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*Annual
Report*

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

Annual Report
of the
Officers
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A TRIBUTE TO



Theda Pease

“Use it up – wear it out, make do, or do without.” If this old saying did not already exist it would have to be invented to describe the core values of Theda Louise Howard Pease. She was born on April 28, 1906, in her parents’ home on Atwell Hill in Wentworth, NH. George and Flora Howard owned a small hill farm where Theda grew up, went to church and school just up the road, and helped on the farm. She delights in telling of her use of the “bull rake” to clean up “scattrins” during haying. On September 30, 1928, Theda married Glenn Pease and came to live at Sunset View Farm, where she resides to this day.

After the house burned in early September 1957, she and Glenn lived in Ruth Ladd Brown’s house just

down the hill until the next April, but that is the only time she has lived away from the farm.

Theda was the quintessential New England “farmer’s wife,” keeping the home and all the chores that went with it. Summer was the time to make jam and jelly, while fall saw the canning of two to three hundred pints of vegetables, as well as dozens of cans of meat. Winter meant long hours making and mending shirts, pants, stockings, dresses, and even cotton gloves, while spring was time for making “damp sugar” and sugar cakes. All this was done while caring for five children, her mother-in-law, and frequent long-term stays by various of Glenn’s widowed older sisters.

The extended family and folks in the area know Theda as the lady who made donuts for Firemen’s meetings and for Mel and Gale Thomson to sell at their sugarhouse. Each grandchild also has a quilt Theda made, and for years daughters-in-law and granddaughters looked forward to receiving a homemade flannel nightgown or flannel diapers for the new baby.

Theda has slowed down as she reaches her centennial: most days are spent reading and she does not get out much. She remains in generally good health and enjoys remembering the years on Atwell Hill and at Sunset View Farm. Stop by and visit some day. You probably will not get a donut, but ask about old times and she will have a story to share.



ORFORD'S CENTENARIANS



Although I am not a native of Orford, I do claim a long association with the Town. My mother and stepfather, Gertrude and Ned Warren, purchased their Ridge house in 1936, retiring here in October of that year. My husband, Charles Golding, and I then came to spend all major holidays and the month of August with our young children in Orford with my family. Those were long and happy visits!

My husband died tragically in 1947. Keeping a home and growing happy children took all my time so visits in Orford became less frequent and of shorter duration. The Warrens had a very active role in the life of the Town both politically and socially. I have many playbills and programs for events that we enjoyed. We would not miss Hattie Davis Sunday dinner at the Town Hall or a square dance with Glenn Pease or Everett Blake as caller.

I loved Orford so it was an easy decision to move here with my new husband, Clifford Fifield, when he retired. We purchased the Skinner Farm, now the River Valley Farm, in 1960. We moved to the Ridge house in 1963 to be with my widowed mother. At the farm we raised sheep, miniature donkeys and other stock.

Clifford and I immediately became immersed in the activities of Orford. Clifford was on the Cemetery Commission and I was on the School Board. Clifford's service on the Cemetery Commission lasted until his death in 1978. I was appointed to fill that office and also served on the Conservation Commission and the Planning Board as well as the Orford Social Library where I was a Trustee for many years. Clifford and I worked closely with Alice and John Hodgson for years researching the early history of Orford and exploring the Town. When age curtailed my energy, I retired from active participation on all fronts, but not from interest in the Town. I shall attend Town Meeting and other events as long as I can navigate!

The past and future of Orford are high priorities for my aging mind. Reliving the past and wondering what is next occupies much of my solitude. I am happy to join my friend, Theda Pease, in sharing the Town Report dedication to us in our 100th year. I thank the Selectboard for their thoughtfulness.



Julia Mentzer Fifield



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TOWN DIRECTORY

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SELECTBOARD MEETING

Selectboard meets every Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. in the Town Office
2529 Gov. Meldrim Thomson Scenic Highway (Route 25A), Orford, NH.

SELECTBOARD OFFICE

Phone & Fax: 353-4889

Selectboard's office is in the Town Office.

Mary Greene, Administrative Assistant

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

TOWN CLERK 353-4404

Town Clerk's office is in the Town Office.

Louise Mack, Town Clerk

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

TAX COLLECTOR 353-4831

Louise Mack, Tax Collector

Tax Collector's office is in her home at 59 Archertown Road, Orford, NH.

PLANNING BOARD MEETING

The Planning Board meets the third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Niles Room at the Town Office. If you need to schedule an appointment, please call Peter Dzewaltowski, Planning Assistant (448-1680).

POLICE DEPARTMENT Call 9-1-1 for emergencies

Police Department is in the Town Office.

Todd Gray, Police Chief 353-4252 (office)

FIRE DEPARTMENT Call 9-1-1 for emergencies

Arthur Dennis, Fire Chief

FIRE PERMITS

Gerald Pease, Fire Warden	353-9070
Arthur Dennis, Deputy Forest Fire Warden (Fire Chief)	353-4502
Timothy Hebb, Deputy Forest Fire Warden	353-4496

ANIMAL CONTROL 353-4252 or 353-4889

Roy Daisey, Animal Control Officer

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 353-9366

Charles Waterbury, Road Agent and Tree Warden

FREE LIBRARY – Laurel Fulford, Librarian 353-9166

Tuesday and Friday 3:30 – 7:30 p.m.; Saturday 9 – 11:30 a.m.; Sunday 2 – 5 p.m.

SOCIAL LIBRARY – Sarah Putnam, Librarian 353-9756

Monday 3 – 7 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Thursday 3 – 7 p.m.;
Friday 2 – 5 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

ORFORD TOWN OFFICERS

Elected by nonpartisan ballot on Town Meeting Day

MODERATOR

Peter Thomson	353-4111	2006	2-Year Term
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SELECTBOARD

Ann Green	353-4150	2007	3-Year Term
Paul Carreiro	353-9993	2008	3-Year Term
David Bischoff	353-9818	2006	3-Year Term

TREASURER

Carl Cassel	353-4434	2007	3-Year Term
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SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Jane Hebb	353-4496	2008	6-Year Term
Andrew Schwaegler	272-9202	2006	6-Year Term
Brenda Smith	353-8114	2008	6-Year Term

TAX COLLECTOR

Louise Mack	353-4831	2008	3-Year Term
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TOWN CLERK

Louise Mack	353-4404	2008	3-Year Term
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ROAD AGENT

Charles Waterbury	353-9366	2006	3-Year Term
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PLANNING BOARD

Paul Dalton, Chairman	353-9844	2007	3-Year Term
Elizabeth Bischoff, Vice-Chair	353-4526	2006	3-Year Term
Ludlow Flower	353-4300	2007	1-Year Term
Sam Hanford	353-9678	2008	3-Year Term
Andrew Schwaegler	272-9202	2008	3-Year Term
David Green	353-4160	2006	3-Year Term
David Bischoff	353-9818		Ex Officio

Nominated and Elected from the floor on Town Meeting Day

OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Board of Selectmen	353-4889	2006	1-Year Term
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FENCE VIEWERS

Mark Marsh	353-9007	2006	1-Year Term
H. Horton Washburn	353-4570	2006	1-Year Term

HEALTH OFFICER

Board of Selectmen	353-4889	2006	1-Year Term
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ORFORD TOWN OFFICERS *(continued)*

Nominated and Elected from the floor on Town Meeting Day

SEXTON

Cemetery Commission 2006 1-Year Term

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

James Hook 353-4834 2006 1-Year Term
Robert Palifka 353-9367 2006 1-Year Term
Andrew Schwaegler 272-9202 2006 1-Year Term
Tom Steketee 353-4425 2006 1-Year Term
Herbert Verry 353-9450 2006 1-Year Term

ORFORD FREE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Carol Boynton 353-4874 2006 3-Year Term
Susan Kling 353-9166 2008 3-Year Term
Christie Manning 353-9343 2007 3-Year Term

ORFORD SOCIAL LIBRARY

Ann Davis 353-9725 2007 3-Year Term

FIRE WARDS

Arthur Dennis 353-4502 2006 1-Year Term
James Hook 353-4834 2006 1-Year Term
Larry Taylor 353-9865 2006 1-Year Term

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Paul Goundrey, Chairman 353-4793 2008 3-Year Term
Brad McCormack 353-4469 2006 3-Year Term
John O'Brien 353-9857 2006 3-Year Term
Tim Ruff 353-9722 2006 3-Year Term
Nathan Tullar 353-4263 2007 3-Year Term

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Mark Blanchard 353-9873 2008 3-Year Term
Stuart Corpieri 353-4229 2007 3-Year Term
Joe Davis 353-9725 2006 3-Year Term

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Joseph Arcolio 353-9504 2007 3-Year Term
Ruth Brown 353-9092 2006 3-Year Term
Paul Messer 353-4883 2008 3-Year Term

Appointed by the Board of Selectmen

AUDITOR

Plodzick & Sanderson, Accountants & Auditors

ORFORD TOWN OFFICERS *(continued)***Appointed by the Board of Selectmen****FIRE CHIEF**

Arthur Dennis	353-4502	2006	1-Year Term
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POLICE CHIEF

Todd Gray	353-4252	2006	1-Year Term
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Paul Carreiro	353-9993	2006	1-Year Term
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ANIMAL CONTROL

Roy Daisey	353-9534	2007	3-Year Term
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INSPECTORS OF ELECTION

Elizabeth Bischoff	353-4526	2006	2-Year Term
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Elizabeth Blauvelt	353-4115	2006	2-Year Term
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Betty Messer	353-4883	2006	2-Year Term
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Judith Parker	353-4882	2006	2-Year Term
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Ruth Brown	353-9092		Alternate
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Laura Verry	353-9450		Alternate
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NILES FUND COMMITTEE

Elizabeth Bischoff	353-4526	2006	1-Year Term
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David Coker	353-4104	2006	1-Year Term
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David Green	353-4160	2006	1-Year Term
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Tara Mitchell	353-9012	2006	1-Year Term
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Ann Green	353-4150		Ex Officio
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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Bry Beeson, Chairman	353-4311	2008	3-Year Term
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Tom Bubolz	353-4303	2007	3-Year Term
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Emily Bryant	353-9033	2008	3-Year Term
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Sarah Schwaegler	272-4817	2006	3-Year Term
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Thomas Thomson	353-4488	2006	3-Year Term
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Robb Day	353-4140	2008	3-Year Term
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Sally Tomlinson	353-4592	2008	3-Year Term
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Mark Marsh	353-9007		Alternate
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TREE WARDEN

Charles Waterbury	353-9366	2006	1-Year Term
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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR FLOOD PLAINS

Emily Bryant	353-9033	2008	3-Year Term
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Paul Messer	353-4883	2008	3-Year Term
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Taylor Soper	353-9972	2008	3-Year Term
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Rendell Tullar	353-4860	2008	3-Year Term
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Shawn Washburn	353-4207	2008	3-Year Term
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**TOWN OF ORFORD
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

March 8, 2005

GRAFTON, ss.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The polls were opened at 4:10 p.m. The ballots were counted (565 plus 13 absentees) 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 7:10 p.m. Moderator Peter M. Thomson led the assembly in the Salute to the Flag after a moment of silence for the troops serving overseas.

Motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Joseph Arcolio to recess the meeting due to inclement weather and reschedule to March 16th at 7:00 p.m. Moderator Peter Thomson agreed to be in touch Wednesday morning to find out what the rule is on rescheduling the vote due to the fact that he didn't know. He will check to see about the voting taking place on the 16th. As of this moment, the ballot box and ballots were sealed up and taken to the vault at the Town Office by Officer Todd Gray. Ballot box was closed at 7:45 p.m. The Selectmen agreed to send out a box holder, put notices in the paper, and distribute posters, after hearing from Peter Thomson to let the public know about the new date for the meeting.

Recessed meeting started at 4:05 P.M. on March 16, 2005 with the polls opening at 4:05 p.m., and the main meeting opening at 7:15 p.m. by Moderator Peter M. Thomson, who led the assembly with the Salute to the Flag. He was given a quote by Mark Marsh from the diary of George W. Lamprey (Mark's great-great-grandfather) who was Town Clerk in 1888 — "Because of a heavy snow storm and drifting, Town Meeting was adjourned until March 29th." Mr. Lamprey held the office of Town Clerk for 18 years. Moderator Thomson then recognized Lieut. Colonel Terry Harwood, who is home from Iraq. He also mentioned that our Chief of Police, Steven Calderwood, is also home, although he is not here tonight. He also recognized four women who have been for many years good politicians in our Town Meeting: Julia Fifield, absent this time but she was here on the original Town Meeting; Theda Pease was missing; Helen Beeson is with us, as well as Elizabeth Bischoff. A couple more announcements: Inventory blanks must be turned in April 15th to avoid penalty, and dogs must be registered by April 30th. A part of the Orford Social Library report was omitted from the Town Report, so Peter Thomson read it to be a part of the meeting.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Peter Dooley to dispense with the reading of the Warrant and it was passed with a voice vote in affirmative.

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

For one year:	Overseers of Public Welfare	Board of Selectmen
For one year:	Fence Viewers	Mark Marsh H. Horton Washburn

For one year:	Health Officer	Board of Selectmen
For one year:	Sexton	Cemetery Commission
For one year:	Budget Advisory Committee	James Hook Robert Palifka Andrew Schwaegler Thomas Steketee Herbert Verry
For three years:	Orford Free Library Trustee	Susan Kling
For one year:	Fire Wards	Arthur Dennis James Hook Larry Taylor
For three years:	Parks and Playgrounds	Paul Goundrey
For three years:	Trustee of Trust Funds	Mark Blanchard
For three years:	Cemetery Commission	Paul Messer

ARTICLE 2:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred three thousand, seven hundred nineteen dollars (\$803,719) for general municipal operations.

General Government

Executive	\$ 52,310.
Election	24,780.
Financial Administration	45,748.
Revaluation of Property	3,768.
Legal Expenses	14,000.
Personnel Administration	65,850.
Planning Board	7,570.
General Government Buildings	14,777.
Cemeteries	15,070.
Insurance	16,402.
Regional Association	1,146.
Contingency Fund	3,000.

Public Safety

Police	\$ 97,065.
Ambulance	16,365.
Fire Department	21,665.
Emergency Management	750.

Highways and Bridges

Highways	\$244,550.
Bridges	6,000.
Street Lights	4,700.

Sanitation

Solid Waste Collection	\$ 750.
Solid Waste Disposal	39,200.

Health

Animal Control	\$ 6,055.
Health Agency	6,060.

Welfare

Direct Assistance	\$ 4,500.
Intergovernmental Welfare	3,500.

Culture and Recreation

Parks and Playgrounds	\$ 23,405.
Libraries	27,349.
Patriotic Purposes	650.

Conservation

Other Conservation	\$ 1,675.
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Debt Service

Principal — Long Term Bonds	\$ 22,310.
Interest — Long Term Bonds	2,249.

Improvements Other Than Buildings

Microfilming of Town	
Historical Records	\$ 300.
Restoration of Town	
Historical Records	2,700.
Maintenance for Community Field	7,500.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Peter Dooley. After an explanation of the changes from last year and discussion, a voice vote in the affirmative was taken.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 3:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred six thousand five hundred dollars (\$106,500) for payments into the following capital reserve funds as follows:

Bridges & Roads CRF (1989)	\$ 10,000.
Fire Trucks CRF (1989)	20,000.
Grader CRF (1983)	8,000.
Highway Dept. Trucks CRF (1983)	25,000.
Loader CRF (1983)	7,000.
Police Cruiser CRF (1978)	8,000.
Reappraisal CRF (1987)	15,000.
Tractor/Mower – (P&P) CRF (1992)	5,000.
Tax Maps CRF (2002)	5,000.
Heavy Equipment Maintenance CRF (2003)	2,500.
Wildfire Suppression Fund CRF (2004)	1,000.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Peter Dooley. After a discussion, Melvin Emerson amended the article to increase the Police Cruiser CRF to \$12,000. This was seconded by Juliette Bianco. A voice vote was taken on the amendment and it was defeated. A voice vote was taken on the original motion and this passed in the affirmative.

The original article passed.

The motion was made by Paul Carriero and seconded by Gerald Pease to move to Article 8 and 12. A voice vote was taken and passed in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 8:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to be used by the Planning Board to secure additional professional planning and legal services required in the preparation of a zoning and land use ordinance which will be put before the Town for consideration at the March 2006 Town Meeting.

[Note: The Planning Board seeks this appropriation in accordance with community interest expressed at the November 2004 public hearing and following two years of study by the Land Use Subcommittee. Professional planning and legal services will be targeted to facilitate continued community involvement in the development process and to ensure that the completed ordinance best reflects the wishes of the community and the interest of the Town.]

The motion was made by Paul Dalton and seconded by Peter Dooley. After a discussion, Meredith Harwood made a motion that we first find out if voters supported zoning in principle before money was spent drafting the ordinance. This was seconded by Toni Pease. After some more discussion, Carl Cassel called the question, which was seconded by Dave Bischoff. Motion passed by a voice vote. A paper ballot was taken and 148 ballots were cast: Yes – 74 and No – 74. There was a tie. Therefore, the amended motion did not pass. There was more discussion and vote was taken by paper ballot on the original article. 147 ballots were cast. There were 63 Yes and 84 No.

The article was defeated.

ARTICLE 12:

To see if the Town will vote to approve the design plan drawn up by the NH Fish and Game to improve the boat launch area.

The motion was made by Marion Hook and seconded by Quentin Mack. After a brief discussion, Quentin Mack made an amendment to the article, which was seconded by Toni Pease. To see if the Town will vote to approve the design plan drawn up by the NH Fish and Game to improve the boat launch area, and to lease the necessary land to implement this project for a period up to 30 years to the State of New Hampshire.

After the article was amended, we took a 30-second recess, to make sure everyone had voted. The ballot box was closed at 9:15 p.m. and the Supervisors of the Checklist and Ballot Clerks proceeded to count the ballots for the elected Town Officers.

Then we continued on with the Town Meeting.

After a long discussion, Bethany Miller called the question and Carl Cassel seconded it. Motion passed with voice vote. A paper ballot was taken on the amendment. There were 139 ballots cast: 88 – Yes and 51 – No. Then we cast a paper ballot on the original article with the amendment and 133 ballots cast. There were 87 Yes and 46 No.

The article passed.

ARTICLE 4:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$51,500) for the purpose of a new 2006 1-ton truck with plow and sander, including an extended 7-year warranty, to be paid as follows: To authorize the withdrawal of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from the Highway Department Truck Capital Reserve fund and authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the current 1-ton truck for up to \$20,000 to be applied to the purchase price and raise the balance through taxation.

The motion was made by Dave Bischoff and seconded by Peter Dooley. A voice vote was made in the affirmative.

The article passed.

ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) to replace three (3) monument bases located on the East and West Commons.

The motion was made by Dave Bischoff and seconded by Toni Pease. A voice vote was made in the affirmative.

The article passed.

ARTICLE 6:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be deposited into the Tree Care and Replenishment Trust Fund, and designate the Selectmen as agents of the Town to expend money from the fund for this purpose without further Town Meeting approval.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Carl Cassel. A voice vote was made in the affirmative.

The article passed.

ARTICLE 7:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for maintenance of the Rivendell Trail Association.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Laura Verry. A voice vote was made in the affirmative.

The article passed.

ARTICLE 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the original sum of \$100,000 that was appropriated in 2004 for replacement of Weeks Bridge. This article will be non-lapsing until the project is completed or December 31, 2007.

The motion was made by Dave Bischoff and seconded by Peter Dooley. A voice vote was made in the affirmative.

The article passed.

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 purpose of planting trees on town-owned property, improving community facilities and sponsoring an organization or individual of Orford with financial aid for opportunities that otherwise might be unattainable.

The motion was made by Dave Bischoff and seconded by Peter Dooley. A voice vote was made in the affirmative.

The article passed.

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to modify the Elderly Exemption under the provision of RSA 72:39b as follows: The exemption from assessed value for qualified taxpayers shall be \$10,000 (age 65–74), \$15,000 (age 75–79) and \$25,000 (age 80+) and: the taxpayer shall have a net income in the calendar year preceding April 1 of not more than \$18,400, if single, or more than a combined net income of \$26,400, if married, and own assets not in excess of \$40,000 excluding the value of the residence and land upon which it is located (no more than two acres). To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the person's spouse owns the real estate, they must have been married for at least five consecutive years.

The motion was made by Dave Bischoff and seconded by Peter Dooley.

Judith Miller amended the article, which was seconded by Laura Verry. To see if the Town will vote to modify the Elderly Exemption under the provision of RSA 72:39b as follows: The exemption from assessed value for qualified taxpayers shall be \$15,000 (age 65–74), \$20,000 (ages 75–79) and \$25,000 (age 80+) and: the taxpayer shall have a net income in the calendar year preceding April 1 of not more than \$25,000, if single, or more than a combined net income of \$37,500, if married, and own assets not in excess of \$40,000 excluding the value of the residence and land upon which it is located (no more than two acres). To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the person's spouse owns the real estate, they must have been married for at least five consecutive years.

A voice vote was made on the amended article and it was made in the affirmative.

The amended article was passed.

ARTICLE 13:

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

Having no reports, the article was passed over.

ARTICLE 14:

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

Paul Messer brought to everyone’s attention that the Historical Association is putting on a program on April 26th bringing to the attention of a lot of the newcomers in Town an organization called the Orford Community Council. This was over 40 years ago, what they did as a community and the huge amount of volunteer work that was done, which made our Town what it is. Peter said that he was surprised that Paul didn’t mention that this weekend is Open House for the Maple Sugar Association and all the Maple Sugar people in New Hampshire will be open. Ann Green and Jude Parker thanked the people who set up their exhibits this year. They not only did it once, but twice.

Dave Bischoff thanked Gerald Pease for the five-plus years that he put in as Selectman.

The results of the Ballots:

SELECTMAN: For One Year

David Bischoff – 233

Clarence Flint – 7

Quentin Mack – 6

Ernest Kling, Paul Carriero – 3 each

P. Chase Kling, Fay Bean, Elwyn Brooks, Paul Messer, Randall Perry, George Schwarz, Bill Wilson, Jeff Winagle – 1 each

SELECTMAN: For Three Years

Paul Carreiro – 186

Quentin Mack – 65

Clarence Thomas Flint – 33

Ruth Cserr – 2

TOWN CLERK: For Three Years

Louise M. Mack – 202

Jennifer M. Lister – 88

TAX COLLECTOR: For Three Years

Louise M. Mack – 264

Jennifer M. Lister – 12

Karen Wertman, Sandra Marsh – 1 each

PLANNING BOARD: For Three Years

Sam Hanford – 233

Thomas N. Thomson – 4

Ludlow Flower – 3

Andrew Locke, Bill McKee, Jim McGoff, Mark Marsh – 2 each

Peter Thomson, Larry Taylor, Paul Messer, Keith Wertman,
Joyce McKee, Theres Taylor, Sue Kling, Bill Wilson, David Bischoff,
Clarence T. Flint, Bruce Schwaegler, Carl Cassel, Floyd Marsh – 1 each

PLANNING BOARD: For Three Years

Andrew Schwaegler – 244

Theresa Hook, Mark Marsh – 2 each

Charles Pierce, Kristin Kling, Tim Ruff, Ruth Cserr, David Green,
Tom Thomson, Bill McKee, George Schwarz, Dave Bischoff,
Carl Cassel, Harry Osmer, Paul Goundrey, Larry Taylor – 1 each

SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST: For Six Years

Brenda M. Smith – 276

Theresa Taylor, Betty Messer – 1 each

The motion was made by Dave Bischoff and seconded by Carl Cassel to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m. The ballots were sealed at 10:55 p.m.

The foregoing is a true copy.

Attest: Louise M. Mack, Town Clerk

TOWN OF ORFORD
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
October 26, 2005

GRAFTON, ss.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The Special Town Meeting for the Town of Orford was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Moderator Peter M. Thomson. Present were Selectmen Ann Green and Paul Carreiro.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to become agents for the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund.

The motion was made by Ann Green and seconded by Paul Carreiro. Then Ann explained the reason for the motion was that the Town Meeting in 2004 had authorized money for the replacement of Weeks Bridge but that the bids were higher than the amount authorized. There was another authorization in 2005 but now the costs have gone up again and there was the additional cost of the temporary bridge required by the State (which is now in place). Then, when the Selectmen decided to take the additional amounts required from the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund they discovered that the Town had not included that fund in the list of funds where the Selectmen had been made agents to withdraw money. They now estimated that they would need a maximum of \$45,000. Arthur Dennis commented that perhaps the Selectmen should not become agents in perpetuity of the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund until the Town Meeting when there will be greater representation.

After some discussion, Terry Martin made an amendment to the motion to say that this is to authorize a one time only withdrawal with a cap of \$45,000 from this fund. This was seconded by Carl Cassel.

Now the amended motion is to move that the Town authorize the Selectmen become agents for the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize them to take out a maximum amount of \$45,000 for the Weeks Bridge and no further withdrawal until next Town Meeting where we will vote again for the authorization of the Selectmen to become agents.

Then the Moderator told the 16 voters that it was one of two things. They either had to withdraw their motions and start all over again or kill the motion before them. Ann withdrew her motion and Paul seconded. Terry withdrew his amended motion which was seconded by Carl.

Terry Martin made a new motion that said "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to become agents for the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund to take out no more than \$45,000 from the fund to finish the Week's Bridge Project and no further withdrawal until action taken at the March 2006 Town Meeting." The motion was seconded by Ann.

A voice vote was made in the affirmative on the new article.

A motion was made by Brenda Smith for adjourning the meeting and seconded by Jane Hebb. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 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
2006**

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 14th 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:

Moderator	2-Year Term
Selectman	3-Year Term
Supervisor of Checklist	6-Year Term
Road Agent	3-Year Term
Planning Board Member	3-Year Term
Planning Board Member	3-Year Term
Planning Board Member	1-Year Term

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

ARTICLE 2.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred thirty-two thousand two hundred sixty-three dollars (\$832,263) for general municipal operations. (Majority vote required.)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$ 55,229.
Election	24,980.
Financial Administration	47,455.
Revaluation of Property	5,688.
Legal Expenses	22,000.
Personnel Administration	51,450.
Planning Board	7,770.
General Government Buildings	17,107.
Cemeteries	17,750.
Insurance	20,102.
Regional Association	1,201.
Contingency Fund	3,000.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police	\$114,228.
Ambulance	16,365.
Fire Department	23,722.
Emergency Management	750.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Highways	\$259,460.
Bridges	6,000.
Street Lighting	4,700.

SANITATION

Solid Waste Collection	\$ 750.
Solid Waste Disposal	41,200.

HEALTH

Animal Control	\$ 3,552.
Health Agency	6,060.

WELFARE

Direct Assistance	\$ 4,500.
Intergovernmental Welfare	3,552.

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Parks and Playgrounds	\$ 24,257.
Libraries	27,349.
Patriotic Purposes	650.

CONSERVATION

Other Conservation	\$ 1,600.
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DEBT SERVICE

Principal — Long Term Bonds	\$ 6,310.
Interest — Long Term Bonds	1,274.

IMPROVEMENTS OTHER THAN BUILDINGS

Microfilming of Town	
Historical Records	\$ 300.
Restoration of Town	
Historical Records	2,700.
Maintenance of Community Field	7,500.
Hazardous Waste	1,752.

(NOTE: Under RSA 32:5V, 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 3.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and six thousand five hundred dollars (\$106,500) for payments into the following capital reserve funds as follows:

Bridges & Roads CRF (1989)	\$ 10,000.
Fire Trucks CRF (1989)	20,000.
Grader CRF (1983)	8,000.
Highway Dept. Trucks CRF (1983)	25,000.
Loader CRF (1983)	7,000.

Police Cruiser CRF (1978)	8,000.
Reappraisal CRF (1987)	15,000.
Tractor/Mower – (P&P) CRF (1992)	5,000.
Tax Maps CRF (2002)	5,000.
Heavy Equipment Maintenance CRF (2003)	2,500.
Wildfire Suppression Fund CRF (2004)	1,000.

(The majority of the Selectboard and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 4.

To see if the Town will vote to confirm that the part-time police officer position, partially funded by a COPS grant, will be continued as a permanent full-time position.

[Note: The COPS grant which funded the part-time position ended December 31, 2005. A term of the grant is to retain at least a part-time position until December 31, 2007.]

ARTICLE 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for the purchase and equipping of a new 2006 police cruiser and authorize the withdrawal of \$30,000 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund.

(The majority of the Selectboard and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 6. (Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand seven hundred dollars (\$4,700) to enable the Selectboard to study communications infrastructure in the town, make recommendations for infrastructure improvements or to enter into inter-municipal agreements that will enable or enhance emergency services, medical response, public safety and health services, and communication between town and school district facilities. This article will be non-lapsing until 12/31/2009 or the project is completed in accordance with RSA 32:7, VI, and designates the Selectboard as agents of the Town to expend the money without further Town Meeting approval.

[Note: This money is intended to be used, at the Selectboard’s discretion, to acquire planning or professional services to investigate communications infrastructure in the town, and the ability to communicate between towns. This infrastructure enables or enhances the ability of the town to provide emergency services, town facilities communications, medical services, school district communications, and homeland security communications.]

ARTICLE 7.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for maintenance of the Rivendell Trail Association.

(The majority of the Selectboard and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand three hundred dollars (\$13,300) to pave the total parking area at the Town Office, including a 1" top coat applied to the existing paved area. This article will be non-lapsing, per RSA 32:7, VI, until the project is completed or until 12/31/2007.

(The majority of the Selectboard and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 9.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred and three thousand seven hundred ninety-eight dollars (\$303,798) for the purchase of a new 672D grader which includes 3 function wings, front plow harness, 6,000-hour/84-month full warranty and delivery to Orford), to be paid as follows: To authorize the withdrawal of one hundred thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$138,000) from the Grader Capital Reserve fund towards the purchase, and to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the current grader for ninety-eight thousand seven hundred ninety-eight dollars (\$98,798) and take the balance of sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$67,000) from Unreserved Fund balance for the purpose of this article.

(The majority of the Selectboard and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 10.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand two hundred and thirteen dollars (\$3,213) for additional fence repair at Street Cemetery. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI, and will not lapse until the fencing is completed or by December 31, 2007.

(The majority of the Selectboard and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 11. (Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to exclude from the determination of income under the Elderly Exemption pursuant to RSA: 72:39-a-b, any payments received from the United States Veterans Administration for disabilities received while serving in the armed forces.

ARTICLE 12.

To see if the Town will vote to sell land to Mark and Linda Smith to access and egress their property on Huckins Hill Road, terms to be negotiated by the Selectboard.

ARTICLE 13.

To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund, per RSA 35:15 1.

ARTICLE 14.

To see if the Town will vote to make the Road Agent an appointed rather than elected position.

ARTICLE 15.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand (\$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 or individuals of Orford with financial aid for opportunities that otherwise might be unattainable.

ARTICLE 16.

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

ARTICLE 17.

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

Given under our hand and seal at Orford the 9th day of February in the year two thousand and six.

David F. Bischoff (signed)
Ann Green (signed)
Paul Carreiro: I am not signing this budget/
warrant because I do not believe that the
Planning Board has followed the appropriate
process in bringing the zoning article forward
according to the laws of New Hampshire and
common sense.
SELECTBOARD, TOWN OF ORFORD

RETURN OF POSTING

We, the undersigned Selectboard for the Town of Orford, do hereby certify that on February 9, 2006 a copy of the warrant was posted at the Orford Post Office and at the Town Office, these being two public places within the Town of Orford, as prescribed in RSA 39 and RSA 669:2.

David F. Bischoff (signed)
Ann Green (signed)
Paul Carreiro: I am not signing this budget/warrant because I do not believe that the
Planning Board has followed the appropriate process in bringing the zoning article
forward according to the laws of New Hampshire and common sense.
TOWN OF ORFORD, SELECTBOARD

State of New Hampshire
Grafton, ss.

2006 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006
or Fiscal Year from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006.

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3, V)		Appropriations 2005	Actual Expenditures 2005	Recommended Appropriations 2006
	Warrant Article #			
<u>Acct. #</u>	<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>			
4130-4139	Executive	\$ 52,310.	\$ 52,499.	\$ 55,229.
4140-4149	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	24,780.	16,151.	24,980.
4150-4151	Financial Administration	45,748.	30,788.	47,455.
4152	Revaluation of Property	3,768.	2,989.	5,688.
4153	Legal Expense	14,000.	20,020.	22,000.
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	65,850.	43,305.	51,450.
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	7,570.	6,472.	7,770.
4194	General Government Buildings	14,777.	11,717.	17,107.
4195	Cemeteries	15,070.	14,745.	17,750.
4196	Insurance	16,402.	15,780.	20,102.
4197	Advertising & Regional Associations	2	1,146.	1,201.
4199	Other General Government	2	3,000.	1,652.
	<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>			
4210-4214	Police	2	97,065.	89,983.
4215-4219	Ambulance	2	16,365.	16,365.
4220-4229	Fire	2	21,665.	21,521.
4290-4298	Emergency Management	2	750.	213.
	<u>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</u>			
4312	Highways & Streets	2	244,550.	226,487.
4313	Bridges	2	6,000.	0.
4316	Street Lighting	2	4,700.	5,001.
	<u>SANITATION</u>			
4323	Solid Waste Collection	2	750.	0.
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	2	39,200.	31,507.
	<u>HEALTH</u>			
4414	Pest Control	2	6,055.	4,157.
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	2	6,060.	6,060.

2006 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 2

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3, V)			Appropriations 2005	Actual Expenditures 2005	Recommended Appropriations 2006
		Warrant Article #			
<u>Acct. #</u>	<u>WELFARE</u>				
4441 – 4442	Administration & Direct Assistance	2	\$ 4,500.	\$ 0.	\$ 4,500.
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	2	3,500.	3,500.	3,552.
	<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>				
4520 – 4529	Parks & Recreation	2	23,405.	23,002.	24,257.
4550 – 4559	Library	2	27,349.	27,349.	27,349.
4583	Patriotic Purposes	2	650.	492.	650.
	<u>CONSERVATION</u>				
4619	Other Conservation	2	1,675.	957.	1,600.
	<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>				
4711	Principal — Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	22,310.	22,310.	6,310.
4721	Interest — Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	2,249.	2,247.	1,274.
	<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings	2	10,500.	9,963.	12,252.
<u>SUBTOTAL 1</u>			<u>\$ 803,719.</u>	<u>\$ 708,378.</u>	<u>\$ 832,263.</u>

2006 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 3

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3, V)		Appropriations 2005	Actual Expenditures 2005	Recommended Appropriations 2006
Acct. #	SPECIAL * WARRANT ARTICLES	Warrant Article #		
	Bridges & Roads	3	\$ 10,000.	\$ 10,000.
	Fire Truck	3	20,000.	20,000.
	Grader	3	8,000.	8,000.
	Highway Trucks	3	25,000.	25,000.
	Heavy Equipment Maint.	3	2,500.	2,500.
	Loader	3	7,000.	7,000.
	Police Cruiser	3	8,000.	8,000.
	Reappraisal	3	15,000.	15,000.
	Tractor/Mower	3	5,000.	5,000.
	Tax Maps	3	5,000.	5,000.
	Wildfire Suppression	3	1,000.	1,000.
	Communication Infrastructure	6		4,700.
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED				\$ 111,200.

*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 trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3, V)		Appropriations 2005	Actual Expenditures 2005	Recommended Appropriations 2006
Acct. #	INDIVIDUAL ** WARRANT ARTICLES	Warrant Article #		
4901	Weeks Bridge	9	\$ 25,000.	\$ 19,216.
4902	1-Ton Truck	4	51,500.	51,500.
4909	Monument Bases	5	1,500.	686.
4909	Tree Care Replenishment	6	3,000.	3,000.
4909	Rivendell Trail	7	300.	300.
4909	Zoning Ordinance Plan	8	7,500.	0.
4901	Blacktop Town Office Lot	8		13,300.
4901	Cemetery Fence Repair	10		3,213.
4902	PD Cruiser	5		30,000.
4902	Grader	9		303,798.
4909	Niles Fund	14	5,000.	639.
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED				\$ 355,611.

**"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.

2006 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 4

SOURCE OF REVENUE			Estimated Revenue 2005	Actual Revenue 2005	Estimated Revenue 2006
		Warrant Article #			
Acct. #	TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		\$ 10,000.	\$ 21,260.	\$ 20,000.
3185	Timber Taxes		15,000.	14,028.	15,000.
3189	Other Taxes		500.	390.	310.
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		5,000.	1,601.	2,000.
	Inventory Penalties		750.	1,237.	1,000.
3187	Excavation Tax (2 cents per cu. yd.)		120.	50.	50.
	<u>LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES</u>				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		175,000.	224,400.	224,000.
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		4,000.	11,084.	10,000.
3311-3319	<u>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</u>		17,300.	11,205.	9,000.
	<u>FROM STATE</u>				
3351	Shared Revenues		10,000.	23,066.	12,000.
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		31,000.	42,121.	31,000.
3353	Highway Block Grant		50,000.	52,000.	50,000.
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		1,090.	5,349.	7,000.
3379	<u>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</u>		7,500.	7,500.	7,500.
	<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>				
3401 – 3406	Income from Departments		10,000.	9,549.	9,000.
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	9	20,000.	15,000.	98,798.
3502	Interest on Investments		5,000.	20,626.	15,000.
3503 – 3509	Other		12,000.	1,628.	1,000.
	<u>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</u>				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	5, 9	25,000.	25,000.	168,000.
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds	14	5,000.	5,000.	5,000.
	<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</u>				
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes	9			67,000.
<u>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS</u>			<u>\$ 404,260.</u>	<u>\$ 492,094.</u>	<u>\$ 752,658.</u>

2006 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 5

BUDGET SUMMARY	2005	2006
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended	\$ 803,719.	\$ 832,263.
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended	106,500.	111,200.
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended	<u>93,800.</u>	<u>355,611.</u>
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$ 1,004,019.	\$ 1,299,074.
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	<u>404,260.</u>	<u>752,658.</u>
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	<u>\$ 599,759.</u>	<u>\$ 546,416.</u>

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This year the Budget Advisory Committee has again worked with the Selectboard and Administrative Assistant during several rounds of departmental budget request presentations, and the Public Budget Hearing.

Warrant Articles 2 through 10 to raise and appropriate money, if all passed, will yield a total budget of \$1,299,074, up 29% from last year's \$1,004,019, but only 1% from the previous year's \$1,286,551. While this is a large increase over last year's budget, the more important numbers for taxpayers to consider are the "estimated amount of taxes to be raised." For the 2006 budget the estimated amount to be raised by taxes is \$546,416, down 9% from 2005's \$599,759, so the Municipal share of the 2006 tax bills should be lower than in 2005.

A few contributors to the difference between last year's and this year's budgets are a \$303,798 warrant article for a new grader, a \$30,000 warrant article for a new police cruiser, and individual budget increases. The highway budget is up almost \$15,000, general government is up \$9,000, police department up \$17,000, and lesser amounts for a few other line items. On the positive side, debt service is down \$17,000 due to bond retirement.

Some of the rise in individual budgets is for increased wages. This year, the Selectboard have worked to bring wages closer to the values established for like jobs in other New Hampshire towns. This is needed to be able to keep good personnel in the now competitive job market.

Where does our tax money go? The graph below in Fig. 1 shows the breakdown for 2005 tax per each \$1,000 of property value. As you can see, only 20% of each tax dollar goes for the municipal budget, what we control in the Town Meeting.

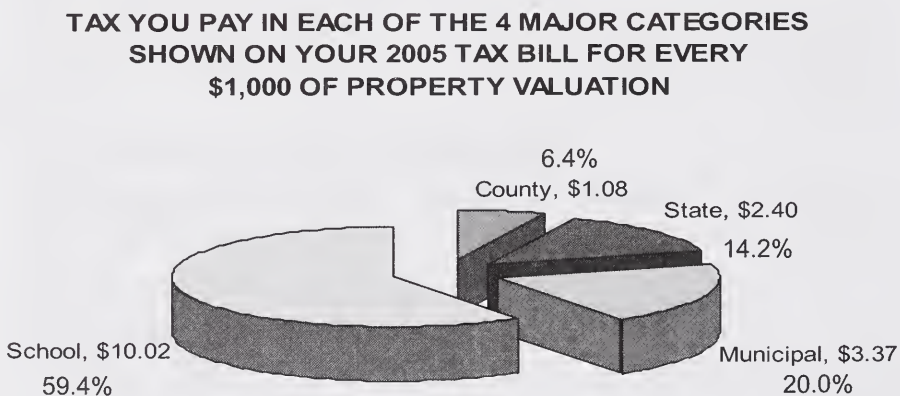


Fig.1

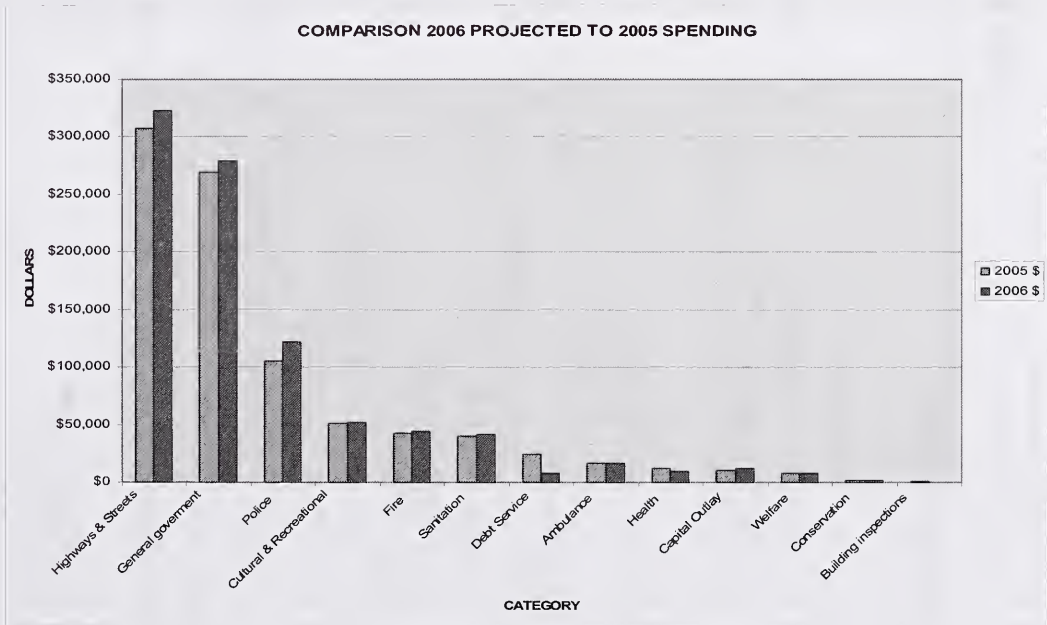
BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE — 2

How will budget increases affect my taxes? There is a simple formula that should help: Property evaluation x budget rise x .00000000562522 (value for 2005)
 or x .00000000512491 (value for 2006)

For example, if a property is valued at \$100,000 and you want to find out how a \$15,000 rise in an individual budget would effect your 2005 or 2006 tax bill, the multiplication goes like this:

(2005)	(2006)
$\begin{array}{r} \$100,000 \text{ Property value} \\ \times \$15,000 \text{ Budget change} \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} \$100,000 \text{ Property value} \\ \times \$15,000 \text{ Budget change} \\ \hline \end{array}$
$\begin{array}{r} \$1,500,000,000 \\ \times .00000000562522 \text{ (2005 factor from above)} \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} \$1,500,000,000 \\ \times .00000000512491 \text{ (2006 factor from above)} \\ \hline \end{array}$
\$8.44 tax change	\$7.69 tax change

The graph below in Fig. 2 displays differences between 2005 spending, and spending projected for 2006. Totals in each column have been adjusted to also include dollars included in Capital Reserve for each category, so that a truer picture is shown of what each department costs. Specifically, not included are items such as the \$303,798 grader warrant, or the \$30,000 cruiser warrant, as the Capital Reserve should include most of the cost of these items.



This year the budgeting process was more complex and took more effort than usual. This was due to the many reviews that were done and extra meetings required to ensure that the budget is right for Orford. Many thanks to all the people who contributed their efforts.

The Budget Advisory Committee agrees with the budgets outlined in Articles 2 through 10, and recommends their passage.

The Budget Advisory Committee

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS
January 2005 to December 2005

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
EXECUTIVE				
Board of Selectmen				
01-4130.10-130 EX Salaries – Selectmen	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4130.10-220 EX Social Security	280.00	279.00	1.00	0.36
01-4130.10-225 EX Medicare	66.00	65.25	0.75	1.14
01-4130.10-341 EX Telephone	1,200.00	917.85	282.15	23.51
01-4130.10-390 EX Recording Fees	300.00	445.75	(145.75)	(48.58)
01-4130.10-440 EX Copier Contract	405.00	426.00	(21.00)	(5.19)
01-4130.10-550 EX Printing	1,200.00	1,483.25	(283.25)	(23.60)
01-4130.10-560 EX Dues and Subscriptions	1,250.00	1,338.38	(88.38)	(7.07)
01-4130.10-570 EX Advertising	500.00	460.04	39.96	7.99
01-4130.10-620 EX Office Supplies	1,200.00	1,420.25	(220.25)	(18.35)
01-4130.10-625 EX Postage	1,100.00	1,345.26	(245.26)	(22.30)
01-4130.10-690 EX Selectmen's Expenses	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.00
01-4130.10-740 EX Office Equipment	600.00	0.00	600.00	100.00
	\$ 12,901.00	\$ 12,981.03	\$ (80.03)	(0.62)
Town Administration				
01-4130.20-110 AA Wages – Adm. Assistant	\$ 28,160.00	\$ 27,864.76	\$ 295.24	1.05
01-4130.20-120 AA P/T Payroll Clerk	1,700.00	1,600.00	100.00	5.88
01-4130.20-220 AA Social Security	1,856.00	1,843.98	12.02	0.65
01-4130.20-225 AA Medicare	433.00	431.18	1.82	0.42
01-4130.20-300 AA NH Retirement	1,800.00	1,794.19	5.81	0.32
01-4130.20-690 AA Miscellaneous	250.00	239.15	10.85	4.34

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 2

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
EXECUTIVE				
Town Administration <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4130.20-850	AA Training and Seminars \$ 200.00	\$ 174.11	\$ 25.89	12.94
	• TOTAL • Town Administration \$ 34,399.00	\$ 33,947.37	\$ 451.63	1.31
Town Meeting				
01-4130.30-550	MTG Town Report Printing \$ 4,610.00	\$ 5,285.00	\$ (675.00)	(14.64)
01-4130.30-625	MTG Postage 400.00	286.44	113.56	28.39
	• TOTAL • Town Meeting \$ 5,010.00	\$ 5,571.44	\$ (561.44)	(11.21)
	• TOTAL • EXECUTIVE \$ 52,310.00	\$ 52,499.84	\$ (189.84)	(0.36)

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Town Clerk				
01-4140.10-120	TC Wages – Deputy Town Clerk \$ 3,000.00	\$ 655.00	\$ 2,345.00	78.17
01-4140.10-130	TC Salary – Town Clerk 1,500.00	980.49	519.51	34.63
01-4140.10-190	TC Town Clerk Fees 10,000.00	9,464.02	535.98	5.36
01-4140.10-220	TC Social Security 950.00	688.15	261.85	27.56
01-4140.10-225	TC Medicare 220.00	161.01	58.99	26.81
01-4140.10-341	TC Telephone 900.00	734.94	165.06	18.34
01-4140.10-560	TC Dues and Subscriptions 100.00	34.00	66.00	66.00
01-4140.10-570	TC Advertising 50.00	0.00	50.00	100.00
01-4140.10-610	TC Miscellaneous 150.00	0.00	150.00	100.00
01-4140.10-613	TC Dog Licenses 750.00	626.00	124.00	16.53

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 3

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION				
Town Clerk <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4140.10-615 TC Vital Statistics	\$ 500.00	\$ 513.00	\$ (13.00)	(2.60)
01-4140.10-620 TC Office Supplies	1,000.00	110.60	889.40	88.94
01-4140.10-625 TC Postage	600.00	366.60	233.40	38.90
01-4140.10-850 TC Training and Seminars	1,200.00	249.52	950.48	79.21
01-4140.10-855 TC BMSI – Software and Training	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	100.00
• TOTAL • Town Clerk	\$ 21,920.00	\$ 14,583.33	\$ 7,336.67	33.47

Reimbursement: Dog Licenses (\$ 626.00)
 Vital Statistics (\$ 513.00)
 TC Fees (\$ 9,464.02)

Voter Registration				
01-4140.20-130 EL Wages – Election Officials	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,177.73	\$ 822.27	41.11
01-4140.20-220 EL Social Security	125.00	73.01	51.99	41.59
01-4140.20-225 EL Medicare	35.00	17.08	17.92	51.20
01-4140.20-570 EL Advertising	250.00	0.00	250.00	100.00
01-4140.20-620 EL Printing and Supplies	250.00	0.00	250.00	100.00
01-4140.20-690 EL Meals	200.00	300.00	(100.00)	(50.00)
• TOTAL • Voter Registration	\$ 2,860.00	\$ 1,567.82	\$ 1,292.18	45.18
• TOTAL • ELECTION AND REGISTRATION	\$ 24,780.00	\$ 16,151.15	\$ 8,628.85	34.82

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 4

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION**

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
Tax Collection				
01-4150.40-190	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 11,107.02	\$ 6,892.98	38.29
01-4150.40-195	2,000.00	600.00	1,400.00	70.00
01-4150.40-220	1,250.00	37.20	1,212.80	97.02
01-4150.40-225	300.00	8.70	291.30	97.10
01-4150.40-390	800.00	435.00	365.00	45.63
01-4150.40-620	500.00	0.00	500.00	100.00
01-4150.40-625	1,400.00	1,193.16	206.84	14.77
01-4150.40-630	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	100.00
01-4150.40-850	1,200.00	869.40	330.60	27.55
• TOTAL • Tax Collection	\$ 26,450.00	\$ 14,250.48	\$ 12,199.52	46.12
Treasury				
01-4150.50-130	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4150.50-220	93.00	93.00	0.00	0.00
01-4150.50-225	22.00	21.75	0.25	1.14
01-4150.50-340	198.00	267.70	(69.70)	(35.20)
01-4150.50-620	200.00	83.86	116.14	58.07
01-4150.50-625	250.00	222.00	28.00	11.20
01-4150.50-630	200.00	158.73	41.27	20.64
• TOTAL • Treasury	\$ 2,463.00	\$ 2,347.04	\$ 115.96	4.71

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 5

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Bad Checks				
01-4150.51-100	\$ 0.00	\$ 834.44	\$ (834.44)	0.00
• TOTAL • Bad Checks	\$ 0.00	\$ 834.44	\$ (834.44)	0.00
Reimbursement: Bad Checks (\$ 834.44)				
IT Information Technology				
01-4150.60-330	\$ 1,710.00	\$ 1,593.11	\$ 116.89	6.84
01-4150.60-340	4,125.00	5,677.86	(1,552.86)	(37.65)
01-4150.60-350	500.00	0.00	500.00	100.00
• TOTAL • IT Information Technology	\$ 6,335.00	\$ 7,270.97	\$ (935.97)	(14.77)
Auditor				
01-4150.70-135	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4150.70-136	4,500.00	85.00	4,415.00	98.11
• TOTAL • Auditor	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 6,085.00	\$ 4,415.00	42.05
• TOTAL • FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 45,748.00	\$ 30,787.93	\$ 14,960.07	32.70
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY				
01-4152.10-390	\$ 3,080.00	\$ 2,989.00	\$ 91.00	2.95
01-4152.20-110	500.00	0.00	500.00	100.00
01-4152.20-220	31.00	0.00	31.00	100.00
01-4152.20-225	7.00	0.00	7.00	100.00
01-4152.20-620	150.00	0.00	150.00	100.00
• TOTAL • REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	\$ 3,768.00	\$ 2,989.00	\$ 779.00	20.67

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS -- 6

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
REVALUATION OF TOWN				
01-4152.30-100 AS AVITAR REVALUATION	\$ 0.00	\$ 67,250.00	\$ (67,250.00)	0.00
• TOTAL • REVALUATION OF TOWN	\$ 0.00	\$ 67,250.00	\$ (67,250.00)	0.00
Reimbursement: Reappraisal				
Capital Reserve Fund (\$ 67,250.00)				
LEGAL EXPENSE				
01-4153.10-320 LE Town Attorney	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 19,408.86	\$ (7,408.86)	(61.74)
01-4153.10-690 LE Other Legal Expenses	2,000.00	611.17	1,388.83	69.44
• TOTAL • LEGAL EXPENSE	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 20,020.03	\$ (6,020.03)	(43.00)
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS				
01-4155.10-210 EMB Group Health Insurance	\$ 61,950.00	\$ 40,454.99	\$ 21,495.01	34.70
01-4155.10-215 EMB Group Life Insurance	200.00	189.60	10.40	5.20
01-4155.10-217 EMB Group Delta Dental	3,700.00	2,660.42	1,039.58	28.10
• TOTAL • EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$ 65,850.00	\$ 43,305.01	\$ 22,544.99	34.24
Reimbursement: Health				
Delta Dental	(\$ 1,815.53)			
	(\$ 589.44)			
PLANNING BOARD				
01-4191.10-390 PB Recording Fees	\$ 100.00	\$ 78.00	\$ 22.00	22.00
01-4191.10-391 PB UVLSRPC – Planning Assistant	5,960.00	4,823.60	1,136.40	19.07
01-4191.10-400 PB Secretarial	450.00	315.00	135.00	30.00
01-4191.10-550 PB Legal Expenses	350.00	0.00	350.00	100.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 7

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
PLANNING BOARD <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4191.10-560	PB Dues and Subscriptions	\$ 30.00	\$ 20.00	33.33
01-4191.10-570	PB Advertising	250.00	298.94	(19.58)
01-4191.10-620	PB Office Supplies	30.00	74.70	(149.00)
01-4191.10-625	PB Postage	350.00	417.03	(19.15)
01-4191.10-690	PB Miscellaneous	50.00	444.60	(789.20)
• TOTAL •	PLANNING BOARD	\$ 7,570.00	\$ 6,471.87	14.51
			1,098.13	
Reimbursement: Recording Fees (\$ 78.00)				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS				
01-4194.10-220	GB Social Security	\$ 155.00	\$ 145.67	6.02
01-4194.10-225	GB Medicare	37.00	34.07	7.92
01-4194.10-360	GB Custodial Services	1,545.00	1,509.40	2.30
01-4194.10-365	GB Snow Shoveling Services	850.00	1,125.00	(32.35)
01-4194.10-410	GB Electricity	1,500.00	1,506.33	(0.42)
01-4194.10-411	GB Heating Oil	4,000.00	3,371.15	15.72
01-4194.10-430	GB Repairs and Maintenance	700.00	616.48	11.93
01-4194.10-610	GB Supplies	200.00	346.03	(73.02)
01-4194.10-690	GB Miscellaneous	240.00	253.76	(5.73)
01-4194.10-710	GB Improvements to Grounds	150.00	372.96	(148.64)
01-4194.10-720	GB Improvements to Buildings	5,000.00	1,915.14	61.69
01-4194.10-722	GB Toilet – Free Library	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-4194.10-750	GB Furniture	400.00	520.96	(30.24)
• TOTAL •	GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	\$ 14,777.00	\$ 11,717.24	20.71
			3,059.76	

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 8

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
CEMETERIES				
01-4195.10-220 CE Federal Taxes	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,536.06	\$ 463.94	15.46
01-4195.10-490 CE Cemetery Appropriation	11,500.00	11,500.00	0.00	0.00
01-4195.10-635 CE Gasoline	570.00	708.79	(138.79)	(24.35)
• TOTAL • CEMETERIES	\$ 15,070.00	\$ 14,744.85	\$ 325.15	2.16
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Reimbursement: Federal Taxes	(\$ 2,536.06)			
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CEMETERY – FENCING				
01-4195.20-100 CE Cemetery Fence	\$ 0.00	\$ 60.93	\$ (60.93)	0.00
• TOTAL • CEMETERY – FENCING	\$ 0.00	\$ 60.93	\$ (60.93)	0.00
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Reimbursement: Cemetery Fence Warrant Articles #8 (2002) and #7 (2003)	(\$ 60.93)			
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INSURANCE NOT OTHERWISE ALLOCATED				
01-4196.10-520 IN Property and Liability	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 6,879.00	\$ 1121.00	14.01
01-4196.10-521 IN Worker's Comp. Ins.	8,402.00	8,901.00	(499.00)	(5.94)
• TOTAL • INSURANCE NOT OTHERWISE ALLOCATED	\$ 16,402.00	\$ 15,780.00	\$ 622.00	3.79
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Reimbursement: Worker's Comp. Ins.	(\$ 456.65)			

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 9

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOCIATION				
01-4197.10-560 UVLSRPC Dues	\$ 1,146.00	\$ 1,145.55	\$ 0.45	0.04
• TOTAL • ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOCIATION	\$ 1,146.00	\$ 1,145.55	\$ 0.45	0.04
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
01-4199.10-000 CF Contingency Fund	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,652.05	\$ 1,347.95	44.93
• TOTAL • OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,652.05	\$ 1,347.95	44.93
• TOTAL • GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 264,421.00	\$ 284,555.45	\$ (20,134.45)	(7.61)
PUBLIC SAFETY				
POLICE DEPARTMENT				
01-4210.10-110 PD Salaries – F/T	\$ 59,850.00	\$ 41,910.75	\$ 17,939.25	29.97
01-4210.10-115 PD Salaries – Twn. Portion – COPS	8,000.00	8,025.97	(25.97)	(0.32)
01-4210.10-120 PD Special Details	2,350.00	1,131.50	1,218.50	51.85
01-4210.10-220 PD Social Security	645.00	43.40	601.60	93.27
01-4210.10-225 PD Medicare	1,020.00	724.92	295.08	28.93
01-4210.10-230 PD NH Retirement	6,000.00	4,479.05	1,520.95	25.35
01-4210.10-341 PD Telephone	1,500.00	1,065.23	434.77	28.98
01-4210.10-390 PD Dispatch	7,850.00	7,383.14	466.86	5.95
01-4210.10-430 PD Vehicle Maintenance and Repairs	1,000.00	900.84	99.16	9.92

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 10

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
PUBLIC SAFETY				
POLICE DEPARTMENT <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4210.10-560	PD Dues and Subscriptions	\$ 150.00	\$ 289.90	(139.90) (93.27)
01-4210.10-620	PD Office Supplies	500.00	1,271.72	(771.72) (154.34)
01-4210.10-625	PD Postage	100.00	0.00	100.00 100.00
01-4210.10-635	PD Gasoline	1,500.00	1,741.68	(241.68) (16.11)
01-4210.10-650	PD Radios	400.00	445.38	(45.38) (11.35)
01-4210.10-655	PD Radios – Grant	0.00	5,198.57	(5,198.57) 0.00
01-4210.10-671	PD School Resources	200.00	0.00	200.00 100.00
01-4210.10-690	PD Prosecution	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00 0.00
01-4210.10-740	PD Equipment	2,000.00	5,160.11	(3,160.11) (158.01)
01-4210.10-840	PD Uniforms	500.00	2,988.51	(2,488.51) (497.70)
01-4210.10-845	PD IMC Lease/S&M	0.00	3,850.00	(3,850.00) 0.00
01-4210.10-850	PD Training	1,000.00	872.70	127.30 12.73
• TOTAL • POLICE DEPARTMENT		\$ 97,065.00	\$ 89,983.37	\$ 7,081.63 7.30
Reimbursement: Radio Grant (\$ 5,198.57)				
COPS Grant (\$ 5,796.88)				
Special Details (\$ 1,080.00)				
AMBULANCE				
01-4215.10-351	AMB Upper Valley Ambulance	\$ 16,365.00	\$ 16,365.00	0.00 0.00
• TOTAL • AMBULANCE		\$ 16,365.00	\$ 16,365.00	0.00 0.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 11

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
PUBLIC SAFETY				
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
01-4220.10-120	FD Wages – P/T	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 2,328.00	872.00
01-4220.10-130	FD Wages – Fire Wardens	250.00	0.00	100.00
01-4220.10-220	FD Social Security	215.00	144.34	70.66
01-4220.10-225	FD Medicare	50.00	33.76	16.24
01-4220.10-390	FD Dispatch	1,500.00	1,905.75	(405.75)
01-4220.10-395	FD Emergency Medical Services	200.00	0.00	200.00
01-4220.10-430	FD Equipment Maintenance	1,000.00	954.11	45.89
01-4220.10-440	FD Rent	3,950.00	3,800.00	150.00
01-4220.10-560	FD Dues and Subscriptions	150.00	50.00	100.00
01-4220.10-635	FD Vehicle Fuel	250.00	219.82	30.18
01-4220.10-740	FD Equipment	8,500.00	10,568.75	(2,068.75)
01-4220.10-741	FD Compressor	200.00	250.00	(50.00)
01-4220.10-830	FD Forest Fire	100.00	0.00	100.00
01-4220.10-840	FD Radios	1,500.00	1,266.18	233.82
01-4220.10-850	FD Training	600.00	0.00	600.00
• TOTAL • FIRE DEPARTMENT		\$ 21,665.00	\$ 21,520.71	\$ 144.29
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT				
01-4290.10-690	EM Emergency Management	\$ 750.00	\$ 213.19	\$ 536.81
• TOTAL • EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		\$ 750.00	\$ 213.19	\$ 536.81
• TOTAL • PUBLIC SAFETY		\$ 135,845.00	\$ 128,082.27	\$ 7,762.73
				5.71

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 12

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
ROAD MAINTENANCE				
01-4312.20-110	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 82,629.76	\$ 12,370.24	13.02
01-4312.20-120	1,500.00	425.00	1,075.00	71.67
01-4312.20-220	6,000.00	5,180.69	819.31	13.66
01-4312.20-225	1,450.00	1,211.52	238.48	16.45
01-4312.20-226	300.00	724.28	(424.28)	(141.43)
01-4312.20-230	6,000.00	5,246.83	753.17	12.55
01-4312.20-341	800.00	649.21	150.79	18.85
01-4312.20-410	1,100.00	856.73	243.27	22.12
01-4312.20-411	500.00	0.00	500.00	100.00
01-4312.20-430	500.00	50.00	450.00	90.00
01-4312.20-440	3,500.00	950.00	2,550.00	72.86
01-4312.20-490	5,000.00	3,040.00	1,960.00	39.20
01-4312.20-560	150.00	18.00	132.00	88.00
01-4312.20-610	800.00	1,785.31	(985.31)	(123.16)
01-4312.20-630	16,000.00	10,975.04	5,024.96	31.41
01-4312.20-635	250.00	44.84	205.26	82.06
01-4312.20-636	11,000.00	14,780.79	(3,780.79)	(34.37)
01-4312.20-637	900.00	866.63	33.37	3.71
01-4312.20-640	1,000.00	440.53	559.47	55.95
01-4312.20-730	5,000.00	3,894.00	1,106.00	22.12
01-4312.20-740	2,500.00	1,006.14	1,493.86	59.75
01-4312.20-840	3,500.00	3,476.24	23.76	0.68
01-4312.20-861	5,000.00	4,969.42	30.58	0.61
01-4312.20-862	17,400.00	23,312.26	(5,912.26)	(33.98)
01-4312.20-863	50,000.00	52,927.15	(2,927.15)	(5.85)

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 13

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
ROAD MAINTENANCE <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4312.20-864	HW Road Salt	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,444.83	\$ 55.17
01-4312.20-865	HW Road Signs	1,000.00	507.14	492.86
01-4312.20-866	HW UNH Courses	300.00	0.00	300.00
01-4312.20-868	HW Private Road Signs	500.00	74.75	425.25
01-4312.20-890	HW Roadside Refuse Disposal	500.00	0.00	500.00
01-4312.20-895	HW Tree Removal	100.00	0.00	100.00
01-4312.20-896	HW Adopt-a-Road	500.00	0.00	500.00
• TOTAL • ROAD MAINTENANCE		\$ 244,550.00	\$ 226,487.09	\$ 18,062.91
Reimbursement: Private Road Signs (\$ 74.75)				
BRIDGES				
01-4313.10-440	BRG Equipment Rental	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,000.00
01-4313.10-630	BRG Supplies	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
01-4313.10-862	BRG Steel	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
• TOTAL • BRIDGES		\$ 6,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,000.00
STREET LIGHTING				
01-4316.10-410	SL Street Lighting	\$ 4,700.00	\$ 5,001.18	\$ (301.18)
• TOTAL • STREET LIGHTING		4,700.00	5,001.18	(301.18)
• TOTAL • HIGHWAYS AND STREETS		\$ 255,250.00	\$ 231,488.27	\$ 23,761.73
				9.31

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 14

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
SANITATION				
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION				
01-4323.10-610 WC Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00	100.00
01-4323.10-620 WC Training/Seminars	250.00	0.00	250.00	100.00
• TOTAL • SOLID WASTE COLLECTION	\$ 750.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 750.00	100.00
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL				
01-4324.10-390 WD Disposal – N.C.E.S./ Lebanon Landfill	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 29,582.43	\$ 4,417.57	12.99
01-4324.10-395 WD Dues – Northeast Resource	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
01-4324.20-610 WD Supplies	2,800.00	0.00	2,800.00	100.00
01-4324.40-390 WD Recycling – Floyd Marsh	2,200.00	1,724.10	475.90	21.63
01-4324.40-395 WD Disposal – Septage – Plymouth	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$ 39,200.00	\$ 31,506.53	\$ 7,693.47	19.63
LANDFILL CLOSURE				
01-4324.50-100 WD Landfill Closure	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,616.54	\$ (7,616.54)	0.00
• TOTAL • LANDFILL CLOSURE	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,616.54	\$ (7,616.54)	0.00
Reimbursement: Dump Closure				
	Capital Reserve Fund (\$ 7,616.54)			
• TOTAL • SANITATION	\$ 39,950.00	\$ 39,123.07	\$ 826.93	2.07

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 15

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
HEALTH				
ANIMAL CONTROL				
01-4414.10-120	AC Wages – P/T	999.03	160.97	13.88
01-4414.10-220	AC Social Security	65.45	9.55	12.73
01-4414.10-225	AC Medicare	15.30	4.70	23.50
01-4414.10-390	AC Veterinary/Boarding	388.25	611.75	61.18
01-4414.10-680	AC Supplies	2,328.23	821.77	26.09
01-4414.10-690	AC Mileage Reimbursement	361.10	(61.10)	(20.37)
01-4414.10-850	AC Training	0.00	350.00	100.00
• TOTAL • ANIMAL CONTROL		4,157.36	1,897.64	31.34
HEALTH AGENCIES				
01-4415.20-352	HA VNAVNH/Hospice	6,060.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • HEALTH AGENCIES		6,060.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • HEALTH		10,217.36	1,897.64	15.66
WELFARE				
DIRECT ASSISTANCE				
01-4442.10-410	DIR ASST Electricity	0.00	500.00	100.00
01-4442.10-411	DIR ASST Heat	0.00	500.00	100.00
01-4442.10-440	DIR ASST Rent	0.00	3,000.00	100.00
01-4442.10-690	DIR ASST Food/Misc.	0.00	500.00	100.00
• TOTAL • DIRECT ASSISTANCE		0.00	4,500.00	100.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 16

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
WELFARE				
INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE				
01-4444.10-390	IW Tri-County CAP	\$ 950.00	\$ 950.00	0.00
01-4444.20-380	IW West Central Behav. Health	1,050.00	1,050.00	0.00
01-4444.20-390	IW Grafton County Senior Citizens	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
• TOTAL •	INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	0.00
• TOTAL •	WELFARE	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	56.25

CULTURE AND RECREATION

01-4520.10-120	P&P Wages – P/T	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 4,290.32	34.00
01-4520.10-130	P&P Wages – Swim Instructor	1,300.00	1,311.04	(0.85)
01-4520.10-131	P&P Swim Aides	300.00	307.55	(2.52)
01-4520.10-133	P&P Swim Program – Misc.	65.00	233.46	(259.17)
01-4520.10-220	P&P Social Security	510.00	447.97	12.16
01-4520.10-225	P&P Medicare	120.00	104.70	12.75
01-4520.10-360	P&P Mowing	3,375.00	3,358.30	0.49
01-4520.10-410	P&P Electricity	400.00	256.07	35.98
01-4520.10-490	P&P Trash Collection	600.00	0.00	100.00
01-4520.10-600	P&P Contracted Services	600.00	0.00	100.00
01-4520.10-610	P&P Miscellaneous	500.00	3,476.69	(595.34)
01-4520.10-630	P&P Maintenance/Repairs	700.00	525.17	24.98
01-4520.10-635	P&P Gasoline	40.00	0.00	100.00
01-4520.10-636	P&P Diesel Fuel	500.00	526.95	(5.39)
01-4520.10-691	P&P Portable Toilets	3,280.00	3,692.00	(12.56)

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 17

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
CULTURE AND RECREATION				
PARKS AND RECREATION (continued)				
01-4520.10-695	\$ 1,960.00	\$ 1,672.00	\$ 288.00	14.69
01-4520.10-821	1,855.00	1,855.00	0.00	0.00
01-4520.10-900	800.00	944.49	(144.49)	(18.06)
• TOTAL • PARKS AND RECREATION	\$ 23,405.00	\$ 23,001.71	\$ 403.29	1.72
LIBRARY				
01-4550.10-220	\$ 645.00	\$ 644.80	\$ 0.20	0.03
01-4550.10-225	151.00	150.80	0.20	0.13
01-4550.20-490	11,103.00	11,103.00	0.00	0.00
01-4550.30-490	15,450.00	15,450.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • LIBRARY	\$ 27,349.00	\$ 27,348.60	\$ 0.40	0.00
Reimbursement: Fed. Taxes Free Library (\$ 734.40)				
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES				
01-4583.10-610	\$ 150.00	\$ 52.00	\$ 98.00	65.33
01-4583.10-611	500.00	440.00	60.00	12.00
• TOTAL • PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	\$ 650.00	\$ 492.00	\$ 158.00	24.31
• TOTAL • CULTURE AND RECREATION	\$ 51,404.00	\$ 50,842.31	\$ 561.69	1.09

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 18

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
01-4619.10-000	CONS Conservation Commission \$ 1,675.00	\$ 956.83	\$ 718.17	42.88
• TOTAL • CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
01-4620.10-100	CONS Con. Comm. – Savings Account \$ 1,675.00	\$ 956.83	\$ 718.17	42.88

Reimbursement: C.U. Release of Liens (\$ 24,561.45)

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 6,310.00	6,310.00	0.00	0.00
01-4711.20-986	DS Debt Service — WGSB Loan – FD 6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • LONG TERM PRINCIPAL				
	\$ 22,310.00	\$ 22,310.00	\$ 0.00	0.00

LONG TERM INTEREST

01-4721.20-981	INT Interest Due on Bond \$ 525.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4721.20-985	INT Interest Due – WGSB Loan – FD 1,574.00	1,573.75	0.25	0.02
01-4721.20-986	INT Interest Due – WGSB Loan – HWY 150.00	147.94	2.06	1.37

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 19

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
LONG TERM INTEREST (continued)				
• TOTAL • LONG TERM INTEREST	\$ 2,249.00	\$ 2,246.69	\$ 2.31	0.10
• TOTAL • DEBT SERVICE	\$ 24,559.00	\$ 24,556.69	\$ 2.31	0.01
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
01-4901.10-730 CO Ld. and Imp. – Bridge – (Week's)	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 19,216.00	\$ 5,784.00	23.14
01-4901.10-731 CO Ld. and Imp. – Replace Monuments	1,500.00	686.17	813.83	54.26
01-4901.10-732 CO Ld. and Imp. – Riv. Trail Imp.	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.00
01-4901.10-733 CO Ld. and Imp. – Trees	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00
01-4902.10-740 CO Mach. and Equip. – Truck (1 Ton)	51,500.00	36,500.00	15,000.00	29.13
01-4909.10-730 CO Imp. other than Bldgs. – Microfilm	300.00	270.00	30.00	10.00
01-4909.10-731 CO Imp. other than Bldgs. – Restoration	2,700.00	2,192.50	507.50	18.80
01-4909.10-732 CO Imp. other than Bldgs. – Niles Fund	5,000.00	639.00	4,361.00	87.22
• TOTAL • CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$ 89,300.00	\$ 62,803.67	\$ 26,496.33	29.67
APPROPRIATIONS VOTED PRIOR YEARS				
01-4913.10-930 AP Mall Walk	\$	\$ 638.79	\$ (638.79)	0.00
01-4913.10-935 AP Week's Bridge Construction	0.00	124,041.86	(124,041.86)	0.00
• TOTAL • APPROPRIATIONS VOTED PRIOR YEARS	\$ 0.00	\$ 124,680.65	\$ (124,680.65)	0.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 20

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
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APPROPRIATIONS VOTED

PRIOR YEARS (continued)

Reimbursements:

Mall Walk WA #6 (2004)	(\$ 638.79)			
Week's Bridge Const. WA #5 (2004)	(\$ 124,041.86)			

TRANSFERS TO

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

01-4915.10-930 CRF Transfers to CRF	\$ 106,500.00	\$ 106,500.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
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• TOTAL • TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

	\$ 106,500.00	\$ 106,500.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
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**EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND —
COMMUNITY FIELD**

01-4916.10-930 ET Maintenance — Community Field	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 16,513.77	\$ (9,013.77)	(120.18)
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**• TOTAL • EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND —
COMMUNITY FIELD**

	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 16,513.77	\$ (9,013.77)	(120.18)
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Reimbursement: Town Property
Expendable Trust

(\$ 16,513.77)

**• TOTAL • APPROPRIATED FUNDS —
CURRENT YEAR**

	\$ 996,519.00	\$ 726,037.92	\$ 270,481.08	36.9
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• TOTAL • REIMBURSEMENTS

(\$ 270,481.08)

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED
Voted by the Town of ORFORD on March 8, 2005

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>Account #</u>	<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>		
4130 – 4139	Executive	2	\$ 52,310
4140 – 4149	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	2	24,780
4150 – 4151	Financial Administration	2	45,748
4152	Revaluation of Property	2	3,768
4153	Legal Expense	2	14,000
4155 – 4159	Personnel Administration	2	65,850
4191 – 4193	Planning and Zoning	2	7,570
4194	General Government Buildings	2	14,777
4195	Cemeteries	2	15,070
4196	Insurance	2	16,402
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	2	1,146
4199	Other General Government (Contingency Fund)	2	3,000
	<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>		
4210 – 4214	Police	2	97,065
4215 – 4219	Ambulance	2	16,365
4220 – 4229	Fire	2	21,665
4290 – 4298	Emergency Management	2	750
	<u>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</u>		
4312	Highways and Streets	2	244,550
4313	Bridges	2	6,000
4316	Street Lighting	2	4,700
	<u>SANITATION</u>		
4323	Solid Waste Collection	2	750
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	2	39,200
	<u>HEALTH</u>		
4414	Pest Control	2	6,055
4415 – 4419	Health Agencies and Hospitals and Other	2	6,060
	<u>WELFARE</u>		
4441 – 4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	2	4,500
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	2	3,500

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED — 2
Voted by the Town of ORFORD on March 8, 2005

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	Warr. Art. #	Appropriations as Voted
<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>		
4520 – 4529 Parks and Recreation	2	\$ 23,405
4550 – 4559 Library	2	27,349
4583 Patriotic Purposes	2	650
<u>CONSERVATION</u>		
4619 Other Conservation	2	1,675
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>		
4711 Principal — Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	22,310
4721 Interest — Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	2,249
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>		
4901 Land	5, 6, 7, 9	29,800
4902 Machinery, Vehicles and Equipment	4	51,500
4909 Improvements Other than Buildings	2, 10	8,000
<u>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</u>		
4915 To Capital Reserve Fund	3	106,500
4916 To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maintenance Trust Fund)	2	7,500
		<u>\$ 996,519</u>
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS		\$ 996,519

**SUMMARY OF REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES
For the Town of ORFORD — 2005**

RSA 21-J:34

Account #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	For Use by Municipality
	<u>TAXES</u>		
3120	Land Use Change Tax		\$ 18,000
3185	Timber Tax		14,000
3189	Other Taxes		310
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		2,000
	Inventory Penalties		1,170
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 per cubic yard)		50
	<u>LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES</u>		
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		225,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits and Fees		10,000
3311 – 3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT (Cops Grant)		9,000
	<u>FROM STATE</u>		
3351	Shared Revenues		8,761
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution		42,121
3353	Highway Block Grant		52,000
3359	Other (including Railroad Tax)		20,064
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS (Rivendell School)		7,500
	<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>		
3401 – 3406	Income from Departments		17,000
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>		
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	4	15,000
3502	Interest on Investments		19,000
	<u>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</u>		
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	4	25,000
3916	From Trust and Agency Funds (Niles Fund)		5,000
SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES			\$ 490,976
		<u>For Municipal Use</u>	
General Fund Balance			
Unreserved Fund Balance	533,827		
Less Voted from Fund "Surplus"	0		
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			\$ 490,976
REQUESTED OVERLAY (RSA 76:6)			\$ 10,000

**2005 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County**

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Selectmen of the Town of Orford

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>Number of Acres</u>	<u>2005 Assessed Valuation by City/Town</u>
1. VALUE OF LAND ONLY		
A. Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A	24,128.820	\$ 2,077,050
B. Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B	273.000	22,329
C. Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C	0	0
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	0	0
E. Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)	3,355.709	53,207,800
F. Commercial/Industrial Land (DO NOT include Utility Land)	355.120	3,854,500
G. Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	28,112.649	\$ 59,161,679
H. Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land (\$4,315,100)	1,700.544	
2. VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY (Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A and 3B)		
A. Residential		\$ 81,372,500
B. Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		1,856,100
C. Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT include Public Buildings)		7,780,600
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D		
Number of structures	2	31,400
E. Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)		\$ 91,040,600
F. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings (\$9,246,100)		
3. PUBLIC UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition)		
A. Public Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/ dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines, etc.)		\$ 3,059,800
<i>Utility Summary:</i>		
Public Service of NH	\$1,457,900	
New Hampshire Electric Corp	1,439,800	
Transcanada Hydro Northeast	161,100	
Central Vermont	<u>1,000</u>	
Grand Total Valuation of all Utility Companies		\$3,059,800
B. Other Public Utilities		0
4. MATURE WOOD AND TIMBER (RSA 79:5)		
		0
5. VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4) (This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality)		
		<u>\$ 153,262,079</u>
6. Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a (Paraplegic and Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with VA Assistance)		
Total # granted	0	0

2005 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION — 2
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>2005 Assessed Valuation by City/Town</u>	
7. Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b		
Total # granted	0	0
8. Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a		
Total # granted	0	0
9. School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV (Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 for each)		
Total # granted	0	0
10. Water/Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a		
Total # granted	0	0
11. MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value of your municipality.		<u>\$ 153,262,079</u>
12. Blind Exemption RSA 72:37		
Total # granted	0	
Amount granted per exemption	1,500	\$ 0
13. Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39 a & b		
Total # granted	2	40,000
<i>Elderly Exemption Report:</i>		
TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTION GRANTED		
AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65 – 74	1	\$15,000
75 – 79	0	\$20,000
80+	1	\$25,000
TOTAL	2	\$40,000
14. Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b		
Total # granted	0	
Amount granted per exemption	0	0
15. Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b		
Total # granted	1	
Amount granted per exemption	5,000	5,000
16. Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70		
Total # granted	0	0
17. Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62		
Total # granted	0	0
18. Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66		
Total # granted	0	0
19. Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV (Amounts in excess of \$150,000 exemption)		
Total # granted	0	0
20. TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19)		\$ 45,000

**2005 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION — 3
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County**

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>2005 Assessed Valuation by City/Town</u>
21. NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)	\$ 153,217,079
22. LESS Utilities (Line 3A) Do NOT include the value of OTHER utilities listed in line 3B	\$ 3,059,800
23. NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 21 minus Line 22)	\$ 150,157,279

<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. RSA 72:35 Enter optional amount adopted by municipality \$1,400	\$ 700 minimum \$ 0	0 1	0 \$ 1,400
Other war service credits. RSA 72:28	\$ 50 minimum	43	\$ 2,150
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT		44	\$ 3,550

CURRENT USE REPORT – RSA 79-A

	<u>Total No. of Acres Receiving Current Use Assessment</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>
Farm Land	1,607.710	\$ 630,153
Forest Land	7,473.310	809,438
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	13,931.970	622,594
Unproductive Land	1,115.830	14,865
Wetland	0.0	0
TOTAL (See Item 1A)	24,128.820	\$2,077,050

2005 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION — 4
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County

OTHER CURRENT USE STATISTICS

	<u>Total Number of Acres</u>
Receiving 20% Recreation Adjustment	11,437.90
Removed from Current Use during Current Year	8.00

	<u>Total Number</u>
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	181
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	348

LAND USE CHANGE TAX

Gross monies received for Calendar Year (January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004) or Fiscal Year	\$ 24,964
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CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORT — RSA 79-B

	<u>Total No. Acres Receiving Conservation Restriction Assessment</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>
Farm Land	15.000	\$ 6,375
Forest Land	0.0	0
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	254.000	15,894
Unproductive Land	4.000	60
Wetland	0.0	0
TOTAL (See Item 1B)	<u>273.000</u>	<u>\$ 22,329</u>

OTHER CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT STATISTICS

	<u>Total Number of Acres</u>
Receiving 20% Recreation Adjustment	0

	<u>Total Number</u>
Total Number of Owners in Conservation Restriction	2
Total Number of Parcels in Conservation Restriction	2

2005 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION — 5
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County

DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS – RSA 79-C

Total Number of Acres in Discretionary Easements	0
Total Number of Owners Granted Discretionary Easements	0

DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS – RSA 79-D

Historical Agricultural Structures

Total Number of Structures in Discretionary Easements	Description of Discretionary Preservation Easements Granted (i.e.: Barns, Silos, etc.)	
	Map & Lot – Percentage Granted	
	79D Historic Barn / 000008 000029 000054 / 60%	
Total Number of Acres	79D Historic Barn / 000008 000093 000069 / 60%	
0		

Assessed Valuation	Number of Owners
\$ 0 L/O	2
\$31,400 B/O	

Village District: VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>Number of Acres</u>	<u>2005 Assessed Valuation by City/Town</u>
1. VALUE OF LAND ONLY		
A. Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A	47.000	\$ 15,856
B. Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B	0	0
C. Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C	0	0
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	0	0
E. Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)	45.018	3,442,600
F. Commercial/Industrial Land (<u>DO NOT</u> include Utility Land)	18.680	1,038,000
G. Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	110.698	\$ 4,496,456
H. Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land (\$523,900)	15.030	
2. VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY (Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A and 3B)		
A. Residential		\$ 5,151,500
B. Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		67,400
C. Commercial/Industrial (<u>DO NOT</u> include Public Buildings)		1,627,900
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D		
	Number of structures	0
E. Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)		\$ 6,846,800
F. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings (\$708,100)		

2005 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION — 6
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County

Village District: VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>2005 Assessed Valuation by City/Town</u>	
3. PUBLIC UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) within district		
A. Public Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/ dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines, etc.)	\$	0
B. Other Public Utilities		0
4. MATURE WOOD AND TIMBER (RSA 79:5)		0
5. VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4) (This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality)	\$	<u>11,343,256</u>
6. Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a (Paraplegic and Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with VA Assistance)		
Total # granted	0	0
7. Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b		
Total # granted	0	0
8. Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a		
Total # granted	0	0
9. School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV (Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 for each)		
Total # granted	0	0
10. Water/Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a		
Total # granted	0	0
11. MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value of your municipality.		<u>\$ 11,343,256</u>
12. Blind Exemption RSA 72:37		
Total # granted	0	
Amount granted per exemption	1,500	0
13. Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39 a & b		
Total # granted	0	0
14. Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b		
Total # granted	0	
Amount granted per exemption	0	0
15. Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b		
Total # granted	0	
Amount granted per exemption	5,000	0
16. Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70		
Total # granted	0	0

**2005 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION — 7
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County**

Village District: VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT

<u>CATEGORY</u>			2005 Assessed Valuation by City/Town
17. Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # granted	0	0
18. Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	Total # granted	0	0
19. Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV (Amounts in excess of \$150,000 exemption)	Total # granted	0	0
20. TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19)			<u>0</u>
21. NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)			<u><u>\$ 11,343,256</u></u>

2005 TAX RATE CALCULATION — Town of ORFORD

Gross Appropriations	996,519
Less: Revenues	490,976
Less: Shared Revenues	3,514
Add: Overlay	10,551
War Service Credits	3,550

Net Town Appropriation	516,130
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	516,130
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**TOWN RATE
3.37**

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. – Revenue)	0
Regional School Apportionment	2,167,034
Less: Equitable Education Grant	(271,393)
Less: Additional FY04 Targeted Aid	0
State Education Taxes	(360,445)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	1,535,196

**LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
10.02**

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$2.84	
126,917,222		360,445
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
150,157,279		
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State		
Pay to State →		0

**STATE
SCHOOL RATE
2.40**

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	166,810
Less: Shared Revenues	(1,153)

Approved County Tax Effort	165,657
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**COUNTY RATE
1.08**

**TOTAL RATE
16.87**

Total Property Taxes Assessed	2,577,428
Less: War Service Credits	(3,550)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	2,573,878

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	150,157,279	2.40	360,445
All Other Taxes	153,217,079	14.47	2,216,983
			2,577,428

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
TOWN-OWNED LAND, BUILDINGS, AND EQUIPMENT

2005 Revaluation Assessments

<u>DEPARTMENTS</u>	<u>LAND & BUILDINGS ASSESSED VALUE</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT VALUE</u>
Cemeteries		
Dame Hill Cemetery	\$ 600.	
Orford West Cemetery (Street Cemetery)	59,700.	
Orford East Cemetery (Davistown)	500.	
Equipment*		\$ 7,000.
Fire Department		
Mobile Equipment*		8,000.
Vehicles*		447,000.
Hose & Rack*		1,000.
Highway Department		
Land and Buildings, Recycling Center	267,400.	
Townshed Road Gravel Pit	79,000.	
Orfordville HWY Garage	1,900.	
Mobile Equipment*		94,570.
Vehicles*		445,000.
Contents*		39,000.
Library – Free Library		
Land and Building	175,000.	
Furniture and Equipment*		10,000.
Parks and Playgrounds		
Community Field	84,700.	
Connecticut River Boat Landing	142,400.	
East Common	69,000.	
West Common	48,600.	
Indian Pond Picnic Area	255,600.	
Lower Baker – Boat Access	160,400.	
Upper Baker Pond – Town Beach	179,000.	
Mobile Equipment*		18,050.
Police Department		
Vehicle*		35,256.
Town Office (Includes Police Department)		
Land and Buildings	332,500.	
Furniture and Equipment*		50,000.
Conservation Commission		
Former Watkins Land	7,900. (Sunday Mountain Development)	
Former Richmond Land	125,000.	
Former Theodore R. Eck Land	77,800.	

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY — 2
TOWN-OWNED LAND, BUILDINGS, AND EQUIPMENT

2005 Revaluation Assessments

<u>DEPARTMENTS</u>	<u>LAND & BUILDINGS ASSESSED VALUE</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT VALUE</u>
Additional Town Property		
Flat Rock	\$ 22,700.	
Hall Land	55,800.	
Huckins Hill Road	40,500.	
Former Brookside Store Land	3,000.	
Former Ducharme Property	128,500. (Adjacent to Boat Launch)	
	<u>\$ 2,317,500.</u>	<u>\$ 1,154,876.</u>
TOTAL:	\$3,472,376.	

*Replacement Values for buildings, contents, vehicles and equipment are covered by PRIMEX.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Town of Orford, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Orford's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

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

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

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

Plodzick & Sanderson Professional Association
February 1, 2005

**TREASURER'S REPORT
For the Year 2005**

Unrestricted General Fund

Cash on Hand January 1, 2005	\$ 1,325,107.87
Revenue	
Receipts: Tax Collector: Louise Mack	1,980,994.57
Receipts: Town Clerk: Louise Mack	235,113.64
Interest	20,625.62
Woodsville Guaranty Bank	199.03
Fleet Bank MBIA	20,426.59
Other Sources:	257,599.14
State of New Hampshire	117,020.67
Rivendell license fee for town fields	7,500.00
U.S. Dept. of Interior payment in lieu of tax	1,820.00
Transfers from Trustee of Trust Funds	109,984.31
Federal Grants	9,385.08
Miscellaneous	11,889.08
Total Receipts	2,494,332.97
Disbursements	
Rivendell School District	1,917,876.00
Grafton County Tax	166,810.00
Bond and loan payments (includes interest)	24,556.69
Transfer to Trustee	109,800.00
New Week's Bridge	143,257.86
Road Maintenance	226,487.09
Conservation Commission	23,561.45
Misc. Town Expenses	669,506.35
Balance forward	537,585.40
Cash on Hand as of 12/31/05	537,585.40
Fleet Bank	48,372.09
Woodsville Guaranty Bank Register	311,805.03
Woodsville Deposits in January for '05	177,408.28
2005 Funds Encumbered	
Mall Walk	38,811.31
Week's Bridge	22,422.14
Rivendell Assessment	965,031.00
GASB Standards compliance	4,415.00

TREASURER'S REPORT — 2
For the Year 2005

Restricted Funds Accounts

Conservation Commission Fund

Balance 12/31/04	36,759.02
Additions	21,161.45
Disbursements	1,000.00
Interest	1,380.68
Balance 12/31/05	58,301.23
\$2,400.00 from 2005 received 1/05/2006	

Orford Citizens Corps Fund (account est. November 1, 2005)

Opening Balance	15,000.00
Interest	95.48
Balance 12/31/05	15,095.48

C.J. Cassel
Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005

	2005	2004
Uncollected Taxes — Beginning of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue		\$ 42,464.90
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue		136,279.04
Yield Taxes		205.49
Current Use		
Penalty Charges		983.00
Taxes Committed to Collector		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	\$ 1,292,961.00	
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	1,285,625.00	
Penalty Charges	4,772.00	
Yield Taxes	13,494.57	
Current Use	24,964.45	
Gravel Tax	50.00	
Refunded Overpayment Property Taxes		
Overcharged on First Issue		
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes		
1st Issue	2,303.58	3,615.86
2nd Issue		4,382.42
Yield	31.93	
Current Use		
TOTALS	\$ 2,624,202.53	\$ 187,930.71
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	\$ 1,243,714.15	\$ 42,464.90
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	466,998.99	136,279.04
Yield Taxes	13,494.57	205.49
Gravel Taxes	50.00	
Penalty Charges	1,033.00	983.00
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	2,335.51	7,998.28
Current Use	21,556.45	
Overpayment on Taxes		
Refunds 2nd Issue	-3,776.22	
Abatements Allowed		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue		
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue		
Yield Tax		
Current Use		
Deeded to Town		
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	49,246.85	0.00
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	822,402.23	0.00
Penalty Charges	3,739.00	0.00
Yield Tax	0.00	
Current Use	3,408.00	
Gravel Tax		
TOTALS	\$ 2,624,202.53	\$ 187,930.71

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

	2004	2003	2002	2001
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes				
Beginning of Fiscal Year 1/1/05		\$30,181.36	\$24,714.12	\$17,115.17
Mortgage Fees		710.00	545.00	490.50
Taxes Executed to Town				
During Fiscal Year	\$72,720.54		0.00	
Mortgage Fees	1,195.00		0.00	
Interest Collected				
After Lien Execution	642.00	1,003.70	1,492.88	
Interest Deeded to Town				
TOTAL DEBITS	\$74,558.34	\$31,895.06	\$26,752.00	\$17,605.67
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year				
Redemption	\$31,724.76	\$ 3,657.10	\$ 3,782.95	
Mortgage Fees	285.00	75.00	30.00	
Interest and Cost after Lien	642.80	1,003.70	1,492.88	
Abatements				
Property Taxes				
Mortgage Fees				
Deeded to Town				
Interest				
Mortgage Fees				
Unredeemed Taxes	\$40,995.78	\$26,524.26	\$20,931.17	\$17,115.17
Mortgage Fees	910.00	635.00	515.00	490.50
TOTAL CREDITS	\$74,558.34	\$31,895.06	\$26,752.00	\$17,605.67

TOWN CLERK'S ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE REPORT
January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005

<u>TOTAL AMOUNT OF REVENUE</u>	<u>\$ 293,645.64</u>
Registration	
1770 Auto Permits Issued	
1559 Municipal Agent Functions	
Town Tax Collected	\$ 224,397.55
State Tax Collected	\$ 58,163.29
Town Clerk Fees	
1770 Registrations @ \$1.00	\$ 1,770.00
354 Title Applications @ \$2.00	708.00
117 Transfers @ \$5.00	585.00
1559 Municipal Agent @ \$2.50	3,897.50
	\$ 6,960.50
Boat Registration Revenue	\$ 540.80
Dog Licenses	
371 Licenses Issued	\$ 1,823.50
Late Penalties	131.00
Town Clerk Fees	371.00
	\$ 2,325.50
Marriage Licenses	
7 Marriage Licenses Issued	
State Revenue	\$ 266.00
Town Clerk Fees	49.00
	\$ 315.00
Vital Records Copies	
35 Certified Copies Issued	
State Revenue	
24 Copies @ \$8.00	\$ 192.00
11 Copies @ \$5.00	55.00
Town Clerk Fees	
24 Copies @ \$4.00	96.00
11 Copies @ \$3.00	33.00
	\$ 376.00
U.C.C. Filings	\$ 555.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 12.00

TOWN CLERK'S ACCOUNT
January 1 — December 31, 2005

Boat Registrations

39 Registrations Issued		
State Fees Collected	\$ 1,012.00	
Town Tax Collected	540.80	
Boat Agent Fees	65.00	
Total Boat Revenue		\$1,617.80

OHRV Registrations

8 Registrations Issued		
State Fees Collected	\$ 411.00	
OHRV Agent Fees	16.00	
Total OHRV Revenue		\$ 427.00

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

18 Hunting/Fishing Licenses Issued		
State Fees Collected	\$ 950.00	
Agent Fees Collected	34.00	
Total N.H. Fish & Game Revenue		\$ 984.00

Summary of Fees Paid to Town Clerk

Auto Fees	\$ 6,960.50	
Boat Agent Fees	65.00	
Certified Copy Fees	129.00	
Dog License Fees	371.00	
Fish and Game Fees	34.00	
Marriage License Fees	49.00	
OHRV Agent Fees	16.00	
UCC Filing Fees	555.00	
Total Fees		\$8,179.50

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, 2006** to avoid any penalty.

If your dog is not licensed with the Town of Orford by May 31, 2006, 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

An Orford/Fairlee joint "Rabies Clinic" has been scheduled to be held on Wednesday, **March 8, 2006**, between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the Fairlee Fire Station. This has been arranged with the Oxbow Veterinary Clinic of Bradford, VT, and the Orford Town Clerk will be present. Attendance at this program is not only convenient, but offers these shots at a reduced rate.

Dog and Cat Rabies Vaccine	\$ 7.00
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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 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.

SELECTBOARD

This year has flown by quickly. Several issues from the previous year have continued to keep the board busy in 2005.

The most obvious was the difficulty in and concerted efforts by the board to substantiate the reappraisal done by the assessing company. Regardless of the controversy surrounding the inclusion of a view factor, the board sought to identify and rectify numerous discrepancies on individual property cards. As we have publicly emphasized several times, we continue to urge property owners to make an extra effort to closely review their property cards for accuracy.

Within days of the town approving a second temporary full-time officer (Todd Gray), the board received word that Chief Calderwood had returned from deployment to Iraq and was submitting his resignation. The board then acted to appoint Officer Gray as Chief and subsequently hire Mac Cashin to serve in the position of second temporary full-time officer. Of note is that the COPS grant which originally funded a portion of the salary for this position has been exhausted.

Halfway through the year also saw the resignation from the road crew of Tim Hebb, who departed for a position with the Vermont Highway Department. Bill Gray, who had served on the road crew previously, reapplied and was hired in October.

The replacement of the Town Road 79 bridge is almost completed and should be done with the return of good weather. The rising costs exceeded the funding that had been earmarked by the voters previously. As a result, this required the board to appropriate additional monies to complete construction.

The contract with the state regarding the town boat access on the Connecticut is still under review with the town attorney and NH Fish & Game Department. In addition, the historic Orford Mall Walk project has been awarded and work should commence dependent on the weather this spring.

The board has made efforts this past year to include more of the discussion that takes place at meetings in the official minutes. Overall, we each recognize that nothing takes the place of active citizen participation and hope that this year members of the community will take the opportunity to contribute to our weekly meetings in person.

David Bischoff, Chairman
Ann Green
Paul Carreiro
Selectboard

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

In 2005, the Orford Volunteer Fire Department responded to 77 calls.

Mutual Aid	10	Power Lines	6
Fire Alarms	8	Structure Fires	5
Car Accidents	5	Medical	35
Chimney Fires	3	Wildfires	5

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur Dennis
Fire Chief

CEMETERY COMMISSION

We enclose the following cemetery accounting to show how our appropriations are spent. These records are kept by the Cemetery Commission and do not appear itemized in the Town Report figures.

Wages	\$12,080.34
Supplies	308.51
Fuel	708.79
Total	<u>\$13,097.64</u>

The fencing project is ongoing and provided by volunteer labor with the town paying for materials. Article 10 of this year's Town Warrant will, if approved, carry forward the balance of \$3,213 for the project from a previous appropriation.

The Cemetery Commission thanks Kurt Gendron for his labor maintaining our three cemeteries.

The Cemetery Commission thanks Louise Mack for her volunteer contribution in keeping our financial records.

Paul B. Messer, Sr.
Joseph J. Arcolio
Ruth L. Brown
Cemetery Commission

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Another success story for the people of Orford! Ted Eck and Heidi Wilson have donated thirty-one acres of wooded land to the town, to be managed by the Conservation Commission. This steeply rising parcel is located on the east side of Route 10 north of the state highway garage. This land has been logged in the past, so it is accessible. There are wetlands and brooks and evidence of many species of wildlife. A comprehensive Conservation Easement, held by the Upper Valley Land Trust, will protect this parcel from development forever.

Would you care to join the growing list of Orford taxpayers willing to donate some land, grant an easement on part or all of a piece of property, or give money so that we might protect a special place in town? Winter deeryards, large or small wetlands, brook corridors, i.e., buffer zones for wildlife along wetlands, vernal pools, and brooks are all very important.

The Richmond Conservation Land access parking is in place just off Route 10. A sign will be erected in the spring to identify the area. This is a multi-use, eleven-acre parcel for the enjoyment of the people of Orford.

Jacobs Brook and Archertown Brook are among the defining features of Orford. Orford's Conservation Commission has a mission to maintain their beauty and utility. For these waterways, we established baseline statistics in 2005 for temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH, electrical conductivity and e-coli. Each month from June through October, measurements were taken at three locations on Jacob's Brook and one location on Archertown Brook. Three of the measures (temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH) are indicators of the ability of the waterway to sustain fish and other aquatic species; and the waterways are looking good. Electrical conductivity measures the presence of contaminants that can conduct electricity. A common conductor in our area is salt. As the waterway accumulates runoff from adjacent roads and fields, its load of contaminants increases until it discharges into the Connecticut River. A finding of interest was an early summer spike in the level of e-coli bacteria. At one location, the concentration would have been high enough to close a public beach. E-coli are found in the excrement of all animal populations and humans. The early summer spike was not just from beavers, folks. Ginny DeFrancisco of Grafton County Extension Services provided the Conservation Commission with measuring instruments for testing and laboratory services for assessing Orford's water quality in 2005.

The Conservation Commission communicates through the Orford Libraries Newsletter, and meeting minutes are posted in the Town Office Building. Meetings are currently scheduled for the third Thursday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Office Building.

I would like to thank Ted and Heidi again for their generous gift to the Town of Orford. Thank you to all who serve on this Conservation Commission for all your effort to make a difference and to achieve positive change. If you would like to help us in any way, please contact any member listed below.

Bry Beeson, Chair
Emily Bryant
Tom Bubolz
Robb Day

Sarah Schwaeglar
Tom Thomson
Sally Tomlinson

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Throughout the state, small local communities saw the availability of Homeland Security Grants diminish. Federal action has shifted the focus of expenditures to targets that they feel are critical as related to potential acts of terrorism. Unfortunately, these endeavors fail to address circumstances such as those that we witnessed as a result of Hurricane Katrina and the subsequent loss of life and property. I have urged our state representatives and executive counselor to remember that although FEMA is now under the Department of Homeland Security where terrorism is the main concern, it should not be forgotten that FEMA as an agency still plays a major role for our town when it comes to responding to the aftermath of floods, ice storms and acts of nature.

I have worked closely with the state's preparedness program for Avian Flu. Over this winter and spring, local communities will be solicited to develop joint plans regarding the distribution of both treatment and prophylactic medicines. Discussion will also center on surveillance for mosquito and tick-borne disease such as West Nile Virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis, and Lyme Disease.

Recently I have begun work with the state group that handles a federal project called Citizen Corps. Their initiative is to develop a town's local resources in the fields of clinical medicine (Medical Reserve Corps), law enforcement (Volunteers in Police Service), fire (The Fire Corps) and a Community Emergency Response Team. I was able to secure an initial \$15,000 to begin the start-up of these partners in Orford and will be seeking active participation from volunteers in 2006.

In conclusion, I have continued to emphasize to our elected officials in Concord the immediate requirement to develop a local infrastructure that supports broadband communications. This will enable not only first responders to share vital data between each other regardless of where they are in town, but also allow the community leaders to disseminate critical information rapidly to the public during any catastrophic event and increase the ability of all citizens to request assistance.

If there are questions related to emergency management, please feel free to contact me through the Town Administrative Assistant.

Paul Carreiro, A-PA
Emergency Management Director

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

2005 was a challenging year for the Highway Department. We were shorthanded for most of the summer. That, combined with the abundance of rain, made it difficult to complete all the scheduled projects.

We now have a full crew and should be able to catch up this year.

Paving was done this year from Indian Pond Road to Summers and from High Bridge Road to the top of the hill on Archertown Road. Next year (2006) we should be able to finish Archertown Road.

Mowing was done and brush cut as time and help allowed. Numerous culverts were replaced and a few new ones added.

The new 1-ton truck is in service and is performing as expected.

This year the grader is up for replacement. If anyone has questions, I have a complete bid sheet at the garage.

I would like to thank everyone for their cooperation and support and look forward to 2006.

Charles Waterbury
Road Agent

PAVING SCHEDULE FOR THE TOWN OF ORFORD

YEARS		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
ARCHERTOWN	19,120 feet										
Rt. 10 to Bridge	4,880 feet										
Bridge to top of Hill	1,500 feet										
Top of Hill to Hadlock's	6,500 feet										
Hadlock's to Indian Pond	6,240 feet										
BROOK ROAD	1,890 feet										
DUBLIN ROAD	1,380 feet										
GRIMES HILL	2,600 feet										
INDIAN POND	4,100 feet										
RIVER ROAD	4,260 feet										
TOWNSHED	6,190 feet										
UPPER BAKER	5,680 feet										
25A to Sunset Camp	3,000 feet										
Sunset to Prettyman	2,680 feet										

TOTAL 45,250 FEET or 8.6 miles

At the old rate of \$25,000 per year we were doing about 3,000 ft. or 15 years to complete all roads.

At the current rate of \$50,000 per year we have cut the time in half (7 to 8 years).

If we were to increase the paving budget to \$75,000 per year, we'd be back on your road every 5 years.

ORFORD VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE

YEARS	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT																			
1997 Truck #1																			
Truck #2																			
1 Ton Truck																			
Loader/Backhoe																			
1986 Grader																			
POLICE DEPARTMENT																			
Cruiser																			
FIRE DEPARTMENT																			
Fire Engine Truck #1																			
Pumper Engine #3																			
Rescue Equipment Truck																			
CEMETERY																			
Large Mower																			
PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS																			
Mower																			

*Years for replacement are subject to change dependent upon need.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. A fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information contact the Division of Forests & Lands (603) 271-2217, or on-line at www.nhdfi.org.

Fire activity was high during the first several weeks of the 2005 fire season, with red-flag conditions issued by the National Weather Service and extreme fire danger in the southern and central portions of the state. This period of increased initial attack activity prompted a 5-day ban on open burning, the first such ban in several years. Despite the dry conditions, the state's largest wildland fire was contained at 29 acres. Our statewide system of fire lookout towers is credited with keeping the fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Fires in the wildland urban interface damaged 10 structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

Gerald Pease
Fire Warden
353-9070

2005 Fire Statistics

(All Fires Reported as of November 4, 2005)

<u>CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED</u>			<u>TOTAL FIRES</u>	<u>TOTAL ACRES</u>
Arson	2	2005	513	174
Campfire	34	2004	482	147
Children	29	2003	374	100
Smoking	40	2002	540	187
Debris	284			
Railroad	1			
Equipment	7			
Lightning	5			
Misc.*	111			

*Misc: (power lines, fireworks,
electric fences, etc.)

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

FREE LIBRARY

The Free Library had a successful year in 2005. We are pleased to report that we have had an increase in both the number of patrons using the library (2,216) and the number of materials loaned (3,122). The Trustees wish to thank our librarian, Laurel Fulford, for all of her hard work in making the library an inviting and well-used place.

The library held events for children, families and adults. The programs for children and families included: twice monthly Bedtime Story Hours, monthly crafts workshops for teens, the Summer Reading Program, storytelling with Simon Brooks, pumpkin carving, the Holiday Open House, a Valentine-making evening and a mud season game night. Adult events included the Saturday morning meetings of the 'Ville Quilters, a rubber stamping workshop and a four-part book discussion, "Mysteries and the Cult of the Detective," led by Suzanne Brown.

The Free Library provided many services in addition to loaning books. We have a large selection of books on tape, music CD's, video tapes and DVD's for both children and adults. A tape player is available for patrons to borrow. Many puzzles and games may be checked out. The computer, fax machine and copier may all be used by patrons. We have a microfilm reader and vital statistics for the town of Orford. In addition, we have access to thousands of genealogical databases through the NH State Library. Through the generosity of the Friends we also have free passes to VINS, which may be used year-round. We were pleased to have 49 people use these passes.

As always we are indebted to the assistance and efforts of volunteers. On September 30, we held our annual Volunteer Appreciation celebration. At this event we gave special recognition to Barbara Hall who has been volunteering at the library for over 20 years. We truly appreciate her dedication and loyalty. In addition to Barbara, we extend a hearty thank you to the following volunteers for their help: Sandra Beaumier, Diana Haven, Paula Pomeroy, Arthur Boynton, Sam Fulford, Samantha Fulford and Christina Fulford. We would also like to give thanks to the Garden Club for their beautiful Christmas decorations and to Sara Day for her plantings and soil improvement of our gardens. We appreciate the help from David Bischoff in resolving our chimney problems.

The Friends of the Orford Libraries have provided very generous monetary donations to the library that have enabled us to improve our building and the services we can provide. We are indebted to them for this. In addition, many individuals have made contributions of money, books, audio and visual materials and baked goods this year. We are very appreciative not only of the donations but also of the thoughtfulness and good will of those who have made the gifts. We are grateful for the town's continued support of the library.

Board of Trustees

Susan Kling, Carol Boynton, Christie Manning

Laurel Fulford

Librarian

FREE LIBRARY — 2

2005

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 2005	\$ 4,293.08
Town of Orford	11,103.00
Book/Bake Sale	279.00
Friends of the Orford Libraries' Gift	1,800.00
Gifts/Donations	456.97
Interest	8.45
Computer/Copier Services	21.00
Grant	640.80
Miscellaneous	81.10
	\$18,683.40

Expenditures

Books	\$ 1,687.39
Multimedia	246.58
Magazines	109.90
Librarian	5,200.00
FICA/SS	397.80
Dues/Memberships	255.00
Fuel/Heat	1,786.94
Maintenance/Repair	104.11
Programs	768.96
Postal	67.53
Telephone	742.91
Electric	210.24
Copier/Library Supplies	157.41
Meetings/Mileage	79.36
Computer/Internet Services	179.40
Programs Material	84.81
Portable Toilet/New Toilet	2,160.45 (refunded 2006 by Town of Orford)
Computer Recycling	35.00

Balance in checking account December 31, 2003	\$ 4,409.61
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\$18,683.40

SOCIAL LIBRARY — 2005

The Orford Social Library is committed to providing the people of Orford with excellent library services, continuing collection development and maintenance, strong outreach to children, families, and our senior citizens, and collaboration with our schools and neighboring libraries. To help meet these needs, the library made significant progress on several maintenance issues and conducted its third annual fund drive. The Orford community responded generously and we are grateful to them and to our Selectboard for their support.

Statistics for the Year:

Patrons using the library: 6,270

Circulation of materials: 8,075

Volunteers: 10 regular weekly volunteers with several others helping on occasion

Volunteer hours contributed: 690

Regular Programs:

- Preschool story hours, twice a month
- Book discussion monthly series
- Summer Reading Program in collaboration with the Orford Free Library

Special Events:

- “Handmade in Orford” Art Exhibit with Orford artists and crafters
- “Poem on a Postcard” featuring a local artist and wide community participation
- Storytelling Event with Orford resident Simon Brooks
- Community Potluck International Dinner
- Young Adult Summer Book Buddies book discussions
- Ice Cream Social
- Intergenerational Craft Workshops
- Ladybug Picture Book Award and Great Stone Face Award participating library and voting site
- Tree Trimming and Holiday Celebration

Grants Received:

- “Kids, Books, and the Arts” Grant to host a musician/storyteller as part of our Summer Reading Program

Collaboration with the Local Schools:

- Participation by some Samuel Morey classes in our “Poem on a Postcard” event
- Display of student artwork
- Ongoing curriculum support by providing books to several teachers
- Support of the schools in their efforts to encourage summer reading by making displays, purchases and interlibrary loans of titles on the Summer Reading Lists
- Posting of information about school events and meetings
- Visitations by the librarian to the Elementary School for special presentations

Use of the facility by the community:

- Eight community organizations or working subcommittees use the library for meetings.
- This year the library was used weekly as a mutually convenient place for a special-needs early intervention speech and language session.

William J. Culp
President of the Board of Trustees

**SOCIAL LIBRARY — 2
FINANCIAL REPORT 2005**

Cash on Hand as of 12/01/2005: \$ 3,504.88

INCOME

Town of Orford	\$ 15,450.00
Fund-raising – General	\$ 8,230.00
Fund-raising – Capital	\$ 4,900.00
Book Funds – New Gifts	\$ 543.50
Other Funds – New Gifts	\$ 616.64
State of NH Grants	\$ 325.00
Friends of the Orford Libraries Gift	\$ 1,800.00
Interest Income	\$ 8.36
Book Sale	\$ 1,598.65
Copier	\$ 445.38
Redemption from Investments	\$ 6,000.00

\$43,422.41

EXPENSE

Books and Magazines	\$ 4,312.41
Librarian – Net	\$ 10,747.58
Librarian’s Assistant – Net	\$ 2,013.68
Payroll tax	\$ 2,925.82
Capital Improvements	\$ 7,347.97
Fund-raising Expenses	\$ 572.84
NH Grant Book Discussion/Arts Programs	\$ 325.00
Insurance	\$ 1,771.00
Electricity	\$ 787.07
Heat & Water	\$ 1,855.00
Telephone	\$ 1,058.48
Cleaning	\$ 812.52
Library Supplies	\$ 903.84
Computer Supplies/Equipment	\$ 1,397.18
Maintenance	\$ 1,362.57
Copier	\$ 142.88
Miscellaneous	\$ 378.00

Cash on Hand as of 12/31/2005: \$ 4,708.57

\$43,422.41

NILES FUND COMMITTEE

The Niles Fund Committee was formed in 1988 to disperse, by request, the interest on a gift of \$50,000 to the Town of Orford by Mrs. Lenore Niles. Both Mr. and Mrs. Niles, who moved to Orford in 1950, had a deep affection for our town and its people. Mrs. Niles passed away in 1988 and left this generous and unrestricted gift to be used for the betterment of Orford and its residents.

In 2005 the Niles Fund Committee approved the following applications for funding: \$500 to the Orford Garden Club for Phase II of the Brook Road Project, \$250 to an Orford student attending the National Youth Leadership Conference in Washington, DC, and a \$100 contribution to the Orford-Fairlee July 4th Parade festivities.

Applications for financial assistance for projects which would benefit the Town of Orford are available at the Selectmen's Office.

Respectfully submitted,
The Niles Fund Committee

PLANNING BOARD

Subdivision activity:

- Approved 20 new lots, which added 15 more lots to the town total
- Approved 1 lot line adjustment no net increase of lots

The Board continues to contract with the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission for the services of a Planning Assistant. Mr. Peter Dzewaltowski is available to answer applicant's questions and assist preparing applications. Please call the UVLSRPC in Lebanon at (603) 448-1680.

Resignations were accepted from Board members David Coker in August and Ruth Cserr in November. Alternates David Green and Ludlow Flower were named to replace them respectively until the next elections in March 2006.

Zoning: the Board held six public information meetings to modify the draft ordinance discussed in November 2004. There were constituencies advocating for a comprehensive ordinance, a reduced ordinance and no ordinance. In July, the Board received a petition signed by 243 citizens "opposing any . . . ordinance that exceeds the most basic and pressing needs of the Town of Orford." By year-end, the Board approved an ordinance for Public Hearings in January establishing setbacks and site plan review for relatively large-scale industrial/commercial development, residential buildings with 20 or more dwelling units and setting minimum lot sizes per the NHDES soils-based lot sizing criteria. In the Board's opinion, this represents a minimum zoning ordinance to maintain Orford's traditional rural, residential character by addressing potential negative impacts on the town and providing a base for quick reaction should unforeseen threats arise as rapid growth impacts the entire Upper Valley region.

The Orford Village Traffic & Pedestrian Safety Working Group, a subcommittee of the Planning Board, completed the design and negotiations to reconstruct the historic Mall Walk along the east side of Main Street. A contract was signed with Fenn Way Builders LLC of North Haverhill, NH, to complete the project by June 30, 2006. As voted last year, costs are covered by federal Transportation Enhancement funds, easements granted to the Town by property owners and donated legal expenses. When completed, the Mall Walk will significantly improve pedestrian safety and help restore the original charm of Main Street.

We urge more citizens to become involved with the Board, as the need to manage growth becomes ever more challenging. Meetings are the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Niles room. It's your town. Help maintain Orford's character and charm.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Dalton, Chairman
Sam Hanford, Vice Chairman
Andy Schwaegler, Secretary
David Bischoff, Selectman Rep.
Elizabeth Bischoff
Ludlow Flower
David Green

POLICE DEPARTMENT

I am happy (and quite proud) to report that the Orford Police Department is now operating close to the standards of current police practices and with today's technology. While the road to this level of achievement has at times been a rough one, I feel the Selectboard and I have overcome most of the obstacles of the past, and the Orford Police Department now meets these standards. Some of the milestones of our progress are set out below.

At the beginning of 2005, the town voted to approve a second full-time police officer position. This actually was intended to be my position. However, when then-chief Steven Calderwood returned from military duty in Iraq and resigned his position, the Selectboard was kind enough to favorably consider my application for the chief's job.

Soon after my appointment, I was able to hire Martin "Mac" Cashin as the second full-time officer. Mac is not only a fine officer but was already full-time certified, thus saving the town the time and expense (approximately \$10,000) of sending someone to the full-time academy for certification. Officer Cashin has been a great help to me and has proved to be a police officer the town can be proud of.

Additionally, part-time police officer John Richardson rejoined the force after Calderwood's resignation and worked over 400 hours for the town during 2005. Officer Richardson is a fully certified New Hampshire Police Officer and has been providing his services to the town, without charge, since 1996.

On the technology front, new computer software has increased our efficiency and, for the first time, made our department computer system compatible and interactive with most of the surrounding New Hampshire towns. We can now communicate and receive crime reports instantly, not only with our dispatchers in Hanover but also with other police departments in the area.

The proof of the pudding, however, is in the crime statistics which are set out at the end of this report. We have handled more than a thousand calls for service and a number of major incidents and felonies. (This listing does not, of course, reflect all the work that goes into handling these matters.)

One look at these reports shows that Orford is a very active town from the law enforcement perspective. Like a lot of small towns, there are more things happening and more crime around us than most people realize.

Some have said that we do not need police in Orford; I would strongly disagree, and I think the year's crime statistics support my view. Not only do we need police to answer calls for service, we need a strong police presence to deter criminals from setting up their operations in Orford.

In conclusion, I can only say we need your support and cooperation to continue to have a proactive police department that will keep our community safe and secure. On becoming chief, I asked for the tools to do a proper job, and the Selectboard provided most of what I asked for. I hope we have accomplished our goal, have earned a positive reputation in the community, and that you feel some pride in your police force. I know I do.

Chief Todd Gray

POLICE DEPARTMENT — 2
STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR OF 2005

Accidents	20
Alarms	30
Assist Public/Persons	60
Assaults	10
Arrests	28
Auto Theft	02
Ambulance Calls	12
Bad Checks	22
Burglary	05
Civil Issues	47
Criminal Mischief	35
Criminal Threatening	11
Cyber Crime/Fraud	07
Assist Other Departments	48
Disorderly Conduct	15
Domestic Violence	19
Drug-related Offenses	18
Felony Arrests	04
Harassment	12
Illegal Dumping	05
Juvenile Offenses	10
Lost and Found Property	08
Miscellaneous	75
Missing Persons	04
M/V Complaints	30
M/V Citations	97
M/V Warnings	250
OHRV	10
Resident/Business Checks	35
Restraining Orders	05
Sexual Assaults	06
Stranded Motorists	21
Suicide	01
Subpoenas	16
Suspicious Person/Activity	27
Theft	18
Unattended Deaths	02
911 Calls	37
Total Calls for Service	1,062

**NH State Police also responded to a number of calls (burglaries, DWI and domestic incidents are some examples) and made some motor vehicle stops.

ANIMAL CONTROL

The Animal Control Officer responded to 206 calls for service in 2005 — 93 being domestic animals and 113 being wild animals.

Even though there were cases of rabid animals in New Hampshire, there have been no confirmed cases in Orford.

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

There are pamphlets available at the Orford Post Office and the Orford Town Offices about West Nile disease.

Roy Daisey
Animal Control Officer

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

The Parks and Playgrounds Committee had another busy year maintaining and improving our public recreation areas.

At the Community Field, several projects were completed. Included in these projects were: resurfacing the basketball court and rewiring the fence around the court, resurfacing the baseball infield with jockey sand and turf, and rebuilding the pitcher's mound and home plate areas, increasing the parking lot by one third with sta-mat, building three more dugouts, adding more signage, and, not the least, cleaning the debris from behind the storage shed. Thanks go out to all the volunteers who helped on these projects.

At Indian Pond beach, two new floats were supplied, although they were late arriving from the supplier so the old ones were put in. The new floats will go in this summer, along with a new, more modern dock. The committee thanks all the beach-goers who take their trash with them when they leave.

The annual Green-Up Day was held in May and it was fairly well attended. As an incentive to get folks to participate, we had coffee and donuts in the morning, and a barbecue at noon for the volunteers. Floyd Marsh supplied the hot dogs for the barbecue. Thanks, Floyd!

Thanks also go out to K&R Portable Toilets, Floyd's Rubbish Removal, Keith Brooks and Gary Spaulding for helping to keep our parks looking great.

Respectfully,
Paul Goundrey, Chairman
John O'Brien
Nate Tullar
Brad McCormack

SKI PROGRAM

The ski program is part of a full range of recreational programs organized by the Community School Organization (CSO). Beginner, intermediate and advanced instruction in alpine skiing and snowboarding is offered on six consecutive Thursday afternoons starting in early January. It is program policy to cancel only when school is canceled to avoid confusion and help parents know where their children are.

The program is open to all school-age residents of Orford, Fairlee, West Fairlee and Vershire and to all students in the Rivendell Interstate School District. Bus transportation is provided to and from the Dartmouth Skiway in Lyme, NH. Each town funds much of the Unified Ski Program through an annual appropriation based on student enrollment. Students are charged a fee for use of the Dartmouth Skiway and liability insurance.

Snowfall was less than normal throughout the winter but the combination of man-made snow, cold weather and excellent snow grooming by the Skiway staff provided terrific conditions all season. We were fortunate to have a total of 53 volunteers with 26 ski instructors, 5 snowboard instructors, 5 substitutes and 15 off-snow helpers. There were 106 registered participants for skiing and 28 for snowboarding. Administration of this size program is a challenge but so well worth it! It is gratifying to see the progress made by all levels of our students. Traditionally, the last week is a "Carnival" with races and refreshments for all participants. It serves as both a fun ending to the season and a "final exam" to test proficiency. Again this year the Lions Club provided a hot dog and goodies cookout which was enjoyed by the students and volunteers alike. "Race results" show we have a well-grounded program for all levels, from getting the first-timers up on the big hill to challenging the top levels. The top skiers from the CSO program moved on to form the Rivendell Academy Ski Team. We take great pride to have developed qualified competitive athletes.

Again, thanks to all who offered their time and talents to continue providing an unequalled opportunity for our children to learn and enjoy the lifelong sports of alpine skiing and snowboarding. Remember that we need you back next year along with more of your neighbors. Start recruiting now to make your jobs easier.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Calhoun, Administrative Coordinator
Paul Dalton, Instruction Coordinator

SWIM PROGRAM

The 2005 Orford Swim Program at Indian Pond ran for three weeks this summer from July 25th through August 8th. Josiah Gruber, whose sister Hannah Gruber had instructed the program in the past, was our Red Cross certified instructor for the first two weeks of the program. Josiah did a wonderful job and we hope that he will be able to return as the swim instructor for all three weeks of the program this coming summer. For the third week of the program Kate Cook, a member of the swim committee from Piermont and a swim instructor, stepped up and volunteered to teach the classes and complete the skills testing Josiah had begun when our scheduled third week instructor was unable to do so. We had four fantastic aides this summer who helped ensure that the vast majority of students improved their skills and passed to the next level as well as helping to guarantee that all the students were safe in the water. Our aides were program graduates and returning aides Jonathan Cook, Samantha Fulford, Christina Fulford, and Sarah Priestley.

There were 52 children enrolled in Red Cross levels preschool through water safety aid this year. The program, as always, was offered free to 40 Orford residents who participated. The other fee-paying participants came predominantly from Piermont and Fairlee. For the most part, the weather was ideal for being in and by the pond during the program and the water temperature warm enough for even the young children to remain in the water long enough to make significant improvements in their water skills.

A major change to the Swim Program this year was Bethany Miller's turning over the organization and running of the program to a new swim committee. Of course, Bethany was indispensable to the new committee as we tried to figure out how one person had done so much so seamlessly. We want to thank Bethany for her help this year and also for all the time and effort she has dedicated in past years to running this essential program. Thanks are also due to Jim Hook and the Parks and Playgrounds Committee, especially Brad McCormack and Paul Goundrey who helped to install and remove the dock and floats from the pond, among a great many other things. Thanks also to the many parents who help daily at the beach and for the wonderful food at the potluck. Anyone with questions or concerns about the program or who would like to help out in any way, please call any of the swim committee members. We are looking forward to another fun and successful program in the upcoming summer and are excited about trying out the new floats.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Cserr, Secretary
Swim Committee

Committee Members:
Maritza Stimson, Chair
Cheryl Noyes, Treasurer
Ruth Cserr, Secretary
Laurie Gould
Gretchen Curtis
Kate Cook

GARDEN CLUB

The Orford Garden Club is proud to participate in the long tradition of maintaining and enhancing the beauty of our town.

Since its formation in 2001, the Club has made itself responsible for seasonal plantings on the Bridge Street island and in the barrels on the Orford-Fairlee bridge, as well as Christmas decorations on the Bridge, at the Post Office, and at the Libraries.

Each year we initiate a special project. This past year our members transformed the corner of Brook Street and 25A into a small, lovely park. We trust all will enjoy the flowers, shrubs and trees which will start the spring blooming season with bright yellow daffodils.

We also planted clumps of 20 to 50 daffodils in many spots around the town and hope you will look for them in the spring.

We thank the Town for its continued support of the Garden Club. We will be pleased if our efforts to continue the beautification of Orford are enjoyed by all residents.

Caroline Flower
President

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS FOR THE TOWN OF ORFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2005

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	NAME OF TRUST FUND		BEGINNING BALANCE	NEW FUNDS CREATED	PRINCIPAL GAINS OR LOSSES
DATE	(COMMON TRUSTS SHOWN FIRST)	HOW INV			
* MS10	* TOTAL COMMON CEMETERY TRUSTS	MF/Bank	\$128,619.19	\$975.00	\$5,593.96
CAPITAL RESERVES AND OTHER TOWN FUNDS:					
1989	TOWN OF ORFORD/ BRIDGES & ROADS	CD/MM	\$83,225.12	\$10,000.00	
1984	TOWN OF ORFORD/ COMM. FIELD (GIFT OF HAZEN MOREY)	PB	200.00		
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ COMM. FIELD	CD/MM	731.58		
1985	TOWN OF ORFORD/ COMM. FIELD TRUST (GIFT OF HAZEN MOREY)	CD/MM	6,905.54		
1991	TOWN OF ORFORD/ DUMP CLOSURE	CD/MM	46,736.08		
1989	TOWN OF ORFORD/ FIRE TRUCKS	CD/MM	141,502.26	20,000.00	
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ GRADER	CD/MM	100,355.81	8,000.00	
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ HWY DEPT TRUCKS	CD/MM	30,903.81	25,000.00	
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ IMPR H/CAP	CD/MM	87.69		
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ LOADER	CD/MM	23,578.63	7,000.00	
1978	TOWN OF ORFORD/ POLICE CRUISER	CD/MM	24,537.66	8,000.00	
1987	TOWN OF ORFORD/ REAPPRAISAL	CD/MM	89,668.42	15,000.00	
1991	TOWN OF ORFORD/ TOWN BUILDINGS	MM	2,811.28		
2002	TOWN OF ORFORD/ TAX MAP	MM	13,000.00	5,000.00	
1992	TOWN OF ORFORD/ TRACTOR/MOWER	MM	9,785.95	5,000.00	
1991	TOWN OF ORFORD/ TREES CARE & REPL.	MM	385.00	3,300.00	
2000	TOWN OF ORFORD/ TOWN PROP. EXP. TR.	MM	12,311.85	7,500.00	
2003	TOWN OF ORFORD/ HVY EQUIP MAINT. EXP. TR.	MM	5,000.00	2,500.00	
2004	TOWN OF ORFORD/ WW II MON. MAINT. FUND	MM	2,685.63		
2004	TOWN OF ORFORD/ WILDFIRE SUPPR. FUND	MM	1,000.00	1,000.00	
1985	TOWN OF ORFORD/ BENEFIT H.S. STUDENTS (GIFT OF HAZEN MOREY)	MM	3,383.58		
1987	TOWN OF ORFORD/ SCHOLARSHIP FUND (GIFT OF MENTA SAWYER)	MM	5,000.00		
1991	TOWN OF ORFORD/ LENORE NILES FUND	MF/MM	53,142.96		2,281.83
1989	TOWN OF ORFORD/ SCHOOL FUND FOR EXCEL. (GIFTS TO FUND BY INDIVIDUALS)	CD	17,030.57		
1949	ORFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT (ALICE MANN)	MF/MM	3,260.77		
1991	ORFORD SCHOOL DIST. - BLDG RESERVE	MM	0.00		
1993	ORFORD SCHOOL DIST. - GYM RESERVE	MM	0.00		
1987	ORFORD SCHOOL DIST. - H/C RESERVE	MM	0.00		
TOTAL FUNDS HELD			\$805,849.38	\$118,275.00	\$7,875.79

NOTES: Mutual Fund Assets valued at cost. Not shown are 2005 Unrecognized Capital Gains of \$6,600.36, bringing net unrealized gains to \$50,784.33. Interest rates continue low.

Niles fund expenditures were for Student DC Trip (\$250), July 4th (\$100), Trees in Brookside Park (\$289).

Total Expenditures from income and principal for all funds in 2005: >>>>>> #####

Respectfully submitted: M. Blanchard, for M. Blanchard, S. Corpieri, J. Davis :: Trustees

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS FOR THE TOWN OF ORFORD
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2005**

WITH-DRAWALS	ENDING BALANCE	INCOME				TOTAL
		BEGINNING BALANCE	INCOME AMOUNT	EXPENDED IN YEAR	END OF YR BALANCE	YEAR-END BALANCE
	\$135,188.15	\$19,729.71	\$2,779.06		\$22,508.77	\$157,696.92
						\$157,696.92
	\$93,225.12	\$3,043.40	\$1,827.52		\$4,870.92	\$98,096.04
	200.00	226.88	1.50		228.38	428.38
	731.58	1,375.94	40.03		1,415.97	2,147.55
	6,905.54	7,117.19	322.96		7,440.15	14,345.69
6,172.09	40,563.99	571.39	873.06	1,444.45	0.00	40,563.99
	161,502.26	14,280.04	3,435.87		17,715.91	179,218.17
	108,355.81	29,791.06	2,539.04		32,330.10	140,685.91
24,034.63	31,869.18	0.00	965.37	965.37	0.00	31,869.18
	87.69	74.90	3.36		78.26	165.95
	30,578.63	263.28	575.97		839.25	31,417.88
	32,537.66	200.45	848.10		1,048.55	33,586.21
59,889.76	44,778.66	5,951.88	1,433.36	7,385.24	0.00	44,778.66
	2,811.28	1,117.29	81.39		1,198.68	4,009.96
	18,000.00	269.16	328.11		597.27	18,597.27
	14,785.95	0.00	176.58		176.58	14,962.53
402.91	3,282.09	0.00	37.09	37.09	0.00	3,282.09
16,311.37	3,500.48	0.00	202.40	202.40	0.00	3,500.48
	7,500.00	19.18	133.37		152.55	7,652.55
	2,685.63	8.46	55.76		64.22	2,749.85
	2,000.00	3.16	36.88		40.04	2,040.04
	3,383.58	3,358.25	103.66		3,461.91	6,845.49
	5,000.00	6,606.47	238.48		6,844.95	11,844.95
	55,424.79	7,576.65	1,128.78	639.00	8,066.43	63,491.22
	17,030.57	12,587.30	537.24		13,124.54	30,155.11
	3,260.77	915.46	95.71		1,011.17	4,271.94
	0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
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	0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
\$106,810.76	\$825,189.41	\$115,087.50	\$18,800.65	\$10,673.55	\$123,214.60	\$948,404.01

CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS

This year the Connecticut River Joint Commissions have considered issues as wide-ranging as all-terrain vehicles and recreational use of the river to the Connecticut River Birding Trail and floodplain development. Appointed by the legislatures of New Hampshire and Vermont to guide growth and development in the watershed, the CRJC are advisory and have no regulatory powers, preferring instead to ensure greater public involvement in decisions that affect the river region.

With the support of the four US Senators from the two states, the Commissions were able to provide \$85,000 in Partnership Program grants for locally-inspired projects, including trailhead parking and signage at the Clay Brook Trail off Route 10 in Lyme, and student research into invasive rusty crayfish in the White River watershed, led by the Vermont Institute of Natural Science.

CRJC support efforts to safeguard natural, agricultural, and historic assets of the valley, and are working with businesses and the states to strengthen the local base for tourism through the Connecticut River Byway. We brought Governors Jim Douglas of Vermont and John Lynch of New Hampshire together for a tour of the river region, and through our efforts, the 500 miles of state-designated roadway have been named a National Scenic Byway. The Commissions provide coordination for the Byway effort. Visit the Byway at www.ctrivertravel.net.

We welcome the public to our meetings on the last Monday of each month. Visit our web site at www.crjc.org for a calendar of meetings, useful information and links, and our newsletters, *River Valley News* and *River Byway News*.

UPPER VALLEY RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE

In 2005, the Upper Valley River Subcommittee updated the Recreation chapter of its Connecticut River Management Plan, with particular attention given to river access, riverfront recreational development, swimming, fishing, boating, and area trails. A new water quality assessment conducted for us by the State of New Hampshire indicates that the Connecticut River in the Orford area is safe for swimming and other recreational uses. We also began work on revising and updating the water resources chapter of our plan.

The Subcommittee consists of appointed representatives from the ten New Hampshire and Vermont towns along the river between Piermont/Bradford and Lebanon/Hartford. It continues to carry out its legal obligation to provide information and assistance to the states, towns, and local landowners on projects near the river. This includes advice to the State of New Hampshire on riverbank projects and to landowners on dock proposals.

We encourage all towns in our region to review our current Connecticut River Management Plan and to incorporate its recommendations as they update town plans and revise their zoning ordinances, particularly for floodplain shoreland protection. As we all saw again in 2005, heavy rains can send sediment from land clearing and removal of riverside vegetation into tributary streams and the river itself. All riverfront landowners should be aware that, to help protect the river and its natural resources for future generations, the New Hampshire Shoreland Protection Act now applies to all property along the Connecticut River (and, in Orford, also to the shoreland of Upper and Lower Baker ponds and Indian and Mason ponds). This means that an area of "protected shoreland" has been created, extending 250 feet back from the edge of the water. Within that area, certain activities which can be harmful to the river are regulated or prohibited. These include:

- Installation of a dock or alteration of a bank or beach needs to be approved by a state permit.
- Any new primary structures are to be set back at least 50 feet.
- Use of fertilizers and pesticides within 25 feet of the water's edge is prohibited.
- Natural woodland buffers within 150 feet of the water's edge, where they exist, are to be maintained.

Information about the provisions and requirements of the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act may be obtained by contacting the Shoreland Outreach Coordinator at the N.H. Department of Environmental Services (603) 271-0862, or at the DES web site, www.state.nh.us/des.

The Upper Valley Subcommittee is advisory and has no regulatory authority. The public is welcome to participate in our meetings, on the third Monday of every other month at the Thetford Bicentennial Building. More information, including a calendar, advice on bank erosion and obtaining permits for work in or near the river, and a summary of the Connecticut River Management Plan is on the web at www.crjc.org/localaction.htm.

Carl Schmidt
Marcus White
Orford Representatives

UPPER VALLEY AMBULANCE SERVICE

We are pleased to present our 15th annual report to the citizens we serve. Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service to our nine communities since July 1, 1990. In the past fifteen years, Upper Valley has responded to over 20,500 ambulance calls. This year (2005) we will have responded to over 900 requests for emergency medical assistance from the nine communities we serve.

2005 has proven to be a challenging year from a business perspective. We have had a difficult time finding qualified employees in a tight labor market. We continue to absorb double-digit increases in health insurance, workers compensation and liability insurance. Reimbursement from Medicare, Medicaid and most other payers continues to lag well behind the actual cost of providing service. Despite this, we strive to continue providing a high level of service.

2006 will bring many more challenges. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 which placed ambulances on a fixed fee schedule will be fully implemented in 2006. Medicare reimbursement will actually decrease over the next few years. Insurance rates continue to climb, and the job market remains tight. However, conservative fiscal management will allow us to keep our funding request at \$15.00 per capita.

The cornerstone of Upper Valley Ambulance is our personnel. We are proud to have paramedic level EMTs staffing our ambulances. Further training allows Critical Care Paramedics to transport critical patients with the complex equipment between hospitals.

In September, Upper Valley, along with twelve other Vermont services, was honored to send an ambulance crew to Texas for 35 days to support rescue efforts during Hurricane Rita. John Vose, our Paramedic Administrator, was asked by the Vermont State EMS officials to lead the Vermont contingent. He did an outstanding job.

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 \$40 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 to 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.

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 continually strive to provide the highest quality emergency medical care at the lowest possible cost to all the citizens we serve.

Larry A. Lancaster, Chair
Board of Directors

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Through UVLSRPC membership, the 27 cities and towns of the Upper Valley, Sullivan County and Lake Sunapee area strive to ensure that the growth of the Region does not lower the quality of life, and that it enhances rather than threatens our healthy economy. Regional planning provides a mechanism for communities that live and work together to collaborate on issues of common concern, such as transportation, emergency preparedness, economic development, housing and resource protection. Your community's active participation in UVLSRPC provides you with a voice in regional activities, as well as in decision-making at the state level that affects the future of your community.

Each year we try to address the highest priority needs of each area of the Region, while balancing the differing concerns of larger and smaller communities. Some highlights of the past year:

- Worked with state agencies to ensure that the needs of our Region's communities are understood and addressed. Specific activities included: facilitated sessions for local input to State Development Plan and NH Department of Transportation's long range plan; reviewed growth projections for state traffic model; participated in work group studying sprawl in NH and effectiveness of state smart growth policies; worked with other regions on educational material on principles of good planning for NH and legislative priorities.
- Promoted our Region's priorities in development of state's transportation improvement budgets, and assisted municipalities and public transit providers with applications for transportation grant funds.
- Wrote, published and distributed "Planning for New Hampshire's Housing Needs: A Primer for Local Officials."
- Facilitated 6 roundtable discussions for municipal representatives to discuss and get advice on issues of common concern.
- Assisted 13 communities with updates of local master plans, 10 with conservation planning efforts, 9 with zoning amendments, 7 with updates to subdivision or site plan review regulations, and 2 with capital improvement programs.
- Conducted traffic counts in 14 communities, and brought the number of communities with completed road inventories up to 16, ensuring that full state aid for maintenance is received.
- Conducted hazard mitigation planning in 8 communities as required for continued eligibility for federal disaster assistance and hazard mitigation funds. Assisted 4 with review of National Flood Insurance Program compliance.
- Continued emphasis on informational programs and training for local officials including law lecture series and bi-monthly programs on topics such as *NH Energy Policy — What it Means for Communities*, *Outdoor Lighting*, and *Striking the Balance Between Preservation of Rural Character and Growth — What is the Public Interest*.
- Responded to day-to-day requests from local board members and staff for guidance on, e.g., subdivision review process, earth excavation regulations, growth management, impact fees, development on unmaintained roads, regulation of accessory apartments and buildings, and emergency zoning.
- Maintained web site — www.uvlsrpc.org — to share information on planning issues and events, and kept library current with the latest technical guidance, planning literature, and sample regulations; responded to numerous requests for information from local officials, businesses, residents, libraries, school districts and other area organizations.

We appreciate the high level of participation and support we receive from our communities, and look forward to continuing to serve the needs of the Region in the coming year. We count on feedback from the Commissioners appointed by each community, as well as local officials and residents, to ensure that our work program focuses on those regional issues that are of the highest priority to you. Please feel free to contact us at (603) 448-1680 or e-mail me at tbamford@uvlsrpc.org to share your thoughts.

Tara E. Bamford
Executive Director

VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION & HOSPICE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE
Home Care, Hospice and Family Health Services

The VNA & Hospice is like the local police and fire departments — a strategic part of the community's safety net — with services that must be continuously available to anyone in need. The town's support continues to be crucial for patients. Surrounded by memories, familiar furnishings, and family photographs, people almost always wish to confront the issues of illness, accident or aging, and dying in the comfort of their homes.

Town funding ensures that the following medically necessary and supportive services are provided to all citizens, including the uninsured and under-insured:

- Skilled clinical care and support during times of injury, short-term or chronic illness, or recovery from surgery or accidents. The most common conditions under our care are congestive heart failure, emphysema, diabetes, vascular disease, muscle disorders, and joint replacement.
- Nursing and physician care for pain and symptom management during terminal illness. Also addresses the psychosocial, emotional, spiritual, and financial concerns for patients, their families and their caregivers.
- Assistance to young families at risk. We help fathers and/or mothers who want to be more effective parents and care for newborns and children who have chronic illnesses requiring long-term support and care.
- Community wellness clinics including blood pressure screenings, foot care, and flu vaccines are offered throughout the course of the year.

The VNA & Hospice provided the following services in Orford this past year (July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005):

<i>Hospice Program</i>		<i>Family Support Services</i>	
Patient Families served	2	Families served	3
		Individuals served	12
<i>Maternal Child Health Program</i>		Home visit hours	5
Children served	7	Fatherhood dads served	3
Home visits	62		
<i>Home Care Program</i>		<i>Nutrition/Food Programs</i>	
Patients served	25	CSFP clients	3
Home visits*	572	WIC clients	10
		WIC visits	35

*Includes Nursing Care, Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy, Medical Social Workers, Home Health Aides, Personal Care or Homemaker Services.

On behalf of the people we serve in your community, thank you for your continued confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan H. Larman, BSN, MBA
 President and CEO

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION

Tri-County Community Action Program is a private, nonprofit agency that is requesting, at your 2006 Town Meeting, \$950 in funding from the Town of Orford to help support its Community Contact Division.

The following is a report of services provided in fiscal year 2004 – 2005:

Services Provided:	# of HH	Dollar Amount
Fuel Assistance	19	\$11,805
Weatherization	1	\$2,164
State-wide Electrical Assistance Program	7	\$9,204
Food Pantry (26 people receiving 3 days worth of food)	7	\$390
Referrals (i.e., Health, Budgeting, Legal Aid, clothing . . .)	39	

**THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION,
THE CITIZENS OF ORFORD HAVE RECEIVED A TOTAL OF \$21,399
IN ASSISTANCE BETWEEN JULY 1, 2004 AND JUNE 30, 2005.**

Community Contact provides these and other necessary services for the less fortunate citizens in your town and surrounding vicinities. We are depending upon funding from your town and others countywide.

We sincerely appreciate the Town of Orford's past support and look forward to our continuing partnership to provide essential services to your residents.

Dan McGregor
Woodsville Community Contact Manager

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 North Woodstock, the information and assistance program Grafton County ServiceLink and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and Volunteer Center (RSVP). Through the centers, ServiceLink 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, adult in-home care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2005, 55 older residents of Orford were served by the Council's programs offered through the Orford, Horse Meadow and Upper Valley Senior Centers:

- Older adults from Orford enjoyed 619 balanced meals in the company of friends in the senior dining rooms.
- They received 1,447 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Frail residents of Orford benefited from our new adult in-home care program, providing 1,021 hours of companionship and assistance.
- Orford residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 14 occasions by volunteers.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 17 visits by a social worker or contacts with ServiceLink.
- Orford's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 846 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Orford residents in 2005 was \$31,367.00.

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, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. 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.

Roberta Berner
Executive Director

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

As one of your elected public servants, I am honored to report to you in my role as Executive Councilor for District One.

My Constitutional and legal responsibilities while serving in this position parallel those of a Board of Directors. We administer state law and budgets passed by the NH House and Senate. We also must comply with federal laws and regulations when we accept federal programs, projects and grants.

One responsibility of the Governor and Council is to seek citizens willing to serve on the state volunteer boards and commissions. It is important that your region be well represented. If you are interested in serving on a board or commission, please send your letter of interest and résumé to my office or directly to Kathy Goode, Director of Appointments/Liaison to the Council, Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301, Tel. (603) 271-2121. Visit the Secretary of State's web site to see what is available/open at: www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm.

Sources of information from my office to you include:

- The New Hampshire Constitution
- Official NH Highway Map
- Organizational Chart of NH State Government
- NH Political Calendar 2006–07
- NH Executive Council brochure
- Listing of toll-free phone numbers for resources and information

Effective e-mail/web site sources include:

www.nh.gov for all state agencies; executive, legislative, state personnel, licensing boards, and much more.

www.nh.gov/council includes duties, minutes of meetings, agendas for upcoming meetings, and the history of the Executive Council.

bcheney@nheom.state.nh.us Bruce Cheney, Bureau Chief all emergency management matters.

www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/members/ All NH House Members' e-mail addresses.

www.gencourt.state.nh.us/senate/members/ All NH State Senate Members' e-mail addresses.

I am always available to assist you and your region in solving issues and concerns of importance to you.

It is a pleasure to serve District One.

Raymond S. Burton
Executive Councilor

RIVENDELL CONSERVATION EASEMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

[In 1999, as part of a larger purchase of land by the Rivendell School District, an agreement was reached to conserve the 8-acre open field and hedgerow to the north of the existing school property in Orford, together with an adjacent 5-acre wooded hillside, by granting a conservation easement to the Upper Valley Land Trust. This land will remain permanently undeveloped, thereby helping to ensure the area's rural appearance by protecting scenic views and maintaining a buffer between the conserved land and nonhistoric buildings on the school campus. At the same time, Rivendell, as the property owner, retained valuable rights for certain underground, out-of-sight uses for part of the open field, as well as for educational use of the wooded hillside.]

In 2005, the Management Committee was composed of three members appointed by the Rivendell School Board (Ruth Cserr, Mel Emerson, and Bruce Schwaegler) and two members appointed by the Orford Board of Selectmen (Ann Green, serving as Committee Chair, and Carl Schmidt). George Smith, Rivendell's Director of Operations, and his successor, Gary Collins, served as ex officio members. Noelle Vitt, Rivendell's Head of Schools, continued to play an important part in the Committee's work.

During 2005, the principal role of the Management Committee was to act on behalf of the Rivendell School District to monitor implementation of the plan begun the previous year for farming the easement's open field. In accordance with this plan, River Valley Farm of Orford, which currently leases the farm land, grew corn on the upper and lower areas of the field. In addition, Sherre and Pat Tullar of River Valley Farm hand-sowed the leach field area, located in the middle terrace of the field, with sunflowers, millet, and other perennials, including asters, cosmos, daisies, and poppies, which produced a bounty of flowers. In accordance with the plan, these flowers may be cut and used by Rivendell students, teachers, and local residents. SPECIAL NOTE: By the season's end, as with other flower gardens, weeds had threatened to take over. For 2006, the Management Committee invites community members to come out and pull weeds and also to help themselves to flowers.

The specific goals and objectives for maintaining the 13 acres of conserved land are set forth in a Five Year Management Plan, which was developed by the Committee and approved by the Upper Valley Land Trust in 2003. It addresses the forested area at the east end of the easement, the wooded hedgerows along the edges of the open field, and the eight acres of open fields. The Plan provides that the fields are to be maintained for traditional agricultural uses and sets out, as a long-term goal, the use of organic farming methods. It is intended that Rivendell students and faculty will become further involved in the management of this community resource to foster learning and promote understanding and appreciation of land conservation for the public benefit.

Ann Green, Committee Chair
Ruth Cserr
Mel Emerson
Carl Schmidt
Bruce Schwaegler
Gary Collins, Ex Officio

RECREATION COUNCIL OF RIVENDELL

The Recreational Council of Rivendell, part of the Community School Organization (CSO), provides continuity and accountability for a broad range of recreational opportunities for the children of the four towns of Vershire, West Fairlee, Fairlee and Orford. At the present time, the major programs are Soccer, Basketball, Ski/Snowboard, Skating, Baseball, Softball and T-Ball.

The Council business includes support for program directors, communications with the schools, families, area towns and league associations, setting general policy, retaining and organizing information, scheduling, oversight of the general budget, allocation of funds to each program, program insurance, deals with discipline issues, maintenance and storage of team uniforms and equipment, provides accountability and publishes an annual report to the communities and town offices.

Overall, this effort by the all-volunteer Council members and hundreds of volunteers manages a \$27,000 program funded by participant registration fees (60%), town contributions (20%) and Council fund-raising (20%).

Orford residents taking leadership roles in the 2005 program included:

- Audrey Streeter and Lawrence Hibbard — Soccer program directors along with 29 (12 from Orford) total volunteer coaches and aides to manage the 142 participants.
- JJ Hebb — Basketball program director along with enough unnamed volunteers to handle the 117 students who participated.
- Theresa Woodward — Softball and T-Ball director and the coaches and aides for the 76 participants.
- Paul Dalton, Theresa Woodward and Cheryl Calhoun (Vershire) managing the ski and snowboard's 125 participants and the 41 (17 from Orford) other volunteer instructors, helpers and aides. (Separate report included in the Orford Town Report)
- Baseball program where 7 Orford volunteers were among the 18 adults managing the 53 participants in three minor leagues and one major league.

For those wishing further information about this large and demanding undertaking, the Recreation Council issues a very detailed report each year covering organization, finances, schedules, and detailed information on each of its sports programs. Copies are available through the council and at the Town Hall.

Submitted by Paul Dalton for:

Cheryl Calhoun (Vershire) CSO Chair

Theresa Woodward (Orford) Rec. Council Chair

WEST CENTRAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

In FY 2005, West Central Behavioral Health provided residents of Orford with \$1,660 of free or reduced cost mental and behavioral health services for which we received no reimbursement. We are committed to making quality mental health services available regardless of ability to pay to all communities in our service area, and are asking the cities and towns we serve to help us sustain that commitment to many of our most vulnerable neighbors.

West Central Behavioral Health is the NH designated Community Mental Health Center for Orford, as well as Sullivan and Southern Grafton Counties. Our mission is: "to promote, preserve, and strengthen the mental health and quality of life for individuals and their communities through the delivery of integrated, comprehensive services." Our consumers suffer from a range of disorders and illnesses: life threatening severe, chronic mental illness such as psychosis, schizophrenia, and bipolar disorder; all forms of addiction; as well as anxiety, depression, divorce or relationship related stress, and other impairing, but highly treatable, conditions. We work with all ages in outpatient clinics, homes, jails, nursing homes, schools, and residential supported living programs, offering a broad variety of counseling, psychiatric services, case management, and emergency consultations.

Some of the services provided to residents of Orford this year include:

- 1 child and their family received 79 therapy sessions at our outpatient clinics in Lebanon, Claremont, and Newport.
- 7 adult residents received 23 sessions of outpatient counseling for depression, anxiety, addictions, family issues, and other critical issues.
- 3 residents contacted our Emergency Services, available 24 hours, 7 days a week.
- 3 residents received 43 sessions of other services such as case management, medication checks, vocational supports, and child respite services.

We hope you will help us provide quality mental health care to all who need it.

Ronald J. Michaud
Director of Community Relations and Development

VITAL RECORDS OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

MARRIAGES

Date	Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Place of Marriage
02/05/2005	Keith, Bradford Eastman	Orford, NH	Root, Ann Elizabeth	Orford, NH	Holyoke, MA
06/04/2005	Parker, Mathew F.	Orford, NH	Carter, Joanne K.	Orford, NH	Piermont, NH
08/13/2005	Banker, Joshua R.	Lyme Center, NH	Bean, Cigi L. M.	Lyme Center, NH	Orford, NH
08/27/2005	Schwaegler, Andrew Bruce	Orford, NH	Odescalchi, Victoria Diane	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
09/09/2005	Colby, Todd W.	Wells River, VT	Smith, Leah C.	Wells River, VT	Haverhill, NH
09/16/2005	Springer, Robert P.	Sunapee, NH	Dole, Carolyn	Orford, NH	Sunapee, NH
09/17/2005	Stunkel, Erwin Homer	N. Thefford, VT	White, Jesse Ann	N. Thefford, VT	Lyme, NH
09/17/2005	Harris, Shane Morgan	Fairlee, VT	Adams, Shelby	Fairlee, VT	Lyme, NH
11/20/2005	Dyke, James R.	Orford, NH	Gillis, Marie B.	Orford, NH	Orford, NH

BIRTHS

Date of Birth	Child's Name	Parents	Place of Birth
01/16/2005	<i>Locke, Clara Jean</i>	Locke, Andrew Scholl, Heather	Lebanon, NH
04/22/2005	<i>Parker, Zachary</i>	Parker, Mathew Carter, Joanne	Lebanon, NH
05/17/2005	<i>Schwarz, Nikkolas Owen</i>	Schwarz, Randy Bechard, Prudence L.	Plymouth, NH
05/17/2005	<i>Schwarz, Noah Austin</i>	Schwarz, Randy Bechard, Prudence L.	Plymouth, NH
06/01/2005	<i>Mansfield, Gabrielle Elise</i>	Mansfield, Brian Mansfield, Deanna	Lebanon, NH

BIRTHS (continued)

Date	Child's Name	Father and Mother	Place of Birth
06/03/2005	<i>Ballou, Harold King</i>	Ballou, Harold Ordway, Stephanie	Lebanon, NH
06/03/2005	<i>Ballou, Alyson Mae</i>	Ballou, Harold Ordway, Stephanie	Lebanon, NH
06/26/2005	<i>Landgraf, Brandon Gregory</i>	Landgraf, Gregory Erastova, Nalalia	Orford, NH
09/16/2005	<i>Fahey, Mason Jean</i>	Fahey, Clifford Shepard, Amy J.	Lebanon, NH
12/17/2005	<i>Patterson, Jacoby Ronald</i>	Patterson, Ronald Patterson, Merriel	Lebanon, NH

DEATHS

Date	Name of Deceased	Father	Mother	Place of Death
01/10/2005	Lavoie, Carole A.	Lavoie, Henry	Dearborn, Nellie	Bradenton, FL
01/13/2005	Daisey, Royden "Harry"	Daisey, Joseph	Dickerson, Della May	Haverhill, NH
02/01/2005	Ballosh, Beau	Ballosh, Timothy	Osten, Jennifer	Orford, NH
02/09/2005	MacGinnis, Jane E.	Erwin, Warren	Mooney, Jane	Hanover, NH
03/13/2005	Bunten, Forrest	Bunten, John Edgar	Barnard, Mary	Orford, NH
04/17/2005	Pomeroy, Susan B.	Pomeroy, Dr. Richard B.	Pomeroy, Charlotte H.	Farmington, ME
05/05/2005	Cloud, David G.	Cloud, Norman D.	Decato, Leah M.	Lebanon, NH
05/10/2005	Goodrich, Brian W.	Goodrich, Wayne R.	Sayers, Linda	Orford, NH
07/06/2005	Beale, Georgia Robison	Robison, Henry Barton	Robison, Dora	Orford, NH
07/22/2005	Miller, Janet L.			Delray Beach, FL
08/16/2005	Keefer, Paul Blount	Keefer, Ralph Otis	Keefer, Ruth Blount	Orford, NH
09/04/2005	Stearns, Lori A.	Pierson, Edward	Jones, Shirley	Lyme, NH
09/11/2005	Davis, Robert E.	Davis, Earl	White, Ruth	Orford, NH
11/10/2005	Gendron, Wilfred Pete	Gendron, Antoine	Farr, Adeelia	Orford, NH
11/13/2005	Donnelly-Benjamin, Hazel			Haverhill, NH

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