Post Office		111.12
Nancy Lawrence		1.99
Roger Burt		12.50
Salaries Expense:		
John Meyette		1.00
Wallace Pickering		1.00

David Gaskin	1.00
William Smith	1.00
Ellen Maylin	1.00
Nancy Lawrence	1.00
Paul Martin	506.50
Nancy Lawrence	360.00

Total

\$ 6,604.86

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

Mrs. Charles Maylin and Mr. John L. Meyette declined at our last annual meeting to accept additional terms of office. Mrs. Maylin served as clerk for six years. John Meyette served as a commissioner for three years. The District is indebted to these fine people for their labor and expertise, particularly during the critical period of constructing the water system.

Again we found it necessary to resort to the court and/or shutoff water service to collect a few delinquent accounts.

Except for having to contend with leaks in the water service lines, one of which was extensive and consumed days to locate, our system has been performing efficiently.

If the District votes to construct an infiltration trench at the well site, per article 5 of the warrant, our supply of water should be significantly increased.

The Commissioners wish to thank the Plainfield Volunteer Fire Dept.; our maintenance man, Paul Martin, and his two sons, Richard and Dennis; and Mr. L.M. Pittendreigh of Dufresne-Henry Engineering Corp. of North Springfield, Vt., for their help during emergencies this summer. Mr. Pittendreigh designed and supervised the construction of our system.

Indebted to Mrs. Louise Sawyer, who is not a resident of the District, are the commissioners for her appearance at meeting and notarizing District papers.

Respectfully submitted,

WALLACE G. PICKERING

Commissioners Chairman

DAVID GASKIN

T. PAUL AMIDON

Commissioners

WARRANT

State of New Hampshire
Sullivan, s.s.

Town of Plainfield

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield in the County of Sullivan in said State, who are legal voters residing in the Meriden Village Water District, qualified to vote in said District's affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield School in said Meriden Village Water District on Tuesday the eighteenth day of March next at 7:30 p.m. to act upon the following subjects.

Article 1. To choose necessary District officers for the ensuing year or otherwise as the by-laws direct:

1. A moderator for one year.

2. A clerk for one year.
3. A commissioner for three years.
4. A treasurer for one year.
5. Such other officers and agents as the voters may judge necessary for the managing of the District's affairs, or as may be directed by law to be chosen.

Article 2. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray District charges for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To see what action the District will take with regard to the reports of the District officers.

Article 4. To see if the District will vote to authorize the commissioners to borrow funds in anticipation of income.

Article 5. To see if the District will vote to authorize the commissioners to set a fixed charge for new service connection as the commissioners deem necessary.

Article 6. To enact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 27th day of January in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-five.

A true copy attest:

ARTHUR W. THOMPSON
 J. H. McNAMARA
 DONALD E. GARFIELD
 Commissioners of Meriden Village
 Water District

MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Receipts:

From Meriden Water Co. - Cash	\$4,068.49	
Water Rents MWC	480.02	
Water Rents MVWD	1,692.20	
New Customer Connections	320.00	
Interest on Savings Account	11.56	
Nat'l. Bank of Lebanon - 1 yr. note	<u>1,000.00</u>	
		\$ 7,572.27
 New Water Project		
Nat'l. Bank of Lebanon - 90 day 6½% note	40,000.00	
FHA Grant	<u>10,000.00</u>	
		<u>50,000.00</u>
 Total Receipts		 \$57,572.27

Disbursements:

Office expense	\$ 276.73	
Electricity	132.48	
Maintenance, old system	489.88	
Liabilities, old Water Co.	<u>4,222.40</u>	
		\$ 5,121.49
 New Water Project		
Engineering expense	6,830.00	
Well construction	11,005.63	
Pipe line expense	31,646.01	
Interest expense \$40,000 note	<u>641.10</u>	

		<u>50,122.74</u>
Total Payments		\$55,244.23
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements	2,328.04	
Savings Account Nat'l. Bank of Lebanon		796.81
Checking Account		<u>1,531.23</u>
	Total Cash on Hand	\$ 2,328.04

**MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT
DETAILED LIST OF PAYMENTS
AND GENERAL EXPENSES**

Office Expense:		
Meriden Telephone Co.	\$ 48.08	
Valley News	67.16	
Chet Palmer, CPA	25.00	
John F. McNamara	50.00	
White River Paper Co.	3.71	
Postmaster	16.00	
Water & Sewage Works	15.00	
National Bank of Lebanon	6.98	
Dorothy McNamara, postage & supplies	<u>44.80</u>	

\$ 276.73

Electricity:		
Granite State Electric Co.		132.48

Maintenance—old system:		
Milton Jewell, trucking	40.00	
McNamara's Plumbing and Heating	297.88	
Don MacLeay	<u>152.00</u>	

489.88

Liabilities of Meriden Water Co.:		
Secretary of State	30.00	
Dufresne-Henry Engineering Corp.	<u>4,192.40</u>	

4,222.40

NEW WATER PROJECT EXPENSES

Well Expense:		
Allards Rental Service	24.00	
Northeastern Culvert Corp.	237.50	
Milton Jewell, trucking	760.00	
Lebanon Crushed Stone, Inc.	925.30	
Adams, McNichol and Melen, Inc.	28.00	
Moulton Construction Co.	1,003.00	
Albert Barker	134.75	
Arthur Thompson	390.00	
Town of Plainfield	1,329.75	
Aetna Pumps, Inc.	806.97	
James H. Neil Co.	397.61	
Everett J. Prescott, Inc.	<u>4,968.75</u>	

11,005.63

Pipe Line Expense:		
Valley News	65.52	
K-Ross Building Supply Center	8.04	
Johns Manville	7,704.57	
Everett J. Prescott, Inc.	7,320.57	
United Construction Co. Inc.	16,132.61	
McNamara's Plumbing & Heating	<u>415.20</u>	
		31,646.01
Engineering Expense:		
Dufresne-Henry Engineering Corp.		6,830.00
Interest Expense:		
Lebanon National Bank		<u>641.10</u>
Total		\$55,244.23

We have examined the Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of the Meriden Village Water District for the calendar year 1974. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements with its concluding asset balances presents fairly the financial position of the Meriden Village Water Company at December 31, 1974 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles on a basis consistent within its first year.

Respectfully submitted,
 CHET R. PALMER
 Public Accountant

REPORT OF THE MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

Under the direction of Dufresne Henry Engineering Corporation, we had a series of fourteen test wells drilled. Only one well located on the Merrill Thompson property about 1200 feet west of the farm house seemed to have adequate water. The cost to develop this ground water supply was estimated at \$150,000.00. After many meetings with F.H.A. and local banks, this amount seemed far too high for the district to be in debt for.

The possibility of using the Plainfield school's well was investigated, but after a pump test was made, it was found not to be an adequate supply. On May 1, 1974 at a special meeting, a \$60,000.00 Bond Issue was approved. At about this same time F.H.A. approved a \$40,000.00 Grant. With these approvals we started another search for a water supply.

With permission from the school board and approval from the Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission, a well was dug adjacent to the school's well. After many hours of test pumping, this proved to be an adequate supply in both quantity and quality.

After many advertisements for pipe, pipe installation, pumps and pump vault, bids were awarded. John-Manville Co. furnished 3600 feet of 8" A C pipe. United Construction Corp. of Newport, N.H. was the low bidder for laying the 3600 feet of pipe and necessary fittings and hydrants. Trumbull-Nelson Construction Co. of Hanover, N.H. constructed a pump vault to house the pumps and necessary electrical equipment. Aetna Engineering Co., Inc. of Alton, N.H. was the low bidder to supply pumps and underground electric power to the vault.

At the present, we are using a temporary pump, but expect to have permanent pumps the early part of 1975. The temporary pump was installed in early December. We have been flushing the mains since then. Water samples will be sent to Water Supply and Pollution for its approval. It is expected that we can open the valve and use this new supply by January 1, 1975.

The estimated total cost of this project is about \$75,000.00, including legal fees and engineering costs. The Bond of \$60,000.00 has to be spent first—then the \$40,000.00 Grant will be issued by F.H.A. The estimated balance of \$25,000.00 will be used for additional storage in an underground tank to reduce pumping during the peak demand.

We would like to thank everyone in the district for taking such a good interest and making this project successful. We hope the new system will be satisfactory to everyone.

Respectfully submitted,
ARTHUR THOMPSON
JOHN H. McNAMARA
DONALD E. GARFIELD
Commissioners



WATER DISTRICT PROJECT – A front end loader from the United Construction Co. Fills in an excavation on Duncan Hill as part of the Meriden Village Water District's water main project. The new main and pumping system were constructed with grant and loan funds made available by the Farmers Home Administration.

ANNUAL REPORT
of
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLAINFIELD, N. H.

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1974

OFFICERS AND PERSONNEL
OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

MODERATOR

Jerome B. Doolittle

CLERK

Ruth L. Rogers

TREASURER

Fred Sweet

SCHOOL BOARD

William T. McNamara
(Term Expires 1975)

William Quimby
(Term Expires 1976)

Sylvia Clark
(Term Expires 1977)

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Daniel J. Whitaker

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

David C. Cameron

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

Charles G. Boehm

SCHOOL NURSE

Marie Steinsieck

AUDITORS

Louise M. Sawyer

Herman Rogers

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Sullivan, ss:

School District of Plainfield

To the inhabitants of the School District of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield School in the Village of Meriden in said Plainfield on Saturday, March 1, 1975, at two o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following subjects:

Article I. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Article II. To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of the School District officials and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state and federal governments, together with other income the School Board to certify to the Selectmen the balance to be raised by taxation.

(A summary of such expenditures and estimated income is as follows:)

Administration	\$ 1,835.00
Instruction	154,762.54
Attendance Services	50.00
Health Services	3,180.00
Transportation	22,540.00
Operation of Plant	35,830.00
Maintenance of Plant	4,760.00
Fixed Charges	20,938.21
School Lunch & Milk	900.00
Student Body Activities	1,177.00
Capital Outlay	3,996.63
Debt Service	64,461.50
Outgoing Transfers	<u>114,980.67</u>
Total	\$429,411.55

Less Estimated Income:

Building Aid	\$ 10,800.00
Sweepstakes	2,900.00
Foster Child Aid	600.00
NDEA	250.00
Lunch and Milk Aid	400.00
Non-food Assistance	425.00
*Unencumbered balance	<u>26,593.41</u>
Total Estimated Income	41,968.41

Estimated Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$387,443.14
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*Includes \$20,114.58 in interest earned in building funds invested in certificates of deposit during construction.

Article III. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to make application for and to accept on behalf of the District, any or all grants or other funds which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or from the State of New Hampshire.

Article IV. To transact any other business that may legally come before said Meeting.

NOTE: Election of School District Officials will take place at the same time and place as the election of Town Officials on March 4, 1975. (See separate warrant)

Given under our hands and seals at said Plainfield this 12th day of February, 1975.

WILLIAM T. McNAMARA, Chairman
 SYLVIA J. CLARK
 WILLIAM QUIMBY
 Plainfield School Board

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	Disbursed 1973-74	Appropriated 1974-75	Proposed 1975-76
Administration	\$ 1,608.13	\$ 1,810.00	\$ 1,835.00
Instruction:			
Salaries, Principal	12,631.00	13,575.00	14,591.00
Salaries, Teachers	96,901.38	104,355.85	111,814.00
Substitutes	938.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Library-Resource Cons.	2,160.00	2,700.00	2,916.00
Secretary	3,112.20	3,330.05	3,596.45
Aides	3,112.20	3,330.05	6,305.09
Textbooks	1,876.95	1,500.00	2,210.00
Library & Audio Visual	2,693.71	2,753.50	3,430.00
Teaching Supplies	4,585.31	4,500.00	5,100.00
Contracted Services	771.22	1,550.00	1,760.00
Other Expenses	1,338.59	1,100.00	1,240.00
Attendance Services:	--	50.00	50.00
Health Services:	1,907.13	2,446.00	3,180.00
Transportation:	19,763.30	21,040.00	22,540.00
Operation of Plant:	18,706.84	31,373.08	35,830.00
Maintenance of Plant:	799.44	3,475.00	4,760.00
Fixed Charges:			
Retirement & F.I.C.A.	8,743.24	10,700.75	11,052.37
Insurance	6,833.49	8,063.00	9,855.84
Special Milk:	291.63	400.00	900.00
Student Body Activities:	735.75	940.00	1,177.00
Capital Outlay:			
Building	--	--	400.00
Equipment & N.D.E.A.	4,912.53	1,527.40	3,596.63

Debt Service:	69,082.50	67,267.50	64,461.50
Outgoing Transfers:			
In-State Tuition	72,734.89	95,657.00	103,456.00
Supr. Union Expense	9,209.11	8,147.34	9,674.67
Tuition to Private Schools	935.00	1,600.00	1,850.00
TOTALS	<u>\$346,383.54</u>	<u>\$394,991.52</u>	<u>\$429,411.55</u>

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RECEIPTS

	<u>Actual 1973-74</u>	<u>Est. & Actual 1974-75</u>	<u>Estimated 1974-75</u>
Estimated Income:			
Revenue from Local Sources:			
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 27,457.33	\$ 39,400.00	\$ 26,593.41
Taxation	292,784.14	341,169.89	387,443.14
Revenue from State Sources:			
Building Aid	10,800.00	10,915.28	10,800.00
Sweepstakes	4,812.06	2,506.35	2,900.00
Foster Children Aid	200.00	600.00	600.00
Revenue from Federal Sources:			
NDEA	239.08	--	250.00
Lunch & Milk Aid	291.63	400.00	400.00
Non-Food Assistance	--	--	425.00
Sale of School Property			
Sale of School House	<u>22,500.00</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME	<u>\$359,084.24</u>	<u>\$394,991.52</u>	<u>\$429,411.55</u>

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING MARCH 2, 1974

At a legal business meeting of the voters of the School District of the Town of Plainfield qualified to vote in the District affairs, Moderator, Marion J. Creeger called the meeting to order at two o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, March 2, 1974 at the Plainfield School in the village of Meriden in said Plainfield.

Article I. The following resolution was presented, moved and seconded it be adopted. Resolved: That the reports of agents, auditors, committees, and other officers be accepted as printed in the Annual School Report. The vote was in the affirmative.

Article II. The following resolution was presented, moved and seconded it be adopted. Resolved: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$394,991.52 for the support of the schools, for the salaries of School District officials and agents, for the payment of statutory obligations of said District and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state and federal governments, together with other income; the School Board to certify to the Selectmen the balance, which balance is to be raised by taxation by the District:

Administration	\$ 1,810.00
Instruction	140,494.45
Attendance Services	50.00
Health Services	2,446.00
Transportation	21,040.00
Operation of Plant	30,067.68
Maintenance of Plant	4,780.40
Fixed Charges	18,763.75
School Lunch & Milk	400.00
Student Body Activities	940.00
Capital Outlay	1,527.40
Debt Service	67,267.50
Outgoing Transfers	<u>105,404.34</u>
Total	\$394,991.52
Less Estimated Income:	
Building Aid	\$10,800.00
Supplemental Building Aid	115.28
Sweepstakes	2,506.35
Foster Children Aid	600.00
Special Milk	400.00
Unencumbered Balance	<u>39,400.00</u>
Total Estimated Income	\$ 53,821.63
Estimated Local Tax	\$341,169.89

The following amendment to Article II was presented, moved and seconded; Resolved: That the budget figure total in Article II be amended to read \$384,991.52 and the Estimated Amount to be raised by taxes be amended to read \$331,169.89. A paper ballot by checklist was requested and the results were; 90 votes cast--3 spoiled, 22 yes votes, 65 no votes. The amendment did not pass. The original resolution was voted in the affirmative.

Article III. The following resolution was presented, moved and seconded it be adopted. Resolved: That the District vote pursuant to RSA 31:105 to provide indemnification for district employees, school administrators, school board members, district officers and agents from personal loss or expense including reasonable legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of negligence or other act resulting in accidental injury to a person or accidental damage to property providing the indemnified person was at the time of the accident acting within the scope of his employment or office. This was voted in the affirmative.

Article IV. The following resolution was presented, moved and seconded it be adopted. Resolved: That the District authorize the School Board to make application for and to accept on behalf of the District, any or all grants or other funds which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government, State of New Hampshire, or any foundation. Voted in the affirmative.

Article V. Sylvia Clark, Chairman of the School Board presented the following: In behalf of the School Board we wish to express our deep appreciation to the Building Committee, to the teachers, many volunteers, people who loaned vehicles, Selectmen, town committee members who have spent many hours in the development of our building and site and many more hours to come. To our Principal, Stephen Beaupre for the endless hours of advice and help in the planning of the school over and above school work hours. There are many extras to be attended to in a new building. There was a hearty response.

The meeting was adjourned by order of the Moderator.

The election of School District Officials took place at the same time and place as the election of Town Officials on March 5, 1974 at the Plainfield School in the Village of Meriden in said Plainfield.

There were 363 ballots cast.

Moderator:

Jerome B. Doolittle	316
Marion Creeger	7
Harlan Logan	2
Audrey Logan	1
Fenton Smith	1
George Paps	1
Ira Townsend	1
Donald MacLeay	1
Vera MacLeay	1

Jerome B. Doolittle was declared elected.

Clerk:

Ruth L. Rogers	335
Sylvia J. Clark	1

Ruth L. Rogers was declared elected.

Treasurer:

Fred Sweet	335
Sylvia J. Clark	1
Ira Townsend	1

Fred Sweet was declared elected.

Auditors:

Herman D. Rogers	308
Louise M. Sawyer	270
Sylvia J. Clark	1
Susan Clarke	1
John F. McNamara	1
Stephen Bishop	1

Herman D. Rogers and Louise M. Sawyer were declared elected.

School Board Member for 3 years:

Sylvia J. Clark	290
E. G. Sawyer	60
Susan Clarke	2
Jess Stalker	1
Jerome Doolittle	1
Mathew McConnel	1

Sylvia J. Clark was declared elected.

Jerome B. Doolittle, Ruth L. Rogers, Sylvia J. Clark, Herman D. Rogers were given the oath of office by Moderator, Marion J. Creeger before the meeting was adjourned.

A True Record Attest:

RUTH L. ROGERS
School District Clerk

**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES — 1973-74**

SALARIES OF DISTRICT OFFICERS:

Sylvia Clark	\$	175.00
William T. McNamara		175.00
William Quimby		175.00
Fred Sweet		150.00
Marion J. Creeger		25.00
J. McNamara		<u>12.00</u>

\$ 712.00

CONTRACTED SERVICES FOR ADMINISTRATION:

John F. McNamara		130.00
Herman Rogers		<u>30.00</u>

160.00

OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES:

Valley News		66.77
Eagle Pub.		74.10
N.H. School Board Assoc.		125.00
MacLeay's General Store		4.01
Emerson Gardens		10.00
Stebbins & Bradley		271.00
Cory-Hewitt Press		<u>40.25</u>

591.13

SALARIES OF TEACHERS:

Stephen Beaupre		12,631.00
Nancy Ashton		3,842.00
Ann Biebel		7,395.00
Linda Blocker		7,810.00
Durward Brandis		6,885.00
Robert Brewster		6,600.00
Davis Burbank		6,720.00
Sandee Burbank		6,915.00
Roberta Ellison		4,572.00
Malcolm Grobe		8,637.00
Audrey Logan		2,150.00
Denis Reisch		10,107.00
Patricia Reynolds		2,946.00
Marion Stone		8,670.00
Patricia Talbot		1,792.00
Peggy Williamson		6,983.00
Paul Wychules		<u>6,885.00</u>

111,540.00

SALARIES OF TEACHER AIDES:

6,224.40

6,224.40

SALARIES OF SUBSTITUTES:

938.00

938.00

TEXTBOOKS:

Beckley-Cardy Co.		42.12
D. C. Heath Co.		250.10
McGraw-Hill Book Co.		508.38
Scott-Foresman & Co.		353.34
Field Educ. Pub.		27.70
Benefic Press		4.82
		<u>17.85</u>

Institute Personal Effect.	
Addison Wesley Pub.	106.60
Charles E. Merrill Co.	32.62
National Wildlife Fed.	10.10
Harper & Row	29.71
Verham News Corp.	12.80
Scholastic Book Services	32.07
Science Research Assoc.	259.56
Holt, Rinehart & Winston	79.66
J. P. Lippincott Co.	17.50
Winston Press	75.77
Winnetka Board of Ed.	15.00

1,875.70

LIBRARY & AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS:

Ginn & Co.	10.56
American School Health Assoc.	4.80
National Geographic Soc.	36.40
N. E. School Supply	50.00
Regional Center for Educ.	25.00
Bro-Dart Inc.	558.43
D. C. Heath & Co.	43.70
Instructor	8.00
National Wildlife Fed.	12.00
Publishers Central Bureau	256.14
Scholastic Magazines	8.91
Dartmouth Bookstore	32.70
Audrey Logan	176.60
Verham News	3.95
Granwel Books	144.13
Baker & Taylor Co.	463.49
Fordham Equip. Co.	7.60
MacLeay's General Store	15.00
Abigail Penfield	5.95
Turner Subs. Agency	8.50
Time Life Books	6.79

1,878.65

TEACHING AIDS:

Addison Wesley Pub.	150.29
Beckley Cardy Co.	10.16
Benefic Press	64.70
Continental Press	33.28
Cuisenaire Co. of Am.	60.55
Gaylord Bros.	113.50
J. L. Hammett Co.	42.31
Harper & Row	237.49
Learning Innovations Corp.	115.55
Lyons & Carnahan	50.06
MacMillan Co.	29.63
Mainco School Supplies	39.00
McGraw-Hill Book Co.	280.86
Midwest Pub.	18.70
Millward Teaching Aids Co.	75.35
Nasco	42.94
N. E. School Supplies	957.28
Petty Cash	200.00

Scholastic Book Service	255.21	
Science Research Assoc.	708.06	
Scott Foresman & Co.	142.03	
Ginn & Co.	292.33	
Learning Resource Ctr.	14.33	
School Specialty Supp.	61.40	
Selective Educ. Equip.	164.00	
Verham News Corp.	33.96	
Greydon Freeman Inc.	13.70	
Winston Press	87.75	
D. C. Heath & Co.	52.69	
J. P. Lippincott Co.	24.93	
Northern Supply Co.	32.91	
Studio P/R Inc.	21.32	
American Assoc. for Health	4.84	
The M-F Co.	14.40	
Banwell, White & Arnold	8.92	
West Lebanon Supplies	52.23	
		4,506.66
CONTRACTED SERVICES:		
N. H. Network	252.00	
Regional Center for Educ. Trng.	345.00	
University of New Hampshire	147.60	
Keene State	7.50	
Audio Visual Educ. Center	19.12	
		771.22
OTHER EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION:		
University of Illinois	49.34	
N. H. Music Educ. Assoc.	5.00	
Petty Cash	50.00	
Cory-Hewitt Press	52.75	
Center for Educ. Services	20.00	
Durwood Brandis (in-service trng.)	75.00	
Robert Brewster	75.00	
Linda Blocker	75.00	
Ann Biebel	75.00	
Davis Burbank	175.00	
Peggy Williamson	75.00	
Paul Wychules	75.00	
Marion Stone	75.00	
Malcolm Grobe	75.00	
Sandee Burbank	75.00	
Denis Reisch	75.00	
Stephen Beaupre	75.00	
Roberta Ellison	61.50	
Nancy Ashton	100.00	
		1,338.59
HEALTH SERVICES:		
Marie Steinsieck	1,600.00	
		1,600.00
OTHER HEALTH SERVICES:		
R. A. Whitney, M.D.	140.00	
Geo. E. Quittmeyer, DDS.	40.00	
Lion Toothbrush Co.	39.24	
State Treasurer	150.00	

American Assoc. for Health	5.34	
Marsh Film	74.00	
Marie Steinsieck	<u>10.93</u>	
		459.51
CONTRACTED SERVICES FOR TRANSPORTATION:		
Jan-Car Leasing Corp.	<u>19,674.40</u>	
		19,674.40
SALARIES OF CUSTODIANS:		
Wyman Darby	3,986.25	
Stanley R. Day	99.00	
Joseph Munley	104.00	
Anne Schelewa	1,472.49	
Donald Stein	35.75	
Sylvia Clark	<u>90.00</u>	
		5,787.49
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES:		
Allston Supply Co.	793.15	
California Wiping Materials	35.22	
Pioneer Mfg. Co.	91.80	
White River Paper Co.	207.68	
Lebanon School Food Service	11.35	
Meriden Garage	11.50	
Dulac's Bldg. & Hardware	184.49	
Hanover Hardware Co.	6.90	
Joe's Equipment Service	11.25	
Wyman Darby	3.20	
Berwick & Sons, Inc.	6.00	
Bailey Bros.	12.43	
Madison Chemicals	123.85	
Lebanon School District	20.50	
Shepard Corp.	59.12	
Valley News	7.22	
Eagle Pub.	5.04	
Twin State Electric	<u>34.45</u>	
		1,625.15
CONTRACTED SERVICES:		
Elizabeth J. Pardoe	25.00	
Meriden Garage	7.80	
Wyman Darby	<u>41.00</u>	
		73.80
HEAT FOR SCHOOL PLANT:		
Plainfield Oil Co.	6,011.03	
Texgas Corp.	<u>53.50</u>	
		6,064.53
UTILITIES:		
Granite State Elec.	4,090.48	
Conn. Valley Elec.	22.54	
Refund: M. Doolittle	79.57 (cr.)	
N. E. Telephone	76.03	
Meriden Telephone Co.	493.06	
Meriden Water Co.	14.38	
Plainfield Village Water Dist.	<u>127.89</u>	
		4,744.81

SALARIES SUMMER MAINTENANCE:

Wyman Darby	184.50
Malcolm Grobe	58.60
David Grobe	143.00
Darrell Slayton	<u>11.70</u>

397.80

REPAIRS & REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT:

Sanel's Inc.	34.79
White River Paper Co.	27.24
Wyman Darby	25.00
West Lebanon Supply	14.40
Arnold Wilkie	25.00
Voice & Vision	3.55
Frederick Johnson Inc.	<u>27.00</u>

156.98

CONTRACTED SERVICES:

Oxygen & Welding Service	8.25
Joe's Equip. Service	6.00
N. H. Audio Vue	137.37
Arnold Wilkie	10.00
Northeast Mechanical Sales	<u>183.49</u>

345.11

REPAIRS TO BUILDINGS:

Dulac's Building & Hardware	37.73
American Forest Products	10.56
Twin State Elec. Supplies	<u>19.02</u>

67.31

OTHER EXPENSES:

Wyman Darby	53.00
Fogg's Hardware	<u>4.14</u>

57.14

RETIREMENT SYSTEM:

N. H. Retirement System	<u>1,853.00</u>
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1,853.00

FEDERAL INS. CONTRIBUTION ACT (FICA):

State Treasurer	3,728.77
Stephen Beaupre	96.30
Alice Hendrick	<u>22.34</u>

3,847.41

INSURANCE:

Group Insurance	2,380.87
Dewey, Peck & Co. (Fire, Bond, Liab., Boiler, Work. Comp.)	<u>4,177.40</u>

6,558.27

SPECIAL MILK PROGRAM:

Plainfield Special Milk	<u>291.63</u>
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291.63

STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES:

Peggy Williamson	75.00
Tom's Toggery	571.00
Passon's Inc.	30.62
Dramatic Pub. Co.	31.23

Schwartz, Kirwin & Fauss	27.90	
		735.75
CAPITAL OUTLAY EQUIPMENT:		
Joe's Equip. Service	1,158.00	
Allston Supply Co.	2,321.00	
Beckley Cardy	134.20	
Lyon Elec. Co.	12.33	
Lebanon School District	12.00	
N. H. Audio Vue	440.75	
Dulac's Building & Hardware	191.37	
Sanel Auto Parts	45.00	
Mainco School Supplies	249.95	
Justin M. Smith	400.00	
School Health Supplies	383.41	
NDEA - New Equipment	<u>363.66</u>	
		5,711.67
PRINCIPAL OF DEBT:		
First National Bank of Boston	35,000.00	
First N. H. Corp.	<u>1,000.00</u>	
		36,000.00
INTEREST ON DEBT:		
First National Bank of Boston	33,022.50	
First N. H. Corp.	<u>60.00</u>	
		33,082.50
TUITION:		
Lebanon School District	72,271.89	
Lebanon Reg. Training Ctr.	<u>463.00</u>	
		72,734.89
DISTRICT SHARE OF S.U. EXPENSE:		
Supervisory Union No. 32	<u>9,209.11</u>	
		9,209.11
TUITION TO PRIVATE SCHOOLS:		
Pine Haven Boys Ctr.	674.00	
Hanover Nursery School Inc.	330.00	
Upper Valley Training Ctr.	468.00	
Tuition Refund	<u>537.00 (cr.)</u>	
		<u>935.00</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u><u>\$342,549.61</u></u>

TREASURER'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1974

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand July 1, 1973
Town of Plainfield
Building Aid
Sweepstakes
Special Milk
Title I
Sale of *Schools* & Rent
Trustees of Trust Funds

GENERAL FUND

\$ 18,639.76
292,784.14
10,800.00
4,812.06
4,812.06
1,884.58
22,579.57
3,807.03

Filing Fees	7.00
Refunds (Ins. & Misc.)	<u>779.36</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$356,385.13
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>337,666.15</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 1974	<u>\$ 18,718.98</u>

<u>RECEIPTS:</u>	<u>BUILDING FUND</u>
Cash on hand July 1, 1973	\$281,927.60
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>279,078.46</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 1974	<u>\$ 2,849.14</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the *School District* of Plainfield, N. H. for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974 and find them correct to the best of our knowledge.

Louis M. Sawyer
Herman D. Rogers
Auditors

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT DEBT STATEMENT

March 1, 1975

Meriden Addition:

July 1, 1955, twenty \$1,000 bonds were issued, payable at the Claremont National Bank. Payments of \$1,000 due July 1, 1956 and June 1957 through June 15, 1975. \$1,000. outstanding.

New School:

On November 1, 1972, thirteen \$35,000 and seven \$30,000 bonds were issued, payable at the First National Bank of Boston. Principal payments due on Nov. 1, 1973 through 1982 with Interest payments due on May 1, 1973 and Nov. 1, 1973 through 1982. Total indebtedness principal and interest \$1,009,505.00; payments made through Nov. 1, 1974 \$67,130.00. Outstanding debtedness: \$873,460.00.

PLAINFIELD BUILDING FUND EXPENDITURES 1973-74

Building Site:

Blaktop, Inc.	2,195.00
Trumbull Nelson Co.	924.15
Springfield Nursery	41.98
Supervisory Union #32-Reimb.	<u>9.70</u>

3,170.83

<i>Architect Fees:</i>		
Banwell, White & Arnold	<u>3,570.96</u>	3,570.96
<i>Building Contract:</i>		
Bion E. Reynolds	<u>195,186.41</u>	195,186.41
<i>Building Expenses (not in contract):</i>		
Craftsmen Inc.	3,999.95	
Plainfield Oil Co.	15.00	
W. G. Laurie	1,800.00	
Trumbull Nelson Co.	25,571.59	
Dyment Bros. Rugs Inc.	15,470.78	
Space Design Systems	11,775.00	
Jackson Chairs Inc.	692.00	
Frank T. Cody Co.	552.56	
Water Industries Inc.	6,220.00	
Davis Burbank	15.00	
Stromgren Plumbing	314.64	
Northeast Mechanical Sales	449.76	
Ken's Welding Shop	933.24	
Charles W. Stone	<u>864.40</u>	
		68,673.92
<i>Furniture & Equipment:</i>		
Republic Steel	1,355.00	
Mainco School Supply	1,792.55	
Bro Dart Inc.	182.94	
Northern Supply Co.	472.00	
N. E. School Supply Co.	206.25	
Twin River Sport Shop	1,074.00	
Home Improvement Co.	1,229.60	
Bridgman's Furniture	1,000.00	
Oxygen & Welding Supply Co.	206.25	
Tommy Keane Sporting Goods	<u>622.50</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<u>8,476.34</u>
		<u>\$279,078.46</u>

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

STAFF

In September, an unexpectedly large first grade made it necessary for us to regroup the student assignments for grades one and two. Since the skills of reading and arithmetic are first introduced in grade one, it is necessary to keep these classes as small as possible. The reassignment of students resulted in a very large grade two class for Mrs. Ashton. By cutting out some planned purchases, we added a teacher aide to her class so that individual help in skill development would be available for each child.

I am extremely pleased with our new staff members this year. Mrs. Ann Sprague joined us as grade five teacher after teaching in Canaan. Mrs. Camille Frankel joined us as grade seven and eight English teacher. Mrs. Sara Sangdahl has taken on half-time responsibilities for grade seven and eight sciences after sixteen years of experience in private schools. Mrs. Marjorie Porter has assumed half-day responsibilities as reading teacher allowing us to assign Mrs. Ashton to a full-time position as grade two teacher. Mrs. Caren Showerman is providing our one day a week music program. Harold Jones has become the teacher aide in Mrs. Ashton's class. These excellent teachers have been valuable additions to our staff.

BUILDING

Like a new car, a new house, or a new marriage, our new school has had many problems to overcome, adjustments to make, and "bugs" to work out. All of these problems have been minor and one by one are being solved. With the increased price of fuel oil and electricity, we are finding our costs of operation to be higher than last year. The increasing use of the building by community groups may push these costs slightly higher; however, it should be remembered that the use of the school as a community center was one of the major "fringe benefits" in building this type of facility.

INSTRUCTION

The Plainfield School District will begin to recertify its teachers under a new "Staff Development Plan" on July 1, 1975. This recertification program is required by the State Board of Education and will allow recertification to be based upon local determination of our philosophy and our needs. A public hearing on the "Staff Development Plan," which was developed in cooperation with Lebanon and Grantham, was held on January 30, 1975 at the Plainfield School. Among the priority needs discussed were the improvement of the teaching of reading skills, improvement of instruction in math, and development of counseling skills for classroom teachers.

THE FUTURE

As a school administrator, I know there are things we need in our school. The PTA has discussed the need for a public kindergarten. Stephen Beaupre's report mentions the need for more art and music instruction. Our student population is growing. We have a large number of children with special education needs tuitioned to Lebanon. If space and budget allowed, we might think of starting our own program for these children.

As a Plainfield taxpayer, I know that we cannot afford everything we need. Our new school has no extra space for a kindergarten or for a special education class. Our school board has done a commendable job in keeping school budget increases to a minimum; however, new needs keep arising. Our local tax effort in support of education is excellent; however, can we be expected to do more? It becomes increasingly apparent each year that the financing of education in New Hampshire cannot continue to depend upon the local property tax. Our Constitution places the responsibility for education with the State. Our governor and legislature must begin to support measures to fund the basic costs of education through state revenues. Without state support, local education faces the possibility of regression unless the taxpayer is willing to face the possibility of bankruptcy.

DANIEL J. WHITAKER
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

The new building has become a center for community activities, as was hoped it would when plans for it were being developed. We anticipate and encourage even more use. Several groups meet frequently in the school. Various town commissions, Selectmen, P.T.A., Water District, adult and children's recreational groups are using the facilities on a fairly regular basis.

Again, we invite townspeople to visit the school. Our program is expanding and now includes new offerings for the students. Girls in grades seven and eight may participate on a basketball team. A newly organized stamp group numbers over a hundred children from all grades. The library program has expanded so that the older students have more access to the available materials. We continue to plan within our goals and budget for program improvements.

Our school continues to be associated with local educational and supportive groups. Under the co-operative, federally sponsored program Title I, within Supervisory Union No.

32, we have access to and use the services of a speech therapist. Through the Supervisory Union Resource Center, we receive assistance in evaluating the learning disabilities of children. An examiner tests children whom we refer. The child and his tests are then evaluated and a diagnosis is made with recommendations for his particular learning program. Personnel from Sullivan County Mental Health Clinic are available to work with our staff, setting up behavioral modification programs. The Regional Center of Hanover regularly supplies our classes with a variety of MOVE-KITS. Workshops are sponsored by the Center for in-service training of the staff. Although still very limited in our art program, the teachers did have available to them an art instructor, sponsored by the Center, who set up art kits for teachers.

We feel that we are continuously evaluating our program and do find areas of deficiency which still exist. One is the lack of a quality art program. Another need is more emphasis in music, not only in vocal, but in instrumental as well. We do have a specialist in reading on our staff on a part-time basis. She could well be utilized full-time and expand her services to include students in the middle and upper elementary grades. At present, budget and priorities keep us from such a program.

Concern has been expressed by parents and teachers that a public school kindergarten be established in our town. Kindergarten experience is so important to youngsters and we see its necessity in our younger elementary students. For the school district to set up its own kindergarten would be a severe financial problem at this time. However, there is an excellent kindergarten offered daily through the Plainfield Co-operative Pre-School. As an elementary school principal, I would encourage parents to look into this school for next year's first graders.

STEPHEN A. BEAUPRE
Principal

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Because we were able to purchase hearing and vision screening equipment in the past year, all children are being screened. Early visual and auditory problems can more readily be discovered and treated.

Almost all fifth through eighth grade students had a physical examination by Dr. Royal Whitney, our school physician, at which time heights, weights and blood pressure were measured. The children are being encouraged to understand the importance of preventive health care and the acceptance of a yearly physical as part of their program.

Fourteen children had their dental care undertaken by our "matching fund" program. A special daily post-lunch tooth brushing period was instituted for second through fourth grade pupils to help in teaching the value of dental hygiene. Dental caries remain a large problem in our Upper Valley towns.

A pilot program on Family Life and Health Education was introduced to the eighth graders. In our eight week period we attempted to give our students an understanding of the physical and emotional changes occurring in them and ways to deal with and accept these changes. The program was student evaluated and will be carried also into the seventh grade on the strength of these evaluations.

Parent input into this and any other school health program is requested and welcomed. The nurse is available two days a week for any health related consultations at the school health office.

Respectfully submitted,
MARIE STEINSIECK
School Nurse

PLAINFIELD ENROLLMENT – SEPTEMBER 1974

GRADE	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
1	20	15	35
2	14	15	29
3	18	17	35
4	15	9	24
5	26	18	44
6	13	17	30
7	18	16	34
8	13	17	30
TOTAL ENROLLMENT			261

ESSAY AWARD WINNERS

1st prize	Hiroshima, Victory or Massacre	James McKinnon
2nd prize	The Bird on the Silver Dollar	Patricia Dupuis
3rd prize	A Tour on a Magic Carpet	Deborah Stacy
Honorable Mention	Going, Going, Gone	James Stockwell

Good Citizenship Award - James Stockwell

8TH GRADE - 1974

Barton, Yvonne	Grobe, Jonathan	Nugent, Doreen
Conklin, George	Hewes, Vicki	Quimby, Douglas
Descoteau, Gene	Hynes, David	Stacy, Deborah
Dupuis, Patricia	Kenyon, Eileen	Stockwell, James
Earle, Mikeal	McKinnon, James	Sullivan, Albert
Fellows, Sally	Modjeski, Mark	Swett, Dianne
Fortune, Thomas	Morse, Carl	Thompson, Andrew
Gillam, Joseph	Morse, Larry	West, Michael
Griswold, Tina	Morse, Michael	Willer, David



PLAINFIELD TUITION STUDENTS – 1974-75

Attending Hanover St. Elementary School:

Brian Bouchier	Special Education
David Bouchier	Special Education
Dennis Bundy	Special Education
Steven Perkins	Special Education
Charles Schelewa	Special Education
Eric Schelewa	Special Education
Carl Shattuck	Special Education

Attending Lebanon High School:

<i>Grade 9:</i>	Yvonne Barton George Conklin Gene Descoteau Patricia Dupuis Mike Earle Sally Fellows Tom Fortune Mike Gallagher Tina Griswold Vicki Hewes David Hynes Eileen Kenyon	Mark Modjeski Carl Morse Michael Morse James McKinnon Doreen Nugent Joanne Goodspeed Deborah Stacy James Stockwell Albert Sullivan Diane Swett Mike West David Willer
<i>Grade 10:</i>	Doreen Bailey Beverly Brandt Harriet Conklin Tim Crotts Carolyn Currier Kenneth Dewey Sandra Hynes Sharon Kelley Frank Lahaye	Lorraine Meyette Bruce Milo Mark Morse Ryan Roark Terry Rogers Melody Salls Diane Thompson David Vigneault Kathy Waterman
<i>Grade 11:</i>	Wayne Bailey James Barton Lora Barton Brenda Brandt Tim Hynes Debby Jordan Penny Lahaye Laurie Levarn	Greg Marsh Jeff Marsh Kathy Martin Kim Morse Dottie Shattuck Kim Stockwell Linda Thompson George West
<i>Grade 12:</i>	Stewart Adams Judith Biebel Sargent Daniels Walter Fleck Glen Fortune Thomas Freeland Ona Hewes George Hynes Richard Jenks	Dennis Martin Brenda Meyette Michelle Modjeski Gary Morse Mark Snider Terry Swett Hubert Willer Susan Williams Michael Williams

Attending Lebanon Jr. High School:

Ralph Chapman	Special Education
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PLAINFIELD TEACHERS 1974-75

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Yrs. Exp.</u>	<u>Yr. Apptd.</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>Degree</u>
Brandis, Durward	1	3½	1972	Dartmouth	B.A.
Brewster, Robert	1&2	2	1973	Wesleyan	B.A.
Ashton, Nancy	2	2½	1972	Un.-Iowa	M.A.
Burbank, Davis	3&4	1	1973	Syracuse Un.	B.S.& MBA
Blocker, Linda	3&4	3	1971	Emerson	M.A.
Wychules, Paul	4&5	2	1973	Dartmouth	B.A.
Sprague, Anne	5	1	1974	UNH	B.A.
Grobe, Malcolm	5&6	4	1970	Beloit	B.A.
				Andover Newton	B.D.
Stone, Marion	5&6	24	1970	Keene	B.Ed.
Frankel, Camille	7&8	1	1974	State Un.-N.Y.	B.A.
Reisch, Denis	7&8	7	1968	UNH	B.A.
Beaupre, Stephen (Prin.)	7&8	12	1962	Plymouth	M.Ed.
Sangdahl, Sara Jean	7&8(P.T.)	16	1974	So.Ct.St. Col.	M.S.
Porter, Marjorie	Remedial Tchr.		1974		
Reynolds, Patricia	Physical Educ.		1972		
Showerman, Caren	Music		1974		
Logan, Audrey	Library Res. Cons.		1973		
Walker, Elizabeth	Lib./Secy		1972		
Verge, Virginia	Office Secy.		1969		
Jones, Harold	Educ. Assoc. Aide		1974		

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSED SALARY SCHEDULE 1975-76

Experience	1974-75	1975-76
0	6,700	7,100
1	7,130	7,400
2	7,405	7,700
3	7,680	7,997
4	7,955	8,294
5	8,230	8,591
6	8,505	8,888
7	8,785	9,185
8	9,060	9,488
9	9,335	9,785
10	9,610	10,082
11	9,885	10,379
12	10,160	10,676
13		10,973

INSURANCE PROGRAM 1974-75

Vehicles—Coverage & Costs:
Automobile Liability Ins.

Bodily Injury:	200,000.	Owned Vehicles	N/C
	1,000,000.	Hired Vehicles	\$18.00
Property Damage:	50,000.	Owned Vehicles	N/C
	50,000.	Hired Vehicles	<u>\$ 6.00</u>
		Total Premium	\$24.00

Fire Insurance:

	<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Premium</u>	<u>Div. & Ret. Prem.</u>	<u>Paid</u>
Bonner Rd., Meriden Building Contents	500,000) 22,500)	3,313.00		3,313.00
Legal Liability		1,050.00	(3 yr. prepaid)	
Workmen's Compensation	(est.)	241.00		
Boiler - Bonner Rd. (limit: 50,000)		122.00	74.00	48.00
Treasurer's Bond		14.00	(3 yr. prepaid)	
Blue Cross/Blue Shield		16.50	per month	



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GRANTHAM – LEBANON – MASCOMA – PLAINFIELD
SCHOOL CALENDAR
1975-1976

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
SEPTEMBER	X	X	3	4	5
	8	9	10	11	12
20	15	16	17	18	19
	22	23	24	25	26
	29	30			

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
OCTOBER			1	2	3
	6	7	8	9	10
21	X	14	15	16	X
	20	21	22	23	24
	27	28	29	30	31

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
NOVEMBER	3	4	5	6	7
	10	X	12	13	14
17	17	18	19	20	21
	24	25	26	X	X

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
DECEMBER	1	2	3	4	5
	8	9	10	11	12
15	15	16	17	18	19
	X	X	X	X	X
	X	X	X		

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
JANUARY				X	X
	5	6	7	8	9
20	12	13	14	15	16
	19	20	21	22	23
	26	27	28	29	30

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
FEBRUARY	2	3	4	5	6
	9	10	11	12	13
15	X	X	X	X	X
	23	24	25	26	27

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
MARCH	1	2	3	4	5
	8	9	10	11	12
23	15	16	17	18	19
	22	23	24	25	26
	29	30	31		

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
APRIL				1	2
	5	6	7	8	9
17	12	13	14	15	16
	X	X	X	X	X
	26	27	28	29	30

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
MAY	3	4	5	6	7
	10	11	12	13	14
20	17	18	19	20	21
	24	25	26	27	28
	X				

	<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Th</u>	<u>F</u>
JUNE		1	2	3	4
	7	8	9	10	11
12	14	15	16		

September through January - 93 Days

February through June - 87 Days

DAYS OUT

Sept. 1	Labor Day	Dec. 22-Jan. 2	Christmas Vacation
Oct. 13	Columbus Day	Feb. 16-20	Winter Vacation
Oct. 17	Teachers' Convention	Apr. 19-23	Spring Vacation
Nov. 11	Veterans' Day	May 31	Memorial Day
Nov. 27-28	Thanksgiving Recess		
(Nov. 27 - Thanksgiving Day)			

180 Days Required Attendance for Instructional Purposes.



VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Name of Child	Date of Birth - 1974	Place	Maiden Name of Mother	Mother's Birth-place	Father's Name	Father's Birth-place
Christine Mary Aldrich	June 19	Lebanon, N.H.	Karen Helen Goodwin	N.H.	Henry Joseph Aldrich	N.H.
Tige Wayne Aldrich	Oct. 26	Lebanon, N.H.	Joan Marie Tucker	N.H.	Wayne Gordon Aldrich	N.H.
Brian Michael Behn	May 20	Lebanon, N.H.	Roseanne Smith	Conn.	Michael Vernon Behn	Conn.
Mark Allen Benware	May 17	Lebanon, N.H.	Pamela Rae Carll	Mass.	Stanley Lee Benware	N.H.
Todd Andrew Bircher	Dec. 18	Lebanon, N.H.	Judith Ann Eastman	N.H.	Thomas Manley Bircher	N.H.
Clarissa Ann Bonanno	Aug. 8	Hanover, N.H.	Pamela Ann Boggis	N.Y.	Richard Andrew Bonanno	N.Y.
William Davis Burbank	Sept. 7	Lebanon, N.H.	Sandee Murray	N.Y.	Davis Harold Burbank	Mass.
Wendy Louise Burnham	Aug. 19	Lebanon, N.H.	Donna Marie Prior	N.H.	Ronald Sinclair Burnham	N.H.
Benjamin Paul Cherington	July 14	Lebanon, N.H.	Margaret Ghormley Eberhart	Mass.	Alexander Whiton Cherington	D.C.
Shearon Judith Clarke	Nov. 2	Lebanon, N.H.	Susan Asquith	Mass.	John Cardigan Clarke	N.H.
Lisa Ann Gaskin	July 3	Hanover, N.H.	Alice Mary Bill	N.H.	David Alan Gaskin	N.Y.
Suzanne Michelle Gray	July 24	Lebanon, N.H.	Jacqueline Louise Cox	N.H.	Earl David Gray	N.H.
Jesse Kiendl	Nov. 9	Hanover, N.H.	Beth Laurie Goodman	N.H.	Arthur Herbert Kiendl III	N.H.
Richard William Kimball	July 24	Lebanon, N.H.	Susan Ann Dow	N.H.	Richard Lincoln Kimball	N.H.
Julie Susanne Longacre	Jan. 3	Hanover, N.H.	Joanne Mary McNicholas	Mass.	James Harold Longacre	Penn.
Timothy Joseph Longacre	Aug. 8	Lebanon, N.H.	Sarah Jean Tuck	N.H.	Joseph Marilyn Longacre	Penn.
Graham Lewellyn Mather	Nov. 28	Hanover, N.H.	Diana Gayle Sonneborn	Ind.	Geoffrey Philip Mather	Vt.
Matthew Allan Reynolds	Dec. 30	Lebanon, N.H.	Patricia Violet Henderson	Canada	Allan George Reynolds	Canada
Kimberly Lynn Waldner	Oct. 2	Hanover, N.H.	Roxanne Faulkner	N.Y.	Jay Dudley Waldner Jr.	N.J.
Kimberly Marie Wheeler	June 5	Claremont, N.H.	Elaine Rita Ouellette	N.H.	Wayne Barry Wheeler	Vt.
Sarah Lee Woodbury	Aug. 16	Claremont, N.H.	Barbara Louise Bollo	N.H.	James Winn Woodbury	N.H.
David Joseph Yacubacci	Sept. 2	Lebanon, N.H.	Pamela Sue Currier	N.H.	Donald Yacubacci	Mass.

DEATHS

Name	Date of Death - 1974	Age	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
Frances Bliss	March 22	84	Hanover, N.H.	Adam H. Gahs	Martha Seiffert
Charles Crary	July 2	70	Brattleboro, Vt.	Orrie Crary	Ida
Clarence Fellows	April 6	56	Plainfield, N.H.	Frank Fellows	Mildred Greene
Robert N. Hendrick	June 4	64	Hanover, N.H.	Levi Hendrick	Cora Hodgdon
Catherine Kimball	July 5	70	Hanover, N.H.	Michael Hunt	Elizabeth Mulcahy
Clarence Walter King	Aug. 3	74	Lebanon, N.H.	Walter B. King	Katie P. Wheeler
Wendell Rogers	March 5	67	Plainfield, N.H.	Fred A. Rogers	Addie Mae Round
Ethel M. Smith	Jan. 5	74	Plainfield, N.H.	Ervin L. Smith	Clara M. Kimball
Tracy M. Spalding	Oct. 10	71	Hanover, N.H.	Insley Spalding	Jennie Meyette
Winona M. Zea	Oct. 23	71	Plainfield, N.H.	Mathew McGuire	Louella Belle

MARRIAGES

Date	Place	Name of Bride & Groom	Born	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	By Whom Married
Oct. 5	Plainfield, N.H.	David W. Brainard III Karen Sue Hunt	Aug. 17, 1948 Nov. 30, 1951	David W. Brainard Jr. Otha P. Hunt	Eleanor Bailes	Richard L. Mansell J.P.
Mar. 9	Cornish, N.H.	Raymond J. Braley Jr. Debra L. Fadden	Sept. 2, 1955 Jan. 11, 1957	Raymond J. Braley Sr. James D. Fadden	Melba A. Berk Annette I. Hickory	George Alvan Barrus J.P.
Aug. 24	Meriden, N.H.	Nicholas Rand Burrage Charlotte Lund Cherington	Sept. 2, 1944 Feb. 3, 1946	Walter S. Burrage Paul Cherington	Katherine S. Riley Rita M. VanDusen	Carlton P. Jones III Priest
July 6	Meriden, N.H.	David Alan Chellis Cheyenne Marie Sullivan	Mar. 29, 1953 Aug. 21, 1953	Frank D. Chellis Earl S. Sullivan	Vera E. Davis Lillian P. Strobel	Mason B. Ellison Minister
July 6	Hanover, N.H.	Jonathan Oliver Crook Marlene Jane Scherwerts	Jan. 31, 1950 Mar. 2, 1956	Malcolm S. Crook William E. Scherwerts	Katherine A. Leich Barbara L. Hadley	Malcolm S. Crook Clergyman
Sept. 27	Plainfield, N.H.	John H. Dellabough Betty Lou Densmore	May 5, 1951 Aug. 13, 1948	Mason E. Dellabough Carl J. Laurie Sr.	Eleanor Pinard Louise Mae Tolbert	Malcolm Grobe Clergyman
June 8	Lebanon, N.H.	Richard H. Dunham Barbara C. Martin	June 7, 1955	Hector Dunham Arthur Martin	Eleanor Pinard Mary Martin	Dwight S. Haynes Clergyman
Oct. 19	White River Jct., Vt.	Herbert F. Evans Nancy L. Barrows	Sept. 1, 1955 Jan. 17, 1946 Apr. 20, 1954	Herbert F. Evans Alfred Barrows	Mae Tempelton Eva Cushman	John J. Armott Priest

May 11	W. Lebanon, N.H.	Graydon Laurence Gile	Feb. 16, 1953	Graydon Gile Sr.	Harriette Burbank	Wesley E. Megaw
Nov. 2	Meriden, N.H.	Debra Ann Crowe	Dec. 26, 1953	Lawrence Crowe	Natalie Corey	Clergyman
Aug. 17	W. Lebanon, N.H.	Darryl Joseph Goodhue	June 27, 1949	Philip S. Goodhue	Rita Scinical	Marion J. Creeger
Aug. 24	Plainfield, N.H.	Christine Leona Torrey	Aug. 12, 1949	Arthur C. Torrey	Gloria Kendall	Minister
July 13	Plainfield, N.H.	Robert John Grant	Oct. 5, 1948	George J. Grant	Jual Agnes O'Dowd	Stephen J. Tebes
Aug. 15	Plainfield, N.H.	Rosanne Leda Vigneault	Apr. 13, 1954	Rudolphe L. Vigneault	Leda A. Meyers	R.C. Priest
Dec. 20	W. Lebanon, N.H.	Donald Roy Kibbie	Mar. 20, 1954	Carlton Kibbie	Roberta Weberson	Hazel A. Roper
June 29	Plainfield, N.H.	Denis Ann Cossingham	Aug. 27, 1955	James H. Cossingham	Beverly Dyke	Minister
Aug. 9	Plainfield, N.H.	Richard Lincoln Kimball	Feb. 12, 1954	George W. Kimball	Bernice Ruel	George Alvan Barrows
Aug. 15	Plainfield, N.H.	Susan Ann Dow	Apr. 5, 1957	William P. Dow	Theresa Kelly	J.P.
Dec. 20	W. Lebanon, N.H.	Karl Philip Lindahl	Apr. 21, 1946	William A. Lindahl	Edith M. Osberg	Malcolm J. Grobe
June 29	Plainfield, N.H.	Karen Louise Schmale	Feb. 12, 1949	Edwin W. Schmale	Veronica Mezey	Clergyman
Aug. 9	Plainfield, N.H.	Francis Edward LaFlam	May 14, 1945	Leonard LaFlam	Doris Taylor	Wesley E. Megaw
Aug. 6	Plainfield, N.H.	Cynthia M. Wyatt	Apr. 2, 1956	Edward Leroy Wyatt	Constance Hall	Clergyman
Mar. 16	White River Jct., Vt.	Bruce Guy Maville	June 17, 1955	Maynard J. Maville	Louise F. Trachier	Mason B. Ellison
June 2	Plainfield, N.H.	Deborah Day Berry	Apr. 7, 1954	Alden L. Berry	Georgia Day	Minister
June 1	Plainfield, N.H.	Richard E. Paul	Feb. 1, 1945	J. Frank Paul	Hazel Finnemore	Warren Biebel
Mar. 16	White River Jct., Vt.	Christine E. Benware	Feb. 2, 1951	Adeloid C. Benware	Doris Brown	Paster
June 2	Plainfield, N.H.	David J. Powell	May 13, 1954	A. L. Powell	Helen Downing	Warren Biebel
June 1	Plainfield, N.H.	Dede L. Chapman	Feb. 5, 1957	Norman Chapman	Virginia Barron	Minister
Feb. 23	Lebanon, N.H.	Arthur Lee Perkins	Oct. 8, 1951	Orville Perkins	Rosalba Ashley	Doris K. Rikert
Nov. 23	Lebanon, N.H.	Linda Marie Rollins	May 22, 1952	Carl Rollins	Edna -----	Clergyman
Aug. 24	Lebanon, N.H.	James Franklin Rogers	Dec. 28, 1950	Franklin M. Rogers	Alice Thierman	Mason B. Ellison
Sept. 28	Plainfield, N.H.	Celeste Mary Steele	Jan. 7, 1953	William Steele	Celestine Salermo	Minister
June 29	Lebanon, N.H.	Christopher David Stone	Apr. 3, 1952	David Ralph Stone	Esther Mary Dickerson	Mason B. Ellison
Aug. 24	Lebanon, N.H.	Joanne Lee Little	Jan. 30, 1953	Lloyd Frank Little	Norma Joan Murray	Minister
Nov. 23	Lebanon, N.H.	Larry Edward Stone	Dec. 16, 1952	Harold S. Stone	Violet M. Sturtevant	Norman E. Dubic, Sr.
Aug. 24	Meriden, N.H.	Linda Ida Chapman	Oct. 6, 1953	Arnold H. Chapman	Alice G. Chapman	Clergyman
June 29	Lebanon, N.H.	Maurice Robert Temple	Sept. 22, 1953	Robert Temple	Pauline LaBounty	Harold B. Blodgett
Aug. 24	Lebanon, N.H.	Jean Louise LaPan	Feb. 25, 1955	Gordan LaPan	Marilyn Farnsworth	J.P.
Sept. 28	Plainfield, N.H.	Richard Joseph Tetreault	May 28, 1954	Herman Tetreault	Jeannine M. Bergeron	Dwight S. Haynes
June 29	Lebanon, N.H.	Donna Lynn Labine	Apr. 26, 1956	Richard Labine	Thelma B. Smith	Clergyman
Aug. 24	Meriden, N.H.	Peter J. White	Sept. 23, 1955	George White	Mary Judd	Mason B. Ellison
Aug. 24	Meriden, N.H.	Gloria S. Pressy	May 9, 1956	Donald Pressey	Irene Moffett	Minister
Aug. 24	Meriden, N.H.	Rodney Paul Wimettt	June 4, 1954	Robert Wimettt	Glenna Gardner	W. Timothy Thebeault
Aug. 24	Meriden, N.H.	Ella Mary LaBelle	Jan. 26, 1955	Joseph LaBelle	Phyllis Doe	Priest
Aug. 24	Meriden, N.H.	Philip Martin Zea	May 4, 1952	Howard Zea	Constance Hovey	Marion J. Creeger
Aug. 24	Meriden, N.H.	Marsha Gibson	Nov. 18, 1951	Eugene Dell Gibson	Jane Durward	Minister

