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BENNINGTON
NEW HAMPSHIRE

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND YOUR DISTRICT CHIEF

The 1964 forest fire season surpassed the record year of 1963 in both length and severity. For the second successive year, we experienced a rainfall deficiency of more than ten inches and the compounding of such drought conditions, together with the many days of strong, dry winds, characterized 1964 as one of the most hazardous years in the past half century. Although our fire season was three weeks longer than that of 1963, the number of fires showed only a slight increase and more remarkable was the fact that the area burned dropped from 2280 acres in 1963 to 900 acres in 1964. Early detection and rapid response kept many potential fire disasters from becoming reality. We all owe a debt of gratitude to the men in this community who responded and fought our fires so efficiently. Our state is now 86% wooded and its economy — both industrial and recreational — is greatly dependent on this forest resource. The responsibility for adequate fire protection of this great area — 4,350,000 acres — is everyone's responsibility and prevention is one of our most effective tools.

Prevention is good common sense:

1. Take your rubbish to the town dump. If you must burn, obtain a permit and watch your fire until it is dead out.
2. Instruct your children in fire safety. Keep matches from your children. Explain to them the dangers of lighting matches and making outdoor fires.
3. Be sure discarded smoking material and matches are out.

A major portion of our preventable fires this year are chargeable to three causes: (1) permit fires allowed to escape; (2) children playing with matches; and (3) smokers. Let's be mindful of the fact that all such fires endanger property and lives.

We wish to thank you for your very fine cooperation during the past fire season and with your continued cooperation we are confident that we can improve our fire record in 1965.

Number of fires and burned area in 1964

	Fires	Area-Acres
State	886	875
District	253	129½
Town	3	1

Winthrop Hannaford

District Chief

Herbert A. Curtis

Warden

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

John P. Weston Term expires Sept. 1965

SELECTMEN

Frederick S. Sheldon Term expires March 1965
William L. Aldrich Term expires March 1966
Erving A. LeCain Term expires March 1967

TOWN CLERK

Donald A. Powers Term expires March 1965

TOWN TREASURER

Arthur F. Bell Term expires March 1965

ROAD AGENT

Sidney Huntington Term expires March 1965

TAX COLLECTOR

Edward French Term expires March 1965

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Ruth A. Cody Term expires March 1965
Philip E. Knowles Term expires March 1966
Eunice W. Blanchard Term expires March 1967

COMMISSIONERS OF WATER WORKS

Charles Lindsay Term expires March 1965
Edward French Term expires March 1966
Albert Cuddemi Term expires March 1967

FIRE WARDENS

Paul G. Traxler, Chief Term expires March 1965
Philip Traxler Term expires March 1965
Charles Zabriskie Term expires March 1965

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Edward French Term expires Jan. 1, 1968

DEPUTY WARDENS

Charles Lindsay Term expires Jan. 1, 1968
Philip Traxler Term expires Jan. 1, 1968
Larry Laviolette Term expires Jan. 1, 1968
Charles Zabriskie Term expires Jan. 1, 1968
Sydney Huntington Term expires Jan. 1, 1968

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Appointed by Moderator for One Year

Sidney Willis
Clifford Smith

Harry Sawyer
James Dodge

Charles Lindsay

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

Edward French	Term expires Sept. 1965
Philip E. Knowles	Term expires Sept. 1965
Paul G. Traxler	Term expires Sept. 1965

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Frederick S. Sheldon	Term expires March 1965
John P. Weston	Term expires March 1966
Philip E. Knowles	Term expires March 1967

OVERSEER OF POOR

William Kereazis	Term expires 1965
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JANITOR, TOWN HALL

Paul G. Traxler	Term expires March 1965
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SEXTON

Fred Hugron	Term expires March 1965
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CONSTABLE

William Haag	Term expires March 1965
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CHIEF OF POLICE

William Haag	Term expires March 1965
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SPECIAL POLICE

Howard Ayers	C. E. Rogers
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CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Selectmen

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER

Open for appointment

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Open for appointment

DOG CONSTABLE

Clarence Rogers

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Bennington on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for highways and bridges.

3. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for Class V roads and raise and appropriate money for the same. The Town must raise \$249.29 and the State will contribute \$1,661.96.

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary in anticipation of taxes.

5. To see what action the Town will take in regard to real estate taken over by the Town for non-payment of taxes.

6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for tarring. (Selectmen and Budget Committee)

7. To see if the Town will increase the annual salaries of the three fire wardens to \$75. with an additional \$25. for the chief. This increase in salaries is based upon the understanding that it will cover all of their time, except for actual fire fighting, in performing all of the duties and responsibilities of the office. These duties include the primary responsibility for the proper condition and up-

keep of all fire equipment. (Selectmen and Budget Committee)

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000. to acquire title to land on Jacques Brook, including Cold Spring Pond, and to make such repairs, alterations and improvements thereto as are necessary to protect the public water supply. (Selectmen and Budget Committee)

9. To see if the Town will authorize the appointment of a committee of four, appointed by the moderator, who together with the Board of Selectmen would be authorized to execute a contract for the purchase of a new town truck at a cost not to exceed \$8,500. Also to authorize the selectmen to issue serial notes to fund this purchase. (Selectmen and Budget Committee)

10. To see what action the Town will take regarding purchase of hose for the Fire Department and to raise and appropriate \$300. for the same. (Fire Department)

11. To see what action the Town will take regarding revisions in the pumping system of fire engine #3 and to raise and appropriate \$455. for the same. (Fire Department)

12. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift title to a certain tract of land offered to the Town by John Prentiss Weston situate near the shore of Lake Whittemore on the northern side of the highway leading from State Highway #31 to the shore of Lake Whittemore. (Selectmen and Budget Committee)

13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the "Regulations for the Use of Public Bathing Facilities at Whittemore Pond" adopted at the 1962 Annual Meeting by adding the following regulation: (Selectmen and Budget Committee)

"Use of that land given to the Town by John Prentiss Weston which is described in deed of said John Prentiss Weston to the Town, dated April 30, 1964, shall be restricted to residents and property owners of the Town of Bennington."

14. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the follow-

ing ordinance relating to restraint of dogs: (Selectmen and Budget Committee)

“Every female dog owned or kept in the Town of Bennington shall be restricted from running at large at all times when such dog is in heat.

For violation of this ordinance an owner or keeper of such dog shall be punished by a fine not to exceed ten dollars.”

15. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Statutory requirements and to carry the articles and appropriations of the School District into effect.

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

Given under our hands and seal, this 12th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-five.

Frederick S. Sheldon

William L. Aldrich

Erving A. LeCain

Selectmen of Bennington

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

Frederick S. Sheldon

William L. Aldrich

Erving A. LeCain

Selectmen of Bennington

We would call to the attention of the voters that as provided in the School Warrant the election of school officers will take place at the same time as the election of town officers, using separate ballots, on Tuesday, March 9, 1965.

We would also call to the attention of the voters that in accordance with vote of the Town Meeting the articles of the Warrant will be taken up for action at 1:30 P.M., the afternoon of March 9, 1965.

COMPARISON OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATE

1960 -- 1964

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	Proposed 1965
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,475 00	\$1,500 00	\$1,650 00	\$1,650 00	\$1,650 00	\$1,825 00
Town Officers' Expenses	750 00	800 00	750 00	850 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
Election and Registration	315 00	100 00	350 00	150 00	450 00	200 00
Town Hall Maintenance	1,700 00	1,700 00	1,500 00	1,500 00	1,800 00	1,700 00
Police Department	1,000 00	700 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,150 00	1,400 00
Fire Department	1,350 00	1,500 00	1,500 00	1,650 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
Parks and Playgrounds	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,250 00	1,450 00	1,600 00	1,600 00
Insurance	2,000 00	1,950 00	2,000 00	2,100 00	2,100 00	2,200 00
Blister Rust		200 00		150 00	200 00	200 00
Health Department—Town Dump	850 00	900 00	1,100 00	1,100 00	1,100 00	1,100 00
T.R.A.	*245 19	244 04	242 74	242 29	241 09	249 29
Town Maintenance	6,500 00	6,500 00	7,000 00	7,000 00	7,000 00	7,000 00
General Expenses Highway Department	1,000 00	1,000 00	750 00	1,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
Truck	600 00	800 00	800 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00
Tarring	*1,500 00	1,500 00	1,500 00	2,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
Street Lighting	1,750 00	1,750 00	1,600 00	1,700 00	1,850 00	1,850 00
Libraries	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00
Old Age Assistance	2,200 00	1,800 00	2,000 00	2,750 00	2,500 00	2,500 00
Public Relief	800 00	500 00	300 00	300 00	800 00	400 00
Memorial Day & Old Home Day	*200 00	200 00	80 00	200 00	200 00	200 00
Water Department	2,400 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00
Cemeteries	900 00	900 00	900 00	900 00	900 00	800 00
Interest	800 00	675 00	550 00	450 00	470 00	700 00
Regional Associations	147 00	150 00	151 00	151 00	151 00	151 00
Payment on Debt	5,880 00	5,880 00	3,480 00	1,880 00	1,880 00	2,500 00

Miscellaneous	322 00	275 00	175 00	175 00	175 00
Special Appropriations	6,930 00	1,050 00	1,900 00	3,700 00	*7,755 00
Totals	\$43,014 19	\$37,334 54	\$36,398 74	\$40,817 09	\$45,405 29
County Tax	5,872 91	8,419 91	8,662 45	8,793 95	8,793 95
School Tax	38,553 14	41,816 49	42,471 52	49,124 61	49,287 30
Totals	\$87,440 24	\$87,570 30	\$87,532 71	\$98,735 65	\$103,486 54
Plus Overlay	1,427 56	1,550 74	1,551 73	1,821 51	1,613 76
Total Expenses	\$88,867 80	\$98,121 04	\$89,084 44	\$100,557 16	\$105,100 30
Less—Estimated Revenue	10,814 56	11,205 85	10,622 09	12,418 62	12,712 01
Poll Taxes	524 00	418 00	450 00	430 00	430 00
Cash Surplus	5,731 25	500 00	500 00		
Net to be Raised by Property Taxes	\$71,797 99	\$77,497 19	\$77,512 35	\$87,708 54	\$91,958 29
Actual Tax Rate	\$4 78	\$5 12	\$4 94	\$5 64	\$5 86

*Estimated—including School Warrant

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL EXPENSES

1960 — 1964

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	Proposed 1965
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,489 80	\$1,659 20	\$1,610 25	\$1,610 25	\$1,610 00	\$1,825 00
Town Officers' Expenses	896 85	741 64	804 02	980 79	994 45	1,000 00
Election and Registration	347 00	162 22	372 50	218 08	419 50	200 00
Town Hall Maintenance	1,963 56	1,308 80	1,563 69	1,805 82	1,911 20	1,700 00
Police Department	694 95	1,008 53	961 16	1,150 48	1,437 97	1,400 00
Fire Department	2,067 29	1,603 49	1,924 40	2,901 96	2,557 57	2,000 00
Parks and Playgrounds	1,019 25	825 75	1,608 48	1,683 83	1,635 72	1,600 00
Insurance	1,929 74	1,987 55	2,076 19	2,127 42	2,108 93	2,200 00
Health Department—Town Dump	810 04	807 00	1,099 50	1,083 00	1,133 00	1,100 00
T.R.A.						249 29
Town Road Maintenance	9,755 29	6,891 36	7,682 55	6,483 55	7,138 16	7,000 00
General Expenses Highway Department	2,457 21	636 81	2,132 06	1,917 31	2,299 00	2,000 00
Truck	970 03	985 32	2,103 19	1,053 19	1,611 02	1,200 00
Tarring	1,648 80	914 16	1,994 29	1,871 71	2,229 27	2,000 00
Street Lighting	1,816 21	1,583 59	1,720 48	1,829 39	1,823 76	1,850 00
Libraries	235 63	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00
Old Age Assistance	1,481 09	2,071 06	2,654 33	3,150 27	1,916 46	2,500 00
Public Relief	162 92	187 46	339 67	162 58	189 72	400 00
Memorial Day & Old Home Day	200 00	200 00	81 15	200 00	205 60	200 00
Water Department	3,145 99	2,526 75	1,599 24	3,144 68	2,445 03	2,500 00
Cemeteries	893 82	1,042 00	716 61	812 51	781 13	800 00
Interest	824 21	695 66	541 45	421 60	445 47	700 00
Regional Association	147 00	150 00	151 00	151 00	151 00	151 00
Payment on Debt	5,880 00	5,880 00	3,480 00	1,880 00	1,880 00	2,500 00

Miscellaneous	692 56	667 75	1,320 29	203 43	295 72	375 00
Special Appropriations in Warrant	6,684 49	5,000 61	2,850 23	2,385 04	2,109 48	*7,755 00
Totals	\$48,213 73	\$39,196 91	\$41,568 73	\$39,427 88	\$39,529 16	\$45,405 29
County Tax	5,872 91	8,419 27	8,662 45	8,344 18	8,793 95	8,793 95
School Warrant	38,575 93	41,816 49	42,471 52	42,050 37	51,697 81	49,287 30
Total Expenditures	\$92,662 57	\$89,432 67	\$92,702 70	\$89,822 43	\$100,020 92	\$103,486 54
Total Revenue Except Property Taxes	19,177 24	12,674 43	13,277 01	12,416 28	12,848 62	13,142 01
Total Net	\$73,485 33	\$76,739 24	\$79,425 69	\$77,406 15	\$87,172 30	\$90,344 53

*Estimated Warrant—including
School Warrant

BASIS OF 1964 TAX RATE

The Selectmen feel that to assist the voters in their consideration of the regular budget and special warrants they should have this information to show the basis for computation of the 1964 property tax rate.

Total Appropriation:		
Town Budget	\$44,194 95	
School Budget	49,287 30	
		\$93,482 25
Less: Estimated Revenue	12,712 01	
Estimated Poll Taxes	430 00	
		\$13,142 01
		\$80,340 24
Plus: Estimated Overlay		1,613 76
		\$81,954 00
Total to be Raised by Property Taxes		\$81,954 00
1964 Property Valuation		\$1,555,116 00
1965 Property Valuation Estimate		1,570,000 00
Estimated Tax Rate on Budget Items Only		\$52 20
Increase In Rate Per Thousand Dollars Appropriated In the Warrent 64 ^c		
Proposed School	\$2,000 00	
Proposed Town	8,004 29	
		6 40
	\$10,044 29	\$58 60

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENNINGTON, N. H.

**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1965 to December 31, 1965.
Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations
and Expenditures of the Previous Year
January 1, 1964 to December 31, 1964**

Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1964	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1964	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1965
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$507 01	\$593 69	\$593 69
Railroad Tax		81 36	81 36
Savings Bank Tax	300 00	400 45	400 00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	1,607 26	1,607 26	1,661 96
For Fighting Forest Fires		85 00	
Reimbursement a/c Old Age As.		86 95	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	300 00	226 70	225 00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	10 00	18 00	10 00
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	300 00	298 60	300 00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	75 00	117 26	100 00
Income from Trust Funds	650 00	614 05	650 00
Income of Departments: Highway, incl. rental of equip.	1,200 00	1,397 85	1,200 00
Income from Municipally owned Utilities: Water Departments	3,200 00	3,430 70	3,200 00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	3,750 00	4,487 43	4,000 00
Misc.		803 72	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Reg. @\$2	430 00	436 00	430 00
(c) Yield Taxes		301 03	300 00
Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$12,329 27	\$14,986 05	\$13,142 01
Amt. To Be Raised By Prop. Taxes			\$80,340 24
TOTAL REVENUES			\$93,482 25

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENNINGTON, N. H.

Purposes of Expenditures	Appropriations Previous Year 1964	Actual Expenditures Year 1964	Estimated Expenditures Year 1965
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,650 00	\$1,610 00	\$1,825 00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000 00	994 45	1,000 00
Election & Registration Expenses	450 00	419 50	200 00
Exp. Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	1,800 00	1,911 20	1,700 00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	1,150 00	1,437 97	1,400 00
Fire Department	2,000 00	2,557 57	2,000 00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust & Care of Trees	200 00		200 00
Insurance	2,100 00	2,108 93	2,200 00
Damages & Legal Expenses	150 00	37 23	150 00
Civil Defense		15 24	
Health:			
Health Dept., incl. Hospitals	50 00	50 00	50 00
Vital Statistics	25 00	30 00	25 00
Town Dump	1,050 00	1,083 00	1,050 00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maint.—Summer	2,000 00	2,929 36	2,500 00
Town Maint.—Winter	5,000 00	4,208 80	4,500 00
Street Lighting	1,850 00	1,823 76	1,850 00
General Exp. of Highway Dept.	2,000 00	2,299 00	2,000 00
Town Road Aid	241 09		
Libraries:	200 00	200 00	200 00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	800 00	189 72	400 00
Old Age Assistance	2,500 00	1,916 46	2,500 00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Veterans' Assoc.	200 00	205 60	200 00
Recreation:			
Parks & Playgrounds, Incl. Band Concerts	1,600 00	1,635 72	1,600 00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENNINGTON, N. H.

Purposes of Expenditures	Appropriations Previous Year 1964	Actual Expenditures Year 1964	Estimated Expenditures Year 1965
Public Service Enterprises:			
Municipally Owned Water & Electric Utilities	2,500 00	2,445 03	2,500 00
Cemeteries	900 00	781 13	800 00
Advertising and Regional Associations	151 00	151 00	151 00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	400 00	379 67	400 00
On Long Term Notes & Bonds	70 00	65 80	300 00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Truck	1,200 00	1,611 02	1,200 00
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
(b) Long Term Notes	1,880 00	1,880 00	2,500 00
County Taxes	8,344 18	8,793 95	8,793 95
School Taxes	51,697 81	39,550 37	49,287 30
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$95,159 08	\$83,321 48	\$93,482 25

**TAX YEAR 1964 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF
VALUATION OF THE TOWN OF BENNINGTON
IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

Description of Property	Valuation
Lands and Buildings	\$741,900 00
Factory Buildings & Land	300,000 00
Factory Machinery	300,150 00
Electric Plants	57,000 00
House Trailers, Mobile Homes – Travel Trailers	
Assessed as Personal Property	6,000 00
Stock in Trade of Merchants	11,450 00
Stock in Trade of Manufacturers	168,680 00
Boats and Launches	5 550 00
Dairy Cows	26 2,600 00
Poultry	2,488 700 00
Gasoline Pumps & Tanks	750 00
Portable Mills	700 00
Road Building & Const. Machinery.	986 00

Total Valuation Before Exemptions	
Allowed	\$1,591,466 00
War Service Exemptions	\$35,000 00
Neatstock Exemptions	1,000 00
Poultry Exemptions	350 00
Total Exemptions Allowed	----- \$36,350 00

Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed	\$1,555,116 00

ELECTRIC, GAS AND PIPELINE COMPANIES

Name of Company	Electric
Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$57,000 00
Number of inventories distributed in 1964	319
Number of inventories returned in 1964	133
Number of veterans who received property exemptions	35
Number of veterans exempted from poll tax	67

CERTIFICATE

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

Frederick S. Sheldon

William L. Aldrich

Erving A. LeCain

Selectmen of Bennington

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND
TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 1964
OF THE TOWN OF BENNINGTON IN
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

Appropriations	Amount	
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,650 00	
Town Office Administrative Exp.	1,000 00	
Election and Registration Exp.	450 00	
Town Hall and Buildings Maint.	1,800 00	
Police Department	1,150 00	
Fire Department	2,000 00	
Blister Rust—Moth Exterm. and Care of Trees	200 00	
Insurance	2,100 00	
Damages & Legal Expenses	150 00	
Health Department	50 00	
Vital Statistics	25 00	
Dump and Garbage Collection	1,050 00	
Town Maint.—Summer \$2,000		
Town Maint.—Winter \$5,000	7,000 00	
Street Lighting	1,850 00	
General Exps. of Highway Dept.	2,000 00	
Town Road Aid	241 09	
Libraries	200 00	
Old Age Assistance	2,500 00	
Public Relief, Town Poor	800 00	
Memorial Day, Vet. Assoc.		
Old Home Day	200 00	
Parks and Playgrounds inc.		
Band Concerts	1,600 00	
Water and Electric Utilities	2,500 00	
Cemeteries	900 00	
Advertising and Regional Assoc.	151 00	
Payment on Dept (Prin. \$1,880.) (Interest \$470)	2,350 00	
Town Truck	1,200 00	
Tarring	2,000 00	
Raft	700 00	
Painting Town Hall	3,000 00	
Total Town Appropriations	-----	\$40,817 09
Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$593 69	
Railroad Tax	81 36	
Savings Bank Tax	400 45	
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal Lands	1,607 26	

Revenues from Yield Tax Sources	250 86	
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	75 00	
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	10 00	
Dog Licenses	300 00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	3,750 00	
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	300 00	
Income from Trust Funds	300 00	
Income from Trust Funds	650 00	
Water and Electric Departments	3,200 00	
Poll Taxes at \$2. Number 215	430 00	
Other Revenue:		
Town Truck	1,200 00	
Total Revenues and Credits -----		\$12,848 62
Net Town Appropriations		27,968 47
Net School Appropriations		49,124 61
County Tax Assessments		8,793 95

Total of Town, School and Conunty		\$85,887 03
Add: Overlay		1,821 51

Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes		\$87,708 54

Tax Rates

Taxes to be committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$87,708 54	Town	\$5 64
Poll Taxes at \$2.00	530 00		

Total Taxes to be Committed	\$88,138 54		

CERTIFICATE

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

We hereby request that the tax commission compute the rate for municipal, school and county taxes separately.
Date Sept. 1, 1964

Frederick S. Sheldon
William L. Aldrich
Erving A. LeCain
Selectmen of Bennington

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1964**

For Itemized Report See Detailed Payments and Receipts

Title of Appropriations	Appropriation	Receipts and Reimburse- ments	Amount Available	Expendi- tures	Balance	Overdraft
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,650 00		\$1,650 00	\$1,610 00	\$40 00	
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000 00	\$8 64	1,008 64	994 45	14 19	
Election & Registration	450 00		450 00	419 50	30 50	
Town Hall Maintenance	1,800 00	298 60	2,098 60	1,911 20	187 40	
Police Department	1,150 00		1,150 00	1,437 97		287 97
Fire Department	2,000 00	183 62	2,183 62	2,557 57		373 95
Insurance	2,100 00	372 22	2,472 22	2,108 93	363 29	
Damages & Legal Expenses	150 00		150 00	40 48	109 52	
Health Department	50 00		50 00	50 00		5 00
Vital Statistics	25 00		25 00	30 00		33 00
Town Dump	1,050 00		1,050 00	1,083 00		55 16
Town Maintenance	7,000 00	83 00	7,083 00	7,138 16		299 00
General Highway Expenses	2,000 00		2,000 00	2,299 00		
T.R.A.	241 09	1,607 26	1,848 35	1,848 35		
Tarring	2,000 00	424 75	2,424 75	2,229 27	195 48	
Street Lighting	1,850 00		1,850 00	1,823 76	26 24	
Library	200 00		200 00	200 00		
Town Poor	800 00		800 00	189 72	610 28	
Old Age Assistance	2,500 00		2,500 00	1,916 46	583 54	
Memorial Day	200 00		200 00	205 60		5 60
Parks and Playgrounds	1,600 00		1,600 00	1,635 72		35 72
Water Department	2,500 00		2,500 00	2,445 03	54 97	
Cemeteries	900 00		900 00	781 13	118 87	

Regional Association	151 00	151 00	151 00	
Interest	470 00	470 00	445 47	
Town Truck	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,611 02	411 02
Payment on Debt	1,880 00	1,880 00	1,880 00	
County Tax	8,793 95	8,793 95	8,793 95	
Tree Spraying	200 00	200 00	200 00	
New Raft	700 00	700 00	434 48	
Painting Town Hall	3,000 00	3,000 00	*3,275 00	275 00
Total	<u>\$49,611 04</u>	<u>\$52,589 13</u>	<u>\$51,546 22</u>	<u>\$1,781 42</u>
Net Balance			<u>1,042 91</u>	<u>1,042 91</u>
			<u>\$52,589 13</u>	<u>\$2,824 33</u>

*Including \$1,600.00 carried as a current liability at December 31, 1964, covering the balance of the contract.

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF BENNINGTON
IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1964

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Date Feb. 8, 1965.

Frederick S. Sheldon
William Aldrich
Erving LeCain
Selectmen of Bennington
Arthur Bell, Treasurer

ASSETS

Cash	
In hands of treasurer	\$31,525 08
Capital Reserve Fund:	
Prepaid Deposit on new Fire Truck	4,300 00
Unredeemed Taxes:	
(b) Levy of 1963	207 87
(c) Levy of 1962	167 24
Uncollected Taxes:	
(a) Levy of 1964	4,033 84
(e) State Head Taxes—Levy of 1964	285 00
(f) State Head Taxes—Prev. Yrs.	5 00
Total Assets	<u>\$40,524 03</u>
Excess of liabilities over assets	<u>7,058 17</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$47,582 20</u>
Surplus, December 31, 1963	1,409 39
Net Debt—December 31, 1964	7,058 17
Increase of Debt	8,467 56

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by Town:	
Bills outstanding	\$807 42
Painting Town Hall	1,600 00
Due to State:	
(a) State Head Taxes—1964 (Uncollected \$285.00) (Collected—not remitted to State Treas. \$215.00)	500 00

(b) Yield Tax—Bond & Debt Retirement (Collected—not remitted to State Treas. \$50.17)	50 17
Due to School Districts:	
Balance of School Tax	22,124 61
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Authorized, but unissued at 12/31/64 for new Fire Truck	12,500 00

Total Liabilities	\$47,582 20

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:	
From Local Taxes:	
Property Taxes—Current Year— 1964	\$82,191 13
Poll Taxes—Current Year—1964	436 00
Yield Taxes—1964	301 03
State Head Taxes @\$5—1964	1,390 50
Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted	----- \$84,318 66
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes— Previous Years	3,262 64
Poll Taxes—Previous Years	90 00
State Head Taxes @\$5—Previous Years	315 00
Interest received on Taxes	117 26
Penalties on State Head Taxes	31 50
Tax sales redeemed	492 09
From State:	
For Highways and Bridges:	
(a) For Town Road Aid	1,607 26
Interest and dividends tax	593 69
Railroad Tax	81 36
Savings Bank Tax and Building and Loan Association Tax	400 45
Head Tax Collection Expense	8 64
Reimbursement Gasoline Tax	111 21
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	86 95
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:	
Dog Licenses	226 70
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	18 00
Rent of town property	298 60
Income from trust funds	614 05
Income from departments, town truck	1,397 85

Income from municipal water, sewer and and electric departments	3,430 70
Motor vehicle permits (1963-\$26.66) (1964-\$4,460.77)	4,487 43

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	30,000 00	
Insurance adjustments and Claims Collected	372 22	
Sale of town property, Cemetery Lots \$30.00, Plow \$50.00, Sand \$33.00	113 00	
Highway Dept., Tarring	424 75	
Reimbursement Fire Dept., Phone	73 62	
Reimbursement, Fire Dept., Expense	85 00	
Reimbursement on a/c of Fire Protection	25 00	
Misc.	100 03	
Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue	-----	\$31,193 62
Total Receipts from All Sources		\$133,183 66
Cash on hand January 1, 1964		22,772 39
Grand Total		----- \$155,956 05

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$1,610 00
Town officers' expenses	994 45
Election and registration exps.	419 50
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	1,911 20

Protect of Persons and Property:

Police department	1,437 97
Fire department, incl. forest fires	2,557 57
Insurance	2,108 93
Civil Defense	15 24
Bounties	17 50

Health:

Health department, incl. hospitals	50 00
Vital statistics	30 00
Town dumps and garbage removal	1,083 00

Highways and Brides:
 Town Maint.—(Summer \$2,929.36)
 Town Maint.—(Winter 4,208.80)
 -----7,138 16
 Street lighting 1,823 76
 General Expenses of Highway Dept. 2,299 00

Libraries:
 Libraries 200 00

Public Welfare:
 Old age assistance 1,916 46
 Town poor 189 72

Patriotic Purposes:
 Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations
 and Old Home Day 205 60

Recreation:
 Parks and playgrounds, including
 band concerts 1,635 72

Public Service Enterprise:
 Municipal water and electric
 departments 2,445 03
 Cemeteries, including hearse hire 781 13

Unclassified:
 Damages and legal expenses 37 23
 Advertising and Regional Assoc. 151 00
 Taxes bought by town 585 24

Interest:
 Paid on temporary loans in
 anticipation of taxes 379 67
 Paid on long term notes 65 80
 Total Interest -----
 Payments \$445 47

Outlay for New Construction, Equipment
 and Permanent Improvements:
 Painting Town Hall 1,675 00
 New Raft 434 48
 Tarring 2,229 27
 Town Truck 1,611 02
 Auto Fees 210 00
 Deposit on new Fire Truck 4,300 00

Indebtedness:	
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	30,000 00
Payments on long term notes	1,880 00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:	
State Head Taxes paid State Treas. (1964 taxes \$1,026.00) (Prior Yrs. \$632.00)	1,658 00
Taxes paid to County	8,793 95
Payments to School Districts (1963 Tax \$22,550.37) (1964 Tax \$17,000.00)	39,550 37
Total Payments for all Purposes	<u>\$124,430 97</u>
Cash on hand December 31, 1964	<u>31,525 08</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$155,956 05</u>

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$50,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	1,500 00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	25,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000 00
Police Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	300 00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	17,000 00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	5,000 00
Equipment	5,700 00
Materials and Supplies	500 00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	35,000 00
Water Supply, if owned by Town	50,000 00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	65,000 00
Equipment	10,000 00
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Total	\$268,000 00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1, 1964 Through December 31, 1964

Auto Tax, 1963	\$26 66
Auto Tax, 1964	4,460 77
Filing Fees	18 00
Dog Licenses	\$245 50
Clerk's Fees	18 80
Dog Taxes Paid to Treas.	\$226 70
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	\$4,732 13

Don Powers, Town Clerk

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance Jan. 1, 1964	\$22,772 39
Receipts	133,183 66
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Payments	\$155,956 05
	124,430 97
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Balance Jan. 1, 1965	\$31,525 08

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANT PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES LEVY OF 1964

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:			
Property Taxes	\$87,708 55		
Poll Taxes	526 00		
Total Warrant	-----	\$88,234 55	
Yield Taxes		301 03	
Added Taxes:			
Property Taxes	112 80		
	-----	\$112 80	
Interest Collected		6 29	
Total Debits		-----	\$88,654 67

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:			
Property Taxes	\$82,191 13		
Poll Taxes	436 00		
Yield Taxes	301 03		
Interest Collected	6 29		
	-----	\$82,934 45	
Discount Allowed		1,596 14	
Abatements:			
Property Taxes	\$90 24		
	-----	\$90 24	
Uncollected Taxes—as per Collector's List:			
Property Taxes	\$3,943 84		
Poll Taxes	90 00		
	-----	\$4,033 84	
Total Credits		-----	\$88,654 67

UNPAID PROPERTY TAXES FOR 1964

Resident

Howard Ayers	\$141 00
Robert Blanchard	358 14
Robert Cashion	2 82
Edward Derosier	39 48
James Griswold (pd. 1/26/65)	169 20
Elisha Grant	73 32
Barbara Huntley	253 80
Athlon & Barbara Huntley	349 68
Lawrence Lavoilette	270 72

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Leon Messer Est.	2 82
Dan McInnis	5 64
William McNamee Est.	141 00
Maurice Paige	126 90
Verna Paige	33 84
Warren Perkins	101 52
Warren & Marjorie Perry	141 00
Lawrence Southwick	45 12
Robert St. Lawrence	56 40
Raymond Sullivan	52 80
Ralph & Jean Smith	129 72
Lewis Tacy Est.	56 40
William Taylor	141 00
Robert R. Wilson Est.	112 80
Robert E. Wilson	115 10
George Whittemore	56 40
Otis Wilbur	50 76
	\$3,281 70

Non-Resident

Claude Butts	\$112 80
Harold Bruffe	28 20
Roger Burke (pd. 1/9/65)	56 40
John Delay	42 30
Angelo Decharie	84 60
John Durgin	115 06
Ruth Eldrid	101 52
Edward Hussey	11 28
Melvin Loomis	67 68
John Robertson	8 46
Bastide Schall (pd. 1/8/65)	5 64
Russell Thomas	28 20
	\$662 14
Total Unpaid Property Taxes 1964	\$3,943 84

I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1964, on account of the tax levy of 1964, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Edward E. French

Tax Collector

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

UNPAID POLL TAXES FOR 1964

Howard Ayers	Mary Lindsay
Helena Ayers	Lawrence Lavoilette
Lillian Bishop	Florence Lavoilette
Robert Blanchard	Richard Lyons
Eunice Blanchard	Ardell Lyons
Robert Brown—pd. 1/18	Verna Paige
Josephine Brown	Lawrence Southwick
Delpha Burrows	Sylvia Southwick
Alan Burrows	Barbara St. Lawrence
Mariontonette Burrows	Mary Stone
Robert Cashion	William Sharby
Alfred Chase—pd. 1/13	Janet Sharby
Dorothy Chase—pd. 1/13	Jean Smith
Danny Cole	William Taylor
Judith Cashion	Robert Taylor
Joyce Gulmire	Shirley Wilson—pd. 1/4
Evelyn Griswold	George Varnum
Pauline Gilman	James Wood
Donald Glynn	Pauline Wood
Elisha Grant	Suzanne Zabriskie
Isabelle Grant	Phoebe Whittemore
Athlon Huntley	
Barbara Huntley	45 unpaid Poll Taxes
William Lindsay	@ \$2. ea. \$90 00

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Edward E. French

Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANT STATE HEAD TAX LEVY OF 1964

DR.

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Original Warrant	\$1,665 00	
Added Taxes	20 00	
Total Commitment	----- \$1,685 00	
Penalties Collected	15 50	
Total Debits	-----	\$1,700 50

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:			
Head Taxes	\$1,375 00		
Penalties	15 50		
	-----	\$1,390 50	
Abatements		25 00	
Uncollected Head Taxes—as per Collector's List		285 00	
Total Credits	-----		\$1,700 50

UNPAID HEAD TAXES FOR 1964

Howard Ayers	Richard Lyons
Helena Ayers	Ardell Lyons
Lillian Bishop	Maurice Paige
Robert Blanchard	Verna Paige
Eunice Blanchard	Lawrence Southwick
Robert Brown—pd. 1/18	Sylvia Southwick
Josephine Brown	Robert St. Lawrence
Delpha Burrows	Barbara St. Lawrence
Alan Burrows	John Stone
Mariontonette Burrows	Mary Stone
Robert Cashion	William Sharby
Alfred Chase—pd. 1/13	Janet Sharby
Dorothy Chase—pd.1/13	Ralph Smith
Danny Cole	Jean Smith
Judith Cashion	Winfred Tacy
Russell Gulmire	Leo Tacy
Joyce Gulmire	William Taylor
James Griswold	Robert Taylor
Evelyn Griswold	Robert Wilson—pd. 1/4
Lawrence Gilman	Shirley Wilson—pd. 1/4
Pauline Gilman	George Varnum
Donald Glynn	James Wood
Elisha Grant	Pauline Wood
Isabelle Grant	Charles Zabriskie
Athlon Huntley	Suzanne Zabriskie
Barbara Huntley	George Whittemore
William Lindsay	Phoebe Whittemore
Mary Lindsay	
Lawrence Lavoilette	57 Unpaid Head Taxes
Florence Lavoilette	@ \$5 ea. \$285 00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

UNPAID HEAD TAXES 1963

Leo Tacy \$5 00

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Edward E. French

Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

STATE HEAD TAX

LEVY OF 1963

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—		
as of January 1, 1964	\$320 00	
Penalties Collected During 1964	31 50	
Total Debits	-----	\$351 50

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During 1964:		
Head Taxes	\$315 00	
Penalties	31 50	
	-----	\$346 50
Uncollected Head Taxes—		
as per Collector's List	\$5 00	
Total Credits	-----	\$351 50

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1963

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—as of January 1, 1964:		
Property Taxes	\$2,737 75	
Poll Taxes	92 00	
Yield Taxes	524 89	
	-----	\$3,354 64
Interest Collected During Fiscal Year		
Ended December 31, 1964	100 14	
Total Debits	-----	\$3,454 78

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1964:			
Property Taxes	\$2,737 75		
Poll Taxes	90 00		
Yield Taxes	524 89		
Interest Collected			
During Year	100 14		
	-----	\$3,452 78	
Abatements Made During Year:			
Poll Taxes	\$2 00		
	-----	\$2 00	
Total Credits			\$3,454 78

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1964

DR.

	Tax Sale on Account of Levies of:		
			Prev.
	1963	1962	Years
Taxes sold to town during current fiscal year	\$585 24		
Balance of unredeemed taxes—January 1, 1964		\$167 24	\$114 72
Interest Collected After Sale	1 47		9 36
Total Debits	\$586 71	\$167 24	\$124 08
	CR.		
Remittances to Treasurer during year	\$378 84		\$124 08
Unredeemed taxes—at close of year	207 87	\$167 24	
Total Credits	\$586 71	\$167 24	\$124 08

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

**UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES
ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES OF:**

	1963	1962
Verna Paige	\$34 82	\$35 75
Lewis Tacy Est.	51 73	57 05
George Whittemore	51 73	33 37
Otis & Phyllis Wilbur	3 75	
Melvin Loomis	65 84	
Harry Dorr		41 07
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	\$207 87	\$167 24

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

December 31, 1964

1. Taxes—Edward French, Tax Collector

1964 Property Taxes	\$82,191 13	
1964 Poll Taxes	436 00	
1964 Head Taxes	1,390 50	
1964 Yield Taxes	301 03	
Prior Year Property Taxes	2,737 75	
Prior Year Poll Taxes	90 00	
Prior Year Head Taxes	346 50	
Prior Year Yield Taxes	524 89	
Tax Sales Redeemed	492 09	
Interest	117 26	
	-----	\$88,627 15

2. Income from State

Gas Tax Refund	\$111 21	
T.R.A.	1,607 26	
Interest and Dividends	593 69	
Savings Bank Tax	400 45	
Head Tax Collection Expense	8 64	
Railroad Tax	81 36	
Refund—Old Age Ass't.	86 95	
	-----	\$2,889 56

3. Water Dept.—John Armstrong	3,430 70	
4. Dog Licenses—Don Powers	226 70	
5. Town Hall Rent—Paul Traxler	298 60	
6. Motor Vehicle Permits—Don Powers	4,487 43	
7. Town Truck and Tractor— Sidney Huntington	1,397 85	
8. Temporary Loans—Hillsboro Nat'l Bank	30,000 00	
9. Filing Fees—Don Powers	18 00	
10. Tarring—Sidney Huntington	424 75	
11. Trust Funds	614 05	
12. Insurance Refunds and Claim Collections	372 22	
13. Fire Dept.—Phone reimbursement— Paul Traxler	73 62	
14. Sale of Cemetery Lots	30 00	
15. Reimbursement of Fire Protection Expense—A. T. Easley	25 00	
16. Sale of Old Plow—Pat Lussier	50 00	
17. Sale of Sand—Sidney Huntington	33 00	
18. Fire Expense Reimbursement	85 00	
19. Misc.	100 03	
	-----	\$133,183 66

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Year Ended December 31, 1964

1. Town Officers' Salaries:

Walter Cleary	\$10 00	
Robert Knight	10 00	
Fred Sheldon	300 00	
William Aldrich	250 00	
Erving LeCain	250 00	
John Armstrong	150 00	
Edward French	187 50	
Philip Knowles	50 00	
Clarence Rogers	25 00	
Arthur Bell	187 50	
Don Powers	75 00	
William Kereazis	50 00	
Paul Traxler	25 00	
Philip Traxler	20 00	
Charles Zabriskie	20 00	
	-----	\$1,610 00

2. Town Officers' Expenses:

Arthur Bell	\$29 40	
Corrireau, Register of Deeds	19 80	
N. H. Municipal Assoc.	28 01	
Philip Knowles, Trust Fund	30 25	
Joyce Buxton, Sec.	24 00	
Ann Lindsay, Postmistress	22 50	
Transcript Printing Co., prtg.	605 00	
Ida Rowles, Sec.	3 00	
Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	27 53	
Generia R. Laughe	3 00	
E. Edward Bourassa	40	
Erving LeCain, Expenses	11 15	
Henry P. Callahan	1 00	
Edward French	72 46	
Monadnock Paper Mills, Inc., Sup.	5 90	
Sargent Bros., Expenses	25 05	
Contoocook Valley Tel. Co.	4 62	
State Treasurer	1 29	
William Kereazis, Expenses	33 94	
Don Powers, Expenses	20 00	
Bank Charges	26 15	
	-----	\$994 45
(Cash Receipts—Tax Collector's Expense Refund \$8.64)		

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

3. Election and Registration Expenses:

Herbert Curtis, ballot inspector	\$30 00	
William Kereazis, ballot inspector	30 00	
Fred Gibson, ballot inspector	30 00	
Robert Handy, ballot inspector	10 00	
Delmar Newhall, ballot inspector	30 00	
Percy Jenness, ballot inspector	10 00	
Bennington Women's Club, dinner	135 00	
Transcript Printing Co., ballots	24 50	
Philip Knowles, supervisor	35 00	
Edward French, supervisor	35 00	
Paul Traxler, supervisor	35 00	
J. P. Weston, Moderator	15 00	
	-----	\$419 50

4. Town Hall Expenses:

J. B. Vaillancourt, fuel	\$552 70	
Hillsboro Lumber Co., supplies	2 19	
Paul Traxler, Janitor	490 06	
Public Service Co.	337 14	
Edmund's Market, supplies	30 98	
Peterboro Hardware Co., supplies	7 90	
Robert St. Lawrence, labor	10 00	
Robert Handy, Labor	11 75	
Maurice Paige, labor	20 00	
C. L. Haskill, fireproofing curtains	65 00	
David Traxler, labor	23 75	
Ronald Traxler, labor	3 00	
Monadnock Lumber Co., supplies	6 74	
Edmund's Hardware, supplies	5 49	
M. S. Danforth, furnace repairs	162 65	
Monadnock Paper Mills, Inc., sup.	7 57	
Geoffrey's Store, supplies	18 03	
James Wood, labor	11 25	
Men's Club, supplies	4 00	
Contoocook Valley Tel. Co.	1 00	
A. W. Therrieu Co., roof repairs	140 00	
	-----	\$1,911 20

(Cash Receipts—Rent of Town Hall \$298.60)

5. Police Department:

Howard Ayers, police	\$110 64
William Haag, police	1,118 31
Contoocook Valley Tel. Co.	45 16
H. R. Feldblum, uniforms	94 00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Public Service Co.	17	18
Clarence Rogers, police	14	37
Barbara Huntley, warrants	35	50
State Treasurer, expenses	2	81
	-----	\$1,437 97

6. Fire Department:

E. H. Edwards, driveway repairs	\$45	00
Rodney LaClair, labor	3	00
Charles Zabriskie, labor	7	50
L. Laviolette, fire permits	13	25
Paul Traxler, labor	110	69
Phil Traxler, labor	49	00
Public Serv. Co.	37	91
Bennington Garage, repairs	419	42
Contoocook Valley Tel. Co.	243	90
Johnson Communication Co.	16	00
Robert St. Lawrence, labor	3	00
Edna Armstrong, labor	35	25
Eaton Furniture, supplies	3	75
Dorothy Traxler, labor	7	50
Keene Two-Way Radio, repairs	103	00
Newhall's Garage, supplies	25	78
David Traxler, labor	28	50
James Trow, labor	4	50
Fred Swett, labor	6	00
Maurice Zing, Sec.	180	00
Clifford Smith, labor	6	00
Maynard Fire Co., supplies	27	50
James A. Coffin, supplies	52	33
S. W. N. H. Mutual Aid	6	00
Herbert Curtis, Forest Fire Payroll	121	40
County Cheshire, Mutual Aid dues	152	89
Edward French, payroll	848	50
	-----	\$2,557 57

(Cash Receipts – Phone Reimbursements \$73.62, Reimbursement of fire protection expense, \$25.00, fire expense reimbursement, \$85.00)

7. Insurance:

Stuart Clark Agency, Insurance		\$2,108 93
(Cash Receipts – Refunds and Claim Collections \$372.22)		

8. Bounties, Hedge Hogs		\$17 50
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

9. Civil Defense:

State Treasurer		\$15 24
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10. Health Department:

Donald Powers		\$50 00
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11. Vital Statistics:

Donald Powers		\$30 00
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12. Town Dump:

Herbert Wilson, labor	\$979 00	
Roscoe Putnam, labor	24 00	
Sidney Huntington, labor	80 00	
	-----	\$1,083 00

13. Town Road Maintenance—Summer

Sidney Huntington, labor	\$1,468 75	
Harold Wilson, labor	3 00	
William Lindsay, labor	622 50	
Public Service Co.	22 00	
Cold River Hot Patch, supplies	45 11	
Smith Harriman, repairs	113 50	
Lussier Const. Co., labor	68 00	
Merrill Aborn, labor	51 00	
Herbert Curtis, labor	535 50	
	-----	\$2,929 36

(Cash Receipts — Sale of Gravel \$33.00, sale of old plow \$50.00)

14. Town Road Maintenance—Winter:

Sidney Huntington, labor	\$2,864 50	
Harlan Robertson, labor	745 50	
Harold Wilson, labor	31 50	
Merle Aborn, labor	24 00	
William Lindsay, labor	310 50	
Ralph Smith, labor	12 00	
George Edwards, Gravel	18 00	
Roscoe Putnam, labor	15 00	
Congregational Church, Gravel	54 80	
Bennington Garage, repairs	54 00	
Newhalls Garage, supplies	10 00	
Pat Lussier, labor	19 00	
Robert Hammond, labor	50 00	
	-----	\$4,208 80

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

15. Street Lighting		\$1,823 76
16. General Expense Highway Department:		
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange,		
supplies	\$342 21	
Edmunds Hardware, supplies	112 24	
Harlan Robertson, wood	30 00	
Paul Traxler, supplies	17 92	
Town of Hancock, culvert	39 48	
International Salt Co.	874 04	
Public Service Co.	95 51	
Village Spa, supplies	3 20	
N. H. Explosives, repair parts	113 97	
Bennington Garage, repairs		
to equip.	462 12	
Treasurer of N. H., signs	52 75	
C. S. Abbott	3 39	
F. Lowe, labor	80 00	
Northeastern Culvert, pipe	72 17	
	-----	\$2,299 00
17. Library:		
G. P. Dodge Library		\$200 00
18. Old Age Assistance:		
State of New Hampshire		\$1,916 46
19. Town Poor:		
Law Motor Freight, transportation	\$42 34	
Kenneth Morse, Foster Parent ex.	212 36	
Medical Arts, Inc., Foster Parent ex.	9 27	
Geoffrey's Store	75	
Maurice Paige	(75 00)	
	-----	\$189 72
20. Memorial Day:		
Robert Knight, treasurer	\$200 00	
Herbert Curtis, flowers	5 60	
	-----	\$205 60
21. Parks and Playgrounds:		
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange,		
supplies	\$61 88	
Robert Blanchard, labor	102 00	

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Fred Hugron, labor	45 00	
Harry Sawyer, lifeguard	137 75	
Theodore Cole, labor	1 50	
Village Pharmacy, First Aid sup.	1 69	
Keene Sand and Gravel, loam	5 00	
West Chemical Inc., supplies	38 00	
Merle Aborn	1 29	
Gladys Newhall, grass cutting	140 00	
Judith Rainier, lifeguard	851 15	
Contoocook Valley Tel.	38 03	
Herbert Curtis, labor	88 50	
Village Spa, supplies	2 70	
Sidney Huntington, labor	118 00	
Geoffrey's Store, supplies	3 23	
	-----	\$1,635 72

22. Water Works:

Public Service Co.	\$740 21	
N. H. Water Works, Assoc., dues	10 00	
N. E. Chemical Corp., supplies	30 50	
Peterboro Water Dept., supplies	8 40	
Transcript Printing Co.	33 50	
Bandana Dow and Co., pump	107 90	
H. R. Prescott and Son, supplies	3 81	
N. H. Supply Co.	95 28	
John Armstrong, maintenance	1,080 26	
Ann Lindsay, postmistress	23 60	
Edward Derosier, labor	44 25	
Walter Levesque, labor	6 00	
Homer Paradise	76 00	
Wallace Theiman Co., supplies	35 22	
Paul Traxler, service	83 60	
Bennington Garage, supplies	2 40	
N. H. Welding Supply	11 10	
Henry Schafer, labor	5 00	
Merle Aborn, labor	24 00	
William Lindsay, labor	24 00	
	-----	\$2,445 03

(Cash Receipts – Income from Water Works \$3,430.70)

23. Cemeteries:

Edward Cass, labor	\$313 50
Roger McWhirter, labor	219 25
Fred Hugron, labor	35 00
R. Duefield, lawnmower	135 00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Bennington Garage, supplies	22 84	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange	5 96	
David McWhirter, labor	21 00	
Edmunds Hardware, supplies	28 58	
	-----	\$781 13

(Cash Receipts – Sale of Cemetery Lots, \$30.00, Trust Fund Income \$614.05)

24. Legal Expenses and Fees:

Maurice Blodgett, legal	\$25 00	
Clarence Rogers, expenses	8 23	
Transcript Printing Co., ad	4 00	
	-----	\$37 23

25. Advertising and Regional Ass'n.:

Monadnock Region		\$151 00
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26. Taxes Bought by Town

\$585 24

27. Interest:

Hillsboro National Bank:		
Temporary	\$379 67	
Long Term	65 80	
	-----	\$445 47

28. Loans:

Hillsboro National Bank:		
Temporary	\$30,000 00	
Long Term	1,880 00	
	-----	\$31,880 00

29. Town Truck:

Bennington Garage, repairs	\$1,117 13	
Mobil Oil Co., gas and oil	489 39	
Newhall's Garage, gas and oil	4 50	
	-----	\$1,611 02

(Cash Receipts – Income from Town Truck \$1,397.85, Gas Tax Refund \$111.21)

30. Auto Permits:

Don Powers, Town Clerk		\$210 00
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31. Payments to State and County:

County Tax–Hillsborough	\$8,793 95	
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

State of N. H.—Head Tax 1963	632 00	
State of N. H.—Head Tax 1964	1,026 00	
	-----	\$10,451 95
32. School Appropriation:		
Mary K. Wilson, Treasurer		\$39,550 37
33. Deposit:		
New Fire Truck		\$4,300 00
34. SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS:		
1. Tarring:		
Trimount Bituminous Oil Co.,tar	\$1,102 27	
Sidney Huntington, labor	600 75	
William Lindsay, labor	259 50	
Harold Wilson, labor	16 50	
David McWhirter, labor	13 50	
Merle Aborn, labor	155 00	
Roger McWhirter, labor	31 50	
Cold River Mix Co., patch	50 25	
	-----	\$2,229 27
2. Raft:		
Berwick and Son., drums	\$36 00	
Wilton Lumber Co.,supplies	188 32	
Maurice Paige, labor	150 00	
Edmunds Hardware, supplies	60 16	
	-----	\$434 48
3. Paint Town Hall:		
Paul Lavoie		\$1,675 00

TOTAL		\$124,430 97

1925	William L. Taylor	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00					9 34	4 73	4 00	10 07
1928	David W. Bell	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00					7 41	4 65	4 00	8 06
1928	Harriet Kimball	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00					4 92	2 39	2 00	5 31
1928	William Keith	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00					8 44	4 69	4 00	9 13
1930	Mary Knowles	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00					9 04	4 71	4 00	9 75
1919	Ann M. Eaton	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					8 82	4 93	4 25	9 50
1927	Amon Symonds	Peterborough Sav. Bank	400 00					31 69	19 62	17 00	34 31
1927	Samuel Abbott	Peterborough Sav. Bank	200 00					18 73	9 93	8 50	20 16
1932	Charles F. Burnham	Peterborough Sav. Bank	200 00					22 07	10 11	8 50	23 68
1934	Bessie W. Call	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					7 91	4 89	4 25	8 55
1935	Beisey R. Brown	Peterborough Sav. Bank	50 00					5 05	2 50	2 00	5 55
1935	George W. Wilson	Peterborough Sav. Bank	75 00					6 58	3 69	3 25	7 02
1936	Nancy Stevens	Peterborough Sav. Bank	150 00					13 98	7 43	6 25	15 16
1937	Charles H. Kimball	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					8 78	4 93	4 25	9 46
1939	Mary L. Knight	Peterborough Sav. Bank	200 00					17 86	9 88	8 50	19 24
1939	Samuel Gilman & Lucinda Dodge	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					8 82	4 93	4 25	9 50
1940	Amos A. Martin	Peterborough Sav. Bank	200 00					16 30	9 83	8 50	17 63
1941	Frank A. Taylor	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					7 90	4 89	4 25	8 54
1942	Fred Kimball	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00			200 00		7 91	10 16	4 25	13 82
1942	Rodney & Lenora Nichols	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00			200 00		8 48	10 18	4 25	14 41
1943	Frank Young	Peterborough Sav. Bank	150 00					14 94	7 47	6 25	16 16
1945	Sarah Keefer	Peterborough Sav. Bank	50 00					5 04	2 50	2 00	5 54
1945	Geo. Alfred Whittemore	Peterborough Sav. Bank	250 00					23 14	12 42	10 50	25 06
1946	Lenora L. O'Leary	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					8 46	4 91	4 25	9 12
1946	Stephen & Mary Chase	Peterborough Sav. Bank	125 00					12 76	6 23	5 25	13 74
1949	Edith Dodge	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					7 35	4 86	4 25	7 96
1952	Kendall Gray	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					8 81	4 93	4 25	9 49
1952	C. D. Kochersperger	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					8 23	4 91	4 25	8 89
1954	William H. Odell	Peterborough Sav. Bank	150 00					13 03	7 41	6 25	14 19
1954	Allan Gerrard	Peterborough Sav. Bank	150 00					13 03	7 41	6 25	14 19
1957	John Dana Weston	Peterborough Sav. Bank	303 50					20 77	14 74	13 00	22 51
1958	Amos Whittemore	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					6 07	4 82	4 25	6 64
1960	Edward R. Keefer	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00					2 98	4 66	4 00	3 64
1964	William E. Call	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00			100 00			3 77	2 00	1 77
1966	Geo. Andrew Whittemore	Peterborough Sav. Bank	300 00					26 54	14 11	15 00	25 65

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Bennington, N. H., on December 31, 1964

Date of Creation	NAME AND PURPOSE OF TRUST FUNDS	HOW INVESTED	PRINCIPAL										INCOME			
			Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gains	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year		
			Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year		
1919	Clara R. Whittemore	N. H. Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	9 91	4 74	4 00	10 65						
1922	Horace Dinsmore	N. H. Savings Bank	225 00			225 00	10 60	4 78	5 00	10 38						
1923	John D. Butler	N. H. Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	20 73	10 62	9 00	22 35						
1927	Royal V. Knight	N. H. Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	19 11	9 46	8 00	20 57						
1916	Trustees of Trust Funds	Manchester Savings Bank	600 00			600 00	50 06	34 84		84 90						
		Total Sunnyside Cem. Funds	\$8,826 66	\$700 00		\$9,526 66	\$830 99	\$452 46	\$278 00	\$1,005 45						
1913	Evergreen Cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	\$200 00			\$200 00	\$17 07	\$9 38	\$8 00	\$18 45						
1914	Geo. L. Herrick	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	19 16	9 46	8 00	20 62						
1914	C. M. Whitney	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	19 63	9 49	8 00	21 12						
1923	Calvin S. Brown	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	9 09	4 71	4 00	9 80						
1928	Cyrus H. Philbrick	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	16 78	9 37	8 00	18 15						
1928	Ann F. Philbrick	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	9 18	4 72	4 00	9 90						
1929	Luke Burt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00			50 00	5 46	2 40	2 00	5 86						
1929	Lizzie M. Holt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	17 36	9 39	8 00	18 75						
1929	Charles Manahan	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	9 12	4 71	4 00	9 83						
1931	John C. Dodge	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	11 38	9 13	8 00	12 51						
1931	Enos Veino	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	9 18	4 72	4 00	9 90						
1935	Bradford D. Brown	Peterborough Sav. Bank	50 00			50 00	4 38	2 46	2 25	4 59						
1939	Ellen C. Brown	Peterborough Sav. Bank	200 00			200 00	17 43	9 88	8 50	18 31						
1940	Walter Wilson	Peterborough Sav. Bank	50 00			50 00	4 56	2 46	2 25	4 77						
1942	Samuel & Jane Dodge	Peterborough Sav. Bank	50 00			50 00	4 38	2 46	2 25	4 59						
1943	Thomas Wilson	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100 00			100 00	8 39	4 91	4 25	9 05						
1951	Robert Wilson	Peterborough Sav. Bank	243 75			243 75	18 15	11 88	11 00	19 03						
1953	Lawrence & Catherine Mulhaal	Peterborough Sav. Bank	200 00			200 00	15 86	9 79	8 50	17 15						

AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that the books of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Water Department and Trustees of Trust Funds for the Town of Bennington have been examined according to the uniform, classification of the State Tax Commission and found to be correct.

Walter Cleary
Robert Knight

Auditors

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE G. E. P. DODGE LIBRARY

Days Open: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.
Hours: Afternoons 2:30-4:30. Evenings 6:30-8:30.

Books purchased in 1964	100
Peterborough Transcript (weekly)	
Magazines by Subscription	14
Life, Look, Newsweek, Readers Digest, Seventeen, Popular Mechanics, Saturday Evening Post, Ladies Home Journal, Jack and Jill, Outdoor Life, Amer- ican Girl, Popular Science, National Geographic.	

On Veteran's Day, the Calvin A. Brown Post 8268 presented the library with a plaque with the pictures of the four young men in our town who lost their lives in World War II. Trustees of the library, and relatives and friends of the four boys also attended and distinguished guests of the V.F.W. from throughout the state.

Mary K. Wilson

Librarian

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE
G. E. P. DODGE LIBRARY**

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1964	\$321 91
Received from Trust Funds	1,612 99
Town Appropriation	200 00
Rebate on Insurance	8 25

Total Receipts	\$2,143 15

Expenditures

Mary K. Wilson, librarian	\$790 00
New books	167 34
Magazines	58 67
Hafeli Fuel and Ice Co., 2,317 gal.	362 86
Knapton Insurance Agency, insurance	99 90
Theodore Cole, janitor work	68 00
Barry Whittemore, janitor work	19 50
Public Service Co. of N. H., lights	75 51
O.B. Peirce Co., furnace repairs	75 19
Chase Tree Service, cutting tree	34 04
Hillsboro Lumber Co., window	2 50
Edmunds Dept. Store, supplies	4 06
Gift for Miss Carter	5 00
Capital gain refund to trust fund	3 85
Bank Service Charge	10 22
Post Office Box Rent	1 80

Total Expenses	\$1,778 44
Cash on hand December 31, 1964	364 71

	\$2,143 15

Respectfully submitted,

Philip E. Knowles, Treasurer

Ruth A. Cody

Eunice W. Blanchard

Library Trustees

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTION FOR 1964

Accidents	11
Warnings	78
Arrests	40
Fines	\$900 00
Complaints	80
Wanted Persons Picked Up	4
Crimes Committed	4
Crimes Solved	5
Cases Brought To Court	40
Cases Lost	4
Cases Won	36
Total Free Hours Put In	29

William Haag,

Chief of Police

TOWN HALL REPORT 1964

	Free Hours	Janitor Hours	Rent Collected	Janitor Wages
January	14	32	\$22 00	\$32 00
February	35	41	8 00	41 00
March	21	65½	27 00	65 50
April	26	31	18 00	31 00
May	21	30	20 00	30 00
June	16	34	12 00	34 00
July		24	4 00	24 00
August	3	34	40 00	34 00
September		38½	32 00	38 50
October	9	27	24 00	27 00
November	66	39	38 00	39 00
December	30	51	32 00	51 00
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Respectfully submitted,
Paul Traxler

Janitor

MEMORIAL DAY REPORT 1964

Received from Town \$200 00

EXPENDITURES

Band	\$125 00
Lunch For Band	35 00
Wreaths	10 00
Flags	33 80
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	\$203 80

Balance of \$3.80 Paid By V.F.W.

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT 1964

Pumping Station

Total Gallons Pumped	14,118,000
Hours Pumped	1,572

Report of Collections

Total Rents Collected	\$2,944 80
Old Accounts Collected	358 00
Supplies Sold	137 90
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	\$3,440 70
Paid Treasurer	\$3,430 70
Cash on Hand	10 00
Discounts	315 84
Uncollected	349 00

Report Of Uncollected Rents, Jan. 1, 1965

Howard Ayers	\$44 00
Jas. Griswold	29 00
R. Gulmire, Pd. \$18.00 Jan. 5	30 00
S. Huntington	24 00
F. Hugron	20 00
R. Lyons, Pd. \$5.00 Jan. 23	27 00
Laundromat	35 00
F. Mooney, Pd. Jan. 5	20 00
W. Perkins	16 00
W. Perry	20 00
G. Robinson, Pd. Jan. 15	10 00
R. Smith	20 00
R. Sullivan	10 00
H. E. Wilson	16 00
Jas. Woods	20 00
Geo. Whittemore	8 00

FIREWARDS REPORT

Your Fire Department wishes to thank the townspeople for the kind letters and comments concerning our firemen and fire department. Also the assistance you gave us for our auction and other projects we ran this last summer.

We purchased two Survival Air Packs and we were able to obtain matchings funds from the Civil Defense. It is our desire to start a building fund for a future fire station.

Our new truck was delivered January 23rd. We ran a successful underwriters test January 25th.

The engine was manufactured by the Maynard Fire Apparatus Company, Marshfield, Mass.

This was installed on a Ford 250 chassis supplied by Lindsay's Garage.

It is equipped with a 750 gal. per. min. waterous mid-ship centrifical pump with a rotary primer. Host capacity of 1,500-ft. of 2½" hose, 500-ft. of 1½" hose. Tank capacity, 600-gals. of water.

We have also installed a mobile G. E. radio in the unit.

We want to thank the committee for the many hours they must have put in before making the choice. A job well done.

This last year was rather a busy year for fire calls, we had several mutual aid fires and in turn received mutual aid assistance.

Following are fires we attended: chimney fires (2), house fires (1), overheated oil burner (1), dump fires (2), forest fires (3), one in Greenfield, four mutual aid calls, one searching party.

We also had eight practices, some were conducted by Mutual Aid and the Fire Chiefs' Association. Four of our firemen attended and completed the course on air packs and operating fire engines, receiving certificates for same. This was held at the Meadowood Training Grounds. Five firemen attended a training school on house fires at East Swanzey.

Four firemen attended forest fire instruction conducted by the district chiefs in forest fire service.

Due to the shortage of water we delivered water for two families.

Following is an inventory of the equipment we have at the present time.

FIREWARDS REPORT

Engine No. 1. New Ford Pumper:

750-gallon pumper with 600-gallon booster tank.
200-ft. 1" booster hose.
1 foam type extinguisher.
1 CO₂ extinguisher.
1 Portable radio.
1 Mobile radio.
1 Attic ladder.
1 Roof ladder.
1 Extension ladder.
1,500-ft. 2½" hose.
450-ft. 1½" hose.
1 Survival air pack.
1 Acme mask.
1 Pike pole.
1 Axe.

Engine No. 3:

750-gallon pumper with 600-gallon capacity booster tank.
200-ft. 1" booster hose.
1 Extension ladder.
1 Attic ladder.
1 Roof ladder.
1 Dry powder extinguisher.
1 mouth-to-mouth resuscitator.
1 First aid kit.
1 Portable radio.
1 Mobile radio.
1,500-ft. 2½" hose.
500-ft. 1½" hose.
1 Pike pole.
1 Axe.
1 Survival air pack.

Engine No. 2. Small Forest Fire Truck:

350-gallon booster tank with pump.
2 Roof ladders.
1 Extension ladder.
300-ft. 1" booster hose.
1 CO₂ fire extinguisher.
1 Dry powder extinguisher.

McCann Engine:

Out of service. Stored in town barn.

Other Equipment:

1 Portable pump.

FIREWARDS REPORT

- 1 Trailer.
- 3 Battery chargers.
- 1 Body drag.
- 5 Electric lanterns.
- 1 Emerson resuscitator.
- 12 Raincoats.
- 12 Fire hats.
- 12 pr. High boots.
- 6 pr., Mittens.
- 1 Base station equipped with automatic control for fire alarm system.
- 1 Extension ladder.
- 1 Roof ladder.

Forest Fire Equipment:

- 16 Indian pumps.
- 6 Grub Hoes.
- 6 Rakes.
- 5 Axes.
- 2 Water canteens.
- 10 Lanterns.

LOCATION OF FIRE ALARMS:

At Town Hall and Village Spa.

PLEASE TAKE CAUTION IN OPERATING:

- (1) Open door.
 - (2) Pull down hook and release.
 - (3) Stay at box until firemen arrive.
- Continuous 6 blasts by tone control when set off manually.
6 Blasts.
2 Blasts—No school 8:00 a.m.
1 Long blast—Shut off water.
1 Long blast — First Monday in month at 6:45 p.m.
2 Blasts between noon and 1:00 o'clock for test Saturday.

IN CASE OF FIRE TO CALL BY TELEPHONE:

- (1) Dial "O".
 - (2) Give operator number Keene 352-1100.
 - (3) When dispatch center answers give your name, location and description of fire.
- Wait a few seconds and listen for alarm.

FIREWARDS REPORT

IN CASE OF ANY TROUBLE CALL:

Village Spa 588-9652 daytime and evening until 9:00 p.m.
Paul Traxler 588-6755 anytime.
Philip Traxler 588-6857.
Charles Zabriskie 588-6328.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Traxler, Chief
Philip Traxler, 2nd Asst.
Charles Zabriskie, 3rd Asst.

SOUTHWESTERN NEW HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT MUTUAL AID REPORT

I have received a brief outline on what the Mutual Aid did in this last year. The Control Center handled over 38,000 phone calls of every description. 16,000 radio transmissions on the fire frequency excluding tests, 14,000 radio calls on the police and ambulance frequency.

There were 99 requests for Mutual Aid in dispatching 573 pieces of fire apparatus to fulfill the requests. By far the largest year the Mutual Aid has ever experienced.

This does not depict any increase of fires but does, however, demonstrate the need and value of fire assistance and the fact that the Fire Depts. are more and more recognizing this fact.

Mutual Aid has also added more towns to the tone system. This has been most successful and will allow Mutual Aid to begin a pre-planning program for high value buildings with an automatic response by the usual Departments that would respond on the regular Mutual Aid call.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Traxler
Chief of Bennington Fire Department
for
Robert Callahan
Chief, Mutual Aid Center

SCHOOL REPORT

BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

MODERATOR J. Prentiss Weston

CLERK Martha L. Weston

TREASURER Mary K. Wilson

SCHOOL BOARD

Theodore Aucella, Chairman Term expires 1965

Clifford Smith Term expires 1966

Raymond St. Lawrence Term expires 1967

AUDITORS

Erving LeCain William Aldrich, Sr.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS Norman R. Hartfiel

TEACHERS

Ruth Cody, Principal Vincena M. Powers

James S. Holmes Virginia M. Sargent

Isabel B. Nichols

SCHOOL NURSE Gladys E. Newhall

BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Bennington qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the fifth day of March, 1965, at seven o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To see if the district will vote to enter into a contract with another school district to pay tuition in excess of the State average.

2. To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

3. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.

4. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State Foundation Aid Fund together with other income; the School Board to certify to the Selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

5. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to make application for and to accept on behalf of the district, any or all grants or other funds for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United State Government or from the State of New Hampshire for the school year 1965-66.

6. To see if the district will vote to use the \$837.85 surplus from the 1964 receipts from the Sweepstakes to

establish a Capital Reserve Fund to install a new oil fired furnace.

7. To see if the district will vote to use \$2,000 from the 1965 Sweepstakes to add to the Capital Reserve Fund established to install a new oil fired furnace.

8. To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

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

Given under our hands at said Bennington this fourteenth day of February, 1965.

Theodore Aucella

Clifford F. Smith

Raymond St. Lawrence

School Board

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

Theodore Aucella

Clifford F. Smith

Raymond St. Lawrence

School Board

BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of
Bennington qualified to vote in district affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in
said district on the ninth day of March, 1965, at ten
o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To elect a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and two
Auditors for the ensuing year and a member of the School
Board for the ensuing three years.

Given under our hands at said Bennington this four-
teenth day of February, 1965.

Theodore Aucella
Clifford F. Smith
Raymond St. Lawrence
School Board

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

Theodore Aucella
Clifford F. Smith
Raymond St. Lawrence
School Board

474 12	600 00	215 Textbooks Classroom	550 00	550 00
63 71	150 00	220 Library & Audiovisual Materials Library Books	75 00	125 00
952 68	675 00	Periodicals & Newspapers Audiovisual Materials	25 00	25 00
46 00	50 00	230 Teaching Supplies Classroom	700 00	725 00
16 25	50 00	Playground 235 Contracted Services Television Programming	25 00	45 00
5 00	5 00	290 Other Expenses Graduation	45 00	50 00
450 00	450 00	ATTENDANCE SERVICES: 310 Salaries	5 00	5 00
61 00	125 00	HEALTH SERVICES: 410 Salaries	450 00	450 00
2,030 00	2,030 00	490 Other Expenses Doctor Exams Supplies	75 00	125 00
1,800 00	1,800 00	PUPIL TRANSPORTATION: 535 Contracted Services Pupil Transportation	2,030 00	2,030 00
114 98	200 00	OPERATION OF PLANT: 610 Salaries Custodians	1,900 00	1,900 00
		630 Supplies Custodial Supplies Care of Grounds Supplies	175 00	200 00
			25 00	

Expended 1963-64	Budget 1964-65	Accounts	Elem. Proposed Budget 1965-1966	High Budget 1965-1966	Total
19 50	25 00	635 Contracted Services			25 00
		Rubbish	25 00		
883 80	700 00	640 Heat	700 00		700 00
368 15	350 00	645 Utilities			350 00
		Electricity	215 00		
		Telephone	135 00		
		MAINTENANCE OF PLANT:			
264 57	300 00	725 Replacement of Equipment	50 00		50 00
		Non-instructional, misc.			
19 96	100 00	726 Repairs to Equipment	225 00		300 00
		Instructional, desks	25 00		
		Instructional, TV	50 00		
		Miscellaneous	150 00		150 00
286 03	150 00	766 Repairs to Building	150 00		150 00
	40 00	790 Other Expenses	40 00		40 00
		Trees			
		FIXED CHARGES:			
1,017 06	1,044 89	850 District Contributions—Employees Retirement	1,095 49		1,677 21
519 42	555 96	Teachers Retirement System			
		F.I.C.A.	483 60		
		Teachers	10 46		
		Nurse	74 25		
		Custodians	13 41		
		District Officers			
191 36	192 60	855 Insurance	5 00		192 60
		Bond	52 60		
		Boiler			

188 72	Fire	135 00
	SCHOOL LUNCH & SPECIAL MILK	
	975 Expnd. of Federal & District Monies	
	CAPITAL OUTLAY:	
	1267 Equipment	100 00
	OUTGOING TRANSFERS:	
	1477 Expnditures to Other School Districts or	
	Administrative Units in the State	
	Tuition	19,960 00
	Supervisory Union Expenses	547 86
	Tax for State-Wide Supervision	1,095 73
	TOTALS:	<u>\$33,281 54</u>
	RECEIPT ITEMS:	
	Balance July 1	
	Revenue from Taxation and Appropriations	
	Other Revenue from Local Sources	
	REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES:	
	Sweepstakes	\$4,607 85
	REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES:	
	National Defense Education Act	
	School Lunch and Special Milk	
	REFUNDS:	
		<u>\$4,607 85</u>

	TOTAL BUDGET	\$53,895 15
	ANTICIPATED REVENUE	\$ 4,607 85
	DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	\$49,287 30

SCHOOL BOARD'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

Norman R. Hartfiel
Superintendent

Theodore Aucella
Clifford Smith
Raymond St. Lawrence
School Board

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1963	\$4,442 31
Received from Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	42,050 37
Received from State Treasurer:	
Federal Funds	106 28
Received from all Other Sources	122 12

Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$46,721 08
Less School Board Orders Paid	45,351 20

Balance on Hand, June 30, 1964	\$1,369 88

Mary K. Wilson
Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements, and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Bennington of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964, and find them correct in all respects.

Erving A. LeCain
William L. Aldrich, Sr.

Auditors

BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET

Cash balance, July 1, 1963	\$4,442	31	
Receipts during year	42,278	77	
	-----		\$46,721 08
Expenditures during year		45,351	20
Cash Balance, June 30, 1964		-----	\$1,369 88
Liabilities carried for 1964-65			1,028 54

Balance to be deducted from Town Assessment			\$341 34

**BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS
1963-64**

Administration

110—Salaries		
Raymond St. Lawrence	\$120 47	
Clifford Smith	96 37	
Theodore Aucella	96 37	
Mary K. Wilson	150 00	
J. Prentiss Weston	5 00	
Martha L. Weston	5 00	
State Treasurer (F.I.C.A.)	11 79	
Total	-----	\$485 00

135—Contracted Services		
William Aldrich, Sr.	\$10 00	
Erving LeCain	10 00	
Eunice Blanchard	20 00	
Supervisory Union #24	60 00	
N. H. School Boards Assoc.	15 00	
Total	-----	\$115 00

190—Other Expenses		
Bank Service Charges	\$3 60	
Norman R. Hartfiel, Travel	5 20	
Messenger Publishing & Printing Co.	2 00	
Transcript Printing Co.	28 50	
Brown's News	4 95	
Mary K. Wilson, Postage	12 00	
Edson C. Eastman Company	1 75	
Total	-----	\$58 00

Instruction

210—Salaries		
Ruth A. Cody	\$3,085 49	
James S. Grant	3,414 33	
Isabel B. Nichols	652 56	
Vincena M. Powers	3,492 31	
Virginia M. Sargent	3,534 80	
Betsey N. Burt	34 69	
Elizabeth Dunlap	34 69	
Mary K. Wilson	108 00	
State Treasurer (F.I.C.A.)	714 93	
Internal Revenue	2,849 20	
Blue Cross—Blue Shield	388 20	
Teachers Retirement	800 80	
Total	-----	\$19,830 00

215—Textbooks		
American Book Company	\$23 40	
Equity Publishing Company	21 00	
Follett Publishing Company	77 09	
Ginn and Company	76 41	
Harcourt, Brace & World, Inc.	57 70	
Houghton Mifflin Company	74 41	
The Macmillan Company	27 76	
Scott, Foresman and Company	98 75	
The L. W. Singer Company	17 60	
Total	-----	\$474 12

220—Library and Audiovisual Materials		
American Heritage Company	\$34 50	
Martin Murray Corporation	29 21	
Total	-----	\$63 71

230—Teaching Supplies		
American Book Company	\$16 73	
American Education Publications	45 50	
California Test Bureau	7 45	
Cardigan Sport Store	5 50	
Follett Publishing Company	56 80	
Ginn and Company	38 59	
Harcourt, Brace & World, Inc.	74 49	
Houghton Mifflin Company	71 42	
Laidlaw Brothers	14 16	
Mainco School Supply Company	249 38	
Milton Bradley Company	137 61	
Pioneer Office Appliance Company	25 20	
A. H. Rice Company	7 19	
Scott, Foresman and Company	160 64	
Silver Burdett Company	25 70	
The L. W. Singer Company	16 32	
Total	-----	\$952 68

235—Contracted Services		
WENH-TV	\$46 00	
Total	-----	\$46 00

290—Other Expenses		
J. L. Hammett Company	\$16 25	
Total	-----	\$16 25

Attendance Services

310—Salaries		
Edward French	\$5 00	
Total	-----	\$5 00

Health Services

410—Salaries		
Mary B. Griffin	\$414 70	
State Treasurer (F.I.C.A.)	16 30	
Teachers Retirement	19 00	
Total	-----	\$450 00
490—Other Expenses		
Alfred M. Chandler, M.D.	\$61 00	
Total	-----	\$61 00

Pupil Transportation

535—Contracted Services		
Arthur Sawyer	\$2,030 00	
Total	-----	\$2,030 00

Operation of Plant

610—Salaries		
Edwin F. Sawyer	\$867 36	
Harry J. Sawyer	867 36	
State Treasurer (F.I.C.A.)	65 28	
Total	-----	\$1,800 00
630—Supplies		
Acme Chemical Company	\$27 25	
Central Paper Products Company	7 18	
Edmunds	30 55	
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	50 00	
Total	-----	\$114 98
635—Contracted Services		
Fred Hugron	\$19 50	
Total	-----	\$19 50
640—Heat for Building		
Hafeli Fuel and Ice Company	\$883 80	
Total	-----	\$883 80
645—Utilities		
Contoocook Valley Telephone Co.	\$136 45	
Public Service Company of N. H.	231 70	
Total	-----	\$368 15

Maintenance of Plant

725—Replacement of Equipment		
American Playground Device Co.	\$39 75	
Clifford Smith	5 57	

The Jarmak Company	219 25	
Total	-----	\$264 57
726—Repairs to Equipment		
Radio and Electric Service	\$12 46	
Pioneer Office Appliance Co.	7 50	
Total	-----	\$19 96
766—Repairs to Buildings		
Robert B. Fish	\$57 64	
Clifford F. Smith	228 39	
Total	-----	\$286 03
Fixed Charges		
850—District Contributions		
Teachers Retirement	\$1,017 06	
State Treasurer (F.I.C.A.)	519 42	
Total	-----	\$1,536 48
855—Insurance		
Stuart F. Clark Agency	\$10 00	
Knapton Insurance Agency	181 36	
Total	-----	\$191 36
Special Milk Program		
975.2 District Monies		
Hillsboro Dairy Inc.	\$188 72	
Total	-----	\$188 72
Outgoing Transfers		
1477.1—Tuition		
Antrim School District	\$1,979 20	
Hillsboro-Deering Coop. School Dis.	5,530 20	
Peterborough School District	5,943 28	
Total	-----	\$13,452 68
1477.3—Supervisory Union Expenses		
Supervisory Union #24	\$1,356 21	
Total	-----	\$1,356 21
1477.4—Tax for State Wide		
Supervision	\$282 00	
Total	-----	\$282 00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		----- \$45,351 20

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Bennington:

It is a pleasure for me to present my eleventh annual report for your consideration:

Federal

It certainly is obvious to any property owner living in the state of New Hampshire, that the efforts of local school districts to provide educational opportunities to their children comparable to the demands of modern civilization, that education is an expensive commodity.

Education is no longer a little red school house operation as it was at the turn of the century. On the national level expenditures for education are second only to the Department of Defense with highways running a close third. Defense has always been a responsibility of the federal government. Since 1956 it has assumed 90% of the cost of the nation's major highway construction program. Is it time for the state and local governmental units to look to the federal government for financial support for education in an attempt to ease the local tax burden? I know that some who read this will rise in horror at the thought and your judgments are respected, but this report is not an attempt to gather support for federal aid to education but rather to advise you that it is already here in a small way and is destined to increase. Schools in this supervisory union are now receiving federal aid to: (1) support home economics teachers' salaries; (2) subsidize the noon lunch program; (3) to support the guidance program; and (4) to provide equipment for the teaching of science, math and modern foreign languages.

During the school year 1964-65 this aid will be extended to the teaching of English, reading, civics, geography, and history.

It would not be surprising to see the Congress at the next session break through the impass between the public and parochial schools to enact legislation which will provide federal funds for school house construction, teachers' salaries and curriculum improvements. These are some of the things that President Johnson was talking about when he recently said, "I intend to put education at the top of America's agenda."

State

For the school year 1964-65 the State of New Hampshire expects to spend 56 million dollars for public school education. The State Department of Education asked the

legislature to reduce this expenditure by local tax payers by 10 million dollars in aid. Including the sweepstakes, this was reduced 7¼ million or 12.9% of the total needed.

For the school year 1965-66 it is estimated that 60 million dollars will be needed for public school education and the State Department of Education is asking that the legislature appropriate 13 million dollars or 22.9% of the local effort. When you read this I am guessing that it will have been established that the state contribution to the local effort will be less than 10 million dollars and equal to less than 15% of the need, and this will include the estimated four million from sweepstakes.

It is obvious that the State's effort is not keeping up with the expanding cost. The four million received from the sweepstakes will be less than the increased expenditures in the next fiscal year and what happens when the expected expenditures go from 60 to 65 million in the second year of the biennium?

There are those who feel that the state has no alternative but to find some new sources of income to more nearly accept its obligations to education as well as other state services. The state has the right and the obligation to set standards by which the schools within its boundaries shall operate but with it also goes the obligation to be more realistic in its financial support of its programs.

Each year the State Department of Education establishes the tuition rates that may be charged by local school districts based on the state average per pupil cost of the previous year. I submit these as an indication that a continuation of such growth would seem prohibitive for real estate revenues to support.

State Average Per Pupil Cost		
	High	Elem.
1960-61	399.00	262.00
1961-62	436.00	265.00
1962-63	457.00	279.00
1963-64	449.00	295.00
1964-65	467.00	311.00
1965-66	489.00	328.00

The above figures do not include transportation costs or that for capital outlay (debt service and new equipment). Therefore, between 75 and 100 dollars should be added to each of the above figures to obtain a more accurate picture. Yes — education is expensive, but if there is a salvation of our country, education is going to be the cause of it.

Local

It has been my pleasure this year to observe the Bennington school operating effectively and efficiently. It was our good fortune to obtain the services of Mr. James Holmes to replace Mr. James Grant when he left after one year of teaching to join the Peace Corps. It is our hope that this teaching staff will remain intact for a long time.

Our 1964-65 budget for tuition was for 39 pupils, we are now carrying 40 pupils. It is expected that eight will graduate from high school in June, but inasmuch as we will graduate nine from the eighth grade it will be necessary to budget for 41 pupils next year. If we take the present enrollment of the Pierce School and project it to the high school, we find that the number of tuition pupils will increase to about fifty in 1967 and will drop slowly to about 40 again in 1973.

Bennington youngsters are having their problems in obtaining transportation to and from high school. This past summer, several meetings were held in an attempt to alleviate the situation. Our only success was in obtaining a promise from the Whitney Bus Company to continue the daily run to Hillsboro on a trial basis. It is operating on those terms at this writing. Legally, this is not a district problem, but a parental one. However, the record shows that the only transportation that is available every day is one operated by a common carrier and not the use of private vehicles. There has been much discussion about the district assuming some of the financial burden involved, but it would appear that there are too many problems involved to gather very strong support.

In my report last year I spoke of two studies relative to cooperation between school districts. Several meetings have been held and your Board has been faithful in attendance. However, it is sad to relate that neither study could rally enough support to "get off the ground" and their present status is real dormant.

Again I wish to thank the Citizens of Bennington for their interest in our various educational endeavors, particularly to the many parents of high school pupils who tried, without too much success, to solve their transportation problems. I want to thank the teachers for the fine job they are doing and the Board for its cooperation and sincere interest.

Respectfully submitted,
Norman R. Hartfiel
Superintendent of Schools

**SALARY OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
SUPERVISORY UNION #24
1963-64**

A. State Share	\$4,500 00
B. Share Paid By:	
Antrim	\$1,106 41
Bennington	610 54
Hillsboro-Deering Cooperative	2,594 80
Stoddard	293 75
Washington	265 10
Windsor	29 40
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	\$9,400 00

PROPOSED SUPERVISORY UNION #24 BUDGET 1965-66

Prorated

	Total	Antrim	Bennington	Hills-Deer.	Stoddard	Washington	Windsor
Equalized Valuation 1962	29,624,605	4,958,621	4,029,654	15,291,678	2,748,358	2,276,705	319,589
Percent of Whole	100.00	16.73	13.60	51.64	9.27	7.68	1.08
Pupils	1120	307	93	668	26	26	0
Percent of Whole	100.00	27.41	8.31	59.64	2.32	2.32	0.00
Superintendent's Salary	\$7,850 00	\$1,732 49	\$859 97	\$4,367 74	\$454 91	\$392 50	\$42 39
Travel in Union	1,300 00	286 92	142 42	723 31	75 33	65 00	7 02
Superintendent's Retirement	499 97	110 34	54 78	278 18	28 97	25 00	2 70
Retire--353.25 SS--146.72							
Secretary's Salary	3,690 00	814 35	404 24	2,053 12	213 83	184 50	19 93
Secretary's Retirement (S.S.)	142 98	31 56	15 66	79 55	8 29	7 15	77
Rent	720 00	158 91	78 88	400 60	41 72	36 00	3 89
Telephone	250 00	55 17	27 39	139 10	14 49	12 50	1 35
Convention Expense	150 00	33 11	16 43	83 46	8 69	7 50	81
Office Supplies & Expenses	200 00	44 14	21 91	111 28	11 59	10 00	1 08
New Equipment	200 00	44 14	21 91	111 28	11 59	10 00	1 08
Total Budget 1965-66	\$15,002 95	\$3,311 16	\$1,643 59	\$8,347 62	\$869 41	\$750 15	\$81 02

**NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
CONCORD**

The State Board of Education adopted on December 30, 1964, the following policy for granting school building aid to local school districts in accordance with RSA 198:15-a - e. This policy is effective immediately.

**POLICY OF STATE BOARD FOR GRANTING
SCHOOL BUILDING AID**

High School

Any school district contemplating the construction of a high school or an addition thereto with a current enrollment of 300 pupils or more to be housed in the resulting facility will be eligible for full reimbursement of school building aid under the provisions of RSA 198:15 a - e if all other requirements are fulfilled, including the approval of site, plans and specifications.

As contemplated by RSA 198:14-a, a high school with fewer than 300 pupils is prima facie not of sufficient size to offer a good education program at reasonable cost and will not be accepted for school building aid unless the contrary is proved to the satisfaction of the Board. Any school district contemplating the construction of a high school or addition with less than 300 pupils in the resulting facility must first present its project to the State Board through the Commissioner of Education before being considered for aid under RSA 198.

Elementary School

Any school district contemplating the construction of an elementary school or an addition thereto, with a current enrollment adequate to permit assigning one grade to a teacher will be eligible for full reimbursement of school building aid under the provisions of RSA 198:15 a - e, if all other requirements are fulfilled, including the approval of site, plans and specifications.

As contemplated by RSA 198:14-a, an elementary school assigning more than one grade to a teacher is prima facie not a good educational program and will not be accepted for school building aid unless the contrary is proved to the satisfaction of the Board. Any school district contemplating the construction of an elementary school or addition with a current enrollment that will not permit assigning one grade to a teacher must first present its

project to the State Board through the Commissioner of Education before being considered for aid under RSA 198.

Paul E. Farnum

January 19, 1965

Commissioner of Education

REPORT OF STUDY COMMITTEE

Members of your Study Committee have attended several meetings held in Antrim to determine whether the districts in this area could find any mutual grounds on which a cooperative educational endeavor could be directed. Representatives from the towns of Antrim, Bennington, Windsor, Washington, Hillsboro-Deering, Frankestown and Greenfield, have been in attendance. The State Department of Education, on invitation, has sent representatives on several occasions to these meetings.

It seemed pretty generally agreed that if a cooperative effort could be effected, that the education opportunities of our youth would be strengthened. However, that was about the extent of the agreement. Preliminary cost charts prepared by the State Department indicated that for such activity the price of education would be sharply increased at a time when local tax payers could ill afford the increased burden. This increase would be due mainly to increased transportation costs and improved services. Both Antrim and Hillsboro are in the process of increasing their plant facilities to care for their growing school population and in the local communities there seemed to be little interest one way or the other relative to the joint effort.

Therefore, at a meeting held late in the summer by the local chairman of the study group, it was decided that, for the present, it was probably necessary to discontinue discussions until such time as conditions changed to a point where it would be much more advantageous to operate jointly than appears to exist at the present time.

Theodore Aucella

Mrs. Edward E. French

Shirley F. Warren

Charles E. Lindsay

Raymond St. Lawrence

Clifford F. Smith

Bennington Cooperative
Study Committee

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1964

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Comp.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1964											
Feb. 1	Peterborough	Mark S. Chase	M	L	Stephen Chase, Jr.	Elizabeth McGrath	W	Bennington	Mason	Bennington	Harrisburg, Pa.
Feb. 12	Peterborough	Lisa M. St. Lawrence	F	L	Robert St. Lawrence	Barbara Wescott	W	Bennington	Beater Engi.	Hillsboro	S. Danbury
Mar. 5	Peterborough	Pamela L. Gilmire	F	L	Russell L. Gilmire	Joyce J. Kilbin	W	Bennington	Paper maker	Juneau, Wis.	Waupace, Wis.
Mar. 14	Peterborough	Rhonda L. Taylor	F	L	Robert J. Taylor	Joan A. Banks	W	Bennington	Appliancem'n	Peterborough	Brooklyn, N. Y.
Mar. 23	Manchester	Timothy A. Aucella	M	L	Theodore Aucella	Mary L. Ambrose	W	Bennington	Mgr. Ford Co	Boston, Mass.	Deerfield
May 26	Peterborough	Lois M. Johnson	F	L	Donald H. Johnson	Isabelle M. Jarvey	W	Bennington	Laborer	Bennington	Grasmere
June 16	Peterborough	Scott R. Sharby	M	L	Neil P. Sharby	Margaret R. Coffin	W	Bennington	Carpenter	Bennington	Brookline, Mass.
Dec. 4	Peterborough	Catherine A. Zachos	F	L	Samuel C. Zachos	Linnæa M. Farham	W	Bennington	Trim'r Oper.	Bennington	Peterborough
Dec. 30	Peterborough	Richard K. Chicoine	M	L	George F. Chicoine	Priscilla Washburn	W	Bennington	Foreman	Claremont	N. Conway

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DONALD A. POWERS, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1964

Place & Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name and Residence of Person by Whom Married
1964 Jan. 25	George A. Billesimo	Bennington	23	Musician	Massachusetts	Anthony Bellesimo Elsie Montonia	Massachusetts Massachusetts	Rev. Armand Turgeon Catholic Priest Bennington
Bennington	Diane B. Mulvanity	Boston, Mass.	19	None	New Hampshire	Mary G. Desbien	New Hampshire Canada	William J. Clark Minister Antrim
Feb. 29	Neil Sharby	Bennington	17	Croched Mt.	New Hampshire	William Sharby Janet Barnes	New Hampshire New Hampshire	
Bennington	Margaret R. Coffin	Mattapan, Mass.	15	At Home	Massachusetts	Robert Coffin	Massachusetts	
March 25	William L. Banks	Bennington	46	Paper Mill	New York	Marlon Derosier George Banks	New Hampshire New York	Mrs. Barbara Huntley Justice of the Peace Bennington
Bennington	Mildred M. Smith	Bennington	36	At Home	New York	Anna Dukles William Heintz	New York New York	
April 4	Thomas A. Tardif	Laconia	20	Telephone Co.	New Hampshire	Margaret O'Duay Armond G. Tardif	New York New Hampshire	Rev. Armond Turgeon Catholic Priest Bennington
Bennington	Edith A. Hammond	Bennington	22	Student Nurse	New Hampshire	Marguerite Dumais Robert C. Hammond	New Hampshire New Hampshire	
April 25	Ronald L. Tansey	Peterborough	22	N. E. Airlines	New Hampshire	Margaret Grant John H. Tansey	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Rev. James L. Quinn Catholic Priest Peterborough
Peterboro	Sylvia F. Gould	Bennington	20	Secretary	New Hampshire	Anna LaFontaine Madolin Sturtevant	New York New Hampshire	
June 27	Robert S. Moulton	Northfield	31	Mill	New Hampshire	Sidney Moulton Bernice Brock	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Mrs. Barbara Huntley Justice of the Peace Bennington
Bennington	Elyse M. Clough	Bennington	20	At Home	New Hampshire	George Clough Elizabeth Sweeney	New Hampshire New Hampshire	

August 22	Joseph C. Cuddemi	Bennington	19	Electropac	New Hampshire	Albert Cuddemi	New Hampshire	Rev. Armand Turgeon
Bennington	Nancy A. McClure	Bennington	19	Electropac	New Hampshire	Beatrice LaPoint Wesley McClure	New Hampshire	Catholic Priest Bennington
September 5	Robert L. Nay	Bennington	22	Edwards & Son	Connecticut	Pauline Paige	New Hampshire	Rev. Milton P. Ryder
Antrim	Sandra A. Dutton	Antrim	20	Secretary	New Hampshire	Robert L. Nay Evelyn Rockwell Walter D. Dutton	New Hampshire	Minister Antrim
November 7	Joseph P. Smith	Bennington	17	Carpenter	New York	Ella I. Putnam	New Hampshire	Rev. James T. Quinn
Peterboro	Rebecca E. Earley	Bennington	17	At Home	New Hampshire	Winder D. Smith	New York	Catholic Priest Bennington
November 25	Richard D. Delay	Peterborough	21		Massachusetts	Mildred M. Heintz	New Hampshire	Nickolas J. Costakic
Manchester	Linda E. Armstrong	Greenfield	20	Teller	New Hampshire	Martin J. Earley Mary E. Woollett	Massachusetts	Justice of the Peace Manchester
December 31	Kenneth E. Miner	Bennington	25	Carpenter	New Hampshire	John L. Delay	Canada	Rev. R. A. Merrifield
Bennington	Joyce L. Buxton	Antrim	24	Bookkeeper	New Hampshire	Marie Keaveney John D. Armstrong Alice M. Gammell	New Hampshire	Clergyman Bennington
		Bennington				Harold G. Miner Dora Wingate Walter D. Cleary	Antrim Bennington	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DON A. POWERS, Town Clerk

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1964

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	Cond.	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1964									
Jan. 11	Antrim	Grace Edna Paige	98	Bennington	F	W	Housewife	Orville A. Wilson	Elizabeth J. Wilson
Jan. 18	Bennington	Edith Lillian Lawrence	93	Bennington	F	S	Music Teacher	Albert Lawrence	Frances Holmes
Jan. 20	Bennington	Emma Vera Taylor	82	Bennington	F	W	Housewife	James W. Jones	Ida M. Keeser
Jan. 22	Hancock	Nellie Cody McGrath	84	Athamny, Ireland	F	W	Housewife	Michael Cody	Ellen Coughlin
Feb. 11	Peterborough	LeRoy Clara Vose	93	Houlton, Maine	M	W	Retired	Lyman Vose	Alice Brooks
Oct. 30	Peterborough	Vasil Thomas Ligatsicas	73	Trikala, Greece	M	M	Retired	Thomas Ligatsicas	Anna Koumelas
Oct. 31	Hancock	Herbert S. Wilson	26	Bennington	M	M	Stone Mason	Herbert Wilson	Evelyn Rawlins
Nov. 12	Peterborough	Lillian Ann Wilson	78	Greenfield	F	M	At home	John Cain	Elizabeth Cain
Nov. 29	Grasmere	Edith M. Burns	92	Fairlee, Vt.	F	W	At home	Hiram Sturtevant	Mary Woods

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Donald A. Powers, Town Clerk

Text Paper—Monadnock Vellum Opaque Text 25x38-50
Cover Paper—Monadnock Vellum Opaque Fancy 20x26-65
Printing—Transcript Printing Company, Peterborough

