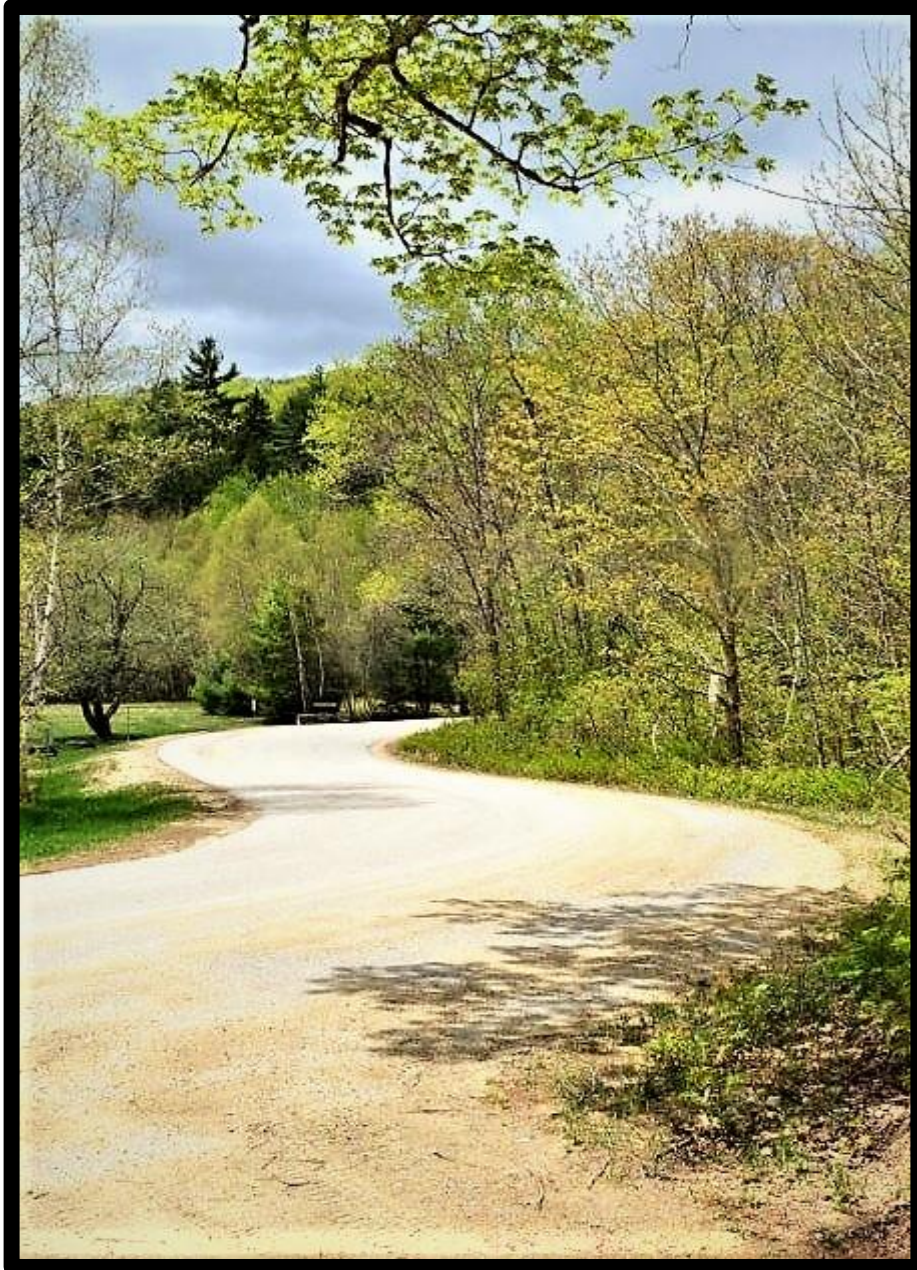


2016 THORNTON ANNUAL TOWN REPORT



FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016

TOWN OF THORNTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE



The Gavel used to conduct
our Town Meeting is made of
wood from an Elm Tree
planted by Matthew
Thornton, signer of the
Declaration of Independence.



The Road Not Taken

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim
Because it was grassy and wanted wear,
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I,
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference

- Robert Frost

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2016**

TOWN OF THORNTON

16 Merrill Access Road
New Hampshire, 03285

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In memory of

Selectman James L. Demeritt

The Thornton Board of Selectmen dedicates the 2016 Annual Town Report in memory of James L. Demeritt. Jim was a longtime resident of Thornton passed away on February 16, 2016 after courageously battling a serious illness. He was well known for his passion for all town business and actively participated on the Capital Improvements Plan Committee, Fire Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Budget Committee, Building Committee and most recently he served on the Board of Selectmen.

Jim was a veteran of the United States Navy and a devoted supporter of his nation, state and the Town of Thornton. He was also a dedicated and dependable citizen and volunteer, always advocating for our community. Before being voted in as a Selectman last year, Jim rarely missed a board meeting and the opportunity to offer his opinion or background knowledge gained from the different boards and committees he served on. Some of these meetings would last for hours, and Jim would untiringly withstand the entire meeting.

Jim was often seen throughout town and in municipal buildings with his trusted companion Roo, a Chesapeake Bay retriever, who never left his side. Jim was as loyal to our town as Roo was to him. He was mostly seen with a smile on his face and a kind word to share. He lived his life with consistency, dedication, and zest. His remarkable presence in life was a great asset and did truly improve the quality of life we all know in the region.

Even in illness, Jim fought the good fight to the very end. Our bereavement over his loss is diminished ever so slightly in knowing that his suffering has ended. We thank him for his service and wish him well-deserved peace.

Thornton Board of Selectmen

2016 DEDICATION OF THE THORNTON ANNUAL TOWN REPORT



Dennis J. Day

The Thornton Board of Selectmen also dedicates the 2016 Annual Town Report to Dennis J. Day. Dennis has been a valued member of the Zoning Board of Adjustments for the Town of Thornton for twenty-nine years. He has also worked with the Thornton Planning Board for a year and half.

Dennis moved to Thornton in May of 1982 after building his own home. Dennis J. Day has been a vital member of the Zoning Board of Adjustments and has served his town well for three decades.

Thornton Board of Selectmen

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

Selectmen's Office

Tammie Beaulieu, Town Administrator
Desiree Mahurin, Administrative Assistant
Mary Conn, Bookkeeper/Assessing Clerk
Jessi Fleury, Board Secretary

Town Clerk

Brook Rose, Town Clerk

Tax Collector

Desiree L. Mahurin
Alisa St. Amour, Deputy Tax Collector/Municipal Clerk

Library

Nina Sargent, Director
Judy Cooper, Library Assistant
Christine St. Laurent
Cam Lester
Claudia Malo

Highway Department

John Kubik, Road Agent
George Cheney
Timothy Collins
Ricky Eckard, Seasonal

Transfer/Recycling Center

Kevin McGuire, Manager
Dan Day
Don Howe
Scott Higgins
Zack Simon

Planning Director

Brian Regan

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

Zoning Enforcement Officials

Roy Sabourn, Board of Selectmen Representative

Police Department

Interim Police Chief, Mike French
Corporal, Daniel Gilman
Officer Christopher Rideout
Officer William Melanson
Officer Andy Vermeersch, Part-time
Sandy Moulton, Administrative Assistant

Campton / Thornton Fire Rescue

Officers

Daniel Defosses, Fire Chief
Ian Halm, Deputy Fire Chief
Dean Johnston, Captain
Julie O'Neill, Administrative Assistant
Deborah Sullivan, Treasurer

Company 1

Josh Fitz, Lieutenant
Thomas Hartwell
Chris Yaeger
Scott Cathy
Jamie Tuttle
Mike Pomerantz
Tyler Reidy
Peter Hicks

Company 2

Paul Steele, Lieutenant
Erin Smith
Robert Diehm
Ian McKinnon
Paul Piscitelli
Josh Hill
Cyle Moore
Mike Magee

Company 3

Dave Lavoie, Lieutenant
Michael Dow
Cory Hilton
Colleen Steele
Alex Dria
Matt Petz
Haley Vincent
Daniel Gilman

Company 4

Daniel Custance, Lieutenant
Ted Smith
Tim Muldoon
Pat Dunaway
Marshall Miller
Steve Bomba
Chris Samiya
Matt Abear

Explorers

T. Boyd N. Smialek T. Strong M. Pope

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Select Board

John Paul-Hilliard, 2019
Roy Sabourn, Chairman, 2017
Marianne Peabody, Vice-Chair, 2018
Brad R. Benton, 2017
John Gaites, 2018

Fire Commissioner

Peter Hilton, 2019
Susan Jayne, 2018

Planning Board

Steven Babin, Chairman 2018
Frank Freeman, Vice Chair, 2018
Gloria Kimball, 2017
Bart Dutto, 2017
John Gaites, Selectman Ex-Officio
Russell Gilman, 2019
Donna O'Donnell, 2019
Fred Gunter, Alternate, 2017
Cynthia Schofield, Alternate, 2017
Julie Pehn, Alternate, 2018

Zoning Board of Adjustment

David Gravel, Chairman, 2017, *Resigned*
William Rose, Vice Chair, 2019
Dennis Day, 2017
Joan Marshall, 2019
Chris Hodges, 2018
Sky Bartlett, Alternate, 2019

Library Trustees

Diane Gravel, 2019
Carolyn Piantedosi, 2017
Anita Ross, 2018
Cathie Taggart, Alternate

Capital Improvements Plan Committee

William Deleo, Chairman
Cynthia Schofield
David Gravel *Resigned*

Welfare Officer

Marianne Peabody, 2017

Moderator

Robert MacLeod, 2018

Cemetery Trustees

Duncan Booth, 2019
Phyllis Holbrook, 2018
Geraldine A. Benton, 2017

Trustees of Trust Fund

Ralph Bradley, 2018
Warren Bahr, 2017
Nancy Decoteau, *Resigned*

Ballot Clerks

Jeff Scholtz, 2018
Marolyn Fillion, 2018
Heather Baldwin, 2018
Beverly MacIntosh, 2018
Tamara Chandler, 2018

Supervisors of the Checklist

Cynthia McAuley, 2021
Mary Pelchat, 2019 *Resigned*
Gloria Kimball, 2020

Treasurer

Susan Dumont, 2018
Rebecca Farnsworth, Deputy

Town Clerk

Brook Rose, 2017

Emergency Management

John Paul-Hilliard, Director
Sandy Moulton, Deputy

Health Officer

Marianne Peabody

TOWN OF THORNTON THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE 2016 THORNTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 8, 2016

Thornton Town Offices, 16 Merrill Access Road, Thornton, NH

The Town Meeting and Polls were opened at 8:00am by Moderator Pro Temp Ray Bandi. The polls will remain open till 7:00pm.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Thornton in the County of Grafton in said state, qualified to vote in the town affairs and to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1: To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year.

OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

<u>Select Board Member</u> <i>Three Year Term</i>	<u>Trustee of Trust Funds</u> <i>Three Year Term</i>	<u>Overseer of Public Welfare</u> <i>One Year Term</i>
John Paul-Hilliard 126 Frank Cawley 1 Howard Clement 1	Becky Rogers Marianne Peabody Phyllis Holbrook Bart Dutto Jim Sanbourn, Jr. Anita Ross Nancy Decoteau Diane Gravel Geri Ann Benton Wendy Johnston All aforementioned write in candidates received one vote	Marianne Peabody 121 Edward Downing 1 Bertram Downing 1
<u>Cemetery Trustee</u> <i>Three Year Term</i>	<u>Planning Board Member</u> <i>Three Year Term</i>	<u>Town Moderator</u> <i>Two Year Term</i>
Duncan Booth 126	Donna O'Donnell 105 Russell Gilman 105	Robert J. MacLeod 129 Robert Gannett 1
<u>Library Trustee</u> <i>3 Year Term</i>	<u>Planning Board Member</u> <i>Two Year Term (partial term)</i>	<u>Town Clerk</u> <i>One Year Term (partial term)</i>
Diane Gravel 132	Frank A. Freeman 120	Brook Rose 127 Lisa Lima 1 Anita Ross 1

Total Registered Voters: 1847

Ballots cast: 134 (7.3% of registered voters)

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Saturday, March 12, 2016

The meeting reconvened at the Thornton Central School on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at 10:00am to act on the remaining articles of this warrant.

Voters present: 60 (3% of registered voters)

The Town Meeting was opened at 10:05am by Moderator Pro Temp Ray Bandi. Moderator Bandi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moderator Bandi introduced the following individuals representing the Town: Town Clerk Brook Rose, Town Administrator Tammie Beaulieu, Select Board Chairman John Paul-Hilliard, Select Board Vice Chair Roy Sabourn, Select Board Member Brad Benton, and Select Board member Marianne Peabody.

At this time, Chairman John Paul-Hilliard honored the dedicated service of former Select Board member and U.S. Navy Veteran James Demeritt who recently passed away. A place at the table in honor of Jim Demeritt was recognized. John also honored several individuals who have passed away this past year, Attorney and former Town Moderator John Mckinnon, former U.S. Veteran and Police Chief Robert McGee. All are greatly missed.

The Board congratulated all candidates on this year's ballot on their recent election.

MOTION: To waive the reading of the warrant in its entirety.

MOVED: Alfred Burbank

SECOND: Voter

Motion carries unanimously.

MOTION: To permit non-residents to speak at the meeting for the purpose of information and clarification of the articles.

MOVED: Voter

SECOND: Voter

Motion carries.

Article 2: To see if the town will vote to rescind its 1988 vote authorizing the planning board to adopt a capital improvements plan and instead authorize the board of selectmen to appoint a capital improvement program committee to prepare and amend a recommended program of municipal capital improvement projects projected over a period of at least 6 years in accordance with RSA 674:5 through RSA 674:9. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

MOTION: Voter

SECOND: Voter

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DISCUSSION: John Paul-Hilliard explained that the Board became aware that the Town is not taking full advantage of the intended design of a capital improvements plan (CIP) per the RSA's. Roy Sabourn added that this is a housekeeping article and that the CIP has existed for many years and is working really well. When the Town voted on the CIP in 1988, the article stated that the CIP would be overseen by the Planning Board. However, the Planning Board does not wish to oversee the CIP so the responsibility has been left to the CIP Committee and the Select Board. The only effective change provided in the aforesaid article is that the CIP will come under the jurisdiction of the Select Board.

Motion carries.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to change the name of the current Municipal Building Addition Capital Reserve Fund to Municipal Buildings Capital Reserve Fund and expand the purpose of the fund to include municipal buildings capital items as needed in accordance with the Town CIP plan. To further designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend these funds. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (2/3 vote required)

MOTION: Alfred Burbank

SECOND: Voter

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to change the name of the current Paving Capital Reserve Fund to Municipal Department Paving Projects Capital Reserve Fund and expand the purpose of the fund to include paving of parking lots or thruways for municipal properties as needed in accordance with the Town CIP plan. To further designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend these funds. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (2/3 vote required)

MOTION: Alfred Burbank

SECOND: Voter

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to approve an additional full time patrol officer position be added to the Thornton Police Department, and to furthermore see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) to compensate the wages and benefits for the position hired on or after May 2, 2016. This position will be incorporated into the police department annual operating budget starting in 2017. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

MOTION: Voter

SECOND: Voter

DISCUSSION: Resident Dave Rivers stated that there have been approximately 5,000 calls for service this past year and questioned whether this reflects an increase. Police Chief Rod Diamond directed the audience to the bar graph he had prepared. The bar graph is a review of calls for service since the year 2000. While some years show a decline in calls, the overall trend of the past 15 years shows a steady increase in calls.

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Resident Ann Marie Foote stated that Chief Diamond spoke at the most recent budget hearings and made everyone aware that even with the addition of an officer; the Department would still be understaffed. She added that the years that show a decrease in calls for service is a reflection of neighboring towns picking up Thornton's calls. She expressed her support for this position especially with the State's current rise in heroin addiction.

Jessica Bartlett stated that she has had really positive experiences with the Police Department in Thornton. She questioned how local resources could be used to support the community's children and asked that Chief Diamond elaborate on the need for the additional officer.

Chief Diamond replied that Thornton is relying a great deal on the State Police as well as the Campton Police Department. If a resident had a serious situation in their house after midnight and were to call the Thornton Police, the current response time could be 30-40 minutes as officers are only required to live within a 25 minute radius. An additional officer would allow for 24 hour staffing of the Department and would significantly improve response time. An additional officer would also promote increased visibility of the Police Department in the community which has proven to decrease crime.

John Paul-Hilliard stated that he supports this article. He stated that the Town is paying a significant amount of money for an officer to be on call at home. The gas and maintenance costs for moving cruisers in and out of the community are substantial. Some of these expenses will be eliminated from the budget. He added that he appreciates the fact that neighboring police departments have been covering Thornton for years but questioned how long this town is going to drain these resources. Thornton is not offering a good community policing policy. The Town's goal is to keep everyone as safe as possible in their homes.

Resident Bill Deleo questioned what the actual annual cost will be for an additional officer as the proposed \$50,000 only covers the remainder of 2016. Chief Diamond replied that the annual expense is approximately \$70,000.

Another resident expressed her frustration that arresting citizens is not working and that the State spends much more on policing than on mental health and human services. She stated that increased policing is not the solution.

Resident Barbara Patterson expressed her support for Chief Diamond. She stated that he has been in this Town a very long time and knows the people in this town better than anyone. She added that it is not the Thornton Police Department's fault that the mental health system is broken in this state. It is the state's fault and now the communities have to play catch up with mental health and addiction issues. She added that the officers in this town work with people whose actions are at time reprehensible and yet officers treat them with respect.

Resident Stephanie Olsen also expressed her support for the position. She stated that Thornton is not Campton's or the State Police's first priority. She encouraged residents to approve this position and take a stand for our community.

Motion carries.

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Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifty-two thousand dollars (\$52,000)** to be added to the existing Assessing Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

MOTION: Voter
SECOND: Voter
Motion carries.

Article 7: 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 existing MillBrook Road Construction & Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

MOTION: Voter
SECOND: Voter

DISCUSSION: Dave Rivers stated that he lives on MillBrook Road and the entire road needs more attention than what has been given to it in the past. He stated that the population on this road is growing and he would like to see a plan for the entire road put in place. Roy Sabourn replied that the intent of the article is to do improvements to the graveled portions of the road which need the most attention. The Town does work on this road every year and this article will aid in that process.

Motion carries.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000)** to be added to the existing Fire Truck/Rescue Vehicle/Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

MOTION: Voter
SECOND: Voter
Motion carries unanimously.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifty- nine thousand dollars (\$59,000)** to be added to the existing Police Cruiser and Cruiser Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

MOTION: Voter
SECOND: Voter
Motion carries.

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Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000)** to be added to the existing Property Tax Map Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

MOTION: Voter

SECOND: Voter

DISCUSSION: Jessica Bartlett asked for clarification on this article. Town Administrator Tammie Beaulieu explained that a few years ago the Select Board found the tax maps to be lacking in many areas thus a capital reserve fund was created for keeping the tax maps updated with the most accurate information. This update is funded and scheduled for the near future (2018/2019). These maps are utilized by residents and assessing companies alike.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifty-four thousand dollars (\$54,000)** to be added to the existing Highway Vehicle, Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

MOTION: Voter

SECOND: Voter

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two million six hundred seven thousand one hundred thirty four dollars (\$2,607,134.00)** to support town operations for the 2016-year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles. (Majority vote required)

MOTION: Voter

SECOND: Voter

DISCUSSION: Roy Sabourn proposed the following amendment:

AMENDMENT: To reduce the amount of the operating budget by \$11,500 to \$2,595,634.00 to support town operations. This savings is realized from the Police Department budget for overtime. The audience applauded the Board for the said amendment.

SECOND: John Paul-Hilliard seconded the amendment.

Amended motion carries unanimously.

Tammie Beaulieu pointed out that the Town's budget originally increased by \$3,000 from last year. Roy Sabourn added that with the operating budget amendment of \$11,500 the Town will spend \$8,500 less than last year. He added that the Board works hard to do the best they can with the taxpayers' dollars. The audience once again applauded the Board and the Town's staff.

OTHER BUSINESS AS PRESENTED

There were some questions from the audience specific to the auditors' report and GASB 45, long term retirement costs, undesignated fund balances, and specific budget line item questions. All questions were addressed by Town Administrator Beaulieu.

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Resident Howard Clement stated that he has two areas of concern which are the surplus funds and reserve funds. He believes these figures and the application of said funds should be reflected in the budget so that taxpayers are aware of where their money is being directed. John Paul-Hilliard referred Mr. Clement to page 108 of the town report which is the 2015 tax rate calculation and the fund balance retention. Roy Sabourn also pointed out that on page 106 the breakdown of the tax rate and the fund balance to reduce taxes is outlined. He added that town administration took special care to ensure all of this was divulged in the annual report in part due to Mr. Clement's recommendations.

Trustees of Trust Funds Position

As there were numerous write-in candidates (each receiving one vote), Moderator Pro-Temp Bandi drew a name to determine which candidate would be offered the position. Diane Gravel's name was chosen and she respectfully declined.

Oath of Office

At this time, Mr. Bandi administered the oath of office to all newly elected officials present at town meeting.

Vacant Select Board Position

Select Board member Brad Benton stated that the Town needs to fill the vacant position left by Mr. Demeritt. Any interested parties should submit a letter of interest. The position will also be advertised.

Town Offices Addition

Marianne Peabody addressed the audience to discuss the 2013 proposal for the expansion of both the town hall and the police department. She stated that when this issue was brought to a vote a few years ago, the Select Board was split and she was against doing both additions at once. She supported the addition of the police department as the safety of the employees was her main concern. The construction of the police department addition has been completed. She stated that with the growing needs of the community, she believes it is now time to support the expansion of the town offices. She explained that there are 10 departments housed in the same work space which was originally designed for 6. Confidentiality and productivity are difficult to maintain with so many departments in a small space. There is also the issue of town meetings with higher attendance beyond what the fire code allows. During elections, it is very difficult to meet State and Federal election requirements in such a confined space. Storage space is also very inadequate. In conclusion she stated that overall; the town has made many necessary repairs and has worked hard to maintain a respectable building the community can be proud of. The outside of the town hall is beautiful but the lack of space inside needs to be improved.

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There was a question from the audience regarding how much the project would cost. Roy Sabourn stated that the project has not been put back out to bid. In 2013, the original design was estimated to cost \$750-800,000 and the town actually had all of the funds to do the work without having to apply for a bond. If the voters approve this project going forward, the town will have to bond to cover some of the costs. However, the town has no other bonds at this time. If the consensus of the townspeople is to not move forward with the addition, the town will have to spend approximately \$60,000 to retrofit the town offices to meet election mandates. The proposed retrofit will cut into the newly constructed police department space. Mr. Sabourn stated that approximately 1,300 ballots were cast in the presidential primary with 125 newly registered voters. The town offices simply do not have the capacity or clearance required for elections. With the proposed addition, the town meeting could be held at the town hall rather than the school. A member of the audience questioned why elections could not be held at the school. Mr. Sabourn replied that school would have to be cancelled in order to do so as the school is not open to the public for the protection of the students. It is a safety issue and the school is not willing to shut down for elections on a regular basis.

Steve Medaglia stated that he served as a member of the citizens committee that did planning and design work associated with this project in 2013. This same committee reviewed the proposed school renovations and reduced the project costs by 5 million dollars. The committee researched needs vs. wants and spent a year coming up with the design for the town building addition at a cost that would minimize the tax impact to the townspeople. The committee was disappointed when it was voted down. Mr. Medaglia recommends that the Board move forward with this project and put it out to bid. Once this has been completed, an information meeting with members of the public will be held.

After further discussion and public comments, it was the consensus of the townspeople that the addition has become necessary and that now would be a good time to proceed with the project. Interest rates are low, the town has no bonds, and the project costs will only go up the longer the project is delayed. No one was in favor of spending the \$60,000 to retrofit the town offices when this does not offer a permanent solution.

Mad River Road

Russ Gilman stated that two years ago the Campton Water Department had to replace a portion of their water line that passes underneath Mad River Road. This has created a large dip in the road that is dangerous and needs attention. Roy Sabourn stated that he would discuss this with the road agent.

Planning Board Enforcement

Russ Gilman stated that as a member of the Planning Board, he would like to see an additional staff member hired to follow up on zoning enforcement issues. He would like to see the town authorize and move to allocate \$1,000 to hire a part time employee. Mr. Sabourn replied that the budget has already been approved but that there are funds in the budget to cover such a small expense.

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Northern Pass

Mr. Rivers encouraged everyone to be vigilant on being the voice of opposition on the Northern Pass Project. If the Northern Pass project were to alter their plans and install towers in Thornton, it would greatly reduce property values. He reiterated that this is a for-profit company. Several other residents expressed their mutual opinions on the project.

MOTION: To adjourn

MOVED: Gloria Kimball

SECONDED: Voter

Motion carries unanimously and meeting is adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Given under my hand and seal this 8th day of March in the year 2016.

Respectfully,

Brook Rose

Town Clerk
Town of Thornton, NH



ADAPT SUMMER ADVENTURE PROGRAM

The Adapt Summer Adventure Program Staff is very excited to begin planning for the 2017 programs. In 2016, we had a total number of 70 registered campers. On a typical day we had roughly 35 camper, at least six staff members, and two counselors in training. All staff members have yearly background checks along with attending some water safety and or First Aid CPR training. We are always staffed with two certified lifeguards.

In 2016 we had the opportunity to purchase a 14 passenger bus and six kayaks and one canoe. Having access to a bus also allowed us to go on many small day trips. One in particular was on Wednesdays, we would take grades 5-8 to Fiddlehead Farm. There they learned the basics of farming along with engaging in hands on volunteer. While grades 5-8 went to Fiddlehead Farm, grades 1-4 would go up to the library and would attend to the community garden along with weekly gardening lessons from Nina Sargent. Adapt looks forward to bringing this program back for 2017.

In 2016 Adapt also received a grant from NH Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services. This grant allows Lynn Tilden, the Adapt Camp Director, to work 20 hours a week at Thornton Central School. Lynn, a certified counselor in Project SUCCESS (Schools Using Coordinated Community Efforts to Strengthen Students) is currently working with school staff in implementing a substance abuse prevention program. Project Success is a highly effective, school-based substance abuse prevention and early intervention program. The goals of the program is to prevent and reduce alcohol, tobacco and other drug use and to improve school performance. In addition, this program works in conjunction with the State of New Hampshire guidelines for Elementary Grades 5 - 8 Health Curriculum as well as Thornton's comprehensive guidance program. Lynn is working and collaborating with Danielle Morse, the TCS Guidance Counselor.

This year's summer program will be running the same as last year's, Monday thru Friday with drop off at 8:30 a.m. and pick up at 3:30 p.m. The program is open to Thornton students entering grades 1-8. As tradition will continue, each morning counselors will greet the campers for sign-in and some playground time. Attendance is then taken followed by the ever-popular energizer and an icebreaker! These activities are a great way to kick off a field trip or fun-filled day at TCS.



ADAPT SUMMER ADVENTURE PROGRAM

Every week Adapt will be going on at least two field trips. Typically, field trips will be Tuesdays through Thursdays. Like 2016, most field trips will be the same as last summer's program with adventures such as the Papermill Theater on select Wednesday mornings, Ice Skating at Plymouth State University Ice Arena, a hike up Smarts Brook, Wellington Beach, Echo Lake, The Flume, Santa's Village, Whales Tale and Hobo Hills Mini Golf and Ice Cream Delights. On Mondays, select Wednesdays and Fridays, campers will be staying at TCS.

At TCS, campers will be participating in groups closer to their age, as well as mixing up age groups. Each week is a different theme which will be working on team building activities, nature awareness, fitness activities, arts and crafts, and much more! On selected days at TCS the rock-climbing wall will be open, along with the opportunity to have students practice yoga!

Fridays are going to be fun-filled with activities for all ages with the addition of dress up days such as, twin day, favorite cartoon/superhero day, disney day, and crazy hair day! For grades 5th-8th we will again offer an overnight for campers. During the last week of camp, Adapt will be hosting Adapt's Got Talent and the End of Summer BBQ. Campers like last year, will be involved in the preparation and participation of Adapt's Got Talent. The campers' always put hard work into what is always an unforgettable performance for fellow campers, counselors and parents. It's a perfect way to wrap up a great summer!

For the 2017 program, we will be bringing back theater camp, run by Eben Gannett, a Thornton native! Theater Camp will be worked into the summer program every Wednesday and Monday, with a performance at the end of the summer. As always, the 2017 Adapt Summer Adventure Program has positive changes to look forward to. We are still in the initial phase of planning for field trips, and we would love to hear suggestions you or your child have for trip ideas!

Be on the lookout for newsletters and Facebook updates as the summer approaches!

Respectfully submitted,

Sean O'Brien

Executive Director

Lynn Tilden

Adventure Program Director

2016 BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

The Beautification Committee held spring and autumn meetings this year.

In the spring Nick Scrimshaw from Sandwich Notch Road attended our meeting and offered to donate day lilies to the town. We were unable to visit his residence this summer but plan to go sometime in the spring and pick what we want and discuss placement around the town. We are most appreciative of his most generous offer.



We now have permanent lighting for the Christmas tree with a timer. Santa came again in early December and handed out candy canes to the children. A wonderful (and growing) group sang carols and enjoyed celebrating the holiday season.



We accepted a bid from the NH Prison Sign Shop for 6 "Welcome to Thornton" signs. They have been delivered and with permission from the State we will determine placement in the spring.

Members include Myra DeLeo, Gerald Gateman, Leslie Hoyt, Gloria Kimball, Marianne Peabody, Julie Piehn, and Carolyn Piantedosi.

We welcome newcomers to our committee!

2016 THORNTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORT

Dear Citizens,

The year 2016 was difficult and extremely busy for your Board of Selectmen, as well as all town departments. On February 16 we lost our friend and fellow Board member, James L. Demeritt, to cancer. He has been greatly missed. We were lucky enough to have four citizens offer to serve in his stead until the next election, with John (Jack) Gaites ultimately being appointed to fill in. John's willingness to serve and his thoughtfulness have made him an asset to the Board.

The Town also lost employees from the Police Department and the Transfer Station, as well as our Administrative Assistant, all of whom moved on to other area employments for various career or personal reasons. David Gravel, long time Zoning Board of Adjustment member and chairman, as well as Capital Improvements Committee member, also resigned this year. David's dedication and wisdom will certainly be missed, and we thank him and wish him well in his future endeavors.

We are currently still searching for a police chief. On a positive note, we were able to hire William Melanson as a full-time patrol officer and have been interviewing other candidates to staff the five-person department as authorized at last year's town meeting. We also recently hired two new Transfer Station attendants who will be starting at the facility at the first of the year. Our part-time Tax Collector, Desiree Mahurin, was promoted to full-time employment to serve as our Administrative Assistant and Municipal Agent, in addition to her Tax Collector duties.

There were four elections in 2016. Due to the diligence of Moderator Robert MacLeod and Town Clerk Brook Rose, as well as the expert assistance of our Supervisors of the Checklist and Ballot Clerks, all elections were accomplished without any real problems. This was the first year we voted by "tabulator," which was very well received. We also added more voting booths and installed new glass double doors at the entrance to the meeting room to assist with voter traffic flow. The turnout for the Presidential Election was the largest the town has ever had.

The Board has reluctantly acknowledged that the new meeting room addition as discussed at the last town meeting will not be accomplished in the near future due to other more pressing town financial needs. It remains on the CIP requirement list, but has been pushed out to 2026. The Board has also determined that we need to convert a portion of the current Police Department office space into a new area for the Town Clerk and Tax Collector Departments, as we currently have too many employees trying to work out of the Selectmen's Office area. File storage is also an acute problem.

2016 THORNTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORT

Other items of note and accomplishments in 2016 were as follows:

1. After much debate and “tire kicking,” the Fire Department has ordered a new “Heavy Rescue Truck,” with an anticipated delivery date of early next fall. We expect the addition of this truck to the fleet will significantly increase the longevity of our engines, as the Rescue will be the responding unit to many of the calls that now require an engine.
2. Grants were received for a new, larger generator for town hall and for “hardening” certain Police Department areas. Those activities have been accomplished, or nearly so at the time of this writing. Also, the former Firing Range behind town hall has been removed and reclaimed and a new Range has been installed in the vicinity of the Highway Department building.
3. The Highway Department made significant improvements to Judges Road as well as others, and ditched and repaved all of Mountain Woodlands Road.
4. The Transfer Station Manager has been actively working with the Board to develop a plan for necessary improvements to the recycling building and the compactor/office space. Due to pledged support from the Campton Board of Selectmen, we intend to implement those improvements next summer.
5. The Board contracted for a Wage Study plan and has implemented it to insure our employees are being fairly compensated. We also contracted for an engineering/hydraulic study in order to resolve frequent flooding issues at the junction of Hazelton and Mill Brook Roads in the Valley. Pending approval of necessary permits, we hope to perform the construction work next summer.
6. Due to the generosity of Ralph and Ruth Bradley, a permanent easement was given to the town for a snow plow turn-around at the end of Dick Bradley Road. It has been needed for a long time and will be a great help to our plow crews.

As always, the town looking for citizens willing to serve on various boards and committees. Currently we need a ZBA member, a Supervisor of the Checklist, a Trustee of Trust Funds, CIP committee members, and Conservation Commission members. If anyone has an interest and the time to help with any of those positions, please contact the Town Office or one of your Selectmen.

Lastly, we wish to say “Thank You!” to all of our dedicated and hard-working town employees who provide the services the Town of Thornton relies upon, and we wish them and all of our citizens a healthy and prosperous 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Thornton Board of Selectmen

2016 CADY ANNUAL REPORT TOWN OF THORNTON

Communities for Alcohol- and Drug-Free Youth would like to thank citizens of the Town of Thornton for your support over the past year—together we are building possibilities, potential, and promise for our youth!

Addiction is one of the most complex issues facing NH today—the consequences of this epidemic are severe with overdose deaths stealing the lives of so many of our young people. The most responsible and humane strategy is to stop these tragic situations from occurring in the first place. Director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy recently stated, “Addiction doesn’t start with prescription drug abuse or heroin use. It starts with alcohol, tobacco and marijuana. If we want to end the epidemic our country is experiencing, then we must put resources on the ground for prevention.” As I write this year’s annual report, I am excited to share information about the progress we have made, together with our community partners, over the past year.

Our non-profit organization exists because our programs work. At CADY we see growth every day in the inspiring faces of our youth as they learn, grow, and thrive—we can only do this vital work with your involvement and support—thank you!

When you invest in CADY you provide the opportunity for local teens to build resiliency through asset-building, high-impact prevention programming such as the Launch Youth Entrepreneurship Program and the Youth Advisory and Advocacy Council as well as through school-based initiatives. And you reclaim futures by giving vulnerable youth a second chance to overcome challenges, to grow and to turn their lives around through Restorative Justice, our region’s only juvenile court diversion program. Many high-risk youth in Restorative Justice are already struggling with substance use disorders—we know that when we intervene early, we can prevent entry into the addiction pipeline and save lives.

Our outreach work included an ongoing media campaign designed to raise awareness on substance misuse and solutions with submissions to the Hometown Voice, school newsletters, the PennySaver, and the Record Enterprise as well as social networking sites of Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. We also launched a new website (www.cadyinc.org) in September with a video library and other outstanding resources for parents and community members. We collaborated with Speare Memorial Hospital on an Opiate and Heroin Media and Outreach Campaign to raise perception of risk and prevent addiction as well as connect those struggling with addiction to regional and statewide resources. We launched a new initiative: *TEACH OUR CHILDREN WELL: The Truth About Drugs* in collaboration with Plymouth Rotary and other key partners to provide a high-impact, powerful learning opportunity for parents and other caregivers in our region.

**2016 CADY ANNUAL REPORT
TOWN OF THORNTON**

Beyond our primary prevention mission, our work with the Substance Use Disorders Continuum of Care statewide system included four Naloxone Kit Distribution events; ongoing promotion of the NH Statewide Addiction Crisis Line (1-844-711-HELP); providing resources to families of children struggling with addiction through vital information, referrals, and empowering tools to access treatment and recovery and save their children's lives; roundtables with our federal delegation to communicate local needs to help inform federal legislative activity; and hosting of inspiring keynote speakers at our Annual Regional Prevention Summit in May to bring awareness to our community and partners that prevention works, treatment is effective, and recovery is possible.

While we are grateful for our many successes, we have a long way to go. We know that many worthwhile causes turn to you for support and we want you to know that we are grateful and honored for your ongoing commitment to preventing substance abuse and addiction—thank you.

Sincerely,

Deb Naro

CADY - Executive Director

2016 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Thornton's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) is a tool used for planning capital expenditures. The CIP's "Total Capital Improvement Requirements" spreadsheet is a 10-year schedule of anticipated capital expenditures (tangible assets or projects that cost at least \$10,000 and have a useful life of at least five years). The "Reserve Calculation" spreadsheet represents the capital reserve balances that are level funded each year in the amount of \$270,000. As you can see, the total expenditures for each year on the "Requirements" spreadsheet are variable, but level funding the "Reserve" funds each year controls a portion of the tax rate and contributes to savings in the form of finance costs.

The CIP insures sound fiscal and capital planning by classifying projects according to their urgency and need for realization. This process requires the involvement and cooperation of all municipal departments. The committee begins the CIP process by asking department managers to submit their capital requests. Each department meets with the Town's Select Board to review their proposals. The CIP committee then receives the capital requests, which are evaluated and prioritized. Over a period of several months, the "Total Capital Improvement Requirements" spreadsheet is created and revised as needed. We also meet with the Select Board to update them on our progress, and to discuss any issues encountered in developing the plan. The Capital Reserve balances are updated at year end and the "Reserve Calculation" spreadsheet is finalized. After presenting the plan to the Select Board, the committee meets to discuss and approve the final version of the plan.

In addition to working on this year's plan, a CIP process handbook was created. This guide describes the timeline and procedures we use to develop the plan, and provides future committee members with the information they will need to carry on this important function. As in the past, we welcome interested citizens to join us. We meet monthly, May-December. Please contact the Town office for information about joining the committee.

I would like to thank the committee members for their hard work and dedication this year, and for the patience to see this process through to the end. Thanks also goes out to the various boards, department staff and volunteers who work tirelessly on behalf of Thornton residents.

Respectfully submitted,

William DeLeo Chairperson
Cindy Schofield
David Gravel
William DeLeo

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Total Capital Requirements 2017-2026												
	Highway	Mill Brook	Roads	Paving	Bridges	Fire	Police	Transfer	Building	Mapping	Assessing	Total
2017												
TS Renovation									37000			
Town Hall Offc Space Renovation									65000			
Millbrook Culvert Repair			84000									
Ford F550 #3	90000											
6 Wheeler Plow	60000											
TOTAL	<u>150000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>84000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>102000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>336000</u>
2018												
TS Paving				35000								
Ford F550 #1	90000											
Command Vehicle #1						18000						
Bridge Replacement					150000							
Ambulance #1						96000						
TOTAL	<u>90000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>35000</u>	<u>150000</u>	<u>114000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>389000</u>
2019												
Excavator	70000											
Back Hoe	55000											
Parcel Mapping Project										145000		
Assessment											105000	
Police Cruiser #3							42000					
TOTAL	<u>125000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>42000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>145000</u>	<u>105000</u>	<u>417000</u>
2020												
Police Cruiser # 2							42000					
Engine # 2						208000						
TOTAL	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>208000</u>	<u>42000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>250000</u>
2021												
Police Cruiser #1							42000					
Ford 550 #2	90000											
TOTAL	<u>90000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>42000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>132000</u>
2022												
Command Vehicle #2						30000						
Fire Sta Renovation									10000			
Upper Mill Brook Upgrade		110000										
TOTAL	<u>0</u>	<u>110000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>30000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>150000</u>
2023												
Grader	30000											
Engine # 4						208000						
TOTAL	<u>30000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>208000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>238000</u>
2024												
Assessing											90000	
Police Cruiser #3							42000					
Ford F550 #3	80000											
TOTAL	<u>80000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>42000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>90000</u>	<u>212000</u>
2025												
Dump Truck Body	40000											
Fire Dpt Utility Truck						16000						
Ford 550 #1	80000											
Police Cruiser #2							42000					
TOTAL	<u>120000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16000</u>	<u>42000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>178000</u>
2026												
Skid Steer								20145				
Town Hall Renovation - Elections									500000			
Police Cruiser #1							42000					
TOTAL	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>42000</u>	<u>20145</u>	<u>500000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>562145</u>
10 YEAR TOTAL	<u>685,000</u>	<u>110,000</u>	<u>84,000</u>	<u>35,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>576,000</u>	<u>252,000</u>	<u>20,145</u>	<u>612,000</u>	<u>145,000</u>	<u>195,000</u>	<u>2,864,145</u>

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

	Reserve Calculation											Total	Bond	LTP	Reserve	Total	
	Highway	Mill Brook	Roads	Paving	Bridges	Fire	Police	Transfer	Building	Mapping	Assessing						
Beginning Reserve	\$97,814	\$35,238	\$109,887	\$26,085	\$154,912	\$15,253	\$52,845	\$9,617	\$85,283	\$70,056	\$74,913	\$731,903					
2017																	
Requirements	\$150,000	\$0	\$84,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$102,000	\$0	\$0	\$336,000					
Reserve Funding	\$105,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$7,000	\$10,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$18,000	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$52,814	\$35,238	\$25,887	\$36,085	\$154,912	\$35,253	\$59,845	\$19,617	\$33,283	\$120,056	\$92,913	\$665,903					
2018																	
Requirements	\$90,000	\$0	\$0	\$35,000	\$150,000	\$114,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$389,000					
Reserve Funding	\$85,000	\$28,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$117,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$0	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$47,814	\$63,238	\$25,887	\$1,085	\$4,912	\$38,253	\$69,845	\$24,617	\$33,283	\$145,056	\$92,913	\$546,903					
2019																	
Requirements	\$125,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$42,000	\$0	\$0	\$145,000	\$105,000	\$417,000					
Reserve Funding	\$160,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$45,000	\$35,000	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$82,814	\$63,238	\$25,887	\$1,085	\$4,912	\$83,253	\$62,845	\$39,617	\$33,283	\$56	\$2,913	\$399,903					
2020																	
Requirements	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$208,000	\$42,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250,000					
Reserve Funding	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$135,000	\$31,000	\$0	\$15,000	\$0	\$39,000	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$132,814	\$63,238	\$25,887	\$1,085	\$4,912	\$10,253	\$51,845	\$39,617	\$48,283	\$56	\$41,913	\$419,903					
2021																	
Requirements	\$90,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$42,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$132,000					
Reserve Funding	\$47,000	\$7,000	\$0	\$23,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$40,000	\$0	\$28,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$89,814	\$70,238	\$25,887	\$24,085	\$4,912	\$110,253	\$49,845	\$39,617	\$76,283	\$56	\$66,913	\$557,903					
2022																	
Requirements	\$0	\$110,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$150,000					
Reserve Funding	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$75,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$21,000	\$0	\$24,000	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$129,814	\$238	\$25,887	\$34,085	\$14,912	\$155,253	\$99,845	\$39,617	\$87,283	\$56	\$90,913	\$677,903					
2023																	
Requirements	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$208,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$238,000					
Reserve Funding	\$45,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$140,000	\$20,000	\$0	\$45,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$144,814	\$238	\$25,887	\$34,085	\$14,912	\$87,253	\$119,845	\$39,617	\$132,283	\$56	\$110,913	\$709,903					
2024																	
Requirements	\$80,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$42,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$90,000	\$212,000					
Reserve Funding	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$46,000	\$20,000	\$49,000	\$10,000	\$105,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$74,814	\$238	\$25,887	\$54,085	\$60,912	\$107,253	\$126,845	\$49,617	\$237,283	\$56	\$30,913	\$767,903					
2025																	
Requirements	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,000	\$42,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$178,000					
Reserve Funding	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$160,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$4,814	\$238	\$25,887	\$64,085	\$60,912	\$131,253	\$84,845	\$49,617	\$397,283	\$56	\$40,913	\$859,903					
2026																	
Requirements	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$42,000	\$20,145	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$562,145					
Reserve Funding	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$0	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$155,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$270,000	\$0	\$0	\$270,000	\$270,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$54,814	\$238	\$25,887	\$79,085	\$60,912	\$171,253	\$42,845	\$29,472	\$52,283	\$56	\$50,913	\$567,758					
Total																	
Requirements	\$685,000	\$110,000	\$84,000	\$35,000	\$150,000	\$576,000	\$252,000	\$20,145	\$612,000	\$145,000	\$195,000	\$2,864,145					
Reserve Funding	\$642,000	\$75,000	\$0	\$88,000	\$56,000	\$732,000	\$242,000	\$40,000	\$579,000	\$75,000	\$171,000	\$2,700,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,700,000	\$2,700,000	
Ending Reserve Balance	\$54,814	\$238	\$25,887	\$79,085	\$60,912	\$171,253	\$42,845	\$29,472	\$52,283	\$56	\$50,913	\$567,758					

2016 CEMETERY TRUSTEES

During 2016, we recorded five sales and ten interments in our cemeteries. Some of the fences at our cemeteries (which are required by law) will need replacement over the next few years. We will be working on estimating the cost to do so, and to propose a plan to accomplish the project during the course of this year. Repairs will be made as needed.

The Trustees will welcome input from any interested citizens regarding the fence project.

Thornton Cemetery Trustees,

Duncan W. Booth
Geraldine B. Carboneau
Phyllis B. Holbrook

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

<u>Unit of Government</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Municipal	3.91	3.57	3.87	3.80	3.80
School- Local Funding	11.66	11.37	10.79	10.59	10.64
School- State Ed Fund	2.17	2.60	2.36	2.45	2.25
County	1.65	1.56	1.77	1.50	1.63
Combined Town Rate	19.39	19.10	18.79	18.34	18.32
Waterville Estates Village District	15.54	15.64	17.12	14.79	14.17
<u>Unit of Government</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Municipal	3.64	4.27	4.39	3.33	3.12
School- Local Funding	9.93	9.13	8.95	11.00	9.26
School- State Ed Fund	2.35	2.38	2.41	2.39	2.28
County	1.39	1.38	1.39	1.60	1.46
Combined Town Rate	17.31	17.16	17.14	18.32	16.12
Waterville Estates Village District	12.65	13.71	11.58	13.44	13.83

2016 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR REPORT

Dear Citizens,

The Town of Thornton continues to meet the requirement of New Hampshire state law that an Emergency Management Department exist and be vigilant on behalf of the community for the purpose of protecting its' residents and visitors.

As your Director, I am tasked with many duties to include, but not limited to monitoring ongoing bulletins regarding impending weather, assuring that groups of people permitted by application are afforded the opportunity to assemble safely and providing a plan to relocate and secure people in our community in the event that life and safety are threatened.

I depend greatly on the assistance of our Deputy Director Sandy Moulton at the Police Department to assist in disseminating information upon receipt from our local, state and federal partners. We have the ability to assist in organizing a local response by providing services from our Emergency Operations Center at the Town Hall and arrange temporary safeguarding for our citizenry in the event of an unforeseen situation. With the assistance of the NH Department of Homeland Security, local agencies and the Red Cross, the community stands ready to do our best in keeping Thornton a safe place to visit and reside.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Paul Hilliard

EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR JOSEPH KENNEY, DISTRICT ONE

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE Executive Council

JOSEPH D. KENNEY
EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR
DISTRICT ONE



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ANNUAL REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR KENNEY, DISTRICT ONE



As I start my 4th year of service to you and the State of New Hampshire in Council District I, I am grateful, committed and honored to serve you.

I continue to work with the Governor, Council and Legislature on the important issues impacting the State. The Heroin and Opioid epidemic has been the number one issue. The Council has supported over \$25 million in contracts for prevention, treatment and recovery programs. In addition, the Council supported several millions of dollars for Law Enforcement Operation of Granite Hammer to interdict and prevent drug smuggling.

Economic development is still my top priority for the Northern most Council District and I will work with community and business leaders to assist in the creation of jobs and economic opportunity. I am committed to the Balsams project in Dixville Notch and I worked to form a nine member Laconia State Property Committee to support the Executive Branch with the future sale of that property. Good news stories include the expansion of Vermont NSA manufacturing into Groveton to create over 70 jobs, the expansion of River Valley Community College into the old Lebanon College building in Lebanon and the new addition of the \$7 million Marine Patrol Headquarters Building in Gilford.

I join with the NH Congressional Delegation - Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Annie Kuster and Congresswoman Carol Shea-Porter in working with other New England states and our northern Canadian friends to seek economic opportunities and relationships.

The Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan process working with the Department of Transportation and the Regional Planning Commissions was completed upon passage by the Legislature and signature of the Governor in June. The plan focuses on preservation, maintenance and safety of existing pavement and bridge infrastructure throughout the State. The US Congress passed the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, which provides increased federal funding to the State of New Hampshire over the next five years. Contact William Watson at NH DOT for any additional details at 271-3344 or bwatson@dot.state.nh.us.

The 2017 session of the NH House and Senate will address legislation that deals with the heroin and opioid crisis, sustainment of Medicaid expansion, federal health care opportunities and funding, business and workforce development. Again, I'll be watchful of proposed legislation passing costs on to the county and local levels of government. Stay close to your local state senator and house members.

EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR JOSEPH KENNEY, DISTRICT ONE

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of boards and commissions. If you are interested, please send your resume to Governor Chris Sununu, State House, 107 North Main Street,

Concord, NH 03301 attention Meagan Rose Director of Appointments/Liaison or at (603) 271-8787. A complete list is available at the NH Secretary of State website at www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm.

My office has available informational items: NH Constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I periodically send, via email, a list of my schedule for the week. Send me your email address to be added to the list if you would like at Joseph.Kenney@nh.gov. Contact my office any time I can be of assistance to you.

Serving you,
Joe

Entire Counties of Coos and Grafton, the incorporated place of Hale's Location, the towns of Albany, Alton, Andover, Bartlett, Brookfield, Center Harbor, Chatham, Conway, Cornish, Croydon, Danbury, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Gilford, Grantham, Hart's Location, Hill, Jackson, Madison, Meredith, Middleton, Milton, Moultonborough, New Durham, New Hampton, New London, Newport, Ossipee, Plainfield, Sanbornton, Sandwich, Springfield, Sunapee, Tamworth, Tilton, Tuftonboro, Wakefield, Wilmot, and Wolfeboro, and the cities of Claremont and Laconia

2016 FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Dear Residents,

Campton-Thornton Fire Rescue had another busy year with many changes to the staff and the overall operation of the department. Full-time FF/EMT Kristy Tobine resigned in February to pursue an opportunity with the Hooksett Fire Department and in April, full-time FF/EMT Scott Cathy resigned to pursue an opportunity with the NH Fire Academy. Scott continues to be an active member of our Call Department and as a training officer. We wish them both the best in their new endeavors.

Two new full-time employees started in July. FF/EMT Ian McKinnon, who began his career as a Fire Explorer with CTFR, was hired to fill one of the full-time vacancies. FF/EMT Chris Yaeger was hired to fill the second vacancy. Chris began his career in the fire service as a Fire Explorer with the Piermont Fire Department. Chris recently completed two years of training to become a Paramedic, and will be testing in the spring.

A third full-time FF/EMT was hired in December, as part of the approved 2016 budget. Thomas Hartwell, a call member with the Lisbon Fire Department, was selected to fill the newly created fourth full-time FF/EMT position. With the addition of Tom, we now have adequate personnel to staff the fire station from 6 am to 6 pm every day. Previously, per diem personnel were used to fill vacancies, which became more and more difficult, due to a limited number of personnel able to work the 12 hour shifts. Per diem employees will continue to be utilized to fill occasional openings for vacations, trainings and sick days. Prior to implementation of the 12-hour schedule in July of 2015, we only staffed the fire station 40 hours per week. The new schedule puts personnel in the station 84 hours per week. Evenings and calls requiring additional personnel, are covered by call department members.

A new sign was placed on Station 1, which replaced the original plastic letters that were installed when the building was first built. The plastic letters were damaged and removed nearly ten years ago and never replaced. The new sign features an image in the center of the Campton Dam with Welch and Dickey Mountains overlooking. The same image is being used to update the department patch for our uniforms. A big thank you to Carol Lenahan, the Campton Garden Club and Marvel Signs. A resident of Campton donated a structure for training, which was ultimately burned down in March, following an all-day live-burn training. This was the first live-burn training hosted by our department in over a decade. Crews from CTFR, Plymouth and Waterville Valley participated in the training. In the weeks leading up to the burn, members practiced skills such as hose advancement and fire suppression techniques.

Following 2016 Town Meetings, we received the final prices for the new rescue truck. The winning bidder was Desorcie Emergency Products, for a 2017 E-One Typhoon, at a price of \$453,000, including the trade-in of our 1999 Ford Rescue truck. The final price was \$22,000 below the approved amount at Town Meeting. In October, the apparatus committee toured the factory in Hamburg, NY and met with engineers to approve the final version of the truck design. The truck is expected to arrive in the summer of 2017.

2016 FIRE CHIEF REPORT

We saw a significant increase in technical rescues, searches and a slight decrease in the number of building fires we responded to in 2016. There were several incidents with injured hikers on the Welch-Dickey Loop and Smarts Brook Trails in Thornton and the Morgan-Percival trail in Campton, which is accessed via Route 113 in Holderness. There were 10 searches that personnel responded to through the year. The three most notable searches were a group of students lost during a freak snowstorm on the Smarts Brook Trail, in which two students received minor injuries. In August, an elderly male wandered away from home and in February an adult female was reported missing, both calls were in Thornton and both were ultimately found to be safe. Fortunately, during these incidents, no one suffered serious injury.

The Livermore Falls section of the Pemi River in Campton continues to be a hotspot for rescues. Within a one week span in late July and early August, CTFR, along with Plymouth and Holderness Fire Departments, responded to 3 technical rescues, including 2 patients that fell near the top of the falls, both events required setting up rope systems to safely remove the patients. One patient was transported with serious, but non-life threatening injuries, the two other rescues resulted in patients with minor injuries. These types of events are labor intensive, as we need to carry all the necessary gear into the location, set-up, perform the rescue, carry the patient out, breakdown the equipment and finally, carry the equipment out. We are quite fortunate to have several area departments that regularly assist us with these rescues.

In August, we sadly lost one of our Per Diem employees to a motor vehicle accident in Canterbury. Steven Bomba had worked with our department for just over a year. He was a Captain with the Lincoln Fire Department and an active member with Lin-Wood Ambulance. His support, contributions, great personality and can do attitude will be missed by many in the surrounding communities and public safety services.

New for 2017, we are exploring the purchase of a second ambulance to better service the towns during simultaneous emergency calls or periods that our primary ambulance is out of service for maintenance. A new ambulance 2 was scheduled to be purchased in 2018, at an estimated cost of \$260,000. Due to the current financial climate of our communities, we proposed the purchase of a used ambulance, allowing funds to be saved up for other upcoming apparatus purchases.

Other projects on the docket for 2017 include putting the new rescue truck in service, upgrading our phone system at all three stations, which will result in a cost savings to the towns and the creation of a radio repeater system to better serve our communities during large scale storms and searches. During the summer of 2016, we conducted testing, which showed the added benefit to the operation and safety of not only our members, but our residents and visitors to our communities.

2016 FIRE CHIEF REPORT

As always, I would like to point out a few safety tips! Don't forget to check your smoke and CO detector batteries twice a year, have your chimney cleaned annually and wear your safety belts. Also, don't forget that if you see us working on the side of the road, please slow down early and move over. Working on the roadside is one of the most dangerous aspects of our job. We have had many close calls in recent years. We want to ensure that everyone goes home safely.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our residents for all your support for the Campton-Thornton Fire Rescue team. We are always here for you to stop in to say hello and check out the fleet and equipment which you have helped to purchase for the safety of the department and our residents. Have a safe and happy 2017!

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Defosses

Fire Chief

Campton-Thornton Fire Rescue

2016 CAMPTON-THORNTON FIRE COMMISSION REPORT

The Fire Commission had a change of membership during 2016. We thank Diane Richards for her service as a Fire Commissioner and wish her well in her career. The Town of Campton has appointed Virginia Erickson as a member of the team this year and we would like to welcome her to the team. Virginia's vast knowledge as a cardio-thoracic nurse will be an asset to the Fire Commission.

The Fire Commissioners continue to work on streamlining processes within the department. They have been continuing work on the policies and procedures and are nearly ready for approval. A new rescue truck has been ordered and should arrive late summer.

We are proud to represent the Campton-Thornton Fire Rescue Department and will continue in our role as liaison for the Towns of Campton, Thornton, and Ellsworth.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Bolger

Brenda Boisvert

Virginia Erickson

Peter Hilton

Susan Jayne

Jay Wagner

CAMPTON – THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT 2016 BUDGET WORKSHEET

Acct	Campton/Thornton Fire Dept Budget	Proposed 2017 Budget	2016 Budget	2016 to 2017 Variance	Increase/Decrease	2016 Expended	% Remaining 2016
4220.00	Payroll - Fire Chief FT	58,317	57,174	1,143	2.00%	57174	0.00%
	Payroll - Lieutenant FT	43,222	42,370	852	2.01%	43582	-2.86%
	Payroll - FF/EMT FT (3)	111,405	85,654	25,751	30.06%	63298	26.10%
	Payroll - Admin	38,002	35,464	2,538	7.16%	36295	-2.34%
	Total	250,946	220,662	30,284	13.72%	200349	9.21%
4220.01	Payroll - Call Company	59,583	56,796	2,787	4.91%	37,597	33.80%
4220.02	Payroll - Night Call	30,640	22,500	8,140	36.18%	13,941	38.04%
4220.03	Payroll - Overtime Full Time	22,334	19,862	2,472	12.45%	17,991	9.42%
4220.04	Payroll - Special Detail	5,280	5,550	-270	-4.86%	4955	10.72%
4220.05	Payroll - Support Staff	2,500	1,500	1,000	66.67%	1,926	-28.40%
4220.06	Payroll - Per Diem	17,600	33,120	-15,520	-46.86%	56,793	-71.48%
	Total	388,884	359,990	28,894	82.20%	333,552	7.34%
4220.10	Payroll - Tax Expense	23,535	14,839	8,696	58.60%	18,471	-24.48%
4220.11	Payroll - Unemployment Expense	2,039	1,994	45	2.27%	0	100.00%
4220.12	Payroll - Retirement Expense	78,198	65,136	13,062	20.05%	46,366	28.82%
4220.13	Payroll - Health, L&D Insurance	112,402	119,945	-7,543	-6.29%	86,118	28.20%
4220.14	Payroll - Expenses	2,500	3,500	0	0.00%	1,824	47.89%
4220.20	Chiefs Expenses	200	200	0	0.00%	107	46.50%
4220.21	Fire Officer Expenses	200	200	0	0.00%	0	100.00%
4220.23	Fire Commissioner's Expenses	200	200	0	0.00%	527	-163.73%
4220.30	Postage	550	550	0	0.00%	577	-4.95%
4220.31	Publications & Software	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%	1,845	-23.00%
4220.32	Office Supplies	2,000	1,500	500	33.33%	3,478	-131.87%
4220.33	Audit	2,400	2,400	0	0.00%	2,500	-4.17%
4220.34	Legal Expense	4,000	6,000	-2,000	-33.33%	1,629	72.85%
4220.35	I.T.	5,530	7,744	-2,214	-28.59%	9,993	-29.04%
4220.36	Advertising	500	500	0	0.00%	1,195	-139.00%
4220.40	Insurance	28,000	31,000	-3,000	-9.68%	26,784	13.60%
4220.41	Insurance Deductable	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%	0	100.00%
4220.50	Utilities - Telephone	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%	4,214	-40.47%
4220.51	Utilities - Cell Phones	1,560	1,560	0	0.00%	1,476	5.38%
4220.52	Utilities - Electric	9,000	7,000	2,000	28.57%	8,784	-25.49%
4220.53	Utilities - Heating Oil	6,500	9,700	-3,200	-32.99%	4,518	53.42%
4220.54	Utilities - Cables	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%	842	35.23%
4220.60	Health & Safety	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%	4,587	-52.90%
4220.61	Training	6,500	6,500	0	0.00%	4,419	32.02%
4220.62	Education	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%	1,025	31.67%
4220.70	Vehicle Fuel	13,000	16,500	-3,500	-21.21%	9,146	44.57%
4220.71	Vehicle Maintenance	25,000	25,000	0	0.00%	43,749	-75.00%
4220.80	F.D. Equipment	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%	13,377	-122.95%
4220.81	F.D. Rescue Supplies	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%	7,082	-18.03%
4220.82	F.D. Fire Gear	1	3,000	-2,999	-99.97%	29,415	-880.50%
4220.83	F.D. Uniforms	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%	3,335	-66.75%
4220.85	Equipment Maintenance	6,500	6,500	0	0.00%	5,506	15.29%
4220.86	Other Supplies	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%	1,268	-26.80%
4220.87	Maintenance Contracts	4,500	4,500	0	0.00%	3,076	31.64%
4220.89	Miscellaneous Expense	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%	5,460	-446.00%
	Total Projected Expenses	\$ 751,999	\$ 724,258	\$ 28,741	3.83%	\$ 686,246	5.25%
						Return to Towns = \$ 38,012	
	Original Proposal	\$ 762,888					

**CAMPTON - THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
TREASURER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016**

Beginning Balance - January 1, 2016

Checking		\$ 29,070.25
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Receipts

Interest Income	20.20	
Inspection Income	120.00	
Other Income	3,970.50	
Appropriations	728,148.96	
Transfer from furnishings account	<u>286.93</u>	
		732,546.59

Disbursements

Commissioners (2016 Budget)	685,698.05	
Commissioners (Encumbered 2015)	<u>19,135.64</u>	
		704,833.69

Ending Balance - December 31, 2016

Checking	52,933.15	
Encumbered Funds 2016	<u>3,850.00</u>	
		<u>\$ 56,783.15</u>

**CAMPTON - THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
TREASURER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016**

AMBULANCE ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance - January 1, 2016		\$ 2,605.57
 Receipts		
Interest Income	3.24	
Ambulance Revenue	<u>136,806.58</u>	136,809.82
 Disbursements		
Town of Campton	65,433.03	
Town of Ellsworth	4,512.61	
Town of Thornton	42,869.91	
Comstar	<u>11,139.33</u>	123,954.88
 Ending Balance - December 31, 2016		 <u><u>\$ 15,460.51</u></u>

FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance - January 1, 2016		286.93
 Receipts		
 Disbursements		
Transfer to Checking		286.93
 Ending Balance - December 31, 2016		 <u><u>\$ -</u></u>

**CAMPTON - THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016**

<u>ACCT ID</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
3401.10	Interest Income		
	Bank of New Hampshire		20.20
3401.11	Inspection Income		120.00
3401.12	Other Income		
	McDowell & Osburn	15.00	
	Town of Campton (forest fire)	98.31	
	Shaheen & Gordon-report	20.00	
	Special Detail	3,687.00	
	MMG/Oneill Law (EMS reports)	40.00	
	Miscellaneous-report	20.00	
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		<u>70.19</u>	
			3,970.50
3401.90	Appropriations		
	Town of Campton	423,959.98	
	Town of Thornton	275,219.00	
	Town of Ellsworth	<u>28,969.98</u>	
			728,148.96
	Transfer from furnishings account		<u>286.93</u>
			<u>732,526.39</u>
 <u>AMBULANCE REVENUE</u> 			
3401.10	Interest Income		
	Bank of New Hampshire		3.24
3401.15	Ambulance		136,806.58
			<u>136,809.82</u>

**CAMPTON-THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016**

<u>ACCT ID</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2200.00	Encumbered Funds	19,135.64
4220.00	Payroll - Full Time	200,348.62
4220.01	Payroll -Call Company	39,731.29
4220.02	Payroll Expense - Weekend Call	13,941.00
4220.03	Payroll - Overtime Full Time	17,990.99
4220.04	Payroll - Special Detail	2,862.50
4220.05	Payroll - Support Staff	1,926.29
4220.06	Payroll - Per Diem	56,792.52
4220.10	Payroll - Tax Expense	18,470.55
4220.12	Payroll - Retirement Expenses	46,366.38
4220.13	Payroll- Health, L & D Insurance	86,117.64
4220.14	Payroll - Expenses	1,824.49
4220.20	Chiefs Expenses	106.96
4220.23	Fire Commissioner's Expense	527.46
4220.30	Postage	577.24
4220.31	Publications & Software	1,845.20
4220.32	Office Supplies	2,909.99
4220.33	Audit	2,500.00
4220.34	Legal Expense	1,628.75
4220.35	I.T.	9,992.91
4220.36	Advertising	1,195.38
4220.40	Insurance	26,784.27
4220.50	Utilities - Telephone	4,213.78
4220.51	Utilities - Cell Phones	1,475.50
4220.52	Utilities - Electric	8,784.19
4220.53	Utilities - Heating Oil	4,517.54
4220.54	Utilities - Cable	842.56
4220.60	Health & Safety	4,587.37
4220.61	Training	4,418.80
4220.62	Education	1,024.95

**CAMPTON-THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016**

<u>ACCT ID</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
4220.70	Vehicle Fuel	9,145.78
4220.71	Vehicle Maintenance	43,748.94
4220.80	F.D. Equipment	13,376.79
4220.81	F.D. Rescue Supplies	7,082.34
4220.82	F.D. Fire Gear	29,393.45
4220.83	F.D. Uniforms	3,334.76
4220.85	Equipment Maintenance	5,505.70
4220.86	Other Supplies	1,268.58
4220.87	Maintenance Contracts	3,075.50
4220.89	Miscellaneous Expense	<u>5,461.09</u>
		<u>\$ 704,833.69</u>

AMBULANCE DISBURSEMENTS

4228.10	Ambulance Income Collection Fee	11,139.33
4229.1	Ambulance Revenue Paid to Towns	
	Town of Campton	65,433.03
	Town of Ellsworth	4,512.61
	Town of Thornton	<u>42,869.91</u>
		112,815.55
		<u>\$ 123,954.88</u>

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER REPORT

Over the past two years, New Hampshire has experienced its busiest fire seasons since 1989. 1,090 acres burned during the 2016 season. The White Mountain National Forest experienced its largest fire since becoming a National Forest, burning 330 acres in the town of Albany in November. Fires falling under state jurisdiction burned 759 acres, with the largest fire of 199 acres occurring in Stoddard. The extremely dry summer led to a busy fall fire season with large fires occurring into mid-November. Drought conditions hampered fire suppression efforts and extended the time needed to extinguish fires. Your local fire departments and the Division of Forests & Lands worked tirelessly throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire detection efforts were supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high.

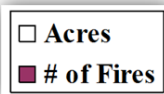
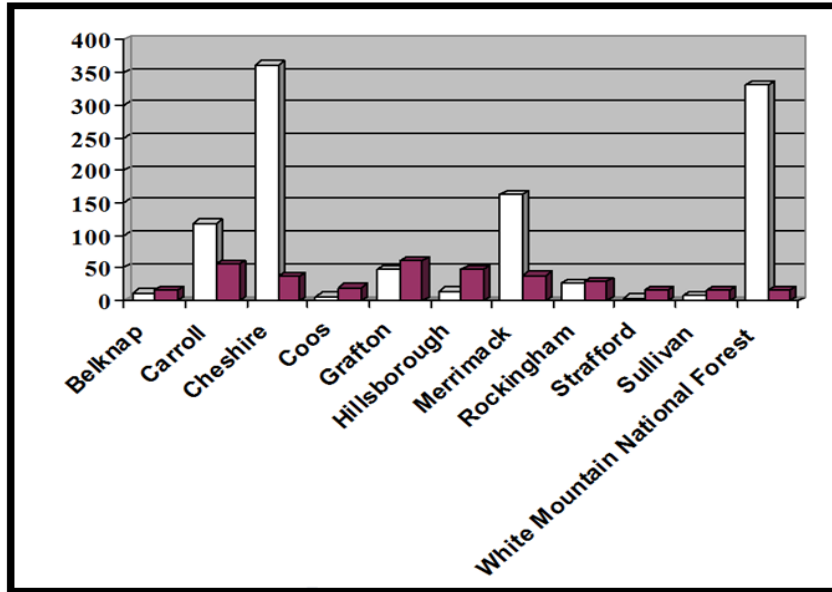
Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2016 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

As we prepare for the 2017 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or www.des.nh.gov for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER REPORT

2016 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of December 2016)



HISTORICAL DATA		
YEAR	NUMBER of FIRES	ACRES BURNED
2016	351	1090
2015	124	635
2014	112	72
2013	182	144
2012	318	206

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED								
(These numbers do not include the WMNF)								
Arson	Debris Burning	Campfire	Children	Smoking	Railroad	Equipment	Lightning	Misc.*
15	85	35	10	12	2	18	9	148

REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDFIRES!

2016 THORNTON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Looking back on the winter of 2015-16 it proved to be a record breaker in terms of warmth and lack of precipitation. At times we went multiple weeks without anything more than a dusting of snow.

This significantly warmer winter combined with a fairly slow spring warm up led to what I believe to be one of the easiest mud seasons the Town of Thornton may have ever seen with respect to the way the dirt roads responded. The typical sections that tend to devour crushed stone to remain passible never broke up.

Throughout the spring time, the department worked on a few ditching projects as well as changed a handful of culverts throughout town. This was primarily in the Sugar Run areas as well as Mt. Woodlands. In the end of May, we completed our first paving project of the year by paving Upper Mad River Road from Route 175 to Mad River Road. This was done the same day the NH DOT paved Mad River Road.

As summer began, we ditched and replaced a couple culvert crossings on Mill Brook Road prior to reclaiming the road. In this process a machine grinds the existing pavement into the road base making a stronger base for the next layer of asphalt to be laid on. In addition to this, stone and crushed gravel were added to the poor sections to raise and stiffen them up. In early July we completed our prep work and a binder layer was paved completing the second paving project of the season.

As fall rolled in, our department crack sealed a few roads in an attempt to preserve their good condition. Some of these being Upper Mad River Road, Lee Brook, and Adams Farm. In addition to this, our final paving project of the season was completed by overlaying Mt. Woodlands Road. This road proved to be a good candidate to preserve after we changed all the poor culverts and improved its drainage over the last two years.

As 2016 is in the books, I would again like to thank all those I have been given the opportunity to work with. These combined efforts allow us to continuously provide the necessary services the Town of Thornton deserves.

Sincerely,

John Kubik
Road Agent

2016 THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

The year of 2016 brought with it new developments at the Thornton Public and School Library. We welcomed 61 new patrons, serving a total of 1,157. The trend of increasing checkouts continued with a total of 14,639 in 2016, an increase of over 700 since 2015. Of our total checkouts of 2016, 12,248 were materials provided by us locally. The library's access to Ancestry, Heritage Quest, and Ebsco subscriptions continue to see healthy use.

Due to the increasing population of Thornton, there was an increase in our fee to participate in the New Hampshire Downloadable Library; however, our cost per circulation keeps decreasing. Once again, we have seen an increase in online checkouts. This year, we had 2,223 e-books and audiobooks checked out, which has brought our cost down to 21 cents per circulation compared to last year's 27 cents per circulation. Patrons using the New Hampshire Downloadable Library have greatly enjoyed the audiobooks, checking out over 900 in 2016. Some patrons have utilized the Nook periodicals, viewing 90 magazines online. E-book checkouts in 2016 totaled 1,323. This usage does not include the collaboration between the SAU, TCS, and the library in using the SAU-purchased Overdrive. The SAU Overdrive is the same as the public library platform, with student-specific preferences. Teaching the students how to use the database was seamless.

In the Spring, the installation of three community garden beds became a reality with the help of Jessye and Sky Bartlett, and the TCS middle school students and staff. Materials were donated by the Johnston family at Dirt Designs, Gerald and Erica Benton, and the White and Bartlett families from Bartlett Flooring. Julie Chase, her students, and the local Cub Scout Troop 58 grew plants, by Memorial Day the gardens will be filled and planted. ADAPT campers came up during the summer to weed and water the garden. Large quantities of tomatoes, squash, zucchini, herbs, peppers, beans, and green onions were harvested. Campers learned about gardening and enjoyed cooking classes. Some local patrons who weeded and watered also enjoyed produce. We are excited to see what will come up this summer!

The students in our Summer Reading Program, **On Your Mark, Get Set... Read!** had a great time solving mysteries, playing Frisbee golf, and summiting Everest. Utilizing Scholastic's online record-keeping, in addition to our traditional paper tally sheets, made the program accessible for those students who were traveling.

The staff and trustees are always evaluating the needs of the community in this day and age. With the growing need for technology assistance, more patrons are seeking instruction. We are currently considering options for providing the services to meet the needs of the community and welcome your suggestions. The trustees and employees thank the Board of Selectmen, patrons, and townfolk for your continued support. We love watching your families grow and learn. Please send any suggestions to the director at director@thorntonpubliclibrary.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Nina Sargent
Library Director

THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BUDGET

<u>Income</u>	2016 Approved Budget	2016 Spent	2017 Proposed Budget
Town and School App	76,890.50	75,473.20	78,197.36
Trust Funds	100.00	112.00	112.00
Donations	30.00	447.73	30.00
Copier/Fax	90.00	105.75	90.00
Lost/Damaged Materials/Refunds	20.00	10.53	20.00
Humanities Council Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Income	0.50	0.00	0.50
Rebate	0.00	78.00	0.00
Book Fair	<u>600.00</u>	<u>750.00</u>	<u>600.00</u>
	77,731.00	76,977.21	79,049.86
<u>Expenses</u>			
Salaries	36,000.00	32,723.02	35,000.00
Health Insurance	8,196.00	8,196.00	8,196.00
NH Retirement System	2,549.00	2,549.00	2,549.00
Fica/Medicare	2,724.78	2,503.31	2,626.86
Admin./Professional dev.	1,400.00	475.65	1,400.00
Advertisements	400.00	892.08	400.00
Books/ Materials	10,000.00	12,283.65	10,000.00
Children/ Teen programs	1,200.00	1,249.91	1,700.00
Community Programs	500.00	213.55	500.00
Computer supplies & expenses	250.00	2,224.95	650.00
Dues	200.00	120.00	200.00
Furniture	0.00	617.91	0.00
Legal Fees	500.00	0.00	500.00
Postage	100.00	47.00	100.00
Security System	0.00	0.00	0.00
Service Charge/Checking Acc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Summer Reading (merge with Child Prog)	500.00	625.30	0.00
Supplies	900.00	1,287.68	900.00
Storage Facility 5X5	468.00	317.73	468.00
Tech support	0.00	0.00	0.00
Telephone/Internet	1,800.00	1,647.38	1,800.00
Thank you & Bereavement	50.00	369.45	50.00
Custodial	2,000.00	2,148.97	2,000.00
Background Check	110.00	0.00	110.00
Equipment and Repairs	1,500.00	858.95	1,500.00
Fuel	2,100.00	953.64	2,100.00
Grounds	600.00	810.00	800.00
Plowing	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Maintenance	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>492.30</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>
Total	78,547.78	76,107.43	79,049.86

PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE **DISTRICT**

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2016 ANNUAL REPORT

This past year, the Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District continued its cooperative efforts to promote waste reduction, increase recycling, and to provide residents with a means of properly disposing of their household hazardous waste (HHW).

The District held two (2) one-day HHW collections, one in Littleton and the other in Plymouth. A total of 161 households participated in the program – down from last year's high of 269. It was estimated that over 11,000 tons of material was collected. Total expenses for this year's program (disposal costs, advertising, & insurance) were \$22,348. The District was awarded a grant from the State of NH for \$5,587, and received a \$5,000 donation from Casella Waste. The net expenditures for the program were \$11,761 (a cost of \$.42 per resident).

In 2017, the District will once again hold collections in Littleton (Sunday, August 27th) and in Plymouth (Saturday, September 30th). Individual residents can help to minimize the District's disposal costs and reduce the toxicity of the waste stream by remembering a few of these helpful tips; Buy only what you need. If you have leftover product, properly store it so it will last. Use biological controls and organic products for pests and diseases in the garden when feasible. Apply chemical pesticides only as a last resort and be sure to follow the directions on the label. Lastly, air-dry your leftover latex paint. When completely dried, latex paint may be disposed of in your household trash.

The district also coordinated a fluorescent light bulb collection and recycling program, which involved all member towns. This year roughly 41,410 linear feet of fluorescent tubes was collected, as well as 2,785 compact fluorescent bulbs, and 258 pounds of ballasts and batteries. The total cost for this effort was \$2,830.21 covered by district dues.

Prices paid for processed recyclables have been on the upswing over the last few months, so revenues for transfer stations should see some improvement compared to last year; however, they are still below the prices seen a few years ago. The composition of recyclable materials has also been changing. Containers are getting lighter, and many items, such as fruit juices and laundry detergent, are now being packaged in non-recyclable bags rather plastic bottles. So it's taking more effort to get full loads. When selling your recyclables, be sure to call multiple brokers as prices can vary between brokers. Even small differences can add up to significant dollars over the course of a year. Brokers also can offer a wide array of collection

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options (single-stream, co-mingled, split loads, etc) to best suit your recycling facility. What works for one town may not work for another, but no matter the circumstances, there are many possibilities for members to decrease waste and increase recycling efforts. We are very fortunate to have some of the best municipal recycling programs in the State as well as a knowledgeable and innovative group of facility operators. If your town has questions, issues, or concerns you would like to address, please use the resources you have available. New Hampshire the Beautiful offers grants to NH communities to help with the purchase of recycling equipment. Grants may total up to one-half of the purchase price of such things as balers, roll-off containers, collections bins, or other equipment that will assist a town in achieving a higher diversion rate. More information on the grant program is available at www.nhthebeautiful.org.

As always, citizens interested in participating in the development of the District's programs are welcome to attend the District's meetings. Information regarding the place and time of the meetings is available at all municipal offices and recycling centers. If at any time an individual community needs assistance in regards to their solid waste/recycling program, please contact the District by email at pemibakerswd@yahoo.com

Respectively submitted,

Regan Pride
Secretary

Ashland - Campton - Danbury - Dorchester - Easton - Ellsworth - Franconia - Groton - Landaff - Lisbon - Littleton - Lyman Plymouth - Rumney - Sugar Hill - Thornton - Warren - Waterville Valley - Wentworth

2016 PEMIGEWASSET RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

KEY EVENTS – 2016. Ongoing: PRLAC completed its 15th year of water quality testing on the Pemi. PRLAC members logged over 286 volunteer hours in ongoing activities: Water testing, permit application site visits, outreach, and meetings. Member miles traveled in support of these efforts is estimated to be 1,053. An average of 7-8 members attended PRLAC's 11 meeting 2016 schedule. Our primary focus is on eight corridor towns from Thornton to Hill. All these towns supported PRLAC in 2016. PRLAC receives administrative and occasional technical support from the Lakes Region Planning Commission. Despite drought conditions, key indicators of river health (dissolved oxygen, specific conductance, turbidity, pH, temperature) were normal with the exception of water temperature which shows a slight increase. Observations in the field confirm that climate change, with its associated extreme weather events, increases destabilization of sensitive feeder systems to the river. Stormwater runoff continues to be the issue of most concern.

MAJOR PROJECT – NORTHERN PASS:: From day one of 2016 – the Northern Pass Transmission line (NPT) consumed practically all of PRLAC's volunteer resources. After extensive review of all the Northern Pass Transmission (NPT) development permit applications (27) involving Shoreland, Wetlands, and Alteration of Terrain – PRLAC concluded that the NPT Project, as presented, will have unacceptable adverse consequences in the Pemi Watershed – particularly wetlands and its feeder streams. PRLAC voted (unanimously) to petition the Northern Pass Site Evaluation Committee (SEC) for "Intervener Status" at its November, 2015, meeting. The SEC responded with the following: "The Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee's duties include the requirement to consider and comment on any federal, state, or local governmental plans to approve, license, fund or construct facilities that would alter the resource values and character for which the river is designated. The Pemi River was "designated" in 1991. PRLAC's focus is on the implications of proposed development activity on water quality, water quantity, and aesthetic impact on the river. PRLAC asserts that the river and supporting wetlands will be negatively affected by the project". "PRLAC has a substantial interest in ensuring that rivers and wetlands will not be negatively impacted by the Project." PRLAC may intervene as a full party in these proceedings".

There were more than 150 motions to intervene on this project. This expression of concern to the SEC was unprecedented. Approximately 90% of the petitions were against what NPT proposes. Fulfilling the responsibilities of intervener status was indeed a huge commitment for a relatively small volunteer organization. It involved attendance at a series of Site Evaluation Committee Technical Sessions in Concord, several public meetings, and a major time devoted to developing pre-trial testimony on multiple occasions for several members.

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PRLAC's annual report to NH DES will show the following level of commitment to NPT in 2016: member time attributable to intervention in this project is more than 800 hours; travel directly associated with NPT totals ~700 miles.

LOOKING AHEAD: PRLAC's heavy involvement in NPT will continue thru September, 2017, at which time the SEC will make a final decision. Our critical issues revolve around anticipated increases in stormwater runoff related to ROW construction damage, visual aesthetics related to 90' towers, secondary damage to wetlands. PRLAC meets on the last Tuesday of most months January-November at 7:00PM in Plymouth's Pease Public Library. All are encouraged to attend. For more information go to <http://www.lakesrpc.org/prlac/prlacindex.asp>.

Max Stamp

PRLAC Chair
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2016 PLANNING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

In general, the role of the Planning Board is to provide for orderly growth and development regarding land use matters within the town. The Planning Board's many responsibilities involve:

- ❖ Master Plan **(NH RSA 674:2)**
- ❖ Site Plan Review **(NH RSA 674: 43 & 44)**
- ❖ Signs & Home Occupations **(Town Regulations)**
- ❖ Subdivision **(NH RSA 674: 35 & 36)**
- ❖ Excavation **(NH RSA 155-E)**
- ❖ Scenic Roads **(NH RSA 231: 157-158)**
- ❖ Zoning **(NH RSA 674:16)**



Regular meetings are held at the Town Offices on the third Thursday of each month beginning at 6:00 p.m. Throughout 2016 the Thornton Planning Board considered and addressed a variety of land use matters, with the following results:

- Revised Planning Board Rules of Procedures were adopted.
- Boundary Line Adjustments for lots on Sullivan Drive; True Lane; Judges Road; Johnson Brook Rd. and off True Lane were reviewed and approved.
- A two (2) lot Subdivision was approved for land on Laundromat Road.
- A two (2) lot Subdivision/Boundary Line Adjustment was approved for parcels on Remington Rd.
- Revised Subdivision/Site Plans involving ten (10) condominium lots were approved for "The Village at Fox Run" in the Owl's Nest Resort.
- Site Plan review for the proposed development of a nonresidential Adult Day Care Facility at property on NH Rt. 175 was reviewed and approved.
- An Excavation application was reviewed and approved for a parcel on northern US Rte. 3
- A Voluntary Merger was reviewed and approved for land on NH RT. 175 at Waterthorn Road.
- Two (2) Home Occupation permits were approved for properties on Clover Dr. and Banjo Dr.
- Two (2) Sign permits were approved for properties on Clover Dr. and NH Rt. 49.
- Numerous informational hearings were held to consider and advise property owners and/or their representatives as to processes and procedures in furtherance of their land use plans, questions, and concerns.

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Alternate members Russ Gilman and Donna O'Donnell were elected and joined the board as full members. Former member Beverly "Sandy" McIntosh, did not seek re-election, resulting in some much deserved free time to enjoy. The board greatly appreciates and thanks Sandy for her dedication and service over the years.

Citizen participation in the process is essential to maintaining Thornton's character, through the work of our town boards and committees with townspeople attending our meetings and providing comment and input Thornton continues to shape its own future.

2016 was, once again, filled with challenges and unique opportunities. The planning board members are grateful for the opportunity to serve the Town of Thornton and its Select Board.

Respectively submitted,

Steven Babin

Chairman

2016 THORNTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

The police department provides the initial primary response in most emergency situations. The department responded to 1,816 Calls For Service during 2016. The department made 80 custodial arrests, and issued 152 motor vehicle citations. Arrests for Driving While Intoxicated totaled 14. Officers issued 1,138 written warnings for motor vehicle offenses and investigated 58 traffic crashes.

Crimes and incidents involving narcotics continue to rise. The department made 29 custodial arrests, and sought indictments for another three individuals in cases involving the illegal possession, and/or sale of drugs. There were three reported drug overdoses this year, with one sadly resulting in a fatality.

There were a number of labor intensive investigations initiated during 2016. The department investigated one Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault, one Aggravated Assault, seven Simple Assault, three Burglaries, ten cases of Theft, and 24 cases of Criminal Threat. Some of these reports resulted in custodial arrests while others are open investigations or pending indictment.

Corporal Gilman, Officer Rideout, Officer Melanson, and part-time Officer Andy Vermeersch along with Administrative Assistant Sandy Moulton have all dedicated themselves to service for the community. Despite being shorthanded for most of the year they have dedicated themselves to accomplish all of the necessary tasks and functions with limited interruption in service.

This past year there were significant personnel changes. Chief Rod Diamond left the department on September 30th to work in another agency. Officer Zach Moylan resigned to work at another agency, and part-time Officer Casino Clogston retired from law enforcement after many years of valued service to the Town. Officer Willam Melanson joined the department in July, and there is a recruitment on-going to fill the vacant patrol officer classification.

The Board of Selectmen has a recruitment effort in place to hire a new Police Chief. In the Interim, Michael T. French has been leading the agency as the Interim Police Administrator.

The department had two grants that were awarded from Federal Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security. The first was for the installation of a generator that will power the whole Town Hall and the Fire Dept substation when the street power goes out.

2016 THORNTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

The second grant was to purchase equipment for the new Emergency Operations Center located at the PD and installation of a security access system. Each of these projects are now complete.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the men and women of the Thornton Police Department for their hard work, dedication, and sacrifice in service to the law enforcement and safety needs of the community. It is their dedication and professionalism, with the cooperation and support of the citizens that we serve that makes Thornton a great place to live and work.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. French

Interim Police Administrator

2016 TAX COLLECTOR REPORT

This year has brought some standardization and consistency to the office after 2015 being such a year of personnel turnover. Our partnership with the Town Clerk and the town clerk functions still proves to be very efficient and we work as a team to offer quality and professional services to the community regarding tax collection, motor vehicle transactions, dog licensing and vital record documents to name a few. It has been a pleasure to be part of this team with Town Clerk, Brook Rose and Deputy Tax Collector/Municipal Clerk, Alisa St. Amour.

If you have any questions regarding your property tax bills, payments towards your bill, delinquent balances or the liening and deeding processes, please feel free to contact me personally on Tuesdays through Fridays at the contact information below:

Email: taxcollector@thorntonnh.org Phone: (603)726-4232
Hours: Tuesdays - Thursdays 8:00 am - 4:00 pm & Fridays 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

Tax payments are accepted Monday - Friday during regular office hours as well as Tuesdays until 7:00 pm by any of the staff in the office.

This year I have added quite a bit of information to the Town website, Tax Collector page, regarding taxes, tax rate information, billing processes, payment options and liening/deeding processes. You can also find useful information on the Tax Kiosk website regarding on-line payment options, basic assessing information and tax bill copies. The kiosk is linked through our website under On-Line Services, Property Taxes Review/Pay On-Line.

I encourage you to visit our website at www.TownofThornton.org to find this information as well as much, much more.

We continue to have an above average collection rate of the current property tax bills:

Total 2016 property tax bills	\$7,293,354	
Total 2016 collected property tax bills	\$6,784,484	Collection rate = 93%

On-line payments continue to show growth since its inception in 2013 as you can see by the numbers below:

	<u># of payments processed</u>	<u>\$ of payments processed</u>
2013	119	\$273,317
2014	274	\$436,786
2015	294	\$490,382
2016	417	\$679,182

As always, it has been my pleasure to serve the Town of Thornton since 2011 and I hope to continue my tenure of service for years to come.

Deecee L. Mahurin
Certified Tax Collector

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Tax Collector's Report

Form Due Date: **March 1 (Calendar Year), September 1 (Fiscal Year)**

Instructions

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- Enter the year of the report
- Enter the preparer's information

For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
Phone: (603) 230-5090
Fax: (603) 230-5947
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

ENTITY'S INFORMATION ?

Municipality: THORNTON

County: GRAFTON

Report Year: 2016

PREPARER'S INFORMATION ?

First Name

DESIREE L.

Last Name

MAHURIN

Street No.

16

Street Name

MERRILL ACCESS ROAD

Phone Number

(603) 726-4232

Email (optional)

taxcollector@thorntonnh.org

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Debits						
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)			
			Year: 2015	Year: 2014	Year: 2013	
Property Taxes	3110		\$707,118.88			
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120					
Yield Taxes	3185					
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189					
Property Tax Credit Balance		(\$12,936.49)				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance						

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2015	Prior Levies	
Property Taxes	3110	\$7,293,384.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$740.00			
Yield Taxes	3185	\$5,846.21			
Excavation Tax	3187	\$1,481.33			
Other Taxes	3189				
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Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2015	Prior Levies	
				2014	2013
Property Taxes	3110	\$6,053.80			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
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Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$8,247.55	\$38,407.93		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				

Total Debits	\$7,302,816.40	\$745,526.81		
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Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	2015	Prior Levies	
			2014	2013
Property Taxes	\$6,803,333.20	\$501,460.93		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$505.00			
Yield Taxes	\$4,110.08			
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$8,177.55	\$33,223.43		
Penalties	\$70.00	\$5,184.50		
Excavation Tax	\$1,481.33			
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$202,665.16		
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Discounts Allowed				
Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	2015	Prior Levies	
			2014	2013
Property Taxes	\$5,954.00	\$2,992.79		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$235.00			
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
<input type="checkbox"/> Add Line				
Current Levy Deeded	\$2,856.00			

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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2015	2014	2013
Property Taxes	\$492,292.48			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes	\$1,736.13			
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$17,934.37)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance				
Total Credits	\$7,302,816.40	\$745,526.81		

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Summary of Debits				
Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)			
	Year: 2015	Year: 2014	Year: 2013	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year		\$221,943.45	\$168,287.58	
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$220,969.21			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$5,599.15	\$29,849.62	\$41,160.91	
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Total Debits		\$226,568.36	\$251,793.07	\$209,448.49

Summary of Credits				
Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies			
	2015	2014	2013	
Redemptions	\$83,625.43	\$163,377.98	\$134,290.93	
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Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$5,599.15	\$29,849.62	\$41,160.91	
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Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$2,444.98	\$415.34	
Liens Deeded to Municipality	\$6,404.12	\$5,796.53	\$5,626.42	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$130,939.66	\$50,323.96	\$27,954.89	
Total Credits		\$226,568.36	\$251,793.07	\$209,448.49

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PREPARED BY

1. CERTIFY THIS FORM

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's First Name

DESIREE

Preparer's Last Name

MAHURIN

Date

Jan 4, 2017

2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM

Please save and e-mail the completed PDF form to your Municipal Bureau Advisor.

3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM

This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://proptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Desiree L. Mahurin Tax Collector
Preparer's Signature and Title

2016 TOWN CLERK

2016 was certainly a very busy year at the Town Clerk's Office. I am pleased to report that 2016 was also a year of continued cost-effective collaboration between Town departments. For those of you whom I have not yet had the pleasure of meeting - I was appointed to the position of Town Clerk by the Select Board in December 2015 and was subsequently elected to my term in March 2016. The highlight of this past year (and the absolute best part of this position) has been meeting the many wonderful and very welcoming residents that live in our town.

I would like to recognize the staff at the Town Offices for the invaluable support they have shown in bringing me on board. Because of their efficiency, the transition seemed to be fairly seamless. We have a great team and I think that is reflected in the quality professional services we offer to our community.

I would also like to recognize your hardworking team of election officials. The four elections we had in 2016 required several trainings, long hours, dedication and outstanding teamwork to ensure that our town was compliant with state and federal regulations and that we worked with voters as quickly and efficiently as possible. This was a challenge as the meeting room space isn't quite large enough to accommodate all of the required workers, the number of voting booths the State requires according to our population, as well as the large amount of voters seen throughout the day. A lot of thought & improvisation was necessary to keep operations flowing smoothly. Kudos to the hard working Ballot Clerks, our Town Moderator, and the Supervisors of the Checklist as well as the Select Board and Town Administrator for their careful planning, assistance and oversight throughout the elections. I would also like to recognize Mary Pelchat for her many years of dedicated service as a Supervisor of the Checklist. Mary resigned from the position in December 2016 after nearly a decade in the position.

Thornton saw a significant increase in the number of registered voters in 2016 - up nearly 400 voters from February 2016 to November 2016 for a total of 2,173 registered voters. That means that about 87% of our town population is now registered voters! The turnout for the November elections was 71%, 1541 voters. This was also the Town's first year using the Accuvote tabulator and I am pleased to report that it shaved many hours off of result compilation for each election. Your tax dollars at work.

In order to better serve our residents, we have extended the Town Clerks' office hours by an hour each day and we remain open till 7:00pm on Tuesdays. We are open Monday-Friday and our hours can be found online at www.thorntonnh.org. You can also follow us on Facebook www.facebook.com/Thornton,NH-Town-Clerk. I look forward to serving the residents of our beautiful town for another term as it has been a real pleasure working for you.

2016 TOWN CLERK

2016 Town Clerk Revenue Report

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$ 494,153.27
Dog License fees	\$ 3,616.00
Dog Fines – PD Ordinance	\$ 150.00
Vital Record fees	\$ 388.00
UCC Filing fees	\$ 300.00
Photocopies	\$ 1.00
Miscellaneous fees	\$ 642.00

State Fees Collected by Town Clerk:

Dog License fees	\$ 1,193.00
Vital Record fees	\$ 822.00

TOTAL FEES COLLECTED: \$ 501,265.27

Total number of Dog Licenses issued: 563

Total number of Motor Vehicle Registrations issued: 3481

2016 Elections Report

Four elections were held this year; State Presidential Primary, Town Meeting, State Primary Election, and the General Election. The following are some of the election statistics recorded this year:

State Presidential Primary Election:

February – 1097 votes - 62% Voter Turnout

Town Meeting Day:

March- 60 voters present- 3% Voter Turnout

State General Election:

November -1541 votes - 71% Voter Turnout



Respectfully submitted,

Brook J. Rose
Town Clerk

DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION 2016 RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

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RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

01/01/2016-12/31/2016

--THORNTON--

Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's/Partner's Name	Mother's Name
ANSALDI, CAMERON LEWIS	01/09/2016	PLYMOUTH,NH	ANSALDI, CHARLES	HARTSGROVE, JADE
NICHOLS, ISAIAH SCOTT	01/31/2016	LEBANON,NH	NICHOLS, CODY	BURHOE, GABRIELLE
BOOSE, BRIELLE EVEANITA-LYN	02/02/2016	PLYMOUTH,NH		BOOSE, NICOLE
BOYCE, REED ALANSON MICHAEL	02/03/2016	PLYMOUTH,NH	BOYCE, ALANSON	SYLVESTER, BRITTANY
DRIA, ROBERT JAMES	03/16/2016	PLYMOUTH,NH	DRIA, ALEXANDER	DRIA, JULIE
WILLS, SADIE LYNN	07/29/2016	PLYMOUTH,NH	WILLS, MATTHEW	WILLS, STACEY
ROSWELL, EMMA WREN	09/16/2016	LEBANON,NH	ROSWELL, WAYNE	ROSWELL, AMANDA
BABCOCK, NATALIE JOY	11/08/2016	LACONIA,NH	BABCOCK, ZACHARY	BABCOCK, AMANDA
JONES, ELLIE GRACE	11/07/2016	LEBANON,NH	JONES, DAVID	ZACHARY, ASHLEY
SHOWERS, ROWAN ELIZABETH	11/25/2016	PLYMOUTH,NH	SHOWERS, DUSTIN	SHOWERS, NAOMI

Total number of records 10

DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION 2016 RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2016 - 12/31/2016

--THORNTON, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union	Military
DEMERITT, JAMES	02/16/2016	CONCORD	DEMERITT, GEORGE	EATON, KATHLEEN	Y
BROWN, JAYNE	02/24/2016	THORNTON	SCHABACKER, HAROLD	KRIST, DOROTHY	N
CRISP, SANDRA	03/28/2016	THORNTON	JENCKS SR, LEO	GENDRON, BLANCHE	N
MORIARTY, JOYCE	04/17/2016	THORNTON	MORIARTY JR, WILLIAM	INGERSOL, EDITH	N
GEREMIA, MARIE	04/20/2016	MEREDITH	VALENTI, FERDINAND	DICHELO, ELVIRA	N
LANDRY, RAYMOND	07/26/2016	LEBANON	LANDRY, THEODORE	GOSSELIN, MARY	Y
MCAULEY, KYLE	09/22/2016	THORNTON	MCAULEY, ROBERT	STEELE, CYNTHIA	N
BENTON, LISA	10/11/2016	LEBANON	THOMPSON, GARDNER	PILON, SHIRLEY	N
PEDRICK, LOUISE	11/11/2016	THORNTON	MILLER, JOSEPH	NOYCE, LILLIAN	N
HELGERSON, DOROTHY	11/21/2016	LACONIA	MEIGGS, HAROLD	REMINGTON, GLADYS	N
LONG, VICKY	12/26/2016	THORNTON	COGGIN, JAMES	FALE, MARGARET	N
FEATHER III, WILLIAM	12/30/2016	PLYMOUTH	FEATHER II, WILLIAM	MARTIN, DOROTHY	N

Total number of records 12

**DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION
2016 RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT**

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Person A's Name and Residence	Person B's Name and Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
ANTONIDES, CRAIG C THORNTON, NH	COLLINS, LINDA J THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	HOLDERNESS	02/14/2016
KOBLE, ALEX J THORNTON, NH	PEREZ, ADRIANA M WESTFORD, MA	NASHUA	CAMPTON	03/13/2016
KING, THOMAS THORNTON, NH	WASHINGTON, MARILYN D THORNTON, NH	PLYMOUTH	CAMPTON	04/14/2016
REBEIRO, ANDREW D THORNTON, NH	ANTONIV, KHRYSTYNA IVARO-FRANKIVSK, UKRAINE	THORNTON	HAMPTON	05/07/2016
HALL, ZACHARY N THORNTON, NH	DECOTEAU, MEDORA A THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	RUMNEY	05/28/2016
LESSARD, JULIA A THORNTON, NH	CHASE, ROBERT T THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	SANDOWN	07/22/2016
MCKEON, JOHN P THORNTON, NH	SHANNON, SUE A THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	THORNTON	08/27/2016

Total number of records 7

**TOWN OWNED PROPERTY SCHEDULE
DECEMBER 31, 2016**

Parcel ID	Location	Acres	Description	Assessed Value
2-2-99	Thornton Gore Rd	0.36		9,600
2-3-1	Thornton Gore Rd	2.60	Tax deeded parcel 10/5/2010	51,400
6-12-3	Ben Merrill Pine	.50	Unknown Owner	24,000
10-1-3-06	Whitney Way	6.42	Tax deeded parcel 9/30/2014	28,900
10-03-39	2129 NH Rte 175	1.37	Old Town House	130,100
10-3-54	NH Rte 175	2.00	Crawford Field	63,300
10-3-55	NH Rte 175	7.00	Pine Grove Cemetery	128,000
10-12-1	12 Merrill Access Rd	1.05	Fire House	111,800
10-12-6	3225 US Rte 3	13.03	Highway Garage	213,000
10-12-7	16 Merrill Access Rd	1.21	Municipal Building	481,000
11-1-6	1886 NH Rte 175	6.00	Thornton Central School	145,400
11-1-7	1900 NH Rte 175	4.00	Thornton Central School	2,572,400
11-1-15	12 Karma Court	1.00		52,800
11-1-83	Covered Bridge Road	1.40	Tax Deeded parcel 9/2/2016	38,600
11-1-84	Covered Bridge Road	1.10	Tax Deeded parcel 9/2/2016	24,700
11-1-153	Mountain View Drive	2.30	Tax deeded parcel 10/5/2010	26,800
11-1-155	Covered Bridge Rd	1.50	Tax deeded parcel 12/12/2011	25,400
11-3-120	22 Sleepy Hollow Rd	MH	Tax deeded parcel 8/13/2014	7,300
11-4-16A	Mill Brook Road	.16	Corner ROW	13,100
15-2-1	Adams Farm Road	3.67	Tax deeded parcel	28,500
16-1-6	1629 NH Rte 175	7.07	Transfer Station	126,200
16-1-6A	NH Rte 175	13.18	Transfer Station-Wells	95,600
16-1-6B	NH Rte 175	4.50	Transfer Station-Wells	34,900
17-1-19	Lee Brook Road	4.90	Tax deeded parcel 12/12/2011	31,300
17-7-70	Upper Mad River Road	4.00	Mad River Cemetery	70,200
17-12-7	Goose Hollow Road	15.64	Tax Deeded parcel 9/2/2016	32,524
17-14-69	Doe Run	3.28	Precinct Water Supply	42,400
17-17-05	Snowood Drive	1.06		8,900
17-17-07	Snowood Drive	1.50	Tax deeded parcel 8/1/2012	10,700
17-17-09	Checkerberry Ridge	1.03		6,200
17-17-10	Checkerberry Ridge	1.00	Tax deeded parcel	8,300
17-17-30	Snowood Drive	1.00	Unknown/WV Est	8,700
			Total Assessed Value	\$4,652,024

2016 TRANSFER STATION AND RECYCLING CENTER REPORT

To the Residents of Thornton,

The Transfer Station staff has worked very hard this year to help our residents in every way possible. Our goal is to make your trips to the Transfer Station enjoyable. If anyone has any suggestions or complaints, we encourage you to discuss them with us.

We are encouraging "All Residents" to recycle. Even with the low prices of recyclables this year, our revenue improved because more people are recycling. Keep up the good work everyone!

I would especially like to thank Donny and Zach for the excellent job that they have done this year, despite being shorthanded for the last four months. Great job guys!

Transfer Station will be closed for the following holidays:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Martin Luther King Day	Columbus Day
President's Day	Veteran's Day
Memorial Day	Thanksgiving Day
Easter Sunday	Christmas Day
Independence Day	

Revenue from recycling	\$26,690.00
Disposal charges collected	<u>\$63,012.00</u>
2016 Total Revenue	\$89,702.00

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Mc Guire
Manager

**TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016**

Cash on hand January 1, 2016

Checking	\$5,060.21
Money Market	<u>\$2,484,905.74</u>

\$2,489,965.95

Receipts:

Selectmen	\$1,270,597.46
Tax Collector	\$7,819,211.96
Town Clerk	\$504,208.27
NHPDIP Land Fill	\$1,292.00
Northway Bank Misc Credit	\$156.80
Northway Bank Interest	<u>\$204.48</u>

\$9,595,670.97

Payments:

Selectmen	<u>-\$9,275,262.20</u>
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Balance on December 31, 2016

Checking	\$4,973.21
Money Market	<u>\$2,805,401.51</u>

\$2,810,374.72 \$2,810,374.72

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Dumont
Treasurer

**TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY
NHPDIP GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016**

Cash on hand January 1, 2016	\$5,545.62
Receipts:	
Interest	\$28.93
Withdrawals:	
Selectmen	\$0.00
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Balance on December 31, 2016	\$5,574.55

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Dumont
Treasurer

**TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY
LANDFILL/CLOSURE BOND
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016**

Cash on hand January 1, 2016	\$3,130.62
Receipts:	
Interest	\$11.15
Withdrawals:	
Selectmen	<u>-\$1,292.00</u>
Balance on December 31, 2016	\$1,849.77

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Dumont
Treasurer

**TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY
CONSERVATION FUND
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016**

Balance on December 1, 2016	\$6,061.22
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Receipts:

Interest	\$3.04
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Withdrawals:	\$0.00
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Balance on December 31, 2016	\$6,064.26
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Respectfully submitted,

Susan Dumont
Treasurer

**TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY
D JOHNSTON/DIRT DESIGNS EXCAVATION RECLAMATION
ESCROW ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016**

Balance on January 1, 2016	\$5,035.29
Receipts:	
Interest	\$2.53
Withdrawals:	\$0.00
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Balance on December 31, 2016	\$5,037.82

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Dumont
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON ON DECEMBER 31, 2016

DATE IF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	***PRINCIPAL***				***INCOME***			Balance End of Year	Balance 12/31/2016
		Balance 1/1/2016	New Funds Created	Withdrawals	Balance 12/31/2016	Balance 1/1/2016	Income During Year	Expended During Year		
<u>PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS</u>										
6/8/2001	Thomton School District - Building Improvements	850.76	0.00	0.00	850.76	260.37	1.29	0.00	261.66	1,112.42
<u>SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</u>										
1/2/1991 ; March, 2001	Highway Vehicle, Equipment & Major Maintenance	43,371.74	54,000.00	0.00	97,371.74	71.35	371.05	0.00	442.40	97,814.14
1/2/1991 ; March, 2001	Fire/Rescue Vehicle, Equipment & Major Maintenance	161,981.08	35,000.00	182,509.60	14,471.48	618.86	163.11	0.00	781.97	15,253.45
7/5/2001	Transfer Station Major Equipment	8,280.61	0.00	0.00	8,280.61	1,326.88	9.83	0.00	1,336.71	9,617.32
12/31/2000	Municipal Buildings	120,767.29	0.00	36,404.00	84,363.29	343.54	576.76	0.00	920.30	85,283.59
7/27/2005	Police Cruiser & Cruiser Equipment	73,746.12	59,000.00	80,540.17	52,205.95	563.06	76.87	0.00	639.93	52,845.88
8/3/2006	Bridge Repairs & Maintenance	153,885.20	0.00	0.00	153,885.20	223.77	803.95	0.00	1,027.72	154,912.92
8/3/2006	Emergency Road Repair	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,378.14	52.72	1,430.86	0.00	0.00
8/21/2007	Paving	25,675.03	0.00	0.00	25,675.03	382.53	28.15	0.00	410.68	26,085.71
8/21/2007	Assessing	22,000.00	52,000.00	0.00	74,000.00	834.40	78.65	0.00	913.05	74,913.05
8/22/2008	Mill Brook Road Construction & Improvement	10,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	35,000.00	201.66	36.85	0.00	238.51	35,238.51
8/5/2009	Road Paving, Construction & Repairs	108,752.90	0.00	0.00	108,752.90	1,010.82	123.93	0.00	1,134.75	109,887.65
9/10/2015	Property Tax Map	25,000.00	45,000.00		70,000.00	17.88	38.36		56.24	70,056.24
9/10/2015	Hubbard Brook Foundation	1,525.24	1,500.00	2,250.00	775.24	1.19	1.69		2.88	778.12
TOTAL		<u>755,835.97</u>	<u>271,500.00</u>	<u>301,703.77</u>	<u>725,632.20</u>	<u>7,234.45</u>	<u>2,363.21</u>	<u>1,430.86</u>	<u>8,166.80</u>	<u>733,799.00</u>

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON ON DECEMBER 31, 2016

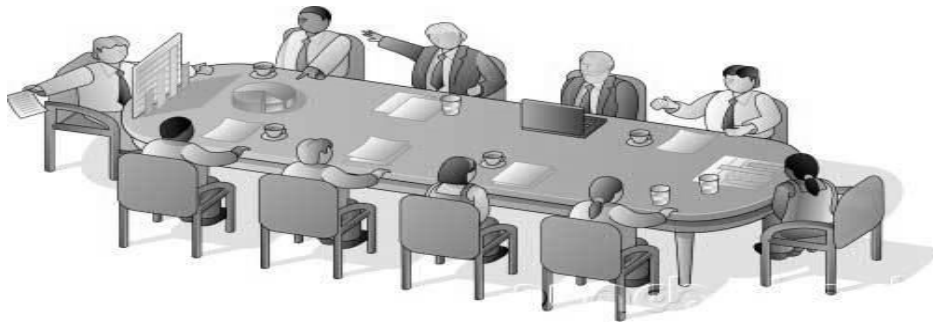
NAME OF TRUST FUND	***PRINCIPAL***			***INCOME***			Balance 12/31/2016	Balance 12/31/2016	
	Balance 1/1/2016	New Funds	Cash Gains	Balance 12/31/2016	Income During	Expended During Year			
<u>PERMANENT FUNDS</u>									
Perpetual care funds in Fidelity stock and Capital gains in bank CDs	20,221.61	0.00	198.20	20,419.81	77.34	216.12	216.12	77.34	20,497.15
W. Lee Trust for general care MRC Fidelity stock and Capital gains in CDs	10,625.01	0.00	104.17	10,729.18	0.00	113.61	113.61	0.00	10,729.18
W. Lee Trust for Thornton Library Fidelity stock and Capital gains in CDs	10,625.01	0.00	104.17	10,729.18	0.00	113.61	113.61	0.00	10,729.18
Perpetual care funds bank deposits	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	751.58	7.64	7.37	751.85	7,751.85
Town Cemetery Maintenance Trust Lot Sales, Income for general care	34,075.00	2,600.00	0.00	36,675.00	0.00	206.05	206.05	0.00	36,675.00
I. Ham Memorial Trust for Library books	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.60	0.60	0.00	1,000.00
C. Ham Memorial Trust for Library books	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.60	0.60	0.00	1,000.00
Jeanne Robbins Memorial Trust, Income to reduce taxes	146,688.38	0.00	0.00	146,688.38	0.00	967.69	967.69	0.00	146,688.38
TOTAL	231,235.01	2,600.00	406.54	234,241.55	828.92	1,625.92	1,625.65	829.19	235,070.74

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Town of Thornton

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2017 THORNTON TOWN WARRANT THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Thornton Municipal Building in said Thornton on Tuesday, the 14th of March 2017 at 8:00 AM of the clock to act upon the following subjects: The polls not to close earlier than 7:00 PM. Absentee ballots to be cast at 1:00 PM.

Article 1: To choose all necessary officers for the terms stated:

The following elected positions are available for the **March 14, 2017** Town Elections

Select Board Member	Three Year Term	One Position
Cemetery Trustee	Three Year Term	One Position
Library Trustee	Three Year Term	One Position
Trustee of the Trust Funds	Three Year Term	One Position
Planning Board Member (2)	Three Year Term	Two Positions
Planning Board Member	Two Year Term <i>(partial term)</i>	One Position
Overseer of Public Welfare	One Year Term	One Position
Town Moderator	Two Year Term	One Position
Town Clerk	One Year Term <i>(partial term)</i>	One Position

2017 THORNTON TOWN WARRANT THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

The following articles will be taken up during the business meeting beginning at 10:00 AM on Saturday the 18th day of March 2017 at the Thornton Central School.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to approve an additional full time highway equipment operator position to be added to the Thornton Highway Department, and to furthermore see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000.00)** to compensate the wages and benefits for the position hired on or after June 1, 2017. This position will be incorporated into the highway department annual operating budget starting in 2018. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000)** to be added to the existing Assessing Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)** to be added to the existing Municipal Buildings Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000)** to be added to the existing Fire Truck/Rescue Vehicle/Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **seven thousand dollars (\$7,000)** to be added to the existing Police Cruiser and Cruiser Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)** to be added to the existing Property Tax Map Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one hundred five thousand dollars (\$105,000)** to be added to the existing Highway Vehicle, Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).



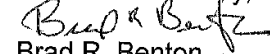


Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)** to be added to the existing Department Paving Projects Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

**2017 THORNTON TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**


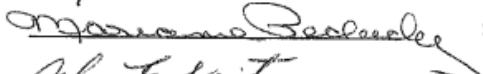
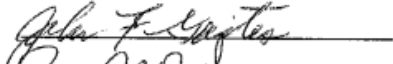
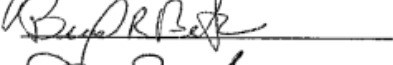
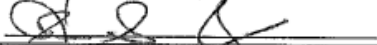
Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)** to be added to the existing Transfer Station Major Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two million seven hundred twenty-eight thousand one hundred forty-six dollars (\$2,728,146.00)** to support town operations for the 2017-year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles. (Majority vote required)

To transact any other business, which may legally come before this meeting. Given under our hands and seal this 1st day of February in the year 2017


Roy Sabourn, Chairman

Marianne Peabody, Vice Chairman

Brad R. Benton

John Paul-Hilliard

John Gaites
Thornton Board of Selectmen

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting an attested copy of the above Warrant at the place of meeting and at the office of the Town or City Clerk or City Hall on the 16th day of February, 2017

Selectmen of Thornton

2016 PROPOSED BUDGET REPORT

	<u>2016</u> <u>Approved</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>2016</u> <u>Actual</u> <u>Expended</u>	<u>2017</u> <u>Proposed</u> <u>Budget</u>
<u>EXECUTIVE</u>			
01-01-41301-40130-00 Wages -Selectmen	19,710.00	18,962.61	20,105.00
01-01-41301-40220-00 FICA/med	1,508.00	1,450.63	1,539.00
01-01-41301-40580-00 Expenses - Selectmen	4,000.00	4,441.48	1,000.00
01-01-41302-40110-00 Wages (F/T)-Town Administrator	62,945.00	61,986.03	77,342.00
01-01-41302-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life/ Insurance	16,499.00	16,307.61	17,323.00
01-01-41302-40220-00 FICA/med	4,816.00	4,491.39	5,917.00
01-01-41302-40230-00 Retirement	7,031.00	6,923.92	8,721.00
01-01-41304-40130-00 Wages Elected Officials-TTF	3,060.00	2,540.00	3,121.00
01-01-41309-40110-00 Wages FT-Administrative Assistant	39,041.00	43,978.78	49,086.00
01-01-41309-40111-00 Wages FT-Bookkeeper/Assessing	29,298.00	30,274.33	31,050.00
01-01-41309-40112-00 Wages TA Assistant (PT)	13,000.00	11,088.02	13,000.00
01-01-41309-40113-00 Wages PT- Municipal Support Staff	200.00	0.00	1.00
01-01-41309-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life Insurance-Exec	21,252.00	13,542.35	9,933.00
01-01-41309-40220-00 FICA/Med/Exec	6,242.00	7,030.98	7,141.00
01-01-41309-40230-00 Retirement Exec	7,634.00	8,292.74	9,036.00
01-01-41505-40130-00 Wages Treasurer & Deputy Treasurer	5,499.00	5,149.00	5,601.00
01-01-41505-40220-00 Fica/med Treasurer	430.00	390.04	430.00
TOTAL EXECUTIVE	242,165.00	236,849.91	260,346.00
<u>TOWN CLERK</u>			
01-01-41401-40113-00 Wages Municipal Clerk	7,535.00	9,158.38	6,400.00
01-01-41401-40130-00 Wages Elected Official TC	22,794.00	22,734.08	25,000.00
01-01-41401-40220-00 FICA/MedTC	2,332.00	2,439.86	2,357.00
01-01-41401-40301-00 Town Clerk Audit	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-01-41401-40394-00 Professional Services- Town Clerk	2,700.00	1,305.00	2,100.00
01-01-41401-40570-00 Training-Mileage Town Clerk	1,200.00	1,098.32	1,650.00
01-01-41401-40610-00 General Supplies-Town Clerk	2,000.00	1,354.23	1,600.00
01-01-41401-40625-00 Postage - Town Clerk	500.00	650.00	600.00
01-01-41401-40690-00 MV Refunds-Town Clerk	0.00	0.00	200.00
TOTAL TOWN CLERK	39,061.00	38,739.87	39,907.00
<u>ELECTIONS</u>			
01-01-41403-40130-00 Stipends (Moderator, Supers, BC)	5,000.00	4,974.61	1,000.00
01-01-41403-40394-00 Election- Advertising	1,000.00	1,332.40	250.00
01-01-41403-40580-00 Election Operating Expenses	8,000.00	5,608.20	3,500.00
ELECTIONS	14,000.00	11,915.21	4,750.00

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<u>FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION</u>			
01-01-41501-40340-00 Office Exp - Bank Service Chg	350.00	378.20	350.00
01-01-41501-40341-00 Office Exp - Telephone	2,200.00	2,096.39	2,200.00
01-01-41501-40390-00 Other Professional Fees	24,555.00	30,037.28	27,767.00
01-01-41501-40550-00 Printing - Town Reports	2,835.00	2,763.00	2,500.00
01-01-41501-40560-00 Dues/Subscriptions	3,000.00	2,540.00	3,000.00
01-01-41501-40610-00 General Supplies	2,500.00	1,564.87	2,000.00
01-01-41501-40625-00 Postage	1,000.00	1,007.35	1,200.00
01-01-41501-40661-00 Equipment & Furniture Purchase or Rental	4,500.00	8,961.51	3,000.00
01-01-41501-40690-00 Training & Mileage	1,000.00	376.08	700.00
01-01-41502-40301-00 Auditing	15,500.00	15,283.61	15,500.00
TOTAL FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	57,440.00	65,008.29	58,217.00
<u>TAX COLLECTOR</u>			
01-01-41504-40112-00 Wages Tax Collector (PT)	24,460.00	8,655.56	0.00
01-01-41504-40113-00 Wages Deputy Tax Collector/M. Clerk PT	7,535.00	7,173.66	7,800.00
01-01-41504-40220-00 FICA/Med TX	2,448.00	1,210.88	597.00
01-01-41504-40394-00 Professional Services-TX	9,400.00	7,175.99	7,600.00
01-01-41504-40570-00 Training-Mileage TX	800.00	1,063.00	1,200.00
01-01-41504-40610-00 General Supplies - TX	1,600.00	1,228.08	1,600.00
01-01-41504-40625-00 Postage-TX	6,700.00	5,852.70	6,700.00
01-01-41504-40690-00 Other Miscellaneous - TX	1.00	0.00	1.00
TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR	52,944.00	32,359.87	25,498.00
<u>PROPERTY VALUES</u>			
01-01-41521-40312-00 Assessing - prop value updates	13,476.00	13,808.00	13,476.00
01-01-41521-40313-00 Assessing - bldg pmt pickups	13,380.00	14,268.00	14,380.00
01-01-41521-40390-00 Assessing - Website display subscription	2,462.00	2,462.00	2,462.00
TOTAL REVALUATIONS OF PROPERTY	29,318.00	30,538.00	30,318.00
<u>LEGAL EXPENSE</u>			
01-01-41531-40320-00 Legal	25,000.00	27,050.00	25,000.00
01-01-41531-40321-00 Legal Settlements	2,000.00	36,435.00	2,000.00
TOTAL LEGAL EXPENSE	27,000.00	63,485.00	27,000.00
<u>PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION</u>			
01-01-41552-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life/ Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-01-41552-40220-00 FICA & Retirement	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-01-41552-40580-00 Gift Cards, bereavement flowers, etc	0.00	0.00	4,900.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	0.00	0.00	4,900.00

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<u>TOWN GRANTS</u>			
01-01-41559-40820-00 Town Grants All Departments	500.00	0.00	500.00
TOTAL TOWN GRANTS	500.00	0.00	500.00
<u>PLANNING & ZONING</u>			
01-01-41911-40112-00 Wages PT Planning Director	21,959.00	15,173.79	0.00
01-01-41911-40113-00 Wages -PT Asst.	0.00	0.00	7,000.00
01-01-41911-40220-00 FICA/Med PLBD	1,680.00	1,160.81	535.00
01-01-41911-40320-00 Legal- PLBD	20,000.00	857.35	10,000.00
01-01-41911-40560-00 Dues/Subscriptions	350.00	71.00	350.00
01-01-41911-40570-00 Training- PLBD	500.00	0.00	500.00
01-01-41911-40580-00 Operating Expenses - PLBD	2,000.00	3,036.70	27,000.00
01-01-41911-40581-00 Cap.Imp.Maint. - PLBD	20.00	0.00	0.00
01-01-41911-40610-00 General Supplies - PLBD	500.00	426.08	500.00
01-01-41911-40661-00 Equipment Purchase or Rental	250.00	845.00	500.00
01-01-41911-40690-00 Travel/Mileage	750.00	127.98	500.00
01-01-41911-40810-00 Master Plan Expenses-PLBD	100.00	0.00	100.00
01-01-41913-40113-00 Wages PT ZBA Asst.	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
01-01-41913-40220-00 FICA/Med ZBA	0.00	0.00	230.00
01-01-41913-40320-00 Legal - ZBA	5,000.00	2,561.93	5,000.00
01-01-41913-40580-00 Operating Expenses -ZBA	500.00	398.00	500.00
01-01-41913-40610-00 General Supplies - ZBA	200.00	208.04	200.00
01-01-41913-40690-00 Mileage-Training ZBA	300.00	55.00	300.00
TOTAL PLANNING & ZONING	54,109.00	24,921.68	56,215.00
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS</u>			
01-01-41941-40360-00 Custodial Services-GGB	6,500.00	6,575.00	6,500.00
01-01-41941-40410-00 Electricity - GGB	7,500.00	6,469.67	7,500.00
01-01-41941-40411-00 Propane- GGB	5,500.00	5,240.99	5,500.00
01-01-41941-40430-00 Repairs & Maintenance - GGB	15,000.00	13,260.86	8,300.00
01-01-41941-40610-00 General Supplies-GGB	1,500.00	2,117.78	2,500.00
01-01-41941-40810-00 Old Town Hall -GGB	1.00	0.00	1.00
01-01-41941-40811-00 Beautification Committee	500.00	521.92	500.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	36,501.00	34,186.22	30,801.00
<u>CEMETERIES</u>			
01-01-41951-40360-00 Custodial Services-Cemeteries	6,000.00	6,381.00	6,500.00
01-01-41951-40430-00 Repairs&Maint Monuments - Cem	950.00	860.43	950.00
01-01-41951-40610-00 General Supplies&Software Cem	500.00	423.00	600.00
01-01-41951-40630-00 Road Repair -Cemeteries	500.00	0.00	500.00
01-01-41951-40660-00 Equipment & Machines-Cemeteries	17,000.00	17,041.00	17,150.00
TOTAL CEMETERIES	24,950.00	24,705.43	25,700.00

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<u>INSURANCE</u>			
01-01-41960-40250-00 Insurance - Unemployment Comp	5,455.00	5,455.00	3,214.00
01-01-41960-40260-00 Insurance - WC	19,642.00	6,187.63	19,085.00
01-01-41960-40480-00 Insurance - Other PLT & Deductible	28,045.00	27,326.00	26,553.00
TOTAL INSURANCE	53,142.00	38,968.63	48,852.00
<u>ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOC</u>			
01-01-41970-40397-00 Memberships- North Country Council	1.00	0.00	1.00
01-01-41970-40398-00 Waterville Valley Region Chamber	1.00	0.00	1.00
TOTAL ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOC	2.00	0.00	2.00
<u>EMERGENCY, MAPS, PERAMBULATION</u>			
01-01-41990-40391-00 Map & Update	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
01-01-41990-40831-00 Emergency Fund	5,000.00	3,124.19	5,000.00
01-01-41990-40832-00 Perambulation	1.00	0.00	1.00
TOTAL EMERGENCY, MAPS, PERAMBULATION	6,001.00	4,124.19	6,001.00
<u>POLICE</u>			
01-02-42100-40110-00 Wages Police Chief	61,580.00	51,481.91	70,546.00
01-02-42100-40111-00 FT Admin Asst. - Wages -PD	37,362.00	37,521.37	40,248.00
01-02-42100-40112-00 PT Position- Wages PD	3,000.00	1,497.92	10,000.00
01-02-42100-40113-00 Wages FT PD Officers	128,200.00	116,273.54	175,346.00
01-02-42100-40140-00 OT- Wages PD	8,000.00	12,512.44	17,100.00
01-02-42100-40190-00 Police Detail Exp	5,000.00	13,083.00	7,500.00
01-02-42100-40191-00 Police Forest Detail	2,000.00	1,172.50	2,000.00
01-02-42100-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life Insurance-PD	74,616.00	66,280.20	100,647.00
01-02-42100-40220-00 FICA/Med/PD	6,723.00	5,557.42	7,550.00
01-02-42100-40230-00 Retirement PD	60,569.00	52,004.05	83,405.00
01-02-42100-40320-00 Legal-PD	30,203.00	29,739.92	30,877.00
01-02-42100-40341-00 Telephone/Cell PD	5,000.00	4,665.96	5,000.00
01-02-42100-40392-00 Communications - PD	26,677.00	26,873.50	27,065.00
01-02-42100-40393-00 Uniforms - PD	8,500.00	4,420.79	15,000.00
01-02-42100-40394-00 Outside Services - PD	33,000.00	54,952.75	24,779.00
01-02-42100-40550-00 Printing-PD	1,000.00	908.05	1,000.00
01-02-42100-40560-00 Dues/Subscriptions PD	564.00	675.00	675.00
01-02-42100-40570-00 Training-Mileage PD	2,500.00	1,857.11	3,500.00
01-02-42100-40610-00 General Equip & Supplies PD	13,500.00	18,733.06	8,375.00
01-02-42100-40635-00 Fuel-PD	13,000.00	10,472.39	13,000.00
01-02-42100-40660-00 Vehicle Expenses - PD	7,000.00	6,720.60	7,000.00
01-02-42100-40680-00 Dept Supplies-Chiefs Expenses	500.00	320.15	500.00
01-02-42100-40690-00 Investigative PD	500.00	198.00	700.00
TOTAL POLICE	528,994.00	517,921.63	651,813.00

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<u>FIRE</u>			
01-02-42200-40397-00 Memberships-Lakes Region Mutual	25,883.00	25,882.19	26,560.00
01-02-42200-40610-00 General Operating Cost- FD	275,219.00	275,219.00	285,760.00
01-02-42200-40680-00 Forest Fire Expense -Departmental	500.00	0.00	500.00
01-02-42200-40681-00 Fire Hydrants	600.00	600.00	600.00
TOTAL FIRE	302,202.00	301,701.19	313,420.00
<u>BUILDING & CODE ENFORCEMENT</u>			
01-02-42400-40112-00 Wages PT Zoning Enforcement	1.00	0.00	1.00
01-02-42400-40320-00 Legal-Zoning	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
01-02-42400-40560-00 Dues&Subscriptions	100.00	50.00	100.00
01-02-42400-40610-00 General Supplies Zoning	300.00	118.99	300.00
01-02-42400-40625-00 Postage- Zoning Enf.	200.00	26.97	200.00
01-02-42400-40690-00 Training & Mileage Zoning	150.00	19.98	150.00
01-02-42400-40830-00 Building	1,200.00	0.00	1.00
TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTORS	3,951.00	215.94	2,752.00
<u>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</u>			
01-02-42900-40112-00 Emergency Man. Director - Stipend	1,530.00	1,530.00	2,000.00
01-02-42900-40610-00 Training & Supplies-EMD	500.00	449.99	1,500.00
TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	2,030.00	1,979.99	3,500.00
<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</u>			
01-03-43120-40110-00 Wages Road Agent (F/T)-Hwy	49,561.00	49,582.00	50,814.00
01-03-43120-40111-00 Wages FT Hwy Employees	44,426.00	44,564.23	45,532.00
01-03-43120-40112-00 Permanent Positions PT-Hwy	30,451.00	27,493.75	31,970.00
01-03-43120-40140-00 OT Wages-Hwy	6,000.00	4,513.23	6,000.00
01-03-43120-40180-00 PT Seasonal Wages-Hwy	12,624.00	8,516.53	13,000.00
01-03-43120-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life Insurance-Hwy	24,760.00	24,472.88	25,995.00
01-03-43120-40220-00 FICA/Med Hwy	11,021.00	9,921.59	11,270.00
01-03-43120-40230-00 Retirement Hwy	11,281.00	10,941.30	12,570.00
01-03-43120-40341-00 Telephone/Cell Hwy	700.00	498.36	600.00
01-03-43120-40390-00 Professional Services-Hwy	1,500.00	1,112.88	1,500.00
01-03-43120-40393-00 Uniforms	2,300.00	2,996.04	2,500.00
01-03-43120-40395-00 Subcontractor - Summer Hwy	5,000.00	2,764.00	3,000.00
01-03-43120-40396-00 Subcontractor - Winter Hwy	35,000.00	24,233.25	35,000.00
01-03-43120-40410-00 Electricity Hwy	2,500.00	2,250.38	2,500.00
01-03-43120-40411-00 Heat & Oil Hwy	6,000.00	3,283.67	5,000.00
01-03-43120-40430-00 Repairs & Maintenance Bld- Hwy	2,000.00	1,408.86	2,000.00
01-03-43120-40560-00 Dues & Subscriptions Hwy	100.00	100.00	125.00
01-03-43120-40570-00 Training & Mileage Hwy	300.00	100.00	300.00
01-03-43120-40581-00 Paving-Hwy	145,000.00	170,576.80	147,000.00

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<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CONTINUED</u>			
01-03-43120-40610-00 General /Tool Supplies - Hwy	3,000.00	3,423.26	3,000.00
01-03-43120-40630-00 Road Repair -Hwy	30,000.00	19,016.30	28,000.00
01-03-43120-40635-00 Vehicle Fuel- Hwy	25,000.00	14,444.68	23,000.00
01-03-43120-40650-00 Sweeping Hwy	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
01-03-43120-40660-00 Vehicle & Equip Repairs Hwy	35,000.00	27,988.67	33,000.00
01-03-43120-40661-00 Vehicle & Equip. Purchase/Rental	8,000.00	8,225.00	2,000.00
01-03-43120-40680-00 Salt & Sand Departmental Hwy	27,000.00	22,369.52	30,000.00
01-03-43120-40690-00 911 Posts/Signs	1,000.00	757.68	1,000.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	521,024.00	485,554.86	518,176.00
<u>PEMI-BAKER</u>			
01-04-43220-40397-00 Pemi Baker Solid Waste Memberships	2,277.00	2,276.36	2,149.00
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER	2,277.00	2,276.36	2,149.00
<u>TRANSFER STATION</u>			
01-04-43210-40110-00 F/T Manager Wages - TS	42,463.00	42,652.94	43,680.00
01-04-43210-40111-00 FT Attendants Wages - TS	61,220.00	53,503.05	59,296.00
01-04-43210-40112-00 PT Wages- TS	17,626.00	14,049.62	27,552.00
01-04-43210-40140-00 OT Wages - TS	2,000.00	370.27	2,000.00
01-04-43210-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life Insurance-TS	29,776.00	28,066.23	49,385.00
01-04-43210-40220-00 FICA/Med TS	9,446.00	8,344.07	10,134.00
01-04-43210-40230-00 Retirement TS	11,582.00	10,808.29	11,611.00
01-04-43210-40341-00 Telephone/Cell TS	500.00	402.27	500.00
01-04-43210-40390-00 Other Professional Services	1,200.00	924.70	1,200.00
01-04-43210-40393-00 Uniforms - TS	2,100.00	2,183.02	3,200.00
01-04-43210-40410-00 Building & Utility - TS	4,000.00	3,019.82	4,000.00
01-04-43210-40411-00 Heat & Oil TS	1,500.00	652.00	500.00
01-04-43210-40430-00 Building Maintenance & Repairs TS	2,000.00	377.50	2,000.00
01-04-43210-40550-00 Printing-TS	1,200.00	1,473.14	1,400.00
01-04-43210-40570-00 Training & Mileage TS	2,000.00	1,568.58	2,500.00
01-04-43210-40610-00 General Supplies TS	600.00	525.62	600.00
01-04-43210-40635-00 Vehicle Fuel TS	3,000.00	1,853.23	3,000.00
01-04-43210-40660-00 Vehicle & Equipment Expense - TS	4,000.00	5,199.03	4,000.00
TOTAL TRANSFER STATION	196,213.00	175,973.38	226,558.00
<u>SOLID WASTE</u>			
01-04-43240-40320-00 Legal - TS	1.00	0.00	1.00
01-04-43240-40590-00 Solid Waste - Disposal -TS	152,000.00	126,032.53	142,000.00
01-04-43240-40591-00 Solid Waste - Bulky Debris- TS	73,000.00	72,830.31	75,000.00
SOLID WASTE	225,001.00	198,862.84	217,001.00

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<u>MONITORING / CLOSURE</u>			
01-04-43250-40590-00 Monitoring/ Closure -TS	1,300.00	1,292.00	1,300.00
TOTAL MONITORING / CLOSURE	1,300.00	1,292.00	1,300.00
<u>SEPTAGE DISPOSAL</u>			
01-04-43260-40590-00 Solid Waste - Closure / Disposal	100.00	100.00	100.00
TOTAL SEPTAGE DISPOSAL	100.00	100.00	100.00
<u>HEALTH DEPARTMENTS</u>			
01-06-44110-40110-00 Permanent Positions Health Officer	861.00	860.88	878.00
01-06-44110-40220-00 Fica/med Health	66.00	65.83	68.00
01-06-44110-40580-00 Operating Expenses-Health	55.00	15.12	40.00
01-06-44110-40660-00 Local Health Expenses	275.00	35.00	200.00
TOTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS	1,257.00	976.83	1,186.00
<u>HEALTH AGENCIES & HOSPITALS</u>			
01-06-44150-40350-00 Health - Pemi - Baker Home Health	11,714.00	11,714.00	11,705.00
01-06-44150-40351-00 Health - Speare Mem. Hospital	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
01-06-44150-40353-00 ACHS-Ammonoosuc Community Health	500.00	500.00	500.00
01-06-44150-40354-00 Mid-State Health Center	1,025.00	1,025.00	1,280.00
01-06-44190-40813-00 Genesis Behavioral Health Donations	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
01-06-44190-40814-00 ADAPT Donation	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
01-06-44190-40815-00 GWMCA American Red Cross	1,118.00	1,118.00	1,118.00
TOTAL HEALTH AGENCIES & HOSPITALS	49,857.00	49,857.00	50,103.00
<u>AGENCY REQUESTS</u>			
01-11-44160-40812-00 CADY	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
01-11-44160-40813-00 Voices Against Violence Donations	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00
01-11-44160-40814-00 Tri County Community Action	4,454.00	4,454.00	4,454.00
01-11-44160-40815-00 Grafton County Senior Citizens	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
01-11-44160-40816-00 CASA Donations	500.00	500.00	500.00
01-11-44160-40818-00 PRLAC	200.00	200.00	300.00
01-11-44160-40819-00 The Bridge House Donation	1,750.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
TOTAL AGENCY REQUESTS	13,904.00	13,904.00	14,504.00
<u>WELFARE</u>			
01-07-44420-40112-00 PT Deputy Welfare	1.00	0.00	1.00
01-07-44420-40130-00 Welfare -Wages Elected Official	5,099.00	5,099.00	5,201.00
01-07-44420-40220-00 Fica/Med Welfare	391.00	390.09	398.00
01-07-44420-40580-00 Operating Expenses-Welfare	300.00	142.87	375.00
01-07-44420-40812-00 Direct Assistance Expenses	23,000.00	8,616.80	20,000.00
TOTAL WELFARE	28,791.00	14,248.76	25,975.00

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<u>PARKS & RECREATION</u>			
01-08-45200-40810-00 Parks & Recreation	1.00	0.00	1.00
01-08-45200-40813-00 Old Home Day	1.00	0.00	1.00
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION	2.00	0.00	2.00
<u>LIBRARY</u>			
01-08-45500-40110-00 FT Positions Wages -Library	27,000.00	25,832.54	27,000.00
01-08-45500-40112-00 PT Library Wages	9,000.00	8,032.53	8,000.00
01-08-45500-40210-00 Library Health	8,196.00	7,813.98	8,196.00
01-08-45500-40220-00 FICA/Med Library	5,274.00	3,421.74	2,627.00
01-08-45500-40230-00 Retirement Library	0.00	0.00	2,549.00
01-08-45500-40430-00 Library Maintenance & Repairs	13,128.00	13,128.00	13,668.00
01-08-45500-40610-00 General Operating Expenses - Library	15,950.00	15,950.00	16,510.00
TOTAL LIBRARY	78,548.00	74,178.79	78,550.00
<u>PATRIOTIC PURPOSES</u>			
01-08-45830-40825-00 Patriotic Purposes	500.00	322.65	500.00
TOTAL PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	500.00	322.65	500.00
<u>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</u>			
01-09-46110-40610-00 General Operating Expenses - CC	50.00	0.00	50.00
TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	50.00	0.00	50.00
<u>INTEREST TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES</u>			
01-12-47230-40981-00 Interest Tax Anticipation Notes	2,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
TOTAL INTEREST TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES	2,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY - OTHER</u>			
01-13-49090-40730-00 Cap Outlay Other	50,000.00	32,106.43	33,000.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY - OTHER	50,000.00	32,106.43	33,000.00
<u>CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS</u>			
01-14-49150-41000-00 Cap Reserve-Highway Equipment	54,000.00	54,000.00	105,000.00
01-14-49150-41001-00 Cap Reserve-Police Cruiser & Equip	59,000.00	59,000.00	7,000.00
01-14-49150-41002-00 Cap Reserve - Municipal Buildings	0.00	0.00	50,000.00
01-14-49150-41004-00 Cap Reserve- TS Equipment	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
01-14-49150-41006-00 Cap Reserve-Paving	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
01-14-49150-41007-00 Cap Reserve - Assessing	52,000.00	52,000.00	18,000.00
01-14-49150-41008-00 Cap Reserve- Fire Trk/Res Veh/EQ Maj Maint	35,000.00	35,000.00	20,000.00
01-14-49150-41010-00 Cap Reserve-Mill Brook Rd Const/Improv	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
01-14-49150-41012-00 Cap Reserve- Property Tax Maps	45,000.00	45,000.00	50,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS	270,000.00	270,000.00	270,000.00
TOTAL BUDGETS	2,915,634.00	2,747,274.95	3,031,146.00



Budget of the Town of Thornton
Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Town Meeting

This form was posted with the warrant on: February 16, 2017

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GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Governing Body Certifications		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
John F. Gaites	selectman	<i>John F. Gaites</i>
Roy A. Sabourm	BOS Chair	<i>Roy A. Sabourm</i>
Marianne Peabody	BOS Vice Chair	<i>Marianne Peabody</i>
Bud R. Best	Selectman	<i>Bud R. Best</i>
JOHN S. PAUL HILLARD	SELECTMAN	<i>J. S. Paul Hillard</i>

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Appropriations

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
General Government						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4130-4139	Executive	11	\$242,165	\$236,850	\$260,346	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	11	\$53,061	\$50,655	\$44,657	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	11	\$110,384	\$97,341	\$83,715	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	11	\$29,318	\$30,538	\$30,318	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	11	\$27,000	\$63,485	\$27,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	11	\$500	\$0	\$5,400	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	11	\$54,109	\$24,922	\$56,215	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	11	\$36,501	\$34,186	\$30,801	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	11	\$24,950	\$24,705	\$25,700	\$0
4196	Insurance	11	\$53,142	\$38,969	\$48,852	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	11	\$2	\$0	\$2	\$0
4199	Other General Government	11	\$6,001	\$4,124	\$6,001	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	11	\$528,994	\$517,922	\$651,813	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	11	\$302,202	\$301,701	\$313,420	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	11	\$3,951	\$216	\$2,752	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	11	\$2,030	\$1,980	\$3,500	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	11	\$521,024	\$485,555	\$518,176	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation						
4321	Administration	11	\$196,213	\$175,973	\$226,558	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	11	\$225,001	\$198,863	\$217,001	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	11	\$1,300	\$1,292	\$1,300	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal	11	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation	11	\$2,277	\$2,276	\$2,149	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment						
4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)
Electric						
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Administration	11	\$1,257	\$977	\$1,186	\$0
4414	Pest Control		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	11	\$63,761	\$63,761	\$64,607	\$0
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	11	\$28,791	\$14,249	\$25,975	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Culture and Recreation						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	11	\$2	\$0	\$2	\$0
4550-4559	Library	11	\$78,548	\$74,178	\$78,550	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	11	\$500	\$323	\$500	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	11	\$50	\$0	\$50	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	11	\$2,500	\$0	\$1,500	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$50,000	\$32,106	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Proposed Appropriations			\$2,645,634	\$2,477,248	\$2,728,146	\$0

Special Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4916	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	02	\$0	\$0	\$33,000	\$0
Purpose: To approve Highway new FT position						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	03	\$0	\$0	\$18,000	\$0
Purpose: Assessing CRF						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	04	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
Purpose: Municipal Buildings CRF						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	05	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$0
Purpose: Fire Truck/Resue CRF						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	06	\$0	\$0	\$7,000	\$0
Purpose: Police Cruiser CRF						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	07	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
Purpose: Property Tax Map CRF						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	08	\$0	\$0	\$105,000	\$0
Purpose: Highway Vehicle CRF						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	09	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
Purpose: Department Paving Projects CRF						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	10	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
Purpose: Transfer Station Major Equipment CRF						
Special Articles Recommended			\$0	\$0	\$303,000	\$0

Individual Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Individual Articles Recommended						

Revenues

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	PY Estimated Revenues	PY Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	11	\$3,000	\$740	\$3,000
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	11	\$8,000	\$5,846	\$8,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$39,835	\$39,835	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax	11	\$1,500	\$1,514	\$2,000
3189	Other Taxes	11	\$1,100	\$1,042	\$2,000
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	11	\$120,000	\$126,373	\$128,100
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	11	\$300	\$300	\$300
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	11	\$468,000	\$494,644	\$490,000
3230	Building Permits	11	\$2,000	\$2,425	\$2,500
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	11	\$6,000	\$6,660	\$6,500
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources					
3351	Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	11	\$130,360	\$130,360	\$130,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	11	\$103,538	\$103,538	\$103,500
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	11	\$0	\$0	\$39,835
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	11	\$100	\$0	\$100
3379	From Other Governments	11	\$250,000	\$198,505	\$200,000
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	11	\$127,800	\$167,229	\$150,000
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	11	\$30,000	\$85,443	\$30,000
3502	Interest on Investments	11	\$210	\$245	\$250
3503-3509	Other	11	\$67,540	\$65,333	\$65,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	PY Estimated Revenues	PY Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance		\$0	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$1,359,283	\$1,430,031	\$1,361,085

Budget Summary

Item	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$2,607,134	\$2,728,146
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$320,000	\$303,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$2,927,134	\$3,031,146
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,341,928	\$1,361,085
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$1,585,206	\$1,670,061

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
2017 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

		Tax Rates	
Gross Appropriations	2,915,634		
less: Revenues	(1,359,283)		
Fund Balance to reduce Taxes	(250,000)		
Add: Overlay	52,181		
War Service Credits	72,800		
 Net Town appropriation	 1,431,332		
 Approved Town Tax Effort		 1,431,332	
Municipal Tax Rate			3.91
 Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp.-Revenue)	 4,069,985		
Regional School Apportionment	1,657,929		
Less: Equitable Education Grant	(690,789)		
State Education Taxes	(776,862)		
Approved School Effort		4,260,263	
Local Education Tax Rate			11.66
 State Education Taxes		 776,862	
State Education Tax			2.17
 Due to County	 603,208		
Approved County Tax Effort		603,208	
County Tax Effort			1.65
 Tax Rate w/o Precinct			19.39
 Total Property Tax Assessed		 7,071,665	
Less War Service Credits		(72,800)	
Add: Village District Commitment		239,580	
Total Property Tax Commitment		7,238,445	
 Proof of Rate	Net Valuation	Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax	358,294,677	2.17	776,862
All Other Taxes	365,514,877	17.22	6,294,803
			<u>7,071,665</u>
 Village Precinct	 18,722,251	 15.54	 290,944
War Service Credits			(72,800)
			<u>7,289,809</u>

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
2017 TAX RATE CALCULATION**



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Tax Rate Breakdown Thornton

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation

Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	1431332	365514877	3.91
County	603208	365514877	1.65
Local Education	4260263	365514877	11.66
State Education	776862	358294677	2.17
Total	7071665		19.39

Village Tax Rate Calculation

Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Waterville Estates	290944	18722251	15.54
Total	290944		15.54

Tax Commitment Calculation

Total Municipal Tax Effort	7071665
War Service Credits	-72800
Village District Tax Effort	290944
Total Property Tax Commitment	7289809
	42667

Stephan Hamilton Director of Municipal and Property Division

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
2017 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	2915634	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		-1359283
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		0
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		-250000
War Service Credits	72800	
Special Adjustment	0	
Actual Overlay Used	52181	
Net Required Local Tax Effort		1431332

County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	603208	
Net Required County Tax Effort		603208

Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	4069985	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	1657929	
Net Education Grant		-690789
Locally Retained State Education Tax		-776862
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort		4260263
State Education Tax	776862	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort		776862

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)

Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	365514877	363914437
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	358294677	356694237

Village (MS-1V)

Description	Current Year
Waterville Estates	18722251

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
2017 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

Thornton

Tax Commitment Verification

2016 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II

Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	7289809
1/2% Amount	36449.045
Acceptable High	7326258.045
Acceptable Low	7253359.955

If the amount of your total warrant varies by more than 1/2%, the MS-1 form used to calculate the tax rate might not b

Commitment Amount

Less amount for any applicable Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIF)

Net amount after TIF adjustment

Under penalties of perjury, I verify the amount above was the 2016 commitment amount on the property tax v

Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:

Date:

Submit this signed verification form with a copy of the completed and signed warrant total page and an actual tax bill

Requirements for Semi-Annual Billing

Pursuant to RSA 76:15-a

76:15-a Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes in Certain Towns and Cities - I. Taxes shall be collected in the following man

Thornton	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2016 Tax Rate	19.39	9.695
Associated Villages		
Waterville Estates	15.54	7.77

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
2017 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	0
General Fund Operating Expenses	8555967
Final Overlay	52181

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the dete

[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)* , pg. 17.[2] C

2016 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Thornton

Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (10.87%)	930172
17% Retained (<i>Maximum Recommended</i>)	1454514
10% Retained	855597
8% Retained	684477
5% Retained (<i>Minimum Recommended</i>)	427798

2016 RSA 198:4-b II School Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Thornton

If a school district has adopted RSA 198:4-b II by a vote of the legislative body, the school district may retain year-end

	Net Assessment	2.5% of Net Assessment
Local School	5037125	125928.125
Pemi-Baker Regional School District	12035871	300896.775



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Thornton, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

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 from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

As discussed in Note 18 to the financial statements, management has not recorded the long-term costs of retirement health care costs and obligations for other postemployment benefits in the governmental activities. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that those costs be recorded, which would increase the liabilities, decrease the net position, and increase the expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the liabilities, net position, and expenses on the governmental activities is not readily determinable.

Adverse Opinion

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter described in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the financial position of the government-wide financial statements of the Town of Thornton, as of December 31, 2015, or the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

*Town of Thornton
Independent Auditor's Report*

Unmodified Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major fund and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Thornton, as of December 31, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1-Q to the financial statements, in 2015 the Town changed its method of accounting for pension reporting with the adoption of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions-an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27* and as amended by Statement No. 71 *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date-an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*. Our opinions are not modified with respect to these matters.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information - Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability, and the Schedule of the Town Contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information - Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Thornton's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

October 20, 2016

*Plodyk & Sanderson
Professional Association*

**TOWN OF THORNTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
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YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015**

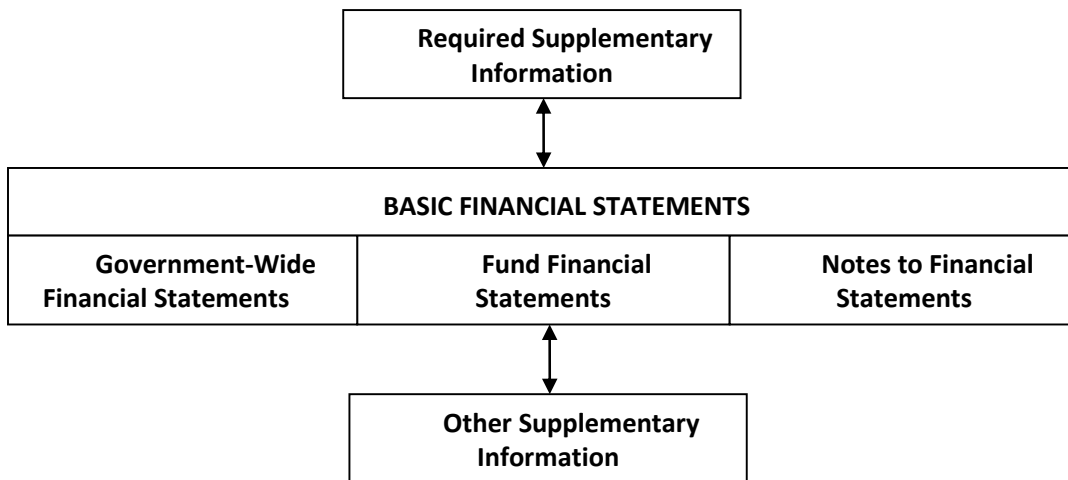
The following is a discussion and analysis of the activities of the Town of Thornton, New Hampshire (the “Town”) for the year ending December 31, 2015. Readers are encouraged to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Town’s financial statements.

Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data, and the completeness and fairness of this presentation (including all disclosures) rests with the Board of Selectmen. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the data contained herein is accurate in all material respects. This data is reported in a manner designed to fairly present the Town’s financial position, and the results of operations of the various funds of the Town. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an accurate understanding of the Town’s financial activities have been included.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town’s basic financial statements. The Town’s basic financial statements include five components:

1. Government-wide financial statements
2. Fund financial statements
3. Notes to the basic financial statements
4. Required supplementary information (Management’s Discussion and Analysis, Schedule of the Town’s Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability and the Schedule of Town Contributions)
5. Other supplementary information



Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town’s finances, in a manner similar to most private-sector companies.

The **Statement of Net Position** presents information on all of the Town’s assets, deferred outflow of resources, liabilities and deferred inflow of resources with the difference between the four reported as net

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position. Over time, increases and decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

The **Statement of Activities** presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will not result in cash flows until future periods (such as uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave). The governmental activities of the Town include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, health, welfare, culture and recreation and conservation.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds: Most of the basic services provided by the Town are financed through governmental funds. Unlike the government-wide financial statements, the governmental fund financial statements report using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted into cash. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Town's programs.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between the governmental activities statement of net position and statement of activities.

Fiduciary Funds: These are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside of the Town government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of these funds are not available to support the Town's own programs. The Town's fiduciary funds include capital reserve funds held for the Thornton School District.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and the fund financial statements.

Budgetary Comparison Information

The basic financial statements include required budgetary comparison information in Exhibit D. This exhibit includes a budgetary comparison schedule for the Town's major governmental fund and includes a reconciliation between the reported activity of the revenues, expenditures and operating transfers for

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budgetary purposes and the activity as presented in the governmental fund financial statements (Exhibit C-3). The Town's only major governmental fund for 2015 is the General Fund.

The following exhibit summarizes the major features of the Town's financial statements.

	Government-Wide	Fund Statements	
		Governmental	Fiduciary
SCOPE	Entire Town government (except fiduciary funds)	All activities of the Town that are not proprietary or fiduciary	Instances in which the Town is the trustee or agent for someone else's resources.
REQUIRED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	Statement of Net Position	Balance Sheet	Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
	Statement of Activities	Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances	
ACCOUNTING BASIS	Accrual	Modified Accrual	Accrual
MEASUREMENT FOCUS	Economic Resources	Current Financial Resources	Economic Resources
TYPE OF INFORMATION ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term.	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter, no capital assets included.	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term.
TYPE OF INFORMATION REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND EXPENDITURES	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid.	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year, expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year or soon thereafter.	

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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Statement of Net Position

The Town's net position totaled \$3,056,069 at the end of 2015, an increase of \$255,960 or 9% when compared to the end of the previous year. This change is primarily due to increases in asset accounts consisting of cash and cash equivalents in the amount of \$219,176, taxes receivable in the amount of \$16,933 and net capital infrastructure improvements of \$117,948. These increases in assets were offset by decreases in investments in the amount of (\$20,888), intergovernmental receivable in the amount of (\$21,075) and tax deeded property in the amount of (\$14,592). Additionally, there were decreases in accounts payable in the amount of (\$10,851), amounts related to pensions of (\$13,901), accrued landfill postclosure care costs in the amount of (\$14,280) and deferred inflows of resources of (\$33,445) which were partially offset by an increase in intergovernmental payable of \$82,398, accrued wages and salaries in the amount of \$6,022.

As of December 31, 2015, the Town implemented GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, which requires the Town to report their proportionate share of the New Hampshire Retirement System's net pension liability based upon their plan contributions for the year. The New Hampshire Retirement System has a statutory funding schedule whose goal is to reach 100% plan funding by June 30, 2039.

	Governmental Activities - 2014 (Restated)	Governmental Activities - 2015	Change
Current assets	\$ 4,548,210	\$ 4,725,532	\$ 177,322
Restricted assets	-	10,080	10,080
Capital assets	1,545,515	1,663,463	117,948
Total assets	<u>6,093,725</u>	<u>6,399,075</u>	<u>305,350</u>
Deferred outflow of resources	<u>102,815</u>	<u>88,914</u>	<u>(13,901)</u>
Current liabilities	2,337,060	2,414,333	77,273
Long-term liabilities	928,011	919,672	(8,339)
Total liabilities	<u>3,265,071</u>	<u>3,334,005</u>	<u>68,934</u>
Deferred inflow of resources	<u>131,360</u>	<u>97,915</u>	<u>(33,445)</u>
Net position:			
Net investment in			
capital assets	1,545,515	1,663,463	117,948
Restricted	240,859	243,671	2,812
Unrestricted	1,013,735	1,148,935	135,200
Total net position	<u>\$ 2,800,109</u>	<u>\$ 3,056,069</u>	<u>\$ 255,960</u>

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A large portion of the Town's net position reflects its investment in capital assets such as land, buildings, and equipment, less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of any related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

Statement of Activities

During the current year the Town's net position increased by \$255,960. Total revenues of \$2,639,080 exceeded expenses of \$2,383,120.

Property and other taxes generated \$1,372,346 in revenues for the Town. Motor vehicle, permit fees, licenses and other fees generated \$462,476 in revenues. Other revenues consisted of charges for services, grants, contributions and miscellaneous revenues.

Changes in net position for the year ending December 31, 2015 are as follows:

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	<u>Governmental Activities - 2014 (Restated)</u>	<u>Governmental Activities - 2015</u>	<u>Change</u>
<i>Revenues:</i>			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 325,033	\$ 331,059	\$ 6,026
Operating grants and contributions	88,687	178,163	89,476
General revenues:			
Property and other taxes	1,447,370	1,372,346	(75,024)
Licenses and permits	455,977	462,476	6,499
Grants and contributions	121,443	121,640	197
Interest and investment earnings	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	131,137	173,396	42,259
Total revenues	<u>2,569,647</u>	<u>2,639,080</u>	<u>69,433</u>
<i>Expenditures:</i>			
General government	850,392	791,073	(59,319)
Public safety	678,870	714,575	35,705
Highways and streets	389,798	332,542	(57,256)
Sanitation	399,596	384,779	(14,817)
Health and welfare	84,395	81,127	(3,268)
Culture and recreation	70,335	78,754	8,419
Conservation efforts	245	270	25
Total expenditures	<u>2,473,631</u>	<u>2,383,120</u>	<u>(90,511)</u>
Increase in net position	96,016	255,960	159,944
Net position, beginning of year	<u>2,704,093</u>	<u>2,800,109</u>	<u>96,016</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ 2,800,109</u>	<u>\$ 3,056,069</u>	<u>\$ 255,960</u>

The Town's expenses cover a range of services. The largest expenses were for general government (33.19%), public safety (29.98%), sanitation (16.15%) and highways and streets (13.95%), which accounted for 93.28% of total expenditures.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWN'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the Town's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing

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requirements. In particular, the unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of each year.

General Fund

The General Fund is the operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, the General Fund had an unassigned fund balance of \$1,123,070 while total General Fund equity was \$2,000,269. The total fund equity includes nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned fund balances at year-end. The General Fund unassigned fund balance increased by \$64,456 from December 31, 2014.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Actual revenues on the budgetary basis were under the budgeted amount by \$20,147. This is primarily due to lower revenues from the following budgeted sources: \$27,510 from taxes and \$7,849 from miscellaneous sources. These lower than budgeted revenues were partially offset by \$10,076 due to increased revenue from licenses, permits and fees and \$4,077 from intergovernmental.

The Town under expended its budget by \$232,058. This is primarily due to savings realized in financial administration of \$9,360, personnel administration of \$53,648, planning and zoning of \$22,043, public safety \$46,284, highway and streets of \$69,872, sanitation – solid waste disposal of \$9,414, health and welfare of \$15,142, culture and recreation of \$8,858 and interest on tax anticipation notes of \$2,500. These savings were slightly offset by over expending the budget in legal by \$19,000.

OTHER FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

There were no monies encumbered at the end of 2014. \$29,776 of the remaining 2015 appropriations were encumbered to offset 2016 expenditures for various operating commitments.

CAPITAL ASSET AND LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Capital Assets

The Town considers a capital asset to be an asset whose cost exceeds \$10,000 and has an estimated minimum useful life in excess of one year. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the course of the assets estimated useful life.

The Town's gross investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2015 amounts to \$2,528,543 with \$865,080 in accumulated depreciation. The net book value of capital assets for governmental activities is \$1,663,463 as of December 31, 2015. This investment in capital assets includes vehicles and equipment, building and building improvements and land and land improvements. See Note 8 of the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements for a summary of all capital assets.

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Long-Term Obligations

During 2015, the Town made long-term obligation additions in the amount of \$3,380 and payments totaling \$14,280. See Note 12 of the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements for a summary of all outstanding long-term obligations. GASB #34 requires that these liabilities be reflected as a reduction in net position.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

The Town is not planning any new building projects at this time.

The Town is not considering any major changes in staffing levels at this time.

The Town is continuing to actively pursue the use of capital reserve accounts to save monies incrementally that will be used toward the payment of future purchases. Several new capital reserves were requested and approved in 2015.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all of Thornton citizens, taxpayers, and creditors. This financial report seeks to demonstrate the Town's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to: Town of Thornton, Selectmen's Office, 16 Merrill Access Road, Thornton, NH 03285.

Prepared by,

John Carpenter, CPA
Thornton Resident

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON
 APPROPRIATION ESTIMATES FOR THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
 JANUARY 1, 2017 – DECEMBER 31, 2017**

	<u>2016</u> <u>Approved</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>2016</u> <u>Actual</u> <u>Expended</u>	<u>2017</u> <u>Proposed</u> <u>Budget</u>
TOTAL EXECUTIVE	242,165.00	236,849.91	260,346.00
TOTAL TOWN CLERK	39,061.00	38,739.87	39,907.00
TOTAL ELECTIONS	14,000.00	11,915.21	4,750.00
TOTAL FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	57,440.00	65,008.29	58,217.00
TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR	52,944.00	32,359.87	25,498.00
TOTAL REVALUATIONS OF PROPERTY	29,318.00	30,538.00	30,318.00
TOTAL LEGAL EXPENSE	27,000.00	63,485.00	27,000.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	0.00	0.00	4,900.00
TOTAL TOWN GRANTS	500.00	0.00	500.00
TOTAL PLANNING & ZONING	54,109.00	24,921.68	56,215.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	36,501.00	34,186.22	30,801.00
TOTAL CEMETERIES	24,950.00	24,705.43	25,700.00
TOTAL INSURANCE	53,142.00	38,968.63	48,852.00
TOTAL ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOC	2.00	0.00	2.00
TOTAL EMERGENCY, MAPS, PERAMBULATION	6,001.00	4,124.19	6,001.00
TOTAL POLICE	528,994.00	517,921.63	651,813.00
TOTAL FIRE	302,202.00	301,701.19	313,420.00
TOTAL BUILDING & CODE ENFORCEMENT	3,951.00	215.94	2,752.00
TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	2,030.00	1,979.99	3,500.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	521,024.00	485,554.86	518,176.00
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER	2,277.00	2,276.36	2,149.00
TOTAL TRANSFER STATION	196,213.00	175,973.38	226,558.00
TOTAL SOLID WASTE	225,001.00	198,862.84	217,001.00
TOTAL MONITORING / CLOSURE	1,300.00	1,292.00	1,300.00
TOTAL SEPTAGE DISPOSAL	100.00	100.00	100.00
TOTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS	1,257.00	976.83	1,186.00
TOTAL HEALTH AGENCIES & HOSPITALS	49,857.00	49,857.00	50,103.00
TOTAL AGENCY REQUESTS	13,904.00	13,904.00	14,504.00
TOTAL WELFARE	28,791.00	14,248.76	25,975.00
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION	2.00	0.00	2.00
TOTAL LIBRARY	78,548.00	74,178.79	78,550.00
TOTAL PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	500.00	322.65	500.00
TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	50.00	0.00	50.00
TOTAL INTEREST TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES	2,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY - OTHER	50,000.00	32,106.43	33,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS	270,000.00	270,000.00	270,000.00
TOTAL BUDGETS	2,915,634.00	2,747,274.95	3,031,146.00

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	<u>Unaudited</u> <u>2016</u>	<u>Previous</u> <u>Year Audited</u> <u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2015</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Assets			
10101- Cash - PNB - Checking	4,973.21	5,060.21	(87.00)
10102- Cash - PNB - Money Market	2,805,401.51	2,484,905.74	320,495.77
10103- Petty Cash	350.00	350.00	0.00
10104- PEMI - Hubbard Brk Rsrch Scholar	0.00	0.00	0.00
10105- Northway - Conservation Fund	6,064.26	6,061.22	3.04
10198- Cash Receipts Clearing	0.00	17,245.16	(17,245.16)
10199- EFT Clearing Account	0.00	0.00	0.00
10201- Mildrex Inc. PLBD Escrow Acct	0.00	0.00	0.00
10202- M Johnston Const Exc Pit Rec	5,046.08	5,045.03	1.05
10203- D Johnston/Dirt Designs Excavation rec pit	5,037.82	5,035.29	2.53
10204- Thornton Bluffs - CBDA Developement	0.00	0.00	0.00
10205- Day Drive-PLBD Escrow Acct.	0.00	0.00	0.00
10301- NHPDIP - Cash - Closure Bond	1,849.77	3,130.62	(1,280.85)
10302- NHPDIP - Gen Fund Excess	5,574.55	5,545.62	28.93
10801- Prop.Taxes Rec - Current	478,111.52	681,643.80	(203,532.28)
10803- Prop.Taxes Rec - 2007	0.00	0.00	0.00
10804- Prop Taxes Rec - 2008	0.00	0.00	0.00
10810- WE Prop Tax Rec - Current	14,563.88	32,923.45	(18,359.57)
10811- WE Prop Tax Rec - 2008	0.00	0.00	0.00
10840- Land Use Taxes Receivable	(5,200.00)	(5,200.00)	0.00
10850- Yield Taxes Rec All Levels	1,736.13	0.00	1,736.13
10851- Yield Tax Receivable - 2008	0.00	0.00	0.00
10860- Excavation Gravel Tax All Levies	0.00	0.00	0.00
10861- Excavation Gravel Tax - 2007	0.00	0.00	0.00
10862- Excavation Gravel Tax - 2008	0.00	0.00	0.00
10890- Allowance for Uncollectable	(55,000.00)	(55,000.00)	0.00
11101- Tax Liens Receivable	209,203.51	390,231.03	(181,027.52)
11102- Welfare Liens Receivable	2,004.79	2,004.79	0.00
11103- Elderly Deferral Liens Receivable	18,340.00	17,298.00	1,042.00
11501- Accounts Receivable	59,019.52	59,019.52	0.00
12601- Acct Rec - Intergovernmental	0.00	0.00	0.00
13103- Due from Capital Projects Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
13107- Due from Expend. Trust Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00
13108- Due from Non - expend Trust Fund	3,320.77	3,320.77	0.00
14001- Prepaid Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
16701- Deeded Property	112,531.08	87,010.68	25,520.40
19999- OWP Outstanding Checks	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Assets	3,672,928.40	3,745,630.93	(72,702.53)

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	<u>Unaudited</u> <u>2016</u>	<u>Previous</u> <u>Year Audited</u> <u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2015</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets			
20202- Acct Payable	107,781.90	61,221.72	46,560.18
20221- Bank Error Adj Acct- Wash acct	200.01	200.01	0.00
20248- Healthtrust Wellness In/Out	0.00	0.00	0.00
20249- Accrued Compensation Earned Hours (No	0.00	0.00	0.00
20250- Accrued Compensation Hours (No dollars)	0.00	0.00	0.00
20251- Federal W/H Tax Payable	2,414.57	2,414.57	0.00
20252- NH Retirement Payable	8,732.27	10,327.78	(1,595.51)
20253- Employee Health Ins. Payable	(80.25)	5,472.54	(5,552.79)
20254- FICA W/H Payable	5,653.98	4,007.30	1,646.68
20255- Medicare FICA W/H Payable	(2,583.46)	(936.78)	(1,646.68)
20256- EMPLOYEE DIRECT DEPOSITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
20257- Employee AFLAC - Pre Tax	(1,126.69)	(388.51)	(738.18)
20258- Employee Dental Ins. Payable	6,728.49	1,715.57	5,012.92
20259- AFLAC Post Tax	792.26	16.30	775.96
20260- Wage Garnish-State NH	0.00	0.00	0.00
20261- Accrued Payroll	30,999.18	32,228.71	(1,229.53)
20262- Timber Bond acct	420.00	420.00	0.00
20263- 1099 Withholding Acct	0.00	0.00	0.00
20264- Wage Garnish - NHHEAF	0.00	0.00	0.00
20265- Earth Excavation Bond Acct.	0.00	0.00	0.00
20299- EFT Liability Mask	0.00	0.00	0.00
20502- Grant Contract in/out funding	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
20702- State fees- Dogs	1,740.00	1,710.00	30.00
20703- State Fees-Hunting & Fishing License	42.00	(1.00)	43.00
20704- State- Fees - OHRV Registration	91.00	91.00	0.00
20705- State Fees- Vital Records	(51.00)	(24.00)	(27.00)
20706- Applicant Registry Recording Fees	128.00	128.00	0.00
20751- Acct Payable - PBRSD	691,675.00	764,062.00	(72,387.00)
20752- Acct Payable - Thornton School	1,305,429.00	1,367,138.00	(61,709.00)
20753- Acct Payable - WE Vill Prec	139,831.92	153,400.83	(13,568.91)
20754- Due to County	(603,208.00)	0.00	(603,208.00)
20755- Property Taxes Prepaid	0.00	0.00	0.00
21200- PLBD Escrow Accounts	10,080.32	10,080.32	0.00
21201- PLBD GCRD LCHIP fees	516.40	0.00	516.40
22201- Deferred Revenues	18,052.09	13,046.49	5,005.60
22202- Due to Hubbard Brk Scholarship	0.00	0.00	0.00
22203- Due to Precincts	0.00	0.00	0.00
22204- Due To - Conservation Fund	8,214.26	8,211.22	3.04
22505- Escrow Planning Board Fees	31.88	28.30	3.58
22506- Yield Tax Escrow	0.00	0.00	0.00
24401- Reserve for Encumbrances	6,692.00	29,776.00	(23,084.00)
24511- Reserve for Contingency	0.00	0.00	0.00

THORNTON UNAUDITED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2016

	<u>Unaudited</u> <u>2016</u>	<u>Previous</u> <u>Year Audited</u> <u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2015</u>	<u>Difference</u>
24901- Reserve for Special Purpose	(354.85)	0.00	(354.85)
24902- Reserve for Welfare Liens	19,302.79	19,302.79	0.00
24909- Reserve for Tax Deeded Prop	87,010.62	87,010.62	0.00
Total Liabilities	1,848,155.69	2,570,659.78	(722,504.09)
25301- Unassigned Fund Balance	(548,986.51)	(527,111.81)	(21,874.70)
27900- Undesignated Fund Balance	(633,334.64)	(633,334.64)	0.00
Change in Net Assets	649,801.56	14,524.70	635,276.86
Total Net Assets	1,832,122.71	1,174,971.15	657,151.56
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	(3,680,278.40)	(3,745,630.93)	65,352.53

2016 TOWN OF THORNTON EMPLOYEE WAGES

[Beaulieu, T] Beaulieu, Tammie	61,700.96
[Benton, B] Benton, Brad R.	3,942.00
[Bigl, S] Bigl, Susan M	1,849.93
[Cheney, G] Cheney, George F	45,408.66
[Collins, J] Collins, Jessica D	50.00
[Collins T] Collins, Timothy J	27,756.18
[Conn, M] Conn, Mary A	35,012.12
[Cooper, J] Cooper, Judith A	3,327.50
[Decoteau, N] Decoteau, Nancy A.	14,232.87
[Demeritt, J] Demeritt, James	498.67
[Diamond, R] Diamond, Rod S	56,312.21
[Dumont, S] Dumont, Susan	5,099.00
[Eckard, R] Eckard, Ricky P	8,759.00
[Fleury, J A] Fleury, Jessi-Ann	11,222.73
[Gaites, J] Gaites, John F	2,695.94
[Gilman, D] Gilman, Daniel	55,934.38
[Howe, D] Howe, Donald	30,352.92
[Kubik, J] Kubik, John S	51,525.28
[Labreque, C] Labreque, Claudia M	350.00
[Lester, C] Lester, Carmen M	1,742.50
[Mahurin, D] Mahurin, Desiree L	41,992.67
[McGuire, K] McGuire, Kevin F.	42,421.15
[Melanson, W] Melanson, William C	23,097.61
[Moulton, S] Moulton, Sandra A	37,688.63
[Moylan, Z] Moylan, Zachary W.	37,127.51
[Murray, W] Murray, William	28,225.53
[Paul-Hilliard, J] Paul-Hilliard, John S	3,942.00
[Peabody, M] Peabody, Marianne	9,901.88
[Potter, K] Potter, Kaitlyn A	210.00
[Regan, B] Regan, Brian	15,734.42
[Rideout, C] Rideout, Christopher J	50,678.08
[Rose, B] Rose, Brook J	22,726.09
[Sabourn, R] Sabourn, Roy A	3,942.00
[Sargent, N] Sargent, Nina M.	25,574.63
[Simon, Z] Simon, Zachary	13,811.79
[St. Amour, A] St. Amour, Alisa	14,844.75
[St. Laurent, C] St. Laurent, Christine	590.00
[Tyler, T] Tyler, Timothy J.	1,705.00
[Vermeersch, A] Vermeersch, Andrew J	1,319.36
Report Totals	793,305.95

2016 REVENUE REPORT

<u>Revenue Accounts</u>	<u>2015 Actual</u>	<u>2016 Unaudited Revenues</u>	<u>2017 MS6 Proposed Budget</u>
01-31-00000-31210-00 Land Use Tax (CU)	11,978.00	740.00	3,000.00
01-31-00000-31851-00 Yield Tax	15,119.76	5,846.21	8,000.00
01-31-00000-31852-00 Elderly Tax Deferral	0.00	1,042.00	2,000.00
01-31-00000-31860-00 PILT-Payment in Lieu of Tax	36,045.00	39,835.00	0.00
01-31-00000-31899-00 Excavation Tax (Gravel)	895.40	1,513.92	2,000.00
01-31-00000-31901-00 Int & Cost - P/T Current	46,121.36	44,974.17	47,050.00
01-31-00000-31903-00 Int & Cost - P/T Liens	75,137.72	81,387.86	80,000.00
01-31-00000-31910-00 Int & Cost - WE Property	0.00	2.44	1,000.00
01-31-00000-31930-00 Int & Penalties - Land Use Chg	19.77	8.12	0.00
01-31-00000-31990-00 Interest - Yield Tax	0.27	0.00	50.00
01-31-00000-31991-00 Int & Cost Excavation Tax	14.60	0.00	0.00
01-32-00000-32104-00 UCC Filings	150.00	300.00	300.00
01-32-00000-32203-00 MV Registrations	453,428.95	494,644.27	490,000.00
01-32-00000-32301-00 Building Permit Fees	1,850.00	2,425.00	2,500.00
01-32-00000-32901-00 Dog License Fees -Town	3,269.50	3,616.00	4,100.00
01-32-00000-32902-00 Dog Fines-PD Ordinance	225.00	150.00	0.00
01-32-00000-32904-00 Fish & Game TC - Town	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-32-00000-32905-00 Vital Statistics -Town	535.00	388.00	300.00
01-32-00000-32906-00 OHRV reg - Town	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-32-00000-32907-00 Planning Board - Fees	2,528.56	2,458.56	2,000.00
01-32-00000-32908-00 Zoning Board - Fees	487.62	47.18	100.00
01-33-00000-33520-00 State - Meals & Rooms Tax	121,039.91	130,359.63	130,000.00
01-33-00000-33530-00 NH Highway Block Grant	95,502.91	103,537.92	103,500.00
01-33-00000-33560-00 State & Federal Forest Reimb.	3,072.00	0.00	39,835.00
01-33-00000-33590-00 Other State & Grants & Reimb.	600.00	0.00	100.00
01-33-00000-33793-00 Recycle/Landfill - Town Reimb.	194,313.76	198,504.57	200,000.00
01-33-00000-33794-00 State Bridge Aid Funds	79,587.80	0.00	0.00
01-34-00000-34011-00 Recycle/Landfill - Disposal Chgs	59,409.00	63,012.00	55,000.00
01-34-00000-34012-00 Recycling Income	21,111.53	26,690.41	40,000.00
01-34-00000-34013-00 Ambulance Service Income	43,944.26	50,562.55	44,000.00
01-34-00000-34014-00 Police Fines & Fees	12,280.17	26,034.73	10,000.00
01-34-00000-34015-00 Copy Machine Income	540.89	532.89	600.00
01-34-00000-34016-00 Highway Revenue	248.00	396.00	400.00
01-34-00000-34017-00 Miscellaneous	85,520.93	65,333.44	65,000.00
01-35-00000-35011-00 Sale of Municipal Property	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-35-00000-35012-00 Sale of Tax Deeded Property	23,899.03	85,443.00	30,000.00
01-35-00000-35020-00 Interest - Money Market	231.17	204.48	250.00
01-35-00000-35021-00 Interest - NHPDIP	5.85	40.08	0.00
01-39-00000-39150-00 Transfers Capital Reserve	112,642.43	0.00	0.00
Total Revenues	1,501,756.15	1,430,029.43	1,361,085.00

2016 SUMMARY OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>		
	<u>BORROWED</u>	<u>PAID</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
1/1/16 Balance Carried Forward			\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
12/31/16 Remaining balance			\$0.00

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Due to School Districts 1/1/16		\$2,131,129.00
Less:		
Payments: 1/1/16-6/30/16		
Thornton Central School	\$ 1,355,461.53	
Pemi-Baker Regional School District	\$ 756,014.00	
Less:		
Revisions: 1/1/16-6/30/16		
Thornton Central School	\$ 11,676.47	
Pemi-Baker Regional School District	\$ 7,977.00	
Plus:		
07/16 School Appropriations		
Thornton Central School	\$ 3,605,429.00	
Pemi-Baker Regional School District	\$ 1,431,688.00	
Total 2015/2016 School Year Appropriations		\$5,037,117.00
Less:		
Payments:7/1/16-12/31/16		
Thornton Central School	\$ 2,300,000.00	
Pemi-Baker Regional School District	\$ 740,084.00	
Balance Due School Districts 12/31/16		\$1,997,033.00



School Reports

SCHOOL REPORT DEDICATION



The Town of Thornton dedicates its 2016 Annual Town Report to Carol Tyler. Carol has faithfully served the town and Thornton Central School for many years in varied roles including school bus driver, cafeteria assistant, Winter Activities coordinator, Administrative Assistant, School Board Secretary, and as the school representative to the town's Homeland Security Committee. Carol's duties to fill these roles have been numerous. For years, she has quietly and efficiently organized and decorated for the eighth-grade graduation, placed countless orders to cover budgeted items for the school, coordinated busses for class trips and games, answered the phone at 5:30 in the morning to obtain a sub for an ill teacher, and learned and mastered new technological software allowing the school to operate more efficiently. In addition to her work, Carol also fills in for the school nurse when needed. During the years, Thornton did not have a nurse on duty, Carol was the school nurse.

Carol is a problem solver. When a teacher has a copier jam, Carol will quietly start taking the machine apart to find every last bit of hidden paper. Carol is a whiz with a screwdriver. She can unlock a cabinet drawer or assemble a piece of furniture with that simple tool. Carol always willingly stops her own work to help a staff member, parent, or a student who needs help, and she does it with a smile on face and kindness in her heart.

Carol is the face and voice of Thornton Central School. She is the first person parents and the community see as they enter the school. They see her smile and immediately know they are in good hands. It is Carol's calm voice the community hears when an "all call" message needs to be sent. Again, that calmness assures everyone that all will be well.

Few towns are fortunate enough to have such a competent, level headed, dedicated, thorough, positive, and kind person working for them. We wish Carol the best as she begins her retirement. She will be sorely missed.

OFFICERS OF THE THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

<u>School Board</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Ashley Sanborn	2017
Barry Van DeMoere	2017
Teri Gabbeitt	2018
Greg Campbell	2019
Cara Towers	2019

CLERK

Lynne Campbell

TREASURER

Lynne Campbell

MODERATOR

Robert MacLeod

SUPERINTENDENT

Mark J. Halloran

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Ethel F. Gaides

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Kyla A. Welch

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
THORNTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
MARCH 3, 2016**

The meeting opened at 7:01 with the nomination, affirmation vote and oath of office of Bob MacLeod as Moderator Pro tem. Moderator Bob MacLeod called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. SAU #48 Superintendent Mark Halloran, Assistant Superintendent Ethel Gaides and Thornton Central School Principal Jonathan Bownes were introduced. School Board members introduced were Cara Towers, Barry Van DeMoere, Teri Gabbeitts, Ashley Sanborn and Greg Campbell.

A motion was made to dispense the reading of the Warrant in its entirety, the motion was seconded. There was no discussion and the motion to dispense the reading of the Warrant in its entirety passed by voice vote.

Article 1: To see what action the School District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees and officers. **A motion was made and seconded to accept Article 1. There was no discussion and the motion to accept Article 1 passed with a voice vote.**

Article 2: To see if the School District will vote to establish a contingency fund in accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 198:4-b, such contingency fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year and, further, to see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for such contingency fund. (The School Board recommends the appropriation.) (Majority vote required.) **A motion was made and seconded to accept Article 2. There was no discussion and the motion to accept Article 2 passed with a voice vote.**

Article 3: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of four million four hundred five thousand four hundred eighty-nine dollars (\$4,405,489) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.) **A motion was made and seconded to accept Article 3. There was a discussion and the motion to accept Article 3 passed with a voice vote.**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne M. Campbell

Lynne M. Campbell
Clerk, Thornton School District

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT 2016-2017

It is a pleasure to update you on the changes and activities taking place in your school. We are very proud of our students and faculties accomplishments and look forward to you reading all about it.

Teachers continue to work diligently on implementing an aligned curriculum in content areas. Each of the curriculum master maps/frameworks were developed by a team of teachers and contain high standards, mastery of skills, and creativity. These curriculum documents are available to the public through the SAU website: www.sau48.org

New Hampshire continues to implement the Smarter Balanced Assessment in English/Language Arts and Mathematics to students in grades 3-8 one time a year in the spring. High school students are administered the SAT in 11th grade. Our principals and teachers continue to limit over testing and focus on instruction providing a balanced curriculum including academics, wellness, technology, arts and a variety of after school programs, co-curricular activities and athletics.

This school year, the SAU schools are focused on improving mental health supports for students and continuing to take necessary efforts to maintain our high levels of safety and security in our buildings.

Title I is a federal program that serves the unique needs of children – kindergarten to grade 12 – who struggle to learn. Title I programs and services provide customized instruction and curricula that helps these students meet academic standards and take an active, engaged interest in what they learn and can do. Our several SAU #48 Title I programs were evaluated by the NH Department of Education this year. The evaluator was very impressed with the smoothness of the transition from being a Title I Targeted Assistance School last year to a Title I Schoolwide School this year at three of our schools.

SAU #48 school/districts have a plethora of pertinent information for students, parents, educators, and the community. In addition to the redesign of SAU 48's website, each of our schools have developed interactive websites.

We encourage you to read the principal's report contained within this report. We believe you will be pleased.

We thank you for your continued support. We are honored to work on your behalf.

Mark Halloran
Superintendent

Ethel Gaides
Assistant Superintendent

Kyla Welch
Assistant Superintendent

2016-2017 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thornton Central School had another excellent school year. Students at Thornton Central School continue to do well academically when compared to their peers within SAU 48, the State of New Hampshire, and nationally.

The change made in the structure two years ago to a grades 5-6 team and a grades 7-8 team continues to work well. The two different teams have allowed our students to grow academically and socially.

Our kindergarten has moved from a half day to a full day. The full day kindergarten has allowed our kindergarteners more time during the day to learn the challenging and more demanding curriculum expectations the State Department of Education has adopted.

This year, Deidre Flynn-Robinson, Michael Cowles, and Shannon Perkins have been added to our professional faculty. Deidre, who is now teaching third grade, graduated from Plymouth State University and worked at Thornton Central School as a teacher's assistant. Mike, our social studies teacher, came to us from an eleven year teaching experience at Franklin High School. Shannon, our new grades 7-8 literacy teacher has worked at both Lin-wood and Thornton Central School as a teacher assistant before joining us in a teaching position.

Our co-curricular activities continue to give students opportunities to grow outside the academic environment. Last year the Destination Imagination team finished second in the New Hampshire State competition and competed at Globals in Tennessee. The boys' basketball and baseball teams were named Pemi Baker League Champions. We continue to have many former Thornton students become captains of their high school athletic teams, become major characters in school performances, and move on to do well at the collegiate level.

Thornton Central School prospers because of all the hard work and effort the community puts into it. We continually have a large group of volunteers who give their time to help make our school a better place. To all those who have helped with coaching, fundraising, winter activities, classroom parties, PTO, Destination Imagination and chaperoning - Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Bournes
Principal

2016-2017 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE THORNTON SCHOOL NURSE

I would like to submit this annual report for the 2016-2017 school year. Our current enrollment at Thornton Central School is 200 students in grades kindergarten through eight as of December 13, 2016.

Yearly health updates from parents have been reviewed and entered into SNAP, our computerized health records for all students. The state immunization report was completed in November on-line.

Medications given on a daily basis average 5 this year. This varies from month to month. I also do other nursing jobs such as toileting, assisting students with nebulizer treatments or to use their inhalers.

We had a staff flu clinic at school on September 27, 2016 and 18 staff were immunized against the flu. We also had a student flu clinic at school on October 12, 2016 where 38 students were immunized against the flu.

I send a daily report to the state of New Hampshire of flu-like illness which has been low lately. I also track other outbreaks of contagious diseases such as strep throat and gastrointestinal illnesses.

I maintain a web site on the Thornton Central School web page which contains health information. The web site is new this year & the nurse portion will be updated soon. Mrs. Campbell sends home health and safety information via email with the weekly announcements. We updated our school Wellness Policy last year and try to send home information related to healthy nutrition & exercise. We encourage all members of the school community to participate in the 5210 Healthy NH plan to decrease childhood obesity. This plan encourages daily intake of 5 fruits and vegetables, limiting screen time on computers, and TVs to 2 hours or less a day, encourages 1 hour every day of physical activity and 0 soda or sugary sports or fruit drinks. We provide info via the web site to parents on healthy snacks and healthy celebrations.

I review emergency plans for children who have medical concerns which might require emergency intervention on a monthly basis with staff who are directly involved with these students.

I also do height, weight, vision & hearing screenings for grades one, three, six & eight as well as those in grade five who will be having sports physicals done at school.

Dr. Alan Rosen, of Midstate Health Center, our school physician, provided free sports physicals for 16 students in grades 5-8 on September 14, 2016. He will be returning on May 31, 2017 to do sports physicals for eighth graders who plan to participate in sports at the Plymouth Regional High School next fall.

I participate in the Campton-Thornton Got Lunch Program which provides free healthy lunches to children in Campton and Thornton on a weekly basis throughout the summer. We deliver these food packages to homes of anyone who applies for this program.

2016-2017 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE THORNTON SCHOOL NURSE

I am a member of our school safety committee and the school wellness committee.

I have prepared a budget for the 2017-2018 school year and order supplies as needed throughout the school year.

We provide the Speare Memorial Hospital Dental Program twice a year. Ruth Doane, our dental hygienist, provides screenings, cleanings and topical fluoride applications as well as sealants right here at school with parental permission.

I am a member of the New Hampshire School Nurses' Association and also organize monthly SAU 48 school nurse meetings where we review policies and health problems in our SAU. Elizabeth G. Mills, RN, school nurse, Thornton Central School.

Elizabeth G. Mills, RN
School Nurse
Thornton Central School

SCHOOL: THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL
NEW HAMPSHIRE
ELECTION WARRANT
2017

To the inhabitants of the town of Thornton Local School in the County of Grafton in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in school district affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Municipal Building in said District on the fourteenth day of March, 2017 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
2. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
3. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing two years
4. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing two years.
5. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing two years.

Given under our hands,		
We certify and attest that on or before _____, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at _____, and delivered the original to the keeper of records.		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
Barry Van DeMoere	Board Chairperson	
Greg Campbell	Board Member	
Teri Gabbeitt	Board Member	
Ashley Sanborn	Board Member	
Cara Towers	Board Member	

**SCHOOL: THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**WARRANT AND BUDGET
2017**

To the inhabitants of the town of Thornton Local School in the County of Grafton in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in school district affairs are hereby notified and warned of the Annual Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Thursday, March 9, 2017
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Thornton Central School

Article 1: Reports of agents, auditors, committees or officer

To see what action the School District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees and officers.

Yes No

Article 2: Contingency Fund

To see if the School District will vote to establish a contingency fund in accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 198:4-b, such contingency fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year and, further, to see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for such contingency fund. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

Yes No

**SCHOOL: THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**WARRANT AND BUDGET
2017**

Article 3: Teacher Agreement

To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Thornton School Board and the Thornton Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Estimated Increase
2017-2018	\$66,281
2018-2019	\$64,436
2019-2020	\$68,787
2020-2021	\$51,592

and further to raise and appropriate the amount of sixty-six thousand two hundred eighty-one dollars (\$66,281) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 4: Support Staff Agreement

To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Thornton School Board and the Thornton Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Estimated Increase
2017-2018	\$13,851
2018-2019	\$ 6,960
2019-2020	\$ 6,277

**SCHOOL: THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**WARRANT AND BUDGET
2017**

and further to raise and appropriate thirteen thousand eight hundred fifty-one dollars (\$13,851) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 5: Operating Budget

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of four million two hundred fifty thousand three hundred twenty-two dollars (\$4,250,322) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Given under our hands,		
We certify and attest that on or before _____, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at _____, and delivered the original to the keeper of the records		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
Barry Van DeMoere	Board Chairperson	
Greg Campbell	Board Member	
Teri Gabbeitt	Board Member	
Ashley Sanborn	Board Member	
Cara Towers	Board Member	

SCHOOL BUDGET FORM: THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL



New Hampshire
 Department of
 Revenue Administration

2017
MS-26

School Budget Form: Thornton Local School

(RSA 21-J:34)

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year from:
 July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

This form was posted with the warrant on: _____

For Assistance Please Contact:
NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
 Phone: (603) 230-5090
 Fax: (603) 230-5947
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

SCHOOL BOARD CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

School Board Members	
Printed Name	Signature
Barry Van DeMoere	
Greg Campbell	
Teri Gabbeitt	
Ashley Sanborn	
Cara Towers	

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:
<https://www.proptax.org/>

SCHOOL BUDGET FORM: THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL

Appropriations

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Instruction						
1100-1199	Regular Programs	5	\$1,728,807	\$1,831,311	\$1,930,478	\$0
1200-1299	Special Programs	5	\$721,041	\$759,381	\$686,304	\$0
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1400-1499	Other Programs	5	\$58,696	\$67,529	\$71,744	\$0
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs	5	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Education Programs	5	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1700-1799	Community/Junior College Education Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Service Programs		\$0	\$1	\$0	\$0
Support Services						
2000-2199	Student Support Services	5	\$289,471	\$317,295	\$322,676	\$0
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	5	\$83,397	\$122,384	\$87,301	\$0
General Administration						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310 (840)	School Board Contingency		\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$0
2310-2319	Other School Board	5	\$18,015	\$20,116	\$20,467	\$0
Executive Administration						
2320 (310)	SAU Management Services	5	\$160,170	\$152,648	\$157,635	\$0
2320-2399	All Other Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2400-2499	School Administration Service	5	\$268,552	\$293,770	\$251,988	\$0
2500-2599	Business	5	\$408	\$400	\$400	\$0
2600-2699	Plant Operations and Maintenance	5	\$320,994	\$399,303	\$405,109	\$0
2700-2799	Student Transportation	5	\$156,217	\$190,022	\$166,715	\$0
2800-2999	Support Service, Central and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Non-Instructional Services						
3100	Food Service Operations	5	\$102,318	\$95,000	\$15,000	\$0
3200	Enterprise Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Facilities Acquisition and Construction						
4100	Site Acquisition	5	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$0
4200	Site Improvement		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4300	Architectural/Engineering		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4400	Educational Specification Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4600	Building Improvement Services	5	\$69,094	\$136,327	\$35,003	\$0
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Outlays						
5110	Debt Service - Principal		\$277,400	\$0	\$0	\$0
5120	Debt Service - Interest		\$3,292	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund Transfers						
5220-5221	To Food Service	5	\$45,668	\$20,000	\$99,500	\$0
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	5	\$111,127	\$1	\$1	\$0
5230-5239	To Capital Projects		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5254	To Agency Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5310	To Charter Schools		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5390	To Other Agencies		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9990	Supplemental Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9992	Deficit Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Proposed Appropriations			\$4,414,667	\$4,408,489	\$4,250,322	\$0

SCHOOL BUDGET FORM: THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL

Special Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5252	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	To Non-Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Articles Recommended						

Individual Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
1100-1199	Regular Programs	3	\$0	\$0	\$66,281	\$0
Purpose: Teacher Agreement						
1100-1199	Regular Programs	4	\$0	\$0	\$13,851	\$0
Purpose: Support Staff Agreement						
2310 (840)	School Board Contingency	2	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
Purpose: Contingency Fund						
Individual Articles Recommended			\$0	\$0	\$83,132	\$0

SCHOOL BUDGET FORM: THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL

Revenues

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
Local Sources					
1300-1349	Tuition		\$0	\$0	\$0
1400-1449	Transportation Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments	5	\$0	\$120	\$120
1600-1699	Food Service Sales	5	\$0	\$19,000	\$23,000
1700-1799	Student Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Services Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources	5	\$0	\$42,000	\$19,500
State Sources					
3210	School Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Kindergarten Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3230	Catastrophic Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3250	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3260	Child Nutrition	5	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,500
3270	Driver Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290-3299	Other State Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Sources					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
4540	Vocational Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4550	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4560	Child Nutrition	5	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000
4570	Disabilities Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0
4580	Medicaid Distribution	5	\$0	\$45,000	\$45,000
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (non-4810)	5	\$0	\$65,417	\$65,000
4810	Federal Forest Reserve	5	\$0	\$7,932	\$7,500
Other Financing Sources					
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5140	Reimbursement Anticipation Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5221	Transfers from Food Service Special Revenues Fund	5	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
9997	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance		\$0	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$0	\$235,469	\$236,620

SCHOOL BUDGET FORM: THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL**Budget Summary**

Item	Current Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$4,405,489	\$4,250,322
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$0	\$0
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$3,000	\$83,132
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$4,408,489	\$4,333,454
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$230,620	\$236,620
Less: Amount of State Education Tax/Grant	\$431,713	\$0
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$3,746,156	\$4,096,834

2016-2017 THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

BALANCE SHEET

	General	Food Service	All Other	Capital Projects	Trust/ Agency
Current Assets					
Cash	201,228.36	(7,018.59)	(9,220.01)	0.00	0.00
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,112.42
Assessment Receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interfund Receivables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergov Receivables	1,500.00	8,154.98	13,702.37	0.00	0.00
Other Receivables	2,283.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prepaid Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Assets	205,011.64	1,136.39	4,482.36	0.00	1,112.42
Current Liabilities					
Interfund Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergovernment Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Payables	8,065.92	0.00	725.56	0.00	0.00
Accrued Expenses	0.00	47.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payroll Deductions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deferred Revenues	0.00	1,089.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Liabilities	8,065.92	1,136.39	725.56	0.00	0.00
Fund Equity					
Res for Encumbrances	93,910.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Res for Amounts Voted	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Res for Special Purposes	0.00	0.00	3,756.80	0.00	1,112.42
Unreserved Fund Balance	103,035.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Fund Equity	196,945.72	0.00	3,756.80	0.00	1,112.42
Total Liability & Fund Equity	205,011.64	1,136.39	4,482.36	0.00	1,112.42

THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION ACTUAL EXPEDITURES REPORT PER RSA 32:11-A

	<u>Fiscal Year 2014 -2015</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2015-2016</u>
Expenditures	\$815,212	\$913,606
Revenues	\$116,259	\$135,429
Net Expenditures	<u>\$698,953</u>	<u>\$778,177</u>
\$ increase/decrease		\$79,224
% increase/decrease		11.33%

GRADUATES

Douglas Pierre Auclair
Sophie Marie Bluestein
Caitlyn Christine Bourret
Emma Eleanor Bryer
Thomas John Carpenter
Ava Alexis Coriaty
Alyssa Jeanette Davis
Cameron Ryan Davis
Lily Simmons Derosier
Molly Elizabeth Edmark
Jarod Robert Fredette
Jeffrey Clayton Gaumer, Jr.
William Perry Golden
Jillian Grace Hewes
Valerie Ann Johnston
Jared Charles King
Katie Sharon MacDonald
Wayne Douglas McDonald
Noah Michael Middlemiss
Neil Raymond Noseworthy
Robert Andrew Oliver
James Richard Philbin
Nathan Liam Philbin
Jeremy Troy Scammon
Dane Marcus Sleeper
Samuel Brennan Smith
Ainsley Katherine Towers
Fiona Natalie White

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District 16

Duane R. Brown : 1199 Mt. Moosilauke Hwy. , Wentworth, NH , 03282-3321

Town Offices will be CLOSED in accordance with the following Holiday Schedule

New Year's Day	Monday	January 2, 2017
Martin Luther King Day	Monday	January 16, 2017
President's Day	Monday	February 20, 2017
Town Election	Tuesday	March 14, 2017
Memorial Day	Monday	May 29, 2017
Independence Day	Tuesday	July 4, 2017
Labor Day	Monday	September 4, 2017
Columbus Day	Monday	October 9, 2017
Veteran's Day (Observed)	Friday	November 10, 2017
Day Before Thanksgiving @ noon	Wednesday	November 22, 2017
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November 23, 2017
Day after Thanksgiving	Friday	November 24, 2017
Christmas Eve Observed @ noon	Friday	December 22, 2017
Christmas Day	Monday	December 25, 2017

TOWN OF THORNTON INFORMATION FOR VOTERS

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Thornton, NH 03285
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Thornton is located in the Pemigewasset Valley midway between Plymouth & Franconia Notch

Altitude: From 555 to 2,610

Area: 32,640 acres

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Hours – 726-4232 (fax – 726-2078)

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Town Office/Selectmen/Assessing Departments Hours – 726-8168 (fax – 726-2078)

Monday through Thursday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Anyone wishing to contact the Selectmen during the day may contact the Town Hall.

Police Department Office Hours – 726-4222 or 911

Monday through Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday : 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Fire Department Office Hours - 726-3300 or 911

Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Highway Department – 726-4546

Transfer Station & Recycling Center Hours – 726-7713

Monday, Wednesday, Sunday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thornton Public Library Hours– 726-8981 (fax-726-8985)

www.thorntonpubliclibrary.org

Monday & Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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