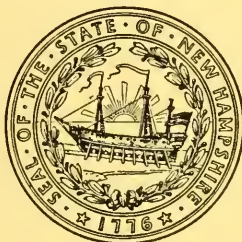


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# *Annual Report*

FOR THE TOWN OF

BENTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE



*Year Ending December 31*

# **1969**



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TOWN OF BENTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

*Annual Report*

OF THE TOWN OFFICERS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1969

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**BENTON TOWN OFFICERS – 1969****Moderator:** James J. Page**Town Clerk** Ruth F. Page**Selectmen**

James J. Page	(Term Expires 1970)
James W. Elliott	(Term Expires 1971)
George B. Tyler	(Term Expires 1972)

**Treasurer:** Priscilla T. Boutin**Tax Collector:** Francis H. Lackie**Supervisors of the Checklist:**

John Boutin, Sr.	(Term Expires 1970)
Mildred A. Elliott	(Term Expires 1972)
John G. Elliott, Sr.	(Term Expires 1974)

**Constable:** George B. Tyler**Highway Agent:**

Albert J. Boutin	(March - Sept.)
Francis H. Lackie	(Sept. - March)

**Trustees of Trust Funds:**

Joseph N. Boutin	(Term Expires 1970)
William J. Harris	(Term Expires 1971)
John G. Elliott, Sr.	(Term Expires 1972)

**Auditor:** Jacob W. Aldrich**Sexton:** David Harris**Surveyor of Wood and Lumber:** William J. Harris**Fence Viewer:** John Harris**Health Officer:** John Boutin, Sr.**Ballot Clerks:**

Iona V. Boutin	William J. Harris
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**Ballot Inspectors:**

Laura M. Noxon (Deceased)	Katie J. Goodwin
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## TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Benton qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Community Building in said Benton on the second Tuesday of March next (the 10th) at seven thirty o'clock in the afternoon to vote and act upon the following subjects:

**Article 1.** To choose a Town Clerk; one Selectman for a term of three years; one Treasurer; one Tax Collector; one Highway Agent; one Trustee of Trust Funds for a Term of three years; one Sexton; one Auditor; and all other necessary Town officers and agents for the ensuing year.

**Article 2.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$154.17 as the Town's share for construction of highways (Town Road Aid) as provided in Chapter 241 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, as amended.

**Article 3.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$43.18 for the White Mountains Region Association.

**Article 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to help subsidize ambulance service in our area with such funds to be administered by the Trustees of the Cottage Hospital.

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for support of the White Mountain Community Services, Inc. program of non-profit community mental health.

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow as much as \$6,000 in long-term notes, repayable over a period of three years, to rebuild the paved portion of Howe Hill Road.

**Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to make any alterations in the amount of money to be raised and appropriated for the ensuing year as recommended in the budget, and vote to raise and appropriate all sums so determined.

**Article 8.** To hear the reports of officers and agents and pass any vote relating thereto.

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Representative to the General Court to sponsor legislation leading to reclassification of the state-maintained section of Tunnel Stream Road from state to town control, providing the state will improve the section to Town Road Aid standards at no cost to the Town.

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Planning Board of five members with duties as set forth in Sections 1-15, Chapter 36, Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955, to make a study of the Town's development and report to the Town appropriate recommendations for the promotion and maintenance of the Town's best development. The Board shall consist of one Selectman and four other citizens appointed by the Selectmen.

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money for current indebtedness of the Town during the ensuing year in anticipation of taxes to be collected for the year 1970 and to be paid therefrom.

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize a discount on property taxes paid before a date set by the Selectmen and to set the amount of said discount.

Given under our hands and seal this 12th day of February, A.D., 1970.

JAMES J. PAGE  
JAMES W. ELLIOTT  
GEORGE B. TYLER

Selectmen of Benton

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS  
AND EXPENDITURES, FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31, 1969

Title of Appropriation	Amount	Receipts & Reim- bursements	Expend- itures	Unex- pended Balance	Over- draft
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 550.00	\$	\$ 532.60	\$ 17.40	\$
Town Officers' Expenses	500.00		561.98		61.98
Election and Registration	115.00		102.40	12.60	
Town Buildings Maintenance	300.00	20.00*	42.37	277.63	
Police Department	20.00		30.00		10.00
Fire Department	100.00			100.00	
Insurance	375.00	6.20**	378.12	3.08	
Health Department	130.00		125.00	5.00	
Vital Statistics	10.00		7.25	2.75	
Town Road Maintenance—Summer	600.00	848.53\$	1,395.41	53.10	719.48
Town Road Maintenance—Winter	1,000.00		1,719.48		1.62
Town Road Aid	135.51	1,037.30†	1,174.43		
Town Truck Expenses	900.00		657.75	242.25	
Cemeteries	250.00		134.40	115.60	
Regional Association	24.94		24.94		
Interest	50.00		59.38		9.38
County Taxes	954.63		954.63		
School Taxes	12,881.37		10,065.42	2,815.95	
* Rent of Community Building					
** Audit Adjustment					
† Class V Highway Maintenance Allotment					
State Share TRA					
	\$18,896.45	\$ 1,912.01	\$17,965.56	\$ 3,645.36	\$ 802.46
				—802.46	
					\$ 2,842.90
					NET UNEXPENDED BALANCE

# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENTON

## Estimates of Revenue for the Year 1970 Compared with Actual Revenue for the Year 1969

	Actual 1969	Estimated 1970
<b>SOURCE OF REVENUE</b>		
<b>From State of New Hampshire:</b>		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 316.61	\$ 325.00
Railroad Tax	19.17	
Savings Bank Tax	26.30	30.00
Meals and Room Tax	299.98	300.00
National Forest Reserve (one-half)	1,358.50	1,400.00
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>		
Dog Licenses	91.00	75.00
Permits		10.00
Rent of Town Buildings	20.00	25.00
Interest Received on Taxes	29.10	50.00
Income from Trust Funds	139.63	140.00
Income from Town Truck	327.22	450.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,028.31	1,100.00
Sale of Cemetery Lot	20.00	
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>		
Poll Taxes	84.00	90.00
Yield Taxes	162.47	300.00
<b>Total Revenues from all Sources Except Property Taxes:</b>		
	\$ 3,922.29	\$ 4,295.00
<b>Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes:</b>	12,688.14	25,826.85
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>		<b>\$30,121.85</b>



## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENTON

**Estimates of Expenditures for the Year 1970 Compared With  
Actual Expenditures for the Year 1969**

	Actual 1969	Estimated 1970
<b>PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES</b>		
<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 532.60	\$ 550.00
Town Officers' Expenses	561.98	550.00
Election and Registration	102.40	475.00
Expenses of Town Buildings	42.37	50.00
Police Department	30.00	30.00
Insurance	378.12	375.00
Health Department and Ambulance	125.00	130.00
Vital Statistics	7.25	10.00
Town Road Maintenance—Summer	546.90	1,000.00
Town Road Maintenance—Winter	1,719.48	1,000.00
Town Truck Expenses	657.75	750.00
Town Road Aid	135.51	154.17
Cemeteries	134.40	250.00
Regional Association	24.94	43.18
Interest on Temporary Loans	59.38	75.00
Interest on Long-Term Notes		360.00
<b>County Tax:</b>	954.63	950.00
<b>School Tax:</b>	10,065.42	23,419.50
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>\$16,078.13</u>	<u>\$30,121.85</u>

**BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1969****ASSETS**

Cash in Hands of Treasurer	\$ 7,002.35	
Cash in Hands of Tax Collector	14.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 7,016.35
Accounts Due Town:		
From State: Unexpended		
Balance TRA	\$ 1.62	
From Others: Mullaney Fire	159.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 160.62
Uncollected Taxes		
Levy of 1969	\$ 2,623.82	
Levy of 1968	418.84	
Levy of 1967	558.60	
Levy of 1966	111.88	
State Head Taxes—1969	115.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,828.14
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$11,005.11</b>

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Due State		
State Head Taxes—1969	\$ 275.00	
Bond & Debt Retirement Tax	67.14	
Unexpended Balance TRA	1.62	
	<hr/>	\$ 343.76
Accounts Due School District		
Balance 1969-70 Appropriation		9,243.18
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>\$ 9,586.94</b>
Surplus		1,418.17
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		<b>\$11,005.11</b>

# **SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION—1969**

## **Description of Property**

Land	\$107,155	
Buildings	149,989	
	<hr/>	\$257,144
Public Utilities—Electric		35,781
Travel Trailers Assessed as		
Personal Property		162
Stock in Trade of Manufacturers		2,330
Neat Stock—Dairy Cows (90)		10,238
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks		260
Portable Mill		3,250
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<b>Total Valuation Before Exemptions</b>		<b>\$309,165</b>
<b>Exemptions</b>		
Exemption for Neat Stock		—1,000
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<b>Net Valuation on which Tax Rate</b>		
<b>    is Computed</b>		<b>\$308,165</b>
<b>Proportionality of Assessment: 65%</b>		

## STATEMENT OF TAXES ASSESSED—1969

Total Town Appropriations	\$ 5,060.45
County Tax	954.63
School Tax	12,881.37
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TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$18,896.45
ESTIMATED REVENUES	—5,164.69
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	\$13,731.76
Add: War Service Tax Credits	350.00
Overlay	402.00
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GROSS PROPERTY TAXES	\$14,483.76
Less: War Service Tax Credits	—350.00
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NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES	\$14,133.76

Net Valuation \$308,165 x Tax Rate \$4.70=Amount  
to be Raised \$14,133.76

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

### SUMMARY OF PROPERTY, POLL, YIELD AND STATE HEAD TAXES DEBITS

#### Taxes Committed to Collector and Uncollected Taxes as of 1/1/69

	Levy of 1969	Levy of 1968	Levy of 1967	Levy of 1966
Property Taxes	\$14,133.76	\$ 1,411.06	\$ 586.53	\$ 142.68
Poll Taxes	92.00	34.00		
Yield Taxes	311.63	91.20		
State Head Taxes	290.00	105.00		
Interest	2.13	14.62	1.85	
Penalties		10.50		
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$14,829.52</b>	<b>\$ 1,666.38</b>	<b>\$ 588.38</b>	<b>\$ 142.68</b>

#### CREDITS

#### Remittances to Treasurer

Property Taxes	\$11,510.83	\$ 1,083.42	\$ 27.93	\$ 30.80
Property Taxes Abated	17.58			
Poll Taxes	50.00	34.00		
Yield Taxes	195.08			
State Head Taxes	160.00	105.00		
State Head Taxes Abated	5.00			
Interest	2.13	14.62	1.85	
Penalties		10.50		

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,940.62</b>	<b>\$ 1,247.54</b>	<b>\$ 29.78</b>	<b>\$ 30.80</b>
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#### Collected, not Remitted

Poll Taxes Abated	\$ 4.00
State Head Taxes Abated	10.00

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 14.00</b>
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<b>Discount Allowed</b>	<b>\$ 136.08</b>
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#### Uncollected Taxes

Property Taxes	\$ 2,469.27	\$ 327.64	\$ 558.60	\$ 111.88
Poll Taxes	38.00			
Yield Taxes	116.55	91.20		
State Head Taxes	115.00			

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,738.82</b>	<b>\$ 418.84</b>	<b>\$ 558.60</b>	<b>\$ 111.88</b>
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<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$14,829.52</b>	<b>\$ 1,666.38</b>	<b>\$ 588.38</b>	<b>\$ 142.68</b>
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# **TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

## **DETAILED STATEMENT OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1969**

### **Levy of 1969**

<b>Resident</b>	<b>Poll</b>	<b>Head</b>	<b>Prop.</b>	<b>Yield</b>
Aldrich, Jacob and Jacqueline	\$ 2.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 266.21	\$
Boutin, Albert and Mabel	4.00	10.00	187.11	
Boutin, Henry	2.00	5.00		
Boutin, John Jr. and Iona			255.12	
Boutin, Wilfred and Esther	4.00	10.00		
Elliott, James and Margaret	2.00	10.00	3.81	
Elliott, John Sr. and Mildred	2.00		48.93	
Elliott, John Jr. and Catherine	2.00	10.00	175.69	
Elliott, Robert and Beverly	4.00	10.00		
Fenn, Thomas and Frances	4.00	10.00	244.87	
Harris, William and Seraphine	2.00	10.00	167.99	
Hatch, Vernon and Dorothy	4.00	10.00		
Mason, Lloyd and Laura	2.00	10.00		
Mullaney, Walter		5.00		
Page Brothers			459.47	
Poulin, Joseph	2.00			
Stecky, John	2.00	5.00	97.76	

### **Non-Resident**

Cummings, Robert and Sandra			99.26	
Elliott, Benjamin Sr. et al			9.49	
Fetherolf, Melinda			3.06	
Finn, Daniel and Mary			288.26	
Girard, Raymond			6.11	
Larty, W. J. Co.			6.11	
Randall, Daniel			9.02	
Rexford, Nancy				70.83
Rexford, Rodney				45.72
Sands, Donald and Betty			141.00	

### **Levy of 1968**

Clapp, Merton			18.99	
Driscoll, James and Helen			8.89	
Elliott, Benjamin Sr. et al			6.59	
Elliott, John Jr. and Catherine			144.50	
Fenn, Thomas and Frances			148.67	
Forest Products, Inc.				91.20

<b>Levy of 1967</b>			
Boutin, Albert and Mabel		76.10	
Elliott, Benjamin Sr. et al		4.56	
Elliott, John Jr. and Catherine		237.12	
Finn, Daniel and Mary		185.25	
Swing, William and Yvonne		55.57	
<b>Levy of 1966</b>			
Elliott, John Jr. and Catherine		111.88	
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	\$ 38.00	\$115.00	\$ 3,467.39    \$207.75

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. LACKIE  
Tax Collector

## TREASURER'S REPORT AND DETAILED SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

### From Tax Collector:

	<b>1969</b>	
Property Taxes		\$11,510.83
Property Taxes Abated		17.58
Poll Taxes		50.00
Yield Taxes		195.08
State Head Taxes		160.00
State Head Taxes Abated		5.00
Interest		2.13
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		\$11,940.62

	<b>1968</b>	
Property Taxes	\$ 1,083.42	
Poll Taxes	34.00	
State Head Taxes	105.00	
Interest	14.62	
State Head Tax Penalties	10.50	
	-----	
		\$ 1,247.54
	<b>1967</b>	
Property Taxes	\$ 27.93	
Interest	1.85	
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		\$ 29.78
	<b>1966</b>	
Property Taxes	\$ 30.80	
<b>From Town Clerk:</b>		
1968 Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 78.41	
1969 Motor Vehicle Permits	949.90	
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		\$ 1,028.31
Dog licenses		\$ 37.00
<b>From Constable:</b>		
Dog licenses	\$ 34.00	
Kennel license	20.00	
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		\$ 54.00
<b>From Town Truck Hire:</b>		
Town of Benton	\$ 319.72	
John Boutin, Sr.	7.50	
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		\$ 327.22
<b>From Trust Funds:</b>		
For Highways	\$ 58.25	
For Cemeteries	81.38	
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		\$ 139.63



**From Community Building:**

Union Sunday School	\$ 20.00
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**From Insurance Adjustment:**

Franconia Insurance Agency	\$ 6.20
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**From Cemetery Lot:**

Joseph Poulin	\$ 20.00
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**From State of New Hampshire:**

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 316.61
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Savings Bank Tax	26.30
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Railroad Tax	19.17
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Room and Meals Tax	299.98
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Bounties	28.00
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Class V Highway Maintenance	
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Allotment	848.51
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Town Road Aid	1,037.30
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National Forest Reserve	2,716.95
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	\$ 5,292.82
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**From Tax Anticipation Note:**

Woodsville National Bank	\$ 2,500.00
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$22,673.92
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Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1969	6,408.59
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	\$29,082.51
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Less: Selectmen's Orders	-22,076.21
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	\$ 7,006.30
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Less: Service Charge	-3.95
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Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1969	\$ 7,002.35
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Respectfully submitted,

PRISCILLA T. BOUTIN

Treasurer

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS—1969****Town Officers' Salaries:**

William J. Harris, trustee	\$	11.20
John G. Elliott, Sr., trustee		11.20
Jacob W. Aldrich, auditor		25.00
Francis H. Lackie, tax collector		60.00
Priscilla T. Boutin, treasurer		60.00
James J. Page, selectman		113.40
James W. Elliott, selectman		113.40
George B. Tyler, selectman		88.40
Ruth F. Page, town clerk		50.00
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	\$	532.60

**Town Officers' Expenses:**

Association Dues	\$	21.00
Fees		151.40
Mileage		2.72
Postage		34.45
Town Reports		206.15
Transfers		13.80
Meals		8.41
Supplies		16.00
Tax books		13.10
Safe deposit box		4.00
Bank service charge		3.95
Officers' bonds		87.00
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		561.98

**Election and Registration:**

Mildred A. Elliott, supervisor	\$	25.60
John G. Elliott Sr. supervisor		25.60
Ruth F. Page, town clerk		12.80
James W. Elliott, selectman		12.80
William J. Harris, selectman		12.80
James J. Page, selectman		12.80
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	\$	102.40

**Town Buildings Maintenance:**

Electric	19.67
Repairs, labor and supplies	22.70

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 42.37
**Police Department:**

George B. Tyler, constable	30.00
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**Bounties:**

33 porcupines	16.50
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**Insurance:**

Concord Gen. Mutual Ins. Co.	
Town truck	129.32
Franconia Insurance Agency	
General liability	107.00
Workmen's compensation	102.00
Community building	39.80

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 378.12
**Health Department:**

White Mt. Comm. Services	25.00
Cottage Hospital	
Area ambulance service	100.00

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 125.00
**Vital Statistics:**

Ruth F. Page	\$ 7.25
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**Town Road Maintenance—Summer:**

Labor	\$ 528.60
Equipment Hire	604.28
Gravel	177.90
Repairs	4.80
Chloride	34.00
Hot Patch	45.83

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 1,395.41

**Town Road Maintenance—Winter:**

Labor	419.10	
Equipment hire	1,297.18	
Supplies	3.20	
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		1,719.48

**Town Truck Expenses:**

Gas and oil	178.60	
Repairs	362.59	
Tires	116.56	
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		657.75

**Town Road Aid:**

Appropriation	135.51	
Equipment hire	984.66	
Labor	54.26	
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		1,174.43

**Cemeteries:**

Labor	126.40	
Flowers	8.00	
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		134.40

**Regional Association:**

White Mountains Region Assn.		24.94
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**Abatements:**

1969 Head and poll taxes	\$ 19.00	
1969 Property taxes	17.58	
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		\$ 36.58

**Interest:**

Woodsville National Bank		
Tax anticipation notes		59.38

**Tax Anticipation Notes:**

Woodsville National Bank	2,500.00
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**Payments to State:**

State Head Taxes:	129.50
Bond and Debt retirement tax	73.57

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 203.07
**Payments to County:**

County taxes	954.63
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**Payments to School:**

Appropriation	10,065.42
National Forest Reserve (one-half)	1,358.45

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 11,423.87

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TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$22,080.16
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**TOWN AUDITOR'S REPORT**

I have examined the accounts of the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Selectmen, Trustees of Trust Funds and Highway Agents and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JACOB W. ALDRICH  
Auditor

Feb. 15, 1970

## TRUST FUNDS

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1969

There are in custody of the Trustees the following trust funds bequeathed to the Town of Benton. The income shown (\$197.88) is that received during the year 1969, and the distribution of income is as specified by the donors of the funds.

Name of Fund	Amount	Cemetery	School	Highway
<b>Distribution of Income</b>				
Ira Whitcher	\$ 500.00	\$12.50		
Whitcher & Mann	500.00	8.50	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00
Whitcher & Mann	1,000.00	15.00	5.00	5.00
Whitcher & Mann	1,750.00		51.25	
Whitcher & Mann	1,750.00			51.25
L. H. Parker	200.00	Field not rented		
J. C. Speed	132.11	5.94		
Ira Whitcher	13.19	.58		
Sam'l Whitcher & Wm. Kendall	189.69	8.50		
Wm. T. Torsey	45.46	2.02		
Sam'l Annis	45.46	2.02		
Jonithan Davis	45.46	2.02		
Geo. H. Clark	190.27	8.55		
Ella Mann	50.00	2.25		
K. L. Howe	50.00	2.25		
D. M. & K. L. Howe	100.00	4.50		
Isabella Tyler	50.00	2.25		
Lee B. & Maude McKean	100.00	4.50		
	\$6,711.64	\$81.38	\$58.25	\$58.25

The above funds are deposited in savings accounts or invested in Government bonds which are stored in a safe deposit box at the Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust Company, Lisbon, New Hampshire.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. HARRIS  
JOHN G. ELLIOTT, SR.  
JOSEPH N. BOUTIN  
Trustees of Trust Funds

# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

## Benton School

## District

Year Ending December 31, 1969

**DISTRICT OFFICERS****School Board**

Mrs. Priscilla Boutin, Chairman	Term Expires 1970
Mrs. Ruth Page	Term Expires 1971
Mrs. Mildred Elliott	Term Expires 1972

**Other District Officers**

Mr. James Page	Moderator
Mrs. Maxine Tyler	Treasurer
Mrs. Iona Boutin	Auditor
Mrs. Vevah Leonard	Clerk
Mr. George Tyler	Truant Officer
Mr. Norman H. Mullen	Superintendent of Schools



## SCHOOL WARRANT

### The State of New Hampshire

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Community Building in said district on the 10th day of March, 1970, at 8:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. 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 bal-

- ance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to make application for, and to receive, in the name of the District such advances, grants-in-aid, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government and/or State of New Hampshire.
  10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

MRS. PRISCILLA BOUTIN  
MRS. RUTH PAGE  
MRS. MILDRED ELLIOTT  
School Board of Benton

# BUDGET FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BENTON

1970 - 1971

	Adopted Budget 1969-1970	Proposed Budget 1970-1971
<b>100 Administration</b>		
110.1 Salaries of District Officers	\$ 43.50	\$ 43.50
135—Contracted Services	6.00	6.00
190—Other Expenses		
<b>500 Transportation</b>		
535—Contracted Transportation	3,827.00	3,276.00
<b>1400 Outgoing Transfer Accounts</b>		
<b>In-State</b>		
1477.1—Tuition	18,100.00	25,200.00
1477.2—Transportation to Other School Districts	150.00	
1477.3—Supervisory Union Exp.	164.37	316.70
CONTINGENCY FUND	100.00	100.00
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$22,390.87</b>	<b>\$28,942.20</b>

**ESTIMATED INCOME FOR 1970 - 1971**

Balance on Hand June 30, 1970	\$ 0.00
State Aid:	
Foundation Aid	3,899.00
Sweepstakes	207.00
Federal Aid:	
National Forest Reserve	1,358.45
Income Trust Funds	58.25
Estimated amount to be raised by	
1970 Property Taxes	23,419.50
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Total Appropriations	\$28,942.20

We recommend that the District adopt the proposed budget and raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,942.20 for the school year 1970-1971.

MRS. PRISCILLA BOUTIN  
MRS. RUTH F. PAGE  
MRS. MILDRED A. ELLIOTT

**Recommended Motion:**

I move that the District raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District the sum of \$28,942.20.

**ESTIMATED INCOME FOR 1969-1970**

Unencumbered Balance	\$ 489.16
Sweepstakes	207.00
Foundation Aid	6,855.09
National Forest Reserve	1,900.00
Trust Fund Income	58.25
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Total Revenue and Credits	\$ 9,509.50
Amount to be raised by	
1969 Property Taxes	\$12,881.37
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Total Appropriations	\$22,390.87

# STATEMENT OF BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1969

	Adopted Budget 1968-1969	Paid Out 1968-1969
<b>100 Administration</b>		
110.1—Salaries of District Officers	\$ 43.50	\$ 56.50
135—Contracted Services	6.00	
190—Other Expenses	50.00	1.97
<b>300 Attendance Services</b>		
310—Salary of Truant Officer	5.00	
<b>500 Transportation</b>		
535—Contracted Services	3,335.00	3,349.00
<b>1400 Outgoing Transfer Items</b>		
1477—Expenditures to Other Schools, Districts, or Administrative Units in the State		
.1 Tuition	12,626.00	12,790.19
.2 Transportation	150.00	101.40
.3 District Share of Supervisory Union Expenses	142.44	*143.30
CONTINGENCY FUND	100.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<hr/> \$16,457.94	<hr/> \$16,442.36

\* This figure includes the amount of \$45.15, the district's share of the Superintendent's salary.

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

July 1, 1968 to June 30, 1969

## Receipts

Cash on Hand July 1, 1968	\$ 22.97
Revenue from Local Sources	
Current Appropriation	8,682.18
Balance due on Previous Appropriation	465.42
Other Revenue from Local Sources	
Earnings from Trust Funds	58.25
Revenue from State Sources	
Foundation Aid	5,605.43
Sweepstakes	197.89
Revenue from Federal Sources	
National Forest Reserve	1,899.38
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	\$16,931.52

## Payments

Orders of the School Board	\$16,442.36
Cash on Hand June 30, 1969	489.16
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	\$16,931.52

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

July 1, 1969 to December 31, 1969

Cash on Hand July 1, 1969	\$	23.74
Revenue from State Sources:		
Foundation Aid	\$	3,427.55
Sweepstakes		202.79
Revenue from Local Sources:		
Current Appropriation		3,100.00
Due Prior Years		
Appropriation		465.42
National Forest Reserve Fund		1,358.45
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Total Amount Available to		
December 31, 1969	\$	8,577.95
Less School Board Orders Paid		8,377.54
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1969	\$	200.41

**BALANCE SHEET — JUNE 30, 1969****Assets**

Cash on Hand June 30, 1969	
General Fund	\$ 23.74
Accounts Due to District	
From Town or City	465.42
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Total Assets	\$ 489.16
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities	
Over Assets)	0.00
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GRAND TOTAL	\$ 489.16

**Liabilities**

Accounts Owed by District	
Advance on 69-70—Appropriation	0.00
Total Liabilities	0.00
Surplus (Excess of Assets	
Over Liabilities)	\$ 489.16
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GRAND TOTAL	\$ 489.16



**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER****Fiscal Year July 1, 1968 to June 30, 1969****SUMMARY**

Cash on Hand July 1, 1968	\$ 22.97
Received from Selectmen	
Current Appropriation	\$ 8,682.18
Balance of Previous Appropriation	465.42
Revenue from State Sources	5,803.32
Revenue from Federal Sources	1,899.38
Received as Income from	
Trust Funds	58.25
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	\$16,908.55
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$16,931.52
Less School Board Orders Paid	16,442.36
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Balance on Hand June 30, 1969	\$ 489.16

July 7, 1969

MAXINE TYLER

District 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 Benton of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969 and find them correct in all respects.

July 11, 1969

IONA V. BOUTIN

Auditor

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS****1969 - 1970**

I herewith submit my fifth annual report for the Benton School District.

Last year the pupil enrollment of Benton students attending school in the Haverhill Cooperative School District was thirty-one. For 1970-71 we estimate our student population to grow to an enrollment of thirty-nine students. In the future high school graduates should offset new elementary school children thus keeping our tuition increases at a minimum.

Tuition charges are becoming a burden on sending districts and in Benton this represents a major share of the school budget.

May I take this opportunity to thank the Benton School Board and taxpayers for their fine support during the past year.

Sincerely,

NORMAN H. MULLEN  
Superintendent of Schools

## SUPERVISORY UNION #23

### REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Section 5, Chapter 243, Laws of 1953 of the State of New Hampshire requires that school district annual reports show the total amount paid to the superintendent.

One-half of the supervisory union expenses is prorated among the several school districts of the union on the basis of adjusted valuation. One-half is prorated on the basis of average daily membership in the schools for the previous school year ending June 30. The Superintendent of Supervisory Union #23, during 1969-1970, will receive a salary of \$16,000.00, which is made up as follows: \$3,000.00 to be paid by the State Department of Education and \$13,000.00 prorated among the several school districts. Allowance of \$1,500.00 for travel within the Union is also prorated as stated above.

The table below shows the proration of salary and travel to each school district:

District	Salary	Travel
Bath	\$ 666.90	\$ 76.95
Benton	55.90	6.45
Haverhill Cooperative	5,293.60	610.80
Lincoln-Woodstock	4,004.00	462.00
Monroe	2,176.20	251.10
Piermont	803.40	92.70
	\$13,000.00	\$1,500.00

NORMAN H. MULLEN

Superintendent of Schools

## **PROGRAM OF THE WHITE MOUNTAINS REGION ASSOCIATION**

**1969 (32nd Year)**

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Printed and distributed 270,000 folders promoting the White Mountains Region.

Received and answered in our office 7,490 inquiries from people interested in the region.

Continued to develop whitewater canoeing through canoeing programs and races held on the Androscoggin and Saco Rivers.

Proposed and established a commission representing both public and private interests to govern the Summit of Mt. Washington.

Worked to restore the State of New Hampshire promotional budget.

Assisted in securing an appropriation for the Bedell Covered Bridge Park in Haverhill.

Assisted the 4-H Club program through presentation of annual awards.

Wrote 38 news releases, mainly to inform people in the region of important economic issues.

Wrote 4 magazine articles.

Successfully promoted more funds for better rehabilitation services for the north country.

Posted the annual Fall Foliage tours for the 21st season.

Formed a bi-state study committee to study the many proposals concerning the Connecticut River Basin.

Assisted the office of Industrial Development in securing data for industrial development.

Assisted the proposed Crawford Notch Steam Railroad with promotional work.

Went on record favoring the preservation of the Lincoln Airport and participated in meetings regarding the interstate highway in Franconia Notch.

Pioneered and promoted the concept of long distance trails for snowmobile use.

# Births registered in the Town of Benton, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1969

Date and Place of Birth	Age	Name of Child	Age	Name of Father	Age	Maiden Name of Mother
Sept. 7, Haverhill, N.H.	M	Donnie Thomas Moses	22	Norman Nelson Moses, Jr.	18	Claudia Jean Guyette
Nov. 15, Haverhill, N.H.	F	Angela Ruth Boutin	41	Joseph Napoleon Boutin	39	Priscilla Theresa Parade
Nov. 26, Haverhill, N.H.	M	Richard John Harris	24	John Joseph Harris	19	Alice Mary Defosse

# Marriages registered in the Town of Benton, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1969

Date and Place of Marriage	Age	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
May 31 Haverhill, N. H.	54 61	Irene Kowalski Allen F. Morell	Benton Benton	Alvah Morell Arthur Priest	Amy Allen Vera White
Aug. 25 Haverhill, N. H.	23 19	James C. Phelps Brenda Lee Mason	Woodsville, N.H. Benton	Raymond E. Phelps Lloyd A. Mason	Lucianne Mailhot Laura Elliott
Sept. 6 Campton, N. H.	55 55	Henry Boutin Flora Barclay	Benton Plymouth, N.H.	John Boutin Henry Hosingloy	Louise Dionne Sara Wong
Oct. 31 Lisbon, N. H.	20 19	Ronald G. Boutin April R. Veilleux	Benton Lisbon, N.H.	John Boutin, Jr. Gerard A. Veilleux	Iona Mason Bessie Prech

# Deaths registered in the Town of Benton, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1969

Date and Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Residence	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 3 Benton	Anne P. ValRintz	63	Benton	Matthew Lesalter	Mary Belnor
June 16 Benton	Velma Driscoll	50	Derry	Archie Smith	Mary Kennedy
Aug. 15 Littleton, N.H.	Max B. Goodwin	76	Benton	Bion C. Goodwin	Gertrude Merrill
Sept. 12 Benton	Laura Wiggin	84	Rochester	Eldbridge Snow	Jessie A. MoPhee
Sept. 12 Benton	Carlyle Baker	71	Rochester	Major Baker	Eva Varney
Sept. 14 Benton	Raymond Messenger	65	Benton	Milford Messenger	Carrie Bowles
Sept. 28 Benton	Norman A. Thurston	66	Claremont	Frank G. Thurston	Antoinette Moses
Oct. 18 Haverhill, N.H.	Laura May Noxon	69	Benton	John W. Dailey	Margaret Griffin
Dec. 10 Haverhill, N.H.	Richard T. Brigham	62	Benton	Edward T. Brigham	Edith Buckman













