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Town of Marlow, N.H.

For the year ending December 31, 2015

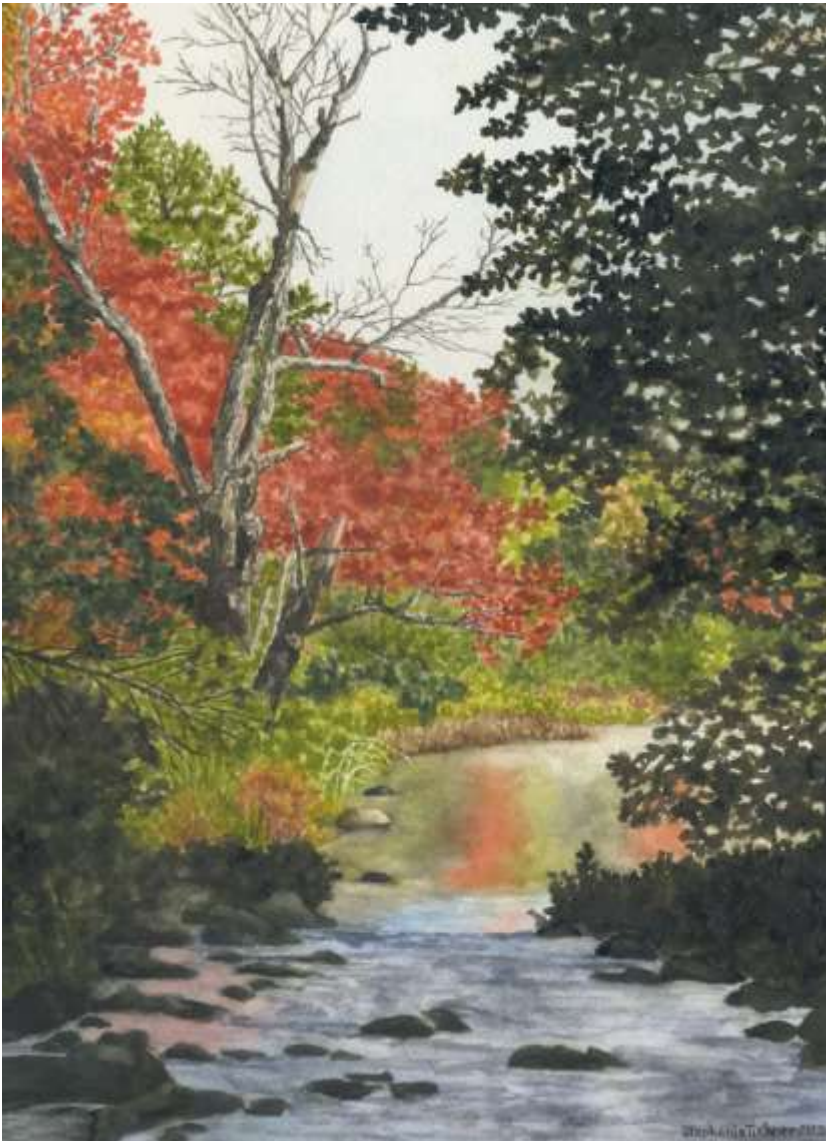
And

Marlow School District

For the year ending June 30, 2015

DEDICATION

We gratefully dedicate this 2015 Town Report to the many volunteers in our community. They perform numerous tasks that help keep our town running smoothly as well as those that participated in the PLAN NH Charrette and helped make it such a success.



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of the
TOWN OFFICERS
of
MARLOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE
for the year ending
December 31, 2015
And
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JACQUI FAY



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PUBLIC NOTICES

ATTENTION ALL MARLOW PROPERTY OWNERS INVENTORY FORMS DUE APRIL 15TH

You are required to file an Inventory of all Taxable Property owned by you as of April 1, 2016. The Town will make all reasonable attempts to distribute the required forms. Should you not receive a form, they can be obtained at the Town Office. Please be advised that whether or not you receive your form(s), it is your responsibility to obtain them and file them in a timely fashion. Completed forms are **due by April 15, 2016**.

Any person who fails to file an Inventory of Taxable Property, under RSA 74:7-a, shall be assessed a penalty equal to 1% of the property tax, and not less than \$10 or more than \$50.

In addition to the above penalty, under RSA 74.12, any person who willfully omits to make and return their inventory form and is found to have made additions, alterations or improvements to their property will be charged doorage which will be 4 times as much as such property would be taxable if truly returned and inventoried.

We strongly advise all property owners to make sure they receive a receipt acknowledgment from the Town Office.

NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN ADDRESS

Please make sure you notify the Town Office of any change of address whether permanent or temporary in order to receive your tax bills, inventory forms, renewal notices, etc. in a timely fashion.

RESTORATION OF INVOLUNTARY MERGED LOTS

Please be advised that under RSA 674:39aa, any involuntarily merged lots, prior to September 18, 2010 may be restored to premerger status upon the owner's request, provided that the request is submitted to the Board of Selectmen prior to December 31, 2016 and that no owner in the change of title voluntarily merged his or her lots.

ATTENTION ALL DOG OWNERS

New Hampshire Statutes require all dogs to be licensed with the Town Clerk every April. Proof of Rabies inoculation must be presented to obtain a license. Failure to license your dog(s) on time will result in a \$1 penalty per animal per month after May 31. In addition, court summons will be issued in July to all owners of unlicensed dogs. This will involve an appearance before a judge and possible fine. Your timely compliance is encouraged.

ATTENTION ALL DOG OWNERS



A Rabies Clinic will be held at the Marlow Fire Station on Saturday, April 9 from 10:00 - 12:00. Please note that the initial rabies vaccination lasts for one year, but thereafter all vaccinations last for three years.

E-REGISTRATION

Marlow residents may now complete their motor vehicle registration renewals online through E-Reg. E-Reg is located on the Town of Marlow web site www.marlownh.gov. On the homepage scroll down to 'Where do I go for?' Click on E-Registration and follow the step by step directions. Payment is by electronic check. The registration form and decals will be mailed to you. Registrations are processed during regular Town Clerk hours, so allow enough turnaround time as the registration isn't considered valid until it is received by the customer. E-Reg may also be used to get estimates for new motor vehicle registrations.

ON-LINE OPEN BURNING PERMIT SYSTEM UP AND RUNNING

The Town of Marlow is participating in a new web-based fire permitting system. This new system is administered by the Division of Forests and Lands within the Department of Resources and Economic Development. Residents will be able to visit <https://nhdflweb.sovsportsnet.net> directly or through the link on the Town of Marlow web site www.marlownh.gov and fill out the required information and print off a permit, all without leaving their home. The cost of an on-line permit is \$3.00. The on-line system is in addition to, and not a replacement for the paper permit that you can currently get at the Fire Department.

CRIME STOPPERS

Marlow is a member of 'Connecticut Valley Crime Stoppers'. This organization was created to assist law enforcement and help reduce crime throughout the Connecticut River Valley.

1-888-680-tips (8477) or 603-620-tips (8477) are numbers the public may use to report information anonymously that may assist law enforcement in solving a crime.

POSTING OF 911 NUMBERS

By Town Ordinance all owners of houses or buildings to which a 911 number has been assigned are responsible for obtaining and adequately displaying their number (s) so that they are readily visible from the road both day and night. Each individual number shall be at least 4 inches high by 2.5 inches in width'. Numbers can be purchased at the Town Office for 50 cents per number.

NON-EMERGENCY POLICE CALLS

In cases of non-emergency please call 355-2000, not Ken Avery's home number. This number puts you through to Dispatch who will then contact Ken.

CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS

The Town has changed email provider and the new addresses are:

marlowtownoffice@marlownh.gov

marlowclerk@marlownh.gov

marlowtaxcollector@marlownh.gov

As of 7/1/2016 the following will no longer be in use:

marlowtownoffice@myfairpoint.net

marlowclerk@myfairpoint.net

marlowtaxcollector@myfairpoint.net

POSTING OF THE ROADS

Throughout the duration of the spring thaw, town roads are closed to vehicles of 6 tons and over. RSA231.191.

PARKING BAN

For the duration of the snow removal season, parking in the Town right of way is strictly prohibited.

BRUSH PILE

The town now offers this service by request. Please contact the Town Office well in advance so arrangements can be made.

EASTERN EQUINE ENCEPHALITIS (EEE) AND WEST NILE VIRUS

Due to the latest concerns with Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and the West Nile Virus (WNV) a few prevention guidelines are recommended:

- Remove old tires from your property.
- Dispose of tin cans, plastic containers, ceramic pots, or other containers. Don't overlook containers that have become overgrown by aquatic vegetation.
- Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers that are left outside.
- Make sure roof gutters are clean and draining properly.
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools and hot tubs. If not in use, keep empty and covered and keep covers free of standing water.
- Aerate garden ponds or stock them with fish.
- Turn over wheelbarrows and change water in birdbaths at least twice weekly.
- Turn over plastic wading pools when not in use.
- Remind or help neighbors to eliminate breeding sites on their properties.



For more information, call the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, West Nile Virus Information line 1-866-273-NILE (6453) or the NH Communicable Disease Control Section at 1-800-852-3345 x4496 or visit their websites at www.dhhs.nh.gov and www.cdc.gov.

Fact sheets will also be displayed and available at the Town Office.

Per order of the Marlow Board of Selectmen.

ROBERT ALLEN
THOMAS FUSCHETTO
EDWARD THOMAS

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Gifts, fruit, ice cream



SELECTBOARD REPORT

At last year's Town Meeting the town approved our participation in the "Plan NH" Charrette. We therefore completed the application, and with an incredible coordination effort by Jacqui Fay we held the two-day event on October 2 and 3. The activities were well planned and provided an opportunity for all of us to discuss issues important to Marlow's future. We extend our thanks to the Plan NH team of professional designers, including Marlow resident Vic Reno. We offer thanks to Aaron's Specialty for their outstanding catering services; Kroka Expeditions for providing transportation for the group to tour the town; tour guide Tony Davis; The Oddfellows and the John D. Perkins Sr. Academy for the use of their facilities; and Bill Fish and Edward Thomas for documenting the event through photographs and video.

With funding from an LCHIP grant, the Historical Preservation Study of Jones Hall has been completed by Jim Williams. Donations from the Historical Society, Library Trustees and Marlow Methodist Church helped to offset the town's 50% match. The next step is the design phase, aimed at preserving this historic building, and improving accessibility, as well as incorporating some upgrades that the State Fire Marshall's office has concerns about, the most critical of which have already been completed.

This was the fifth and final year of our mandatory five-year revaluation, in accordance with RSA 75:8-a, administered by the Department of Revenue Administration (DRA). The town's real estate is appraised within the municipality by our assessing firm, Commerford, Nieder and Perkins, to ensure that all assessments are at true and full value. We participate in a cyclical revaluation over a period of five years, to spread out the cost and workload, and to take advantage of a discount. The new values are reset in the fifth year.

The Town of Lempster decided at their 2015 Town Meeting to contract with the Golden Cross Ambulance service. Marlow and Gilsum are still served by the Marlow Ambulance. We thank Loretta Loring for continuing as Ambulance Chief. If anyone is interested in serving in the ambulance, please contact Loretta or the Town Office. Members of the crew meet the second Tuesday of the month at the Marlow Fire Station, at 7:00 PM. The ambulance billing program has once again generated enough income from insurance companies to offset their entire operating budget.

We have started the process of selling some of the tax deeded properties in town.

After consulting with legal counsel, we put one of the properties up for sale in the fall of 2015, but did not receive a bid equal or above the minimum bid, which was set at 50% of assessed value. We will try to sell other properties during 2016 so as to return the parcels to the tax base.

There have been many capital infrastructure upgrades in 2015, the majority funded with grants. We would like to thank Jacqui and Tony for all their efforts obtaining these grants. Some of these required a lot of effort, but in 2015 the town saved well over \$100,000. In addition to the LCHIP grant for Jones Hall, other projects included the Sand Pond culvert precast provided by Michie Corp. with installation done by K.A. Stevens; and the emergency generator installed at the Town Office by Powers Generator Service and our highway crew. We received notice that the Governor's Council has awarded the FEMA grant to our town for the Marlow Hill Road Drainage Improvement Project. We will put it out for bid soon, and expect the reconstruction to be completed this summer.

For the fourth year, Fairpoint has filed an appeal on taxation of utility poles. Once again we have set these revenues aside in the event that Fairpoint wins the appeal, in which case we would not only have to pay the court ordered judgement, but also lose anticipated revenue.

We are grateful to the Women's Society and Jeannie Merwin for maintaining the flower gardens in front of Jones Hall for many years, and thank Karin Asseng for her willingness to take over the job in 2016.

The 2016 budget includes some changes made at the Town Meeting last year. Some items have been incorporated into the operating budget which in the past had been separate warrant articles. The monitoring at the former landfill, for example, is now included in the Transfer Station line item; and the paramedic intercept budget is now within the Ambulance line item.

This summer we learned that the majority of the Town of Marlow is within the Silvio Conte National Wildlife refuge established in 1991, when they presented their fifteen year updated plan. We are monitoring this closely to see what effects it may have on the town.

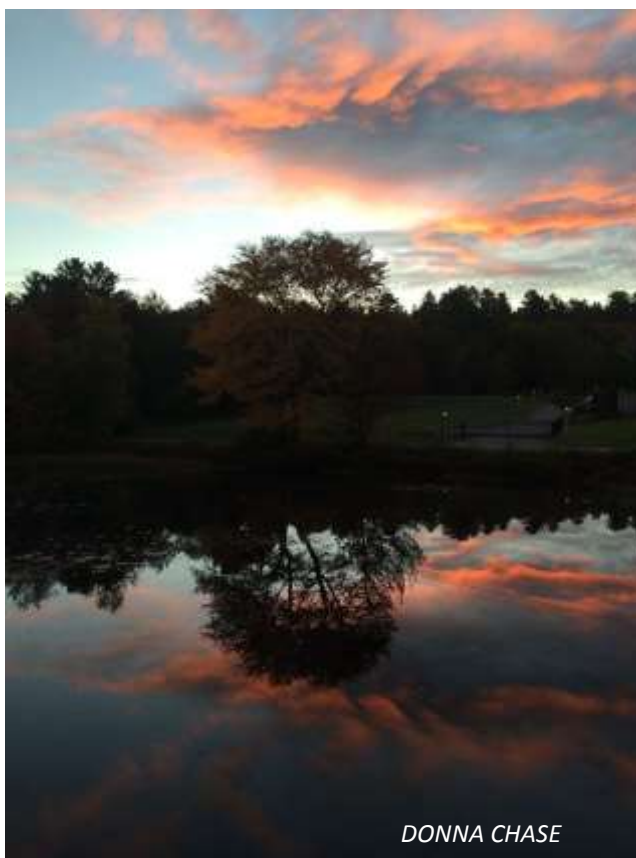
We hope you enjoyed seeing the flags displayed from the utility poles from Memorial Day through July 4. We plan to do it again this year, expanding the route to include Route 10 and Church Street.

Respectfully Submitted

Robert Allen

Thomas Fuschetto

Edward Thomas



EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR

I would first like to thank all those who helped put this Town report together. I must especially acknowledge our Marlow photographers, in particular Bill Fish for his photos taken during the Plan NH charrette, and for the photos which, together with Ed Thomas' design, have resulted in such a beautiful front cover. The theme of this year's report, with Plan NH in mind, was Enterprises in Marlow, and a call was put out to businesses asking them to submit photos and contact information. Thanks to Aaron Thomas for formatting, thus saving me countless hours of frustration, Maria Baril for proof reading, and Austin LaFreniere for binding the final reports. As always, I extend my appreciation to all the department heads who submitted their reports on time.

In an effort to reduce the cost of postage, the Town reports, along with inventory forms will be available at the Town Office on March 1. All Town reports not collected by midday March 7 will be mailed.

Inside the front cover of the report you will find your inventory form/s and Transfer Station permits for 2016/17. We have issued as many permits as you required in 2014/2015. Additional permits are available at the Town Office.

A significant portion of last year was taken up with the administration of four grants and the preparation for the Plan NH Charrette.

The Marlow Hill Road Drainage Improvement Project, after three years, was finally approved for a Hazard Mitigation Grant of \$216,360. The Sand Pond Culvert Replacement Project after being approved for a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant of \$123,093 in September 2014 had to get reauthorized due to a change in scope. When that was obtained in August 2015, we had to get a six month extension in order to complete the paving in spring rather than in winter. The Historic Preservation study of Jones Hall, partially funded with an L-Chip grant of \$7,430 is going through final review. We also received an Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG) of \$5,100 to install a generator in the Town Office. The Town Office also serves as the Emergency Operation Center in large scale emergencies and the addition of an onsite generator has greatly enhanced our readiness.

PLAN NH was also a type of grant. The \$5,000 fee we paid for applying and being awarded a Community Design Charrette, generated professional planning and design services to the Town that ranged in value between \$25,000 and \$75,000.

The website still is and always will be a work in progress, but with Aaron Thomas' assistance we have fixed some broken links, added more material and made changes to the layout. We are always open to suggestions. I would encourage you to go on it and sign up for E-Alerts as we do post information under News and Notices regularly. The Town has changed its email provider in order to benefit from the much faster connection that the Fast Roads equipment located in the Town Office can give. Please note the new email addresses as detailed on Page 4. Along with the email change we are switching over to a Voice Over Internet Phone (VOIP) system which should also be able to forward incoming calls to different departments without having to ask you to call a different number. This year's proposed operating budget also includes the cost of put digitized maps and property cards online.

Please note that I am the primary and Mary Avery is the secondary 911-Liaison Officer for Marlow, I want to stress how important it is for every house and building in Town to have their 911 numbers displayed and readily visible both day and night. Numbers are available for purchase from the Town Office. We also strive to keep up with changes in occupancy but we encourage residents, particularly landlords, to keep us updated.

The Town has signed up with the City of Keene to participate in the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Project for Summer/Fall 2016 and Spring 2017. All collections will be held at the Keene Solid Waste Facility off Route 12 North from 8am-1pm. We will post the collection dates on our website.

I would like to thank the Town for their continued support. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call or drop by the Town Office.

Jacqui Fay
Executive Administrator
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2016 TOWN WARRANT

Town of Marlow, New Hampshire

Warrant and Budget

2016

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 2:00PM TO 7:00PM

To the inhabitants of the Town of Marlow in the County of Cheshire, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at John D. Perkins, Sr. Academy of Marlow on Tuesday, the 8th day of March 2016 between 2:00pm and 7:00pm to act upon the following subjects:

Article 01: To choose all necessary Town Officers and School Officials

To choose all necessary Town Officers and School Officials for the year ensuing.

After the votes are counted and the results are announced, the meeting will recess until Saturday, March 12, 2016 when it will reconvene at 10:00am in John D. Perkins, Sr. Academy to act upon the following subjects:

Article 02: Operating Expenses

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town operating expenses for the year ensuing as set forth in the following budget:

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$77,990
Elections, Registration & Vital Statistics	\$29,985
Financial Administration	\$39,033
Revaluation of Property	\$8,000
Legal Expense	\$7,500
Personnel Administration	\$77,650
Planning and Zoning	\$2,000
General Government Building	\$28,115
Cemeteries	\$4,873
Insurance	\$16,500

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	\$31,590
Ambulance Department	\$6,000
Fire Department	\$22,160
Emergency Department	\$600
Mutual Aid	\$10,638
Building Inspection	\$500
Joint Loss Management Committee	\$700

HIGHWAYS, STREETS AND BRIDGES

General Highway Department Expenses	\$193,110
Street Lighting	\$4,500

SANITATION	
Solid Waste Disposal	\$40,675
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	
Health Department	\$1,000
WELFARE	
General Assistance	\$8,000
CULTURAL & RECREATION	
Parks & Recreation	\$500
Library	\$19,295
Patriotic Purposes	\$500
Conservation Commission	\$2,000
Agricultural Commission	\$100
 TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	 \$633,514

Article 03: Two Percent Discount

To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to give a two percent (2%) cash discount on all property taxes that are paid IN FULL within ten (10) business days after issue.

Article 04: RSA 31:19

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, gifts, legacies and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19.

Article 05: Government Building Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to be added to the Government Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 06: Heavy Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Heavy Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 07: Road Improvement Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Road Improvement Expendable Trust Fund previously created. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 08: Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 09: Fire Uniform and Protective Equipment Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Fire Uniform and Protective Equipment Expendable Trust Fund previously created, with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 10: Fire Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the Fire Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund previously created. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 11: Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 12: Transfer Station Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be added to the Transfer Station Expendable Trust Fund previously created, with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 13: Cyclical Revaluation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the payment of the Town's cyclical revaluation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 14: Southwest Region Planning Commission Membership

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$819 for the purpose of joining the Southwest Region Planning Commission. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 15: Conservation Capital Reserve Fund Amendment

To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Conservation Capital Reserve Fund under RSA 35:16 to include compensation for administrative fees to public land trusts who hold land in perpetuity and further to name the Conservation Commission as agents to expend from this fund. (2/3 vote required).

Article 16: Reduce Planning Board from Five (5) to Three (3) Members

To see if the Town will vote to decrease the number of Planning Board members from seven(7)to five(5) under the provisions of RSA 673.2,II(a) effective at the close of the Annual Meeting for 2016. New members will be appointed, if required, when existing terms complete or vacancies exist.

Article 17: Reduce Cemetery Trustees from Five (5) to Three (3) Members

To see if the Town will vote to decrease the number of Cemetery Trustees from five (5) to three (3) under the provisions of RSA 289:6, effective at the close of the Annual Meeting for 2017. New members elected in the 2016 election will serve 1-year terms which will expire with the Annual Meeting of 2017. The terms of all existing members will be reset to expire with the Annual Meeting of 2017. If no new members are elected in the 2016

election this article will be effective at the close of the Annual Meeting for 2016. Thereafter, the terms of each member will be reset so that one member is elected in each year except in the case of a vacancy.

Article 18: Any other business

To act upon any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands, 19 February 2016

We certify and attest that on or before 22 February 2016, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Town Office and Post Office and delivered the original to the Town Clerk

Robert Allen
Thomas Fuschetto
Edward Thomas
SELECTMEN

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TOWN OFFICERS 2015

ELECTED POSITIONS

Term Expires

Selectmen	Edward Thomas	2018
	Thomas Fuschetto	2017
	Robert E. Allen (Chair)	2016
Moderator	Kenneth Dassau	2016
Tax Collector	Louis N. Paturzo	2016
Town Clerk	Mary Avery	2016
Treasurer	Heidi Chevalier (Resigned)	2016
	Jennifer Little (Appointed)	
	Jennifer Little (Resigned)	
	Erin Handy (Appointed)	
Supervisors of Checklist	Nancy Vesco (Chair)	2020
	Jane May	2018
	Jeanne Kennedy	2016
Overseer of Welfare	Carol Reardon	2016
Sexton	Anthony Davis	2016
Trustees of Trust Funds	Mary M. Blank (Resigned)	2018
	Beth Provencher	2017
	Bretton Walsh	2016
Advisory Budget Committee	Lyle A. Handy, Sr.	2018
	Anthony Davis	2017
	Robert E. Allen (Sel. Rep.)	2016
	Louis Paturzo	2016
Trustees of Library	Jeanne Kennedy	2018
	William A. Sparks	2017
	Bretton Walsh	2017
	Elizabeth Thayer	2016
	Beth Provencher (Chair)	2016
Road Committee	Lyle A. Handy, Sr.	2018

	Bruce Wherren	2017
	Garry L. Kenyon	2016
Trustees of Cemetery	Erin Handy	2018
	Mary M. Blank (Resigned)	2017
	Jan Lane (Resigned)	2016
	Louis Paturzo (Appointed)	2016
	Daniel Reed (Appointed)	2016

APPOINTED POSITIONS FOR 2015

Planning Board	Lyle A. Handy, Sr.	2018
	Erin Handy	2017
	Barry Corriveau	2017
	Bonnie Hazelton (Resigned)	2017
	James C. Strickland (Chair)	2017
	Robert E. Allen (Sel. Rep.)	2016
	Carl MacConnell	2016
Building Inspector	Mark Vincello	2016
Zoning Board of Adjustment	William Sparks	2018
	Edward White, Jr.	2018
	Jane Ferguson	2017
	Thomas Fuschetto (Sel. Rep.)	2017
	Charles Strickland (Chair)	2016
Deputy Tax Collector	Janet Robar	2016
Deputy Town Clerk	Beth LaFreniere	2016
Deputy Treasurer	Erin Handy (Resigned)	2016
	Jennifer Little	
Emergency Management	David C. Smith	Indefinite
Road Agent	Anthony Davis	2016
Fire Chief	Thomas Foote	2016
Forest Fire Warden	Thomas Foote	App. by State

Police Chief	Kenneth E. Avery	2016
Animal Control Officer	Marlow Police Dept.	
Health Officer	Edward Reardon	App. by State
Ballot Inspectors	Rose Elliott – Republican Jonathan Reinhardt – Democrat (Resigned)	
Ashuelot River Committee	Carl MacConnell	2018
	Augustus Merwin	2018
Agricultural Commission	Elizabeth Davis	2017
	Thomas Fuschetto (Sel. Rep.)	2017
	John Salo	2016
	Beth Willey	2016
Conservation Commission	John Asseng	2016
	Brian Fay (Resigned)	2016
	Carl MacConnell	2016
	Augustus Merwin (Chair)	2016
	James C. Strickland (Resigned)	2016
	Edward Thomas (Sel. Rep.)	2016
Joint Loss Management Committee		
	Jennifer Brown	2016
	Anthony Davis	2016
	Thomas Fuschetto (Sel. Rep.)	2016
	Louis N. Paturzo	2016
Parks & Recreation Committee		
	Maria Baril	2018
	Joshua Conley	2017
	Sharon Davis	2016
	Marcia Levesque	2016

ABSTRACT OF MARLOW TOWN MEETING

March 14, 2015

The Town Meeting was called to order by the moderator, John Casey at 10:05 AM at the John D. Perkins School with 41 people in attendance. The flag was saluted. A moment of silence was held in remembrance of the townspeople who passed away in 2014.

The reading of the warrant began. The results of the election held on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, were read by the moderator.

Article 1 – To choose all necessary Town Officers and School Officials for the year ensuing.

Selectmen - 3 years	Edward Thomas
Moderator - 1 year	Kenneth Dassau
Supervisor of Checklist - 3 years	Jane May
Overseer of Welfare - 1 year	Carol Reardon
Sexton - 1 year	Anthony Davis
Trustees of Trust Funds - 3 years	Mary M. Blank
Advisory Budget Committee - 3 years	Lyle A. Handy, Sr.
Library Trustee - 3 years	Jeanne Kennedy
Library Trustee – 1 year	Elizabeth Thayer
Road Committee - 3 years	Lyle A. Handy, Sr.
Cemetery Trustees (2) - 3 years	Erin Handy and a tie between Joseph Baril, Richard Davis, Kristina Duquette, Mike Elliott, Jr, and Patricia Strickland.
Cemetery Trustees – 2 years	Tie between Mary Blank, John Casey, Veronica Dimlich, Paige Duquette, Charles Elliott, Jr., Travis Elliott, Lyle Handy, Sr., Linda Russell, and Patricia Strickland.

Article 2 –: **Amendment to Zoning Ordinance**

Are you in favor of amending the Marlow Zoning Ordinance as adopted, Article II/Definitions, Section 202

Term Definitions, by inserting in proper alphabetical sequence:

"Right of Way - That area over which the public enjoys free and unhindered passage and for which the Town is responsible. Absent a recorded layout or a recognized survey, boundary identifiers or other definitive demarcation, the Right of Way shall include the traveled road, the ditch lines on either side of the road, and that portion of the areas beyond the ditch lines which the Board of Selectmen, in consultation with the Road Agent shall determine are reasonably necessary and required to properly maintain the road."

(The intent of this article is to include this definition to the ordinance as there is none at this time. There are several references to Right of Way in the ordinance but it was never defined, for example; "setbacks from the edge of the right of way".)

The Planning Board recommends approval of this article.

Article 2 was **passed** by ballot vote with 56 votes yes and 7 votes no.

Article 3 – Article 3 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town operating expenses for the year ensuing as set forth in the following budget:

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$76,300
Elections, Registration & Vital Statistics	\$25,795
Financial Administration	\$41,700
Revaluation of Property	\$8,000
Legal Expense	\$7,500
Personnel Administration	\$75,300
Planning and Zoning	\$900
General Government Building	\$30,300
Cemeteries	\$4,964
Insurance	\$16,000

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	\$29,750
Ambulance Department	\$9,000
Fire Department	\$22,160
Emergency Department	\$600
Mutual Aid	\$10,036

Building Inspection

\$500

Joint Loss Management Committee

\$250

HIGHWAYS, STREETS AND BRIDGES

General Highway Department Expenses	\$196,700
Street Lighting	\$5,500

SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal	\$35,475
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Department	\$1,000
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WELFARE

General Assistance	\$8,000
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CULTURAL & RECREATION

Parks & Recreation	\$500
Library	\$19,731
Patriotic Purposes	\$1,400
Conservation Commission	\$2,000
Agricultural Commission	\$100

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

\$629,461

The floor was opened for discussion. Selectmen Robert Allen gave an overview for the proposed appropriations. Article 3 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 17 –Article 17 was addressed next because the tax payer who was presenting an overview of the article needed to leave the meeting early. Article 17 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) to allow the Town to participate in Plan NH with the purpose of crafting a community design and economic opportunity for incoming businesses that is consistent with Marlow’s rural and village character. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Discussion followed including an explanation of how Plan NH could help Marlow in any future development while preserving the rural aspects of the town. Article 17 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 4 - Article 4 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to give a two percent (2%) cash discount on all property taxes that are paid IN FULL within ten (10) business days after issue. Article 4 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 5 – Article 5 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, gifts, legacies and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19. Article 5 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 6 – Article 6 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Government Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 6 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 7 – Article 7 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Heavy Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 7 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 8 – Article 8 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Road Improvement Expendable Trust Fund previously created. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 8 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 9 – Article 9 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this article. Article 9 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 10 – Article 10 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Fire Uniform and Protective Equipment Fund Expendable Trust Fund previously created, with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 10 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 11 – Article 11 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the Fire Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund previously created. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 11 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 12 – Article 12 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 12 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 13 – Article 13 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be added to the Ambulance and Paramedic Expendable Trust Fund previously created. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 13 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 14 – Article 14 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be added to the Transfer Station Expendable Trust Fund previously created, with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 14 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 15 – Article 15 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000) for the payment of the Town's cyclical revaluation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 15 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 16 – Article 16 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) for payment to ECS Marin to conduct during 2015, groundwater monitoring, data submittal, annual report and technical support for the Town's former landfill. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 16 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 18 – Article 18 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to change the method of selection of the Welfare Officer from elected to appoint by the Board of Selectmen. If approved this vote shall be effective as of the next annual town election. The Selectmen recommend this article. Selectmen Robert Allen explained that some welfare cases may continue for over a year and preserving the confidentiality regarding these cases would be handled better by appointing a welfare officer rather than electing a different officer annually. Article 18 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 19 – Article 19 was read by the moderator. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 35:9-a, II (which became effective July 26, 2014), to authorize the Trustees of Trust Funds, without further action of the Town Meeting, to charge any expenses incurred for professional banking or brokerage assistance for capital reserve funds in their custody as authorized in RSA Chapter 35, against the capital funds involved, such authority to remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the Town Meeting, with said vote to rescind such authority shall not occur within five years of the adoption of this article. The Selectmen recommend this article. An overview of the article was presented by Mary Blank, Chairman of the Trustee of Trust Funds. Discussion followed including questions about the incurred expenses, and about not being able to rescind

such authority for five years. Mary Blank explained that the fees are incurred on the interest, not the principle. She explained that the five years is in RSA 35:9-a, II. Article 19 **passed** by voice vote.

Article 20 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for the expenses for professional banking or brokerage assistance for the Town's capital reserve funds. (If previous article passes, this article will be tabled.) The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. Article 20 was **tabled**.

Article 21 – To act upon any other business that may legally come before the meeting. Discussion followed about adding the appropriation for the payment to ECS Marin, concerning the former landfill, to the operating budget. The voters approved this by a show of hands. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Avery
Marlow Town Clerk



Ruffled Feathers Farm

210 Newell Pond Rd.

446-9474

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on Facebook at Ruffled Feathers Farm NH

Greenhouses open in May with veggie starts, bedding plants, herbs, perennials, succulents and flowers. We also do on farm poultry processing June - October



BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF MARLOW

January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 and 2016 Recommended

	<u>Appropriations</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Recommended Appropriations</u>
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
EXECUTIVE	\$76,300.00	\$68,624.35	\$77,990.00
ELEC.REGIST & VITAL STATS	\$25,795.00	\$21,503.34	\$29,985.00
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$41,700.00	\$42,485.58	\$39,033.00
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	\$8,000.00	\$3,891.50	\$8,000.00
LEGAL	\$7,500.00	\$372.17	\$7,500.00
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	\$75,300.00	\$61,144.34	\$77,650.00
PLANNING & ZONING	\$900.00	\$1,315.59	\$2,000.00
GOVERNMENT BUILDING	\$30,300.00	\$24,075.75	\$28,115.00
CEMETERIES	\$4,964.00	\$3,738.88	\$4,873.00
INSURANCE	\$16,000.00	\$15,670.50	\$16,500.00
PUBLIC SAFETY			
POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$29,750.00	\$21,479.35	\$31,590.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$22,160.00	\$14,751.46	\$22,160.00
AMBULANCE*	\$9,000.00	\$5,663.74	\$6,000.00
BUILDING INSPECTION	\$500.00	\$50.00	\$500.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$600.00	\$4,102.30	\$600.00
MUTUAL AID	\$10,036.00	\$10,036.00	\$10,638.00
JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT	\$250.00	\$311.12	\$700.00
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			
GENERAL HIGHWAY	\$196,700.00	\$171,745.23	\$193,110.00
STREET LIGHTS	\$5,500.00	\$4,345.68	\$4,500.00
SANITATION			
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$35,475.00	\$29,423.30	\$40,675.00
HEALTH			
HEALTH	\$1,000.00	\$817.00	\$1,000.00
WELFARE			
WELFARE	\$8,000.00	\$3,173.00	\$8,000.00
CULTURE & RECREATION			
PARKS & RECREATION	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
LIBRARY	\$19,731.00	\$19,536.48	\$19,295.00
PATRIOTIC	\$1,400.00	\$1,524.82	\$500.00

CONSERVATION

CONSERVATION	\$2,000.00	\$1,815.00	\$2,000.00
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00

TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS
 (WA'15#6,7,9,12)

\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
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TRANSFERS TO EXPENDABLE TRUST
FUNDS(WA'15#8,10, 11,13,14)

\$41,000.00	\$41,000.00
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WA'15#15 CYCLICAL REVALUATION

\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
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WA'15#16 LANDFILL

\$7,000.00	\$6,442.26
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WA'15#17 PLAN NH

\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
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TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS (WA'16#5, 6, 8, 11)

\$51,000.00

TRANSFERS TO EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS(WA'16# 7, 9, 10, 12)

\$33,500.00

WA'16#13

\$10,000.00

WA'16#14

\$819.00

* \$6,000 TO BE OFFSET AGAINST BUDGET FROM AMBULANCE REVOLVING FUND

**\$7,500 TO BE OFFSET AGAINST BUDGET FROM UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

\$748,461.00

\$650,038.74

\$728,833.00



Old Kemp Farm

603-446-5251

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Old Kemp Farm is a small alpaca farm nestled in the woods of Marlow. The soft fiber from the herd is made into yarn, batting and roving. It is then felted and knitted into a variety of items. Bob harvests wood from the farm and turns it into beautiful lamps and heirloom rocking horses. The farm products are then sold at a number of local fairs.



2015 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENSES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015

	<u>Appropriations</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>(-)Over/Under</u>
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
EXECUTIVE	\$76,300.00	\$68,624.35	\$7,675.65
ELEC.REGIST & VITAL STATS	\$25,795.00	\$21,503.34	\$4,291.66
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$41,700.00	\$42,485.58	-\$785.58
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	\$8,000.00	\$3,891.50	\$4,108.50
LEGAL	\$7,500.00	\$372.17	\$7,127.83
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	\$75,300.00	\$61,144.34	\$14,155.66
PLANNING & ZONING	\$900.00	\$1,315.59	-\$415.59
GOVERNMENT BUILDING	\$30,300.00	\$24,075.75	\$6,224.25
CEMETERIES	\$4,964.00	\$3,738.88	\$1,225.12
INSURANCE	\$16,000.00	\$15,670.50	\$329.50
PUBLIC SAFETY			
POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$29,750.00	\$21,479.35	\$8,270.65
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$22,160.00	\$14,751.46	\$7,408.54
AMBULANCE*	\$9,000.00	\$5,663.74	\$3,336.26
BUILDING INSPECTION	\$500.00	\$50.00	\$450.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$600.00	\$4102.30	-\$3,502.30
MUTUAL AID	\$10,036.00	\$10,036.00	0.00
JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT	\$250.00	\$311.12	-\$61.12
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			
GENERAL HIGHWAY	\$196,700.00	\$171,745.23	\$24,954.77
STREET LIGHTS	\$5,500.00	\$4345.68	\$1,154.32
SANITATION			
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$35,475.00	\$29,423.30	\$6,051.70
HEALTH			
HEALTH	\$1,000.00	\$817.00	\$183.00
WELFARE			
WELFARE	\$8,000.00	\$3,173.00	\$4,827.00
CULTURE & RECREATION			
PARKS & RECREATION	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
LIBRARY	\$19,731.00	\$19,536.48	\$194.52
PATRIOTIC	\$1400.00	\$1,524.82	-\$124.82

CONSERVATION

CONSERVATION	\$2,000.00	\$1815.00	\$185.00
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY**TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS**
(WA'15#6,7,9,12)

(WA'15#6,7,9,12)	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00
(WA'15#8,10,11,13,14)	\$41,000.00	\$41,000.00	\$0.00
WA'15#15 CYCLICAL REVALUATION	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$0.00
WA'15#16 LANDFILL	\$7,000.00	\$6,442.26	\$557.74
WA'15#17 PLAN NH	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$0.00

TOTAL	\$748,461.00	\$650,038.74	\$98,422.26
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*\$9,000 OFFSET AGAINST BUDGET FROM AMBULANCE REVOLVING FUND

Grassy Brook Maple Products

201 Gustin Pond Road

(603) 446-3324



SOURCES OF REVENUE

	<u>Estimated</u> 2015	<u>Actual</u> 2015	<u>Estimated</u> 2016
TAXES			
Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
Timber Taxes	\$12,000	\$16,033	\$12,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$2,000	\$2,047	\$1,500
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	\$10,000	\$14,279	\$10,000
Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd.)	\$100	\$166	\$100
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$111,180	\$119,339	\$111,180
Building Permits	\$500	\$200	\$200
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	\$3,153	\$2,542	\$2000
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			
	\$0	\$81,305	\$0
FROM STATE			
Shared Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	\$34,000	\$35,826	\$35,000
Highway Block Grant	\$48,000	\$52,068	\$52,000
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	\$150	\$424	\$400
Other (Including Railroad Tax)	\$0	\$6,760	\$0
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Departments	\$9,000	\$7,622	\$7000
Other Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Sale of Municipal Property	\$0	\$1,000	\$0
Interest on Investments	\$2,750	\$673	\$600
Other	\$16,500	\$19,753	\$18,500
From Ambulance Revolving Fund	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$6,000
From Capital Reserve Funds	\$0	\$32,952	\$0
From Trust Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$7,500
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes	\$20,000	\$118,384	\$0
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS	\$290,833	\$532,873	\$263,980

AUDITOR'S REPORT



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February 15, 2016

Members of the Board of Selectmen
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167 NH Route 123
Marlow, NH 03456

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To the Members of the Board of Selectmen:

This is to advise you that as of February 15, 2016 the audit of the financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2015 has been substantially completed and we are in the process of finalizing the audit. A completed audit report should be sent to you by the end of April 2016.

Sincerely,

Sheryl A. Pratt, CPA

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Director

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TOWN OF MARLOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet
December 31, 2015

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 641,776	\$ 26,895	\$ 668,671
Investments	-	132,788	132,788
Receivables, net of allowances for uncollectible:			
Accounts	8,901	3,896	12,797
Taxes*	128,754	-	128,754
Intergovernmental	123,776	-	123,776
Interfund receivable	17,337	187	17,524
Prepaid items	17,352	-	17,352
Tax deeded property, subject to resale	10,381	-	10,381
Restricted assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	10,643	-	10,643
Investments	647,001	-	647,001
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,605,921</u>	<u>\$ 163,766</u>	<u>\$ 1,769,687</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 6,497	\$ -	\$ 6,497
Due to other governments	488,500	-	488,500
Interfund payable	187	17,337	17,524
Total liabilities	<u>495,184</u>	<u>17,337</u>	<u>512,521</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	27,733	99,436	127,169
Restricted	7,478	38,224	45,702
Committed	617,765	8,769	626,534
Assigned	123,446	-	123,446
Unassigned	334,315	-	334,315
Total fund balances	<u>1,110,737</u>	<u>146,429</u>	<u>1,257,166</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 1,605,921</u>	<u>\$ 163,766</u>	<u>\$ 1,769,687</u>

* Note: Statements do not include the current year deferral of property taxes not collected within 60 days of year end.

TOWN OF MARLOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Governmental Funds
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2015

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes*	\$ 413,619	\$ -	\$ 413,619
Licenses and permits	122,081	-	122,081
Intergovernmental	176,383	-	176,383
Charges for services	7,622	4,467	12,089
Miscellaneous	32,989	5,285	38,274
Total revenues	<u>752,694</u>	<u>9,752</u>	<u>762,446</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	279,586	8,499	288,085
Public safety	57,187	13,040	70,227
Highways and streets	298,566	-	298,566
Sanitation	35,866	-	35,866
Health	817	-	817
Welfare	3,173	-	3,173
Culture and recreation	24,206	-	24,206
Conservation	1,815	-	1,815
Economic development	8,000	-	8,000
Total expenditures	<u>709,216</u>	<u>21,539</u>	<u>730,755</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>43,478</u>	<u>(11,787)</u>	<u>31,691</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	860	-	860
Transfers out	-	(860)	(860)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>860</u>	<u>(860)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	44,338	(12,647)	31,691
Fund balances, beginning	1,066,399	159,076	1,225,475
Fund balances, ending	<u>\$ 1,110,737</u>	<u>\$ 146,429</u>	<u>\$ 1,257,166</u>

* Note: Statements do not include the current year deferral of property taxes not collected within 60 days of year end.

TOWN OF MARLOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Estimated and Actual Revenues (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Estimated	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Taxes:			
Property	\$ 356,837	\$ 381,094	\$ 24,257
Yield	12,416	16,033	3,617
Excavation	166	166	-
Payment in lieu of taxes	2,047	2,047	-
Interest and penalties on taxes	10,500	14,279	3,779
Total from taxes	<u>381,966</u>	<u>413,619</u>	<u>31,653</u>
Licenses, permits, and fees:			
Business licenses, permits, and fees	-	305	305
Motor vehicle permit fees	111,180	119,339	8,159
Building permits	275	200	(75)
Other	3,153	2,237	(916)
Total from licenses, permits, and fees	<u>114,608</u>	<u>122,081</u>	<u>7,473</u>
Intergovernmental:			
State:			
Meals and rooms distribution	35,826	35,826	-
Highway block grant	51,715	52,068	353
State and federal forest land reimbursement	424	424	-
Other	7,430	6,760	(670)
Federal:			
Other	123,094	81,305	(41,789)
Total from intergovernmental	<u>218,489</u>	<u>176,383</u>	<u>(42,106)</u>
Charges for services:			
Income from departments	<u>7,000</u>	<u>7,622</u>	<u>622</u>
Miscellaneous:			
Sale of municipal property	-	1,000	1,000
Interest on investments	538	673	135
Contributions and donations	-	641	641
Other	16,500	19,112	2,612
Total from miscellaneous	<u>17,038</u>	<u>21,426</u>	<u>4,388</u>
Other financing sources:			
Transfers in	<u>48,461</u>	<u>32,952</u>	<u>(15,509)</u>
Total revenues and other financing sources	<u>787,562</u>	<u>\$ 774,083</u>	<u>\$ (13,479)</u>
Unassigned fund balance used to reduce tax rate	130,884		
Total revenues, other financing sources, and use of fund balance	<u>\$ 918,446</u>		

TOWN OF MARLOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditures, and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Encumbered from Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Encumbered to Subsequent Year	Variance Positive (Negative)
Current:					
General government:					
Executive	\$ -	\$ 76,300	\$ 68,625	\$ -	\$ 7,675
Election and registration	-	25,795	21,504	-	4,291
Financial administration	-	41,700	42,486	-	(786)
Revaluation of property	-	21,000	16,892	-	4,108
Legal	-	7,500	372	-	7,128
Personnel administration	-	75,300	61,145	-	14,155
Planning and zoning	-	900	1,316	-	(416)
General government buildings	-	30,300	24,076	-	6,224
Cemeteries	-	4,964	4,599	-	365
Insurance, not otherwise allocated	-	16,000	15,671	-	329
Other	-	14,860	11,695	1,340	1,825
Total general government	-	314,619	268,381	1,340	44,898
Public safety:					
Police	-	29,750	21,480	-	8,270
Fire	-	22,160	14,753	-	7,407
Building inspection	-	500	50	-	450
Emergency management	-	600	4,102	-	(3,502)
Other	-	10,286	10,347	-	(61)
Total public safety	-	63,296	50,732	-	12,564
Highways and streets:					
Highways and streets	-	360,825	280,789	33,212	46,824
Street lighting	-	5,500	4,346	-	1,154
Total highways and streets	-	366,325	285,135	33,212	47,978
Sanitation:					
Solid waste disposal	2,649	35,475	29,424	-	8,700
Solid waste clean-up	-	7,000	6,442	-	558
Total sanitation	2,649	42,475	35,866	-	9,258
Health:					
Administration	-	1,000	817	-	183
Welfare:					
Direct assistance	-	8,000	3,173	-	4,827
Culture and recreation:					
Parks and recreation	-	500	-	-	500
Library	-	19,731	19,537	-	194
Patriotic purposes	-	1,400	1,525	-	(125)
Total culture and recreation	-	21,631	21,062	-	569
Conservation	-	2,100	1,815	-	285
Economic development	-	8,000	8,000	-	-
Other financing uses:					
Transfers out	-	91,000	91,000	-	-
Total appropriations, expenditures, other financing uses, and encumbrances	\$ 2,649	\$ 918,446	\$ 765,981	\$ 34,552	\$ 120,562

Unassigned fund balance, beginning		\$ 380,612
Changes:		
Unassigned fund balance used to reduce 2015 tax rate		(130,884)
2015 Budget summary:		
Revenue shortfall (Schedule 1)	\$ (13,479)	
Unexpended balance of appropriations (Schedule 2)	<u>120,562</u>	
2015 Budget surplus		107,083
Increase in nonspendable fund balance		(2,097)
Increase in assigned fund balance		<u>(20,399)</u>
Unassigned fund balance, ending (Non-GAAP budgetary basis)		<u>\$ 334,315</u>

	Special Revenue Fund		
	Ambulance Revolving	Permanent Fund	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 21,163	\$ 5,732	\$ 26,895
Investments	-	132,788	132,788
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for uncollectable	3,896	-	3,896
Interfund receivable	<u>187</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>187</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 25,246</u>	<u>\$ 138,520</u>	<u>\$ 163,766</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Interfund payable	\$ 16,477	\$ 860	\$ 17,337
Fund balances:			
Nonspendable	-	99,436	99,436
Restricted	-	38,224	38,224
Committed	<u>8,769</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,769</u>
Total fund balances	<u>8,769</u>	<u>137,660</u>	<u>146,429</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 25,246</u>	<u>\$ 138,520</u>	<u>\$ 163,766</u>

	Special Revenue Fund		
	Ambulance Revolving	Permanent Fund	Total
REVENUES			
Charges for services	\$ 4,467	\$ -	\$ 4,467
Miscellaneous	<u>-</u>	<u>5,285</u>	<u>5,285</u>
Total revenues	<u>4,467</u>	<u>5,285</u>	<u>9,752</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	-	8,499	8,499
Public safety	<u>13,040</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,040</u>
Total expenditures	<u>13,040</u>	<u>8,499</u>	<u>21,539</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(8,573)</u>	<u>(3,214)</u>	<u>(11,787)</u>
Other financing sources (uses):			
Transfers out	<u>-</u>	<u>(860)</u>	<u>(860)</u>
Net change in fund balances	<u>(8,573)</u>	<u>(4,074)</u>	<u>(12,647)</u>
Fund balances, beginning	<u>17,342</u>	<u>141,734</u>	<u>159,076</u>
Fund balances, ending	<u>\$ 8,769</u>	<u>\$ 137,660</u>	<u>\$ 146,429</u>

2015 TAX RATE




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istration*

2015
\$25.59

Tax Rate Breakdown Marlow

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$424,883	\$64,287,989	\$6.61
County	\$223,552	\$64,287,989	\$3.48
Local Education	\$845,438	\$64,287,989	\$13.15
State Education	\$148,062	\$62,928,539	\$2.35
Total	\$1,641,935		\$25.59

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Total			

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$1,641,935
War Service Credits	(\$12,800)
Village District Tax Effort	
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$1,629,135
 <div> 11/17/2015 Stephan Hamilton Director of Municipal and Property Division New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration </div>	
Appropriations and Revenues	

Municipal Accounting Overview		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$748,461	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$260,740)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$12,500)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		(\$118,384)
War Service Credits	\$12,800	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$55,246	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$424,883	

County Apportionment		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$223,552	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$223,552	

Education		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$1,570,399	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations		
Net Education Grant		(\$576,899)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$148,062)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$845,438	
State Education Tax	\$148,062	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$148,062	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)		
Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$64,287,989	\$66,407,038
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$62,928,539	\$65,158,982
Village (MS-1V)		
Description	Current Year	

Using the 2015 tax rate, \$100,000 to be raised through taxation equals to \$2.53 per \$1,000 of your property valuation.



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SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION



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**2015
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Municipality Values		
Value Land Only (Exclude amount listed in lines 3A, 3B and 4) ?		
	Number of Acres	Assessed Valuation
1-A Current Use (At current values) RSA 79-A ?	12,839.65	\$789,079
1-B Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B ?		
1-C Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C ?		
1-D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D ?		
1-E Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F ?		
1-F Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved) ?	2,523.19	\$23,068,900
1-G Commercial/Industrial Land (excluding Utility Land) ?	49.51	\$557,800
1-H Total of Taxable Land ?	15,412.35	\$24,415,779
1-I Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land ?	871.85	\$1,719,900
Value Buildings Only (Exclude amount listed in lines 3A and 3B) ?		
	Number of Structures	Assessed Valuation
2-A Residential ?		\$34,533,930
2-B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31 ?		\$1,296,570
2-C Commercial/Industrial (excluding Utility buildings) ?		\$2,776,490
2-D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D ?		
2-E Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F ?		
2-F Total of Taxable Buildings ?		\$38,606,990
2-G Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings ?		\$1,322,110
Utilities and Timber ?		
		Assessed Valuation
3-A Utilities ?		\$1,359,450
3-B Other Utilities ?		
4 Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5 ?		
5) Valuation before Exemptions (Total of lines 1H, 2F, 3A, 3B and 4) ?		\$64,382,219



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Exemptions			
		Total # Granted	Assessed Valuation
6	Certain Disabled Veterans (RSA 72:36-a) ?		
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA (72:38-b V) ?		
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities (RSA 72:37-a) ?		
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption (RSA 72:23-IV) ?		
10a	Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption (RSA 72:12-a) ?		
10b	Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption (RSA 72:12-a) ?		
11) Modified Assessed Valuation of all Properties (Line 5 minus lines 6,7,8,9,10a,10b) ?			\$64,382,219
Summation of Exemptions ?			
	Amount Per Exemption	Total # Granted	Assessed Valuation
12	Blind Exemption (RSA 72:37) ?		
13	Elderly Exemption (RSA 72:39-a & b)	1	\$94,230
14	Deaf Exemption (RSA 72:38-b) ?		
15	Disabled Exemption (RSA 72:37-b) ?		
16	Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:70) ?		
17	Solar Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:62) ?		
18	Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:66) ?		
19	Add'l School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions (RSA 72:23 IV) ?		
20) Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions (sum of lines 12-19)			\$94,230
Calculations			
21 NET VALUATION: Used To Compute Municipal, County, and Local Education Tax Rates (Line 11 minus Line 20)			\$64,287,989
22 LESS UTILITIES: (Line 3A) Do not include the value of other utilities listed in Line 3B			\$1,359,450
23 NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES TO COMPUTE STATE EDUCATION TAX (Line 21 minus Line 22)			\$62,928,539
Notes:			

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

<u>Land & Buildings</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>VALUE</u>	<u>MAP + LOT</u>
Jones Hall	0.61	\$195,560.00	203-009
Police Garage			203-009
War Memorial	0.06	\$500.00	203-010
Fire Station	0.18	\$62,400	203-109
Highway Department	5.03	\$144,800.00	408-025
Town Common - Marlow Hill	3.1	\$29,300.00	405-044
Town Pound - Route 123	0.03	\$200.00	202-002
Town Office	0.15	\$109,500.00	203-015
Gravel Pit - Washington Road	4.5	\$30,400.00	405-127
Village Cemetery	5.6	\$18,000.00	203-006
Early Settlers Cemetery off Sargent Road	0.16	\$400.00	408-002
West Yard Cemetery	0.84	\$2,100.00	406-009
<u>TOTAL</u>		\$593,160.00	

Properties

Off Route 10 North	0.2	\$1,600.00	202-040
Off Route 10 North	8.27	\$103,080.00	202-006-01
Sand Pond Road	2.3	\$5,800.00	402-045
Whittemore Road	75	\$62,500.00	411-007
Route 10 North	11	\$36,600.00	405-006
Off Baine Rd	1.9	\$2,400.00	411-009
Off Baine Rd	3.8	\$4,700.00	411-011
Marlow Hill Road	8	\$61,900.00	405-065
Route 10 South	6.7	\$16,100.00	412-046
Route 10 South	6.3	\$15,100.00	412-044
Route 10 South	6.8	\$16,300.00	412-045
<u>TOTAL</u>		\$326,080.00	

Vehicles (Purchased for over \$5,000)

VALUE AFTER DEPRECIATION

Highway Department

Caterpillar Model 120H Motor Grader	\$18,180.10
Holland Loader/Backhoe	\$21,419.40
1994 Int. Model 4900 Dump Truck	\$0.00
1991 Mack Truck	\$4,462.00

1997 International Truck w/ Plow	\$3,650.00
2000 International 4900 Truck	\$6,640.00
1991 Bucket Truck	\$5,200.00
1995 International 4900 Truck w/Plow	\$6,083.33

Fire Department

Kenworth Pumper Truck	\$78,800.00
International Fire Truck Tanker	\$33,346.84

Ambulance Department

Type III 1640SD Custom Ambulance	\$0.00
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Police Department

2010 Ford Explorer	\$9,258.50
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TOTAL **\$187,040.17**

Equipment (Purchased for over \$5,000)

Fire Department

Bullard Thermal Imaging Camera	\$3,196.00
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Ambulance

Ambulance Electronic Cot	\$5,310.00
Defibrillator	\$523.60

General Government

Savin Color Copier	\$3,359.20
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Transfer Station

Closed Top Roll-Off Container	\$5,126.50
1988 Peterbilt Roll-Off Container	\$10,075.00

Emergency Management

Generator - School	\$13,000.00
Generator – Town Office	\$7,490.00

TOTAL **\$48,080.30**

GRAND TOTAL **\$1,154,360.47**

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

Motor Vehicle	\$ 118,732.33
Motor Vehicle - Title	314.00
Motor Vehicle – Transfer	325.00
Dog Licenses & Penalties	1,601.50
Marriage Licenses	0.00
Certified Copies - Vital Records	140.00
Birth Certificate	0.00
UCCs	180.00
Bad Check	224.50
Miscellaneous	300.00
Total Remitted to Treasurer:	<u>\$121,817.33</u>



TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Tax Collector's
Report

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For the Municipality of Town of Marlow Year Ending 12/31/15

Debits	Levy for Year of This Report 2015	Prior Levies (Please specify years)		
		2014	2013	2012
Uncollected Taxes				
Beginning of year:				
Property taxes	XXXXXXXXXX	112,547.89		
Resident taxes	XXXXXXXXXX			
Land use change	XXXXXXXXXX			
Yield taxes	XXXXXXXXXX	1,750.97		
Utilities	XXXXXXXXXX			
Taxes Committed				
This year:				
Property taxes	1,642,433.56		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Excavation taxes	165.52		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Land use change			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Yield taxes	16,289.57		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Bad Check			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Penalties	0.00			
Overpayment:				
Property taxes		812.83		
Resident taxes				
Land use change				
Yield taxes				
2015 Prepays	2,439.15			
Inventory Penalty				
Interest collected on delinquent tax	490.18	4,559.73		
Excess Credits				
Total Debits	\$1,661,817.98	\$119,671.42		

* This amount should be the same as last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

Tax Collector's
Report

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For the Municipality of Town of Marlow Year Ending 12/31/15

Credits	Levy for Year of This Report 2014	Prior Levies (Please specify years)		
		2013	2012	2011
Remitted to Treasurer During fiscal year:				
Property taxes	\$1,504,342.38	112,547.89		
Excavation tax	165.52			
Land use change				
Yield taxes	15,810.74	1,750.97		
Utilities				
Interest	490.18	4,559.73		
Penalties	0.00			
Bad Check				
Other Lien Charge				
Adjustment				
Discounts Allowed:	25,347.24			
Abatements Made:				
Property taxes	11,027.47	812.83		
Resident taxes				
Land use change				
Yield taxes				
Utilities				
Current levy deeded				
Uncollected taxes				
End of year:				
Property taxes	104,155.62			
Resident taxes				
Land use change				
Yield taxes	478.83			
Utilities				
Total Credits	\$1,661,817.98	\$119,671.42		

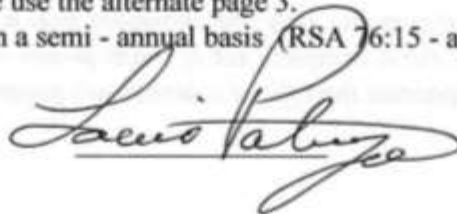
For the Municipality of Town of Marlow Year Ending 12/31/15

Debits	Last Year's Levy 2014	Prior Levies (Please specify years)		
		2013	2012	2011
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of year		29,219.58	15,839.45	12,784.54
Liens executed during the fiscal year	42,985.00			
Interest & costs collected after lien execution	341.83	2,719.76	2,405.76	560.62
	92.00	185.96	46.50	25.75
Total Debits	\$43,418.83	\$32,125.30	\$18,291.71	\$13,370.91
Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer:				
Redemptions	12,387.92	13,477.54	6,542.19	2,797.34
Interest/costs (after lien execution)	341.83	2,719.76	2,405.76	560.62
	92.00	185.96	46.50	25.75
Abatements of unredeemed taxes				
Excess Debit				
Unredeemed liens End of year	30,597.08	15,742.04	9,297.26	9,987.20
Total Credits	\$43,418.83	\$32,125.30	\$18,291.71	\$13,370.91

If you are a tax sale municipality, please use the alternate page 3.

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi - annual basis (RSA 76:15 - a) ?

Tax collector's signature:



Date: 1-27-16

TOWN TREASURER

Banking Summary – 2015
1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015
CHECKING

INCOME	
Interest Inc	13.19
Other Inc	103,119.75
Property Tax	1,639,031.76
Town Fees	121,817.33
TOTAL INCOME	1,863,982.03
EXPENSES	
Uncategorized	0.00
Bank Charge	97.18
Insufficient Funds	226.78
Misc.	1,988,841.35
Void	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,989,165.31
TRANSFERS	
FROM Ambulance	20,733.95
FROM ICS	1,692,500.00
TO ICS	-1,645,896.09
TOTAL TRANSFERS	67,337.86
OVERALL TOTAL	-57,845.42

AMBULANCE

INCOME	
Interest Inc	751.40
TOTAL INCOME	751.40
TRANSFERS	
FROM Checking	1,645,896.09
TO Checking	-1,692,500.00
TOTAL TRANSFERS	-46,603.91
OVERALL TOTAL	-45,852.51

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EXPENSES	
Misc.	-17,206.30
TOTAL EXPENSES	-17,206.30
TRANSFERS	
TO Checking	-20,733.95
TOTAL TRANSFERS	-20,733.95
OVERALL TOTAL	-3,527.65

SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2016

March 31 – Last day for timber owners to notify Board of Selectmen of desire to extend intent to cut beyond April 1, but not beyond June 30. RSA 79:10, II.

April 1 – Owner of land under excavation or to be excavated must file notice of intent to excavate. RSA 72 – B: 8.

April 15 – Last day to file permanent application for property tax exemption or credit for 2016 tax year. RSA 72:33, I.

April 15 – Last day to apply for current use land assessment or conservation restriction assessment. RSA 79–A: 5, II.

April 15—Last day for religious, educational and charitable organizations to file annual list of all exempt property with assessing officials. Failure to file on time may be ground for denial. [72:23-c,I]

April 15 – Last day for taxpayers to mail or deliver inventories of taxable property to selectmen, and for selectmen to hear parties regarding their liability to be taxed. [74:7,74:10]

April 15 – Deadline for filing report of excavated material form pertaining to excavating still in progress through March 31 for all earth excavated during the tax year up to and including March 31. RSA 72-B: 9. Failure to do so results in assessment of dooamage (two times the tax that would be due). RSA 72-B: 10.

May 15 – Last day for every owner with timber cutting operations still in progress through March 31 to file report for all timber cut, up to and including March 31. RSA 79:11, I. Failure to do so results in assessment of dooamage (two times tax) that would be due. RSA 79:12.

May 31— Last day for charitable organizations to file annual statement of financial condition with municipality. 72:23, VI.

June 30 – Last day to determine whether current use lands have undergone a change in use so that land use change tax should be levied. RSA 79–A: 5, IV (see also RSA 79- A: 7).

August 15 – Last day to file report of cut for timber cutting operations extended to June 30. 79:11, II.

September 1 – Last day for taxpayer to appeal denial of request for tax exemption, credit deferral or abatement to the Board of Tax and Land Appeals or Superior Court. RSA 72:34 a; 76:16–a; 76:16-d; 76:17.

December 1 – Last day to file amended permanent application for tax exemption or credit if person has changed residence. RSA 72:33, II.

March 1, 2017– Last day to file permanent application for property tax deferral for 2016-tax year. RSA 72:38-a, II-a; 76:16-d.

March 1, 2017 – Last day to file application for property tax abatement for the 2016 tax year. RSA 76:16, 76:16-d.

These dates are for informational purposes only and represent only a selection from the official calendar that can be found in the Town Office. For a complete set of dates please refer to the official calendar in the Town Office. In the event of any discrepancies the official calendar will govern.



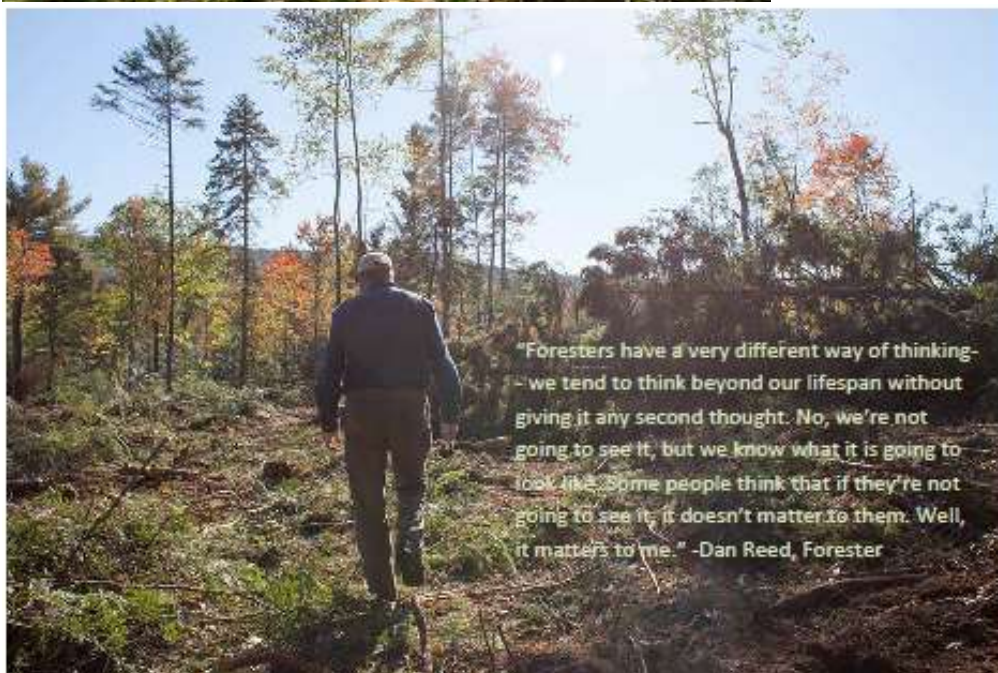
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USEFUL INFORMATION

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE – REVISED STATUTES ONLINE

<http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/indexes/>

This website allows you to search the full text of the Revised Statutes by keyword(s) or phrase. You can also search the index of titles when you know the number of the RSA that you are looking for.

CHESHIRE COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS

<http://www.nhdeeds.com>

You can search by grantor or grantee, also by book and page. Grantor index records are available from 1975 onwards, grantee from 1980 onwards. Book and page records start from Book 0867 onwards.

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

<http://www.revenue.nh.gov>

From this website you are able to download the latest Current Use Booklet. Through 'Property Tax' you can find information on Timber and Excavation Tax.

Included among the many forms that you can download are ones for Current Use, Conservation Restriction, Land Use, Easement and various ones relating to Property Tax.

BOARD OF TAX AND LAND APPEALS (BTLA)

<http://www.nh.gov/btla/>

Among the responsibilities that the BTLA has is the hearing of appeals of individual assessments, exemptions or refunds levied by municipalities. Forms can be downloaded including 'Taxpayer's RSA 76:16 Abatement Application to Municipality'.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

www.ready.gov

www.fema.gov

www.cdc.gov

www.redcross.org

www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/hsem

www.dhhs.nh.gov

All of these websites contain a large amount of information on emergency preparedness and related topics.

H1N1 AND SEASONAL FLU

Information, treatment resources and upcoming clinics can be found on the following web sites:

www.nh.gov/h1n1.

www.flu.gov.

LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

The Low and Moderate Income Homeowner's Property Tax Relief Program runs annually between May 1st and June 30th. Form DP-8 will be available in April and can be obtained from the Town Office. Further information can be found on <http://www.revenue.nh.gov>.

BUILDING PERMITS

Applications and instructions can be obtained from the Town Office. However you are advised to contact the Building and Code officer (currently Mark Vincello at 446 5273) in the first instance to see whether you need a building permit, or if you have a question on code compliance.

PISTOL PERMITS

Applications can be obtained from the Town Office but when completed need to be submitted to the Police Chief.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Mary Avery, Jacqui Fay and Beth La Freniere are notary publics.

TRANSFER STATION PERMITS AND COUPONS

Your current Transfer Station permit is valid for 2016 & 2017.

There is now a no cash policy at the Transfer Station and coupons can be purchased at the Town Office.



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MARLOW LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT

This year has been quite busy for the library. Thanks to the efforts of our librarian, it was awarded several grants. From the Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF), we received The Rural Library Grant. This award included: \$2,000 in new, high-quality children's books for the public library, and \$500 in new books for the school library. The library was also awarded a Summer Reader's Event Grant, which we shared with Stoddard. This event was held in July at Abbey Park. The event featured storytelling presentations with Simon Brooks and Papa Joe telling stories and reading aloud from books; sharing their love of words, reading, and writing. The Marlow fire department also opened up the station so that the children could see fire trucks, ambulances, and equipment, allowing the kids to ask questions and try on turnout gear, as well as see what a fireman responding to a call looks like and does. Finally, a light lunch was provided and every child who participated was able to choose two books to keep from a wide selection of brand-new children's books. We would like to express our gratitude to both the Odd Fellows and the Fire Department for the use of their facilities as well as their support for this event. The library was also awarded a CLiF mini-grant of \$250, which we are using in conjunction with a grant generously awarded from the Marlow Children's Enrichment Trust to fund books and supplies for our new preschool program. There will be a CLiF program finale this spring which will include storytelling and free books for participants, so keep an eye out!

With our upcoming "1000 Books Before Kindergarten" preschool program, the library will be hosting parents with babies, preschool children, and their siblings for weekly story time and play time. We now have a selection of toys and games available at the library. See Library for program details.

The library is still participating with the NH Downloadable Books Consortium which is a website that allows patrons to browse and search hundreds of titles in both digital and audio format and download them on their home computer, transfer them to a portable device, or burn them to a CD. This year they are also offering magazines for download, up to 3 per week.

Townpeople may be interested to note that the library is now fully automated and barcoded with our full catalog available online for your perusal. Patrons are now able to go online to www.marlow.gov, request a hold, check due dates, and view the catalog of available books.

Looking forward to the coming year we will be partnering with the Davis Public Library in Stoddard to offer new and interesting programs to our patrons. The aim of partnering with Stoddard is to offer a greater range of programs without increasing our programming budget. So far 2 exciting programs are scheduled: Owls and Their Calls presented by the VT Institute of Natural Science and The Coyote Project with conservation biologist and wild canid ecologist Christine Schadler. Please see library for dates and times. These programs are free and open and free to the public, but space is limited. Other programs are in the works and will be advertised as they are scheduled.

The library is also excited to offer Tech Tuesdays the first Tuesday of each month, offering tech-savvy advice to patrons on a drop in basis. Stop by or call library for details.

There are three passes available for loan at the Library for 2016: The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens, Vermont Institute of Natural Science, and The Montshire Museum of Science. Please stop in to enquire or sign out these passes.

Once again, we would like to thank our volunteers, who help in so many ways, for their continued support. We couldn't do what we do without them.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Provencher, Chair
Elizabeth Thayer, Trustee
Al Sparks, Trustee

Bretton Walsh, Treasurer
Jeanne Kennedy, Secretary
Anna Hubbard, Assistant Librarian

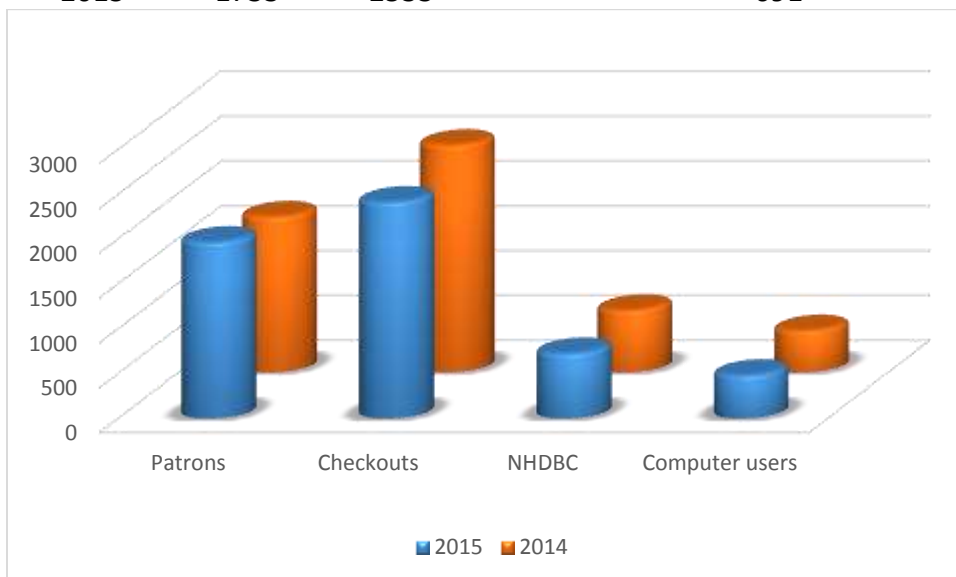
Francie Huntley, Assistant Librarian
Tristan Smith, Assistant Librarian
Jenn Brown, Librarian

MARLOW TOWN LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Line Items	2015 Budget	Actual 2015 Expense	Balance
Books/Periodicals/Passes	\$5,242.01	\$5,214.30	\$27.71
Phone/Internet	1200.00	1,148.41	51.59
Technology	887.99	887.99	0.00
Postage & Supplies	600.00	593.24	6.76
Programs	470.00	434.30	35.70
Maintenance	0.00		0.00
Petty Cash	0.00		0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00		0.00
Total	\$8,400	\$8,278.24	\$121.76

Respectfully Submitted: Bretton Walsh

Year	Patrons	Checkouts	NH Downloadable Books	Computer users
2014	1965	2412	723	480
2015	1733	2533	691	464



BETH PROVENCHER

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Emergency Shelter

J. D. Perkins Elementary School on Route 10 is the Town's designated shelter.

In the event of an emergency, the shelter will be opened when there is a need for it. While the designated emergency shelter is the school, there could be certain circumstances where the location may have to be changed; **therefore you should not proceed to the shelter without having first received information that it is open and confirmation of its location.** Communication to the public can be hard at the beginning of an emergency, but every effort will be made to put the information out on the Town website on the urgent news banner, local radio and TV stations and in the Keene Sentinel. During a sustained emergency, daily updates will be posted on the notice board situated on the Town Office porch. If you need shelter, whether it is for the night or just during the day, as a warming center and you have not heard that it is open you should initially call the Town Office 446-2245, which, all going well, would be the Emergency Operations Center. If no one is there, you can try the Fire Station 446-7511 and the school 446-3307. If no response is received then you should call 9-1-1. You would also call these numbers if you have been informed that the shelter is open but you need assistance in getting to it.

In the event of evacuating to the shelter, families should prepare to take care of themselves without help for three days. The following is a list of suggested supplies.

- ✓ Sleeping bags or inflatable mattresses, bedding and pillows. While we aim to have limited supplies, you and your family will be much more comfortable with your own supplies. Pillows will not be provided.
- ✓ Board games for entertainment
- ✓ Special items for infants
- ✓ Personal hygiene items
- ✓ Prescription medications
- ✓ Non-perishable canned or packaged food and drinks as it may take a day or more to set up a regular meal schedule at a shelter.
- ✓ Reading and writing materials
- ✓ Battery powered flashlight in case of power loss
- ✓ Glasses, contact lens case and solution
- ✓ Special items for elderly or disabled family members
- ✓ Credit cards and cash
- ✓ Change of clothes



The New Hampshire Department of Safety has launched a NH Alerts mobile app, a free tool that notifies users of hazard in the area based upon cellphone location. You can download the app by visiting www.readynh.gov.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO FORM A COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

Marlow does not have a formal CERT group, but we hope that there may be some interest in forming a network of residents in various locations within the community who might wish to meet, discuss possible emergency situations (such as ice storms, windstorms, floods, fires or interruption of internet service, electrical power etc.). This group could then determine how they might be of help to the residents and Town Officials in the event of such an emergency. Possible roles might include creating a community telephone tree or communication net via FRMS or HAM radio, volunteer preparedness to assist others, possible staffing of emergency shelters and or manning of evacuation or assistance missions etc.

A localized ability to check on neighbors or isolated residences might also be a major help to the town as well as to those neighbors during an emergency situation.

Several people have expressed interest in holding a brainstorming session about these issues so if you have some ideas, or are willing to help your neighbors and your community, please call Jacqui at the Town Office to leave your name and contact details. We'll let you know when we will hold an initial meeting and who else is interested.

Thanks for your attention to this great idea!

Bill Fish
Ed Dalenta



BILL FISH – PLAN NH CHARRETTE

MARLOW FIRE DEPARTMENT

2015 was a very busy year for us. We responded 45 times as follows:

111 – Building Fire	3
114 – Chimney Fire	1
130 – Mobile Property	1
142 – Brush Fire	1
311 – Medical Assist	8
424 – Carbon Dioxide (CO)	1
444 – Power Lines Down	5
445 – Arcing Power Lines	1
460 – Motor Vehicle Accident	9
571 – Cover Other Towns	7
600 – Good Intent Call	1
611 – Cancelled En Route	5
743 – Smoke Detector	2

Our Explorer Post is still active and we welcome interested youth to join.

Everyone should know that our town Highway Department does much of the equipment repair and service. This saves us a sizable amount of money.

As always, thanks to those who support and help us throughout the year and most of all, the Town Office, the Town Highway and our Police Chief, Ken Avery.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Foote

Forest Fire Warden

(603) 355-0379

“WHAT HAPPENS WHEN VOLUNTEERS DON’T?”

You may have seen this phrase on a bumper sticker or elsewhere. Like many towns and organizations nearby and across the country, we are a lot closer to knowing the unfortunate answers than you might imagine.

Your local Volunteer Fire Department needs your help!!! We are very low on members. Please support your community and consider becoming a member!!!

Do not be concerned if the amount of time you can give is limited, or if you have no training or feel that you would not want to be directly fighting a fire. There are many roles that could be filled to free up those who have the training.

These roles might range from directing traffic or assisting the ambulance crew in moving a patient, to operating a pump or putting the equipment and hoses on an engine back in order and ready for the next call.

If you do have training please put it to use!!!!

We New Englanders have pride both in being self-sufficient and in the strength of our communities. Who responds when a 911 call is received? Your friends and neighbors. It could be you.

As a member of Southwest Mutual Aid, Marlow receives help from neighboring towns with access to much more equipment and manpower, literally as much as is needed, on demand and without charge.

In return we do pay our share in the SWMA operating cost and our department also has an obligation to provide assistance to our neighbors when they need help. We must maintain a Fire Department to be part of this.

Your ability to carry Fire Insurance on your home depends upon proximity to a qualified Fire Station – no station within 5 miles = no insurance.

What are our Options?

A) More Volunteers with continued support of the Town to outfit them and provide for training.

B) Hire people to operate emergency services.

To put this in perspective financially - Two people, minimum Firefighter One, and EMT level training if including the Ambulance, for 24/7 coverage, would require 8.5 employees at an initial cost of around \$500,000. This would be in addition to most of the current budget and continued membership in SWMA as many calls would require more than two people.

C) Contract for Services – Unknown Cost and whether even available.

In these economic times A is the only realistic option but we need you to volunteer!!! Please feel free to stop by the Firehouse on Monday evenings between 7PM and 9PM or contact any member of the Fire Department or Ambulance. This is an urgent need; please do not wait!!!

FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT

The State of New Hampshire had a very busy spring fire season in 2015. We were very lucky with only one brush fire in Marlow. This shows that our residents are very responsible.

The electronic permit system seems to be working well. Permits can be obtained at:

<https://nhdfweb.sovsportsnet.net/>

Our brush truck is now 49 years old and will need to be replaced soon. This is something we will need to seriously consider in the coming budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Foote

Forest Fire Warden

(603) 355-0379



REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The ability to obtain fire permits on line was initiated in 2015. Approximately 120 towns participated in the online system with over 4,000 permits issued. To obtain a permit on line visit www.NHfirepermit.com. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or www.des.nh.gov for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

This past fire season burned **661 acres** which was the most recorded since 1989 when 629 acres burned. The fire season began in early April with the first reported fire occurring on April 8th. The largest fire was the 275 acre Bayle Mountain fire in Ossipee. This fire started on May 5th and burned for several days. The Bayle Mt. fire was also the largest individual fire in NH in over 25 years. There were also a number of other sizable fires in May which definitely kept NH's wildland firefighting resources stretched to the limit. These larger fires increased the average wildland fire size to 5.12 acres. As usual our higher fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2015 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

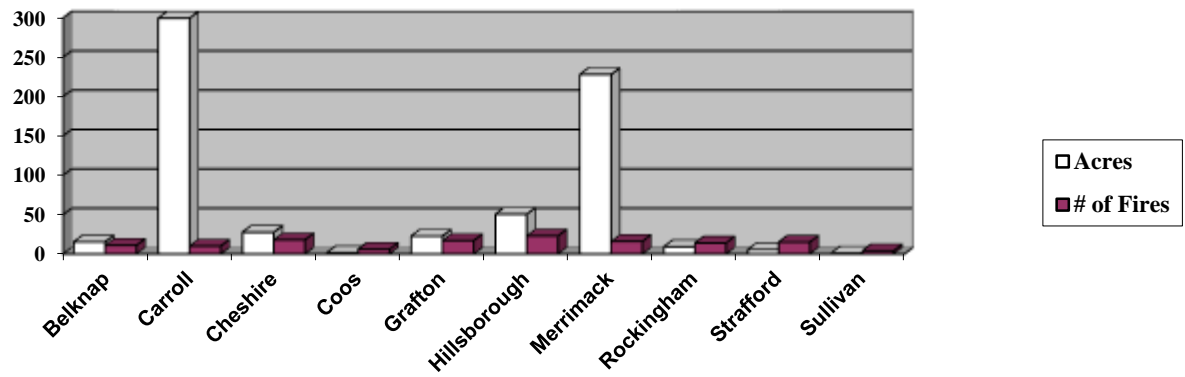
2015 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2015)

(Figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	15.3	11
Carroll	299.5	10
Cheshire	27.6	18
Coos	1.6	6
Grafton	22.6	17
Hills-borough	50.6	23
Merrimack	228	16
Rocking-ham	9.2	14

Strafford	5.5	15
Sullivan	1.1	4



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

		Total	Fires	Total Acres
Arson	7	2015	134	661
Debris	17	2014	112	72
Campfire	13	2013	182	144
Children	3	2012	318	206
Smoking	12	2011	125	42
Railroad	0			
Equipment	6			
Lightning	5			
Misc.*	71 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)			

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE



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www.kroka.org

MARLOW AMBULANCE REPORT

I would like to thank the Town of Marlow for all their support through these rough times.

At this point, your ambulance has very little night and weekend coverage. There is only one person who resides in town. Gilsum and Lempster people come to help whenever they can. During the day, you have one person that works in town and two others come from other towns.

At this time, Lempster is no longer in our coverage area, but they do support us when they are able to.

Here are the stats from 2015:

Number of calls: 79

They range from abdominal pain to motor vehicle crashes.

Gilsum	22
Lempster	11
Marlow	45
Washington	1

Again THANK YOU.

Loretta E. Loring

Captain, Marlow Ambulance



MARLOW POLICE REPORT

Activities were up during 2015 for minor complaints. However, more serious complaints were down. That is a good thing.

House checks are up, as many residents notify this department when homes or businesses are to be vacant. This reduces problems.

We advise every citizen to be aware of scams. Never give personal information over the phone or online.

Calls: 130

Animal Complaints: 18

Motor Vehicle Stops: 312

Summons Issued: 101

Misdemeanor Arrests: 6

Felony Arrests: 1

We will have a new officer in the Marlow Police Department sometime in July. James Meachen has applied to join our Police Department pending Selectboard approval.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ken E. Avery
Police Chief

Please take note:

For Non-Emergency Police calls (Cheshire County Dispatch Center) please dial 355-2000. They can also handle any emergency calls.

For Emergency Police calls, please dial 911.

My home number can take a message, however, response is delayed if I am unavailable. Dispatch will get a response to your call even when I am not on call. Again the number is 355-2000.

Thank you



MARLOW HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

At the closing of the 2015 construction season the Sand Pond Road project has been almost completed. The culvert has been replaced and most of the landscaping done. The road surface was left as gravel because of the late time of year. We will contract a paving contractor to pave during the spring of 2016.

I would like to thank you for your patience during the construction phase.

The Marlow Hill Road Drainage improvement project is moving forward. A Hazard Mitigation Grant was finally approved in October and will cover 75% of the cost. We will be soliciting bids for the project soon. The scope of work will include removing approximately 3000 feet of the road and replacing it with quality gravel and proper drainage. The grant would not fund any paving but we will have a nice road. The project will include some delays and single lane closures. Everyone's patience will be greatly appreciated.

During 2015, Mark Bragg and Gary Weaver completed Defensive Driving courses and I attended a Culvert Maintainer Certification class, now a requirement by the State of New Hampshire.

Thank you

Tony Davis

499-3926

Before Route 10 was known as the "Dartmouth College Road", it was called the "West Side Trunk Line" and was identified by blue markers with white borders.

Tracy Messer



WEST SIDE TRUNK LINE. GRAVEL ROAD AT MARLOW.
Showing stone wall along side of the road. A typical scene along New Hampshire highways.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

The Planning Board went through some changes this year. Longtime member and secretary, Bonnie Hazelton, has moved away. We thank her for her many years of service. Erin Handy has volunteered to serve as secretary for the board. She is a very active member of our community and we appreciate her doing this important task. We also welcomed Barry Corriveau as a new member. Jim Strickland was elected chairman.

One of the primary functions of the board is to watch over changes in existing land uses to ensure that any changes do not adversely affect neighbors, our community and our environment. This year the planning board faced many challenges in completing this task. One challenge is to secure volunteers to serve on the board. We had one meeting when we could not conduct business as we did not have a quorum. Getting volunteers to serve becomes harder and harder. Many folks serve on a number of different committees and boards and this presented a particular problem. By Law, planning board members can serve on other positions in town but the Conservation Committee can only have one planning board member on it. We had two members. One planning board member had to resign from the conservation committee.

In order to ensure that we have a quorum, the planning board has proposed a warrant article reducing the board size from seven to five. Then a quorum would require only 3 members instead of 5. Planning Board members in our town are appointed by the selectmen on a staggered term basis. We hope this warrant article will be approved.

Another challenge we faced is the wording in some of our regulations. All of the planning regulations such as zoning, building and site plan review need to be reviewed in detail to make sure one regulation is not in conflict with another. Our regulations need to be clear enough so that if someone wants to change what they are doing on their property, we don't need a legal opinion every time a change is proposed. One example we struggled with was permitted uses in rural lands (R-20), another is what zones allow mobile homes. Last town meeting we had a warrant article to add a definition of "right of way" as there wasn't one. There had been some construction in town and it impacted the right of way of the town road. Some things can be resolved by a consensus of the members or referral to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. We will propose changes to the regulations in the future as needed.

We also need to design application forms. This year we had to accept a verbal application as we could not find a form. We will have to check to see if these forms can be designed without a vote at town meeting.

Another issue is the overlapping of maps and their updating. There are a lot of different digitized maps available in town from different sources prepared for a specific use. We have to manually interpret one map against another. With digitized online maps, we could get all functions overlaid over the tax maps. This will allow better identification and decision making. When someone wants to know what they can do with their property, it comes down to what they own (tax map) as it relates to all these other regulations, zoning etc... In trying to get an updated zoning map for the changes in zoning that were approved in 2014, we obtained estimates from \$2,000 to \$15,000. Annual fees for keeping them updated would also be required. One of our neighboring towns has digitized tax maps on line. This info is public information. Right now, besides planning board issues, the town administrator has to handle requests from others about owners, abutters, etc. and uses up valuable time. When the maps are digitized and available online, we could outline proposals and print them out down to the smallest detail, i.e. your lot and what you proposed. If you owned a lot and wanted to see what you could

do with it and whom it impacted, you would be able to look that up online. We have requested the selectmen provide the voters with a plan and costs for digitized maps on line.

The other major function of the planning board is to develop and implement a “Master Plan.” We have one but it is outdated. A few years back there were meetings to have input from the residents on what we want our town to look like. The output was great but updating has to be completed. Since the original plan was developed for Marlow, the state has developed some intricate recommendations of what to consider while developing and or updating a master plan. This is going to be a very time consuming project. The existing plan has some flaws according to the new state recommendations but it has some very good guidelines for the planning board to use. The devil is in the details if we choose to implement them. Sometimes we try to sharpen a pencil too much and we have nothing left in the end.

This year the town approved funds for a Community Design Charrette. A Design Charrette is a brainstorming session in which information and ideas are brought together for the purpose of defining potential planning recommendations and solutions for future needs of the community. The Design Charrette was held October 2 and 3 and championed by Plan New Hampshire, The Foundation for Shaping the Built Environment. The Marlow Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Town Executive Administrator and very many interested Marlow Residents participated. Plan New Hampshire has completed their recommendations as a vision of how things might be. 2016 will be a busy year as community members come together to plan for the future.

Marlow Planning Board

Jim Strickland, Chairman

Erin Handy, Secretary

Barry Corriveau

Lyle Handy Sr.

Carl MacConnell

Robert Allen, Selectmen's
representative

Vacant – 7th board member



BILL FISH

PLAN MARLOW

The Plan NH Charrette has generated much discussion and many ideas from the community, as to how to transform these visions for the future into a concrete action plan, and bring them to reality.

Some of the goals require long range planning; others are simpler. In order to best coordinate efforts, a committee of community members and representatives from the Planning and Select board will be formed, and will meet monthly with specific project teams, to receive progress updates and assist whenever possible.

The committee will hold public information meetings quarterly, to review the progress of the individual teams. We have named the project “Plan Marlow”. There are many individual plans, some of which will require permits and funding. To date we have held two meetings, 1/21/16, and 2/25/16. Anyone interested in participating either in the committee or in a specific project group, please contact the Town Office. A copy of the Charrette, meeting minutes, etc. are available on the town website.

http://www.marlownh.gov/Pages/MarlowNH_BComm/Planning/PLANMarlow



MARLOW TRANSFER STATION AND RECYCLING CENTER

The Transfer Station is pleased to report another successful year of operation. Recycling was maximized thus decreasing the volume of household waste consigned to the compactor. Every item recycled represents a savings, however slight, to the town. We are doing very well, although there is always room for improvement and ways to make our program more efficient and cost effective. Remember, recycling is mandatory in Marlow.

Recycling properly results in savings and benefits on different levels. It is amazing how much can be recycled thus reducing the amount entering the waste stream and eventually a land fill. While this is an obvious benefit to the environment it is also far more economical to divert as much material as possible through recycling. All recycled material has a value which reduces the town's overall solid waste budget and your tax bill. And while most components of our taxes are beyond our control, this part is not. Here we can each make a difference. So help us to help you.

We operate every phase of our operation ourselves. We employ our own attendants, own all the equipment needed, and transport all material generated. No outside contractors are involved. This alone results in substantial savings. But wait; there's more. Depending on prices paid for recycled material, which varies with the market, the town realizes some income to offset costs. Metal pays the best. Not only is there no disposal cost, there is actual payment to the town. The other material: cardboard, mixed paper, commingled glass, cans, and plastic, never rise to that value but depending on the commodity market there is usually some overall disposal cost reduction.

Since we do our own hauling each trip made represents expense. The more we can haul on each trip the less trips are required. Our attendants do their level best to maximize the amount of material in each container before it is hauled and emptied. And here is where each of you can help. In the commingle department glass is glass. Aluminum cans, however, have an alternative disposal route: they can be donated to the town sanctioned program Cans For Kids which raises funds through their sale for school related equipment. There is a separate container on the platform for this purpose. All that is required is a few minutes of time at home separating the aluminum cans from one's commingled material. (No beer bottles please.) Finally, some plastic containers can be compressed to minimize volume. While detergent, kitty litter, and most plastic food containers and jars are stiff and very difficult to crush, milk and water jugs are not. These represent a substantial amount of the material in commingle so please stomp them down; it will make a difference.

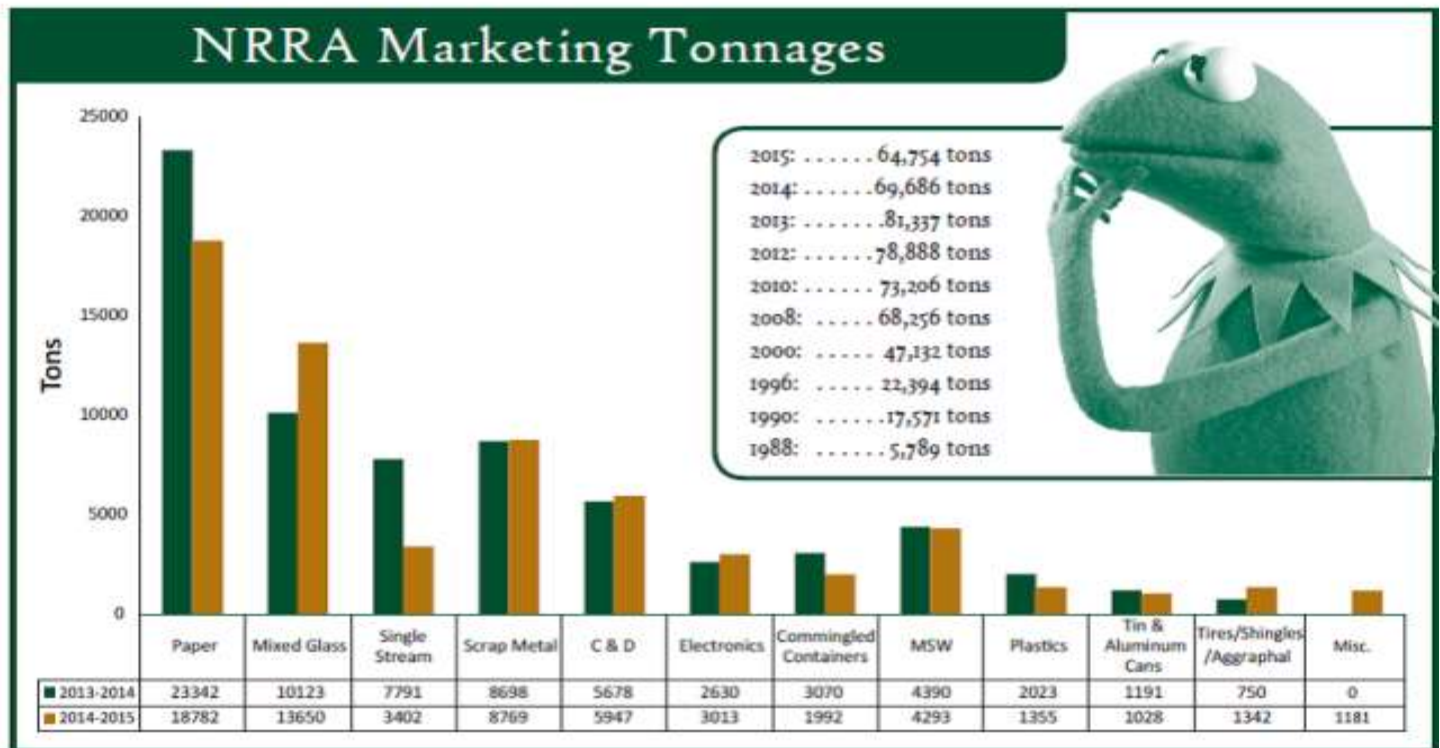
Mixed paper is just that: paper. Newspapers, magazines, junk and unwanted mail, shredded paper, books (soft and hardcover), wrapping paper (other than colored gift wrapping), egg boxes (which we also save for the egg man if not broken), old love letters and photos, loose leaf binders, beer, cereal, and shoe boxes, etc. all go in the mixed paper container. Corrugated cardboard boxes and containers do not. The container for corrugated cardboard is located behind the metal roll-off. Please note: some pizza boxes are corrugated, some are not, please dispose of accordingly. Also please open and collapse all cardboard containers and place them as far to the front in the storage unit as possible. The more cardboard we can stack in there the less frequently it needs to be hauled.

We do not take electronic waste, microwaves, TVs, fluorescent tubes or bulbs nor ballasts from fluorescent fixtures. No oil based paint or any hazardous waste. Latex paint should be dried out and thrown in regular trash. We have boxes for rechargeable batteries and mercury devices and thermostats. Please tell the attendants you have them. Attendants are here to help you make your disposal experience a positive one. Anyone with disabilities please beep horn for attendant to assist you.

Comingle w/glass	59,320 lbs.	29.66 net tons	(\$444.90)	Expense
Fibers-Mixed Loose	57,660 lbs.	28.83 net tons	(\$432.45)	Expense
Fibers-OCC Loose	25,920 lbs.	12.96 net tons	\$378.67	Revenue
Scrap-Metal	26,360 lbs.	13.18 net tons	\$1,147.05	Revenue
Tires-Passenger	3,000 lbs.	1.5 net tons	(\$150.00)	Expense
Tires-Truck	585 lbs.	0.29 net tons	(\$71.50)	Expense
GRAND TOTALS	172,845 lbs	86.42 net tons	\$382.99	Revenue



MARLOW ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORT 2015



Town of Marlow, NH

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling organization, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2015	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Paper	41.7 tons	Saved 710 trees!
Scrap Metal	11.7 gross tons	Conserved 11744.3 pounds of coal!
Tires	1.7 tons	Conserved 1.7 barrels of oil!

JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Marlow has had an active Joint Loss Management Committee for several years. The JLMC serves a very important function. Its formation and duties are mandated by state law.

The JLMC's primary responsibility is to minimize the likelihood of injuries or accidents involving town employees or equipment. Comprised of department supervisors, the committee members are always on the lookout for potential hazards or unsafe conditions in their respective work stations. Through inspections, awareness, and attention to detail, the committee members learn to recognize employee work habits or workplace situations or procedures which, if not removed, repaired, or eliminated, pose possible physical risks to our employees and/or damage to property and equipment and, by extension, to the general public. In the event of an accident, injury or incident, the attending circumstances and actions taken are critically and thoroughly reviewed by the committee to hopefully prevent reoccurrence.

The committee's attention is not limited to town employee work environments, but extends to all public buildings and environs where unsafe conditions might exist which could pose a health or safety risk. The committee is acutely aware that in such scenarios the town could be considered legally liable. In today's litigious society, injury or loss of any sort involving a municipality represents the greatest window of litigation and possible disastrous financial risk to the municipality regardless of outcome. Consequently, an active JLMC plays a critical role not only in helping to avoid bad situations, but also by its very existence, in obtaining favorable liability insurance rates for the town.



HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

Contact: Ed Reardon
Health Officer – 3 year appointment by State of N.H.

Address: Marlow Town Office
167 NH Rte. 123
Marlow, NH 03456

Hours: By Appointment

Telephone: 446-2245 (Town Office) or 446-3434(Home)

Email: marlowtownoffice@marlownh.gov (Town Office)
efreardonll@gmail.com

The Health Officer enforces the New Hampshire public health rules and laws, as well as local town ordinances and regulations. Their role is to serve as a liaison between state officials and the local community for public health issues in the Town of Marlow.

Responsibilities:

- Inspections, according to state guidelines: potential daycare and foster homes; schools; problematic septic systems; rental housing—meets minimum standards.
- Investigate health-related complaints.
- Provide public health information.

Community Health Concern:

Public health laws are made to protect people's health and welfare. People and pets often live together. To prevent the spread of rabies from a sick animal New Hampshire law requires that every dog, cat, or ferret aged 3 months or older be vaccinated for rabies.

Cats: Rabies vaccination is required. License is not required.

Unfortunately, all cats (not just strays) in a neighborhood that may have been exposed, may have to be euthanized if their owners cannot provide proof of vaccination. The owner's only other choice would be to pay for quarantine of each cat. Protect your neighbor by being a responsible pet owner: spay/neuter your cat and keep it healthy with a rabies vaccination.

Dogs: Proof of vaccination is required in order to get a required dog license on or before April 30. See the Town Clerk.

If a resident of Marlow has any health-related concerns, please call the Town Office and leave your name and phone number. Please put your concern in writing with date and your signature. It will be shared with the Selectmen (the Marlow Board of Health). You will be informed of what can or cannot be done about your complaint or concern.

WELFARE

We would like to thank Carol Reardon for serving as our Welfare Officer in 2015. With Carol's resignation the position has been transferred to the Selectboard. To request assistance please contact the Town Office. At last year's Town Meeting this position was changed from elected to appointed. We ask that anyone interested in the position contact the Selectboard.

We are members of and support several organizations that provide assistance to those in need. Contact information is available at the Town Office. These groups include the Community Kitchen, Southwestern Community Services and Monadnock Family Services. Their annual reports are included in the Town Report as well as other valuable contacts.

Marlow Selectboard

The following are some of the many resources in the area that are available to you.

New Hampshire 2-1-1

2-1-1 is the number to dial for information about health and human services and organizations in your community. Their website is www.211nh.org

Winter Heating Assistance

Having trouble paying for heat? These three programs can help:

- State-wide Electrical Assistance Program (EAP)
Income qualified members of the NH Electric Co-op can receive discounts on their monthly electric bills ranging from 5-70% of their total bill. Apply through your Community Action Agency. (Keene 352-7512)
- State Fuel Assistance Program (FAP)
Provides benefits to qualified New Hampshire households to assist with heating costs. Renters and homeowners are eligible. Apply through your Community Action Agency. (Keene 352-7512)
- Project Care
Project Care is a charitable organization that provides payment assistance for NH Electric Co-op members in emergency situations. Applicants are eligible for Project Care emergency assistance only once in a 12 month period. Members should apply to the programs listed above before applying to Project Care. For program guidelines and more information, contact Member solutions at 1-800-698-2007.

Home Healthcare Hospice and Community Services (HCS)

HCS provides comprehensive home health care and helping services to income eligible families. Telephone 352-2253 or 1-800-541-4145. Their website is www.hcsservices.org

Family Resource Guide

Published annually by the Rotary Clubs of Keene, it gives information about help that is available for young children, their parents and families. Topics covered include help with housing, getting clothing, furniture and household items, getting to places, finding free legal and financial help, staying healthy and warm. Copies can be obtained from the Town Office.

Facing Foreclosure

The State has set up a new website to help residents address potential mortgage problems. The website will help connect families with resources if they are concerned about losing their homes and includes contact information for housing counsellors and other options to help people try to avoid foreclosure. www.Home-HelpNH.org

Free Prescription Discount Cards

These cards are provided by Cheshire County and are available at the Town Office. Members call toll free 1-877-321-2652.

Weatherization and Heating Assistance Programs

Stay Warm NH is a public/private partnership focused on expanding weatherization and heating assistance programs. The NH Office of Energy and Planning, NH Department of Health and Human Services and NH Charitable Foundation are coordinating this effort with the help of dozens of non-profit organizations and private businesses. Their phone number is 271-2155 and their website is www.nh.gov/oep/

Community Kitchen, Inc.

The Community Kitchen serves hot meals Monday through Friday from 5-6:30pm and brunch on Sunday from 11 - 12:30pm. Take home boxes of food are available on Wednesdays from 12:30 – 5:30pm and Thursdays 11:20 - 4:00pm. Delivery can be arranged. The Community Kitchen is located at 37 Mechanic St, Keene. Their phone number is 357-3200 and their website is www.thecommunitykitchen.org

Friendly Meals

Marlow Friendly Meals are held at Odd Fellows the first Tuesday of the month. Coffee is at 11:30 and the meal is served at 12:00. Anyone 60+ is invited. Meals are free, with donations appreciated. This program is provided by Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services. Call Sharon Davis 446-7064 or Gerry Plotts 446-3490 with your reservation by noon on the Monday before. Rides can be provided.

United Methodist Church Food Pantry

The United Methodist Church delivers food boxes the third Sunday of each month. If you are in need of a little help or know of someone else that does, please contact Shirley Plumb at 446 3310 or Marcia Levesque at 446-4383. Collection boxes for food donations can be found at the Town Office and Town Library.

Telephone Bill Assistance

New Hampshire residents can receive help in paying for their telephone service under two assistance programs offered by FairPoint to low-income households; FairPoint Lifeline Service and the Link-Up program. **FairPoint Lifeline Service** offers customers a monthly discount on their telephone bill. Lifeline savings could amount to as much as \$8/month and almost \$100/year. Through the **Link-Up Program**, qualified customers receive a discount of 50% (up to \$30) off the cost of installing new service. Additionally, New Hampshire Lifeline customers receive a credit toward the federal subscriber line charge each month.

These assistance programs are available to low income customers. Your household will be eligible for the Lifeline and Link-Up programs if your household income is at or below 135% of the federal poverty income guidelines, or if you or a household member are enrolled in any of the following assistance programs: Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, Low income home energy assistance, Section 8 housing, Supplemental nutrition assistance (SNAP), National school lunch/free lunch program, Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF).

Lifeline customers can also request toll blocking, a service that prevents toll calls (such as long distance) from being made. Customers using this service can still use pre-paid calling cards or dial-around service to place long-distance calls from their homes.

For more information about Lifeline and Link-Up programs, please call your customer service representative toll free at 1-866-984-2001.

HOME HEALTHCARE, HOSPICE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES



Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services Report to the Town of **MARLOW** 2015 Annual Report

In 2015, Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services (HCS) continued to provide home care and community services to the residents of Marlow. The following information represents HCS's activities in Marlow during the past twelve months.

Service Report

Services Offered	Services Provided
Nursing	268 Visits
Physical Therapy	173 Visits
Occupational Therapy	47 Visits
Medical Social Work	40 Visits
Home Health Aide	153 Visits
Outreach	2 Visits
Chronic Care	180 Hours
Health Promotion Clinics	2 Clinics

Total Unduplicated Residents Served with home care services: 32

Hospice services, geriatric care management and Healthy Starts prenatal and child health services are also available to residents. Town funding partially supports these services.

Financial Report

The actual cost of all services provided in 2015 with all funding sources is \$119,286.00.

These services have been supported to the greatest extent possible by Medicare, Medicaid, other insurances, grants and patient fees. Services that were not covered by other funding have been supported by your town.

For 2016 we request an appropriation of \$747.00 to continue to be available for home care services in Marlow.

For information about services, residents may call (603) 352-2253 or visit www.HCSservices.org

Thank you for your support of home care services.

SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY SERVICES



Southwestern Community Services

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TOWN OF MARLOW

Outside Agency Request for Funding 2015-2016

Southwestern Community Services (SCS) provides assistance to local communities and its citizens through its' LIHEAP Fuel Assistance program, Housing Stabilization programs, the Monadnock Alcohol and Drug Awareness Coalition (MADAC), Senior & Workforce rental housing developments, Head Start education & childcare, WIC nutrition & health, the Electricity Assistance Program (EAP), DOE Weatherization programs, Employment and Day Services for developmentally disabled adults as well as several Workforce Development & Training programs.

Southwestern Community Services (SCS) is requesting **\$662.00** in Town Funding from the **Town of Marlow**. In 2015-2015, SCS provided **219** units of service to the citizens of **Marlow** totaling **\$66,189.25** in direct assistance. SCS is requesting 1% of the amount of that direct support.

SCS requests support from each city and town in our two-county service area. SCS requests 1% of the amount of direct support that SCS invested into that community during the previous program year. This means that from year-to-year the amount of the town funding requests will change. For example, if **Marlow** sees an increase or decrease in the amount of direct support that SCS provides next year, **Marlow** will also see a corresponding increase or decrease in the amount of town funding that SCS requests from the community.

There are two supporting documents that are included with this request. The first is SCS' Economic Impact Report (EIR) for **Marlow**. The EIR breaks down the amount of direct assistance, by program, provided to the citizens of **Marlow**. The second document is an overview of SCS' Town Funding request by town. This includes all communities in Cheshire and Sullivan counties.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at 719-4208 or by e-mail at kthibault@scshelps.org if you would like additional information regarding the agency in general or if there are additional questions about SCS' town funding request. SCS encourages open communication between the agency and the communities that it serves. We would be happy to conduct office tours in Keene or Claremont. Agency staff is also available to present information to town officials focusing on the agency as a whole or on specific programs.

SCS is grateful to have the **Town of Marlow's** support and we look forward to working with you in the future. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Keith F. Thibault, chief development officer
Southwestern Community Services
[603-719-4208/kthibault@scshelps.org](mailto:kthibault@scshelps.org)

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Keene, NH 03431-0603
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Fax: (603) 352-3618



Call Toll Free: (800) 529-0005
TTY: NH: (800) 735-2964

96-102 Main Street
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Claremont, NH 03743
Phone: (603) 542-9528
Fax: (603) 542-3140



Southwestern Community Services

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Marlow

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2015 City / Town Report

* Direct Assistance to Residents:	\$66,189.25
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** Economic Impact:	\$165,473.14
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1.0% of Direct Assistance:	\$661.89
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*** Total Number of Households Served:	80
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*** Total Number of Residents Served:	219
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Average Benefit Per Household:	\$827.37
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Average Benefit per Resident:	\$302.23
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* Property Taxes and Administrative Payroll are NOT included in the direct assistance or economic impact totals.

** Economic Impact is calculated by multiplying the direct assistance by a factor of 2.5

*** Some Households receive benefits from more than one program and may therefore be duplicated. However, the amount shown as Direct Assistance to Residents is the actual expenditures to the residents of this town.

2015 City / Town Report - Program Summaries

Child Care / Education		\$0.00
Head Start		\$0.00
Nutrition / Health		\$5,170.92
Breast Feeding Peer Counseling		\$1,241.04
Commodity Supplemental Food		\$827.28
Emergency Food Assistance		\$0.00
Women's, Infant, Children (WIC)		\$3,102.60
Family Services		\$1,860.00
Adult disadvantaged		\$0.00
Work Experience		\$260.00
Workplace Success Program		\$1,600.00
Adult Dislocated		\$0.00
Substance Use Prevention		\$1,565.71
MADAC - Monadnock Alcohol & Drug Abuse Coalition		\$1,565.71
Energy		\$42,599.62
Case Management		\$25.00
Fuel assistance		\$24,255.00
Senior Energy Assistance		\$0.00
Electric Assistance Program		\$13,108.00
Weatherization		\$5,211.62
Utility Programs		\$996.00
Core		\$396.00
Neighbor Helping Neighbor		\$600.00
New Hope New Horizons		\$13,997.00
Day Services		\$13,997.00
Residential Services		\$0.00
Vocational Rehabilitation		\$0.00
Housing Stabilization Services		\$0.00
Emergency - Transitional Shelter (short term)		\$0.00
Permanent Housing Program		\$0.00
Long term Transitional Shelter		\$0.00
Shelter Plus Care		\$0.00
Homelessness Prevention		\$0.00
Housing Security Deposit Guarantee		\$0.00
HUD Homeless Outreach		\$0.00
Continuum of Care Rapid Re-Housing Program		\$0.00
Emergency Housing Program		\$0.00
Homeless Housing Access Revolving Loan Fund		\$0.00
Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)		\$0.00
Second Chance for Success		\$0.00
Foreclosure Intervention Counseling Program		\$0.00
Housing Stabilization Counseling		\$0.00
Resident Services		\$0.00
Single Family Rehab		\$0.00
Lead Paint Abatement		\$0.00
HCBC (Medicaid)		\$0.00
Housing Preservation Grants (RD)		\$0.00
Affordable Housing		
Affordable Housing Rental Projects Owned	Assessed Value	\$0.00
Real Estate	Property Taxes Paid	\$0.00
Other Properties		
Commercial Properties	Assessed Value	\$0.00

2015 City / Town - Program Details

Child Care / Education		\$0.00
Head Start		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Children Enrolled	0	
Cost Per Child	\$13,447	
Nutrition / Health		\$5,170.92
Breast Feeding Peer Counseling		\$1,241.04
Number of Consumers Enrolled	2	
Value of Monthly Food Package	\$51.71	
Commodity Supplemental Food		\$827.28
Number of Elderly Individuals Enrolled	3	
Value of Monthly Food Package	\$22.98	
Emergency Food Assistance		\$0.00
Number of Food Pantries	0	
Number of Soup Kitchens	0	
Number of Homeless Shelters	0	
Number of Charitable Organizations	0	
Women's, Infant, Children (WIC)		\$3,102.60
Number of Households Enrolled	4	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	7	
Number of Women Enrolled	1	
Number of Children Enrolled	4	
Monthly Cost of Women's Food Package	\$51.71	
Monthly Cost of Children's Food Package	\$51.71	
Family Services		\$1,860.00
Adult disadvantaged		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Direct Service Amount	\$0.00	
Work Experience		\$260.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	1	
Direct Service Amount	\$260.00	
Workplace Success Program		\$1,600.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	1	
Direct Service Amount	\$1,600.00	
Adult Dislocated		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Direct Service Amount	\$0.00	
Substance Use Prevention		\$1,565.71
MADAC - Monadnock Alcohol & Drug Abuse Coalition		\$1,565.71
Number of Youth Engaged in Avoiding Risk Taking Behavior	75	
Number of Volunteer Hours	0	
Value of Community Messaging - Media - Promotions	\$1,565.71	

2015 City / Town - Program Details

Energy		\$42,599.62
Case Management		\$25.00
Number of Households Enrolled	1	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	1	
Number of Elderly	1	
Value of Service	\$25.00	
Fuel assistance		\$24,255.00
Number of Households Enrolled	33	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	63	
Number of Households Applied	35	
Number of Elderly Households Enrolled	7	
Number of Elderly Enrolled	7	
Average Household Benefit	\$735.00	
Senior Energy Assistance		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Annual Benefit	\$270.00	
Electric Assistance Program		\$13,108.00
Number of Households Served	29	
Number of Consumers Served	54	
Annual Benefit	13,108	
Weatherization		\$5,211.62
Number of Households Served	1	
Number of Consumers Served	1	
Rehabilitation Value	\$5,211.62	
Utility Programs		\$996.00
Core		\$396.00
Number of Households Served	1	
Number of Consumers Served	1	
Rehabilitation Value	\$396.00	
Neighbor Helping Neighbor		\$600.00
Number of Households Enrolled	3	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	9	
Average Benefit	\$200.00	
New Hope New Horizons		\$13,997.00
Day Services		\$13,997.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	1	
Value of Service	\$13,997.00	
Residential Services		\$0.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value of Service	\$0.00	
Vocational Rehabilitation		\$0.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value of Service	\$0.00	

2015 City / Town - Program Details

Housing Stabilization Services		\$0.00
Emergency - Transitional Shelter (short term)		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Number of Bed Nights	0	
Value of Bed Nights	\$0.00	
Number of Case Management Hours	0	
Value of Case Management Hours	\$0.00	
Permanent Housing Program		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Number of Months Households Enrolled (combined)	0	
Total Benefit to Households	\$0.00	
Long term Transitional Shelter		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Number of Months Households Enrolled	0	
Total Benefits	\$0.00	
Shelter Plus Care		\$0.00
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Number of Months Households Enrolled	0	
Monthly FMR	\$0.00	
Homelessness Prevention		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumers	\$0.00	
Housing Security Deposit Guarantee		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumers	\$0.00	
HUD Homeless Outreach		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Number of Case Management Hours	0	
Value of Case Management Hours	\$0.00	
Continuum of Care Rapid Re-Housing Program		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumers	\$0.00	
Emergency Housing Program		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumers	\$0.00	
Homeless Housing Access Revolving Loan Fund		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumers	0	

2015 City / Town - Program Details

Housing Stabilization Services		
Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumer	\$0.00	
Second Chance for Success		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Value to Consumer	\$0.00	
Foreclosure Intervention Counseling Program		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Number of Case Management Hours	0	
Value of Case Management Hours	\$0.00	
Housing Stabilization Counseling		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Number of Case Management Hours	0	
Value of Case Management Hours	\$0.00	
Resident Services		\$0.00
Number of Households Enrolled	0	
Number of Consumers Enrolled	0	
Number of Case Management, Referral, Meeting Hours	0	
Value of Hours	\$0.00	
Single Family Rehab		
Lead Paint Abatement		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Residents Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	
HCBC (Medicaid)		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Residents Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	
Housing Preservation Grants (RD)		\$0.00
Number of Households Served	0	
Number of Residents Served	0	
Rehabilitation Value	\$0.00	
Affordable Housing		
Affordable Housing Rental Projects Owned		
Number of Units / Households	0	
Number of Consumers	0	
Assessed Value	\$0.00	
Real Estate		
Property Taxes Paid	\$0.00	
Other Properties		
Commercial Properties		
Assessed Value	\$0.00	



Southwestern Community Services

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Direct Assistance Rate	1.0%
Maximum Request	\$ 10,000
Minimum Request	\$ 500

Town Summary Report

2015

Town	Number of Households Served	Units of Service Provided	Amount of Direct Assistance*	1.0% of Direct Assistance	Economic Impact**	Average Savings/ Household	Percentage of the Average
Aworth	87	191	\$77,711	\$777	\$194,278	\$893	96%
Alstead	234	485	\$231,871	\$2,317	\$579,178	\$990	107%
Charlestown	803	1587	\$530,584	\$5,306	\$1,326,410	\$661	71%
Chesterfield	178	311	\$158,880	\$1,587	\$396,651	\$901	97%
Claremont	2341	4783	\$2,437,642	\$10,000	\$6,094,106	\$1,041	112%
Cornish	104	205	\$64,980	\$650	\$162,450	\$825	87%
Croydon	66	147	\$56,243	\$562	\$140,608	\$852	92%
Dublin	68	188	\$81,259	\$813	\$153,148	\$901	97%
Fitzwilliam	208	451	\$196,412	\$1,964	\$491,031	\$944	102%
Gilsom	79	239	\$48,827	\$500	\$122,087	\$818	87%
Goshen	93	220	\$84,199	\$842	\$210,497	\$905	96%
Grantham	47	82	\$27,828	\$500	\$69,589	\$592	64%
Harrisville	49	127	\$81,044	\$810	\$202,609	\$1,654	178%
Hinsdale	595	1,199	\$497,339	\$4,973	\$1,243,348	\$834	90%
Jaffrey	569	1,243	\$603,771	\$6,038	\$1,509,428	\$1,061	114%
Keene	2,576	7,056	\$2,839,841	\$10,000	\$7,099,604	\$1,102	119%
Langdon	64	153	\$52,699	\$527	\$131,748	\$823	89%
Lempeter	141	299	\$159,823	\$1,598	\$399,558	\$1,133	122%
Marlborough	221	723	\$181,034	\$1,810	\$452,585	\$819	88%
Marlow	80	219	\$88,189	\$882	\$185,473	\$827	89%
Neilon	55	182	\$48,373	\$500	\$120,933	\$880	95%
Newport	1,198	2,364	\$989,488	\$9,895	\$2,473,671	\$828	89%
Plainfield	73	132	\$47,620	\$500	\$119,051	\$652	70%
Richmond	99	337	\$152,938	\$1,529	\$382,341	\$1,545	168%
Rindge	374	720	\$244,165	\$2,442	\$610,412	\$653	70%
Roxbury	20	92	\$14,519	\$500	\$38,298	\$728	78%
Springfield	79	140	\$44,742	\$500	\$111,854	\$566	61%
Stoddard	83	337	\$87,479	\$875	\$168,698	\$813	88%
Sullivan	71	214	\$95,224	\$952	\$238,060	\$1,341	145%
Sunapee	176	362	\$139,485	\$1,395	\$348,663	\$792	85%
Surry	47	109	\$55,685	\$557	\$139,214	\$1,185	128%
Swansey	919	2,539	\$768,312	\$7,683	\$1,920,781	\$838	90%
Troy	384	1,050	\$237,049	\$2,370	\$592,622	\$617	67%
Unity	108	213	\$64,087	\$641	\$160,188	\$593	64%
Walpole	290	675	\$299,526	\$2,995	\$748,816	\$1,033	111%
Washington	107	199	\$82,212	\$822	\$155,529	\$581	63%
Westmoreland	69	247	\$87,338	\$873	\$218,346	\$1,266	136%
Winchester	1,098	2,372	\$980,662	\$9,807	\$2,451,655	\$893	96%
Grand Total:	13,852	32,230	\$12,856,582	\$96,472	\$32,141,456	\$928	

* Property Taxes and Administrative Payroll are NOT included in the direct assistance or economic impact totals.

** Economic Impact is calculated by multiplying the direct assistance by a factor of 2.5

MONADNOCK FAMILY SERVICES

Monadnock Family Services Annual Report to the Towns For the year ended June 30th, 2015

Town of: MARLOW

**Monadnock Family Services provided the following services to
your town's residents this last year:**

Number of clients treated:	15
Children:	6
Adults:	9
Seniors:	0
Total # of appointments provided for the above residents:	1,023
Percentage of payments received for services:	84.00%
Discounts based on a residents ability to pay and other discounts:	\$61,805.00
In addition to the above discounts current outstanding and uncollectible resident balances:	\$8,346.00

COMMUNITY KITCHEN



The Community Kitchen, Inc.

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October 6, 2015

Office of the Selectmen
Town of Marlow
167 NH Route 123
Marlow, NH 03456

Dear Selectmen:

I am writing to request that The Community Kitchen, Inc. (TCK) be placed either on your 2016 Town Meeting warrant or in your town budget for an operating budget request in the amount of \$2,000.00. We try to balance the amount of use the residents of a town have made of The Community Kitchen in the last year with the town's ability to pay.

So far this year 18 unduplicated Marlow residents have registered at TCK and received food equivalent to 1,557 meals at a cost of \$2,024.10 to the Kitchen. We calculate the cost of meals by taking the cost of operating the Kitchen and dividing the total number of meals provided – in 2014 we provided 513,063 meals for an overall cost of \$657,448.66 – and therefore we arrived at a cost per meal of \$1.30. We verify our clients carefully for eligibility. Each registered client has provided proof of address, date of birth and income. We also re-verify each year. In 2014, 37 unduplicated Marlow residents registered at TCK and received food equivalent to 2,673 meals at a cost of \$3,474.90 to the Kitchen.

Traditionally, The Community Kitchen experiences an increase in both the numbers of families served and the number of meals distributed in November and December, due to Thanksgiving and Christmas, and costs associated with cold weather and heating bills.

The money we are requesting would be applied to our overall operating budget to cover costs including salaries, property and liability insurance, running and maintenance costs of our vehicles, utilities and food purchases.

On average, 500 families come to our Pantry for food assistance every week. A typical Pantry box would contain fresh fruits and vegetables, canned soup and vegetables, pasta or rice, pasta sauce, meat, dessert items, bread, bagels, dairy and personal care items when we have them. We have been delighted with our ongoing Gleaning Program which has brought tens of thousands of pounds of farm and garden fresh fruits and vegetables into our program. Fresh fruits and vegetables are an important, but expensive, part of a family's shopping bill and we are committed to guiding our clients to making good food choices wherever possible. We offer recipes to encourage clients to take the fresh produce and are pleased to continue working with Keene State College Dietetic Interns working with us this year researching recipes, cooking dishes and offering samples during Pantry distribution. This has proven to be very successful and encourages clients to try new recipes with produce they might not have been familiar with.

We also act as host for the Monadnock Food Coalition which endeavors to provide Thanksgiving and Christmas/Holiday boxes to other pantries within Cheshire County, social service agencies and other agencies serving the low income population. For last year's Thanksgiving and Christmas we were able to provide the majority of the food needed for *their* Holiday distribution for Ashuelot Head Start, Keene Head Start, Swanzey Head Start, Crotched Mountain, Gert's Pantry (Swanzey), Helping Hands of Troy, Joan's Pantry (Chesterfield), Jaffrey Food Pantry, Rindge Food Pantry, Richmond Youth Fellowship Food Pantry, Keene Day Care, Charlestown Food Pantry, the Fall Mountain Emergency Food Shelf, HCS (Keene) and Rise for Baby and Family – a total of over 2,700 families.

In addition to the Pantry Program we also offer a free hot dinner Monday-Friday and a free lunch on Sunday. There is no verification necessary for the hot meal, it is open to all.

If you are interested, I would be happy to set up a time for a meeting with the Board of Selectmen or the Welfare Officer of Marlow in order to answer any further questions that may arise. We are also happy to set up tours of the Kitchen for anyone who would be interested to see our operation. Please let me know if that would be convenient or of interest.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Phoebe Bray". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Phoebe Bray
Executive Director

REQUEST FOR FUNDING PROPOSAL
TO THE
TOWN OF MARLOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Mission Statement

The Community Kitchen, Inc. is a not-for-profit direct service United Way Agency providing healthy and nutritious hot meals, take-home food boxes and advocacy to low and moderate income men, women and families with children in the Monadnock Region.

SERVICES PROVIDED TO RESIDENTS OF MARLOW

The Community Kitchen primarily offers two Programs:

Our Pantry Program distributes take home supplemental food boxes on Wednesdays from 12:30pm-5:30pm and Thursdays from 11:00am-4:00pm, as well as emergency food boxes to walk-ins and referrals from Town and City Welfare offices and other agencies. Each box provides approximately three meals per day for three days for each family member. We try to offer extra food to families with children.

Our Hot Meals Program offers a free, freshly prepared meal Monday-Friday from 5:00-6:20pm and Sundays from 11am-12:30pm.

2014	Marlow residents served:	37	Meals:	2,673	Cost:	\$3,474.90
2015*	Harrisville residents served:	18	Meals:	1,557	Cost:	\$2,024.10

(*numbers are from 1/1/15-8/31/15)



ART ANDERSON

ASHUELOT RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee (ARLAC) was established in 1994, one year after the Ashuelot River was enrolled into the State Rivers Management and Protection Program. Members are nominated by local municipal officials and appointed by the Commissioner of the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES). The volunteer **Ashuelot River water quality monitoring program** continued for its fifteenth season, in conjunction with the DES Volunteer River Assessment Program (VRAP). ARLAC members, working with community volunteers, participated in a spring training session, leading to monthly sampling May through September. The Ashuelot River is classified as "class B," meaning that it is considered suitable for fishing, swimming and other recreational uses.

- We sampled 11 sites along the River's 64-mile length, and 3 sites along the South Branch in Swanzey.
- We obtained E. coli samples from June through September, and total phosphorous samples from July through September.
- The cost of lab analyses was covered by contributions from Conservation Commissions along the River and DES.
- Over 200 hours were logged by 22 volunteers. New volunteers are welcome!
- A quick look at this year's results:

E.coli--most samples met the "class B" level for surface waters. However, the September sampling exceeded (showing contamination) Class B levels at sites from the Stone Arch Bridge in Keene to Hinsdale, and the South Branch. This likely reflects high flows experienced that day due to prior heavy rain and more run-off.

pH levels-- continued an upward trend with the majority of readings at the acceptable level of 6.5-8.0. The upper reaches (Marlow & north) and the South Branch continue to be the most acidic, with readings mostly above 6.0 but as low as 5.56 in Washington.

Dissolved oxygen, total phosphorus, chloride, turbidity, and specific conductance remained within the standard.

As mandated by DES, **ARLAC reviews and comments on state permit applications** within the River corridor that have potential impacts on the River. Included this year were:

- 14 Wetland, Shore land or Alteration of Terrain projects in Washington, Gilsum, Keene, Swanzey, and Winchester.
- 4 site visits, and one complaint investigation.
- Comments on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) application by West Street Hydro.
- Support for procurement of Aquatic Mitigation Funds and Moose Plate funds for easement purchase & restoration of floodplain in Swanzey.
- Support for Alternative "C" of the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge Comprehensive Conservation Plan.
- Support for the NH Instream Flow Study Report.

We strive to educate ourselves on a broad array of issues associated with the River and its watershed. We hope to be a resource that works well between the interests and concerns of the citizens in the watershed and State authorities. Activities included:

- 2014 River monitoring data analysis by Dr. Stephen Stepenuck.
- Viewing of a webinar on dam removal by Laura Wildman, PE of Princeton Hydro.
- Serving as a resource to Keene State College students who were conducting senior projects.

- Recommendation of six Monadnock Regional High School students for NH Fish and Game Annual Award of Excellence.
- Participation in both regional and state-wide meetings covering topics such as: NH Instream Flow protection, the Silvio Conte Refuge Conservation Plan, the NH Wildlife Action Plan, FERC relicensing of Connecticut River hydro dams, preliminary hydrological report of expected impacts of the West Street Dam removal, and Ecological Flood Mitigation.

The **Annual River cleanup** took place September 25 and 26 in conjunction with the Connecticut River Watershed Council's Source to Sea Clean-up:

- 115 volunteers collected two tons of trash in Swanzey and Keene from The Branch and the Ashuelot Rivers, and Beaver Brook.

We continue to have a Facebook presence as the *Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee*.

River monitoring data can be viewed at des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/vrap/data.htm.

Current E.coli results can be viewed during the monitoring season at www.ctriver.us.

ARLAC meets the third Tuesday monthly at 7 p.m. at the Keene Public Library. We invite citizens and town officials to contact their local ARLAC representatives with any concerns or interest in participating as a town representative.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Skuly, Chairman

2015 Membership: Gus Merwin & Carl MacConnell, Marlow; Pablo Fleischmann, Gilsum; John Davis, Surry; Jim Holley, Keene; Barbara Skuly & Chuck Mills, Swanzey; Christopher John, Winchester; Brett Thelen, Harris Center for Conservation Education.



ART ANDERSON

MARLOW CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John Asseng has resigned as Chairman but has agreed to stay on as a member. We thank him for his many years of service.

Carl and I have joined the Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee mainly because this river and its watershed affect a lot of Marlow. The River Committee monitors the water quality through water testing.

The transfer of The Sands property to The Monadnock Conservancy was completed this fall. Now 90+ acres including the Marlow Profile are protected from development and is open for public use.

The Monadnock Conservancy requested compensation for administration fees incurred for the transfer of the Sands property from the Conservation Commission Capital Reserve Fund established in 2007. The request was denied because an easement was not included in the transfer. The Monadnock Conservancy instead holds land in perpetuity. The Conservation Commission would like to amend the purpose of the Conservation Commission Capital Reserve Fund to include compensation to public land trusts for administrative fees who hold land in perpetuity.

We also have had the pleasure of having Lily Brogdale as a junior member although she can't vote yet; it is great to have young people helping out as time permits with busy school schedules.

Thanks,

Gus Merwin, Chair

John Asseng

Carl MacConnell



TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

The Trustees of Trust Funds oversee Capital Reserve Funds, Cemetery Funds, Common Funds, Library Trust Funds, and the School and Scholarship Trust Funds. The market value of these funds on 12/31/15 was \$1,189,965.39.

The purpose of the Strickland Scholarship is to encourage a deserving person to continue their formal education at either an accredited college or a technical school located in New Hampshire. Any person who has been a resident of Marlow for at least 5 consecutive years and who has graduated from high school or received their GED is eligible to apply for this \$500.00 scholarship. The scholarship is also available for residents who are already enrolled in a program of study. This scholarship is not restricted to freshmen or new applicants. All Marlow residents who desire to continue their education are encouraged to apply. Once again, a generous contribution to the principal was received from the Strickland Family. There were only two applicants for the 2015 Frances Strickland Scholarship. The Strickland family proposed the award be equally divided between the two siblings. Samantha Cohen was awarded \$250 and is attending NH Institute of Art in Manchester and Jacob Cohen was awarded \$250 and is attending Saint Anselm College in Manchester. Applications for 2016 may be obtained at the town office, the library or by contacting the Trustees at Marlownhhtt@gmail.com. The deadline to apply is May 17, 2016. If you wish to make a donation to the Strickland Scholarship Fund, please contact one of the members of the Trustees of Trust Funds.

The Trustees wish to thank the townspeople for voting and passing the Warrant Article at the last town meeting allowing professional banking service fees to be deducted from income on the Capital Reserve Funds. Mackensen charges a low .5% fee to manage and invest the funds as well as provide an array of services that couldn't be matched by other local bankers or management firms. Mackensen handles the bookkeeping, prepares the MS-9 and MS-10 reports, provides real-time reports as well as monthly reports, and has been available to answer questions along the way. Access to a professional investment firm has been a real asset this past year despite overall poor market performance. They have made a few trips to our town throughout the past year to meet with the Trustees and the Selectmen to present information and answer questions.

Anyone with a 401K or investment portfolio can attest to the poor market performance this past year. Unfortunately, the town's public and private trust funds were not immune to this trend. The Trustees did not see returns that we had hoped to see our first year with an investment management firm, but we remain optimistic the market will improve. With a professional investment management firm that has experience with the market and can access securities with greater returns than what the funds were previously earning with the Insured Cash Sweep (.15% in 2014), we are hopeful 2016 will be a better year in generating income.

Mary Blank, resigned in late September due to unforeseen circumstances. We thank her for her years of service and volunteering to the Trustees of Trust Funds and Cemetery Trustees. Currently, there is an opening on the Trustees of Trust Funds board so anyone with an interest in finance, investing, accounting, numbers or a general interest in overseeing the handling of the funds should come to a meeting. The Trustees meet the third Tuesday of the month at 5:30 pm at the library. Hope to see you there! Bretton Walsh has decided to run for another term so please vote for her.

Respectfully,
Bretton Walsh

Town Of Marlow
Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds
For the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2015

First Deposit	Name of Fund	Purpose of Fund	How Invested	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				TOTAL		Ending Market Value
				Balance Beginning of Year	Additions- Withdraw Gain-Loss	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Net Income	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Principal & Income		
CEMETERY TRUSTS													
1900- 2015	Perpetual Care	Lot Maintenance	Common TF	54,060.93	313.76	54,374.69	18,542.36	2,474.39	0.00	21,016.75	75,391.44	71,127.67	
1998- 2006	Other Trusts	Cemetery Maintenance	Common TF	57,115.82	270.18	57,386.00	6,893.61	2,176.75	213.53	8,856.83	66,242.83	62,496.47	
Total Cemetery Trusts				111,176.75	583.94	111,760.69	25,435.97	4,651.14	213.53	29,873.58	141,634.27	133,624.14	
LIBRARY													
2000	C. B. Howard Trust	Library	Common TF	54.79	0.10	54.89	51.39	3.62	0.00	55.01	109.90	103.68	
2013	Russell Perkins - New Library	New Library	Common TF	22,877.10	23.22	22,900.32	3,525.17	897.67	0.00	4,422.84	27,323.16	25,777.90	
Total Library				22,931.89	23.32	22,955.21	3,576.56	901.29	0.00	4,477.85	27,433.06	25,881.58	
SCHOLARSHIP													
1999	Frances Stickland Scholarship	Scholarships	Common TF	8,934.66	208.63	9,143.29	1,280.29	340.74	500.00	1,130.03	10,273.32	9,692.31	
Total Scholarship				8,934.66	208.63	9,143.29	1,280.29	340.74	500.00	1,130.03	10,273.32	9,692.31	
SCHOOL FUNDS													
1864	ASA Way	Scholarships	Common TF	540.80	0.95	541.75	538.32	36.70	0.00	575.02	1,116.77	1,063.61	
1842	School Fund	Scholarships	Common TF	1,214.85	2.12	1,216.97	1,194.44	81.90	0.00	1,276.34	2,493.31	2,352.30	
1933	Fred P. Whittemore	Scholarships	Common TF	1,939.84	3.45	1,943.29	1,973.77	133.05	0.00	2,106.82	4,050.11	3,821.06	
Total School Funds				3,695.49	6.52	3,702.01	3,706.53	251.65	0.00	3,958.18	7,660.19	7,226.97	
FIRE DEPARTMENT													
2013	Getrud & Richard Rock Trust	Equipment Replacement	Common TF	5,000.00	4.41	5,004.41	15.36	170.52	0.00	185.88	5,190.29	4,896.75	
Total Fire Department				5,000.00	4.41	5,004.41	15.36	170.52	0.00	185.88	5,190.29	4,896.75	
FIRE DEPT.													
2014	Fire Equipment Replacement	Equipment Replacement	Common CRF	1,000.00	1,000.90	2,000.90	0.05	17.34	0.00	17.39	2,018.29	1,998.54	
2014	Fire Uniform & Protective Equipment	Uniform & Protective Equipmt.	Common CRF	6,005.83	6,061.78	12,067.61	2.99	147.63	0.00	150.62	12,218.23	12,098.66	
2006	Fire Truck	Fire Truck	Common CRF	137,247.68	25,878.33	162,326.01	2,011.51	1,775.67	0.00	3,787.18	166,113.19	164,487.63	
Total Fire Dept.				144,253.51	32,141.01	176,394.52	2,014.55	1,940.64	0.00	3,955.19	180,349.71	178,584.83	

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				Balance Beginning of Year	Additions- Withdrawal Gain-Loss	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Net Income	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Principal & Income	Ending Market Value
TOWN												
1968	Heavy Highway Equipment	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	123,649.03	15,070.22	138,719.25	7,578.33	1,625.45	0.00	9,203.78	147,923.03	146,475.47
2004	Ambulance Fund	Ambulance	Common CRF	49,000.00	24.49	49,024.49	1,252.98	590.35	0.00	1,843.33	50,867.82	50,370.03
2006	Police Cruiser	Police Cruiser	Common CRF	15,000.00	5,009.42	20,009.42	39.76	204.61	0.00	244.37	20,253.79	20,065.50
2007	Ambulance & Paramedic Expendable Trust	Ambulance & Paramedic	Common CRF	0.02	176.67	176.69	0.00	10.59	0.00	10.59	187.20	185.45
2008	Conservation Commission Cap Reserves	Conservation Commission	Common CRF	6,000.00	2.96	6,002.96	96.98	71.50	0.00	158.48	6,161.44	6,101.14
2008	Transfer Station Expendable Trust	Transfer Station	Common CRF	12,500.00	2,511.14	15,011.14	7,503.12	258.28	0.00	7,761.40	22,772.54	22,549.69
2009	Road Improvement Expendable Trust	Road Improvements	Common CRF	169,714.00	11,657.19	181,371.19	2,096.95	2,130.07	0.00	4,227.02	185,598.21	183,701.97
2012	Government Buildings	Government Buildings	Common CRF	15,000.00	1,007.74	16,007.74	36.23	172.52	0.00	208.75	16,216.49	16,057.00
Total Town				290,863.05	35,459.83	426,322.88	18,594.35	5,063.37	0.00	23,657.72	449,980.60	445,577.14
SCHOOL												
1993	School Expendable Overbudget Tuition	Over Budget Tuition	Common CRF	189,149.30	113.55	189,262.85	44,028.75	2,739.34	0.00	46,768.09	236,030.94	233,721.18
2002	School Renovation & Reconstruction	Renovation & Reconstruction	Common CRF	96,018.03	48.84	96,066.87	4,262.53	1,178.07	0.00	5,440.60	101,507.47	100,514.13
2013	SAU 29 Revenue Replacement	Capital Reserve	Common CRF	50,000.00	24.42	50,024.42	129.60	588.90	0.00	718.50	50,742.92	50,246.36
Total School				335,167.33	186.81	335,354.14	48,420.88	4,506.31	0.00	52,927.19	388,281.33	384,481.67
GRAND TOTALS				1,022,022.68	68,614.47	1,090,637.15	103,053.49	17,825.66	713.53	120,165.62	1,210,802.77	1,189,965.39

MARLOW CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The Cemeteries Trustees are responsible for the operation and maintenance of three cemeteries in the Town of Marlow. The Marlow Village Cemetery on Church Street is the site for current burials and requires the most care and maintenance. Burials no longer take place in the West Yard Cemetery on the Jay Allen Road, or in the Early Settler's Cemetery off of Sargent Road. Mary Blank, Jan Lane, Candice Wiggum, Roxane MacConnell, Gerry Plotts, Erin Handy, Lou Paturzo, and Dan Reed served as Cemetery Trustees for part of the year in 2015.

The Marlow Cemetery Trustees has a link on the www.marlownh.gov website under the menu "Boards and Commissions". Information to be found on the website includes the Cemetery trustee meeting minutes, Cemetery rules, Cemetery history, cost of services, and other pertinent information. The new Cemetery Trustees email is: MarlowCemeteryTrustees@gmail.com

Visiting the Cemeteries

The Cemetery Trustees want to encourage Marlow residents to visit the cemeteries. At the Village Cemetery, there is a map on the garden shed to help find the location of graves. While visiting please be respectful of others, and help keep the cemeteries in good condition. Report to us any maintenance issues that you cannot remedy yourself, and give us your suggestions for improvements. Volunteers are always welcome.

Mowing

The Cemetery Trustees are looking for proposals for mowing the Cemeteries for the summer of 2016. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the Cemetery Trustees. Deadline for proposals is April 4, 2016.

West Yard Cemetery

Many of the gravestones in the West Yard cemetery have become loose and are tilted. This condition needs to be addressed. While there are some funds available for this project, we hope to use volunteer labor as much as possible.

WANTED: Cemetery Trustees!

The current full complement of Cemetery Trustees would be five. Currently there are only three, and, only 1 of the 4 vacancies has a candidate. Anyone willing to become a Cemetery Trustee who did not declare his/her candidacy during the filing period may conduct a write-in campaign or contact one of the trustees after the elections for a possible appointment. Meanwhile we will be seeking to reduce the number of Cemetery Trustees positions from 5 to 3.

In closing, the Cemetery Trustees look forward to maintaining the Cemeteries in the Town of Marlow as honoring and respectful places for those who have gone on before us; places the residents of Marlow can be proud of and appreciate. Please do not hesitate to contact the trustees with your questions, comments, or suggestions.

Respectfully,

Erin Handy

Dan Reed

MARLOW AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

As most of you know our town was the very first in our county to support an Ag. Commission. This is a positive source for agriculture in our small town.

Many bills in the legislature and by EPA are changing the face of agriculture. We need concerned people to address these changes.

If you can help please call our Town Administrator so we can contact you. Thank you!



VITAL STATISTICS 2015

BIRTHS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Parents</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>
Kobeski, Julia Marie	05/05/2015	Kobeski, Adam Kobeski, Emma	Keene, NH
Aiken, Makayla Mae	06/11/2015	Dunn, Rebecca	Keene, NH
Brewer, Brady Christopher Gary	07/08/2015	Brewer, Sean Brewer, Samantha	Keene, NH
Austerman, Kyrach Erika	08/20/2015	Austerman, Donald Hulslander, Gabrielle	Peterborough, NH
Aimes, Kamryn Lynn	08/24/2015	Aimes, Daniel Aimes, Brittney	Keene, NH
Beauvais, Finley Raymond	09/26/2015	Beauvais, Benjamin Santaw, Allyson	Keene, NH
Mack, Alyssa Carol	12/22/2015	Mack, Daniel Mack, Jessica	Peterborough, NH

MARRIAGE

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Aimes, Daniel M.	05/14/2015	Bedford, NH
Warner, Brittney L.		Marlow, NH

DEATHS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>
Feuer, Joseph	01/09/2015	Marlow, NH
Chambers, Clifton	02/05/2015	Marlow, NH
Meade, Jill	02/25/2015	Marlow, NH
Gallagher, Maryann	07/21/2015	Marlow, NH

ECONOMIC AND LABOR MARKET

Marlow, NH



Community Contact

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Jacqui Fay, Executive Administrator
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Web Site

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Municipal Office Hours

Selectmen: Monday, 7 pm; Town Office: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 10 am - 1 pm, 2 pm - 3:30 pm; Town Clerk: Wednesday, 4:30 pm - 7 pm, Thursday, 10 am - 12:30 pm; Tax Collector: Tuesday, 5 pm - 7 pm

County

Cheshire

Labor Market Area

Keene, NH Micropolitan NECTA

Tourism Region

Monadnock

Planning Commission

Southwest Region

Regional Development

Monadnock Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress

District 2

Executive Council

District 2

State Senate

District 8

State Representative

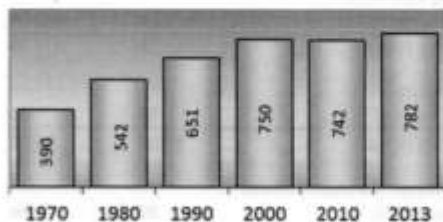
Cheshire County District 2

Incorporated: 1761

Origin: This territory was first chartered in 1753 as Addison, after Joseph Addison, Secretary of State for England, who signed the appointment papers making John Wentworth Lieutenant Governor of New Hampshire under the jurisdiction of Massachusetts in 1717. As a result of the French and Indian War, few original grantees settled there under the terms of the charter. The town was regranted in 1761 as Marlow, and the charter renewed in 1772. In some references, the name was in honor of Christopher Marlowe, the famed author and playwright; others indicate it was taken from the English town of the same name. Marlow was one of the towns that joined Vermont during the boundary dispute, but returned to New Hampshire in 1781.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 313 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Marlow totaled 432 over 53 years, from 350 in 1960 to 782 in 2013. The largest decennial percent change was a 39 percent increase between 1970 and 1980; the second largest was a 20 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2013 Census estimate for Marlow was 782 residents, which ranked 199th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2013 (US Census Bureau): 30.0 persons per square mile of land area. Marlow contains 26.0 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES		
Type of Government	Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2014	\$742,170	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2013	\$1,530,992	
Zoning Ordinance	1986/11	
Master Plan	2003	
Capital Improvement Plan	No	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board	

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Library; Cemetery; Budget
Appointed:	Planning; Zoning; Conservation; Agricultural; Parks & Recreation

Public Library **Marlow Town**

EMERGENCY SERVICES		
Police Department	Part-time	
Fire Department	Volunteer	
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer	
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Cheshire Medical Center, Keene	17 miles	140

UTILITIES		
Electric Supplier	Granite State; Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop	
Natural Gas Supplier	None	
Water Supplier	Private wells	
Sanitation	Private septic	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No	
Solid Waste Disposal	None	
Curbside Trash Pickup	No	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	Mandatory	
Recycling Program	Mandatory	
Telephone Company	Fairpoint	
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes	
Cable Television Access	Limited	
Public Access Television Station	No	
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	Limited
	Residential	Limited

PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)
2013 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$21.05	
2013 Equalization Ratio	106.3	
2013 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$22.16	
2013 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type		
Residential Land and Buildings	91.8%	
Commercial Land and Buildings	5.3%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	2.8%	

HOUSING		(ACS 2009-2013)
Total Housing Units	393	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	377	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:		
Two to Four Units in Structure	0	
Five or More Units in Structure	0	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	16	

DEMOGRAPHICS			(US Census Bureau)
Total Population	Community	County	
2013	782	76,723	
2010	742	77,117	
2000	750	73,993	
1990	651	70,223	
1980	542	62,116	
1970	390	52,364	

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2009-2013

Population by Gender		
Male	432	Female 350

Population by Age Group	
Under age 5	33
Age 5 to 19	164
Age 20 to 34	71
Age 35 to 54	277
Age 55 to 64	92
Age 65 and over	145
Median Age	43.0 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	92.9%
Bachelor's degree or higher	22.4%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2009-2013)
Per capita income	\$28,506	
Median family income	\$71,563	
Median household income	\$67,841	
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers		
Male	\$51,125	
Female	\$49,167	
Individuals below the poverty level	4.0%	

LABOR FORCE			(NHES - ELMI)
Annual Average	2003	2013	
Civilian labor force	432	409	
Employed	419	394	
Unemployed	13	15	
Unemployment rate	3.0%	3.7%	

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2003	2013	
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	n	n	
Average Weekly Wage	n	n	
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	n	n	
Average Weekly Wage	n	n	
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	55	49	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 717	\$ 617	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	38	46	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 334	\$ 338	
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	93	95	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 560	\$ 483	

If "n" appears, data do not meet disclosure standards.

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Marlow operates grades K-6; grades 7-12 are tuitioned to Keene** District: **SAU 29**
 Career Technology Center(s): **The Cheshire Career Center, Keene; Fall Mountain Regional High School - CTE, Langdon; Windham Regional Career Center, Brattleboro, VT** Region: **13**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K 1-6			
Total Enrollment	34			

Nearest Community College: **River Valley**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Keene State; New England; Antioch New England**

2014 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHH5-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

LARGEST BUSINESSES

Audio Accessories, Inc.

PRODUCT/SERVICE

Audio cables, patch cords, & patch boards

EMPLOYEES

30

ESTABLISHED

1966

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access US Routes
 State Routes **10, 123, 123A**
 Nearest Interstate, Exit **I-91 (VT), Exit 5**
 Distance **20 miles**

Railroad **No**
 Public Transportation **No**

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation

Dillant-Hopkins, Swanzey Runway **6,201 ft. asphalt**
 Lighted? **Yes** Navigation Aids? **Yes**

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service

Lebanon Municipal Distance **49 miles**
 Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport **1**

Driving distance to select cities:

Manchester, NH	50 miles
Portland, Maine	150 miles
Boston, Mass.	98 miles
New York City, NY	237 miles
Montreal, Quebec	232 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK

(ACS 2009-2013)

Workers 16 years and over

Drove alone, car/truck/van	80.4%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	2.2%
Public transportation	0.6%
Walked	1.4%
Other means	0.8%
Worked at home	14.7%

Mean Travel Time to Work **29.4 minutes**

Percent of Working Residents: **ACS 2009-2013**

Working in community of residence	32.9
Commuting to another NH community	44.1
Commuting out-of-state	23.0

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

Municipal Parks
 YMCA/YWCA
 Boys Club/Girls Club
 Golf Courses
 Swimming: Indoor Facility
 Swimming: Outdoor Facility
 Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
 Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
 Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
 Bowling Facilities
 X Museums
 Cinemas
 Performing Arts Facilities
 X Tourist Attractions
 X Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
 Youth Sports: Baseball
 Youth Sports: Soccer
 Youth Sports: Football
 Youth Sports: Basketball
 Youth Sports: Hockey
 Campgrounds
 X Fishing/Hunting
 X Boating/Marinas
 X Snowmobile Trails
 X Bicycle Trails
 X Cross Country Skiing
 Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
 Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Mount Sunapee**

Other: **Rock Climbing**

MARLOW HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MISSION STATEMENT: TO ILLUMINATE AND PRESERVE MARLOW'S HISTORY.

The focus of the Marlow Historical Society during the last year has been the continued restoration of Murray Hall.

New wiring, light fixtures and ceiling fans have been installed, as well as safety features, including lighted exit signs and emergency lighting. New steps and railing grace the front of the building. The foyer, office and staircase to the balcony have been totally refurbished. A handicap ramp has been built in the back, and the walls of the Great Hall have a new surface of sheetrock. We also organized a Community Painting Party to do the south side of the building.

Needless to say, much progress has been made thanks to many, many hours of volunteer efforts. Our office, archives and museum articles have now been moved in. Our collection comprises local artifacts that shed light on Marlow history, and range from family memorabilia to a 19th century hearse.

Much work remains to be done, however, especially the ceiling of the Great Hall, which will require professional expertise at considerable expense.

We are very busy, but our work is both important and gratifying. Membership is open to all individuals and families - so come join us. Our website: www.mhsnewhampshire.org

Our webmail: mhsnewhampshire@gmail.com

Contact phones - 446-7421, 446-2292



IOOF MARLOW ODD FELLOWS FOREST LODGE #69



Independent Order of Odd Fellows
Forest Lodge #69
PO Box 269, 5 Church Street
Marlow, NH 03456
E-mail: forestlodge69@gmail.com
Web: <https://sites.google.com/site/forestlodge69/>

The Odd Fellows Forest Lodge #69 is a fraternal organization dedicated to doing good deeds for people in the community who are facing challenging times.

The Lodge provides scholarships for graduating seniors, a summer camp tuition, and it opens the hall for the monthly meal for Senior Citizens. Numerous events are held throughout the year, including monthly buffet breakfasts held on the third Sunday of the month. The Lodge is available for community events, private parties, funerals, and wedding receptions, fund raisers and showers.

We welcome our three new Members: Tom Leech, Kevin O'Brien, and Matt Smith. We hope to continue to gain new members to keep our organization active. If anyone would like to join, male or female, please contact our Noble Grand, Bob Boivin at 446-5251.

This year our projects include the continuation of building repairs, maintenance and painting in the spring. Last year we sponsored the first Marlow Fun Day which was a success and we hope that this year's event on August 13th will be even bigger and better.

The IOOF Forest Lodge #69 would like to thank all those who support our fundraising activities throughout the year.

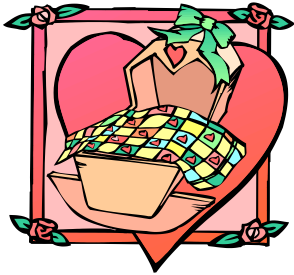
Bob Boivin

Noble Grand, Forest Lodge #69



ED THOMAS

WELCOME MARLOW BABIES PROGRAM



Since 2010, town organizations have joined to honor Marlow newborns. We present a bundle of gifts from the Town Library, Town Office, Historical Society, Odd Fellows, Marlow Children's Enrichment Trust (MCET), United Methodist Church (through the Marlow Quilters), Marlow Knitters, and United Methodist Women's Fellowship.

EIGHT babies arrived in 2015 - we delivered our bundle of gifts to 5 baby girls and three baby boys! It has been so much fun!

We hope to carry on the tradition this year. We check the Sentinel's "New Babies" column and we double check with Mary Avery, our Town Clerk. Through a change in the laws, however, people do not have to report a birth to their town clerk, leaving a chance that we might miss somebody.

If you know of a new birth (or adoption) please contact the library (446-3466) or Lynn Bailey (446-3450), and we can welcome the new baby in a timely fashion. Thank you!

P.S. If your organization or business would like to join, please contact Lynn Bailey.



If we know of older siblings, we include them in the celebration!



MARLOW CHILDREN'S ENRICHMENT TRUST



Marlow Children's Enrichment Trust

PO Box 1001

Marlow, NH 03456

"A society grows great when old men plant trees whose shade they know they shall never sit in." A Greek Proverb

Greetings to our Marlow neighbors,

The Marlow Children's Enrichment Trust was formed in 2013. We are excited to make a difference!

The purpose of this Trust is to "...assist education and developmental opportunities of children in the community of Marlow, New Hampshire." This trust is not connected to the Marlow School District or the Town of Marlow, although the intent, in part, is to work with the Marlow School Board and the staff at J. D. Perkins School to enhance learning opportunities for the students.

The money we raise through donations and fund raisers will allow us to bring programs and opportunities to students in our community. In 2015 we participated in Applebee's Dining to Donate. It was wonderful to see all the Marlow connections at the restaurant that eve. We also reached out to the Kiwanis Club in Keene, and we believe they will work with us in future projects. The week of June 5 – 11, 2016 we will be working with D'Angelos for another fund raiser. **We are excited to say we are now a 501c3 nonprofit organization with the IRS! This means that all donations are tax deductible.**

Who can apply for funds? Teachers of the Marlow School District, and individuals and groups associated with the town of Marlow whose purpose for these funds is to enrich Marlow children.

This year we gave \$333. We have given money to the Town Library for book bags for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program, and we have helped the Perkins Academy of Marlow bring two NH Historical Society programs to the school.

We are pleased to reach out to the community by contributing to the Marlow Babies Program, participating in the Odd Fellow's business card placemats, and hosting the Gathering Place once a month.

Thank you for your support. We believe you also wish to help Marlow students by offering them inspirations and aspirations to reach far and high.

Sincerely,

The Trustees of the Marlow Children's Enrichment Trust:

Donna Chase tele 446-7733, Sandy Salo 446-3366

Barbara White 446-2281, and Mary Andreasen 446-2276



SCHOOL REPORTS



CHRISTI RAY

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES

Marcia Levesque, Chair
Karin Asseng
Ty Tomasko

Term Expires 2016
Term Expires 2018
Term Expires 2017

NH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT 29 ADMINISTRATION

Robert H. Malay, Superintendent
Dan Black, Assistant Superintendent
Timothy L. Ruehr, SAU 29 Business Administrator
Janel Swanson, Business Administrator for Towns
Nancy Deutsch, Director of Human Resources
Catherine Woods, Director of Special Education
Dan Kaplan, Director of Technology
Liz Dunn, Special Education Coordinator for Towns

STAFF

Walter Huston	Principal/SPED
Dawn Elliott	Secretary
Kelly Snair	Grades K/1
Leah Giles	Grades 2/3
Maggie Sergeant	Grades 4/5/6
Emma Dupaul	Aide
Michael Elliott	Custodian
Michelle Tiani	Physical Education
Chris Albertson	Music
Kathaleen Cobb	Media Generalist
Rebecca LaQuerre	Art
Becky Kohler	Guidance Counselor
Heidi Benson	Speech Therapist
Patricia Woodruff	Nurse
Jill Lewis	Occupational Therapist
Pamela Towne	Occupational Therapist
Chris Nelson	School Psychologist
Melissa Wilks	Title I

OFFICERS

Kenneth R. Dassau	Moderator
Beth A. LaFreniere	Clerk
Donna L. Chase	Treasurer
Plodzick & Sanderson	Auditor

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The Marlow School District does not discriminate in its educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies: Nancy Deutsch, Title IX Coordinator for School Administrative Unit 29, and Director of Human Resources, 193 Maple Avenue, Keene, New Hampshire 03431, telephone number (603) 357-9002 ext. 213.

Complaints regarding compliance with Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - Section 504 should be submitted in writing to Catherine Woods, Director of Special Education, 193 Maple Avenue, Keene, New Hampshire 03431, telephone number (603) 357-9001 ext. 230.

Robert H. Malay
Superintendent of Schools



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Marlow qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the John D. Perkins, Sr. Academy in the Town of Marlow on the 8th day of March, 2016, between the hours of 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm to act upon the following article:

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary school district officers:

One School Board Member for three-year term

Given under our hands at said Marlow, this 10th day of February, 2016.

MARLOW SCHOOL BOARD

Marcia Levesque, Chair
Karin Asseng
Ty Tomasko



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Marlow qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the John D. Perkins, Sr. Academy in Marlow School District on the 10th day of March, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the Marlow School Board's recommended amount of \$1,588,849 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize the School Board to transfer up to \$30,000 of its unassigned fund balance, if any, remaining on hand at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2016; the sum of \$30,000 to be deposited in the Renovation/Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund established by voters at the March 2002 District Meeting for the purpose of major renovation / reconstruction of the school buildings and grounds and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Marlow School Board recommends this warrant article.)*

ARTICLE 4: To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize the School Board to transfer up to \$15,000 of its unassigned fund balance, if any, remaining on hand at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2016, the sum of \$15,000 to be deposited in the Over-budget Tuition Expendable Trust Fund established by the voters at the 1993 District Meeting for the purpose of paying future year regular/special education tuition, or to take any other action in relation thereto. If there is an insufficient undesignated fund balance as of June 30, 2016 to fund this appropriation and the appropriation in Article 3 (Capital Reserve Fund), Article 3 will be funded first, with any additional surplus to be applied to this warrant article. *(The Marlow School Board recommends this warrant article.)*

ARTICLE 5: To see if the District will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate \$25,000 to go into the fund. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. Majority vote required. *(The Marlow School Board recommends this warrant article.)*

ARTICLE 6: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Marlow, this 10th day of February, 2016.

MARLOW SCHOOL BOARD
Marcia Levesque, Chair
Karin Asseng
Ty Tomasko

2016-2017 PROPOSED BUDGET

MARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSED 2016-2017 SCHOOL BUDGET DISTRICT MEETING



Appropriations

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Instruction						
1100-1199	Regular Programs	02	\$0	\$780,986	\$794,009	\$0
1200-1299	Special Programs	02	\$0	\$386,391	\$279,628	\$0
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1400-1499	Other Programs	02	\$0	\$1,240	\$2,974	\$0
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs	02	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Education Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1700-1799	Community/Junior College Education Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Service Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Support Services						
2000-2199	Student Support Services	02	\$0	\$120,315	\$83,437	\$0
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	02	\$0	\$20,636	\$27,346	\$0
General Administration						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310 (840)	School Board Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310-2319	Other School Board	02	\$0	\$15,824	\$15,824	\$0
Executive Administration						
2320 (310)	SAU Management Services	02	\$0	\$50,014	\$49,114	\$0
2320-2399	All Other Administration	02	\$0	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0
2400-2499	School Administration Service	02	\$0	\$108,624	\$96,131	\$0
2500-2599	Business		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2600-2699	Plant Operations and Maintenance	02	\$0	\$91,472	\$58,629	\$0
2700-2799	Student Transportation	02	\$0	\$102,637	\$117,757	\$0
2800-2999	Support Service, Central and Other	02	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$0
Non-Instructional Services						
3100	Food Service Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
3200	Enterprise Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Facilities Acquisition and Construction						
4100	Site Acquisition		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4200	Site Improvement		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4300	Architectural/Engineering		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4400	Educational Specification Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4600	Building Improvement Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Outlays						
5110	Debt Service - Principal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5120	Debt Service - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund Transfers						
5220-5221	To Food Service	02	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	02	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0
5230-5239	To Capital Projects		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5254	To Agency Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5310	To Charter Schools		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5390	To Other Agencies		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
9990	Supplemental Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9992	Deficit Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Proposed Appropriations			\$0	\$1,742,139	\$1,588,849	\$0

Special Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
5253	To Non-Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	03	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$0
	Purpose: Appropriate to CRF From Fund Balance					
5252	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	04	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$0
	Purpose: Appropriate to ETF From Fund Balance					
Special Articles Recommended			\$0	\$0	\$45,000	\$0

Individual Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
5252	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	05	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
	Purpose: Establish Contingency Fund					
Individual Articles Recommended			\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0

Revenues

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
Local Sources					
1300-1349	Tuition	02	\$0	\$4,700	\$4,700
1400-1449	Transportation Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments	02	\$0	\$200	\$200
1600-1699	Food Service Sales		\$0	\$0	\$0
1700-1799	Student Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Services Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources	02	\$0	\$5,000	\$7,000
State Sources					
3210	School Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Kindergarten Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3230	Catastrophic Aid	02	\$0	\$26,840	\$30,285
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3250	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3260	Child Nutrition		\$0	\$0	\$0
3270	Driver Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290-3299	Other State Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Sources					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants	02	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000
4540	Vocational Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4550	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4560	Child Nutrition		\$0	\$0	\$0
4570	Disabilities Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0
4580	Medicaid Distribution	02	\$0	\$45,000	\$30,000
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (non-4810)		\$0	\$0	\$0
4810	Federal Forest Reserve		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources					
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5140	Reimbursement Anticipation Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5221	Transfers from Food Service Special Revenues Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		\$0	\$35,000	\$0
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
9997	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	04, 03, 05	\$0	\$0	\$70,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	02	\$0	\$0	\$220,000
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$0	\$171,740	\$417,185

Budget Summary

Item	Current Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$1,707,139	\$1,588,849
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$65,000	\$45,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$0	\$25,000
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$1,772,139	\$1,658,849
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$192,798	\$417,185
Less: Amount of State Education Tax/Grant	\$716,156	\$669,568
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$863,185	\$572,096



SCHOOL TREASURER

Cash on Hand July 1, 2014		\$ (5,977.18)
Fiscal Year Receipts:		
Received from Selectmen	\$ 1,009,588.00	
Revenue From State Sources	\$ 657,828.02	
Revenue from Federal Sources		
Received from Tuitions		
Received as Income from Trust Funds		
Received from Sale of Notes and Bonds		
Received from Capital Reserve Funds		
Received from All Other Sources	\$ 19,192.69	
Received from Interest	\$ 110.92	
Total Receipts	\$ 1,686,719.63	\$ 1,686,719.63
Total amount avail for Fiscal Year		\$ 1,680,742.45
Less School Board Orders Paid		\$ 1,692,683.31
Balance on Hand June 30, 2015		(\$11,940.86)
July 12, 2015 Donna L. Chase, Treasurer		

2014/15	Town Approp by month July - June	Interest by Month	Govt Sources annual	Explanation State/Fed Funds	Other	Explanation Other
	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 1.83	\$ 48,383.70	Medicaid	\$ -	SAU Health Trust
	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 1.57	\$ 568,742.19	Equitable	\$ 5,631.89	Fairpoint
	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 6.65	\$ 16,359.75	All Title Grants	\$ 1,009.40	SAU Medicare D
	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 6.86	\$ 10,880.17	REAP	\$ 12,551.40	LGC Pro/Liab
	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 9.21	\$ 5,552.65	Proj Reimb		
	\$ 225,000.00	\$ 12.70	\$ -	NH Meal Program		
	\$ 58,000.00	\$ 15.05	\$ 1,567.48	Catastrophic Aid		
	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 4.64	\$ -	Student Lunch		
	\$ 61,000.00	\$ 7.14	\$ 6,342.08	IDEA		
	\$ 58,000.00	\$ 12.23				
	\$ 225,000.00	\$ 16.01				
	\$ 52,588.00	\$ 17.03				
	\$ 1,009,588.00	\$ 110.92	\$ 657,828.02		\$ 19,192.69	
Total Revenue:	\$ 1,686,719.63					

Marlow School District Received
from Other Sources 2014/15

From	Source	Amount
Fairpoint Communications		\$ 5,631.89
SAU Health Trust		\$ -
SAU	Medicare Plan D	\$ 1,009.40
LGC Prop/Liab		\$ 12,551.40
		\$ 19,192.69

MARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

MARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES MARCH 12, 2015

The Annual School District meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM, on March 12, 2015, by the School Clerk, Beth LaFreniere, in the JD Perkins, Sr. School.

The first order of business was to entertain nominations for a Temporary Moderator to preside over the meeting of March 12, 2015. Board Member, Karin Asseng nominated Ken Dassau. So moved by Board Member Ty Tomasko.

Nomination was passed by voice vote.

Ken Dassau presided over the remainder of the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There were 15 registered voters and 5 non-registered voters in attendance.

The results of the election held on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 were as follows:

School Board Member – 3 years	Karin Asseng
School Board Member – 2 years	Ty Tomasko
School Board Member – 1 year	Marcia Levesque
Moderator – 2 years	Ken Dassau
Treasurer – 2 years	Donna Chase
Clerk – 2 years	Beth A. LaFreniere

Attending:

School Board Members: Marcia Levesque, Karin Asseng and Ty Tomasko
Moderator: Ken Dassau
Supervisors of the Checklist: Jeanne Kennedy and Jane May
Clerk: Beth A. LaFreniere
Administrative Table: Walter Huston, Principal, Reuben Duncan Assistant.
Superintendent of Towns and Janel Swanson, Business Administrator of Towns

Moderator read the rules of moderation that would be followed.

Moderator began reading of Articles.

Motion made and seconded to address Warrant Article 6 first.

Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 6:

Chair Levesque read Resolution for Joseph Feuer as follows:

A RESOLUTION Adopted March 12, 2015

WHEREAS, the School District of Marlow notes with deep regret the passing of Joseph Feuer on January 9, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, Joseph Feuer served as the Moderator of the Marlow School District for forty-one years; and,

WHEREAS, Joseph Feuer always presided over district meetings in a gracious, fair and respectful manner; and his expertise, knowledge and dedication truly reflected his genuine interest in the Town of Marlow, its children and the future; and,

WHEREAS, Joseph Feuer was known for his measured tone and cadence that guided the district meetings with a rhythm and tempo that was not only predictable but with style, skill and efficiency similar to the precision of a maestro conducting the orchestra; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the School District of Marlow, recognize in grateful acknowledgement of Joseph Feuer's numerous contributions to the children, the school and the community by unanimously adopting this resolution as a lasting tribute to Joseph Feuer, to be entered into the permanent records of the district.

THE MARLOW
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Motion made and seconded to table Warrant Article 6.

Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 1: Motion made and seconded that the District receive the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 2: Motion made and seconded that the District vote to raise and appropriate the Marlow School Board's recommended amount of \$1,707,139 for the support of schools, for the salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the statutory obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 3: Motion made and seconded that the District vote to raise and appropriate up to \$35,000 to be used for renovation of selected areas of the John D. Perkins School for safety upgrades to include construction of a new front entrance, and related costs, and further to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$35,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund established by voters at the March 2002 District Meeting for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of the school buildings and grounds and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Marlow School Board supports favorable action on this warrant article.)*

Discussion ensued to include the possibility of Grant money being available for this construction. Construction Project will be sent out to bid. If this project is not able to be completed for the above sum, the funds will remain in the Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 4: Motion made and seconded that the District vote to appropriate and authorize the School Board to transfer up to \$15,000 of its unassigned fund balance, if any, remaining on hand at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2015; the sum of \$15,000 to be deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund established by voters at the March 2002 District Meeting for the purpose of major renovation / reconstruction of the school buildings and grounds and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Marlow School Board supports favorable action on this warrant article.)*

Motion was passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 5: Motion made and seconded to see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize the School Board to transfer up to \$15,000 of its unassigned fund balance, if any, remaining on hand at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2015, the sum of \$15,000 to be deposited in the Tuition Trust Fund established by the voters at the 1993 District Meeting for the purpose of paying future year regular/special education tuition, or to take any other action in relation thereto. If there is an insufficient undesignated fund balance as of June 30, 2015 to fund this appropriation and the appropriation in Article 4 (Capital Reserve Fund), Article 4 will be funded first, with any additional surplus to be applied to this warrant article. *(The Marlow School Board supports favorable action on this warrant article.)*

Motion was passed by voice vote.

Motion made and seconded to resume Article 6.

Motion was passed by voice vote

ARTICLE 6: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Chair Levesque invited all in attendance to stay and view presentations made by both the 5th & 6th graders Technology class and the Vision Committee.

Discussion ensued in regards to the Government Center Rebate. It was stated all the funds received thus far have been distributed appropriately.

Discussion ensued in regards to how Unreserved Fund balances are handled if there is a surplus. Any balances remaining after fulfilling the approved Warrant Articles is returned to the District to reduce funds needed to meet future obligations.

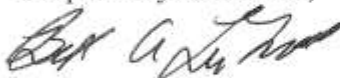
A representative of The Town of Marlow requested a copy of the Auditor's Report be provided to the Selectmen's office.

Questions were addressed in regards to the number of students enrolled (30 in J. D. Perkins, Sr., 50 in KMS/KHS) and number of employees with benefits (5).

Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting at 8:01 PM.

Motion was passed by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth A. LaFreniere
Marlow School Clerk



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MARLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION RESULTS
MARCH 10, 2015

Position	Term End	Name	Contact Information
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School Board	2017	Ty Tomasko	PO Box 52,
School Board	2018	Karin Asseng	PO Box 506, 446-9474
Moderator	2017	Ken Dassau	PO Box 358, 446-7492/209-3315
Treasurer	2017	Donna Chase	53 Church St., 446-7733
Clerk	2017	Beth LaFreniere	143 Marlow Hill, 313-9619

Respectfully Submitted,



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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

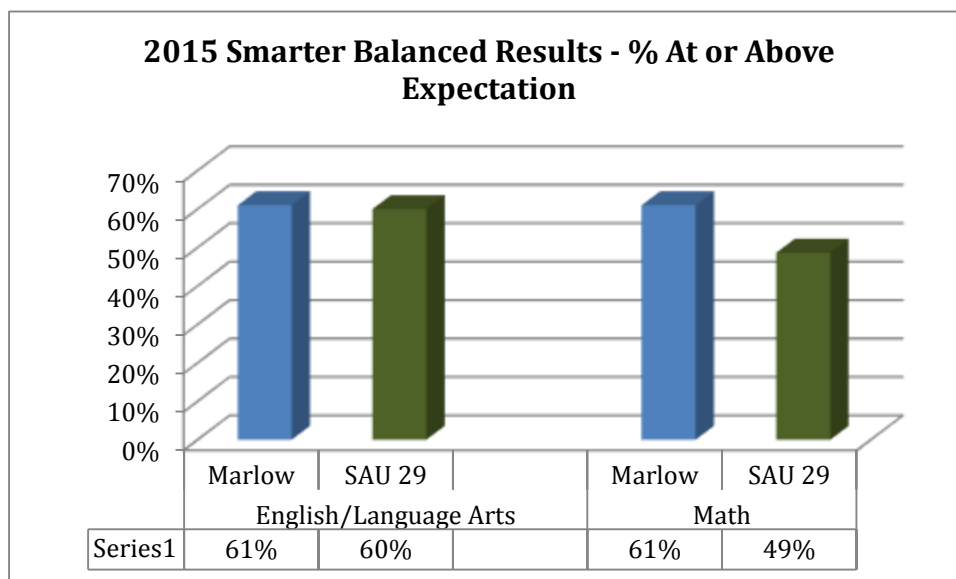
DISTRICT REPORT

Message from the Superintendent

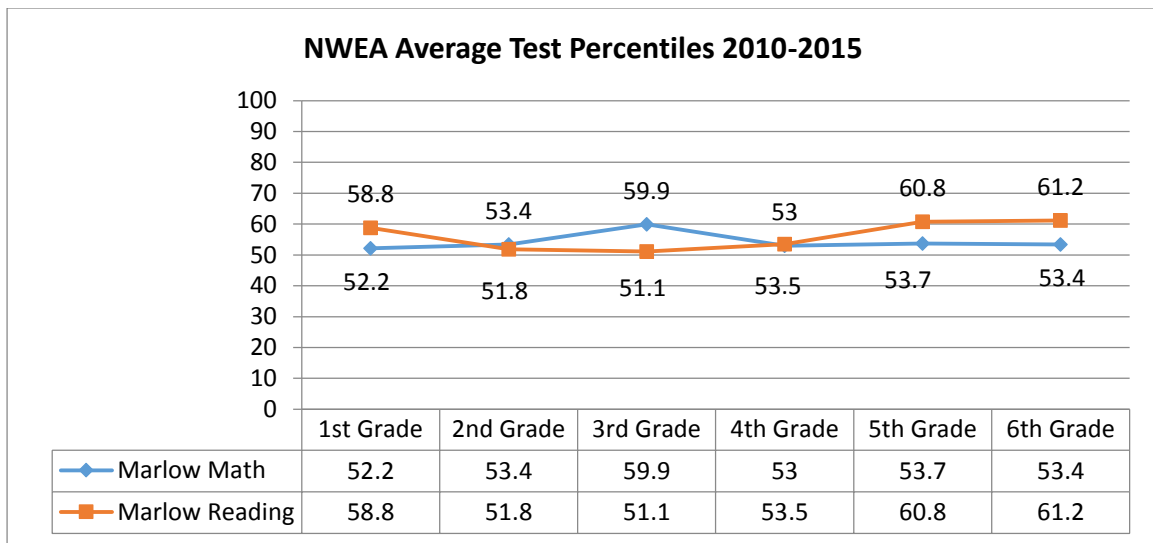
Now that we have passed the halfway point of my first year as Superintendent of School Administrative Unit 29, I want to say what a pleasure it has been for me and my family transitioning to our new life and home. We have found the people in all of our communities to be warm and welcoming and we look forward to solidifying our roots here. Additionally and more specifically, I have found during numerous visits to John D. Perkins, Sr. Academy a pleasant and enjoyable learning environment. There are wonderful things taking place in the building with regard to teaching the whole child. The Marlow School Board and parents continue to advocate for the students making a formidable partnership all can be proud to call theirs!

Academics

The new statewide Smarter Balanced test results were released this past fall, after grades 3-6 took the tests for the first time last spring. The following is a comparison of how Marlow School fared in comparison to SAU 29 as a whole.



Below is the combined average scores for the NWEA Test administered annually in the fall and spring. Please note the sharp upswing on the reading scores as we send our students off to Keene Middle School after sixth grade.



Marlow Students at Keene High School

Keene High School Principal Jim Logan reported on how the John D. Perkins Sr. Academy students were doing at KHS. During school year 2014-2015 we had 33 students at KHS making up 2.3% of the overall enrollment and 64% of our high school students participated in a total of 36 student activities. Two Marlow students enrolled in advanced placement courses. Our student attendance rate (97.2%) was higher than the KHS average (96.6%) and our students' grade point average (2.61) was slightly off the school average (2.83).

SAT

After one year, the Smarter Balanced exam has been replaced. In early March, all juniors at Keene High School will now take the SAT exam. All 11th grade students will take the test on Wednesday morning, March 2, 2016 at Keene High School. The primary reasons for this change is to reduce the amount of time spent on statewide standardized testing and use an assessment that is more closely aligned to college readiness standards. The SAT will cover English language arts (reading, writing) and mathematics. The test will be free for all 11th graders, including the Essay portion that is considered optional under the State's guidelines. Keene High School will pay for all to complete the essay.

Competency-Based Grading

As several districts in New Hampshire move toward a performance assessment model (Transfer Tasks) through [PACE](#) and Competency Based Education, SAU 29 has also started to build a foundation for this move in future years. Beginning this school year, students in grades K-8 will take newly designed performance tasks in both ELA and Math. The goal is to move to a model of an assessment that focuses on the academic competencies students should master. As an SAU, our goal is to better measure student achievement in a more authentic and timely fashion. In time, the goal is for teachers to give the same assessments and meet with each other to compare results, better norm their assessment practices, determine future adaptations to the curriculum, and work on improving instruction together.

Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

The Act was signed by President Obama on December 10, 2015 and replaces the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. The Act authorizes an additional \$1.2 billion for schools nationwide and allows more flexibility with federal grants, particularly Title II. NH will form a task force to address ESSA which will go into effect with the start of the 2017-2018 school year.

Common Vision

SAU 29 released a common vision value survey in early January seeking input from various stakeholders including students, parents, staff members, school board members, and taxpayers. The purpose of the survey was to gather input into the key elements valued most in SAU 29 schools. The results of the survey will be used to develop a common vision for all SAU 29 school districts.

Communications

This past fall, SAU 29 launched SMS text messaging and mobile app initiatives as a means to broaden the scope of communications throughout SAU 29. Since the launch of the SMS text feature, nearly 2,500 users have subscribed. The mobile app allows members of the public who are not directly affiliated with SAU 29 schools to receive emergency information and news alerts pertaining to SAU 29 schools. To opt-in, subscribers need to text subscribe to **68453**. The SAU 29 mobile app may be downloaded for free from the App Store for Apple Devices or through Google Play for Android devices.

Beginning with the 2016-2017 school year the SAU will employ a part-time public information coordinator to assist with promoting all of our schools and districts. The coordinator will be responsible for the social media aspect of touting the happenings in all school buildings as well as communicating to stakeholders through print media.

Policy Alignment

A policy alignment study was recently completed for all district and SAU policies. The result is a better understanding of the areas where efforts need to be focused in order to update/revise policies as necessary as well as to adopt policies required by law. In accordance with Ed 303 Duties of School Board, under Ed 303.01 Substantive Duties, each school board shall adopt policies necessary and desirable to control and effectuate the operations of the district.

Robert H. Malay

Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

John D. Perkins, Sr. Academy of Marlow

Principal's Annual Report

March, 2016

As I reflect upon this past year, I am amazed at how much the school has accomplished since my last report. At this time last year, I came before the Board and the town to present the new vision for the school. At the time, we had no idea the road we were about to travel, nor how enormous the task would be. We asked you to simply trust us, and you did. Now, I have the privilege of sharing with you what has happened since then.

Based on the three tenets of our mission statement, I want to share with you how we as a school community have carried out those tenets and what we hope to accomplish in the year ahead.

Care for Ourselves and One Other

- Our staff were trained during the summer of 2015 in the philosophy of *Responsive Classroom*, a nationally recognized program that helps children become more caring, responsible citizens in their school and community. As part of the program, the entire school participates in a Morning Meeting where we greet each other, do activities to promote respect, and solve school problems faced by the students. Throughout the day, the philosophy is intertwined within the context of how the teachers interact and discipline students.
- Though the event is more a community event, the school was able to provide meals to 12 people from our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Volunteers prepared plates and they delivered them to those who are not able to get out on a regular basis.

Engage in Rigorous Academic Pursuits

- After months of research and writing, the staff implemented a standards-based report card. The former report card was vague and did not provide parents with adequate information to inform them how and what their students were mastering. The new reporting system breaks each academic subject into standards that students need to meet at the end of that grade level. Overall, the parents have given positive feedback concerning this system. The Perkins Academy is one of 3 schools in SAU 29 that report to parents in this manner.
- The school's curriculum is now based on 3 broad themes, one per term. The teachers have used summer workshop days as well as other workshop days to rewrite the curriculum in order to integrate the big ideas of sustainability with the Common Core standards.
- We are developing a strong relationship with Keene State College. Currently, we have 5 graduate students who are working with our students and staff on a weekly basis. They support not only the students' learning but also provide valuable resources to the staff on the newest research about learning and teaching.
- Due to the limited number of students, we cannot report our Smarter Balanced Assessments scores by grade but as a school, 2/3 of our students scored within the Proficient level or above. Less than a 1/3 received scores in the Needs Improvement range. Considering this was the first time for the students

taking this particular assessment and it was all computer based, we were thrilled on how well we did as a school.

Interact with the Community and Environment

- Throughout the year, we to invite the community into our school by opening the classrooms during various events. We held a Perkins Pride night in May, an event we hope to make an annual event; the School/Community Potluck-Bonfire-Open House in September; the annual Thanksgiving Dinner; and a new event, the School/Community Holiday Sing Along in December.
- The school hosted the town's Charrette planning meeting in October. This provided an opportunity for many of the town's people to see the school.
- We continue to build strong relationships with KROKA by continuing our tri-annual outdoor events but also have smaller entire school events on their campus. KROKA has also been instrumental with helping us with our composting and recycling efforts.
- Our lunchroom is becoming greener each day. The students separate their waste into trash, recycling, and garbage that then is brought to a compost bin at KROKA. We brought back the plastic trays from years ago as well as the stainless steel silverware that can be washed and reused. We are attempting to reduce the amount of Styrofoam and plastic we use during lunch.
- At the end of last year, the 3rd and 4th grade students, after studying about the Great Marlow Fire, wrote a picture book telling about the experience. The book is being sent to a printer where it will be made into a book for the townspeople to purchase. More information to come later.
- Throughout the year, as principal, I have met with a variety of local groups to promote the mission of the school as well as to create partnerships with those groups. Currently, we are working with the Place Based Learning Committee out of SAU 29 to promote more place based learning opportunities for our students. Though not local, our biggest partnership is with the Sustainable Schools Project of Shelburne Farms in Shelburne, VT. They have given us many hours of consultation, professional development, and even paid for 2 staff members to attend a week-long leadership seminar this past summer.

For the year ahead, the school created a few goals to develop each tenet further.

Care for Ourselves and Others

- We want to see the students become more active in the caring of others both locally and beyond by providing opportunities for them to demonstrate their compassion to others less fortunate than themselves.

Engaging in Rigorous Academic Pursuits

- We plan to extend our standards-based reporting system to include special subjects such as art, physical education, music, and technology.
- We want to continue to strengthen the success of our state assessment results.
- We want to develop a free, challenging yet appropriate early childhood program for 4-5 years for all Marlow students. This will provide a solid foundation for our students in the year ahead. We believe that this will also attract more young families to settle in town.

Interacting with the Community and Environment

- We want to continue to develop a program that will incorporate more of our beautiful campus into the academic curriculum.
- We want to continue to build partnerships with organizations and businesses within the county that believe in our mission and support it.

Though our numbers are still down, our belief is that as we develop into a first-rate school with a unique mission and get the word out, we will attract more families to the school.

As Principal of Perkins Academy, I want to thank everyone who has supported my staff and me as we have started this incredible journey. Though we accomplished so much in such a short time, we have so much more to do. We continue to need your support. I tell people we changed our name for many reasons. First, it was to tell everyone that we were doing something new and incredible but also because we wanted to let everyone know that we are a part of a wonderful town and Marlow is a part of us. Separately, we can do some things, but together, we can do many INCREDIBLE things.

Thank you again.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter G. Huston, M.Ed.

Principal



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

On behalf of the Marlow School Board I would like to thank our teachers and staff for their dedication and commitment to providing a high quality education. This year we said good-bye to a number of staff members. We thank them for their years of service to our school and wish them well in their new ventures. We would especially like to recognize Alice Scharf, school secretary, for her many years of service. Her position has been filled by Dawn Elliott, a familiar face, in a new role! We welcomed a new 4th-6th grade teacher, Maggie Sergeant; Music teacher, Mr. Albertson; Librarian, Ms. Cobb; and a new Title One/Paraprofessional, Ms. Wilks.

Our budget this year is down 9%. Every year we meet as a board with members of the SAU office to go over our budget – line by line – to be sure that it is an accurate and fair. The decrease in our budget this year is driven by changing needs in the special education line. There are no large items that we anticipate with the building, and tuitions appear to be stable.

We are anticipating a large budget surplus in our current fiscal year ending in June. This surplus is driven by a decrease in special education tuitions (students have moved out of town) and also our decision not to hire the kindergarten teacher you had approved in last year's budget, thus saving the salary and benefits. Last year we only had one kindergartner and we felt that we could rearrange our classrooms to accommodate her. This overage will, in a large part, be returned to help offset the budget that we are voting on in March. While it is nice to see our tax rate decrease, when driven by a surplus, it is short lived. With this in mind we are looking into adding a contingency fund to help stabilize our tax rate. These swings are historically driven by special education costs and we are hoping that this fund would be used to ease these costs in over time, thus helping to keep the tax rate more stable. There is a limit to how much a district is allowed to put into this type of fund, so it will take a few years to get it to an effective level.

Next fall we will be adding a full-day Preschool program for 4 year olds. These students will be combined with our Kindergarten class and will help us maintain a more steady class size for that teacher. The preschool will be offered at no-cost to Marlow residents, and we do not anticipate any additional cost to taxpayers. We feel that this would be a draw for families looking to move to a town that values early education. We would offer our private pay tuition rate to families outside of Marlow as space allows. Speaking of our private pay tuition rate, we have had some success with new students and are hoping that as word spreads, we will welcome more families to the Perkins Academy. We plan some advertising this spring to help spread the word about our tuition program and the work that is being done.

It is an exciting time at the Perkins Academy. The teachers and staff, under Mr. Huston's leadership, have worked tirelessly to continue to move towards their plan of developing an "education for sustainability". Please take the time to visit one of their Open House nights. These events provide us the opportunity to see what is happening in our school and the pride that students are taking in their educational journey.

Last year we voted to reduce our school board to three members. We would like to thank Karin Asseng and Ty Tomasko for their service. Please join us, every second Wednesday of the month at 7pm, for our board meetings. It is a good way to keep up to date.

Sincerely -

Marcia Levesque, Board Chair

NOTES

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Board of Selectmen: Monday 7:00 pm until business is finished

Town Office: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Planning Board: 2nd Tuesday Monthly 7:00 pm

Town Clerk: Wednesday 4:30 – 7:00 pm Thursday 10:00 am – 12:30 pm

Zoning Board of Adjustment: As needed

Tax Collector: Tuesday 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Overseer of Welfare: As needed

Cemetery Trustees: 1st Monday Monthly 4:30pm

Trustees of the Trust Funds: 3rd Tuesday Monthly 5:30 pm

Library Trustees 2nd Wednesday Monthly 7:00 pm

Conservation Commission: 3rd Thursday Monthly 7:00 pm

Agriculture Commission: 1st Tuesday Monthly 7:00pm

TRANSFER STATION/RECYCLING CENTER 446 – 7973

Wednesday 4:00 – 7:00 pm Saturday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

LIBRARY 446 – 3466

Monday 10:00 am – 12:00 pm; 1:00 – 5:00 pm; 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Wednesday 4:00 – 8:00 pm; Saturday 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

POST OFFICE 446-3489

Lobby: Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 4:45 pm; Saturday 7:00 am – 12:00 noon

Window Service: Monday – Friday 7:45 am – 1:15 pm; 2:30 pm – 4:15 pm

Saturday 8:00 am – 11:30 am

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