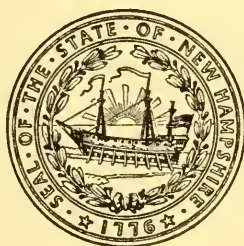


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Annual Report

FOR THE TOWN OF

BENTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE



Year Ending December 31

1971

TOWN OF BENTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Annual Report

OF THE TOWN OFFICERS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1971

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BENTON TOWN OFFICERS – 1971

Moderator: James J. Page

Town Clerk: Margaret D. Elliott

Selectmen:

George B. Tyler	(Term Expires 1972)
James J. Page	(Term Expires 1973)
James W. Elliott	(Term Expires 1974)

Treasurer: Priscilla T. Boutin

Tax Collector: Francis H. Lackie

Supervisors of the Checklist:

Mildred A. Elliott	(Term Expires 1972)
John G. Elliott, Sr.	(Term Expires 1974)
Laura Mason	(Term Expires 1976)

Highway Agent: John Boutin, Sr.

Trustees of Trust Funds:

John G. Elliott, Sr.	(Term Expires 1972)
Joseph N. Boutin	(Term Expires 1973)
William J. Harris	(Term Expires 1974)

Constable: George B. Tyler

Auditor: Jacob W. Aldrich

Sexton: David Harris

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber: William J. Harris

Health Officer: John Boutin, Sr.

Ballot Clerks:

Iona V. Boutin	William J. Harris
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Ballot Inspector: Katie J. Goodwin

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

State of New Hampshire

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 first Tuesday of March next (the 7th) at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening to vote and act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose a Town Clerk; one Selectmen 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 \$133.45 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 \$84.14 for the White Mountains Region Association.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to help subsidize ambulance service in our area with such funds to be administered by the Trustees of the Cottage Hospital. This sum includes \$100.00 appropriated in 1971 but inadvertently unpaid during 1971.

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 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 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of officers and agents as printed in the Town Report.

Article 8. 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 1972 and to be paid therefrom.

Article 9. 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.

Article 10. To take the sense of the qualified voters whether the amendments to the Constitution proposed by the 1971 session of the General Court shall be approved.

Given under our hands and seals at Benton this 2nd day of February, A.D. 1972.

GEORGE B. TYLER

JAMES J. PAGE

JAMES W. ELLIOTT

Selectmen of Benton

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
AND EXPENDITURES, FISCAL YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1971**

Title of Appropriation:	Amount	Receipts & Reim- bursements	Expend- itures	Unex- pended Balance	Over- draft
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Town Officers' Salaries	550.00	5.25 (1)	556.40		6.40
Town Officers' Expenses	600.00		753.25		148.00
Election and Registration	100.00		145.60		45.60
Expenses of Town Buildings	350.00		77.14	272.86	
Police Department	30.00		30.00		
Insurance	400.00	2.00 (2)	346.48	55.52	
Health Department & Ambulance	130.00		36.50	93.50	
Vital Statistics	5.00		5.50		.50
Dump			100.00		100.00
Town Maintenance—Summer	1,000.00	771.97 (3)			
		808.16 (4)	2,093.05	487.08	
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,000.00	202.04 (5)	1,068.20	133.84	
Town Truck Expenses	750.00	511.80 (6)	1,891.05		629.25
Town Road Aid	152.99		133.87	19.12	
Town Poor			108.81		108.81
Cemeteries	250.00		182.25	67.75	
Regional Association	43.18		43.18		
Interest on Long Term Note	100.00		200.00	20.40	
Principal of Long Term Note	4,000.00	120.40 (7)	4,000.00		
New Land			50.00		50.00
New Equipment					
County Tax Assessment:	2,650.10		2,250.00		2,250.00
School District Assessment	14,411.50		2,650.10		
			18,121.85		3,710.35
	\$26,522.77	\$2,421.62	\$34,843.23	\$1,150.07	\$7,048.91
					—1,150.07
					\$5,898.84

NET OVERDRAFT

- (1) Reimbursement a/c sale of tax book.
 (2) Insurance adjustment.
 (3) Class V Highway Maintenance Allotment.
 (4) 4/5 Highway Subsidy.
 (5) 1/5 Highway Subsidy.
 (6) Truck earnings over budget.
 (7) Interest from investment.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENTON

Estimates of Revenue for the Year 1972 Compared with Actual
Revenue for the Year 1971

	1971 Actual	1972 Estimated
SOURCE OF REVENUE		
From State of New Hampshire:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 488.93	\$ 500.00
Savings Bank Tax	29.52	30.00
Highway Subsidy	1,010.20	2,018.00
Meals and Rooms Tax	873.03	900.00
Reimbursement a/c Federal Forest Lands		
1970	9,361.80	
1971	477.21	
National Forest Reserve (one-half)	1,968.24	2,000.00
From Local Sources:		
Dog Licenses	85.00	85.00
Interest Received on Taxes	56.14	50.00
Income from Trust Funds	139.63	140.00
Income from Town Truck	861.80	350.00
Interest Received on Investment	120.40	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,572.31	1,500.00
Reimbursement a/c Business		
Profits Tax:	814.52	852.00
From Local Taxes Other than		
Property Taxes:		
Resident Tax Retained	231.00	385.00
Yield Tax	1,299.55	500.00
Total Revenues from all Sources		
Except Property Taxes:	\$19,389.28	\$ 9,310.00
Amount to be Raised by		
Property Taxes:	8,665.55	25,083.28
TOTAL REVENUES		\$34,393.28

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENTON

Estimates of Expenditures for the Year 1972 Compared with Actual
Expenditures for the Year 1971

	Actual 1971	Estimated 1972
PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES		
Current Maintenance Expenses:		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 556.40	\$ 600.00
Town Officers' Expenses	753.25	700.00
Election and Registration	145.60	450.00
Expenses of Town Buildings	79.14	350.00
Police Department	30.00	30.00
Insurance	346.48	350.00
Bounties	4.50	
Health Department and Ambulance	36.50	230.00
Vital Statistics	5.50	10.00
Dump	100.00	100.00
Town Maintenance—Summer	2,093.05	1,200.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,068.20	1,000.00
Town Truck Expenses	1,891.05	750.00
Town Road Aid	133.87	133.45
Town Poor	108.81	125.00
Cemeteries	182.25	250.00
Regional Association	43.18	84.14
Debt Service:		
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes		60.00
Interest on Long Term Note	200.00	
Principal of Long Term Note	4,000.00	
Capital Outlay:		
New Lands	50.00	
New Equipment (truck)	2,250.00	
Total Town Expenses:	<hr/> \$14,075.78	<hr/> \$ 6,422.59
County Tax Assessment:	2,650.10	3,000.00
School District Assessment:	18,121.85	24,970.69
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<hr/> \$34,847.73	<hr/> \$34,393.28

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1971**ASSETS**

Cash in Hands of Treasurer:		\$ 10,654.39
Uncollected..Taxes:		
Levy of 1971	\$ 1,469.49	
Levy of 1970	1,270.43	
State Head Taxes—1970	10.00	

		2,749.92

TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 13,404.31
Current Deficit:		1,400.71

		\$ 14,805.02

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by Town:		
Due State:		
1971 Resident Taxes	\$ 126.00	
Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes	267.52	

		\$ 393.52
Due School District:		
1971 School Taxes		14,411.50

TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$ 14,805.02

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Description of Property:	1971	1970
Land	\$188,648	\$188,734
Buildings	266,452	182,619
Public Utilities—Electric	35,617	35,482
House Trailers Assessed as Personal Property	1,983	
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TOTAL VALUATION	\$490,717	\$408,818
Exemptions — Elderly:	- 7,832	- 5,070
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NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$482,885	\$403,748

STATEMENT OF TAXES ASSESSED

Taxes Assessed:	1971	1970
Town	\$ 9,461.00	\$ 5,802.35
County	2,650.10	923.89
School	14,411.50	22,636.16
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TOTAL ASSESSMENT	\$26,522.60	\$29,362.40
Estimated Revenues:	- 17,454.99	- 5,711.75
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	\$ 9,067.61	\$23,650.65
Less: Reimbursement a/c Property		
Exempted 1970 Special Session	- 815.00	
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	\$ 8,252.61	
Add: Estimated War Service		
Tax Credits	550.00	400.00
Overlay	376.93	174.23
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PROPERTY TAXES TO BE RAISED	\$ 9,178.54	\$24,224.88
Less: Actual War Service		
Tax Credits	- 512.99	- 400.00
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PROPERTY TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR	\$ 8,665.55	\$23,824.88
TAX RATE/\$100 VALUATION	\$1.90	\$6.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF PROPERTY, RESIDENT, YIELD, POLL AND STATE HEAD TAXES

DEBITS

Taxes Committed to Collector and
Uncollected Taxes as of 1-1-71:

	Levy of 1971	Levy of 1970
Property Taxes	\$8,665.55	\$ 3,236.13
Resident Taxes	700.00	
Yield Taxes	1,409.47	195.67
Poll Taxes		38.00
State Head Taxes		120.00
Interest	1.59	54.55
Penalties		10.00
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$10,776.61	\$ 3,654.35

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$ 7,472.08	\$ 2,165.37
Resident Taxes	420.00	
Yield Taxes	1,326.07	
Poll Taxes		30.00
Poll Taxes Abated		4.00
State Head Taxes		100.00
State Head Taxes Abated		10.00
Interest	1.59	54.55
Penalties		10.00
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	\$ 9,219.74	\$ 2,373.92
Discount Allowed:	87.38	
Uncollected Taxes:		
Property Taxes	\$ 1,106.09	\$ 1,070.76
Resident Taxes	280.00	
Yield Taxes	83.40	195.67
Poll Taxes		4.00
State Head Taxes		10.00
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	\$ 1,469.49	\$ 1,280.43
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$10,776.61	\$ 3,654.35

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

DETAILED STATEMENT OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1971

Taxpayer	Levy of 1971		Yield
	Prop.	Resident	
	\$	\$	\$
Albert, George V.	6.18		
Aldrich, Jacob & Jacqueline	116.12	20.00	
Boutin, Albert & Mabel		20.00	83.40
Boutin, John Jr. & Iona	127.20	20.00	
Clark, Forrest & Betty	36.12		
Corrigan, James H.	138.95		
Cummings, Robert & Sandra	62.38		
DeRusha, Kenneth	.63		
Ditson, Anna F.		10.00	
Driscoll, James & Helen	8.02		
Elliott, Benjamin Sr. et al	5.81		
Elliott, John Jr. & Catherine	75.33	20.00	
Elliott, Robert & Beverly		20.00	
Fenn, Thomas & Frances	156.60	20.00	
Girard, Raymond	5.55		
Harris, David		10.00	
Harris, John & Alice	23.77	20.00	
Harris, William & Seraphine	88.32	20.00	
Higgins, David & Joan		20.00	
Higgins, James M.	22.23		
Mason, Lloyd & Laura		20.00	
Mayo, Joseph & Judith	16.66		
Nickles, Raymond & Elizabeth		20.00	
Peters, Lester	23.47		
Peters, Richard & Gail	35.19		
Phelps, Dale		10.00	
Plante, Diana		10.00	
Saffo, Richard & Stephanie	47.26		
Sands, Donald & Betty	84.97		
Stevens, Dean & Barbara		20.00	
Stevens, Glen & Virginia	25.33		
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED—1971	\$1,106.09	\$280.00	\$83.40

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1971**

Taxpayer	Prop.	Levy of 1970 Yield	Poll	Head
Albert, George V.	\$ 19.50	\$	\$	\$
Boutin, Albert & Mabel	242.76			
Ditson, Anna F.	116.22		2.00	5.00
Driscoll, James & Helen	25.38			
Elliott, Benjamin Sr. et al	18.36			
Elliott, John & Catherine	222.30			
Elliott, Robert D.			2.00	5.00
Fenn, Thomas & Frances	373.62			
Rexford, Rodney		195.67		
Stevens, Glen & Virginia	52.62			
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED—1970	\$1,070.76	\$195.67	\$4.00	\$10.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. LACKIE
Tax Collector

**TREASURER'S REPORT AND DETAILED
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS**

From Tax Collector:

	1972	
Yield Tax—Advance Payment		\$ 38.14
	1971	
Property Taxes	\$7,472.08	
Yield Taxes	1,326.07	
Resident Taxes	420.00	
Interest	1.59	

		\$ 9,219.74
	1970	
Property Taxes	\$2,165.37	
Poll Taxes	30.00	
Poll Taxes Abated	4.00	
State Head Taxes	100.00	
State Head Taxes Abated	10.00	
Interest	54.55	
Penalties	10.00	

		\$ 2,373.92

From Town Clerk:

1970 Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 64.88	
1971 Motor Vehicle Permits	1,507.43	

		\$ 1,572.31
1971 Dog Licenses		\$ 23.00
From Constable:		
1971 Dog Licenses		\$ 62.00

From Town Truck Hire:

State of New Hampshire	\$ 595.80	
Town of Benton	205.00	
John Boutin, Sr.	61.00	
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		\$ 861.80

From Trust Funds:

For Highways	\$ 58.25	
For Cemeteries	81.38	
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		\$ 139.63

From Reimbursements:

Jacob Aldrich—Tax Book	\$ 5.25	
Franconia Insurance Agency	2.00	
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		\$ 7.25

From State of New Hampshire:

Class V Highway Maintenance		
Allotment	\$ 771.97	
Highway Subsidy	1,010.20	
Interest and Dividends Tax	488.93	
Savings Bank Tax	29.52	
Reimbursement a/c Federal		
Forest Lands 1970	9,361.80	
Forest Lands 1971	477.21	
National Forest Reserve	3,936.49	
Meals and Rooms Tax	873.03	
Reimbursements a/c Business		
Profits Tax	814.52	
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		\$17,763.67

From Woodsville National Bank:

U.S. Treasury Bills	\$15,000.00	
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TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$47,061.46

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Balance on Hand 1-1-71	15,848.27

	\$62,909.73
Less Selectmen's Orders	-52,255.34

BALANCE ON HAND 12-31-71	\$10,654.39

Respectfully submitted,

PRISCILLA T. BOUTIN

Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS—1971

Town Officers' Salaries:

Priscilla Boutin, treasurer	\$ 60.00
William Harris, trustee	12.80
John Elliott Sr., trustee	12.80
Jacob Aldrich, auditor	25.00
James Elliott, selectman	116.60
James Page, selectman	132.60
George Tyler, selectman	91.60
Margaret Elliott, town clerk	50.00
Francis Lackie, tax collector	50.00
John Boutin, Sr., health officer	5.00

	\$ 556.40

Town Officers' Expenses:

Meals-mileage	\$ 23.90
Stray dog board	21.00
Postage	44.00
Dues	76.00
Clerical assistance	9.00
Supplies	59.29
Transfers	19.22
Safe Deposit Box	4.00
Fees	128.29
New Checks	42.35
Bonds	93.00
Town Reports	233.20

	\$ 753.25

Election and Registration:

James Page, moderator	\$ 12.80	
Margaret Elliott, town clerk	12.80	
John Elliott, Sr., supervisor	40.00	
Mildred Elliott, supervisor	40.00	
Laura Mason, supervisor	40.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 145.60

Town Buildings:

Electric:	47.74	
Insurance	29.40	
	<hr/>	\$ 77.14

Police Department:

George Tyler, constable		30.00
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Health Department:

White Mountain Community Services	\$ 25.00	
Cottage Hospital	11.50	
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Bounties:

James Elliott	\$ 3.00	
George Tyler	1.50	
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Insurance:

Concord Gen. Mutual Ins. Co.		
Town Truck	\$ 149.00	
Franconia Insurance Agency		
Workman's Compensation	87.00	
General Liability	110.48	
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Town Dump:

Use of Haverhill Dump—1971	\$	100.00
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Vital Statistics:

Margaret Elliott, town clerk	\$	5.50
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Town Road Maintenance—Summer:

Labor—Jan.-Jul.	\$	355.40
Aug.-Dec.		233.40
Equipment hire—Jan.-Jul.		706.69
Aug.-Dec.		539.28
Supplies—Aug.-Dec.		172.38
Gravel—Jan.-Jul.		35.30
Aug.-Dec.		50.60

	\$	2,093.05

Town Road Maintenance—Winter:

Labor—Jan.-Jul.	\$	291.10
Aug.-Dec.		210.90
Equipment hire—Jan.-Jul.		381.20
Aug.-Dec.		95.00
Supplies—Aug.-Dec.		90.00

	\$	1,068.20

Town Truck Expenses:

Gas & Oil	\$	354.88
Repairs		980.96
Tires		75.00
Chains		47.96
Hire (town & state)		432.25

	\$	1,891.05

Town Road Aid:

Appropriation	\$	133.87
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Public Welfare:

Surplus Foods	\$	108.81
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Cemeteries:

Labor & Equipment	\$	171.00
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Flower		11.25
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	\$	182.25
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Regional Association:

White Mountains Region Association	\$	43.18
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Abatements:

1970 Head & Poll taxes	\$	14.00
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Payments to State:

State Head Tax	\$	287.43
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Residence Tax		189.00
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Bond & Debt Retirement Tax		69.33
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	\$	545.76
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Interest:

Woodsville National Bank		
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Long term note	\$	200.00
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Long Term Notes:

Woodsville National Bank	\$	4,000.00
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Payments to County:

County taxes	\$	2,650.10
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Payments to School:

Appropriation	\$	17,072.16
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$\frac{1}{2}$ National Forest Reserve		1,968.25
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Balance of previous years appropriations		1,049.69
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	\$	20,090.10
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Investments:

U.S. Treasury Notes	\$14,879.60
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New Lands:

Deeds to land for road in Page District	\$ 50.00
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New Equipment:

Town Truck	\$ 2,250.00
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TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>\$52,255.34</u>
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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 Agent and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JACOB W. ALDRICH
Auditor

TRUST FUNDS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1971

There are in custody of the Trustees the following trust funds bequeathed to the Town of Benton. The income shown (\$194.93) is that received during the year 1971, and the distribution of income is as specified by the donors of the funds.

Name of Fund	Amount	Distribution of Income		
		Cemetery	School	Highway
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
Ira Whitcher	13.19	.58		
L. H. Parker	200.00	Field not rented.		
J. C. Speed	132.11	5.26		
Sam'l Whitcher & Wm. Kendall	189.69	7.52		
Wm. T. Torsey	45.46	1.78		
Sam'l Annis	45.46	1.78		
Jonithan Davis	45.46	1.78		
Geo. H. Clark	190.27	7.57		
Ella Mann	50.00	1.98		
K. L. Howe	50.00	1.98		
D. M. & K. L. Howe	100.00	3.96		
Isabella Tyler	50.00	1.98		
Lee B. & Maude McKean	100.00	3.96		
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	\$6,711.64	\$78.13	\$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.

You will notice that, although the bank pays 5 per cent interest this year, we don't show as much as last year. This is due to the change to the Littleton Bank in April 1971, where interest is paid quarterly.

Respectfully submitted,

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

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Benton School

District

Year Ending December 31, 1971

DISTRICT OFFICERS

School Board

Mrs. Ruth F. Page, Chairman	Term Expires 1974
Mrs. Priscilla Boutin	Term Expires 1973
Mrs. Mildred A. 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
Mr. Harold J. Haskins	Assistant 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 7th day of March, 1972, at 8:00 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 two Members of the School Board, one for the ensuing three years and one for a term of two 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 balance between the estimated revenue and 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. MILDRED A. ELLIOT
School Board of Benton

BUDGET FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BENTON

1972-1973

ITEM	Adopted Budget 1970-1971	Proposed Budget 1972-1973
100 Administration		
110 Salaries of District Officers	\$ 43.50	\$ 43.50
135 Contracted Services	6.00	6.00
500 Transportation		
535 Contracted Transportation	3,876.00	3,300.00
1400 Outgoing Transfer Accounts		
1477.1 Tuition	21,500.00	23,650.00
1477.3 Supervisory Union Exp.	344.63	529.44
CONTINGENCY FUND	50.00	50.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<hr/> \$25,820.13	<hr/> \$27,578.94

ESTIMATED INCOME FOR 1972-1973

Balance on Hand June 30, 1972	0.00
State Aid:	
Sweepstakes	350.00
Federal Aid:	
National Forest Reserve	2,200.00
Trust Fund Income	58.25
Estimated amount to be raised by 1972 Property Taxes	24,970.69

Total Appropriation	\$27,578.94

We recommend that the District adopt the proposed budget and raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,578.94 for the school year 1972-1973.

MRS. PRISCILLA BOUTIN
MRS. MILDRED 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 \$27,578.94.

REVISED INCOME FOR 1971-1972

Unencumbered Balance	\$ 5,640.99
Sweepstakes	177.26
Foundation Aid	3,332.13
National Forest Reserve	2,200.00
Trust Fund Income	58.25

Total Revenue and Credits	\$11,408.63
Amount to be raised by 1971 Property Taxes	14,411.50

Total Appropriation	\$25,820.13

STATEMENT OF BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1971

	Adopted Budget 1971-1972	Paid Out 1970-1971
100 Administration		
110.1—Salaries of District Officers	\$ 43.50	\$ 43.50
135—Contracted Services	6.00	6.00
190—Other Expenses		2.70
500 Transportation		
535—Contracted Services	3,276.00	3,276.00
1400 Outgoing Transfer Accounts		
1477—Expenditures to Other School Districts, Public Academies, or Administrative Units in the State		
.1—Tuition	25,200.00	21,554.14
.3—District Share of Supervisory Union Expenses	316.70	*316.70
CONTINGENCY FUND	100.00	
TOTAL	<hr/> \$28,942.20	<hr/> \$25,199.04

* This figure includes the amount \$75.60, the district's share of the Superintendent's salary.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**July 1, 1970 to June 30, 1971****Receipts**

Cash on Hand July 1, 1970	\$ 421.60
Revenue from Local Sources	
Current Appropriation	22,636.16
Balance due on Previous Appropriation	1,049.69
Other Revenue from Local Sources	
Earnings from Trust Funds	58.25
Revenue from State Sources	
Foundation Aid	4,292.94
Sweepstakes	177.26
Revenue from Federal Sources	
National Forest Reserve	2,204.16
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	\$30,840.06

Payments

Orders of the School Board	\$25,199.04
Cash on Hand at End of Year	
June 30, 1971	5,640.99
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	\$30,840.03

BALANCE SHEET — JUNE 30, 1971**Assets**

Cash on Hand June 30, 1971	
General Fund	\$5,640.99
Accounts Due to District	0.00
Total Assets	5,640.99
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities Over Assets)	0.00

GRAND TOTAL	\$5,640.99

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by District	
Advance on 71-72—Appropriation	\$ 0.00
Total Liabilities	0.00
Surplus (Excess of Assets Over Liabilities)	5,640.99

GRAND TOTAL	\$5,640.99

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

**Fiscal Year July 1, 1970 to June 30, 1971
School District of Benton**

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand July 1, 1970	\$ 105.65
Received from Selectmen	
Current Appropriation	\$22,636.16
Bal. of Previous Appropriations	1,049.69
Revenue from State Sources	4,470.20
Revenue from Federal Sources	2,204.16
Received as Income from Trust Funds	58.25

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$30,418.46
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE	
FOR FISCAL YEAR	\$30,524.11
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID	25,199.04

BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 1971	\$ 5,325.07

July 1, 1971

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, 1971, and find them correct in all respects.

July 11, 1971

IONA V. BOUTIN
Auditor

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I herewith submit my seventh annual report to the voters of the Benton School District.

It is always very difficult to express in words the feelings one has when he loses a very dedicated and fine person he has worked with for a decade. Mrs. Ruth Page has been a dedicated mother and school board member who always had in mind the best interests of the Benton school children while serving on the school board. Her passing has left a huge void in our school district, but her positive influence will be felt for many years.

This year the Benton School Board is recommending a budget of \$27,578.94 for the support of schools for the academic year 1972-1973. This appropriation reflects an increase of \$1,758.81 over last year's gross budget. The increase is due, in part, to tuition and supervisory union expenses.

Our projected enrollment for tuition students next year, which does not include any allowance for new students, is as follows:

Elementary School	18	@	\$650.00	=	\$11,700.00
Junior High	2	@	\$750.00	=	1,500.00
Senior High	11	@	\$950.00	=	10,450.00
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Total	31				\$23,650.00

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

Respectfully submitted,

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 1971-72, will receive a salary of \$18,000.00, which is made up as follows: \$2,500.00 to be paid by the State Department of Education and \$15,500.00 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	\$ 607.60	\$ 58.80
Benton	83.70	8.10
Haverhill Cooperative	6,151.95	595.35
Lincoln-Woodstock	5,111.90	494.70
Monroe	2,070.80	200.40
Piermont	823.05	79.65
Warren	651.00	63.00
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	\$15,500.00	\$1,500.00

NORMAN H. MULLEN
Superintendent of Schools

Summary Program of the White Mountains Region Association

1971 (34th Year)

Pioneered an engineering project at the University of New Hampshire in researching problems of snow erosion at ski areas. This project is well underway now and it appears that some practical solutions have been arrived at.

Maintained an active legislative program through the formation of a joint committee of the four regional promotional groups in the White Mountains.

Helped defeat an increase in the rooms and meals tax and gave strong support regarding the 16-mile extension of the Spaulding Turnpike.

Continued to promote new outdoor sports compatible to the region namely, whitewater canoeing, ski touring and bicycling.

Posted the annual 500 miles of fall foliage tour leaves.

Participated in a citizens' review committee on the controversial 4 million dollar federal Connecticut Basin study and were successful in altering some of the recommendations of this study.

Continued to develop the concept of promoting the off-season for tourists as against the high season.

Gave awards to 4-H groups in Grafton and Coos Counties.

Received 6,593 inquiries for the season which were answered with kits of folders.

Wrote 49 news releases. Wrote 259 personal letters.

Wrote four magazine articles and had twenty-five photographs appear in magazines and newspapers.

Printed and distributed 275,000 folders.

Appeared on four radio programs and attended two travel shows.
Total income for 1971, \$33,833.

Presently we are working to make the state regional planning effort coincide with the six existing region associations.

Presently we are working with the Neighborhood Youth Corps to develop a course in hotel management for high school drop-outs, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. WILSON
Executive Secretary

Births Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1971

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child		Name of Father		Maiden Name of Mother	
	Sex	Age	Age	Age	Age	Age
March 6 Haverhill, N.H.	M	Steven Patrick Saffo	25	Richard E. Saffo	21	Stephanie C. Pikura
July 18 Haverhill, N.H.	F	Monica Lynn Moses	24	Norman N. Moses, Jr.	20	Claudia J. Guyette
September 18 Haverhill, N.H.	F	Jenny Rebecca Hill	22	William D. Hill	18	Deborah J. Elliott

I hereby certify that the above return is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
MARGARET D. ELLIOTT, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1971

Date and Place of Marriage	Age	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
March					
26 Lisbon, N.H.	22	William Dolphis Hill	Lisbon, N.H.	Paul L. Hill	Florabelle Dion
	18	Deborah Jean Elliott	Benton, N.H.	John G. Elliott, Jr.	Catherine Mason
July					
17 Woodsville, N.H.	17	Thomas Duane Harris	Benton, N.H.	William J. Harris	Seraphine Boutin
	15	Sarahjean Ann Germain	North Haverhill, N.H.	Joseph H. Germain, Sr.	Edith Brunelle
October					
9 North Haverhill, N.H.	18	Cecil William Smith	North Haverhill, N.H.	Reginald B. Smith	Evelyn A. Irwin
	18	Jane Anne Boutin	Benton, N.H.	Joseph N. Boutin, III	Priscilla T. Paradie
16 Woodsville, N.H.	20	Joseph N. Boutin, IV	Benton, N.H.	Joseph N. Boutin, III	Priscilla T. Paradie
	16	Deborah Lee Fiore	North Haverhill, N.H.	Joseph Fiore	Olive Garett

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MARGARET D. ELLIOTT, Town Clerk

Deaths Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1971

Date and Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Residence	Maiden Name of Mother	Name of Father
May 6 Woodsville, N.H.	Baby Girl Harris				
September 28 Benton, N.H.	William E. Lunt	70	Hanover, N.H.	Alice DeFosse Clara Swift	John Harris Edward Lunt
October 24 Benton, N.H.	Mary Manning	79	Benton, N.H.	Phoebe A. Cass	Fred Epps

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