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SAMUEL MOREY MEMORIAL BRIDGE

ANNUAL *2000* REPORT

Front Cover: The photograph, which appeared on the front of the 1939 Annual Report, was taken from the Orford side of the river by W.E. Chapman. It shows the Samuel Morey Memorial Bridge at the time of its official dedication in June 1938. The bridge is valued as an excellent and rare example of engineering and bridge design and, since 1997, has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places. As a result of a special federal grant of 3.7 million dollars, the bridge is now being fully rehabilitated, with work scheduled to be completed by October 2002.

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Annual Report
of the
Officers
of the
TOWN
of
ORFORD
NEW HAMPSHIRE

for the

Year Ending December 31, 2000

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TOWN DIRECTORY

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Every Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Office, Route 25A

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE 353-4889 Fax: 353-4889
E-mail: Orford-Selectmen@juno.com

Mary Greene, Administrative Assistant

Office Hours: Monday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday 1:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Selectmen's Office is in the Town Office.

TOWN CLERK 353-4404
E-mail: Orford-Taxes@juno.com

Louise Mack

Office Hours: Tuesday 2:00 – 7:00 p.m.
 Wednesday 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
 Thursday 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Town Clerk's Office is in the Town Office.

TAX COLLECTOR 353-4831

Louise Mack

Tax Collector's Office is in her home on Archertown Road.

PLANNING BOARD MEETING

The Planning Board meets every third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office.

ORFORD TOWN OFFICERS

Elected by nonpartisan ballot on Town Meeting Day

MODERATOR

Peter Thomson	353-4111	2002	2-Year Term
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SELECTMEN

David Bischoff, Chairman	353-9818	2002	3-Year Term
Gerald Pease	353-9070	2003	3-Year Term
Quentin Mack	353-9240	2001	3-Year Term

TREASURER

Charles Peters	353-4508	2001	3-Year Term
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SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Jane Hebb	353-4496	2002	6-Year Term
Andrew Schwaegler	353-9202	2006	6-Year Term
Brenda Smith	353-8114	2005	6-Year Term

TAX COLLECTOR

Louise Mack	353-4831	2001	1-Year Term
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TOWN CLERK

Louise Mack	353-4404	2002	3-Year Term
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ROAD AGENT

Charles Waterbury	353-4343	2003	3-Year Term
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PLANNING BOARD

Paul Dalton, Chairman	353-9844	2001	3-Year Term
Elizabeth Bischoff, Vice-Chair	353-4526	2003	3-Year Term
David Coker	353-4104	2003	3-Year Term
Sam Hanford	353-9678	2002	3-Year Term
Jonathan Sands	353-4746	2001	3-Year Term
Andrew Schwaegler	353-9202	2002	3-Year Term
David Bischoff	353-9818		Ex Officio
Guy Hebb	353-4848		Alternate

Nominated and Elected from the floor on Town Meeting Day

AUDITOR

Plodzik & Sanderson, Accountants & Auditors

OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Board of Selectmen	353-4889	2001	1-Year Term
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Orford Town Officers *(continued)*

FENCE VIEWERS

Mark Marsh	353-9007	2001	1-Year Term
H. Horton Washburn	353-4570	2001	1-Year Term

HEALTH OFFICER

Board of Selectmen	353-9818	2001	1-Year Term
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SEXTON

Cemetery Commission		2001	1-Year Term
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BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

James Hook	353-4834	2001	1-Year Term
Robert Palifka	353-9367	2001	1-Year Term
Andrew Schwaegler	353-9202	2001	1-Year Term
Tom Steketee	353-4425	2001	1-Year Term
Herbert Verry	353-9450	2001	1-Year Term

ORFORD FREE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Carol Boynton	353-4874	2003	3-Year Term
Susan Kling	353-4309	2002	3-Year Term
Juli Washburn	353-4207	2001	3-Year Term

ORFORD SOCIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Ann Davis	353-9725	2001	3-Year Term
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FIRE WARDS

Arthur Dennis	353-4502	2001	1-Year Term
James Hook	353-4834	2001	1-Year Term
Larry Taylor	353-9865	2001	1-Year Term

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Elwyn Brooks	353-9532	2003	3-Year Term
Brad McCormack	353-4469	2003	3-Year Term
John O'Brien	353-9857	2003	3-Year Term
Ranson Perry	353-4793	2002	3-Year Term
Dave Thomson	353-9607	2001	3-Year Term

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Mark Blanchard	353-9873	2002	3-Year Term
Cicely Richardson	353-4608	2001	3-Year Term
VACANT			

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Ruth Brown	353-9092	2003	3-Year Term
Julia Fifield	353-4881	2001	3-Year Term
Paul Messer	353-4883	2002	3-Year Term

Orford Town Officers *(continued)*

Appointed by the Board of Selectmen

FIRE CHIEF

Arthur Dennis	353-4502	2001	1-Year Term
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POLICE CHIEF

Michael LaChapelle	353-4252	2001	1-Year Term
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Rita Pease	353-9070	2001	1-Year Term
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ANIMAL CONTROL

Roy Daisey	353-9534	2001	3-Year Term
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INSPECTORS OF ELECTION

Elizabeth Bischoff	353-4526	2002	2-Year Term
Judith Parker	353-4882	2002	2-Year Term
Julie Peters	353-4508	2002	2-Year Term
Ruth Brown	353-9092		Alternate
Elizabeth Blauvelt	353-4115		Alternate

NILES FUND COMMITTEE

Elizabeth Bischoff	353-4526	2001	1-Year Term
Alice Boone	353-4571	2001	1-Year Term
David Coker	353-4104	2001	1-Year Term
Barbara Dyke	353-9885	2001	1-Year Term
Quentin Mack	353-9240		Ex Officio

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Bry Beeson	353-4311	2003	3-Year Term
Peter Dooley	353-4887	2002	3-Year Term
Sarah Schwaegler	272-4817	2003	3-Year Term
Larry Taylor	353-9865	2001	3-Year Term
Thomas Thomson	353-4488	2003	3-Year Term

**TOWN OF ORFORD
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
March 14, 2000**

GRAFTON, ss.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The polls were opened at 4:10 p.m. The ballots were counted (550) and the voting began for the Town Officers on the Australian Ballot.

The Annual Town Meeting for the Town of Orford was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Moderator Peter Thomson led the assembly. The Moderator announced about the Rabies Clinic and that dogs need to be licensed by April 30th. The Town Phone Book updates and Mary Welch's talk on the Senior Meals, plus other announcements.

The Moderator proceeded to read the posting of the Warrant which was posted and certified on February 17, 2000 by the Board of Selectmen.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Goundrey to dispense with the reading of the Warrant and was passed with a voice vote in affirmation.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers.
Officers to be elected from the floor:

For one year:	Auditor	Joseph Arcolio
For one year:	Overseers of Public Welfare	Selectmen
For one year:	Fence Viewers	Mark Marsh H. Horton Washburn
For one year:	Health Officer	Selectmen
For one year:	Sexton	Cemetery Commission
For one year:	Budget Committee	James Hook Robert Palifka Andrew Schwaegler Thomas Steketee Herbert Verry
For three years:	Orford Free Library Trustee	Carol Boynton
For one year:	Fire Wards	Arthur Dennis James Hook Larry Taylor
For three years:	Parks & Playgrounds	John O'Brien Elwyn Brooks Brad McCormack

For three years: **Conservation Commission**

John O'Brien
Thomas N. Thomson
George (Pat) Tullar

For three years: **Trustee of Trust Funds**

To Be Appointed

For three years: **Cemetery Commission**

Ruth Brown

ARTICLE 2:

(To vote by Official Ballot) To see if the Town will vote to adopt the proposed Historic District Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board pursuant to RSA:675:3. This article will be voted on by Official Ballot which will contain the following question:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of the historic district ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?”

Topical Description: This ordinance will establish an Historic District in the area of Route 10 for the public purpose of protecting structures and places of historic, architectural and community value in a setting which reflects important elements of Orford’s beauty and historical significance.

New Hampshire law requires that the proposed Historic District Ordinance be voted on by Official Ballot with no discussion at Town Meeting. Voting will take place on this question during the time the polls are open.

HISTORIC DISTRICT ORDINANCE ADOPTION:

Yes – 79

No – 280

The article was defeated.

ARTICLE 3:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred and forty-five thousand, two hundred forty-seven dollars (\$545,247) to include the following budget items:

General Government

Executive	\$ 34,849.
Election	15,625.
Financial Administration	23,697.
Revaluation of Property	4,600.
Legal Expenses	9,500.
Personnel Administration	29,518.
Planning Board	6,035.
General Government Buildings	7,237.
Cemeteries	8,368.
Insurance	14,520.
Regional Association	968.
Contingency Fund	3,000.

Public Safety	
Police	\$ 43,372.
Ambulance	15,120.
Fire Department	18,139.
Emergency Management	300.
Highways and Bridges	
Highways	\$178,943.
Bridges	6,000.
Street Lighting	4,700.
Sanitation	
Solid Waste Collection	\$ 4,780.
Solid Waste Disposal	38,150.
Health	
Animal Control	\$ 1,600.
Health Agency	5,225.
Welfare	
Direct Assistance	\$ 4,550.
Intergovernmental Welfare	1,560.
Culture and Recreation	
Parks and Playgrounds	\$ 15,024.
Libraries	16,952.
Patriotic Purposes	125.
Conservation	
Other Conservation	\$ 300.
Debt Service	
Principal — Long Term Bond & Loan	\$ 18,000.
Interest — Long Term Bond & Loan	7,750.
Interest — Tax Anticipation Note	1,500.
Capital Outlay	
Machinery and Equipment	\$ 1,500.
Improvements Other Than Buildings	
Restoration of Town Records	2,700.
Hazardous Waste	1,040.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Goundrey. Rita Pease made a motion to amend the Emergency Management allocated funds from \$300 to an additional \$5,000 for setting up the generator and etc. This amendment was seconded by Tekle Tomlinson. The amendment was defeated. The original motion of \$545,247 was passed by voice affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 4:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty-four thousand dollars (\$84,000) for payments into the following capital reserves:

Fire Truck	\$ 20,000.
Town Truck #1	25,000.
Town Truck #2	14,000.
Grader	8,000.
Loader	7,000.
Bridges and Roads	10,000.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack to amend the article to read as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-four thousand dollars (\$74,000) for payments into the following capital reserves:

Fire Truck	\$ 20,000.
Town Truck #1	25,000.
Police Cruiser	4,000.
Grader	8,000.
Loader	7,000.
Bridges and Roads	10,000.

It was voted by voice affirmation in favor of this motion.

The amended article was passed.

ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) to hire a part-time Police Officer with funding for the above project: \$6,000 **Federal Matching Grant** and \$2,000 **Town of Orford**.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Goundrey. After some discussion there was a voice vote in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 6:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to purchase a 1-Ton Dump Truck equipped with hydraulics and dump body and to authorize the withdrawal of \$35,000 from the Highway Department Trucks Capital Reserve Fund for such purchase and authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the current vehicle and apply the net proceeds for the purpose of this article.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by John Richardson to amend the article to read as:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$34,500) to purchase a 1-Ton Dump Truck equipped with hydraulics and dump body and to authorize the withdrawal of \$34,500 from the Highway Department Trucks Capital Reserve Fund for such purchase and authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the current vehicle and apply the net proceeds for the purpose of this article.

It was voted by voice affirmation in favor of this motion.

The amended article was passed.

ARTICLE 7: $\frac{2}{3}$ Ballot vote required

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-six thousand dollars (\$76,000) to purchase a 6-wheel Dump Truck equipped with plow, hydraulics and combination sander dump body and to authorize the issuance of a long-term note of not more than \$65,000 pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act (RSA, chapter 33), furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$11,000 from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund and to designate the Selectmen as agents of the town to expend money taken out of the fund for the purpose of this article, and to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the current vehicle and apply the net proceeds for the purpose of this article.

A motion was made to amend the article as follows by Paul Goundrey and seconded by Quentin Mack.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) to purchase a 6-wheel Dump Truck equipped with plow, hydraulics and combination sander dump body and to authorize the issuance of a long-term note of not more than \$60,000 pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act (RSA, chapter 33), furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$10,000 from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund and to designate the Selectmen as agents of the town to expend money taken out of the fund for the purpose of this article, and to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the current vehicle and apply the net proceeds for the purpose of this article.

158 paper ballots were cast with yes – 125 and no – 33.

The amended article was passed.

ARTICLE 8: (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to establish a tax preference program for the purpose of helping to preserve significant, old Orford barns by granting a 50 percent reduction of the assessed value of the structure, and by allowing the deduction of expenses for maintenance and repair from the remaining assessment. In order to qualify for consideration under this program, property owners must devise a basic maintenance and preservation plan for the structure and apply to a Town committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, which will review the applications and make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen. The tax preferences which are granted will remain in effect as long as the basic maintenance and preservation plans for the barns continue to be carried out.

This article was amended by Ludlow Flower and seconded by William Quackenbush to read as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to encourage the legislature to enact a law which insures that the method of assessing old New Hampshire barns and other historic agricultural structures that serves to encourage their maintenance and preservation for the benefit of present and future generations; and to see if the Town will direct the Board of

Selectmen to investigate how the property tax assessment process at the local level might be used to serve this same purpose.

After a discussion the motion was passed by voice vote.

The amended article was passed.

ARTICLE 9:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000) to purchase a new 4 WD Tractor/Mower for use at the common, Town Office and Community Field and authorize the withdrawal of eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000) in the Tractor/Mower Capital Reserve Fund to cover the cost of such purchase and to designate the Selectmen as agents of the town to expend money out of the fund for the purpose of this article.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Goundrey. A voice vote in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) to remove the Brookside Store and beautify the area.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Goundrey. Paul Dalton amended the article to say:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) to remove the Brookside Store and beautify the area if after due consideration the Selectmen within four months find no better alternative use of the existing land and building. This was seconded by Joseph Arcolio. The amended article was passed by voice vote in the affirmation.

The amended article was passed.

The ballot box was closed at 9:35 p.m. and the Supervisors of the checklist and Ballot Clerks proceeded to count the ballots for the elected Town Officers.

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500) for painting of the exterior of the Town Office Building.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Caryl Miller. A voice vote in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to start repairing the fence at the Street Cemetery.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Julia Fifield. A voice vote in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 13:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for improvement at the recycling station.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Peter Dooley. A voice vote in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 14:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for the purpose of paying for postage and other necessary administrative expenditures of the Historic District Commission.

The motion was made by Julia Fifield and seconded by Quentin Mack. After a long discussion a hand vote was taken. 69 hands were raised, yes – 31 and no – 38.

The article was defeated.

ARTICLE 15:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$6,250) for wild land fire equipment. Funding for the above project will be: \$5,000 **NH Division of Forest Land** and \$1,250 **Fire Department Budget**.

The motion was made by Arthur Dennis and seconded by Paul Goundrey. A voice vote in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 16:

To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable Trust Fund to be known as the Town Property Expendable Trust Fund under the provision RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of maintaining and improving the Community Field and other Town-owned properties.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Goundrey. A voice vote in affirmation after a long discussion. The Selectmen agreed to include in the agreement that Rivendell carries its own insurance.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 17:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) toward the town property Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of maintaining and improving the Community Field and other town properties and to designate the Selectmen as agents of the Town to expend money taken out of the fund for the purpose of this article.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Ann Green. A voice vote was in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 18:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) from interest in the Lenore Niles Trust Fund for the purpose of planting trees on town-owned property, improving community facilities and sponsoring organizations of Orford with financial aid for opportunities that otherwise might be unattainable.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. A voice vote was in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 19:

To see if the Town will vote to deposit 100% of the revenue collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in a fund known as the Conservation Fund as authorized by RSA 79-A:2511, to be administered by the Conservation Committee to help preserve the rural character of Orford by encouraging the conservation of open land in accordance with RSA 36:A:5III.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Julia Fifield. A voice vote was in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 20:

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue completely the portion of the old Route 25A running through Bruce and Betty Hook's property and described in a letter dated November 20, 1986 and signed by Wallace Stickney, Commissioner for the New Hampshire Department of Transportation and addressed to the Orford Selectmen. That description being Project F-030-1(2), P-33-16, Section Class VI, Project Station 470+00+LT.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Goundrey. A voice vote was in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 21:

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to apply for and receive Federal Disaster Assistance Funds through the State Disaster Coordination Office and to expend the funds so received to repair the damage done to town roads and/or bridges caused by any disaster for which Federal Funds are available.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Goundrey. A voice vote was in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 22:

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors and Committees heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto:

Jude Parker gave a report on the Master Plan for Land Use Development for the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 23:

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

A proposed motion (advisory only/non-binding) was made by Melissa Ogle to the Selectmen to track any costs attributable to the Rivendell School District that may be incurred by the Town of Orford and to seek reimbursement of such costs. This was seconded by Ludlow Flower. After discussion a hand vote of 67 was taken. Yes – 22, No – 45.

This proposed motion was defeated.

David Bischoff on behalf of the Selectmen thanked everyone serving on a committee for their hours of service and help that they performed.

Peter Dooley thanked the Selectmen for the thankless job that they have done for the Town. Ann Green said, "On that note, I wish to commend you for your perseverance and courage, persistence, and commitment in resolving the issue on Main Street and the junkyard."

Before the Moderator read the results of the counting of the ballots, he thanked the people counting the ballots, not only tonight but in the past, for a job well done.

The results of the Ballots:

MODERATOR: Two-Year Term

Peter Thomson – 335

Write-ins: Margaret Noyes, Elwin Brooks, Glyneta Thomson, Paul Messer, Melissa Ogle, Linda Gordon, John Richardson each received one vote.

SELECTMAN: Three-Year Term

Paul Goundrey – 153

Write-ins: Gerald Pease – 182; Virgil Mack, Jon Sands each received one vote.

TAX COLLECTOR: One-Year Term

Louise M. Mack – 332

Write-ins: Judy Franklin – 3; Linda Gordon, Theresa Taylor, Muriel Marsh, Juanita Schwarz, Debby Matyka, Brenda Gray each received one vote.

ROAD AGENT: Three-Year Term

Charles Waterbury – 324

Write-ins: Larry Taylor – 3; Shirley Waterbury – 3; Jim Fields – 2; Judy Franklin, Gerald Lyons, Ronald Taylor, Floyd Marsh each received one vote.

PLANNING BOARD MEMBER: Three-Year Term

Elizabeth F. Bischoff – 289

Write-ins: Robert Palifka, Ludlow Flower, Bill McKee each received 2 votes. Ralph Dennis, Paul Messer, Jim Hook, Linda Smith, Tekle Tomlinson, Gerald Pease, Charles Waterbury, Jon Sands, Lawrence Hibbard, Judy Franklin, Peter Dooley, Ralph Parker each received one vote.

PLANNING BOARD MEMBER: Three-Year Term

David Coker – 256

Write-ins: Randy Perry – 3; Gerald Pease – 3; Bill Wilson – 2; Arthur Dennis – 2; Shawn Washburn – 2; Esther Marsh, Mike Grady, Paul Dalton, Paul Goundrey, Carl Schmidt, Judy Franklin, Linda Smith, Penny Brooks, Calvin Dyke, Susan Kling, Chase Kling, Harold Taylor, Sheila Thomson, Rendall Tullar, Judy Belyea each received one vote.

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST: Six-Year Term

Andrew B. Schwaegler – 310

Write-ins: Judy Parker – 2; Paul Messer, Elwin Brooks, Roger Hadlock, Paul Goundrey, Guy Hebb each received one vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p.m. The ballots were sealed at 11:00 p.m.

The foregoing is a true copy.

Attest: Louise M. Mack, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ORFORD
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
2001**

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD, County of Grafton, in said state, qualified to vote on Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Rivendell Gymnasium in said Orford on Tuesday the 13th of March next at seven o'clock in the evening to act on the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1.

To choose all necessary Town Officers. The polls will be open from four o'clock in the afternoon and will close no earlier than nine o'clock in the evening for you to cast your ballot for the following officers:

Selectman	3-Year Term
Treasurer	3-Year Term
Tax Collector	1-Year Term
Planning Board Members	3-Year Term

and to vote for anything that may be on your ballot.

ARTICLE 2. (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Personal Wireless Service Facilities Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board pursuant to RSA:675:3. This article will be voted on by Official Ballot, which will contain the following description:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of the Personal Wireless Service Facilities Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?”

Topical Description: The purpose of this ordinance is to permit the location of personal wireless service facilities within the Town of Orford, while protecting public health, safety, and the general welfare of the community in accordance with the Orford Master Plan. The ordinance enables the review of personal wireless service facilities by the Town of Orford.

New Hampshire law requires that such proposed ordinances be discussed prior to Town meeting at one or more public hearings conducted by the Planning Board, with no discussion at Town Meeting. Voting by Official Ballot will take place on this question during the time the polls are open.

A copy of the completed proposal is available at the Town Office and copies will be available for review at the polling place.

(The Planning Board recommends the adoption of this ordinance.)

ARTICLE 3.

Are you in favor of changing the term of the Tax Collector from one year to three years, beginning with the term of the Tax Collector to be elected at next year's regular town meeting, in accordance with RSA 41:2-b?

ARTICLE 4.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred and eighty-two thousand, one hundred fifty-six dollars (\$582,156) to include the following budget items:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$ 38,210.
Election	16,305.
Financial Administration	24,725.
Revaluation of Property	4,600.
Legal Expenses	9,500.
Personnel Administration	29,860.
Planning Board	6,635.
General Government Buildings	8,089.
Cemeteries	8,368.
Insurance	15,650.
Regional Association	968.
Contingency Fund	3,000.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police	\$ 58,468.
Ambulance	15,120.
Fire Department	18,699.
Emergency Management	575.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Highways	\$183,300.
Bridges	6,000.
Street Lighting	4,700.

SANITATION

Solid Waste Collection	\$ 4,936.
Solid Waste Disposal	38,250.

HEALTH

Animal Control	\$ 1,860.
Health Agency	5,475.

WELFARE

Direct Assistance	\$ 4,500.
Intergovernmental Welfare	1,610.

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Parks and Playgrounds	\$ 16,724.
Libraries	19,671.
Patriotic Purposes	125.

CONSERVATION

Other Conservation	\$ 100.
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DEBT SERVICE

Principal — Long Term Bonds	\$ 28,310.
Interest — Long Term Bonds	9,323.
Interest — Tax Anticipation Note	1,500.

IMPROVEMENTS OTHER THAN BUILDINGS

Microfilming of Town	
Historical Records	\$ 300.
Restoration of Town	
Historical Records	\$ 2,700.

(NOTE: Under RSA 32:5 V, the Selectmen are required to indicate whether or not they approve of an appropriation which appears as part of a special warrant article. The notation at the end of the following money articles gives the opinion of the majority of the Board.)

ARTICLE 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-six thousand dollars (\$76,000) for payments into the following capital reserve funds as follows:

Fire Truck	\$ 20,000.
Highway Trucks	25,000.
Grader	8,000.
Loader	7,000.
Police Cruiser	6,000.
Bridges/Roads	10,000.

(The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 6.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of one hundred and eighteen thousand dollars (\$118,000) for the purchase and equipping of a new backhoe loader for the highway department which is paid by such funds as follows: To authorize the withdrawal of up to \$55,000 from the Highway Loader Capital Reserve Fund to be expended for this purpose, and authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the current loader and apply the net proceeds for the purpose of this article.

(The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 7.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$67,500) for the purchase of a portion of lot #008-091-0053 containing about 8 acres, owned by William Batchelor and Nancy DePorter, for a town sand pit. The Selectmen intend to fund this article using the 12/31/2000 unreserved fund balance.

(The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500) for improvements at the recycling station.

(The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 9. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand two hundred and seventy dollars (\$1,270) to help fund the unified sports program of the Community School Organization (CSO).

(This amount represents 27.3% of the projected general expenses, such as league fees, coaches, equipment, and insurance which will not be met by anticipated funds from participant fees. The percentage is based on proportional enrollment of Orford children in the K-5 school system. In the event that the Rivendell District assumes responsibility for the elementary sports program in its 2001–02 budget, the above sum will be returned to the town.)

(The Selectmen do not recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 10.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) from interest in the Lenore Niles Trust Fund for the purpose of planting trees on town-owned property, improving community facilities and sponsoring organizations of Orford with financial aid for opportunities that otherwise might be unattainable.

(The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 11.

To see if the Town will vote to erect a WWII Memorial stone on town land in Orfordville for the purpose of honoring those who gave their lives in that war, to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee to oversee the construction, and to accept and expend gifts or trusts offered for purposes of implementing this vote, in accordance with RSA 31:19.

(The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 12.

To see if the Town will vote to deposit into the town's General Fund the sum of twelve thousand five hundred and eighty-nine dollars and thirty-three cents (\$12,589.33) as of 1-01-01, plus all accrued interest, from a dormant Timber Tax Account (#36464), established in 1981 and being held at Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank.

(The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 13. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to designate the boat landing on the Connecticut River, the parking area adjacent thereto, and Landing Road for use by Orford residents and property owners only; and if so, the Selectmen are directed to institute a system to verify compliance with this ordinance, such as use of a motor vehicle sticker.

ARTICLE 14.

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to apply for and receive Federal Disaster Assistance Funds through the State Disaster Coordination Office and to expend the funds so received to repair the damage done to town roads and/or bridges caused by any disaster for which Federal funds are available.

(The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 15.

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors and Committees heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 16.

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

Given under our hand and seal at Orford the 7th day of February in the year two thousand and one.

David F. Bischoff
Quentin P. Mack
Gerald E. Pease
BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF ORFORD

A true copy:

Attest:

David F. Bischoff
Quentin P. Mack
Gerald E. Pease
BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF ORFORD

2001 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	Appropriations 2000	Actual Expenditures 2000	Recommended Appropriations 2001
Acct. No.	Warrant Article #		
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>			
4130-39	Executive	\$ 34,849.	\$ 35,224.
4140-49	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	15,625.	15,787.
4150-51	Financial Administration	23,697.	20,307.
4152	Revaluation of Property	4,600.	7,160.
4153	Legal Expense	9,500.	14,584.
4155-59	Personnel Administration	29,518.	23,439.
4191-93	Planning & Zoning	6,035.	5,376.
4194	General Government Buildings	7,237.	7,284.
4195	Cemeteries	8,368.	9,585.
4196	Insurance	14,520.	13,428.
4197	Advertising & Regional Associations	968.	968.
4199	Other General Government	3,000.	0.
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>			
4210-14	Police	51,372.	44,976.
4215-19	Ambulance	15,120.	15,120.
4220-29	Fire	24,389.	24,699.
4290-98	Emergency Management	300.	219.
<u>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</u>			
4312	Highways & Streets	178,943.	178,600.
4313	Bridges	6,000.	4,286.
4316	Street Lighting	4,700.	4,464.
<u>SANITATION</u>			
4323	Solid Waste Collection	4,780.	4,910.
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	38,150.	37,269.
<u>HEALTH</u>			
4414	Pest Control	1,300.	1,876.
4415-19	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	5,225.	5,225.

2001 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 2

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS			Appropriations 2000	Actual Expenditures 2000	Recommended Appropriations 2001
		Warrant Article #			
<u>Acct. No.</u>	<u>WELFARE</u>				
4441-42	Administration & Direct Assistance	3	\$ 4,550.	\$ 125.	\$ 4,500.
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	3	1,560.	1,575.	1,610.
	<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>				
4520-29	Parks & Recreation	3	15,024.	17,769.	16,724.
4550-59	Library	3	16,952.	17,132.	19,671.
4583	Patriotic Purposes	3	125.	129.	125.
	<u>CONSERVATION</u>				
4619	Other Conservation	3	300.	100.	100.
	<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>				
4711	Principal — Long Term Bonds & Notes	3	18,000.	19,155.	28,310.
4721	Interest — Long Term Bonds & Notes	3	7,750.	5,326.	9,323.
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	3	1,500.	0.	1,500.
	<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	3	1,500.	1,498.	
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings	3	3,740.	4,118.	3,000.
<u>SUBTOTAL 1</u>			<u>\$ 559,497.</u>	<u>\$ 541,713.</u>	<u>\$ 588,156.</u>

2001 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 3

Appropriations 2000 Actual Expenditures 2000 Recommended Appropriations 2001 Not Recommended Appropriations 2001

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS

Acct. No.	Warrant Article #	Appropriations 2000	Actual Expenditures 2000	Recommended Appropriations 2001	Not Recommended Appropriations 2001
SPECIAL * WARRANT ARTICLES					
6	Wheel Dump Truck	\$ 70,000.	\$ 69,933.		
	Fire Truck (CRF)	20,000.	20,000.	\$ 20,000.	
	Highway Truck (CRF)	25,000.	25,000.	25,000.	
	Police Cruiser (CRF)	4,000.	4,000.	6,000.	
	Grader (CRF)	8,000.	8,000.	8,000.	
	Loader (CRF)	7,000.	7,000.	7,000.	
	Bridges/Roads (CRF)	10,000.	10,000.	10,000.	
	Unified Sports Program				\$ 1,270.
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended				\$ 76,000.	

*Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

2001 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 4

Acct. No.	INDIVIDUAL ** WARRANT ARTICLES	Warrant Article #	Appropriations	Actual	Recommended
			2000	Expenditures 2000	Appropriations 2001
4901	Gravel Pit	6			\$ 67,500.
4901	Recycling Center	7	\$ 2,500.	\$ 2,839.	4,500.
4902	Backhoe Loader	5			118,000.
4909	Niles Fund	8	5,000.	2,529.	5,000.
4909	P/T Police Officer	5	8,000.	511.	
4902	1-Ton Dump Truck	6	35,000.	39,512.	
4902	4WD Tractor Mower	8	11,000.	11,000.	
4901	Remove Brookside	9	3,500.	3,171.	
4903	Paint Town Office	10	4,500.	2,908.	
4901	Repair Cemetery Fence	11	5,000.	1,800.	
4901	Historic District Commission	13	250. (Not Approved)		
4902	Wildland Fire Equipment	14	6,250.	6,250.	
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended					\$ 195,000.

**“Individual” warrant articles are not necessarily the same as “special warrant articles.” Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

Acct. No.	TAXES	Warrant Article #	Estimated	Actual	Estimated
			Revenue 2000	Revenue 2000	Revenue 2001
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		\$ 1,500.	\$ 1,600.	\$ 6,000.
3185	Timber Taxes		8,000.	10,508.	8,000.
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		21,968.	31,103.	25,000.
	Excavation Activity Tax		160.	160.	160.
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		97.	0.	50.
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		120,000.	171,224.	130,000.
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		4,823.	10,217.	5,000.

2001 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 5

SOURCE OF REVENUE		Estimated Revenue 2000	Actual Revenue 2000	Estimated Revenue 2001
	Warrant Article #			
Acct. No.	TAXES			
3311-19	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	5	6,000.	0.
				6,000. (Police)
	FROM STATE			
3351	Shared Revenues		8,761.	8,761.
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		23,772.	23,772.
3353	Highway Block Grant		45,310.	45,310.
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	14	5,000.	6,250
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	15		13,387.
	<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>			
3401-06	Income from Departments		7,781.	5,051.
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>			
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		5,838.	11,438.
3502	Interest on Investments		9,911.	3,146.
3503-09	Other		320.	41,991.
	<u>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</u>			
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds WAs		55,500.	60,000.
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		5,000.	2,529.
	<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</u>			
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds & Notes		60,000.	60,000.
	Amounts VOTED from F/B ("Surplus")			0.
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			67,500.
				15,000.
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			\$ 389,741.	\$ 506,447.
				\$ 418,553.

BUDGET SUMMARY

SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended	\$ 588,156.
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended	76,000.
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended	195,000.
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$ 859,156.
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	418,553.
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$ 440,603.

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Budget Committee met with the Selectmen and people responsible for individual departments and budgets during several meetings to review budget requests for 2001. From information gathered at those meetings and other sources, the Selectmen and Administrative Assistant prepared a proposed budget for 2001. Another review was held and only a few minor adjustments were recommended. A formal Budget Hearing also took place with no recommended changes resulting.

The budget passing through the above process had a total appropriated funds of \$790,156, an increase of 2.8% over last year's budget. Some of the separate warrant articles included in that amount were \$76,000 for Capital Reserve, withdrawal of up to \$55,000 for a new backhoe/loader, \$4,500 for recycling improvements (shed), and \$67,500 for purchase of the Batchelor pit (8± acres across from the Town pit). Since the budget meetings and hearing, government approval of the Police funding for a part-time officer has been received, so a line item for \$6,000 was added to the Police budget. Additionally, the full appropriation for the backhoe/loader (\$118,000) needs to be included in the budget, so both these two items together increase the appropriation total by \$69,000 to \$859,156, an 11.8% increase over last year's budget.

Once again, the hard work and preparation done by many individuals has helped to make the budgeting process work well. Every budget has been reviewed by several people, and few issues arose requiring further investigation. The Selectmen's office has been careful to insure that the appropriate hearings have been held, and have been very open and cooperative in this process. The Budget committee is satisfied that the proposed budget is sound, and we recommend passage of the \$859,156 budget.

The Budget Committee

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS
January 2000 to December 2000

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
EXECUTIVE				
Board of Selectmen				
01-4130.10-130	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4130.10-220	224.00	223.20	0.80	0.36
01-4130.10-225	53.00	52.20	0.80	1.51
01-4130.10-330	610.00	575.95	34.05	5.58
01-4130.10-341	1,203.00	1,050.63	152.37	12.67
01-4130.10-390	300.00	207.62	92.38	30.79
01-4130.10-440	270.00	287.00	(17.00)	(6.30)
01-4130.10-550	50.00	668.98	(618.98)	(1,237.96)
01-4130.10-560	550.00	976.97	(426.97)	(77.63)
01-4130.10-570	200.00	578.54	(378.54)	(189.27)
01-4130.10-620	500.00	549.44	(49.44)	(9.89)
01-4130.10-625	525.00	898.75	(373.75)	(71.19)
01-4130.10-690	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.00
01-4130.10-740	600.00	0.00	600.00	100.00
• TOTAL • Board of Selectmen	\$ 8,985.00	\$ 9,969.28	\$ (984.28)	(10.95)
Town Administration				
01-4130.20-110	\$ 19,282.00	\$ 18,810.60	\$ 471.40	2.44
01-4130.20-120	804.00	864.00	(60.00)	(7.46)
01-4130.20-220	1,246.00	1,241.68	4.32	0.35
01-4130.20-225	291.00	290.21	0.79	0.27
01-4130.20-690	250.00	216.54	33.46	13.38
01-4130.20-850	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
• TOTAL • Town Administration	\$ 21,973.00	\$ 21,423.03	\$ 549.97	2.50

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 2

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
Town Meeting				
01-4130.30-550	\$ 3,666.00	\$ 3,510.00	\$ 156.00	4.26
01-4130.30-625	225.00	321.24	(96.24)	(42.77)
• TOTAL • Town Meeting	\$ 3,891.00	\$ 3,831.24	\$ 59.76	1.54
• TOTAL • EXECUTIVE	\$ 34,849.00	\$ 35,223.55	\$ (374.55)	(1.07)

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Town Clerk				
01-4140.10-120	\$ 500.00	\$ 175.87	\$ 324.13	64.83
01-4140.10-130	1,300.00	1,220.31	79.69	6.13
01-4140.10-190	8,000.00	8,388.20	(388.20)	(4.85)
01-4140.10-220	600.00	606.62	(6.62)	(1.10)
01-4140.10-225	150.00	141.89	8.11	5.41
01-4140.10-341	600.00	775.16	(175.16)	(29.19)
01-4140.10-560	50.00	101.50	(51.50)	(103.00)
01-4140.10-570	50.00	0.00	50.00	100.00
01-4140.10-610	150.00	200.00	(50.00)	(33.33)
01-4140.10-615	0.00	325.00	(325.00)	0.00
01-4140.10-620	900.00	431.23	468.77	52.09
01-4140.10-625	500.00	406.54	93.46	18.69
01-4140.10-693	800.00	0.00	800.00	100.00
01-4140.10-850	400.00	497.00	(97.00)	(24.25)
• TOTAL • Town Clerk	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 13,269.32	\$ 730.68	5.22

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 3

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION				
Voter Registration				
01-4140.20-130	EL Wages – Election Officials	\$ 2,074.20	\$ (1,174.20)	(130.47)
01-4140.20-570	EL Advertising	35.58	214.42	85.77
01-4140.20-620	EL Printing and Supplies	107.57	142.43	56.97
01-4140.20-690	EL Meals	300.00	(75.00)	(33.33)
	• TOTAL • Voter Registration	\$ 2,517.35	\$ (892.35)	(54.91)
	• TOTAL • ELECTION AND REGISTRATION	\$ 15,786.67	\$ (161.67)	(1.03)

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Tax Collection				
01-4150.40-190	TX Tax Collector's Fees	\$ 9,960.08	\$ 3,139.92	23.97
01-4150.40-390	TX Mortgage Research	490.00	210.00	30.00
01-4150.40-620	TX Office Supplies	448.42	51.58	10.32
01-4150.40-625	TX Postage	1,120.84	279.16	19.94
01-4150.40-850	TX Training and Seminars	409.40	(109.40)	(36.47)
	• TOTAL • Tax Collection	\$ 12,428.74	\$ 3,571.26	22.32
Treasury				
01-4150.50-130	T Salary – Treasurer	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4150.50-220	T Social Security	62.00	0.00	0.00
01-4150.50-225	T Medicare	14.50	0.50	3.33
01-4150.50-340	T Bank Fees	198.00	198.00	100.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 4

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION				
<i>Treasury (continued)</i>				
01-4150.50-620	\$ 200.00	\$ 100.99	\$ 99.01	49.51
01-4150.50-625	250.00	198.00	52.00	20.80
• TOTAL • Treasury	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 1,375.49	\$ 349.51	20.26
Data Processing				
01-4150.60-330	\$ 1,972.00	\$ 2,503.25	\$ (531.25)	(26.94)
• TOTAL • Data Processing	\$ 1,972.00	\$ 2,503.25	\$ (531.25)	(26.94)
Auditor				
01-4150.70-135	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • Auditor	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 23,697.00	\$ 20,307.48	\$ 3,389.52	14.30
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY				
01-4152.10-390	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6,621.86	\$ (2,621.86)	(65.55)
01-4152.20-110	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00
01-4152.20-220	31.00	31.00	0.00	0.00
01-4152.20-225	7.00	7.24	(0.24)	(3.43)
01-4152.20-620	62.00	0.00	62.00	100.00
• TOTAL • REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 7,160.10	\$ (2,560.10)	(55.65)

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 5

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
LEGAL EXPENSE				
01-4153.10-320	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 14,583.66	\$ (7,083.66)	(94.45)
01-4153.10-690	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	100.00
• TOTAL • LEGAL EXPENSE	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 14,583.66	\$ (5,083.66)	(53.51)
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS				
01-4155.10-210	\$ 29,323.00	\$ 22,897.81	\$ 6,425.19	21.91
01-4155.10-215	195.00	198.80	(3.80)	(1.95)
01-4155.10-216	0.00	342.40	(342.40)	0.00
		by Employees)		
• TOTAL • EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$ 29,518.00	\$ 23,439.01	\$ 6,078.99	20.59
PLANNING BOARD				
01-4191.10-390	\$ 125.00	\$ 94.00	\$ 31.00	24.80
01-4191.10-391	5,040.00	4,637.50	402.50	7.99
01-4191.10-560	30.00	20.00	10.00	33.33
01-4191.10-570	60.00	180.23	(120.23)	(200.38)
01-4191.10-620	30.00	14.56	15.44	51.47
01-4191.10-625	200.00	198.78	1.22	0.61
01-4191.10-690	500.00	230.95	269.05	53.81
01-4191.10-740	50.00	0.00	50.00	100.00
• TOTAL • PLANNING BOARD	\$ 6,035.00	\$ 5,376.02	\$ 658.98	10.92

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 6

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS				
01-4194.10-220	\$ 62.00	\$ 58.80	\$ 3.20	5.16
01-4194.10-225	15.00	13.76	1.24	8.27
01-4194.10-360	1,000.00	948.76	51.24	5.12
01-4194.10-410	1,500.00	1,223.25	276.75	18.45
01-4194.10-411	1,650.00	2,383.99	(733.99)	(44.48)
01-4194.10-430	700.00	623.42	76.58	10.94
01-4194.10-610	125.00	319.35	(194.35)	(155.48)
01-4194.10-690	240.00	188.00	52.00	21.67
01-4194.10-710	150.00	120.00	30.00	20.00
01-4194.10-720	1,395.00	1,254.59	140.41	10.07
01-4194.10-750	400.00	149.98	250.02	62.51
• TOTAL • GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	\$ 7,237.00	\$ 7,283.90	\$ (46.90)	(0.65)
CEMETERIES				
01-4195.10-220	\$ 1,803.00	\$ 2,726.90	\$ (923.90)	(51.24)
01-4195.10-490	6,365.00	6,365.00	0.00	0.00
01-4195.10-635	200.00	493.18	(293.18)	(146.59)
• TOTAL • CEMETERIES	\$ 8,368.00	\$ 9,585.08	\$ (1,217.08)	(14.54)
Reimbursement: Federal Taxes (\$ 2,953.08)				

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 7

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
INSURANCE NOT OTHERWISE ALLOCATED				
01-4196.10-520	\$ 12,236.00	\$ 10,940.00	\$ 1,296.00	10.59
01-4196.10-521	2,284.00	2,487.69	(203.69)	(8.92)
• TOTAL • INSURANCE				
NOT OTHERWISE ALLOCATED	\$ 14,520.00	\$ 13,427.69	\$ 1,092.31	7.52
ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOCIATION				
01-4197.10-560	\$ 968.00	\$ 968.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOCIATION	\$ 968.00	\$ 968.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
01-4199.10-000	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,000.00	100.00
• TOTAL • OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,000.00	100.00
• TOTAL • GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 157,917.00	\$ 153,141.16	\$ 4,775.84	3.02
PUBLIC SAFETY				
POLICE DEPARTMENT				
01-4210.10-110	\$ 31,973.00	\$ 30,978.05	\$ 994.95	3.11
01-4210.10-115	5,505.00	174.00	5,331.00	96.84
01-4210.10-120	0.00	551.72	(551.72)	0.00
01-4210.10-220	517.00	66.60	450.40	87.12

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 8

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
PUBLIC SAFETY				
POLICE DEPARTMENT (continued)				
01-4210.10-225	\$ 551.00	\$ 474.96	\$ 76.04	13.80
01-4210.10-230	1,576.00	1,530.03	45.97	2.92
01-4210.10-341	1,000.00	1,084.32	(84.32)	(8.43)
01-4210.10-390	4,500.00	4,626.00	(126.00)	(2.80)
01-4210.10-430	550.00	2,123.04	(1,573.04)	(286.01)
01-4210.10-560	100.00	132.65	(32.65)	(32.65)
01-4210.10-620	250.00	26.94	223.06	89.22
01-4210.10-625	100.00	7.94	92.06	92.06
01-4210.10-633	2,000.00	336.98	1,663.02	83.15
01-4210.10-635	800.00	1,395.37	(595.37)	(74.42)
01-4210.10-650	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-4210.10-670	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-4210.10-671	200.00	195.40	4.60	2.30
01-4210.10-690	100.00	26.00	74.00	74.00
01-4210.10-740	950.00	786.97	163.03	17.16
01-4210.10-840	200.00	134.45	65.55	32.78
01-4210.10-850	500.00	324.60	175.40	35.08
• TOTAL • POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$ 51,372.00	\$ 44,976.02	\$ 6,395.98	12.45
AMBULANCE				
01-4215.10-351	\$ 15,120.00	\$ 15,120.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • AMBULANCE	\$ 15,120.00	\$ 15,120.00	\$ 0.00	0.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 9

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
PUBLIC SAFETY				
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
01-4220.10-120	FD Wages – P/T	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 920.00	33.45
01-4220.10-130	FD Wages – Fire Wardens	250.00	250.00	100.00
01-4220.10-220	FD Social Security	80.00	(33.46)	(41.82)
01-4220.10-225	FD Medicare	19.00	(7.55)	(39.74)
01-4220.10-390	FD Dispatch	825.00	(4.00)	(0.48)
01-4220.10-395	FD Emergency Management Serv.	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-4220.10-430	FD Equipment Maintenance	1,715.00	(2,644.53)	(154.20)
01-4220.10-440	FD Rent	3,600.00	0.00	0.00
01-4220.10-560	FD Dues and Subscriptions	50.00	0.00	0.00
01-4220.10-635	FD Vehicle Fuel	250.00	(81.29)	(32.52)
01-4220.10-740	FD Equipment	7,700.00	1,400.56	18.19
01-4220.10-741	FD Compressor	200.00	200.00	100.00
01-4220.10-830	FD Forest Fire	100.00	100.00	100.00
01-4220.10-850	FD Training	600.00	(410.00)	(68.33)
01-4220.10-852	FD Wild Land Fire Equipment	6250.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • FIRE DEPARTMENT		\$ 24,389.00	\$ (310.27)	(1.27)
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT				
01-4290.10-690	EM Emergency Management	\$ 300.00	\$ 80.98	26.99
• TOTAL • EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		\$ 300.00	\$ 80.98	26.99
• TOTAL • PUBLIC SAFETY		\$ 91,181.00	\$ 6,166.69	6.76

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 10

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

ROAD MAINTENANCE

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
01-4312.20-110	\$ 58,523.00	\$ 55,191.38	\$ 3,331.62	5.69
01-4312.20-120	20,000.00	21,648.41	(1,648.41)	(8.24)
01-4312.20-220	4,732.00	4,797.80	(65.80)	(1.39)
01-4312.20-225	2,700.00	1,122.06	1,577.94	58.44
01-4312.20-230	2,700.00	2,342.14	357.86	13.25
01-4312.20-341	700.00	768.00	(68.00)	(9.71)
01-4312.20-410	800.00	748.01	51.99	6.50
01-4312.20-411	1,288.00	2,277.53	(989.53)	(76.83)
01-4312.20-430	300.00	688.00	(388.00)	(129.33)
01-4312.20-440	1,500.00	1,139.50	360.50	24.03
01-4312.20-490	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00
01-4312.20-560	150.00	18.00	132.00	88.00
01-4312.20-610	550.00	814.68	(264.68)	(48.12)
01-4312.20-630	19,000.00	16,355.13	2,644.87	13.92
01-4312.20-635	250.00	76.48	173.52	69.41
01-4312.20-636	5,500.00	9,106.31	(3,606.31)	(65.57)
01-4312.20-637	750.00	976.79	226.79	30.24
01-4312.20-640	700.00	1,127.85	(427.85)	(61.12)
01-4312.20-730	4,000.00	6,328.18	(2,328.18)	(58.20)
01-4312.20-740	1,000.00	3,894.82	(2,894.82)	(289.48)
01-4312.20-840	1,400.00	1,660.47	(260.47)	(18.60)
01-4312.20-861	3,600.00	1,823.20	1,776.80	49.36
01-4312.20-862	12,000.00	11,279.54	720.46	6.00
01-4312.20-863	24,500.00	24,457.71	42.29	0.17

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 11

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
ROAD MAINTENANCE <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4312.20-864	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 5,886.32	\$ 1,113.68	15.91
01-4312.20-865	1,000.00	897.35	102.65	10.26
01-4312.20-866	300.00	35.00	265.00	88.33
01-4312.20-868	500.00	50.00	450.00	90.00
01-4312.20-890	500.00	89.30	410.70	82.14
• TOTAL • ROAD MAINTENANCE	\$ 178,943.00	\$ 178,599.96	\$ 343.04	0.19
BRIDGES				
01-4313.10-440	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,720.00	\$ (720.00)	(72.00)
01-4313.10-630	3,000.00	39.00	2,961.00	98.70
01-4313.10-862	2,000.00	2,526.50	(526.50)	(26.33)
• TOTAL • BRIDGES	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,285.50	\$ 1,714.50	28.58
STREET LIGHTING				
01-4316.10-410	\$ 4,700.00	\$ 4,464.28	\$ 235.72	5.02
• TOTAL • STREET LIGHTING	\$ 4,700.00	\$ 4,464.28	\$ 235.72	5.02
• TOTAL • HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	\$ 189,643.00	\$ 187,349.74	\$ 2,293.26	1.21

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
SANITATION				
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION				
01-4323.10-390	WC Collection – Floyd Marsh	\$ 4,910.00	\$ (230.00)	(4.91)
01-4323.10-610	WC Supplies	100.00	100.00	100.00
• TOTAL • SOLID WASTE COLLECTION		\$ 4,910.00	\$ (130.00)	(2.72)
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL				
01-4324.10-390	WD Disposal – N.C.E.S./ Lebanon Landfill	\$ 33,127.48	\$ 2,872.52	7.98
01-4324.10-395	WD Dues – Northeast Resource	0.00	(100.00)	0.00
01-4324.20-610	WD Supplies	50.00	50.00	100.00
01-4324.40-390	WD Recycling – Floyd Marsh	2,000.00	(1,941.05)	(97.05)
01-4324.40-395	WD Disposal – Septage – Plymouth	100.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL		\$ 37,268.53	\$ 881.47	2.31
• TOTAL • SANITATION		\$ 42,930.00	\$ 751.47	1.75
ANIMAL CONTROL				
01-4414.10-120	AC Wages P/T	\$ 540.00	\$ 260.00	32.50
01-4414.10-220	AC Social Security	33.49	16.51	33.02
01-4414.10-225	AC Medicare	7.84	2.16	21.60
01-4414.10-390	AC Veterinary/Boarding	150.00	50.00	25.00
01-4414.10-680	AC Supplies	390.00	(407.20)	(104.41)
01-4414.10-690	AC Mileage Reimbursement	100.00	(92.22)	(92.22)
01-4414.10-850	AC Training	155.00	(105.00)	(210.00)
• TOTAL • ANIMAL CONTROL		\$ 1,875.75	\$ (275.75)	(17.23)

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 13

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
HEALTH				
HEALTH AGENCIES				
01-4415.20-352	\$ 5,225.00	\$ 5,225.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • HEALTH AGENCIES	\$ 5,225.00	\$ 5,225.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • HEALTH	\$ 6,825.00	\$ 7,100.75	\$ (275.75)	(4.04)
WELFARE				
DIRECT ASSISTANCE				
01-4442.10-410	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00	100.00
01-4442.10-411	500.00	0.00	500.00	100.00
01-4442.10-440	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	100.00
01-4442.10-690	550.00	125.00	425.00	77.27
• TOTAL • DIRECT ASSISTANCE	\$ 4,550.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 4,425.00	97.25
INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE				
01-4444.10-390	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4444.20-390	910.00	925.00	(15.00)	(1.65)
• TOTAL • INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE	\$ 1,560.00	\$ 1,575.00	\$ (15.00)	(0.96)
• TOTAL • WELFARE	\$ 6,110.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 4,410.00	72.18

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 14

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)	
CULTURE AND RECREATION					
PARKS AND RECREATION					
01-4520.10-120	P&P Wages – P/T	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 4,573.64	\$ 2,926.36	39.02
01-4520.10-130	P&P Wages – Swim Instructor	700.00	625.63	74.37	10.62
01-4520.10-220	P&P Social Security	465.00	331.86	133.14	28.63
01-4520.10-225	P&P Medicare	109.00	77.64	31.36	28.77
01-4520.10-360	P&P Mowing	1,000.00	2,517.42	(1,517.42)	(151.74)
01-4520.10-410	P&P Electricity	200.00	187.98	12.02	6.01
01-4520.10-490	P&P Trash Collection	600.00	769.32	(169.32)	(28.22)
01-4520.10-610	P&P Miscellaneous	300.00	4,499.48	(4,199.48)	(1,399.83)
01-4520.10-630	P&P Maintenance/Repairs	1,000.00	847.74	152.26	15.23
01-4520.10-635	P&P Gasoline	50.00	137.18	(87.18)	(174.36)
01-4520.10-636	P&P Diesel Fuel	250.00	326.90	(76.90)	(30.76)
01-4520.10-691	P&P Portable Toilets	1,700.00	1,742.75	(42.75)	(2.51)
01-4520.10-695	P&P Improvements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-4520.10-821	P&P Ski Program	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
01-4520.10-822	P&P Swim Program – Misc.	150.00	132.04	17.96	11.97
•TOTAL • PARKS AND RECREATION		\$ 15,024.00	\$ 17,769.58	\$ (2,745.58)	(18.27)
LIBRARY					
01-4550.10-220	LIB Social Security	\$ 1,760.00	\$ 1,907.54	\$ (147.54)	(8.38)
01-4550.10-225	LIB Medicare	410.00	442.80	(32.80)	(8.00)
01-4550.20-490	LIB Free Library – Appropriation	9,168.00	9,168.00	0.00	0.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 15

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
CULTURE AND RECREATION				
LIBRARY <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4550.30-490	LIB Social Library – Appropriation \$ 5,614.00	\$ 5,614.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • LIBRARY	\$ 16,952.00	\$ 17,132.34	\$ (180.34)	(1.06)
Reimbursement: Federal Taxes				
	Free Library (\$ 719.10)			
	Social Library (\$ 1,254.80)			
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES				
01-4583.10-610	PP Patriotic Purposes – Misc. \$ 125.00	\$ 128.96	\$ (3.96)	(3.17)
• TOTAL • PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	\$ 125.00	\$ 128.96	\$ (3.96)	(3.17)
• TOTAL • CULTURE AND RECREATION	\$ 32,101.00	\$ 35,030.88	\$ (2,929.88)	(9.13)
CONSERVATION				
01-4619.10-000	CONS Conservation Commission \$ 300.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	66.67
• TOTAL • CONSERVATION	\$ 300.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	66.67
DEBT SERVICE				
LONG TERM PRINCIPAL				
01-4711.20-980	DS Debt Service – Bond Principal \$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4711.20-985	DS Debt Service – WGSB Loan – FD 8,000.00	3,155.00	4,845.00	60.56

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 16

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
DEBT SERVICE				
LONG TERM PRINCIPAL <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4711.20-986	DS Debt Service –			
	WGSB Loan – HWY	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	0.00
• TOTAL • LONG TERM PRINCIPAL		\$ 19,155.00	\$ (1,155.00)	(6.42)
LONG TERM INTEREST				
01-4721.20-981	INT Interest Due on Bond	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 850.00	21.25
01-4721.20-985	INT Interest Due –			
	WGSB Loan – FD	1,510.94	2,239.06	59.71
01-4721.20-986	INT Interest Due –			
	WGSB Loan – HWY	664.78	(664.78)	0.00
• TOTAL • LONG TERM INTEREST		\$ 5,325.72	\$ 2,424.28	31.28
INTEREST ON TAN				
01-4723.10-981	INT TAN Interest Due on TAN	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,500.00	100.00
• TOTAL • INTEREST ON TAN		\$ 0.00	\$ 1,500.00	100.00
• TOTAL • DEBT SERVICE		\$ 24,480.72	\$ 2,769.28	10.16
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
01-4901.10-730	CO Land and Improvements	\$ 4,970.55	\$ 3,529.45	41.52
01-4902.10-740	CO Machinery and Equipment	116,998.00	2.00	0.00
01-4903.10-720	CO Buildings	4,937.38	2,062.62	29.47

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 17

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
CAPITAL OUTLAY <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4909.10-731	CO Improvements other than Buildings – Restoration	\$ 2,700.00	\$ (378.00)	(14.00)
01-4909.10-732	CO Improvements other than Buildings – Niles Fund	5,000.00	2,471.49	49.43
01-4909.10-734	CO Improvements other than Buildings – Hazardous Waste	1,040.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • CAPITAL OUTLAY		\$ 141,240.00	\$ 7,687.56	5.44
TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS				
01-4915.10-930	CRF Transfers to CRF	\$ 74,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS		\$ 74,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • APPROPRIATED FUNDS — CURRENT YEAR				
		\$ 769,497.00	\$ 25,848.47	3.36
• TOTAL • GENERAL FUND		\$ 769,497.00	\$ 25,848.47	3.36

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
Voted by the Town of ORFORD on March 14, 2000

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief. RSA 21-J:34.

Selectmen of the Town of Orford

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS		Warr. Art. #	Appropriations as Voted
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>			
4130 – 4139	Executive	3	\$ 34,849
4140 – 4149	Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics	3	15,625
4150 – 4151	Financial Administration	3	23,697
4152	Revaluation of Property	3	4,600
4153	Legal Expense	3	9,500
4155 – 4159	Personnel Administration	3	29,518
4191 – 4193	Planning and Zoning	3	6,035
4194	General Government Buildings	3	7,237
4195	Cemeteries	3	8,368
4196	Insurance	3	14,520
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	3	968
4199	Other General Government	3	3,000
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>			
4210 – 4214	Police	3, 5	51,372
4215 – 4219	Ambulance	3	15,120
4220 – 4229	Fire	3, 15	24,389
4290 – 4298	Emergency Management	3	300
<u>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</u>			
4312	Highways and Streets	3	178,943
4313	Bridges	3	6,000
4316	Street Lighting	3	4,700
<u>SANITATION</u>			
4323	Solid Waste Collection	3	4,780
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	3	38,150
<u>HEALTH</u>			
4414	Pest Control	3	1,600
4415 – 4419	Health Agencies and Hospitals and Other	3	5,225
<u>WELFARE</u>			
4441 – 4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	3	4,550
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	3	1,560

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS — 2
Voted by the Town of ORFORD on March 14, 2000

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS		Warr. Art. #	Appropriations as Voted
<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>			
4520 – 4529	Parks and Recreation	3	\$ 15,024
4550 – 4559	Library	3	16,952
4583	Patriotic Purposes	3	125
<u>CONSERVATION</u>			
4619	Other Conservation	3	300
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>			
4711	Principal — Long Term Bonds & Notes	3	18,000
4721	Interest — Long Term Bonds & Notes	3	7,750
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Note	3	1,500
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>			
4901	Land	10, 12	8,500
4902	Machinery, Vehicles and Equipment	3, 6, 7, 9	117,000
4903	Buildings	11, 13	7,000
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	3	3,740
<u>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</u>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	4	74,000
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maintenance Trust Fund)	17, 18	<u>12,500</u>
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS			<u><u>\$ 776,997</u></u>

SUMMARY OF REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES
For the Town of ORFORD — 2000

RSA 21-J:34

SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	For Use by Municipality
<u>Account #</u>		
<u>TAXES</u>		
3120		\$ 1,500
3185		8,000
3190		21,968
3188		160
<u>LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES</u>		
3210		97
3220		120,000
3290		4,823
3311 – 3319	5	6,000
<u>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</u>		
<u>FROM STATE</u>		
3351		8,761
3352		23,772
3353		45,310
3359	15	13,387
<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>		
3401 – 3406		7,781
<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>		
3501		5,838
3502		9,911
3503 – 3509		320
<u>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</u>		
3915	6, 7, 9	55,500
3916	18	5,000
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</u>		
3934	7	60,000
SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES		\$ 398,128
General Fund Balance		
Unreserved Fund Balance		\$ 277,136
Voted from Fund Balance "Surplus"		0
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS		\$ 398,128
REQUESTED OVERLAY (RSA 76:6)		\$ 10,000

**SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County**

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. RSA 21-J:34.

Selectmen of the Town of Orford

August 23, 2000

CATEGORY	Number of Acres	2000 Assessed Valuation
Value of Land Only		
Current Use (At Current Use Values) (RSA 79-A)	24,582.540	\$ 1,551,810
Residential	3,632.28	14,196,200
Commercial/Industrial	19.500	71,800
Total of Taxable Land	28,234.320	\$ 15,819,810
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable (\$1,080,320)		XXXXXXXXXX
Value of Buildings Only		
Residential		\$ 43,897,600
Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		904,200
Commercial/Industrial		1,090,140
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$ 45,891,940
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable		XXXXXXXXXX
Public Utilities — Electric		
Connecticut Valley Electric		\$ 389,032
New England Power		117,289
NH Electric Corp		817,467
Central VT Electric		462
Total of Electric Utilities		\$ 1,324,250
Modified Assessed Valuation of all Properties		\$ 63,036,000
Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	(1)	\$ 15,000
Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a	(6)	\$ 81,600
Elderly Exemptions GRANTED:		
3 (age 75 – 79)		
3 (age 80 +)		
Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	(1)	\$ 5,000
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		\$ 101,600
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate for Municipal, County & Local Education Tax is Computed		\$ 62,934,400
Less Public Utilities		\$ 1,324,250
Net Valuation without Utilities on which Tax Rate for State Education Tax is Computed		\$ 61,610,150

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION — 2
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County

<u>Tax Credits</u>	<u>Limits</u>	<u>Number of Individuals</u>	<u>Estimated Tax Credits</u>
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty	\$700/\$1,400	1	\$ 1,400
Other war service credits	\$50/\$100	47	2,350
Total Number and Amount	XXXXXXXXXX	48	\$ 3,750

Current Use Report (RSA 79-A)

<u>Category</u>	<u>Total # of Acres Receiving Current Use Assessment</u>
Farm Land	1,554.200
Forest Land	21,996.800
Unproductive Land	1,031.540
Total	24,582.540

<u>Other Current Use Statistics</u>	<u>Total # of Acres</u>
Receiving 20% Recreation Adjustment	33,829.
Removed from Current Use during current year	1.8
	<u>Total #</u>
Total # of Owners in Current Use	151
Total # of Parcels in Current Use	631

2000 TAX RATE CALCULATION — Town of ORFORD

Appropriations	776,997
Less: Revenues	398,128
Less: Shared Revenues	3,514
Add: Overlay	9,953
War Service Credits	3,750

Net Town Appropriation	389,058
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	389,058
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**TOWN RATE
6.18**

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget	0
Regional School Apportionment	1,373,896
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(376,631)
State Education Taxes	(390,758)

Approved School(s) Tax Effort	606,507
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**LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
9.64**

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$6.60
59,205,717	390,758
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)	
61,610,150	
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State	
Pay to State →	0

**STATE
SCHOOL RATE
6.34**

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	104,903
Less: Shared Revenues	(1,153)

Approved County Tax Effort	103,750
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**COUNTY RATE
1.65**

**TOTAL RATE
23.81**

Total Property Taxes Assessed	1,490,073
Less: War Service Credits	(3,750)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	1,486,323

PROOF OF RATE

	Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	61,610,150	6.34	390,758
All Other Taxes	62,934,400	17.47	1,099,315
			1,490,073

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION	ASSESSED VALUE
Library, Land and Building	81,900
Furniture and Equipment	10,000
Police Department	
Furniture and Equipment	40,000
Fire Department	
Equipment	455,000
Highway Department, Land and Buildings	90,000
Equipment	343,383
Materials and Supplies	68,455
Parks and Playgrounds, Land and Buildings	154,800
Equipment	18,050
Town Office, Land and Building	157,000
Furniture and Equipment	30,000
Schools, Land and Buildings*	904,000
Furniture and Equipment	272,500
Cemeteries	23,600
Equipment	7,000
All Land and Buildings Acquired through Tax Collector's Deeds 008-0091B-19-0001	\$6,900

*Orford School – figures for January-June 2000

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

TOWN OF ORFORD

December 31, 2000

Showing Annual Maturity of Outstanding Bond

FIRE TRUCK BOND (1995) — 5.2483%

<u>Maturities</u>	<u>Original Amount: \$98,000.00</u>
2001	10,000.00
2002	10,000.00
2003	10,000.00
2004	10,000.00
2005	<u>10,000.00</u>
	TOTAL \$50,000.00

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Orford as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

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

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As in the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Orford has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Orford, as of December 31, 1999, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The Unaudited Supplementary Information on page 21 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and do not express an opinion on it. In addition, we do not provide assurance that the Town of Orford is or will become year 2000 compliant, the Town of Orford's year 2000 remediation efforts will be successful in whole or in part, or that parties with which the Town of Orford does business are or will become year 2000 compliant.

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

Plodzik & Sanderson Professional Association
February 16, 2000

TREASURER'S REPORT
In Account with the Town of ORFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
For the Year 2000

Cash on Hand January 1, 2000		\$ 629,790.02
State of New Hampshire		
Shared Revenue	\$ 37,199.53	
Highway Block Grant	45,310.10	82,509.63
Louise Mack, Tax Collector		
Property Tax, Current	1,464,091.79	
Tax Redemption	64,238.33	
Land Use Tax	1,600.00	
Yield Tax	10,508.14	
Interest and Penalties	31,102.71	1,571,540.97
Louise Mack, Town Clerk		
Motor Vehicle Registration	171,223.50	
Boat Registration	293.92	
Dog Licenses	1,771.50	
Marriage Licenses	342.00	
Miscellaneous Income and Fees	7,809.33	181,440.25
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank		
Interest Earned	3,145.73	3,145.73
MBIA Interest Earned	14,756.72	14,756.72
Other Income		
Federal Tax Reimbursement	4,926.98	
Trash Tickets	7,110.00	
Insurance Adjustments	2,717.39	
Transfer from Capital Reserves	135,893.63	
Sale of Town Property	11,438.43	
Income from Departments	5,051.30	
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	41,991.41	209,129.14
Total Receipts		\$ 2,062,522.44
Disbursements		\$ 2,062,578.44
Auditor's 1999 Adjustment		4,369.87
Cash on Hand December 31, 2000		\$ 625,364.15

Charles A. Peters
Town Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2000

	2000	1999
Uncollected Taxes — Beginning of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue		\$ 48,041.12
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue		90,667.14
Yield Taxes		1,046.23
Current Use		
Taxes Committed to Collector		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	\$ 847,602.00	
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	639,839.00	
Yield Taxes	10,524.86	
Current Use	3,100.00	
Gravel Tax	174.72	
Added Property Taxes	2,652.00	
Refunded Overpayment Property Taxes	91.00	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes		
1st Issue	1,777.79	4,304.99
2nd Issue	121.39	2,276.74
Yield	75.00	131.54
Abatement Interest	1.93	
Current Use		
TOTALS	\$ 1,505,959.69	\$ 146,467.76
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	\$ 808,665.19	\$ 48,041.12
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	580,488.15	88,910.75
Yield Taxes	9,461.91	1,046.23
Gravel Tax	174.72	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	1,974.18	6,711.66
Current Use	1,600.00	
Abatements Allowed		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue		
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	763.00	1,758.00
Yield Taxes	9.00	
Interest	1.93	
Current Use	1,500.00	
Deeded to Town	96.00	
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	38,840.81	
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	61,330.85	
Yield Taxes	1,053.95	
Current Use		
Gravel Tax		
TOTALS	\$ 1,505,959.69	\$ 146,467.76

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT — 2

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS — Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2000

	1999	1998	1997	1996
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes				
Beginning of Fiscal Year 1/1/00		\$ 59,549.37	\$ 40,382.53	\$ 10,930.99
Mortgage Fees		1,163.00	717.00	82.00
Taxes Executed to Town				
During Fiscal Year	\$ 63,661.14			
Mortgage Fees	1,411.50			
Interest Collected				
After Lien Execution	449.46	3,905.69	12,250.30	
Interest Deeded to Town	15.97	65.74	109.49	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 65,538.07	\$ 64,683.80	\$ 53,459.32	\$ 11,012.99
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year				
Redemption	\$ 15,037.64	\$ 18,849.63	\$ 32,136.36	
Mortgage Fees	348.62	410.00	232.50	
Interest and Cost after Lien	449.46	3,905.69	12,250.30	
Abatements				
Property Taxes		34.68		
Mortgage		10.00	355.00	
Deeded to Town				
Interest	239.86	270.41	259.38	
Mortgage Fees	15.97	65.74	109.49	
	10.00	10.00	10.00	
Unredeemed Taxes				
Mortgage	\$ 48,383.64	\$ 40,394.65	\$ 7,986.79	\$ 10,930.99
	1,052.88	733.00	119.50	82.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 65,538.07	\$ 64,683.80	\$ 53,459.32	\$ 11,012.99

TOWN CLERK'S ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE REPORT
January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000

<u>TOTAL AMOUNT OF REVENUE</u>		<u>\$ 222,900.55</u>
 Registrations		
1639 Auto Permits Issued		
1428 Municipal Agent Functions		
Town Tax Collected		\$ 171,063.50
State Tax Collected		\$ 41,654.80
 Town Clerk Fees		
1639 Registrations	@ \$1.00	\$ 1,639.00
306 Title Applications	@ \$2.00	612.00
115 Transfers	@ \$5.00	575.00
1428 Municipal Agent	@ \$2.50	<u>3,570.00</u>
		\$ 6,396.00
Dump Tickets		\$ 100.00
Boat Registration Revenue		\$ 293.92
 Dog Licenses		
341 Licenses Issued		\$ 1,661.50
Late Penalties		110.00
Town Clerk Fees		<u>341.00</u>
		\$ 2,113.00
 Marriage Licenses		
9 Marriage Licenses Issued		
State Revenue		\$ 342.00
Town Clerk Fees		<u>63.00</u>
		\$ 405.00
 Vital Record Copies		
24 Certified Copies Issued		
State Revenue		
21 Copies	@ \$8.00	\$ 168.00
3 Copies	@ \$5.00	15.00
Town Clerk Fees		
21 Copies	@ \$4.00	84.00
3 Copies	@ \$3.00	<u>9.00</u>
		\$ 276.00
U.C.C. Filings		\$ 571.33
Miscellaneous Fees		\$ 20.00
Miscellaneous		\$ 7.00

TOWN CLERK'S ACCOUNT
January 1 — December 31, 2000

Boat Registrations

42 Registrations Issued		
State Fees Collected	\$	935.50
Town Tax Collected		293.92
Boat Agent Fees		121.50
Total Boat Revenue		\$1,350.92

OHRV Registrations

13 Registrations Issued		
State Fees Collected	\$	470.00
OHRV Agent Fees		13.00
Total OHRV Revenue		\$ 483.00

N.H. Fish & Game Dept. — Licenses/Duck Stamps Sold

21 Hunting/Fishing Licenses Issued		
State Fees Collected	\$	743.00
Agent Fees Collected		38.50
Total N.H. Fish & Game Revenue		\$ 781.50

Summary of Fees Paid to Town Clerk

Auto Fees	\$ 6,396.00
Boat Agent Fees	121.50
Certified Copy Fees	93.00
Dog License Fees	341.50
Fish & Game Fees	38.50
Marriage License Fees	63.00
OHRV Agent Fees	13.00
UCC Filing Fees	571.33
Miscellaneous Fees	20.00
Total Fees	\$ 7,657.83

DOG LICENSE FEES

Male or Female	\$ 9.00
Altered Animals	6.50
Senior Citizens: for one animal	2.00
thereafter, the regular fee (owner over 65 years of age)	

License fee for a puppy (older than 4 months but younger than 7 months) is **\$6.50** for the first initial year.

Group Licenses

The minimum number of dogs required to qualify for a group license is five (5) dogs, and a standard fee of **\$20.00**.

Proof of rabies and altering is required.

All dogs should be licensed by **April 30, 2001** to avoid any penalty.

If your dog is not licensed with the Town of Orford by May 31, 2001, we will be obligated to inform the Orford Animal Control Officer of a violation of RSA 466:1. A civil forfeiture will be issued which carries with it a **\$25.00** fine plus late fees.

RABIES CLINIC

A "Rabies Clinic" has been scheduled to be held on Saturday, **March 24, 2001**, between 11 a.m. and 12 p.m. at the Orford Fire Station. This has been arranged with the Oxbow Veterinary Clinic of Bradford, VT, the Orford Town Clerk, and the Orford Fire Department. Attendance at this program is not only convenient, but offers these shots at a reduced rate.

Dog and Cat Rabies Vaccine	\$ 7.00
Other vaccines will be available.	

If people see an animal they suspect of being rabid, contact Roy Daisey, Orford Animal Control Officer, Orford Police Department or the NH Fish and Game Department.

RSA 436:99, II-VI requires that **all dogs and cats** have a rabies vaccine once they reach the age of **3 months**. The first rabies vaccine will be good for only one year, on a young dog or cat, but a two- or three-year vaccine will be given thereafter.

Rabies is a viral disease which attacks the central nervous system in mammals including wild animals, pets and **humans**. If untreated, it is almost always **fatal**.

Rabies is spread from a bite or contact with the saliva of an infected animal. An indication that an animal has rabies is a noted change in behavior, such as loss of the normal fear of humans or a display of hostile actions. Rabies is impossible to diagnose without a medical test that can be done only after the infected mammal is dead.

Rabies is preventable. Dogs, cats, horses and other domestic animals can be vaccinated against the disease. If the vaccinated pet comes into contact with an infected animal, the disease will not spread. **However, humans that come into contact with the saliva from a rabid animal on their pet can get the disease.** If exposed to saliva from any animal which may be suspected of carrying rabies, the wound or infected area should be soaked for 10 minutes in soap and water prior to going to the emergency room of a hospital.

SELECTMEN

It has been another busy and progressive year and we are pleased to report that all of the special projects you authorized have been accomplished. Also, there was a significant amount of routine and new business handled and completed. This year's professional audit as well as the report from the Department of Revenue shows the town to be in good standing fiscally.

Our Road Department continues to challenge the Board with new ideas and accomplishments that exceed expectations. Our town's newest employee, William "Bill" Gray, is proving to be a valuable addition to the department. We encourage everyone to visit the Town Garage to view the new equipment purchased last year and to share any ideas you might have about the town roads. An exciting and significant opportunity has been given to the town by Bill Batchelor's willingness to sell 8 acres of high quality sand, across the road from the Town Garage, to serve the needs of the town for the foreseeable future. We are asking for passage of warrant article #7 for this purchase.

The Board is also recommending the replacement of the town's backhoe loader in warrant article #6 and requesting that the police capital reserve fund be increased by \$2,000 in warrant article #5 for replacement of the cruiser in 2002. Approval of this article will put in place a plan allowing us to replace all town equipment in a more timely fashion minimizing net costs by maximizing trade-in value and optimizing maintenance costs without "spiking" the tax rate. The new paving method used this fall on Upper Baker Pond Road shows real promise; therefore, at a future time we will be asking for an increase in the paving account.

Our transfer station has a new 20' x 40' concrete pad. In warrant article #7 we are requesting money to construct a pole shed building and two roll-offs to hold tires and metal. Our Administrative Assistant filled out a grant application for which we were awarded \$2,500 to purchase and install an oil-recycling center. Next year we hope to recommend additional recycling improvements and we trust our experimentation with different hours has resulted in a schedule that is more convenient for you.

The Brookside Store project was time consuming and we regret that the Lions Club was unable to purchase the building due to various reasons. While demolishing the building, asbestos was found which caused the cost to run significantly higher than expected; payment for these costs was taken from the solid waste disposal account.

This year's town budget proposal is up 11.8%. The Board feels it's a good time to spend additional monies and bring town wages closer to parity. Last year the gross evaluation went up \$1,449,685 and our tax rate fell 25+% from \$31.97 in 1998 to \$23.81 this year.

A lilac bush was planted in memory of Judy Adams on the Town Office lawn, along with the placing of a brass plaque noting her many years of faithful service to our town.

Changes are happening before our eyes: Rivendell has started construction and is providing a quality education with minimum transition. The Samuel Morey Bridge is being refurbished. In the 1830's, Orford's population broke 1900 . . . it's now just half that number but significant growth may be just around the corner. Help us plan for what's happening in our town by volunteering your time and ideas.

ORFORD CEMETERY COMMISSION

The Orford Cemetery Commission reports another year of no unusual expenses. We are happy to say that our mowers and trimmers withstood the continuous use resulting from a very wet season. We make no promises for 2001. Our groundskeeper Kurt Gendron and his part-time assistant, Shirley Gendron, have kept our cemeteries well cut and trimmed. We thank them for their diligence and hard work.

We receive many notes from visitors, who come to Orford seeking ancestral grave sites, complimenting us on the care of our cemeteries.

We regret that work was not started on the Street Cemetery fence this summer. Heavy duty contractors were just not available to reset the granite posts. The lumber is ready and at the site for spring and we hope construction to start soon.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Messer
Ruth M. Brown
Julia M. Fifield
Commissioners

FINANCIAL REPORT Year Ending December 31, 2000

Cash on Hand January 1, 2000		\$ 706.27
Receipts		
Town of Orford	\$ 6,365.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds	<u>5,000.00</u>	
		<u>\$11,365.00</u>
		<u>\$12,071.27</u>
Disbursements		
Wages	\$10,434.74	
Repairs	340.69	
Supplies	68.00	
Office Supplies	225.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>12.00</u>	
		<u>\$11,080.43</u>
Balance December 31, 2000		<u>\$ 990.84</u>

ORFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

At last year's Town Meeting, the Town voted to deposit 100% of the revenue collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the Land Use Tax) into a fund known as the Conservation Fund. The Conservation Commission hopes to use these funds to support and assist the creation of future conservation easements on selected agricultural and forest properties in Orford. As of January 1, 2001 there is \$1,700 in the fund.

At the request of the Orford Planning Board we provided input on the draft of the Conservation Section for the Town's Master Plan update.

During 2000 the Commission received eight notifications of forest management activities having minimum wetlands impact. In addition, we supported the approval of one minimal impact seasonal dock and two dredge and fill projects.

Sarah Schwaegler gave a very educational talk on non-native, invasive plants that are causing problems by taking over and driving out native flora and fauna, and clogging our landscapes — be they wetlands, forest lands or open land. Sarah has been mapping locations of these plants in Orford. Sarah could use lots of help. So please give her a call.

From its inception, our Conservation Commission has been more of a reactionary board, meeting infrequently and responding to situations as called upon. Times are changing and the Commission is being asked to play a more active role in town affairs. This is going to require more citizen participation from willing volunteers. Let us know if you can become involved.

One of the main goals of the Commission in 2001 will be the implementation of a comprehensive natural resources inventory. We can't properly monitor, utilize and protect the town's natural resources without identification and documentation. We hope for lots of landowner and volunteer participation.

The Commission looks forward to a very challenging and productive year.

John O'Brien, Chair
Pat Tullar
Larry Taylor
Tom Thomson
Peter Dooley
Sarah Schwaegler
Bry Beeson

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

During the past year many people have worked with me to make the Rivendell High School facility Orford's emergency shelter. We now have a contract between the Red Cross, Rivendell School District, and the Town of Orford making that a reality. It was also decided that the Town of Orford will continue to house and maintain the large generator and that the new addition at Rivendell will be wired to provide power to this generator in case of an emergency.

The response received from our Emergency Survey was much appreciated. We have many willing people to call when we need assistance in an emergency but there is still time to offer your skills and/or equipment. Keep in mind that FEMA will fund a disaster but only if the county has one million dollars in damages.

In October, I attended the first meeting of the Grafton County Emergency Management Directors (EMD) in Campton . . . this is a great forum to share ideas. There are 29 towns in the county that have EMDs.

Since 1991, I have been Orford's EMD and have enjoyed serving the town, but now I would like to move on to other interests. We need someone who will volunteer for this position. You may contact the Selectmen's office or stand up at the Town Meeting to offer your assistance. Another possibility might be to combine this job with that of the Fire Chief and equip the fire department to be the town's Emergency Operation Center.

While no one likes to think about disasters, advance planning and preparedness are answers that can ease the situation.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Rita Pease
Director, Emergency Management

ORFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

In 2000, the Orford Volunteer Fire Department responded to 49 calls.

Mutual Aid	10	Power Lines	4
Fire Alarms	6	Car Fires	1
Car Accidents	4	Medical	22
Chimney Fires	2		

Orford Rescue 4 was delivered by Valley Fire Equipment of Bradford, New Hampshire on June 29.

On July 1 we started a Medical Division within the Fire Department to respond to medical calls in town.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur Dennis
Fire Chief

TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

There are 2,200 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The number of fires reported during the 2000 fire season was below average as referenced in the statistics below. Despite this, our network of fire towers and detection patrols were still quite busy with the fire towers being first to report over 135 fires. These fires were quickly and accurately reported to the local fire department for their prompt and effective suppression efforts. Wildland fires occurring in areas where homes are situated in the woodlands are a serious concern for both landowners and firefighters. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around them and making sure that houses are properly identified with street numbers. Please contact the Forest Protection Bureau to request a brochure to assist you in assessing fire safety around your home and woodlands.

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing **ALL** outside burning. Fire permits are required for any open burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow where the burning will be done. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are eleven Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. Forest Rangers have investigated numerous complaints regarding violations of the timber harvest and forest fire laws, and taken enforcement action to ensure compliance. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217, or for general information visit our website at www.dred.state.nh.us.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection system and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. This is a critical factor in controlling the size of wildland fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible. Due to permitting and fire safety concerns, please contact your local fire department **BEFORE** using portable outdoor fireplaces and vessels, including those constructed of clay, concrete or wire mesh.

Please contact your local fire department before doing **ANY** outside burning.

REMEMBER ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!!

2000 Fire Statistics

(All Fires Reported through November 10, 2000)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u>NUMBERS</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
Hillsborough	118	40
Rockingham	49	24
Merrimack	92	16
Belknap	54	13
Cheshire	41	20
Strafford	58	13
Carroll	46	10
Grafton	16	7
Sullivan	12	2
Coos	30	4
	<u>TOTAL FIRES</u>	<u>TOTAL ACRES</u>
2000	516	149
1999	1301	452
1998	798	443

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Debris Burning	263
Miscellaneous*	151
Smoking	30
Children	17
Campfire	16
Arson/Suspicious	14
Equipment Use	9
Lightning	9
Railroad	7

*Miscellaneous (powerlines, fireworks, structures, OHRV, unknown)

Stephen Kessler
Forest Ranger

Gerald Pease
Forest Fire Warden
353-9070

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

2000 was a very busy year for the Highway Department. The snow came late so we were able to repair the washout on Creamery Road from Jacobs Brook. The work went well and Paragon Construction should be commended for doing an outstanding job! We ditched and widened all the dirt roads with more gravel . . . a good base is building up on most roads. Various culverts were replaced, mowing done, and brush cut as time allowed.

We replaced the Floating Bridge (during high water) on Piermont Heights Road with 2–5' squash culverts and raised it 18–24" which should stop flooding on that road. We also added a second culvert on Indian Pond Road (past the beach) and raised the road 15–24". Both projects came out extremely well and should benefit all.

We widened the sharp corner on Indian Pond Road (across from Cole Farm Road) greatly improving the safety and line of sight.

Upper Baker Pond Road was paved with asphalt $\frac{6}{10}$ of a mile from 25A to the pond, with all culverts replaced and shoulders and ditches dug. I am currently working on a plan to increase the amount of paving in the future which should benefit the town immensely.

The exterior buildings at the Highway Garage were painted and the salt shed was straightened with a 4" asphalt floor laid inside. This greatly improved the looks as well as complying with state law pertaining to salt seepage in groundwater.

Our two new trucks are in service and both are working extremely well. *Good equipment makes for a good road infrastructure.*

Much appreciation goes to our part-time help who worked this year . . . their vast knowledge and experience are a real asset to the department.

2000 was a great year and we anticipate 2001 will be the same. Thank you.

Charles Waterbury
Road Agent

ORFORD FREE LIBRARY

The Free Library continued its renovation and remodeling projects in 2000. The former historical room is now a bright, spacious children's room. Steve Jones donated his carpentry expertise to ready the room for this change. Volunteers helped to move furniture and books and to paint the entire room. The main room of the library now houses the adult fiction and non-fiction collections. During the early fall a portion of this room was also repainted by a crew of volunteers. We are grateful to everyone who helped with the renovations.

During the summer the Trustees accepted the resignation of our librarian Gina Donegan. Gina moved out of the area and was no longer able to serve as librarian. We thank her for her work with us. We have hired Kristen Wisnewski of Hanover as our new librarian. Kristen has brought a great deal of energy and fresh ideas to the Free Library. She has helped enormously with the reorganization of the books and materials in the newly renovated rooms. The Trustees are glad to have her with us.

A variety of activities were presented at the Free Library this year. The children's summer program "Reading Cats and Dogs" was held in conjunction with the Social Library. Our third annual Bake/Book Sale and Plant Swap was very successful and provided funds for our repainting efforts. Sunday afternoon events included a presentation by storyteller Judy Witters, an introduction to genealogy by Dennis McClure and a Christmas Open House, complete with a puppet/marionette show by Marion Jacobus. In the spring Suzanne Brown led a well-attended series of book discussions on New England Life. The Friends sponsored two events at the Free Library: Planning a Perennial Garden by Kathy Baker and a Wildflower Walk and Talk by Sarah Schwaegler. Additionally, the library was used as a meeting place by community organizations.

A new Dell computer was purchased with funding from the Friends. Tom Bubolz donated a color printer to the library. We deeply appreciate the gifts that have enabled us to upgrade our technology and improve our services.

The library had a total of 1257 patrons this year. We were pleased to see this increase in visitors to the library. Patrons made use of the copier, the computer and the historical collection as well as checking out materials. Our circulation total was 1266 items. Many new books have been added to our adult and children's collections this year and these have been well received.

Volunteers are a very critical part of our operation. They have put in 484 hours of service to the library covering the desk, helping to reshelve and reorganize the books and painting and refurbishing the library. Special thanks go to Barbara Hall, Arthur Boynton and Anna Serra who have volunteered on a regular basis. We would also like to extend our thanks to those who donated books, videos, tapes and baked goods to the library.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Trustees:
Susan Kling, Carol Boynton, Juli Washburn

Librarian:
Kristen Wisnewski

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FINANCIAL REPORT 2000

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 2000	\$ 6,524.47
Town of Orford	9,168.00
Friends of the Orford Libraries Gift	1,000.00
Book/Bake Sale	400.25
Interest	112.84
Computer/Copier Services	16.00
Gift	40.00
Grants	626.40
Returned Check	61.20
	<u>\$17,949.16</u>

Expenditures

Books	\$ 1,006.46
Multimedia	216.07
Magazines	69.95
Librarian	4,700.00
FICA/SS	359.55
Dues/Memberships	233.00
Fuel/Heat	2,228.14
Maintenance/Repair	129.00
Programs	651.40
Postal	24.00
Telephone	533.98
Electric	296.57
Computer	1,321.00
Supplies	263.94
Security/Safety Improvements	29.16
Paint/Improvements	468.53
	<u>\$12,530.75</u>

Balance in checking account December 31, 2000	\$ 5,418.41
	<u>\$17,949.16</u>

ORFORD SOCIAL LIBRARY

The year 2000 has been glorious for the Orford Social Library as we celebrated 100 years of free library service for the citizens of Orford. The events for this celebration were planned and implemented by Jude Parker and her Centennial Committee, Judy Cross, Ruth Brown, Anne Green, Ellen Gluek, and our librarian Sarah Putnam. It has been a year we will long remember and we thank them all for a job well done.

It all started with the hanging of our Centennial banner proclaiming to all that we were 100 years old. Next we burst forth with our lovely blue tote bags designed by Rika Schmidt, which really sold well and are often seen as proud owners go about their daily rounds. Red, white and blue pens were available for all to take upon entering or leaving the library.

The Book Tree was an innovation that was applauded by many, especially our summer visitors. One hundred and fifteen books were given which exceeded our wildest dreams.

An old-time Ice Cream Social was hosted by the Centennial Committee. A beautiful summer evening, many many friends old and young, plus lots of ice cream and toppings combined to produce a most wonderful and nostalgic event.

A lecture on flower arranging by Everett Aldrich, combining collectibles and flowers, was very well attended and made for a most enjoyable evening.

With all the extra events, we still had time for our regular yearly programs — book discussions, trimming of the Christmas tree with carol singing, a puppet show, and story hours which added much excitement and interest.

A most unusual event, which I wish to acknowledge, was the kindness and the rare idea of Posie Taylor and William Culp who married in September. They suggested that in lieu of wedding gifts, their guests might bring a favorite children's book that in turn would be presented to the Orford Social Library. This act of kindness resulted in many, many beautiful books that are now being enjoyed by the children of Orford. We, the Trustees, are most appreciative and wish to publicly thank Posie and William for their thoughtfulness and this great gift for the children.

The Centennial year culminated in an Open House held in December and hosted by the Trustees. We were happy to greet many friends both old and new. All seemed to enjoy our collection of memorabilia and just chatting about the library, past and present.

The Trustees wish to thank our corps of volunteers, both men and women, who have given many hours of hard work and have helped to make this a banner year. Their continued help is a most valuable asset.

We also thank the kind people whose services keep our property shoveled in winter and mowed in summer and our building neat and clean. Their work makes our library an attractive place for all to enjoy.

Last, but not least, the Trustees wish to thank our librarian, Sarah Putnam, for her patience during this exciting year, for her initiative and many innovative programs, and for her ability to keep in touch with the needs and desires of our readers. Our library

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is a very real and active learning center for Orford. Sarah's genial and welcoming personality is always noted and appreciated by all who come often to the library and by our many visitors from afar, but most especially by the Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,
Julia M. Fifield, President
Ruth Brown
Judy Cross
Ann Davis
Marty Duffany
Jean Dyke
Ellen Gluek
Jenny Littlewood
Jude Parker
Carol Sobetzer

Statistics:

Use	5810
Circulation	7160
Volunteer Hours	548
Total Books Purchased	452 (includes 115 Centennial Book Tree books)

**ORFORD SOCIAL LIBRARY — 3
FINANCIAL REPORT 2000**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2000 \$ 2,529.32

Income

Town of Orford	\$ 5,614.00	
New Gifts	1,753.00	
Interest and Dividends	3,286.61	
Book Sale	312.05	
Education	633.44	
Copier	380.45	
Centennial Celebration Book Sales	1,600.00	
Centennial Celebration Sales	396.00	
Children's Book Fund	1,443.00	
Miscellaneous	10.00	\$15,428.55

Redemption from Money Market \$11,000.00

\$28,957.87

Disbursements

Book Purchases	\$ 4,695.82	
Centennial Book Purchases	1,600.00	
Electricity	846.65	
Heat & Water	1,463.78	
Supplies	410.63	
Telephone	1,520.71	
Maintenance	258.13	
Librarian	10,281.72	
Education	633.44	
Cleaning	190.00	
Grounds	240.00	
Furniture & Equipment	1,559.00	
Copier	434.88	
Payroll Tax	815.62	
Miscellaneous	613.79	
Centennial Celebration	1,394.20	
Librarian's Assistant	376.00	\$27,334.37

Balance on Hand December 31, 2000 \$ 1,623.50

NILES COMMITTEE

The Niles Committee was formed in 1988 to dispense by request the interest on a gift of \$50,000.00 to the Town of Orford by Mrs. Lenore Niles. Both Mr. and Mrs. Niles, who moved to Orford in 1950, had a deep love for our town and its people. Mrs. Niles passed away in 1988, and left us a generous and unrestricted gift to be used for the betterment of Orford and its residents.

The Niles Committee meets at least twice yearly and *as needed* to accept and discuss all applications received.

The Niles Committee met three times in 2000. On February 28 the Committee voted to appropriate \$200.00 toward the budget of a community group organized to discuss common philosophies for the Four Town Community Profile, and appropriated \$328.51 to the Orford Historical Society for office supplies, copies, and boxholder mailings. On May 17, the Committee approved \$200.00 to help send a high school student to the National Youth Leadership Conference in Washington, DC, approved \$300.00 to the Orford Tee Ball Program, and approved \$1000.00 to update emergency first aid and equipment to the Orford Fire Department. On September 13, the Niles Committee approved \$500.00 to be used for the Orford Soccer Program.

The total appropriations for the year 2000 amount to \$2528.51.

Applications to the Niles Committee for funds for community-wide efforts, service projects and programs are kept at the Town Office and may be picked up during regular office hours.

ORFORD PLANNING BOARD

Approved four (4) applications for minor subdivisions	4 new lots
Approved two (2) applications for lot line adjustments	0 new lot
Held four (4) informal discussions before application	
Total new building lots	4

After a year of study and public hearings, the Historic District Commission, voted in at the 1999 Town Meeting, submitted its findings recommending the establishment of a Historic District encompassing essentially the Orford Village district. The Board voted to present the proposal to the voters. It was defeated at the 2000 Town Meeting.

In addition to the usual subdivision activity, the Board was heavily involved with four town-wide studies. (1) Updating of the Master Plan, begun last year, continued with several community meetings, receipt of proposals from all town commissions, departments, libraries, etc. Two preliminary drafts were considered and a final draft is expected in early 2001. An updated Master Plan should be available by first quarter 2001. (2) Looking beyond the new Master Plan, a Land Use Subcommittee has been very active defining needs and possible solutions to questions and recommendations raised in the Master Plan based on results of a series of community meetings in the first half of 2000. (3) Another subcommittee to address long-term vehicle and pedestrian traffic in Orford Village was formed and has held several meetings. Among other goals, the working group is developing possible solutions to crosswalk construction in connection with the renovation of the Orford-Fairlee bridge and traffic concerns arising out of the new Rivendell Interstate School District realignment. (4) The subject of Personal Wireless Service Facilities (PWSF) or telecommunications towers took up much of the Board's time in 2000. Without a general townwide-zoning ordinance, Orford is relatively powerless to control in any meaningful way the placement, size, safety or other features of PWSFs. The surrounding towns of Lyme, Fairlee and Piermont all have controlling ordinances. Orford is thus a particularly targeted site for the vertical real estate companies who erect towers and lease antenna space. By year-end, the Board was nearing completion of a proposed ordinance to be considered at Town Meeting 2001.

Planning Board officers elected at the March 2000 meeting:

Chairman	Paul Dalton
Vice-Chairman	Elizabeth Bischoff
Secretary	Andrew Schwaegler
Selectmen's Rep.	David Bischoff

The Board continues to contract with a UVLSRPC Planning Assistant to be at the Town Offices one day per month (dates and times posted at Town Hall) and available by phone (448-1680) to help applicants with questions and procedures. We urge all to take advantage of these services.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Dalton
Chairman

POLICE DEPARTMENT

I am pleased once again to present the annual report of the Orford Police Department for fiscal year 2000. As had been true in recent years, 2000 continued to be a busy and challenging one for your Police Department which continues to provide a host of services to the citizens and guests of Orford. This year an eighth grade DARE program was initiated at the Rivendell Academy and we continued assisting with the New Hampshire Hunter Safety Class and Driver Education Program. Notably, the Police Department had a 100% court conviction rate in the year 2000.

Again this year there was a slight increase in calls for service. The most time-consuming calls that needed to be investigated were property crimes such as burglary and larceny. We did see a larger number of general service type calls such as fingerprinting for employment purposes, checking properties while the owners were away and in general providing safety and security services to the residents, businesses and guests of Orford.

Last year you voted on and appropriated money for the Town's matching portion of a Federal grant for a part-time police officer. The grant was approved by the government and took effect January 1, 2001.

I would like to thank the citizens of Orford for their continued support and involvement with the Police Department. The Police Department cannot accomplish the mission with which it is charged unless the community it serves supports the Department and involves itself with the problems we face.

Respectfully,
Michael LaChapelle
Chief of Police

**POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATISTICS REPORT FOR 2000**

Accidents	22	Juvenile Laws	20
Aid Persons.	32	Larceny.	16
Aid Other Departments	64	Liquor Laws	01
Alarms	04	Littering.	04
Ambulance Calls	04	Lost & Found Property	11
Animals.	29	Mental Persons	00
Arson	00	Miscellaneous	164
Assaults	05	Missing Persons	05
Auto Theft	05	M/V Complaints	30
Bad Checks.	05	M/V Summons	34
Burglary	06	M/V Warning	78
Civil Problems.	13	OHRV Complaints.	03
Criminal Homicide.	00	Pistol Permits	05
Criminal Mischief.	18	Possible Stolen Property	00
Criminal Threatening	01	Property Checks	32
Criminal Trespass	11	Sex Offenses	01
Disorderly Conduct	20	Suicide Attempts.	01
Domestic.	11	Suspicion	37
Drug Offense.	06	Town Ordinances	02
Fire Calls	00	Unattended Death.	01
Fish & Game.	05	Wanted Persons	01
Harassing Phone Calls	10	Weapons	00

Total Calls for Service in 2000 716

ANIMAL CONTROL

The Animal Control Officer responded to 40 calls for service in 2000, with 23 calls for domestic animals and 17 for wild animals.

Even though there have been cases of rabid animals in New Hampshire and Vermont, Orford had no confirmed cases this year.

It is important that all domesticated animals be vaccinated and that dogs and cats not be allowed to roam freely.

Another problem facing New Hampshire citizens is the West Nile Virus. The West Nile Virus is a virus that lives in birds and is transmitted to people by mosquitoes. If you see a bird dying or ill, especially crows, please contact the police department or the Animal Control Officer immediately. Please do not handle the birds.

Roy Daisey
Animal Control Officer

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS REPORT

The Parks and Playgrounds Committee continues to provide safe and clean recreational facilities for the citizens of Orford. This year we supplied the usual resources to maintain our parks as well as making a few improvements.

We sponsored a "Green-up" day in April that was quite successful. Several dozen townspeople (some as whole families) turned out on a beautiful spring day to pick up trash along our town roads. They succeeded in filling a 6-yard dumpster! Many thanks go out to these volunteers as well as to Floyd Marsh Rubbish Removal for supplying the dumpster.

With the formation of the Rivendell Interstate School District, our community fields will be getting more use. Because of this, we have reached an agreement with the school to share in the expenses of maintenance and improvements. Parks and Playgrounds still has final say on any changes made to these fields.

One change we did make at the fields was to improve the baseball diamond. In October a group of volunteers removed the sod around the base paths of the baseball field and put down an athletic soil mix that will greatly improve play and enhance the safety of the ballplayers. Thanks go out to these volunteers.

Keith Brooks continues to do a fine job of mowing and caretaking our public areas. Randy Perry and Dustin Fillian are now caretaking the beach area at Indian Pond Road. Thanks go to K & R Portable Toilets for their continued service.

The Parks and Playgrounds Committee is primarily involved with maintenance of our public areas but we are always open to any suggestions brought before us by any resident for additions, changes or improvements to our parks. We meet the first Wednesday of every month at the Town Office building and welcome anyone with concerns or comments to attend our meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad McCormack
Randy Perry
John O'Brien
Dave Thomson
Elwyn Brooks

SKI PROGRAM

The program offers beginner, intermediate and advanced instruction in alpine skiing and snowboarding on eight consecutive Thursday afternoons from the beginning of January to early March at the Dartmouth Skiway. Bus transportation is provided to and from the Skiway. The program is open to all school-age residents of Orford and to all students in the Orford Schools. A nominal fee is charged to cover direct Skiway ticket costs. Additional funding from the Parks and Recreation Commission, Orford Lions Club and volunteer run fund-raisers during the off-season cover transportation and all other incidentals.

The 2000 season was very successful in spite of sometimes questionable snow conditions. The Dartmouth Skiway management does an outstanding job of “snow farming” and provides the best skiing conditions one can expect. As has become tradition, the last week was a “Carnival” with races, games and refreshments for all participants. It serves as both a fun ending to the season and as a “final exam” to test proficiency.

A total of 65 children participated this year, the same as last year. Just under a third of the entire school enrollment are involved.

We had 17 instructors volunteer their time and talents, 7 in the beginner group and 5 for more advanced skiers, one snowboard instructor and 4 substitutes. Five non-skiing parents filled the absolutely crucial “bus and lodge monitor” positions. Thank you all for volunteering and once again providing an unequalled opportunity for our Orford youngsters to learn and enjoy the lifelong sports of alpine skiing and snowboarding.

In anticipation of the formation of the Rivendell Interstate School District next year, we changed our ski day to Thursdays to coincide with the Fairlee program. In 2001 we anticipate a fully integrated program with the four “Rivendell” towns so this will be the last “Orford Ski Program.” But be assured we are committed to continuing this outstanding winter sports program for the children of Orford.

SKI PROGRAM COORDINATORS

Paul Dalton

Esther Marsh

SWIM PROGRAM

This year's swim program ran July 31 through August 16. It served 64 children, from a popular new preschool class up through level VII, which graduated three swimmers from the program. Forty-two swimmers passed out of their level. Of the 64 children, 42 were from Orford, 20 from Piermont, and 2 from West Topsham. Nonresidents pay a fee to attend.

Finding an instructor was a little more difficult this year. It is challenging to find someone available for a 2–3 week program, so we have recently relied on acquiring an instructor from the Newbury program, which ends by August. This spring there were no certified instructors available for August. However, we were finally able to hire Hannah Gruber of Newbury after she received her Red Cross WSI certification in June. She did an excellent job, working well with all age groups and handling the needs of the program responsibly. It is hoped that she will be available for the 2001 program. We were able to provide three part-time aides to take turns assisting with most of the classes. Anna Knapp, our aide for the past two years, helped for a few days before moving with her family. Natalie Marsh and Elaina Miller took a water safety aide course in a neighboring town in July, so they were eligible to help with our program in August.

The weather was a real handicap this summer, as children and the instructor had to swim on many cool, windy, and/or rainy days. This made it difficult at times for children to participate and learn in class. Due to the absence of a shelter at Indian Pond, Hannah did some water safety talks with classes inside her van when it rained too hard for swimming. We will hope for more summerlike weather in 2001.

I would like to run swim lessons for a full 3 weeks, as was done until the past 2 years. This gives children more opportunity to master the skills for their swim levels. For this reason and because of the rising salary costs to secure instructors, the budget for the 2001 swim program has increased significantly from that of 2000.

There is a serious need at this time for swim committee volunteers. Parents with ideas for improving the program should contact me at 353-4877. We need involvement from community members to either continue the swim program or redirect it to partner with other towns. The present program has served the children of Orford and Piermont while utilizing our town beach as a community resource.

If there are any residents age 16 or older who would like to receive training to be a lifeguard or swim instructor, please contact me. I can put you in touch with a local instructor, or if there is enough interest, a class can be set up next summer.

Many thanks to Jim Hook who has provided the dock at Indian Pond, and to members of the Parks and Playgrounds Committee who get the floats in and out of the pond each year. Thanks also to Marcia Knapp for her years of service on the swim committee before moving this summer.

Respectfully submitted,
Bethany Miller

CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS UPPER VALLEY RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE

During the past year, the Upper Valley River Subcommittee continued to provide information, advice, and assistance to the states of New Hampshire and Vermont, to communities along the river, and to local landowners on matters affecting the river, such as new docks, erosion and riverbank stabilization, residential development, and bridge repairs. Specifically with regard to Orford, the Subcommittee reviewed plans for the Orford-Fairlee bridge rehabilitation project and for a new storm water management system for Rivendell Academy.

New information has been developed for landowners and towns concerning the creation and maintenance of riverbank buffers. The materials are useful for anyone whose property is adjacent to a brook or river. Copies were distributed to Orford's Conservation Commission, Planning Board, and Board of Selectmen, and to the town libraries. They also are available from the Natural Resources Conservation Service and can be found on the web at www.crjc.org/riparianbuffers.htm. Retaining natural vegetation along shorelines is the most effective way landowners can help protect both their riverbanks and water quality.

The Subcommittee suggested sites along the river for monitoring water quality, and discussed with representatives of PG&E National Energy Group (new owners of the Wilder Dam) its dams and management of the river. Members of the Purple Loosestrife Coalition briefed the Subcommittee on efforts to combat this invasive species in our region.

The *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan*, which was completed by the Subcommittee for this segment of the river in 1997, provides a coordinated approach for towns and local residents to practice good stewardship of the river. A number of Upper Valley towns along the river are working to incorporate its recommendations, especially to protect riverbanks. Unlike the Connecticut River shoreland of our neighboring towns, Orford's is unprotected from unplanned development and adverse uses. In view of this, in 1997 Orford's River Subcommittee members recommended to the Orford Planning Board that specific steps be taken to establish protective measures for the benefit of the river and the public. In response, the Planning Board adopted the *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan* as a reference document for the Town of Orford's Master Plan. However, the Planning Board subsequently determined that, under state law, the only way to implement protective measures for the shoreland is to create a special environmental zone for that area. Therefore, until such time as an ordinance for that purpose is adopted by the town's voters, Orford's riverbank will remain unprotected.

The public is encouraged to participate in our meetings which take place at the Lyme Town Office on the third Tuesday of every other month. More information, including advice on bank erosion problems and obtaining permits for work in or near the river, a calendar of meetings, and a summary of the *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan*, is on the web at www.crjc.org/localaction.htm.

Carl Schmidt
Pat Tullar

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well-being of our older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln and also sponsors the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of the Upper Valley and White Mountains (RSVP). Through the centers and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, congregate dining programs, transportation, adult day care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2000, 71 older residents of Orford were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Orford, Haverhill and Upper Valley programs:

- Older adults from Orford enjoyed 687 balanced meals in the company of friends in the senior dining rooms.
- They received 3,041 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Orford residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 195 occasions by our lift-equipped buses.
- Orford's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 556 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Orford residents in 2000 was \$22,174.92.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. In addition, community-based services offered by the Council save tax dollars over nursing home care or other long-term care options. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Orford's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Carol W. Dustin
Executive Director

UPPER VALLEY AMBULANCE, INC.

To the Honorable Citizens of the Eight Communities we Proudly Serve:

We are pleased to present our 10th annual report to the citizens we serve. Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service since July 1, 1990. In the past ten years, Upper Valley will have responded to over 13,000 ambulance calls. This year we will have responded to over 770 requests for medical assistance from the eight communities we serve.

2000 has proven to be a very challenging year. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 and its associated legislation placed ambulance services on a fee schedule beginning January 1, 2001. Like many other small businesses we have absorbed double-digit increases in both health insurance and Workers Compensation coverage. Despite the fragile reimbursement landscape, we have been able to continue providing a high level of service, while preparing for the additional reimbursement challenges that lay ahead. We have expanded the range of ambulance services we contractually provide to DHMC which we hope will help stabilize some of the revenue losses.

After countless hours of discussion and thought, the UVA Board of Directors have approved the 2001 budget reflecting no increase in our per capita request of \$15.00 per capita.

We appreciate the Fairlee selectboard who worked with us to design an addition to our station, and the townspeople who approved the construction bond. We invite you to stop by for a tour. Lectures, demonstrations, and CPR classes are all available for the general public. For further information please call 802-333-4043.

Our Domicile Risk Assessment Program, "Home Sweet Home . . . Home Safe Home" continues to grow. Members of Upper Valley Ambulance trained in identifying hazards in and around your home will meet with you to offer recommendations for a safer home environment. This no cost program was developed to reduce risks around your home and help you identify hazards in the hopes of preventing an injury from occurring. We strongly urge everyone to take advantage of this free program. If you would like to schedule an assessment, or would like to volunteer to assist us with this worthwhile program, please give our office a call.

Many of you are familiar with our Subscription Service. The yearly membership fee of \$30 entitles you to medically necessary emergency medical services at no additional cost to you. Applications are available at your local Town Offices, or at our business office on Lake Morey Road in Fairlee.

We encourage you to join your friends and neighbors who stop by to visit, or have their blood pressure checked at our Lake Morey Road facility. Please feel free to contact John Vose, Administrator, or your Town Representative if you have any questions concerning our service.

This past July 1, we celebrated our tenth year of service with an open house and safety demonstration day. Thanks to all who donated items or stopped by to celebrate with us. Finally, we would like to invite you to our 10th Anniversary Celebration to be held this July. It is hard to believe that ten years have passed since we first began service as your community provider. We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. The Board of Directors, Administration and employees of Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. will continue striving to provide the highest quality emergency medical care at the lowest possible cost to all the citizens we serve.

Sincerely,

Larry A. Lancaster, Chair
Board of Directors
Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc.

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The UVLSRPC is a voluntary association of 27 communities in New Hampshire and 3 in Vermont, and has been serving the region since 1963. The principal focus of the Commission's efforts is with the development of comprehensive plans for beneficial and balanced economic development, environmental protection, and social growth in the region. We function as a research, resource, and informational agency and, when appropriate, we work to obtain Federal, State, and other approvals, grants-in-aid, loans and similar assistance for individual member towns and for the region. The Commission provides technical assistance to member communities in the areas of planning (land use, transportation, water quality, etc.), mapping, community development, grantsmanship and grant administration. In addition, regional studies and projects are undertaken to the benefit of more than one community. Examples of these include the Regional Transportation Plan, the household hazardous waste collections, and ongoing water resource protection planning activities in the Mascoma River, Sugar River, Lake Sunapee, and Cold River watersheds. All NH communities were offered guidance with a program for lowering flood insurance premiums for property owners, and assistance compiling information on proposed conservation projects in preparation for application to the new Land and Community Heritage Investment Program.

In the past year, services such as our Planning Board training and library, which features maps, planning resources and US Census data, were utilized by a large number of the region's residents, local officials, board members, citizen groups, prospective businesses, and nonprofit organizations. As a foundation for the region's community and economic development activities, we began work this year on building a computerized database containing locations and other key information on major employers, childcare providers, and assisted housing, as well as general demographic information for each community.

In 2000, some examples of our work specifically for the Town of Orford included:

- Continued to provide professional planning services to assist the Planning Board on a regular basis with activities such as review of subdivision applications, scheduling and providing public notice for public hearings, and updating the Master Plan.
- Assisted in preparing an application for Scenic Byway designation for NH Route 25A.
- Supplied data for Master Plan update.
- Provided input to Rivendell School District regarding traffic/pedestrian issues in Orford village center.
- Provided guidance in addressing issue of telecommunications towers, including ordinance and master plan language.
- Updated maps of Connecticut River boat launch sites for CRJC's boater education project and assisted with enforcement of boating laws.

Our Commission appreciates Orford's participation and support, and we look forward to serving your community in the coming year.

Benjamin D. Frost
Executive Director

VISITING NURSE ALLIANCE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC.

Continued changes in our nation's health-care system mean that government has placed increased responsibility for patient care with community-based agencies. We are very appreciative of the continued support that the Town of Orford provides to help us meet the home care, hospice, and family support service needs of people in your community. We offer services that help your family, friends and neighbors remain at home during times of illness or injury; we promote community wellness; and we provide important services to families at risk:

- Town funds help provide care for people who require necessary services but are unable to pay or who do not have adequate health insurance.
- Our comprehensive range of services is available to everyone in the community — people of all ages and all economic means use our services.
- Hospital discharge planners and attending physicians work closely with us to decide on an appropriate course of treatment for each home health or hospice patient.
- Our clinical staff provide skilled services for people recovering from surgery or accidents; who have an acute illness or a disability; who require long-term care; or who need support and symptom control during a terminal illness.

The Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire, Inc. provided the following services in the Town of Orford during the past year:

		<i>Visits</i>	
<i>(July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000)</i>			
Skilled Nursing	506	<i>Family Support Services</i>	
Physical Therapy	96	Families	1
Speech Therapy	38	Individuals	6
Occupational Therapy	28		
Medical Social Worker	7	<i>Well Child Clinics</i>	
Home Health Aide	709	Children	13
Homemaker	33	Clinic Visits	8
Hospice	11		
Total Visits	1,428	<i>WIC Program</i>	
		Clients	24
<i>Hospice VNH Volunteers</i>		Clinic Visits	96
Families Served	1		
		<i>Clinic Attendees</i>	
<i>Maternal and Child Health</i>		Blood Pressure Screening	113
Children	3	Flu	76

On behalf of people we serve in your community, thanks for your continued confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth J. Davis, RN, MPH

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL REPORT

It is once again a privilege to report to the people of this large Northern Council District of 98 towns and four cities spread throughout Coos, Grafton, Carroll, Belknap, and Sullivan Counties.

The constitutional and statutory responsibilities of the Executive Council are within the Executive Branch of your New Hampshire State government. Our role is much like a board of directors of a large company. We are charged with carrying out the laws and budget passed by the New Hampshire House and Senate. The Governor and Council employ 294 Commissioners and Directors to administer over 100 departments and agencies to carry out the details of the laws and budget of your State government. The Council has an overall supervisory role in assisting citizens, business, agencies, towns, cities, and counties in effectively working with State government.

Preparing for the coming two-year term that I have been elected to as one of your public servants, I share with you the following idea and request:

- If anyone is interested in making a volunteer contribution of their time and talent on a Board or Commission or The Regional Health Planning District Councils, please contact me at the following address:

Raymond S. Burton
State House Room 207
Concord, NH 03301

or call 271-3632

or e-mail: Rburton4@gte.net

RIVENDELL EASEMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

In December 1999, an historic agreement was reached which resulted in the preservation of a 13-acre tract of land on Orford Street just to the north of the school property. In connection with the purchase of 43 acres of land from Ann Green of Orford and Ed Green of Fairlee, the Rivendell school district agreed to grant a conservation easement on the 13-acre tract to the Upper Valley Land Trust.

In accordance with the agreement, the 13 acres of land under the conservation easement will remain undeveloped for all time, thereby helping to ensure the area's rural appearance by protecting scenic views and also maintaining a visual buffer between the conserved area and non-historic buildings on the school campus. The open field which fronts on Orford Street, consisting of 8 acres out of the total of 13, is to remain in agricultural use. Both the existing hedgerow between the field and the original school property and the 5-acre wooded hillside to the east of the field will be maintained in order to screen new development. At the same time, the agreement provides that Rivendell will retain valuable rights, such as underground use of part of the 8-acre field for such purposes as septic leach fields, storm water drainage, and buried electric lines.

The terms of the agreement were developed over the course of almost two years by volunteers representing Rivendell, the school board, the sellers, neighbors, heirs of the previous owners, and the Land Trust. During the first months of the year 2000, as specified by the terms of the conservation easement, a Management Committee was named with the responsibility of creating, with community input, a Management Plan to make certain that the terms of the easement will be implemented in all aspects. The Rivendell school board appointed Doug Tiff, Jon Sands, and Bruce Schwaegler to the Management Committee, and the Orford Board of Selectmen appointed Carl Schmidt and Ann Green, who serves as Committee Chair. John Stewart, Rivendell's Director of Operations, has also taken part in meetings of the Committee as an *ex officio* member. An Initial Management Plan, which is intended to cover the planning and construction phases for work at the school site that began in the fall of 2000, was drawn up and approved by the Land Trust and by Rivendell.

In the early months of 2001, perhaps as soon as weather permits, Orford residents can expect to see considerable earthmoving and digging on the open agricultural portion of the conserved land. The purpose of this work, as permitted under the agreement, will be to install a new septic leach field, storm water drainage pipes, and, most likely, underground electrical supply for the Rivendell Academy campus. The work is to be done strictly in accordance with the conservation easement and its Management Plan. For example, no topsoil or other materials may be removed from the property. Before long, with improvements to the school facilities completed, the surface of the land will be restored and the open, rural vistas maintained in perpetuity.

**VITAL RECORDS OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD
For the Year Ended December 31, 2000**

BIRTHS

Date	Child's Name	Father and Mother	Place of Birth
01/13/00	<i>Byrd, Cecily Jany</i>	Byrd, Harry Byrd, Nancy	Orford, NH
02/10/00	<i>Britch, Logyn Marie</i>	Britch, Cecil Britch, Lisa	Lebanon, NH
02/24/00	<i>Bean, Brianna Marie</i>	Bean, Alan Taylor-Bean, Cheryl	Lebanon, NH
04/15/00	<i>Dyke, Therese Marie</i>	Dyke, Adam Dyke, Donna	Lebanon, NH
08/11/00	<i>Tsakiris, Jacob Moses</i>	Tsakiris, Derek Tsakiris, Laura	Lebanon, NH
11/01/00	<i>Kelley, Fisher James</i>	Kelley, Michael Wilson Kelley, Sperry	Lebanon, NH
11/06/00	<i>Mason, Patrick Charles</i>	Mason, Shawn Mason, Amyre	Lebanon, NH
12/08/00	<i>Beaupre, Kenneth David</i>	Beaupre, Peter Beaupre, Malissa	Lebanon, NH

MARRIAGES

Date	Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Place of Marriage
07/02/00	Matyka, John	Orford, NH	Moody, Maria L.	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
07/22/00	Pierce, Charles Rexford	Orford, NH	Brooks, Sharon Jane	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
08/12/00	Corpieri, Stuart Carleton	Orford, NH	Baker, Donna Lynne	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
08/26/00	Noyes, S. David	Orford, NH	Stokes, Cheryl Ann	Orford, NH	Orford, NH

MARRIAGES

Date	Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Place of Marriage
09/02/00	Sweet, Kristofer Bryan	Orford, NH	Rodewald, Jenny Lynn	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
09/03/00	Gray, Mathew Scott	Orford, NH	Smith, Nicole Lynn	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
09/16/00	Gray, Leonard Richard	Orford, NH	Fullington, Ericka Jean	Orford, NH	Hanover, NH
09/30/00	Taylor, Timothy James	Orford, NH	Findley, Jennifer May	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
10/28/00	Gray, William A.	Piermont, NH	Pike, Roberta K.	Piermont, NH	Piermont, NH
10/14/00	MacQueen, Jeffrey James	Orford, NH	Bruno, Tammy Louise	Orford, NH	Newbury, VT

DEATHS

Date	Name of Deceased	Father	Mother	Place of Death
01/09/00	Mack, Barbara	Ward, Lawrence	McCloughn, Edna	Lebanon, NH
01/10/00	Adams, Edna J.	Bradley, John	Goodwin, Beatrice	Lebanon, NH
01/14/00	Pierce, Elsie H.	Pierce, Arthur	Partridge, May	Albuquerque, NM
01/22/00	Smith, Siltonia B.	Shonio, Jesse	Warren, Lillian	Zephyrhills, FL
01/28/00	Skinner, Harland C.	Skinner, Harris	Brown, Rose	Show Low, AZ
02/07/00	Mack, Ethel P.	Pike, Lon C.	Jewell, Lucy	Bradford, VT
02/21/00	Deblois, Beatrice	Irwin, Joseph	Laclair, Lillian	Hanover, NH
05/21/00	Schwarz, Robert C.	Schwarz, Thomas	Jhrig, Sophie	Orford, NH
10/02/00	Nutter, Kenneth L.	Nutter, John	Cassady, Flora	White River Jct., VT
10/12/00	Merriman, Dorothy	Merriman, Fred	Packard, Winifred	Lebanon, NH
12/03/00	Chase, Eleanor A.	Perry, Charles A.	Lindsay, Inez C.	Plymouth, NH

The above Vital Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths have been duly recorded as received.

Louise M. Mack, Town Clerk

Annual Report
of the
Orford School District

Orford

New Hampshire

Fiscal Year July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
ORFORD SCHOOL BOARD
Fiscal Year July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000

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ORFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
Friday, March 17, 2000
4:00 p.m., Memorial Hall

1. POLLS OPENED

Moderator Peter Thomson opened the polls at 4:05 p.m. for voting on **ARTICLE 1: To choose by non-partisan ballot a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, each to serve for a one-year term, and two members of the School Board, each to serve until June 30, 2000.**

2. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:10 p.m., the meeting was called to order by moderator Thomson.

Mr. Thomson introduced Bob Carchman, Assistant Superintendent, Keith Merrick, Business Manager, and board members Esther Marsh, Jane Gardner-Duffany and Sally Tomlinson.

3. BUSINESS REQUIRING DISCUSSION AND ACTION

Mr. Thomson referred to the warrant.

It was moved by Mr. Bruce Schwaegler, seconded, and voted by voice vote to pass over the reading of the warrant articles.

ARTICLE 2: To hear the reports of school officials.

There were no reports at this time.

ARTICLE 3: To review the budget and fiscal status of the Orford School District for the 1999–2000 school year and to take any action which may be necessary.

It was moved by Ms. Tomlinson, seconded by Ms. Gardner-Duffany and voted by voice vote to review Article 3.

In response to Mr. Harwood, Mr. Merrick reported the school is now predicting a \$20,000 surplus.

Ms. Tomlinson reviewed the handout of tonight. She noted these figures are as of last week. She noted feels comfortable now that a deficit appropriation will not be necessary.

In response to Mr. Harwood, any surplus would remain in Orford and would be used to reduce Orford taxes. He noted the \$91,000 in Rivendell assessment.

One man suggested using the surplus toward Orford's long-term debt.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate \$90,530.00 for the payment of the Orford School District's school bond debt payment.

It was moved by Ms. Gardner-Duffany, seconded by Ms. Tomlinson, and voted by voice vote to pass over Article 4.

Ms. Tomlinson noted there were so many pieces of the transition that were unknown when the warrant article was drafted, that the long-term debt was put on. However, since that time it was determined that since this bond was decided on 10 years ago, it was the opinion of legal counsel that this step was unnecessary.

Mr. Carchman noted that if it was voted down it would have no legal effect theoretically. He noted that even if voted down DRA would bill to the town anyway.

In response to Mr. Dalton, Ms. Tomlinson noted there is still an unresolved legal case that could have future financial implications.

ARTICLE 5: *To see if the School District will authorize the School Board to apply for, accept and expend, without further action of the School District Meeting, money from any source which becomes available during the fiscal year, under the provisions of RSA 198:20-b, provided that 1) Such money is used for legal purposes for which a school district may appropriate money, 2) The School Board holds a public hearing on the expenditure of such money before it is expended, 3) The expenditure of such money does not require the expenditure of other School District funds, and 4) The funds are exempt from all provisions of RSA 32 relative to limitation and expenditure of school district monies.*

Article 5 was moved by Ms. Gardner-Duffany, seconded by Ms. Marsh, and unanimously voted by voice vote.

Ms. Tomlinson noted three funds which belong to Orford will continue to belong to Orford.

Ms. Pease asked about the future of the Academy Building.

Mr. Tift reported there's been some thought to use the building for administration. He noted it will be used by grades 9–10 next year, as will the library wing. He noted the Historical Society has approached Rivendell about the use of the second floor for displays, storage, etc. . . . He noted Rivendell will own the building by July 1 but there are some protections that were written in.

In response to Mr. Tift, Ms. Tomlinson noted there are other trust funds but they are under the purview of the trustees.

Mr. Tift reported on upcoming Rivendell budget meetings.

In response to Mrs. Harwood, Mr. Tift reported that documents on the budget will be available in a one-page format at the budget meeting.

Under questioning, Ms. Tomlinson said the same figures will be presented to each town.

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

Ms. Miller publicly thanked the school board, the teachers, the administration, for all their work over the years. She thanked all the volunteers and noted her desire to see that same volunteer spirit in the Rivendell School District.

Mr. Gerald Pease noted this is his fiftieth year and that alumni will be putting on a parade.

There was a round of applause for all those who graduated from Orford High School.

Ms. Ann Green noted the Orford Historical Society will be doing a celebration of the Orford Schools.

Mr. Thomson read excerpts from previous school district meetings.

It was noted the logs of these old district meetings were being donated to the Orford Historical Society by School District Clerk Mrs. Ogle.

Ms. Hebb asked for a moment of silence for those who had passed away.

There was some discussion regarding how much teachers' salaries had changed over the years.

Mrs. Hebb noted Mr. Thomson has been moderator since 1971. There was a round of applause for him.

Ms. Smith reported on the upcoming events of the transition team.

Mr. Pease asked about the possibility of a dance.

4. CLOSING OF THE POLLS

At 9:05 p.m., Mr. Thomson declared the polls closed. Immediate following the counting of the ballots, Mr. Thomson announced the election of the following by a clear majority:

For Moderator, one-year term:	Peter Thomson
For Clerk, one-year term:	Melissa Ogle
For Treasurer, one-year term:	Melissa Ogle
For School Board, until June 30, 2000:	Jane Gardner-Duffany and Sally Tomlinson

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, at approximately 9:30 p.m., it was moved, seconded and unanimously voted by voice vote to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Ogle
Orford School District Clerk

FINAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR

Orford School District's final year was an anxious one. The transition to Rivendell Interstate School District appeared still more complex and agonizing at close range than had been anticipated. Snags were encountered, missteps taken, feelings injured. Morale sagged. The dedication of the staff, resiliency of the students, and good will of parents and community pulled the district through these challenges to a final, celebratory graduation and closing ceremony.

That same dedication, resiliency, and goodwill has seen our new four-town school district through its first six months, in the face of lapsed building deadlines and other growing pains.

Some of our Orford School District staff have moved on, and many have entered the consolidated teaching staff of our new school district. To each and all alike the Board extends heartfelt thanks for their contribution to the Orford community over the years.

As of 1 July 2000, all regular business of the Orford school community will be processed through Rivendell's administrative machinery. Under the Rivendell Articles of Agreement, any continuing duties and responsibilities of the Orford School Board will be handled by the Orford members of the Rivendell School Board, currently Jonathan Sands, Carol Sobetzer, and Sally Tomlinson. Orford's ongoing school bond payments (see table) will appear in the Rivendell Annual Budget, and be included in Orford's annual assessment. Yet to be resolved is the disposition of the four Orford School District Capital Reserve Funds (see list). As per consensus of the 17 March 2000 School District Annual Meeting, these funds will remain as is until concrete need and/or proposal arises, at which time a Special Orford School District Meeting will be called.

In closing, this note of warning and clarification:

This year, Orford taxpayers enjoyed a noticeable reduction in our tax burden, directly attributable to savings under Rivendell. Because school assessments are calculated from the attendance records of the first 40 days of the previous school year, our taxes for the coming year can be expected to increase, as this school year's town-to-town student ratio reflects the "grandfathering" of current Vermont 11th and 12th graders who had been attending other area high schools before Rivendell opened for business. The following two years, as these students graduate, Orford taxes should drop again, progressively, as student enrollments across the four Rivendell towns gradually normalize.

Thank you for granting me the opportunity to serve our town as a member of the Orford School Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Tomlinson
School Board Chair

SUMMARY OF ORFORD SCHOOL DEBT PAYMENTS

fiscal year	principal + interest = total	state building aid	local portion
2000-01	\$ 55,000 + \$ 35,530 = \$ 90,530	\$ 16,500	\$ 74,030
2001-02	\$ 55,000 + \$ 31,790 = \$ 86,790	\$ 16,500	\$ 70,290
2002-03	\$ 55,000 + \$ 28,050 = \$ 83,050	\$ 16,500	\$ 66,550
2003-04	\$ 55,000 + \$ 24,310 = \$ 79,310	\$ 16,500	\$ 62,810
2004-05	\$ 55,000 + \$ 20,570 = \$ 75,570	\$ 16,500	\$ 59,070
2005-06	\$ 55,000 + \$ 16,830 = \$ 71,830	\$ 16,500	\$ 55,330
2006-07	\$ 55,000 + \$ 13,090 = \$ 68,090	\$ 16,500	\$ 51,590
2007-08	\$ 55,000 + \$ 9,350 = \$ 64,350	\$ 16,500	\$ 47,850
2008-09	\$ 55,000 + \$ 5,610 = \$ 60,610	\$ 16,500	\$ 44,110
2009-10	\$ 55,000 + \$ 1,870 = \$ 56,870	\$ 16,500	\$ 40,370
10 year	\$550,000 + \$187,000 = \$737,000	\$165,000	\$572,000

LIST OF ORFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT CAPITAL FUNDS

Date	Name of Trust Fund	Balance (12/31/99)
1949	OSD Alice Mann	\$ 2,937.08
1991	OSD Building Reserve	15,461.13
1993	OSD Gym Reserve	16,181.54
1987	OSD H/C Reserve	585.73

ORFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT — EXPENDITURES

Function	Obj	Description	FY 98-99 Actual Expenses	FY 99-00 Appropriated Budget	FY 99-00 Actual Expenses
DIRECT INSTRUCTION					
1100 - 110		Teacher Salaries	827,245	886,259	868,012
1100 - 112		Educational Assistants	88	10,800	12,887
1100 - 114		Substitutes	13,550	11,000	21,699
1100 - 115		Remedial Instruction	15,641	13,075	174
1100 - 441		Contracted Services	2,099	3,660	5,466
1100 - 452		Copier Expenses	21,844	9,000	10,090
1100 - 562		Voc Ed Tuition	26,600	44,000	33,000
1100 - 610		Supplies	17,358	22,350	19,053
1100 - 630		Books	10,926	12,925	10,173
1100 - 741		Additional Equipment	11,331	5,660	8,870
1100 - 742		Equipment Replacement	4,305	11,937	10,304
1100 - 810		Dues & Fees	788	1,160	828
1100 - 904		Forest Reserve – Agricul Grant	491	0	0
1100		TOTAL DIRECT INSTRUCTION	952,266	1,031,826	1,000,557
SPECIAL EDUCATION					
1200 - 110		Teacher Salaries	97,081	100,553	118,272
1200 - 112		Educational Assistants	61,446	78,367	72,384
1200 - 115		Tutors	0	30	2,805
1200 - 392		Purchased Services	18,096	19,170	45,729
1200 - 393		Speech and Language	12,173	21,200	5,789
1200 - 562		Speech/Language – Out State Tuition	1,628	0	0
1200 - 569		School Tuitions	560	19,300	2,695
1200 - 610		Supplies & Books	1,266	1,800	1,713
1200 - 630		Special Ed Books	120	0	0
1200 - 683		Special Ed Travel	177	250	652
1200 - 741		New Equipment	0	200	146
1200		TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	192,547	240,870	250,184

ORFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT — EXPENDITURES — 2

Function	Obj	Description	FY 98-99 Actual Expenses	FY 99-00 Appropriated Budget	FY 99-00 Actual Expenses
1410		CO-CURRICULAR / ATHLETICS	30,735	37,652	33,438
2120		GUIDANCE	41,871	40,900	70,188
2130		HEALTH SERVICES	16,674	19,412	17,794
2212		CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	2,533	1,000	25
2213		STAFF DEVELOPMENT	14,516	20,650	11,405
2220		LIBRARY SERVICES	48,877	49,603	49,435
2310		TREASURER / LEGAL / OTHER	3,832	3,200	33,144
2320 - 351		Supt. Office Expenses	50,402	3,000	3,040
2321 - 890		Rivendell Assessment	28,183	91,601	91,601
2321		DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION	78,585	94,601	94,641
2390		BOARD OF EDUCATION	3,221	5,810	9,593
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION					
2410 - 110		Principal's Salary	56,650	56,650	58,350
2410 - 111		Secretary's Salary	30,992	30,180	33,448
2410 - 115		Assist. Prin. Salary HS	30,125	33,043	17,559
2410 - 531		Phones - All Schools	9,041	8,625	12,299
2410 -		Other School Admin. Costs	15,105	10,275	10,938
2410 - 999		Salary Increase Pool	0	8,000	0
2410		TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	141,912	146,773	132,594

ORFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT — EXPENDITURES — 3

Function	Obj	Description	FY 98-99 Actual Expenses	FY 99-00 Appropriated Budget	FY 99-00 Actual Expenses
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS					
	2410 - 211	Medical Insurance	142,363	173,075	154,403
	2410 - 212	Dental Insurance	24,378	28,571	19,015
	2410 - 213	Life Insurance	1,538	1,836	2,283
	2410 - 214	Workers' Compensation	6,401	9,942	9,527
	2410 - 215	Disability Insurance	485	541	1,612
	2410 - 216	Flex Plan Fees	174	200	0
	2410 - 222	Retirement	38,149	40,348	42,524
	2410 - 230	FICA Taxes	100,931	107,729	107,489
	2410 - 260	Unemployment Compensation	1,025	2,706	392
2410	TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		315,445	364,948	337,244
PLANT OPERATIONS					
	2542 - 110	Custodial Salaries	49,501	50,468	51,355
	2542 - 130	Overtime/Summer/Sub	2,293	3,200	2,555
	2542 - 441	Contracted Services	10,983	13,000	14,468
	2542 - 651	Gas - Orford High	924	1,000	938
	2542 - 652	Electricity - All	26,489	24,000	23,222
	2542 - 653	Fuel Oil - Heat	7,676	13,000	11,363
	2542 - 600	Other Plant Operation Expenses	14,636	13,620	11,344
	2549 - 520	General Insurance	8,824	12,500	4,871
2540	TOTAL PLANT OPERATIONS		121,327	130,788	120,115
2550	ALL PUPIL TRANSPORTATION		87,842	89,550	88,850
2569	FUND TRANSFERS		6,937	0	1,522
4000	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS		316	0	0
	5100 - 830	Principal	65,000	60,000	60,000
	5100 - 840	Interest	44,041	39,614	39,614
	DEBT SERVICE		109,041	99,614	99,614
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		2,168,479	2,377,197	2,350,343

ORFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT — REVENUES

Revenue Code	Revenues:	FY 98-99 Actual	FY 99-00 Appropriated Budget	FY 99-00 Actual Unaudited
	Fund Balance, July 1	30,272	51,017	51,017
	Local Revenues:			
11xx	Appropriations	1,587,255	1,308,235	1,308,454
13xx	Tuitions	413,258	562,475	585,171
	Total Local Revenues	2,000,513	1,870,710	1,893,625
	State Revenues:			
3110	Adequate Education Grant		376,631	376,631
3240	Foundation Aid	53,852		
3211	Building Aid	19,500	18,000	18,000
	Catastrophic Aid			
3242	Kindergarten Aid	9,000		
3221	Voc. Tech. Tuition & Transp.	32,775	28,338	25,650
3222	Voc. Tech. Transport	3,584		2,688
	Total State Revenues	118,711	422,969	422,969
	Federal Revenues:			
	PL 94-142 IDEA-B			
	Dept. of Agriculture Grant	532		537
	Total Federal Revenues	532	0	537
	Other Revenues:			
1510	Interest	7,142	3,000	5,967
1710	Gate Receipts	982	1,000	1,066
1610	Insurance Refunds	8,204	3,000	
1513	Transfer from Trustee Reserves	14,170		
1910	Rental of Space/Equipment			945
1915	Sale of Instructional Services – Fairlee	37,490	25,500	30,040
	Billable Special Education Services			10,330
4350	Medicaid	1,304		495
1980	Refund of Prior Year Expenditures			3,955
1990	Miscellaneous	177		927
	Total Other Revenues	69,469	32,500	53,724
	TOTAL REVENUES	2,219,497	2,377,196	2,421,872
	Orford School Expenditures	2,089,894	2,285,596	2,258,742
	SAU / Rivendell Assessment	78,585	91,601	91,601
	Total Expenditures	2,168,479	2,377,197	2,350,343
	Year End Fund Balance, June 30	51,017	0	71,529

RIVENDELL INTERSTATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Fairlee, Vershire, West Fairlee, VT and Orford, NH

January 9, 2001

Orford School District
Orford, New Hampshire

The independent auditor's report has not been completed at this time. Copies of the report will be available at the Orford town office and the Rivendell Interstate School District offices when finalized.

Keith R. Merrick
Business Manager

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