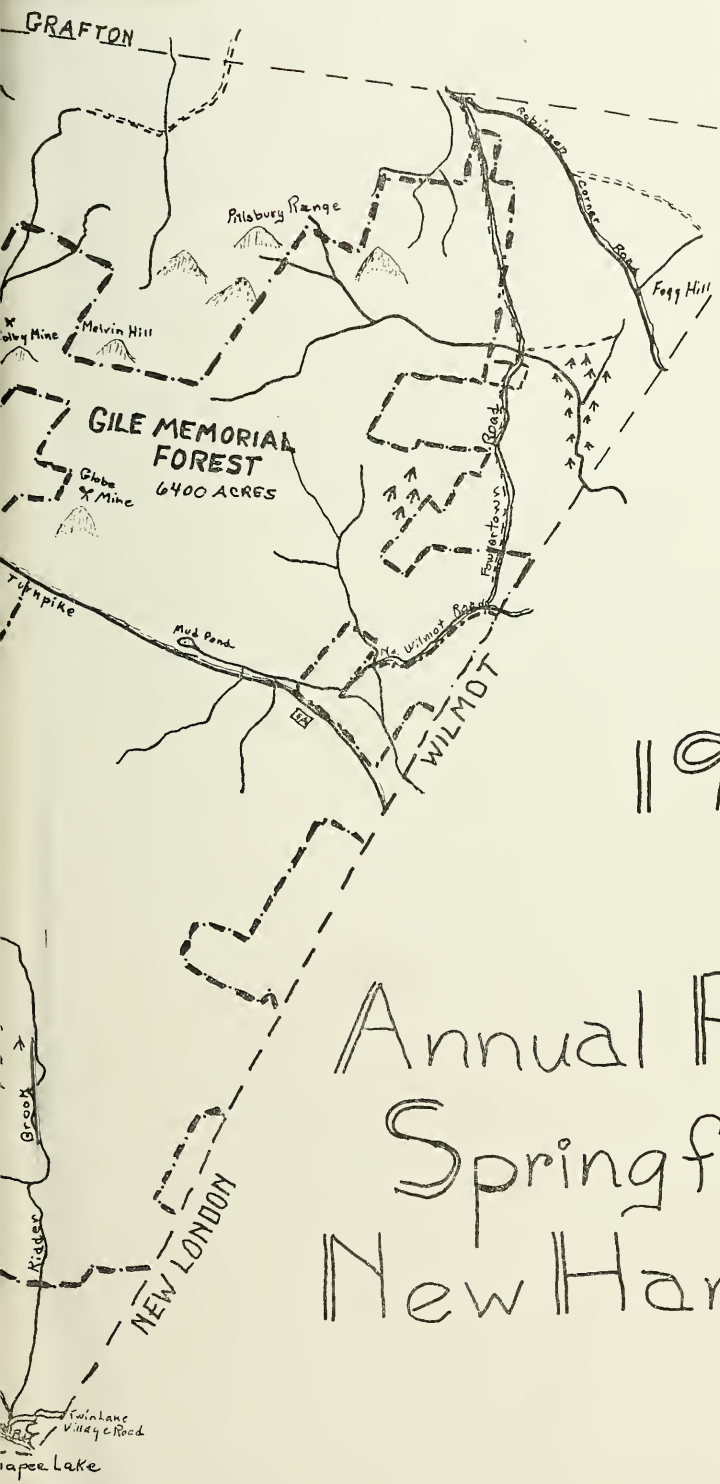


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GILE FOREST


Springfield citizens played a major part in the "grass roots" political movement during 1973 that created the Gile Memorial State Forest and thus disposed of a potential threat to orderly town growth.

In late 1972 Jeff Milne heard of the proposed sale and told the Planning Board, the Conservation Commission, and other town groups. While everyone was concerned, it was Arnold Nichols who decided that what we needed was time enough to find a solution, and the way to buy time was to get an option. He called Dartmouth, bought a one-year option for \$15,000, and then paid for it with a combination of his own ingenious financing and the willingness of local people to pledge their personal money for the cause.

A committee, formed largely of Springfield people, took charge of the option. The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests acted as option holder and helped provide some of the working capital for the committee as well as valuable guidance and advice. The ideal buyer for the tract of land had to be one who would keep the land open, avoid a call on the town for services, and continue paying taxes. With these requirements in mind, the committee visited Commissioner Gilman of D. R. E. D. and suggested the state buy the land as a state forest (not a park, because a state park needs services and doesn't pay taxes) together with Fish and Game. "Gus" Gilman and Director Corson agreed, Congressman Jim Cleveland found federal matching funds, and the committee set to work on the political problem of obtaining legislative approval and appropriation.

A leading Democrat, Senator Spanos of Newport, and Senator Jacobson of New London, a leading Republican, co-sponsored a bill. The first hearing, before the Senate Resources Committee, was held in the New London Town Hall April 17. Springfield residents formed a large part of the crowd that completely filled the hall

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TOWN OFFICERS OF SPRINGFIELD, N. H.

Moderator

FRANK B. EASTON, Jr.

Representative to General Court

GEORGE I. WIGGINS

Town Clerk

CHERYL D. PATTEN

Town Treasurer

LOREN PATTEN

Selectmen

HENRY W. KIDDER, III, Chr.

FRED L. DAVIS ARNOLD PUTNEY

Tax Collector

MARJORIE C. GEORGE

Road Agent

EDWARD HICKEY GEORGE A. COTE, Sr.
(Terminated 4/14/73) (Effective 7/7/73)

Police Chief

KNEILAND A. Wheeler

Library Trustees

MABEL PATTEN, Chr.

DOROTHY ELDEEN CYNTHIA ANDERSON

Librarian

LUCILLE WHEELER

Trustee of Trust Funds

BARBARA A. RENEY

Fire Warden

MALCOLM PATTEN

Fire Chief

FRED L. DAVIS

Health Officer

FRED L. DAVIS
Acting Health Officer

Supervisors of Check List

JANE PATTEN HAZEL PATTEN FLORENCE BUTCHER

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber

CLIFFORD A. WADDELL

Auditor

JOSEPH W. DAVIS

Budget Committee

JOHN B. RICHARDS, Chr.

FRANK B. EASTON, Jr.	ALFRED H. DUFORD
BENJAMIN KEZAR	HOLLIS B. HEATH
MALCOLM PATTEN	WOLFGANG HEINBERG
DAVID N. RENEY	JOHN O'CONNELL

DEPUTY OFFICIALS — SPRINGFIELD, N. H.

Deputy Town Clerk

BARBARA A. RENEY

Deputy Police Officers

FRED L. DAVIS FRANK E. ANDERSON
BERNIE A. ROSS, Sunapee

Deputy Fire Wardens

DALLAS PATTEN LOREN PATTEN
DAVID RENEY FRED L. DAVIS

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Planning Board

JEFFREY MILNE, Chr.	FRANK B. EASTON, Jr.
DOROTHY NODINE, Sec.	DALLAS R. PATTEN
MARIANNE C. KANCER, Treas.	CLIFFORD A. WADDELL
FRED L. DAVIS — For the Selectmen	

Conservation Committee

MICHAEL J. KANCER, Chr.
BENJAMIN KEZAR HARRY COLE

Highway Equipment Committee

BERNARD SWEENEY, Chr. ALFRED DUFORD
DONALD K. HEATH MALCOLM PATTEN
DAVID N. RENEY ARNOLD PUTNEY (Selectmen)

Cemetery Commission

DAVID N. RENEY, Chr. MARILYN HEATH, Sec./Treas.
LEON WILDER

Town Hall

MABEL PATTEN, Chr. HARRY COLE DORIS SAYER

Civil Defense

FRANK ANDERSON

War Memorial Committee

FAIRFAX DOWNEY, Chr.
JOSEPH W. DAVIS FRED L. DAVIS
CARL LEWIS CHERYL D. PATTEN

Recreation Committee

MARILYN HEATH FRED L. DAVIS

Privy Council

WOLFGANG HEINBERG ANN EASTON
DOROTHY NODINE EVELYN B. RICHARDS

Dump Committee

WOLFGANG HEINBERG DOROTHY NODINE
JOHN O'CONNELL

Kearsarge Visiting Nurse Association

DOROTHY NODINE, Director

Officers of Fire Department

FRED L. DAVIS, Chief JOHN RICHARDS, Sec./Treas.
FRANK ANDERSON, Asst. Chief HOWARD STETSON, Engr.
EDWARD BROADHEAD, Lieut. ALLEN WHEELER, Engr.

TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Springfield in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Springfield on Tuesday, the fifth day of March, next at eleven 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 raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the budget as submitted by the Budget Committee.
4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money on notes of the Town in anticipation of taxes.
5. To see if the town will vote to allow a one and one-half percent discount on taxes paid within thirty days after tax mailing date.
6. To see what the Town will vote to do about additional equipment and the continuance of a capital reserve fund for the purpose of purchasing new (or used) equipment for the highway Dept., when and if necessary.
7. To see what the Town will vote to do about additional equipment and the continuance of a capital reserve fund for the purpose of purchasing new (or used) equipment for the Fire Dept., when and if necessary.
8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw funds from capital reserve for the purpose of purchasing new (or used) equipment for the Fire Dept., or Highway Dept., when and if necessary.

9. To see if the Town will approve the continuance of the survey of Town Forests and the sale of timber.
10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow up to \$10,000.00 for a new dump in Springfield or jointly with other towns of the UVPDC if such becomes necessary during the fiscal year.
11. To see if the Town will appropriate \$800.00 to be used to match funds in the hands of the Bicentennial Committee and the Harland Heath War Veterans Memorial fund for the purchase of the War Veterans' Memorial proposed by the War Veterans' Memorial Committee.
12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act for the use as a set-off against the following Debt Service incurred for priority expenditures since January 1, 1972—

Purpose—Town Beach Property	1972	\$1,000.00
—Loader	1972	1,000.00
—School Repairs	1973	2,000.00
—Truck	1973	2,000.00
		\$6,000.00
13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the reappropriation of the funds from Revenue Sharing Trust Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 of \$1,000.00 from funds allocated for the purpose of installing new toilets in the Town Hall to improvements to the Firehouse.
14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from Revenue Sharing Trust Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as a \$2,000.00 set-off against budget appropriations for the purpose of remodeling Memorial School.
15. To see if the Town will raise \$500.00 for the preambulation of Town Lines.

16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, contract for, request, accept, receive and expend any and all federal, state, and other grants, aids, funds and assistance relative to any future disasters whenever the same shall be declared by the President of the United States or by his authorized representative.
17. **By Petition**—To see if the Town will vote to raise \$25,000.00 for a new fire truck to be paid over a five year period, \$5,000.00 of which to be raised this year—the rest as a debt commitment.
18. **By Petition**—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint the Road Agent, instead of electing him by vote.
19. **By Petition**—It is petitioned that the voters approve a request to the Selectmen to reopen and maintain the old town road now subject to gates and bars running from 4A at the Heath Sugarhouse and then southerly and easterly parallel to 4A as far as the bridge; that this be done without requiring the property owners to rebuild the road so as to meet the requirements for a subdivision. The property owners, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Klein propose to build their domicile upon the property and to maintain the property as a farm and sugarbush and have no intention of developing the property as a subdivision. Because of the topography, it would be next to impossible to create a 30 foot roadway meeting subdivision standards even if this were reasonable. Proper ditching and grading with the possible addition of some soil and gravel would easily make the road adequate for fire trucks, construction vehicles as well as providing access for the householders. The road was made subject to gates and bars when no one was living on the property served by the road for economy with the understanding that it would be reopened if someone built a domicile upon the property. The current owners plan to do so in the summer of 1974.
20. **By Request**—To see if the Town will vote to establish a Cemetery Trust Fund for the purpose of enlarging the Pleasant View Cemetery when it becomes necessary, money for this Trust Fund to be derived from the sale of Cemetery lots.

21. **By Request**—To see whether the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to appoint a committee of not less than five (5) or more than ten (10) voters to study land use controls including zoning for the Town of Springfield, N. H.
22. **By Request**—The Planning Board of the Town of Springfield deems it in the interest of the public health, safety, and general welfare of said Town to establish a comprehensive plan for the future development of said Town, and taking due consideration of the importance of future development.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

For the purpose of promoting public health, safety, and general welfare; to conserve and protect property and property values; to secure the most appropriate use of land; and to facilitate adequate but economical provision for public improvements, all in accordance with a comprehensive plan, the Planning Board of this Town recommends the enactment of a temporary ordinance as follows:

The Planning Board is authorized to approve applications for subdivisions which would result in the creation of no more than three lots for each parcel of land situate in the Town, said approval to be subject to the general standards already employed pursuant to Ordinances, Regulations and Statutes presently in effect.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon passage, and remain in effect until such time as a comprehensive plan has been developed and approved, or until the 1975 Annual Meeting of the Town of Springfield, unless reinacted at that meeting.

This Ordinance shall apply to all applications submitted to the Planning Board on or after its effective date.

23. **By Request**—To see if the Town will vote to establish a Historic District Commission under R. S. A. 31:89.

24. **By Request**—To see if the Town will vote to close subject to gates and bars that portion of Prescott Hill Road from Grafton Line to Southwesterly Boundary Line of Sidney Stockwell and refer maintenance of said gates and bars to Sidney Stockwell.
25. **By Request**—To see if the Town will vote to change the Town Hall Committee to Town Buildings Committee to help develop best use and maintenance of Town Buildings.
26. **By Request**—Shall the provisions of RSA-55:9a and 55-9b be adopted by the Town of Springfield as provided in RSA 55:9c (new voter registration which would enable Town Clerks to register new voters at any time during the year).
27. **Recommendation**—To see if the Town will vote to establish a Community Energy Committee to assist residents of Springfield during the energy shortage.
28. To see if the Town will vote to continue a committee to be made up of five (5) to look into the problems of the Town Dump and take action when ready or necessary.
29. To hear the reports of Officers and Standing Committees.
30. To see what the Town will vote to do about the continuance of Standing Committees.

Given under our hands and seal, this eighteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-four.

HENRY W. KIDDER, III, Chr.
 FRED L. DAVIS
 ARNOLD PUTNEY
 Selectmen of Springfield

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HENRY W. KIDDER, III, Chr.
 FRED L. DAVIS
 ARNOLD PUTNEY
 Selectmen of Springfield

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

1973 has been quite eventful, and beneficial for Springfield.

The Committee of Citizens from Springfield, New London, Sunapee, Wilmot, etc. looking to preserve the Gile Forest has to be congratulated for its work getting the Bill through the N. H. Legislature and signed by the Governor during the 1973 season.

During the summer, we received a deed from K.R.S.D. for Springfield Memorial School at a cost of one dollar. Many thanks go to our School Board member, Edwin Sanders for his help. We did shingle the roof of the school during fall, but further repairs and painting are a must.

Although we are still working to establish the bounds of the Town Forest and classify size of lots, the work is slow, and Stan Rastallis has found conflicts that call for the aid of Town Counsel.

Our equipment committee found a new truck for our Highway Department after Miller Ford could not meet the contract they were awarded earlier in the year.

A new fuel tank (1,000 gal.) was placed between Town Hall and Town Garage to be used to fuel our diesel equipment and to be connected to furnace in Town Hall next spring.

Needless to say, we can't give enough credit to all the departments and committees that helped with making our town government run as smoothly as it does. We hope you'll read their many reports for '73.

Of annual interest is the Tax Schedule for the past few years:

	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973
Town	1.12	1.03	1.23	1.30	1.11	.98	.82	.94
County	.37	.41	.35	.53	.51	.65	.40	.41
School	2.17	1.96	1.82	2.53	2.18	2.37	1.98	1.93
Rate	3.66	3.40	3.40	4.36	3.80	4.00	3.20	3.28
Proportional factor							52%	60%

The primary reason for our taxes increasing from \$3.20 to only \$3.28 was a smaller than usual increase in the School Budget,

many new and vacation homes and \$10,000 in Revenue Sharing Funds.

Our future holds many more problems which are going to call upon everyone in Town for their ideas and support.

Our Dump is still No. 1 as of this writing and every alternative has to be explored and weighed against cost.

The bridge at Bog Brook is due to be replaced and will cost the Town not less than \$10,000.

We have to consider hiring outsiders to have a tax map drawn up to meet the requirements of N. H. R.S.A. 1970-71 30:95. While the cost of this project is presently unknown to us, it may be in the neighborhood of \$16,000+/-.

There have also been frequent requests for a town-wide total re-evaluation by an outside firm. There is probably more to favor this than meets the eye and should develop better harmony among taxpayers. This, unfortunately, has been an area where the selectmen have often been criticized.

Last of all, a fully qualified Health Officer to inspect sewage problems and systems (new or old) give assistance or recommendations where necessary and available for inspections of new systems when they are ready. Since this is not expensive, it would be a convenience and the best possible protection the town could have.

Progress has been difficult this past year for many reasons, but be of Good Cheer!

Henry W. Kidder, III, Chairman
Fred L. Davis
Arnold Putney

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year,
January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1974

Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations
and Expenditures of the Previous Year, Jan. 1, 1973 to Dec. 31, 1973

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1973	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1973	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1974
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,752.44	\$ 5,500.00
Savings Bank Tax	150.00	231.40	200.00
Meals and Rooms Tax	1,450.00	1,619.30	1,500.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	7,446.68	7,446.68	7,583.64
Reimb. a/c Bus. Profits Tax	800.00	443.72	400.00
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	200.00	304.00	250.00
Permits & Filing Fees	10.00	15.00	10.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	5,000.00	6,703.26	5,500.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	400.44	548.11	400.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	10.00	20.00	10.00
Resident Taxes Retained	1,460.00	1,570.00	1,500.00
Normal Yield Taxes	100.00	253.06	200.00
Rent of Town Property	10.00	108.00	10.00
Income from Departments—Highway		1,015.40	
Bond & Note Issues—Dump	3,500.00		10,000.00
Legal Expenses			3,000.00
Highway Truck & School	5,000.00	4,000.00	
Bridge Repair			6,000.00
From Federal Sources:			
Revenue Sharing	9,785.00	10,000.00	9,000.00
Fire Equipment			20,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES			\$ 71,063.64
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES (Exclusive of County and School Taxes)			47,271.30
TOTAL REVENUES			\$118,334.94

Purposes of Expenditures	Appropria. Previous Year 1973	Recommended by Budget Committee, 1974	Submitted Without Recomm.
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,910.00	\$ 3,125.24	
Town Officers' Expenses	3,600.00	5,500.00	
Election & Registration Expenses	150.00	400.00	
Town Hall & Other Buildings	4,000.00	5,000.00	
Employees' Ret. & Soc. Security	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Town Line		500.00	
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	2,000.00	1,250.00	
Fire Department	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Conservation Commission	1,800.00	1,500.00	
Insurance & Bonds	2,500.00	3,000.00	
Planning & Zoning	1,000.00	500.00	
Damages & Legal Expense	300.00	4,000.00	
Civil Defense	300.00	300.00	
Health:			
Incl. Hospitals and V. N.	793.15	798.75	
Vital Statistics	15.00	15.00	
Town Dump	1,500.00	11,500.00	
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—			
Summer & Winter	18,000.00	20,000.00	
Street Lighting	700.00	700.00	
General Expenses—			
Highway Dept.	10,000.00	11,000.00	
Town Road Aid	622.00	620.95	
Libraries:	600.00	600.00	
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	2,000.00	1,000.00	
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day	100.00	100.00	\$ 800.00
Recreation:	250.00	250.00	
Public Service Enterprises:			
Hydrants	175.00	175.00	
Cemeteries	750.00	700.00	
Regional Associations	189.00	200.00	

Purposes of Expenditures	Appropria. Previous Year 1973	Recommended by Budget Committee, 1974	Submitted Without Recomm.
Debt Service:			
Principal & Long Term Notes & Bonds (Loader, Beach Prop., School, Truck)	2,000.00	6,000.00	
Interest—Long Term Notes & Bonds	1,600.00	1,800.00	
Capital Outlay:			
Fire Equip. (new and used)	1,000.00		25,000.00
Highway (new and used)	11,000.00		
Dump Issue	3,500.00		
Memorial School Issue	2,000.00		
Bridge—Washburn Corner		6,000.00	
Remodel—Bay		2,000.00	
TOTAL APPROPRIATION			\$118,334.94

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SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

LAND—Improved and Unimproved	\$2,089,836
Buildings	2,521,859
Public Utilities—Water	60,000
Public Utilities—Electric	226,000
House Trailers, Mobile Homes (23)	97,755
Boats & Launches (13)	3,650
TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED	\$4,999,100
Less Exemptions (Elderly - 12)	35,025
NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$4,964,075
Number Inventories Distributed in 1973	420
Date 1973 Inventories were mailed	March 20
Number Inventories Returned in 1973	260

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,910.00
Town Officers' Expenses	3,600.00
Election & Registration Expenses	150.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	4,000.00
Social Security and Retirement Contributions	1,000.00
Police Department	2,000.00
Fire Department	2,000.00
Insurance	2,500.00
Planning and Zoning	1,000.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	300.00
Civil Defense	300.00
Health Dept.	793.75
Vital Statistics	15.00
Hydrants	175.00
Dump	1,500.00
Town Maintenance	18,000.00
Street Lighting	700.00
General Expenses—Highway Department	10,000.00
Town Road Aid	622.10
Libraries	600.00
Town Poor	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00
Conservation Commission	1,800.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Recreation (Beach, etc.)	250.00
Cemeteries	750.00
Payment on Debt: Principal	\$1,600.00
Interest	2,000.00
	3,600.00
Fire Equipment—new or used #7	1,000.00
New or Used Highway Truck #11	11,000.00
Dump Issue #15	3,500.00
Memorial School Issue #16	2,000.00
	\$ 79,165.85
TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATION	

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits	
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 5,752.49
Savings Bank Tax	231.40
Meals and Rooms Tax	1,450.00
Highway Subsidy	7,446.68
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	301.76
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	400.00
Dog Licenses	200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	5,000.00
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	100.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	10.00
Resident Taxes Retained (219)	2,190.00
Revenue Sharing (Contra)	10,000.00
Business Profits Tax	443.72
Other Revenue: Notes—Truck & School Dump	3,500.00 5,000.00
TOTAL REVENUE AND CREDITS	\$ 42,026.05

Net Town Appropriations	\$ 37,139.80
Net School Appropriations	96,614.26
County Tax Assessment	20,661.42
Total of Town, School and County	\$154,415.48
Less: Reimbursement a/c Property Taxes Exempted 1970 Special Session	887.00
Add: War Service Tax Credits	2,050.00
Add: Overlay	5,928.00
Property Taxes to be Raised	\$161,506.48

TAXES TO BE COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

Property Taxes	\$159,069.98
Less War Service Tax Credits	2,050.00
TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT	\$ 57,019.98
TAX RATE APPROVED BY TAX COMMISSION	\$3.80

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1973

Title of Appropriations	Appropriation	Receipts	Total	Expenditures	Unexpended	Overdrafts
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,910.00		\$ 2,910.00	\$ 2,841.13	\$ 68.87	
Town Officers' Expenses	3,600.00		3,600.00	3,658.25		\$ 58.25
Election & Registration Expenses	150.00		150.00	59.00	91.00	
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	4,000.00	\$ 108.00	4,108.00	4,758.83		650.83
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	1,000.00		1,000.00	697.59	302.41	
Police Department	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,125.62	874.38	
Fire Department	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		
Conservation Commission	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,800.00		
Insurance & Bonds	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,575.00		75.00
Planning	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
Damages & Legal Expense	300.00		300.00	125.00	175.00	
Civil Defense	300.00		300.00	300.00		
Health Dept. (Incl. Hospitals & Ambulance)	793.75		793.75	793.75		
Vital Statistics	15.00		15.00	7.00	8.00	
Town Dump	1,500.00		1,500.00	918.92	581.08	
Town Maintenance—Summer & Winter	18,000.00	2,820.17	20,820.17	19,183.19	1,636.98	
Street Lighting	700.00		700.00	568.94	131.06	
General Expenses, Highway Dept.	10,000.00	125.66	10,125.66	12,136.76		2,011.10
Town Road Aid	622.10	4,518.36	5,140.46	5,266.24		125.78
Libraries	600.00		600.00	600.00		
Town Poor	2,000.00		2,000.00	399.13	1,600.87	
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00		1,000.00	129.28	870.62	

Memorial Day	100.00	100.00		
Recreation—Town Beach	250.00	182.00	68.00	
Hydrants	175.00	150.00	25.00	
Cemeteries	750.00	750.00		
Regional Associations		189.00		189.00
Principal & Long Term Notes & Bonds	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Interest—Long Term Notes & Bonds	1,600.00	1,078.13	521.87	
Fire Equipment (new or used)	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Highway Dept. (new or used)	11,000.00	8,090.00	2,910.00	
Dump Issue	3,500.00	3,500.00		
School Issue	2,000.00	2,000.00		

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

\$79,165.85 \$ 7,572.19 \$86,738.04 \$76,482.86 \$13,365.14 \$ 3,109.96
3,109.96

Total Unexpended Balance \$10,255.18

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

Town of Springfield

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1973

	LAKE LOT	TRUCK	MEMORIAL SCHOOL
Loader			
Maturities Orig. Amount \$4,000.00 Orig. Amount \$2,000.00 Orig. Amount \$2,000.00			
1974	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
1975	1,000.00		
1976	1,000.00		

FINANCIAL REPORT—TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD, N. H.

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash: In hands of Treasurer		\$ 78,542.92
Bonds or Long Term Notes		4,500.00
Capital Reserve Funds:		
C. B. Robinson	\$ 622.06	
Royal Arch	367.73	
Highway Dept.	298.81	
Fire Dept.	1,049.15	
		\$ 2,337.75
Accounts Due to the Town:		
T. R. A.		1,152.57
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1972	\$ 337.86	
Levy of 1971	33.06	
		\$ 370.92
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1973, Including Resident Taxes		\$ 15,600.82
TOTAL ASSETS		\$102,504.98

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriation	\$ 4,500.00	
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	3,741.14	
2% Bond & Debt Retirement, Taxes, Uncollected	.97	
School District Tax	50,465.01	
Notes due First National Bank	9,000.00	
		\$ 67,707.12
Total Accounts Owed by Town		
State Highway Subsidy Account:		
Unexpended Balance in State Treasury (TRA)		\$ 1,152.27

Capital Reserve Funds (Offsets similar Asset Account)	2,337.75
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 71,197.44</u>
Current Surplus	<u>31,307.54</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$102,504.98</u>
Increase of Surplus \$9,145.35	

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes: (Collected and remitted to Treasurer):	
Property Taxes—1973	\$143,057.78
Resident Taxes—1973	1,570.00
National Bank Stock Taxes—1973	20.00
Yield Taxes—1973	<u>253.06</u>
Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted	\$144,900.84
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes—Previous Years	14,317.22
Resident Taxes—Previous Years	510.00
Interest received on delinquent Taxes	557.05
Penalties: Resident Taxes	51.00
Tax sales redeemed	<u>3,155.15</u>

From State:

For Town Road Aid	4,518.36
For Class V Highway Maintenance	1,804.77
Highway Subsidy	7,622.03
Interest and Dividends Tax	5,752.49
Savings Bank Tax	675.12
Fighting forest fires	200.24
Reimbursement—Gas Tax	36.14
Meals and Rooms Tax	1,619.30
Reimbursement a/c Business Profits Tax	443.72
Use of Equipment	<u>25.50</u>

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	304.00
Permits and Filing Fees	15.00
Fines and Forfeits	22.00
Rent of town property	<u>108.00</u>

Income from Departments—Highway		1,015.40
Motor Vehicle Permits		6,703.26
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Total Current Revenue Receipts		\$194,356.59
Receipts other than Current Revenue:		
Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$ 40,000.00	
Proceeds of Long Term Notes	4,000.00	
Refunds	663.81	
Sale of Town Property	64.02	
Grants from U. S. A.:		
Revenue Sharing	5,850.00	
Interest	282.63	
Discounts and Abatements	3,384.68	
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Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue		\$ 54,245.14
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Total Receipts From All Sources		\$248,601.73
Cash on hand January 1, 1973		64,705.19
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GRAND TOTAL		\$313,306.92

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:

General Government:

Town Officers' salaries	\$ 2,841.13
Town Officers' expenses	3,658.25
Election and registration expenses	59.00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	4,758.83

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	1,125.62
Fire department, including forest fires	3,000.00
Planning	1,000.00
Insurance	2,575.00
Civil Defense	300.00
Conservation Commission	1,800.00

Health:

Health Dept., incl. hospitals	793.75
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Vital statistics		7.00	
Hydrants		150.00	
Town dump		918.92	
Highways and Bridges:			
Class V		1,804.77	
Town Road Aid		5,266.24	
Town Maintenance		17,378.42	
Street lighting		568.94	
General Expenses of Highway Dept.		12,136.76	
Libraries:		600.00	
Public Welfare:			
Old age assistance		399.13	
Town Poor		129.38	
Patriotic Purposes: Memorial Day		100.00	
Recreation: Beach		182.00	
Public Service Enterprises: Cemeteries		750.00	
Unclassified:			
Legal		125.00	
Regional Associations		189.00	
Taxes bought by town		993.39	
Discounts, Abatements and refunds		4,775.28	
Employees' Retirement and Social Security		697.59	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses			\$ 69,083.40
Debt Service:			
Interest paid on tax anticipation notes	\$	1,078.13	
Total Interest Payments			\$ 1,078.13
Principal of Debt:			
Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	\$	40,000.00	
Payments on long term notes		2,000.00	
Total Principal Payments			\$ 42,000.00
Capital Outlay:			
New equipment—Highways	\$	8,090.00	
Total Outlay Payments			\$ 8,090.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:			
Resident Taxes Paid State Treasurer	\$	849.60	
Payments to State a/c Bond and Debt			
Retirement Taxes		75.55	

Taxes paid to County	20,661.42
Payments to Precincts	4.16
Payments to School District	92,921.71
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Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	\$114,512.44
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	\$234,963.97
Adjustment—Social Security	.03
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$234,964.00
Cash on hand December 31, 1973	78,542.92
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GRAND TOTAL	\$313,306.92

HENRY W. KIDDER, III, Chr.
 FRED L. DAVIS
 ARNOLD PUTNEY
 Selectmen
 LOREN L. PATTEN
 Treasurer

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 56,250.00
Furniture and Equipment	5,000.00
Libraries, Land and Buildings	6,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Police Dept., Equipment	900.00
Fire Dept., Lands and Buildings	5,625.00
Equipment	7,000.00
Highway Dept., Lands and Buildings	12,500.00
Equipment	20,000.00
Materials and Supplies	5,000.00
Town Beach	7,500.00
School, Land and Building	40,000.00
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	\$166,275.00

SPRINGFIELD TOWN FORESTS

20 Acres McDaniel Barton	\$ 1,800.00
17 Acres Gordon Meadow	1,695.00
50 Acres Little Land	2,785.00
74 Acres Clay Webster Page	3,580.00
50 Acres Fogg Land	2,785.00
25 Acres Edwards Meadow	1,960.00
150 Acres J. R. Smith Land	6,080.00
100 Acres McDaniels	4,435.00
85 Acres Kinsley	6,600.00
10 Acres Messer	1,500.00
2 Acres Philbrick Land	1,000.00
70 Acres Sunapee Heights	3,450.00
20 Acres Nixon Land	1,800.00
36 Acres McDonald Knapp	2,290.00
50 Acres Society Lot	7,500.00
40 Acres Royal Arch	6,000.00
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	\$ 55,260.00
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TOTAL VALUE OF TOWN PROPERTY	\$221,535.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1973

1972 Automobile permits issued after Jan. 1, 1973	(26) \$	236.84
1973 Automobile permits issued	(447)	6,466.42
Dog Licenses—		
85 @ \$ 2.00		\$170.00
15 @ 5.00		75.00
1 @ 12.00		12.00
1 @ 20.00		20.00
1 @ 25.00		25.00
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		302.00
Dog License Fines 22 @ \$1.00		22.00
Dog License carried over from Dec. 1972		2.00
Filing Fees—9 Town Meeting @ \$1.00		9.00
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TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$7,038.26
Paid Treasurer for Automobile permits	\$6,703.26	
Paid Treasurer for Dog Licenses	304.00	
Paid Treasurer for Dog License Fines	22.00	
Paid Treasurer for Filing Fees	9.00	
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TOTAL PAID TREASURER		\$7,038.26

CHERYL D. PATTEN
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1973

— DR —

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$160,956.40
Resident Taxes	2,230.00

TOTAL WARRANTS \$163,186.40

Yield Taxes	301.76
Added Taxes: Property Taxes	246.49
Overpayments During Year: Property Taxes	9.69
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes	4.94
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	4.00

TOTAL DEBITS \$163,753.28

— CR —

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$143,057.78
Resident Taxes	1,570.00
Yield Taxes	253.06
Interest Collected	4.94
Penalties on Resident Taxes	4.00

\$144,889.78

Discounts Allowed

1,598.97

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 1,593.71
Resident Taxes	70.00

1,663.71

Uncollected Taxes—December 31, 1973:

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 14,962.12
Resident Taxes	590.00
Yield Taxes	48.70

15,600.82

TOTAL CREDITS \$163,753.28

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1972

— DR —

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1973:

Property Taxes	\$ 14,307.52
Resident Taxes	520.00
Yield Taxes	60.70

 \$ 14,888.22

Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes	\$ 541.66
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	51.00
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 \$ 592.66

TOTAL DEBITS \$ 15,480.88

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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1973:

Property Taxes	\$ 14,195.52
Resident Taxes	510.00
Yield Taxes	60.70
Interest Collected During Year	541.66
Penalties on Resident Taxes	51.00

 \$ 15,358.88

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 112.00
Resident Taxes	10.00

 \$ 122.00

TOTAL CREDITS \$ 15,480.88

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAX WARRANTS

LEVY OF 1971

— DR —

Uncollected Taxes—		
As of January 1, 1973	\$ 61.00	
Interest and Penalties collected During 1973	6.45	
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 67.45	

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Remittances to Treasurer During 1973	\$ 67.45	
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 67.45	

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1973

— DR —

	Tax Sale on Account of Levies of:		
	1972	1971	1970
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1973		\$ 1,489.66	\$ 795.84
(b) Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	\$ 993.39		
Interest Collected After Sale		101.73	145.45
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 993.39	\$ 1,591.39	\$ 941.29

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Remittances to Treasurer During Year:			
Redemptions	\$ 655.53	\$ 1,456.60	\$ 795.84
Interest & Costs After Sale		101.73	145.45
Unredeemed Taxes— December 31, 1973	337.86	33.06	
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 993.39	\$ 1,591.39	\$ 941.29

Respectfully submitted,
MARJORIE C. GEORGE
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1973—December 31, 1973

Received from Marjorie C. George, Tax Collector:

1970 Tax Sale redeemed—Atkinson-Davis	\$	800.39
Tax sale redeemed—Ernest Carpenter		140.90
		\$ 941.29

1971 Tax sale redeemed—Atkinson-Davis	\$	1,265.15
Tax sale redeemed—Bernard Dupuis		150.36
Tax sale redeemed—Ernest Carpenter		142.82
Property tax		61.00
Interest		6.45
		\$ 1,625.78

1972 Tax sale redeemed—Ernest Carpenter	\$	121.63
Tax sale redeemed—Arthur McArthur		226.50
Tax sale redeemed—Wayne Williams		307.40
Property tax		14,195.52
Interest		537.36
Resident tax		510.00
Resident tax penalties		51.00
Yield tax		60.70
Yield tax interest		4.30
Abatements		122.00
		\$ 16,136.41

1973 Assessment:		
Property tax	\$	143,057.78
Interest		4.94
Resident tax		1,570.00
Resident tax penalties		4.00
Yield tax		253.06
Discounts		1,598.97
Abatements		1,663.71
		\$148,152.46

Received from Barbara Reney, Town Clerk:		
1972 Automobile permits	\$	236.84

1973 Automobile permits	2,435.84	
Filing fees	9.00	
Dog licenses	6.00	
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		\$ 2,687.69

Received from Cheryl D. Patten, Town Clerk:

1973 Automobile permits	\$ 4,030.57	
Dog licenses	298.00	
Dog license fines	22.00	
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		\$ 4,350.57

Received—Miscellaneous:

Edward Hickey, refund overpayment '72	\$ 4.06	
Alan K. Thompson Agency, Ins. premiums and refunds	266.84	
Merrill Tilley, Culvert	62.42	
Lapan's Insurance, refund	14.50	
Citizens National Bank, National Bank stock	20.00	
Randolph Newton, oil	1.60	
Pauline Philbrick, use of town hall, heat and electricity	24.00	
First National Bank, Notes	44,000.00	
Revenue Sharing, incl. interest	6,132.63	
Concord Gen. Mutual, pump at Town Hall	378.41	
Howard Memorial Church, heat	84.00	
Selectmen, pistol permits	6.00	
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		\$ 50,994.46

Received from State of New Hampshire:

Highway subsidy	\$ 9,426.80	
State share Morgan Pond fire	180.00	
State share training meeting	20.24	
Gas tax refund	36.14	
Savings bank tax	675.12	
Interest and Dividend tax	5,752.49	
Business Profits tax	443.72	
Rooms & Meals tax	1,619.30	
T. R. A. refund	4,518.36	
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		\$ 22,672.17

Received from use of Town Equipment:

Shirley E. Fraize	\$ 45.00
Dr. Donald Catino	7.50
Humphrey V. Minahan	15.00
Michael J. Kancer, II	6.00
Malcolm Patten	65.50
Fairfax Downey	10.00
David Reney	15.00
L. Ryder	11.25
John Hewitt	37.50
Charles Lawson, Jr.	22.50
Stanley O. Cheney	8.00
Doris M. Sayer	14.00
Marion A. Heath	130.50
State of New Hampshire	209.90
Benjamin Kezar	27.20
Albert Wood	15.00
Dutchman Pond Assoc.	353.80
John Dargie	44.25
Willis Philbrick	3.00
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	\$ 1,040.90
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<hr/>
	\$248,601.73

Cash on hand January 1, 1973	58,168.19
Revenue Sharing	6,537.00
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	\$313,306.92

Paid by order of Selectmen	234,764.00
Cash on hand December 31, 1973	74,873.29
Revenue Sharing	3,669.63
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	\$313,306.92

LOREN L. PATTEN
Treasurer

REPORT OF REVENUE SHARING AUDIT

Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Fund Balance		
Available Funds January 1, 1973		\$ 6,537.00
Entitlement payments	\$ 5,850.00	
Interest earned	282.63	
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		6,132.63
Total Available Funds		\$ 12,669.63
Less Expenditures:		
Public Safety (Fire Dept.)	\$ 1,500.00	
General Government (Town Hall repairs)	1,428.49	
Capital Expenditure (Highway truck)	6,000.00	
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		\$ 8,928.49
Fund Balance December 31, 1973		\$ 3,741.14
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		\$ 12,669.63
As of December 31, 1973 the fund balance was on deposit as follows:		
Newport Savings Bank S/A	\$ 3,669.63	
First National Bank Checking A/C	71.51	
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		\$ 3,741.14
As of December 31, 1973 the amount appropriated but unexpended was		
The amount unappropriated was	\$ 1,071.51	
	2,669.63	
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		\$ 3,741.14

February 11, 1974

JOSEPH W. DAVIS
Auditor

AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that I have audited the accounts of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk and other officers of the Town of Springfield, N. H., and found them correctly cast and supported by the proper vouchers.

February 11, 1974

JOSEPH W. DAVIS
Auditor

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

DETAIL 1

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Henry W. Kidder, III, Selectman	\$	550.00
Fred L. Davis, Selectman		550.00
Arnold Putney, Selectman		550.00
Cheryl D. Patten, Town Clerk		118.13
Marjorie C. George, Tax Collector		413.44
Loren Patten, Treasurer		324.87
Joseph W. Davis, Auditor		118.13
Barbara A. Reney, Trustee of Trust Funds		59.06
Kneiland Wheeler, Police Chief		52.50
Fred L. Davis, Fire Chief & Health Officer		105.00
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	\$	2,841.13

DETAIL 2

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSE

Henry W. Kidder, III, Selectman	\$	98.25
Fred Davis, Selectman, Fire Chief, Health Officer, P. D. Mileage, Auto Permits		105.00
Arnold Putney, Selectman		95.50
Loren Patten, Treasurer		37.80
Joseph W. Davis, Auditor		5.96
Dues:		
N. H. Town Clerk's Association (1973)		8.00
N. H. Municipal Association (1973)		62.50
N. H. Tax Collector's Association (1973)		10.00
N. H. Assoc. of Assessing Officials		10.00
Zella Eastman LaForge, Trans. & Mortgage cards		64.95
Argus-Champion, Superv. Check List		21.70
Daily Eagle, Help Wanted		6.40
Karl H. Lehtiner, Deed Howard Road		1.00
Warren George, Deed Howard Road		1.00
Warren & Alvina White, Howard Road		1.00
KRSD, Deed to Schoolhouse		1.00
Wheeler & Clark, Dog Licenses		34.35
Barbara Reney, Town Clerk		145.27
Barbara Reney, Auto Permits		153.00

Marjorie C. George, Deputy Town Clerk	139.50
Marjorie C. George, Tax Collector's Meeting	15.00
Marjorie C. George, Postage	80.00
Cheryl D. Patten, Auto Permits & Dog Licenses	270.58
Cheryl D. Patten, Vital Statistics	56.31
Country Press, Printing	730.50
Professional Office Services, Clerical	383.83
Newport Business Equipment, Office Equip. Repairs	24.75
Brown & Saltmarsh, Stationery supplies	41.39
Homestead Press & Bookshop, Tax Bills & Envelopes	27.90
N. H. Distributing Agency, Office Furniture	102.00
Branham Publishing Co., Ref. Book	8.35
Postage & Box Rental	41.80
Whitney Studio, Cover picture - Town Report	7.00
KRSD, Bus to School Meeting	12.88
David N. Reney, Misc. Office Supplies	7.78
Soil Conservation Service, Soil Survey	710.00
Sullivan County Conservation Dist., Soil Survey Report	136.00

\$ 3,658.25

DETAIL 3

TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

Public Service, Town Hall, Library & Office, Garage	\$ 236.76
Corbett Oil Co., Gas, Town Hall & Library	244.68
Kidder Garage, Fuel Oil, Town Hall & Garage	216.71
N. E. Telephone Co., Garage	161.48
Cote & Reney, Lumber	1.92
N. L. Hardware, Keys & Supplies	9.37
Country Store, Gas & Misc. Supplies	40.00
Barry Dashner, Repairs to Town Hall, Material & Labor, School Roof	3,039.79
Heath & Field, Pump, Town Hall	428.41
Kearsarge Plumbing & Heating, Cleaning furnace and water system	141.49
Middlesex Fire Equipment, Fire Extinguishers	44.90
George A. Roberts, wiring school	52.11

Ruby Carpenter, Janitor Service	56.50	
Robert Miller, Mowing & Raking	83.01	
Edward Hickey, Mileage & Bulbs	1.70	
		\$ 4,758.83

DETAIL 4

REGISTRATION AND ELECTION EXPENSES

Howard Memorial Church, Meals for Election Workers	\$	27.00	
Ballot Clerks:			
Mildred Davis	\$	8.00	
Mabel Pillsbury		8.00	
Lillian Delaney		8.00	
Myrtle Cote		8.00	32.00
			\$ 59.00

DETAIL 5

POLICE

Treas., State of New Hampshire, S. P. Radio Repair	\$	22.20	
Kneiland Wheeler, Chief, Wages & Mileage		817.90	
Frank Anderson, Mileage		97.15	
Fred L. Davis, Mileage		71.10	
Bernie Ross, Police Duty and Mileage		71.00	
Sunapee Police Department, Police Duty and Mileage		46.27	
			\$ 1,125.61

DETAIL 6

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$	716.00	
Final of Forest Fire Appropriation		433.93	
Revenue Sharing Appropriation		1,500.00	
Concord General Mutual Ins., Vehicle & Building		284.00	
Malcolm Patten, Fire Warden Meeting & Forest Fire		66.07	
			\$ 3,000.00

DETAIL 7

PLANNING BOARD

Treas., Springfield Planning Board - Appropriation \$ 1,000.00

DETAIL 8

LIBBIE A. CASS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation 1973 \$ ~~1,000.00~~ ^{600.-}

DETAIL 9

HOSPITALS AND VISITING NURSE ASSOC.

New London Hospital, 1973 Appropriation	\$ 400.00	
Kearsarge Visiting Nurse Association	393.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 793.75

DETAIL 10

LEGAL

W. T. Andrews, Atty. \$ 125.00

DETAIL 11

INSURANCE AND OFFICERS' BONDS

Alan K. Thompson Agency, Insurance, Bonds, Liability, Workmen's Comp.	\$ 1,040.00	
Concord General Mutual, Insurance, Ford Truck, Vehicles and Building	1,535.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,575.00

DETAIL 12
TOWN POOR

County of Sullivan, Surplus Food	\$ 129.38	
State of New Hampshire, APTD		
Moody & Thomas	\$ 94.63	
Moody	136.00	
Moody & Ballard	123.00	
Myrtle Cote, Distribution of Surplus Food (1973)	45.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 399.13
		\$ 528.51

DETAIL 13
VITAL STATISTICS

Cheryl Patten \$ 7.00

DETAIL 14
GENERAL EXPENSES HIGHWAYS

See breakdown, Highway Dept. \$12,136.82

DETAIL 15
HIGHWAY DEPT., WINTER/SUMMER

See breakdown, Highway Dept. \$ 17,378.42

DETAIL 16
T. R. A.

Town funds spent, see details, Highway Dept. \$ 5,266.24

DETAIL 17
DUNCAN FUND, CLASS V

See breakdown, Highway Dept. \$ 1,804.77

DETAIL 18
STREET LIGHTING

Lights \$ 568.94

DETAIL 19
MEMORIAL DAY

New London Post #40, American Legion \$ 100.00

DETAIL 20
CEMETERIES

Cemetery Commission Appropriation \$ 750.00

DETAIL 21
INTEREST

First National Bank, Interest on notes	\$	240.00
First National Bank, Int. Anticipated Taxes		767.49
Howard Memorial Church, Int. on Principal		22.50
Sidney W. & Marianna Stockwell, Int.		48.14
		48.14

\$ 1,078.14

DETAIL 22
PAYMENT ON LOANS

Repayment Tax Anticipated notes	\$ 40,000.00
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DETAIL 23
CAPITAL RESERVE AND LONG TERM NOTES

First National Bank, Highway Equip.	\$ 1,000.00	
First National Bank, Beach Lot	1,000.00	
		\$ 2,000.00

DETAIL 24
DISCOUNTS, ABATEMENTS AND REFUNDS

Marjorie C. George, Tax Collector	\$ 3,384.68	
Sidney W. & Marianna Stockwell, Abatement Refund	1,390.60	
		\$ 4,775.28

DETAIL 25
TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

Marjorie C. George, Tax Collector	\$ 993.39
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DETAIL 26
SOCIAL SECURITY

State of New Hampshire, Town Share	\$ 697.59
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DETAIL 27
TOWN DUMP

Town of Grantham - as billed	\$ 918.92
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DETAIL 28
CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation See Civil Defense Report	\$ 300.00
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DETAIL 29
RECREATION AND BEACH

Triangle Chemical Toilet Co., Facility at beach (Approximately 3 months)	\$ 158.00	
Warren George, Rubbish Removal	24.00	
		\$ 182.00

DETAIL 30
STATE AND COUNTY

Treas., Sullivan County, Tax	\$ 20,661.42	
State of N. H., Bond and Debt Retirement	75.55	
State of N. H., Resident Tax and Penalties	849.60	
State of N. H., Report on Boats	4.16	
	<hr/>	\$ 21,590.73

DETAIL 31
REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Upper Valley/Lake Sunapee Council	\$	189.00
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DETAIL 32
HYDRANTS

New London Water Precinct, TLV	\$	150.00
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DETAIL 33
TOWN FOREST SURVEY

Springfield Conservation Commission Appropriation	\$	1,800.00
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DETAIL 34
LAND, BUILDINGS, NEW EQUIPMENT

Genest Ford, New Ford Truck	\$ 7,650.00	
Richard G. Cote, 1,000 Gal. Fuel Tank & Pump	440.00	
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DETAIL 35
KEARSARGE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Last half 1972/73	\$ 46,921.71	
First half 1973/74	46,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 92,921.71

HIGHWAY REPORT

Financial Report

Winter — Summer

George A. Cote, Sr., Wages	\$ 2,263.80
Warren George, Wages	4,015.01
Richard Eldeen, Wages	7.05
Steven Cole, Wages	69.89
Bradly Butcher, Wages	29.70
Earl Carpenter, Wages	300.38
Fred Davis, Wages	31.50
Ernest Patten, Wages	458.26
Arnold Putney, Wages	24.00
Allen D. Dyke, Wages	236.65
Walter Williams, Wages	55.00
Edward Hickey, Wages	2,160.40
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	\$ 9,651.64

George A. Cote, Sr., Mileage & Use of Equipment	\$ 585.22
Warren George, Mileage & Misc.	336.50
Steven Cole, Chain Saw	2.00
Earl Carpenter, Mileage	23.00
Allen D. Dyke, Mileage	18.40
Walter Williams, Mowing Road Sides	290.00
John Burns, Clipping Brush	90.00
Donald Cole, Backhoe	102.00
Edward Hickey, Mileage/phone	46.67
Alfred Cote, Gravel	42.75
Dexter Collins, Sr., Truck	132.80
Wilfred Hastings, Backhoe	52.50
Town of Sunapee, Truck & Sander	138.60
Eaton Jones, Sand & Gravel	811.78
Cote & Reney, Lumber, Sand & Gravel	264.90
Blacktop Inc., Cold Patch	447.52
International Salt	589.89
N. H. Bituminous, Tar	1,724.90
Northeastern Culvert Corp.	2,027.35
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	\$ 7,726.78
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	\$ 17,378.42

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

General Expenses

Bailey Bros., Parts, Ford Truck	\$	10.31
Barrett Equipment, Mud Flaps		9.50
Chadwick & BaRoss, Parts & Labor, Grader	4,454.72	
Cote & Reney		10.00
Country Store, Gas & Supplies	1,409.52	
Demers Plate Glass Co., Overhead Door repair	87.13	
Gardners Store, Gas & Misc.	15.48	
Gateway Motors, Inc., Ford Truck, parts & repairs	1,375.48	
Genest Ford, Ford Truck, Parts & Labor	153.45	
John Grappone, Inc., Voltage Regulator	26.11	
Hathorn's Inc., Gear oil & parts	106.25	
Interstate Tire, Tube & labor, Grader	28.66	
Jordan Milton Machinery Co., Parts & labor, Loader	1,452.18	
Kibby Equipment, Tools, etc.	131.25	
Kidder Garage, Fuel Oil	921.08	
Main St. Texaco, Wrecker call, parts & labor	145.55	
Palmer Spring Co., Ford Truck	40.82	
Pambro Sales Corp., Misc. equip. for Grader	1,153.58	
R. & L. Auto Parts, Materials & parts	123.01	
Rice's, Tires, Tubes, - Ford Truck	245.41	
Sanel Auto Parts Co., Oil	79.20	
G. K. Stetson, Labor Sander & Plow, Catchbasin Covers	118.50	
Sunapee Service Station	19.95	
Bradly Butcher, Torch	2.00	
Elmer Butcher, Sharpening cutters	1.75	
Warren George, Mileage, Misc.	14.87	
George A. Cote, Sr., Glass	1.00	
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		\$ 12,136.76

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Treas., State of N. H. - Town Share TRA	\$	622.10
George Cote, Sr., Wages		1,079.10
Warren George, Wages		719.43

Steven Cole, Wages	383.18	
Earl Carpenter, Wages	180.00	
John Burns, Clipping Brush	126.00	
Donald Cole, Backhoe	156.00	
Dexter Collins, Sr., Truck	785.40	
George Smith Construction, Backhoe & Compressor	1,215.03	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,266.03

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Number of books, January 1, 1973		3,032
Number of books added by purchase or gift		41
Number of books, December 31, 1973		3,073
Circulation for children	493	
Circulation for adults	423	
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Total Circulation for year		916
Total number of patrons		116

LUCILLE WHEELER
Librarian

LIBRARY TRUSTEE'S REPORT

We would like to express our thanks to Jill Duford, Janet Patten and Anette Miller for their splendid volunteer work.

An Art Exhibition was held at the Libbie A. Cass Memorial Library for the first time, and Betty Collins exhibited many of her oil paintings. We would like to continue these exhibitions and urge all artists to participate.

During the summer, the Library conducted a five week reading program for children from age 4 through the 6th grade.

MABEL PATTEN
DOROTHY ELDEEN
CYNTHIA ANDERSON

LIBBIE A. CASS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Financial Report

Balance on hand January 1, 1973 \$ 272.68

RECEIPTS:

Town Appropriation	\$ 600.00
Miss Pauline Drummond for books	50.00
Beaver Jr. Grange, Children's books	10.00
Pearl Wheeler Fund	47.00
Sale of Town History Books, Old books, Fines and repyt. lost books	64.75
Bank Interest	15.89

787.64

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$1,060.32

DISBURSEMENTS:

Librarian's Salary	\$ 200.00
Purchase of new books	217.24
Office Supplies & Postage	27.43
Janitor's Services	14.50
Janitor's Supplies	10.65
Reading Program Prizes	2.75

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$ 472.57

Balance on hand January 1, 1974

587.75

\$1,060.32

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Cemetery Trust Funds

Due to the energy crisis, paper shortage, etc., it has been decided not to print a complete list of Trust Funds as has been done in the past. A list of Trust Funds is posted at the Town Office and anyone wishing information about any of these may contact the Trustee of Trust Funds and they will receive a complete report of the Fund in question. All Cemetery Trust Funds are invested in the Newport Savings Bank at 5¼% interest.

Bal. of Principal December 31, 1972	New Trust Funds* Estab. 1973	Bal. of Principal December 31, 1973
\$5,390.00	\$700.00	\$6,090.00
Income Balance Beginning Year	Income Earned	Income Expended
\$265.20	\$304.61	\$230.33
		Balance End Year
		\$339.48

*New Trust Funds Established—1973

William and Jane Hill	Cemetery Fund	\$100.00
John and Bertena George	Cemetery Fund	200.00
Harland and Marion Heath	Cemetery Fund	300.00
W. Glenn and Virginia Mathewson	Cemetery Fund	100.00

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1972	\$2,223.90		
C. B. Robinson Fund	590.82	\$ 31.24	\$ 622.06
Royal Arch Fund	349.27	18.46	367.73
Highway Equip. Fund	283.81	15.00	298.81
Fire Dept. Equip. Fund	1,000.00	49.15	1,049.15
			\$2,337.75
Balance December 31, 1973			\$2,337.75
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS			\$2,337.75

This is to certify that the information in these reports is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BARBARA A. RENEY
Trustee of Trust Funds

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Through June and July, we experienced a lot of vandalism (broken windows, signs stolen, etc.) around Lake Kolelemook. The approximate value of stolen property was \$630.00.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Complaints	88
Breaking and Entering	5
Accidents	5
Missing persons, found	3
Stops	63
Warnings	26
Arrests	16
Assists to Motorists	9

KNEILAND A. WHEELER,
Chief of Police

FINANCIAL REPORT

(See Detail 5)

SPRINGFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Fire Department has taken great steps forward this year. Sixteen volunteers have each amassed 50 hours, and three officers over 100 hours of basic fire fighting training at the State and Civil Defense training schools.

We were able to purchase some needed equipment, but much more is needed to up-date our department.

Since the trucks we now have are 20 years or older, which accounts in part for our high insurance rates, we feel it is necessary to purchase a new truck which could be bought with Revenue Sharing Funds (no increase in taxes). With a new truck and equipment, approved by the State Board of Underwriters, if you live within 3 miles of the firehouse, your fire insurance would reduce from \$6.10 to \$4.10 per thousand and from \$8.00 to \$5.20 per thousand on

contents. Within the next two to three years, this could extend to a 5 mile area.

We had six calls in 1973 (double last year) and rescued one parakeet from a treetop.

FRED L. DAVIS, Fire Chief

FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal 1973

RECEIPTS:

Balance on hand December 31, 1972	\$ 86.03
Received from Town	716.00
Forestry Appropriation	433.93
Revenue Sharing	1,500.00
Auction, Dances, Donations, Rabies Shots	1,553.94
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	\$4,289.90

DISBURSEMENTS:

Revenue Sharing:

Middlesex Fire Equipment Co.	\$ 982.52
Sanel Auto Parts Co.	101.07
Equip. & Supplies (Various)	416.41
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	\$1,500.00

Public Service Co.	\$ 33.67
Fire Training & Travel	216.09
Cost of Auctions, Dances & Clinic	266.63
General Expense	319.74
Insurance	48.00
Kidder Garage, Inc.	211.07
Country Store	98.12
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	\$1,193.32

	\$2,693.32
Cash on Hand December 31, 1973	\$1,596.58
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\$4,289.90

JOHN B. RICHARDS,
Secretary/Treasurer

**REPORT of the FOREST FIRE WARDEN
and DISTRICT CHIEF**

The New Hampshire Forest Fire Service is represented in every town, city or unorganized place in our state by the forest fire warden. Anyone wishing to kindle an outside fire when the ground is not covered with snow must first obtain the written permission of the fire warden. Except for cooking fires, no fire can be kindled between 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. unless it is a commercial or industrial burn or it is raining. The fire warden is assisted in his work by the District Forest Fire Chief who works for the Department of Resources and Economic Development Forest Fire Service.

Fire prevention was, again this year, the most important part of the Forest Fire Warden's job. Fire statistics show the need with 72% of the fires caused by smoking, debris burning and children. Smokey the Bear is an important prevention tool but he still needs much help from the public. Parents should warn their children of the hazards of playing with matches. Children tend to forget that a lighted match held in their hand is a potential forest fire.

The number of fires reported and acres burned—1973 season:

	STATE	DISTRICT	TOWN
Fires reported	617	12	1
Acres burned	244	1½	Spot
Acres average size	.395		

MALCOLM PATTEN
Forest Fire Warden

GERALD S. GROSS
District Fire Chief

KEARSARGE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION REPORT

For 3½ years, the Kearsarge Visiting Nurse Association has provided many services to the residents of Andover, Bradford, Danbury, New London, Springfield, Sutton, Warner and Wilmot. These services range from nursing care and physical therapy to counseling and teaching on family planning, financial assistance, pre-natal and newborn care, and guidance in individual and family problems.

In many cases, the individual or family was referred to one or more of the following: hospital, physician, nursing home, mental health clinic, alcohol and drug abuse program, crippled children's services, surplus food program, welfare and selectmen. These are just a few of the resources available to all of us. **618 visits** were made for this type of service with no fee charged.

484 visits were made for direct nursing care which includes care of catheters, colostomies, dressings, heart/lung exams, blood pressure check, injections and medications. **36 physical therapy visits** were made in the home. Occupational therapy officially began Nov. 1 with **one evaluation visit**. These three services involved a fee that was determined on an individual basis, according to patient's income, frequency of visits, etc. **Regardless of ability to pay, service was provided.**

Statistics for 1973:	Total visits	1,102
	Mileage	12,030

Our immunizations clinics, held in Jan., Mar., May, Sept., and Nov. continue to demonstrate the need for more adequate immunization of our children. 1,021 immunizations were given to 618 children ranging in ages 2 mos. to 18 years (double 1972).

Our loan closet continues to grow due to generous contributions. The medical equipment is used for patients who are receiving KVNA services.

Springfield had a resident population June 30, 1973 of 319; the assessment based on \$1.25 per capita totals \$398.75. There was a total of 86 visits made in Springfield.

Your representative to the KVNA board from Springfield is Mrs. Dorothy Nodine.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. LOIS SPEARMAN, R. N.
Director, Kearsarge VNA

YOUR REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

The last legislative session was a busy one. I was appointed to two committees: Constitutional Revision and Claims, Military and Veteran Affairs. In order to keep up with the vast number of bills in committees effecting towns and cities, I used the services of the two research assistants from the New Hampshire Municipal Association.

Being a strong believer of home rule, I worked to stop passage of all bills that would erode the tax base or give the state the powers that should remain at the local level. I introduced and got enacted HB 755 conferring immunity on city and town officials.

Other bills I either co-sponsored or worked to pass for the good of local government: HB 686 - Towns have lien for uncollected property taxes on houses, trailers and mobile homes.

HB 851 - Emergency zoning bill which gives towns and cities some control over developers.

I worked with Representative Nutt of Hanover to keep the resident tax monies in the cities and towns. I helped to pass SB 104 - the Gile Forest Bill. I was responsible for killing HB 500 - a very restrictive bill which would give the management of cities and towns and the school boards no power to negotiate with employees.

On many occasions I have met with the Governor to discuss municipal problems which seem to compound every year. I met with the Governor and Commissioner Duval on the problems of our public works department in getting used to OSHA (Occupational Safety & Health Administration) type regulations and getting help through educational process concerning the enforcement of them, thus eliminating fines.

As Finance Chairman of our county delegation, I am working to see that our tax dollars are spent for fullest value.
It has been a pleasure to serve you.

GEORGE I. WIGGINS,
Your Representative
to the General Court

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

The Springfield Planning Board is nearing completion of its third full year of activity. The regular monthly meetings have been supplemented by a great many special meetings in order to take care of the many items of business presented to the Board for its review.

On May 15, 1973 the Board accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Mildred C. Davis. Mrs. Davis had been the extremely able and competent secretary of the Board since 1971, and she will be greatly missed. Mrs. Davis' vacancy on the Board was filled by Mrs. Dorothy B. Nodine.

During the course of the past year the Planning Board reviewed and gave final approval to 21 lots. In addition, preliminary approval was granted for 19 more lots. The 160 lot Eastman subdivision is currently being reviewed by the Planning Board and has been the subject of special meetings on May 1, October 2, and December 4, 11, 18. These meetings have been attended by large numbers of townspeople as well as representatives of various State, County and Regional Agencies. In addition to these meetings, the Planning Board has conducted numerous on-site inspections of the property. At the present time, representatives of Controlled Environment Corporation have presented solutions to numerous questions raised by the Board, but an ultimate decision regarding the overall density has yet to be reached.

On July 17, the Planning Board held a special meeting to discuss the pros and cons of Mobile Home development. The meeting was well attended, and Mr. William Lord, County Extension Agent, was on hand to show slides and answer questions.

The Planning Board followed closely the developments surrounding the Gile Forest, and are pleased to announce that the transfer of this 6,500 acre tract from Dartmouth College to the State of New Hampshire is very nearly complete. This large tract will be preserved as a State Forest.

During September of the past year, the Planning Board appointed a ten-member Advisory Committee to assist the Planning Board in carrying out its duties. This Committee drafted and sent out a planning questionnaire to all taxpayers within the Town. The final results are in, and were the subject of a special meeting held

on January 19, 1974. The Planning Board would like to thank the following townspeople who were members of this Committee:

Mr. Andrew D'Amico, Chairman	Mr. Donald Heath
Mrs. Evelyn Richards	Mrs. Irma Cole
Mr. David Reney	Mr. Richard Kidder, Jr.
Mrs. Myrtle Cote	Mrs. Mabel Patten
Mr. Benjamin Kezar	Mr. Frank B. Easton, Jr.
Mrs. Betty Collins	Planning Board Rep.

The Planning Board has been fortunate to have had the assistance of Mr. Robert Ward, the regional planner from the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council. Town members of this regional commission are Ralph Nodine and Dallas Patten. In addition, the Board has received valuable help from Mr. Leon Geil, the new County Engineer, and from the Sullivan County Soil Conservation Service.

The Board would like to remind townspeople that our regular meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month, and are open to the public.

JEFFREY MILNE, Chairman
 DOROTHY B. NODINE, Secretary
 MARIANNE KANCER, Treasurer
 FRANK B. EASTON, Jr.
 DALLAS PATTEN
 C. ALLEN WADDELL
 FRED DAVIS, Selectmen

PLANNING BOARD

Financial Report — Fiscal Year 1973

Balance of Checking account December 31, 1972 \$ 308.15

RECEIPTS:

Town Appropriation	\$1,000.00
Subdivision Fees	375.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS 1,375.00

\$1,683.15

DISBURSEMENTS:

Albert Leavitt,	
Base and Topo Maps	\$ 21.00
Donald Ingram, Attorney's Fees	387.40
Dorothy Nodine, Petty Cash	25.00

Prof. Office Services—Questionnaires	54.82
Postage—Mailing Questionnaires	28.91
Ruby Carpenter, Janitor Services	3.50
Country Press, Abutment Notices	24.50

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 545.13

Balance of checking account December 31, 1973 1,138.02

\$1,683.15

Petty Cash Account:

Receipts:

Balance from Mildred Davis	\$ 21.17
Transferred from Checking A/C	25.00

\$ 46.17

Disbursements:

Postage—regular	\$ 1.44
Certified Mail	25.32
14 Tapes	12.92

\$ 39.68

Balance on hand December 31, 1973 6.49

\$ 46.17

MARIANNE C. KANCER, Treasurer

UPPER VALLEY-LAKE SUNAPEE PLANNING COUNCIL REPORT

During 1973 the Council was reorganized to accommodate the new member towns in a separate Lake Sunapee Planning Commission. This Commission has started a solid waste disposal study for member towns, and is preparing to assist in the preparation for tax mapping in the future. Full details on the operation of the Council are available in the report which will be distributed.

DALLAS PATTEN

RALPH NODINE

Town Representatives

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Ben Kezar was elected by the Town as the new member of the Conservation Commission and Harry Cole was appointed by the Selectmen to fill the vacancy caused by Mrs. Downey's resignation. The Commission re-elected Michael Kancer as chairman and Ben Kezar as Treasurer.

The surveying of Town lands as well as a rough timber inventory have been completed. The report and maps of this project will be available soon and will be on display at the Town Office.

We were fortunate to receive an additional \$800.00 from the Ford Foundation which totals \$1,550.00 received from the Foundation for this project.

The Commission has looked into the possibility of constructing conservation ponds at various locations in town which would be of benefit to wild life, the water table and an aid in fire protection.

We are also looking into the possibility of cleaning up old roads to Town property for better fire protection; the removal of cuttable timber; and recreation.

Any help or suggestions you may have to offer would be appreciated.

MICHAEL KANCER, Chr.
BEN KEZAR, Treas.
HARRY COLE

Financial Report

RECEIPTS:

Balance on hand December 31, 1972	\$	750.00	
Town Appropriation		1,800.00	
Ford Foundation		800.00	
Interest		94.04	
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	\$		3,444.04

DISBURSEMENTS:

None—Bills approximating \$2,500.00 not received by year end.			
Balance on hand December 31, 1973	\$		3,444.04

CEMETERY COMMISSION REPORT

During 1973, Pleasant View Cemetery was kept mowed and trimmed. More brush was removed along the walls and some of the trees in the cemetery were pruned. Last summer we started a much needed and long term project—making repairs to the old part of the cemetery. Some grave markers have been straightened, work was started (sic) on filling in sunken graves, repairs to the gates and walls around the cemetery.

There were six interments during 1973.

Three lots were sold during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
 DAVID N. RENEY, Chairman
 MARILYN HEATH, Sec./Treas
 LEON WILDER

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS:

On hand December 31, 1972	\$	5.67
Swift Fund		237.50
Town Treasurer		750.00
Trustee of Trust Funds		230.33

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$1,223.50

DISBURSEMENTS:

Earle Carpenter, labor	\$	302.51
Warren George, labor		24.00
Elba Jillson, labor		58.50
Lucy Jillson, labor		20.00
Robert Miller, labor		80.75
David Reney, labor		69.00
Harold Reney, labor		304.00
Leon Wilder, labor		42.50
Country Store, gas, oil, supplies		34.98
Cote & Reney, boards		3.36
Flowercraft—flowers for Memorial Day		8.45
David Reney, phone calls		1.15

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$ 949.20

Balance Swift Fund Dec. 31, 1973		137.75
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1973		136.55

136.55

\$1,223.50

TOWN HALL COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee for the Betterment of the Town Hall met in the fall to look at the work which had been done on the building. At a later date, the Committee met with the Board of Selectmen to discuss what had been accomplished, and other recommendations which had been made last year.

Progress so far: The broken windowpanes reported last year have been replaced.

The contractor found the sills on the rear of the building to be rotted out, too, and repaired these in addition to those found last year.

The addition of more adequate ventilation has been made.

The attic and belfry areas have been cleared, thanks to the members of the church.

Wiring on the electric cross has been changed—and Fred Davis, Fire Chief, reports that a new 10 lb. fire extinguisher has been installed.

The committee discussed the oil storage tank with the Selectmen and understands that there is a new tank on hand which will be installed underground when ground conditions permit. When this has been accomplished, it will serve both the Town Garage and the Town Hall which will be the solution to the fuel oil storage problem in the Town Hall.

Following is a list of recommendations for 1974:

1. Have a certified electrician check wiring and give cost estimate of rewiring where necessary. Get an estimate for the installation of better lighting in the Hall, keeping in mind the original style of the building.
2. Install a circuit breaker and accessories in the Town Garage so it will operate separately from the Town Hall.
3. Install a second 10 lb. fire extinguisher.
4. Install Coconut Grove lights over the main exit door and, if possible, over the kitchen door. However, the latter can be installed next year.
5. Remove catch from inside exit door and reverse latch and handle to the outside. Install an automatic closer on this door.

6. Exit signs placed conspicuously over all exit doors.
7. Install panic bar on the outside main door another on the kitchen door next year.

The Committee expresses its thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their interest and cooperation.

MABEL PATTEN, Chairman
 HARRY COLE
 DORIS SAYER

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

During the past year we have been active in recruiting Volunteers and forming the Fire Dept./C. D. Rescue Squad which is now beginning a heavy training program.

We sponsored the 36 hour Civil Defense Fire Fighting Course "S-A-F-E" given to the Fire Department and now hope to give the C. D. Course "Basic Rescue" to the Rescue Squad members.

In December, we were honored to have been one of the twelve towns invited to attend a Federal Civil Preparedness Seminar at UNH (2 days).

Thru the Surplus Property Program, we obtained 3 desks and chairs for the Town Office, the Portable siren for the Fire Department and other small items.

Our request for trucks, generators, etc. is still pending.

During the spring floods, we were in contact with N. H. C. D. Personnel which contact is being maintained during the Energy Crisis. This coming year, we hope to pre-plan the Town to meet almost any emergency which might arise. We also hope to continue our own training program thru home study courses, State and Federal workshops, seminars and to work with Town personnel when, as and if needed.

FRANK ANDERSON,
 Civil Defense Director

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS:

Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1973	\$	16.81	
Received from Town		300.00	\$ 316.81

DISBURSEMENTS:

Treasurer, State of N. H.	\$ 8.96
C. D. Plates, Webbing, Textile	
J. C. Whitney & Co., Emergency lights	42.80
Postmaster—postcards and stamps	3.20
Town of Acworth—Siren	100.00
Colonial Pharmacy—Batteries	4.80
Newport Business, Paper, folders, Record book	4.79
L. C. Bonner Co., Inc.—Boat, oars, oarlocks	112.35
Travel Expense—Concord/Durham	8.55
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 285.45
Balance on Hand December 31, 1973	31.36 \$ 316.81

THE WAR MEMORIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

A steel flagstaff on a granite base with a bronze plaque, inscribed with the names of wars in which Springfield veterans served, is recommended by the committee. Its site would be in front of the Library where the present staff stands. A drawing of the proposed memorial is available.

Although the figures of bids are not yet complete, it is estimated that the bulk of the cost would be covered by surplus Bicentennial funds and the Harlan Heath Memorial Fund, designated for such purpose. A budget appropriation is to be requested for the balance.

If approved and financed, the memorial could be erected this spring, perhaps in time for dedication on Decoration Day.

FAIRFAX DOWNEY
JOSEPH W. DAVIS
CARL LEWIS
CHERYL D. PATTEN
FRED L. DAVIS

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Our town beach was used mostly by out-of-town people last summer and some solution should be worked out to ban transients and save our beach for taxpayers.

There were many acts of vandalism at the beach and school playground. Much of the equipment at the playground is now unusable and since the town now owns it, repairs should be made so the children will not get hurt.

To keep the playground and beach in good and workable condition and maintain them, more time and money will be needed than in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED L. DAVIS

MARILYN HEATH

Addendum: With regret, I submit my resignation from this committee.

FRED L. DAVIS

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

As acting Health Officer for one year, I find the Health Officer's obligations require more time and "know-how" in this field to do the kind of job we need in Springfield than I have.

The town must make its own rules in the area of sewage and/or waste disposal systems as New London has done, with inspection of each and every system.

Our lakes and brooks are too clean to let them go unchecked and for the sake of the town, won't some qualified person please come forward to take on this important job?

I can no longer assume responsibility as Health Officer and submit my resignation herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED L. DAVIS

Acting Health Officer

Marrriages Registered In the Town of Springfield, N. H., For the Year Ending December 31, 1973

Date, Place of Marriage	Name and Surname		Name of Parents		Name of Parents		Station of Person by whom Married	
	Groom	Bride	Name of Groom	Name of Bride	Name of Parents	Name of Parents	Station of Person by whom Married	Station of Person by whom Married
Feb. 16, 1973	Robert P. Heath	Hollis Heath	John W. Shank, Jr.	Harry V. Spanos, Justice of the Peace, Newport, N. H.				
Newport, N. H.	Terry-Lee Shank	Marilyn Miller	Charlotte A. McNally	Cheryl D. Patten, Justice of the Peace, Springfield, N. H.				
June 23, 1973	Russell J. Davis	Leonard F. Davis	Albert G. Wood	Barbara Roney, Justice of the Peace, Springfield, N. H.				
Springfield, N. H.	Linda A. Wood	Katherine Coughlin	Sally L. Shank	Barbara Roney, Justice of the Peace, Springfield, N. H.				
May 27, 1973	Norman W. Thompson	Harold Thompson	John A. George	Joseph E. Thomas, Minister of the Peace, Springfield, N. H.				
Springfield, N. H.	Brenda L. Brown	Alice Pellerin	Bertena Saunders	Joseph E. Thomas, Minister of the Peace, Springfield, N. H.				
Nov. 17, 1973	Peter L. Beaupre	Eugene Beaupre	David N. Roney	Joseph E. Thomas, Minister of the Peace, Springfield, N. H.				
Springfield, N. H.	Valerie A. Roney	Doris Goodwin	Barbara A. George	Joseph E. Thomas, Minister of the Peace, Springfield, N. H.				
Dec. 15, 1973	Douglas S. Fraize	Shirley E. Fraize	Raymond J. Desjardin	Cheryl D. Patten, Justice of the Peace, Springfield, N. H.				
Springfield, N. H.	Carol L. Kaczyski	Mildred E. Duchesne	Dorothy A. Valentine	Cheryl D. Patten, Justice of the Peace, Springfield, N. H.				

Deaths Registered In the Town of Springfield, N. H., For the Year Ending December 31, 1973

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Place of Death	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Place of Burial
Jan. 12	John A. George	63	Springfield, N. H.	Joseph A. George	Nettie F. Tyrrel	Springfield, N. H.
Feb. 21	Jane V. Hill	82	New London, N. H.	Moses Mercier	Adeline Deno	Springfield, N. H.
Feb. 27	Pearl F. Wheeler	74	Springfield, N. H.	Frank A. Stone	Lily F. Draper	Springfield, N. H.
June 12	Morris O. Weig	70	Springfield, N. H.	Ossian E. Weig	Elzina Ellithorpe	New London, N. H.

Births Registered In the Town of Springfield, N. H., For the Year Ending December 31, 1973

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Living or Stillborn	Name of Child	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Feb. 19, 1973	New London, N. H.	Living	Henry Anthony	George H. Bresnahan	Cora L. Reynolds
Mar. 19, 1973	New London, N. H.	Living	Dexter Sterling	Michael J. Kancer	Marianne C. Leyds
Mar. 20, 1973	Hanover, N. H.	Living	William Eldredge	Steven D. Cole	Martha E. Cate
Sept. 14 1973	New London, N. H.	Living	Laurie Anne	Donald Catino	Jill S. McEntee
Dec. 25, 1973	New London, N. H.	Living	Ami Felecia	George H. Bresnahan	Cora L. Reynolds

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHERYL D. PATTEN, TOWN CLERK

and testified to local support of the bill. From then on the bill had the reputation and momentum of a bill with strong support. The committee kept up the momentum, lobbying the bill through the stages and going to Concord with their Springfield neighbors to testify before three more committees.

Finally the bill was signed by Governor Thompson in the closing days of the session. The committee stayed on the job, shepherding the bill through the various necessary appraisals and approvals, until the title was passed on January 31, 1974, the last day of the Dartmouth option.

Springfield members of the committee:

Fred Davis	Jeffrey Milne
John Diclerico	Arnold Nichols
Frank Easton, Jr.	Ralph Nodine, III
Michael Kancer, III	Arnold Putney
Henry Kidder, III	Allen Waddell

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