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Dedicates Its 1978 Annual Reports
To
MAURICE H. CASWELL
Who Dedicated Twenty-seven Years
As Selectman

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TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

Donald G. Shaw — 1981 John B. Young — 1979
George I. Waldron — 1980

TOWN CLERK and TREASURER

Phyllis F. Lynbourg — 1980

TAX COLLECTOR

Marjorie Stiles — 1980

MODERATOR

Russell C. Shillaber

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Freda Q. Harding Myrtle Hammer Dorothy J. vonKlock

HEALTH OFFICER

Harold McDonald

AUDITORS

Stephen J. Seeman — 1979 Helen Sims — 1980

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

M. Justine Leighton — 1980 Errol D. Clark — 1981
Donald Poppema — 1979

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Katrina Rhodes — 1981 Betty C. Davis — 1980
Davis Clarke — 1979

LIBRARIAN

Ellen E. Stiles

FIRE WARDEN

Loren Pierce - Resigned Jan. 1979
Wilbur Rainey

DEPUTIES

Herbert Scribner George Thorne John MacDougall
Harley Winkley Howard Ambrose Lorin Pierce

ROAD AGENT

Herbert Scribner

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Robert L. Evans

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Harold McDonald

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Erlon Jacobs
James P. Savitts

William Porter
R. Steven Leighton
Andrea Evans - Dog Officer

Carl Brown - Acting Chief
E. Laurentz

PLANNING BOARD

Lester Huckins — 1980 John B. Young — 1979
Paul Desmairais — 1979 David Dupee — 1981
James L. Foss — 1981

Alternates

Mark Thompson

John Creamer

John Penney

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Philip Dame — 1980 Rene A. Morin — 1982
Robert Chadbourn — 1979 John O'Brien — 1983
Verna Davis — 1981

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Robert Perry — 1981 Gail Barry — 1980 JoAnn Brown — 1981
John Bozak — 1979 Spencer Smith — 1979

RECREATION COMMISSION

Lois Fistere — 1979 Ernest B. Brown — 1980
Robert Omand — 1980 John B. Penney — 1981
Denise Thorne — 1981

TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

The Polls will be open from 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.

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

You are hereby notified to meet at Strafford Elementary School in said Strafford on Tuesday, the 13th day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
- 1a. To consider the adoption of Amendments to the Land Use and Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board. (These items appear on the official ballot) NOTE: All articles except No. 1 & 1a will be taken up at 8:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 13th, 1979.
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 pay \$3.50 per hour for all hourly labor.
4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$10,270.00 for the operation of the Police Department.
5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,125.50 for the support of the Rural District Health Council. (\$2,125.50 from Revenue Sharing.)
6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,779.00 as a donation to the Center Barnstead Fire Department to provide ambulance service for the Town of Strafford. (\$2,779.00 from Revenue Sharing.)
7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 to maintain the Strafford Recycling Center.
8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$8,374.69 for the operation and maintenance of the Town Fire Department. (\$1,000.00 from Revenue Sharing.)
9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,740.00 for radio equipment for the Fire Department, consisting of six tone-alerting receivers and one portable radio.
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,400.00 to

purchase a 1963 fire truck from the Town of Barrington and authorize the Fire Department and Selectmen to sell three fire trucks and the money from the same be used to offset the price of the Barrington truck.

11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$60,000.00 for Highways and Bridges.

12. To see if the Town will accept Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate \$1,034.87 to which the State of New Hampshire will contribute \$6,899.14.

13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$4,262.00 for the operation of the Strafford Library. (\$1,000.00 from Revenue Sharing.)

14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,400.00 for Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance.

15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$200.00 for observance of Memorial Day.

16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$100.00 as a donation to the Bow Lake Community Club to help defray the cost of the 4th of July fireworks display.

17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,300.00 for the support of the Recreation Commission. (\$500.00 from Revenue Sharing.)

18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$200.00 for the support of the Conservation Commission.

19. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Mrs. Evelyn Johnson land and water supply pond for use of fire protection for the center of town, bordered East of 202A, South of 126 & 202A, West of Evelyn Johnson and Robert Huckins land.

20. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue, subject to gates and bars, the following named Class VI Highways:

A. The so called Little Niagara Road leading from the Barn Door Gap northeasterly toward the Second Crown Point Road, a distance of one (1) mile from the Barn Door Gap Road.

B. The so called Old Ridge Road leading from the Province Road northeasterly to Route 126 from property of Desmarais to property of Penney. (approx. .5 mile)

21. To see if the Town will vote to accept approximately 1875' of the Whig Hill Road, starting at Critchett's Corner, and ending at Sunny Oaks Terrace. This road was reconstructed to Town specifications in 1977 and 1978. (open Town Road now ends at Critchett's corner.)

22. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public road, the new street known as Terrie Court which is located off the Canaan Road, this road is approximately 600' long and was constructed by the builder according to Town specifications. (by petition.)

23. To see if the voters will authorize and empower the Planning Board to review, and approve or disapprove site plans for the development of tracts for non-residential uses, whether or not such development includes a subdivision or resubdivision of the site in accordance with RSA 35:19a.

24. To see if the voters will adopt the provisions of RSA 36:35 with respect to the office of Building Inspector and to authorize, empower and require the Building Inspector to withhold the issuance of building permits until the applicant has complied with the subdivision regulations and site plan review rules and regulations in accordance with such section.

25. To see if the voters are in favor of vesting in the Board of Adjustment the powers presently vested in the Selectmen as the Board of Appeals to hear persons aggrieved by any decision of the Building Inspector.

26. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the Withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as setoffs against budgeted appropriations for the following specific purposes and in amounts indicated herewith or take any other action hereon:

APPROPRIATION	AMOUNT
Ambulance	\$2,779.00
Fire Department	\$1,000.00
Library	\$1,000.00
Recreation Commission	\$ 500.00
Rural Health	\$2,125.50

27. To see if the Town will approve and appropriate money for the following changes in Town Officers salaries:

	PRESENT	PROPOSED
Auditors	60.00	100.00
Town Treasurer	700.00	1,200.00
Chairman, Selectmen	1,200.00	1,400.00
Selectmen	1,000.00	1,200.00
Tax Collector	1,100.00	1,200.00

28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$250.00 for Civil Defense.

29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$22,000 for the completion of the tax map. \$13,200.00 to be raised in 1979 and \$8,800.00 in 1980 and to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate for the completion of the tax map.

30. To see if the town will grant 2% discount on taxes paid within ten days of mailing of the tax bill.

31. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

32. To transact any other buisness that may legally come before this meeting.

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

John B. Young
George I. Waldron
Selectmen of Strafford

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

John B. Young
George I. Waldron
Selectmen of Strafford

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD, NH

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1979 to December 31, 1979 or for the Fiscal Year From January 1, 1979 to December 31, 1979.

Purposes of Appropriation	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1979 (1979-1980)
General Government:			
Town officers' salaries	\$ 5,930.00	\$ 5,787.51	\$ 6,180.00
Town officers' expenses	6,000.00	8,453.72	8,500.00
Election & Registration Expenses	800.00	1,572.63	800.00
Expenses town hall and other buildings	300.00	526.86	600.00
Reappraisal of property	17,500.00	17,500.00	
Auto Permits	1,800.00	1,819.00	2,000.00
Employees Retirement & Social Security	1,600.00	1,467.49	1,800.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	8,100.00	7,407.67	10,270.00
Fire Department, Inc.			
Forest Fires	4,350.00	5,139.83	8,374.69
Blister rust & care of trees	100.00	100.00	
Planning and Zoning	1,100.00	1,204.43	1,200.00
Damages by dogs	200.00	486.82	500.00
Insurance	1,300.00	4,524.35	3,525.00
Civil Defense			250.00
Conservation Comm.	200.00	408.50	200.00
Lakes Region Mutual Aid Fire Assn.	3,088.00	3,088.00	
Purchase Bow Lake Fire Dept. Bldg.	3,500.00	3,500.00	
Center Strafford Fire Station	8,000.00	8,000.00	
Health Department:			
Health Dept. Hospital Ambulance \$2,779			
RDHC \$2,125.50	4,791.50	4,791.50	4,904.50
Vital Statistics	25.00	25.00	25.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	9,000.00	8,904.11	10,000.00

Highways & Bridges:			
Town road aid	927.49	927.49	1,034.87
Town Maintenance	45,000.00	48,210.43	45,000.00
Streeting Lighting	1,200.00	1,185.74	1,200.00
General Expenses of highway department	15,000.00	3,877.98	15,000.00
Library	4,325.00	3,902.18	4,262.00
Public Welfare:			
Town poor	1,000.00	11.75	1,000.00
Old age assistance	1,400.00	1,064.25	1,400.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day - Old home day	200.00	253.92	200.00
Fireworks	100.00	100.00	100.00
Recreation:			
Parks & Playground, inc. band concerts	2,000.00	1,949.95	2,300.00
Unclassified:			
Tax Map		4,707.44	
Debt Service:			
Principal-long term notes & bonds	7,666.00	7,666.00	7,668.00
Interest-long term notes & bonds	850.00	546.30	700.00
Interest on temporary loans	400.00	713.75	1,500.00
Total Appropriations	\$157,752.99	\$159,824.60	140,494.06

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year
From Local Taxes:			
Resident Taxes	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,720.00	\$ 9,000.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	175.00	2.75	3.00
Yield Taxes	3,000.00	6,990.50	5,000.00
Interest on Delinquent Taxes		849.45	500.00
Resident Tax Penalties		210.99	50.00
Inventory Penalties		360.00	300.00
From State:			
Meals and Rooms Tax	8,200.00	8,191.49	8,190.00
Interest and Dividends Tax	11,000.00	6,179.34	6,180.00
Savings Bank Tax	1,500.00	1,634.45	1,635.00
Highway Subsidy	12,947.56	12,947.56	12,612.95
Additional Highway Sub.	7,379.99	7,158.74	8,177.69
Town Road Aid	6,307.69	6,183.29	6,899.14
Reimb. a/c Fighting Forest Fires		47.69	
Reimb. a/c Bus. Profits Tax (Town Portion)	2,673.92	2,250.08	
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:			
Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	26,000.00	34,488.00	34,500.00
Dog Licenses	500.00	1,395.85	1,300.00
Business Licensed, Permits & Filing Fees	900.00	1,576.00	1,200.00
Interest Received on Deposits	2,000.00	2,871.93	2,500.00
Income From Trust Funds		230.36	200.00
Income From Departments		1,477.32	1,000.00
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:			
Revenue Sharing Fund	6,692.00	6,945.00	6,945.00
Total Revenues and Credits	\$ 97,676.16	\$ 110,710.79	\$ 106,192.78

*Total estimated "Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year gives "Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes".

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION & TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 1978

CERTIFICATE

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

John B. Young
George I. Waldron
Donald G. Shaw
Selectmen of Strafford

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATIONS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Town Officers' salaries	\$ 5,930
Town Officers' expenses	6,000
Election and Registration expenses	800.00
Auto Permits	1,800.00
Town Hall and Other Bldg. Expenses	300.00
Reappraisal of property	17,500.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police Dept.	8,100.00
Fire Dept. incl forest fires	4,350.00
Lakes Region Mutual Aid Fire Assn.	3,088.00
Bow Lake Fire Dept. Land, Bldg. & Equip.	3,500.00
Center Strafford Fire Station	8,000.00
Blister Rust and care of trees	100.00
Planning and Zoning	1,100.00
Damage by dogs	200.00
Insurance	1,300.00
Conservation Commission	200.00

HEALTH:

Health Dept.	\$2,054.00	
Ambulance	\$2,738.00	4,792.00
Vital Statistics		25.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal		9,000.00

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATIONS (CONT.)

HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES:	
Town Road Aid	\$ 927.00
Town Maintenance	45,000.00
Street Lighting	1,200.00
General Expenses of highway dept.	15,000.00
LIBRARIES:	
Library	4,325.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:	
Town Poor	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,400.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:	
Memorial Day - Old home day	200.00
4th of July - Fireworks	100.00
RECREATION:	
Parks & Playground, inc. band concerts	2,000.00
UNCLASSIFIED:	
Employees' retirement and Social Security	1,600.00
DEBT SERVICE:	
Principal long term notes & bonds	7,666.00
Interest long term notes & bonds	850.00
Interest on temporary loans	400.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$157,753.00

SOURCES OF REVENUE

FROM LOCAL TAXES:

Resident Taxes	\$ 10,620.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	175.00
Yield Taxes	6,978.00
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	1,042.00
Resident Tax Penalties	84.00

FROM STATE:

Meals and Rooms Tax	8,191.00
Interest and Dividends Tax	6,179.00
Savings Bank Tax	1,634.00
Highway Subsidy	\$12,948
Additional Highway Subsidy	7,380.00
	<u>20,328.00</u>

FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES:

Dog Licenses	500.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	900.00
Interest Received on Deposits	2,000.00
Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	26,000.00
Surplus Jan. 1, 1978 (\$18,418.79)	

RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:	5,000.00
Revenue Sharing Funds	<u>7,238.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$ 96,869.00

Total of Town Appropriations	\$157,753.00
Total Revenues and Credits	96,869.00

Net Town Appropriations	\$ 60,884.00
Net School Appropriations	320,504.00
County Tax Assessments	<u>78,870.00</u>

Total of Town, School & County	\$460,258.00
DEDUCT Total Business Profits Tax Reimb.	-2,248.00
ADD War Service Credits	+ 8,050.00
ADD Overlay	<u>+ 6,541.00</u>
PROPERTY TAXES TO BE RAISED	\$472,601.00

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

TAX YEAR 1978

Land	\$ 1,029,008.00
Buildings	8,240,472.00
Public Service Co. of NH	843,400.00
House trailers, mobile homes & Travel Trailers	
Assessed as Personal Property	63 75,425.00
Boats & Launches	88 <u>37,550.00</u>
TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED	\$10,225,855.00

Elderly Exemptions	25 \$230,000.00
School Dining Room, Dorm. & Kitchen	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED	380,000.00
NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$ 9,845,855.00

Number of Inventories distributed in 1978	1,205
Date 1978 Inventories were Mailed	3/22/78
Number of Inventories Returned in 1978	1,171

Number of Individuals Applying for Elderly Exemption in 1978	14 at 5,000
	6 at 10,000
	5 at 20,000

Number of Individuals Granted an Elderly Exemption in 1978	14 at 5,000
	6 at 10,000
	5 at 20,000

Number of Property Owners who were granted Current Use Exemption in 1978 and total number of acres exempted:

	No. of Owners	No. of Acres
Farm Land	3	56
Wetland	1	20
Forest Land	4	280
Wild Land	1	45

WAR SERVICE TAX CREDITS

	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS	
	Number	Exempt
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty	1	\$ 700.00
All other qualified persons	<u>147</u>	<u>7,350.00</u>
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT	148	\$ 8,050.00
RESIDENT TAXES	1,062	\$10,620.00

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1978

CERTIFICATE

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

John B. Young
George I. Waldron
Donald G. Shaw
Selectmen

ASSETS

Cash:

Bal. Checking Account	\$ 41,060.11
Cert. of Deposit	100,000.00
Surplus Funds Acct.	50,245.90
Tax Map Acct.	2,810.36
Recreation Comm.	3,403.15
Revenue Sharing Acct.	1,350.11
Reappraisal Fund	<u>36,310.15</u>

TOTAL	\$235,179.78
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Accounts Due To The Town:

Due from State: Bal. 1978 TRA Acct.	2,521.05
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TOTAL	\$ 2,521.05
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Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1977	3,056.00
Levy of 1976	1,411.36

TOTAL	\$ 4,467.36
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Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1978, including Resident Taxes	58,131.57
Levy of 1977	411.82

TOTAL	<u>\$ 58,543.39</u>
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$300,711.58
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GRAND TOTAL	\$300,711.58
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Current Surplus December 31, 1977	18,418.79
Current Surplus December 31, 1978	37,836.56
Increase-Decrease of Surplus (Deficit)	
Change in Financial Condition	19,417.77

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by Town:

Fire House App.	\$ 8,000.00
Water St. App.	1,500.00
Reappraisal Fund	36,310.15
Recreation Fund	3,403.15
Tax Map Fund	3,362.93
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	1,350.11

Due to State:

2% Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes	1,395.50
Yield Tax Deposits (Escrow Acct)	3,528.13
School District Tax Payable	201,504.00

Total Accounts Owed by the Town	\$260,353.97
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State and Town Joint Highway Construction Accounts:

Unexpended balance in Town Treasury	
1978 TRA	2,521.05

TOTAL	<u>\$2,521.05</u>
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$262,875.02
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Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)	<u>37,836.56</u>
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GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$300,711.58</u>
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UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

Property Taxes - Current Year - 1978	\$408,892.84
Resident Taxes - Current Year - 1978	8,720.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	
Current Year - 1978	2.75
Yield Taxes - Current Year - 1978	<u>6,990.50</u>

Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted	\$424,606.09
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes - Previous Years	45,277.57
Resident Taxes - Previous Years	850.00
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes	849.45
Penalties: Resident taxes 210.99	210.99
Tax sales redeemed	<u>5,453.27</u>

From State:

Highway Subsidy	20,106.30
Interest and dividends tax	6,179.34
Savings Bank Tax	1,634.45
Fighting forest fires	47.69
Meals and Rooms Tax	8,191.49
Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax	<u>2,250.08</u>

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	1,395.85
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	1,576.00
Interest received on deposits	2,871.93
Income from trust funds	230.36
Income from departments	1,477.32
Motor vehicle permits	<u>34,488.00</u>

\$557,696.18

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$ 50,000.00
Insurance Adjustments	181.00
Refunds & Abatements	7,947.77
Posting Costs	229.20
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds . . .	170,000.00
Sale of Town Property	150.00
Yield Tax Security Deposits	3,528.13
Grants from USA	
Revenue Sharing	7,238.00
Taxes Bought by Town	6,680.99
Private Sale	<u>54.49</u>

\$246,009.58

Total Receipts from All Sources \$803,705.76

Cash on hand January 1, 1978 111,884.44

GRAND TOTAL \$915,590.20

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION PAYMENTS

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 5,787.51
Town Officers' Expenses	8,453.72
Election and Registration Expenses	1,572.63
Auto Permits	1,819.00
Expenses town hall & other bldgs.	526.86

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	7,407.67
Fire Department	
Town	\$3,450.07
Insurance	1,040.00
Equipment	649.76
Care of trees - Blister Rust	100.00
Planning and Zoning	1,204.43
Dog Officer	486.82
Insurance	4,524.35
Conservation Commission	408.50

Health:

Health Dept. including Vital Statistics	
\$25; hospitals & ambulance \$2,738,	
\$2,053.50	4,816.50
Town dump and garbage removal	8,904.11

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	927.49
Town Maintenance: Summer . \$29,357.25	
Winter .. 18,853.18	48,210.43
Street Lighting	1,185.74
General Expense of Highway Dept.	3,877.98

Libraries:

Library	3,902.18
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Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	1,064.25
Town Poor	11.75

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, Vet. Assoc. & Old Home Day	
\$253.92; Fireworks \$100	353.92

Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds	2,489.95
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Unclassified:

Yield Tax	3,645.71
Taxes bought by Town	6,680.99
Discounts, abatements & refunds	8,180.04
Employees Retirement & Soc. Security	1,467.49

TOTAL CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

\$139,737.85

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION (cont.)

Payments

Debt Service:		
Paid on tax anticipation notes	\$ 713.75	
Paid on long term notes	546.30	
Total Interest Payments		\$ 1,260.05
Principal of Debt:		
Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	50,000.00	
Payments on long term notes	7,666.00	
Total Principal Payments		57,666.00
Capital Outlay:		
Payments to funds	255,000.00	
Tax Maps	4,707.44	
Total Outlay Payments		259,707.44
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
Taxes Paid to County	78,991.75	
Payments to School Districts	337,167.00	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		<u>416,158.75</u>
Total Payments for all Purposes		\$874,530.09
Cash on hand December 31, 1978		<u>41,060.11</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$915,590.20

SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Long Term Notes Outstanding:		
Note No. 3 - Fire Truck	\$7,668.00	
Total Long Term Indebtedness		
December 31, 1978; June 30, 1979		\$7,668.00

RECONCILIATION OF OUTSTANDING LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding Long Term Debt - December 31, 1978	\$7,668.00
Total	\$7,668.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

John Young	\$1,159.07
George Waldron	1,000.00
Lester Huckins	245.22
Donald Shaw	795.67
Phyllis Lynbourg	1,400.00
Helen Sims	183.32
Marjorie Stiles	824.94
Loren Pierce	60.00
Stephen Seeman	60.00
Donald Poppema	60.00
Russell Shillaber	50.00

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES

Wheeler & Clark	\$ 44.79
Dorothy Von Klock	411.75
Equity Publishing	348.00
Billye Waldron	63.00
William Lynbourg	443.96
George Waldron	1,062.60
Phyllis Lynbourg	24.70
Laura Carey, Reg. of Deeds	129.00
Ridings Press, Inc.	1,061.25
John B. Young	9.60
Whiting Stationery	48.90
Albert Leighton	70.50
Day's Furniture	4.65
Marjorie Stiles	35.28
Brown & Saltmarsh	210.06
Gloria Creamer	1,758.48
Mark Whitcher	5.60
Foster's Daily Democrat	33.48
George Thorne	274.59
NH Water Supply - Publication	2.00
Ed Quimby	29.50
NH Assessing Officials '78	20.00
Sears Roebuck & Co.	81.19
NH Municipal Association '78 & '79	567.85
Meador's	95.79
NH Tax Collector's Assn.	12.00

Tom Davis	\$ 152.46
NH Public Works Assn.	10.00
Multigraphics	411.46
NH Town Clerks' Assn.	10.00
Cooper, Hall & Walker	41.00
NH Assessing Officials '79	20.00
Kemco Office Products	550.00
Town of Deerfield	50.00
Home Safety Equipment	61.43
Newmarket Press	298.85
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	\$8,453.72

TOWN DUMP

Irving Bickford	\$ 735.00
Harvey McLean - Building for Dump	452.23
George Waldron	72.80
John Tucker	411.00
Herbert Scribner	2,373.60
Brad Sargent	1,612.00
Triangle Atlantic	606.50
Thomas O'Brien	12.00
Raymond Sargent	627.00
Lester Huckins	70.00
Walter Dudley	60.00
Robert Steffen	36.00
Radford Messenger	300.00
Scott Clark	75.00
Tom Davis	378.00
Clifton Avery	18.00
James Shaw	186.00
M. Anthony Construction Co.	252.00
William Nelson	153.00
Paul Lebrecque	229.50
Ellen Shaw	234.00
Lamper & Sons	10.48
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	\$8,904.11
1978 Appropriation	9,000.00
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	\$ 95.89

YEAR-END PROGRESS REPORT / STRAFFORD RECYCLING EFFORTS

1978 year-end totals are in on your recycling efforts. Your percentage of attainment of goals in the separate categories is as follows:

News - 52.7% of goal.
Corrugated - 36.7% of goal.
Glass - 58.3% of goal.
Cans - 28.5% of goal.

The Town of Strafford generated a total of approximately 137 tons of recyclable materials in the past calendar year. If we assume a disposal cost of \$5 per ton, this represents a savings to the Town of Strafford of \$685. If you add this cost avoidance factor to the value of the recycled material, you will find that the actual value of the recycling effort in Strafford equals approximately \$2740.

During this 1979 calendar year, I hope that you will make a renewed and concerted effort to dispose of as much of your solid waste as possible through the valuable recycling program.

Sincerely,
Henry H. Dozier, Jr.
Asst. Director - Services
Division of Physical Plant O & M

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY **As of December 31, 1978; June 30, 1979**

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 20,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
Libraries, Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
Police Department, Equipment	3,000.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	16,000.00
Equipment	53,000.00
Highway Department Equipment	1,500.00
Parks Commons and Playgrounds	40,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	670,703.00
Equipment	25,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's Deed: 3 Acres Town Dump	300.00
All other Property and Equipment: Five Dumpsters	<u>2,700.00</u>
TOTAL	\$838,203.00

STATE HIGHWAY SUBSIDY

1977 Highway Expenditures	\$ 55,526.36
Less Highway Subsidy Grant	<u>20,096.30</u>
Highway Money Raised by Property Tax	\$ 35,430.06

REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

Balance December 31, 1977	\$ 1,432.51
Payments Received from U.S. Treas.	6,945.00
Interest During 1977	<u>210.60</u>
	\$ 8,588.11
Less 1978 Appropriations for	
ambulance, fire, library and recreation	<u>\$ 7,238.00</u>
Balance December 31, 1978	\$ 1,350.11

1977-1978 SCHOOL ACCOUNT

School Appropriation	\$337,167.00
Payments to December 31, 1978	<u>119,000.00</u>
Balance due School District	\$218,167.00

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

December 31, 1978

Permits Issued

37	New Homes	\$1,139,200.00
7	Mobile	76,295.00
1	Modular	33,000.00
29	Additions	97,950.00
8	Utility Sheds	4,237.80
3	Garages	7,000.00
3	Barns	128,500.00
2	Docks - Pools	14,225.00

Harold E. McDonald
Ridge Rd., Ctr. Strafford, NH

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

One foster home inspected, six septic systems inspected (repair), one home inspected on health complaint.

December 31, 1978

Harold E. McDonald
Ridge Rd., Ctr. Strafford, NH

STRAFFORD TRA

1978 - 1979

Money Available

Carried forward from last year	\$1,049.87
Town share 1978-79 appropriation	927.49
State share 1978-79 appropriation	<u>6,183.29</u>
TOTAL	\$8,160.65

Money Spent

Payroll equipment - W/E 10-7-78	280.80
Payroll equipment - W/E 10-14-78	<u>2,626.20</u>
Payroll equipment - W/E 10-21-78	538.20
Payroll labor - W/E 10-21-78	74.02
Mystic Bituminus - asphalt	1,806.38
Lester Huckins - gravel	<u>314.00</u>
TOTAL	\$5,639.60

Balance in account \$2,521.05

Herbert Scribner
Road Agent

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1978

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1978	\$111,884.44	
Receipts, 1978	803,705.76	
		\$915,590.20

EXPENDITURES

Expenditures, 1978	\$874,530.09	
Balance checking acct., Dec. 31, 1978	41,060.11	
		\$915,590.20

First National Bank Rochester Certificate	\$100,000.00
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Rochester Savings Bank and Trust Co.

Bank Book No. 105518

(Surplus Funds Acct.)

Balance, January 1, 1978	\$ 10.22
Deposited, 1978	+ 40,000.00

Bank Book No. 105518 cont.

Deposited, 1978	\$ + 30,000.00
	+ 50,000.00

Interest, 1978	+ 995.37
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Withdrawal, 1978	-70,759.69
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Balance	\$ 50,245.90
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Bank Book No. N596

(Highway Acct. for Tax Map)

Balance, January 1, 1978	\$ 2,664.76
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Interest, 1978	+ 145.60
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Balance	\$ 2,810.36
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Bank Book No. 102462

(Recreation Commission)

Balance, January 1, 1978	\$ 3,738.84
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Interest, 1978	+ 204.31
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Withdrawal, 1978	-540.00
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Balance	\$ 3,403.15
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Bank Book No. 97-781

(Revenue Sharing Acct.)

Balance, 1978	\$ 1,432.51	
Interest, 1978	+ 210.60	
Deposited, 1978	+ 6,945.00	
Withdrawal, 1978	-7,238.00	
Balance		\$ 1,350.11

Bank Book No. 107864

(Reappraisal Fund)

Deposited, 1978	\$ 35,000.00	
Interest, 1978	+ 1,310.15	
Balance		\$ 36,310.15

Owed by the Town of Strafford to the First National Bank of Rochester

Note to finance the New Fire Truck

May 3, 1976 - 3rd Note - \$7,668.00	due 1979
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PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG

Town Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1978

RECEIPTS:

1978 Motor Vehicle Permits	
1,795 Permits Issued	\$34,488.00
1978 Dog Licenses	
274 Licenses Issued	1,395.85
1978 Filing Fees	<u>4.00</u>
	\$35,887.85

Remittance To Town Treasurer

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$34,488.00
Dog Licenses	1,395.85
Filing Fees	<u>4.00</u>
	\$35,887.85

PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG
Town Clerk

TOWN MEETING — MARCH 14, 1978

At the legal Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, the following action was taken on the Town Warrant on Tuesday, the 14th day of March, 1978.

The meeting at the Strafford Elementary School in Strafford was called to order by the Moderator, C. Russell Shillaber, at 10:00 am. The Polls were declared open for voting on Article 1a and 1b from 10:00 am to 6:30 pm. All other Articles to be voted at 8:00 pm.

1a. The following officers were declared elected:

Number of eligible voters on checklist:		851
Number of votes cast:		313
Selectman for 3 years (write in)	Lester E. Huckins	80
	Donald G. Shaw	80
Tie determined by lot - Donald G. Shaw declared elected (RSA 59:86)		
Tax Collector for 2 years	Marjorie A. Stiles	282
Auditor for 2 years (write in) (refused)	Loren W. Pierce	36
Trustee of Trust Funds 3 years (write in)	Errol Clark	22
Library Trustee for 3 years	Katrina Rhodes	281
Road Agent for 1 year (write in)	Herbert H. Scribner	149
Moderator for 2 years (write in)	C. Russell Shillaber	85
Supervisor of the Checklist	Dorothy J. vonKlock	269

The above were administered the oath of office before the Moderator, C. Russell Shillaber.

1b. 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 1 as proposed by Petition of the voters of this town, to the Town Zoning and Land Use Ordinance as follows:

“No subdivisions shall be approved from this date until sixty (60) days after the adoption of the Master Plan but in no event to be later than December 15, 1978.”

Yes - 139

No - 129

2/3 vote required - - - vote in the negative

Amendment No. 1 is not approved by the Planning Board

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by Petition of the voters of this town, to the Town Zoning and Land Use Ordinance as follows:

“To limit subdivision approval to two units or lots for each subdivider and to limit the subdivision of any parcel of land in common ownership, as of this date, into no more than two units or lots, and to further prohibit approval of any subdivision of land located on or off Roads Closed Subject to Gates and Bars and Class 6 roads or highways until sixty (60) days after adoption of the Master Plan, but in no event to be later than December 15, 1978.”

Yes - 204

No - 77

2/3 vote required - - - vote in the affirmative

Amendment No. 2 is approved by the Planning Board

The moderator declared all articles to be properly before the meeting and seconded, except where otherwise specifically proceeded.

2. Motion by Lester Huckins the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,171.00 to defray town charges for the ensuing year. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.
3. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$8,100.00 for the operation of the Police Department. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.
4. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$2,053.50 for the support of the Rural District Health Council. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.
5. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$2,738.00 as a donation to the Center Barnstead Fire Department to provide Ambulance Service for the Town of Strafford (From Revenue Sharing). Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.
6. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$9,000.00 to maintain the Strafford Recycling Center. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.
7. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$4,350.00 for the operation and maintenance of the Town Fire Department (\$2,000.00 from Revenue Sharing). Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.
8. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$60,000.00 for Highways and Bridges. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.
9. Motion the Town accept Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate \$927.49 to which the State of New Hampshire will contribute \$6,183.29. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.
10. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$4,325.00 for the operation of the Strafford Library (\$1,500.00 from Revenue Sharing). Seconded. vote in the affirmative.
11. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$2,400.00 for Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.
12. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$200.00 for observance of Memorial Day. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.
13. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$100.00 as a donation to the Bow Lak

Community Club to help defray the cost of the 4th of July Fireworks Display. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

14. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$2,000.00 for the support of the Recreation Commission (\$1,000.00 from Revenue Sharing). Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

15. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$200.00 for the support of the Conservation Commission. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

16. Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$100.00 for the control of White Pine Blister Rust Disease. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

17. Shall we adopt the new provisions of RSA 72:43-C relative to expanded exemptions on real estate for the elderly, changing the eligibility requirement that a person may own no more than \$35,000.00 in assets of any kind to a requirement that a person may own no more than \$50,000.00 in assets of any kind.

This article passed over because it was improperly on the warrant, without a public hearing and not on the ballot. There will be a Public Hearing held March 23, 1978 and voting on the questions will be April 7, 1978.

18. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue, subject to gates and bars, the following named Class V and VI Highways, each road to be taken up separately.

A. Motion the Town discontinue, subject to gates and bars, the so called Wild Goose Pond Road (Leighton Rd.) from the Province Road westerly to the road

leading to Wild Goose Pond. Seconded. Amendment by George Holt - delay the closure of the road until some repairs are made - namely 200 feet from Wild Goose Road repair a collapsed culvert. Seconded. Vote in the negative. Vote on motion in the Affirmative.

B. Motion the Town discontinue, subject to gates and bars, the so called Second Crown Point Road (Barn Door Gap Road section) from property No. 1367 (Bergstrom Camp) East to property No. 651 (Varney Camp). Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

C. Motion the Town discontinue, subject to gates and bars, the so called Arron Waldron Road leading from the Province Road northeasterly to Evans Mt. Road vicinity R. Tasker property. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

D. Motion the Town discontinue, subject to gates and bars, the section of the Cross Road leading from Route 126 (Scribners Corner) northeasterly to Babbs Corner on the Second Crown Point Road from property of Dolan, to property of Morphy (Approx. 1.2 miles). Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

E. Motion the Town discontinue, subject to gates and bars, the Old Stevens Road located between Dynamite Corner and Merrills Corner from Dynamite Corner to the Farmington line. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

19. Motion to authorize the Town of Strafford to enter into an agreement with the Town of Barrington, pursuant to RSA 53:A-2 and RSA 53:A-3 to establish a water district consisting of the Towns of Strafford and Barrington for the performance of the following function: The supply of water for domestic and fire purposes. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

20. Motion the Town of Strafford send a letter urging the General Court to pass Legislation prohibiting utilities such as Public Service Company of New Hampshire from charging the consumer higher electric rates to pay for construction work in progress (CWIP) on facilities that are not yet providing services. Seconded.

Donald Black - Move the question. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Vote on motion in the Affirmative.

21. Motion to accept as a public road a new street named "Terrie Court" located on the easterly side of Garland Road - Corbet Road, as shown on a Plan entitled "Subdivision of Richard Beck and Harry Brackett, Strafford, New Hampshire, surveyed by John A. Miller Jr.", which plan is recorded in the Strafford County Registry of Deeds. Seconded.

Gerald Howe - move the question. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Vote on motion in the Negative.

22. Motion the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help establish a fund for building a public tennis court, possibly on school grounds. Seconded.

David Gosslin - move the question. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

Vote on motion in the Negative.

23. Motion the Town vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as setoffs against budgeted appropriations for the following specific purposes and in amounts indicated herewith or take any other action hereon:

APPROPRIATION	AMOUNT
Ambulance	\$2,738.00
Fire Department	\$2,000.00
Library	1,500.00
Recreation Commission	\$1,000.00

Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

24. Motion the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,500.00 as the balance of the estimated cost of the reappraisal of all property in Strafford. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

25. Motion the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 154:30 commonly known as the Mutual Aid Law and raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,088.00 for the purpose of becoming a member of the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association, giving the Board of Selectmen the authority to enter into a contract with the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association for a term of five years beginning April 1, 1978, which would provide a full-time communication service to the Fire Department. Seconded.

Loren Pierce, Fire Chief, explained the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association.

Motion to move the question. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Vote on motion in the Affirmative.

26. Motion the Town vote to rescind \$5,325.00, the unused amount authorized by Article 25 - 1976 Town Meeting. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Robert Davis made a report for the committee appointed to study the needs of a new Fire Station at the Center of Town.

27. Motion the Town vote to take over the operation and ownership of the Bow Lake Volunteer Fire Department land, buildings and equipment; at a purchase cost of \$3,500.00 to the town. Equipment to consist of one 1954 Ward LaFrance Fire Truck, one 1500 watt generator, two Scott air packs, three 10 foot sections of 6 inch hard suction hose, 1200 feet of 1½" hose, and 1200 feet of 2½" hose. The only stipulation being that if the property ceased to be used as a fire station it would revert back to the Bow Lake Community Club. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

28. Motion the Town vote to accept a parcel of land from Kenneth Hill to be used for a fire station. This parcel of land measures 146.3 feet frontage on 202A and is 100 feet deep. This parcel includes present fire station. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

29. Motion the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$8,000.00 to rebuild a Center Strafford Fire Station. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

30. Motion the Town grant 2% discount on Taxes paid within ten days of mailing of Tax Bill. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

31. Motion the Town authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

32. Motion by Chris Herbert to reconsider Article 20 - Ruled out of order.

Motion to move Article 32. Seconded. Vote in the Negative.

John Penney made a report on the progress of the Master Plan. Maps made by the

committee were on display.

Motion by David Gosslin - The Town of Strafford go on record in favor of electricity. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

James Foss - motion to adjourn, subject to recall of this meeting, on April 7, 1978, to vote on Article 17. Seconded. Vote in the Affirmative.

17. Questions on ballot - April 7, 1978 - Voting 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

No 1. Shall we adopt the new provisions of RSA:43-C to expand exemptions on real estate for the elderly, changing the eligibility requirement that a person may own no more than \$35,000.00 in assets of any kind to a requirement that a person may own no more than \$50,000.00 in assets of any kind?

No. 2 Shall we adopt the new provisions of RSA 72:43-B relative to expanded exemption on real estate for the elderly, changing the basis for exemption from the equalized assessed value to the actual assessed valuation?

49 votes cast

No. 1 Yes - 32 No - 16

No. 2 Yes - 35 No - 12

A True Record, Attest:

Phyllis F. Lynbourg
Town Clerk

A True Copy of Record, Attest:

Phyllis F. Lynbourg
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES LEVY OF 1978

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$476,597.58	
Resident Taxes	10,620.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes . . .	<u>2.75</u>	
Total Warrants		\$487,220.33

Yield Taxes	8,365.88	8,365.88
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 188.72	
Resident Taxes	<u>850.00</u>	
		1,038.72

Interest Collected on Delinquent

Property Taxes	25.27
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	<u>23.00</u>
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TOTAL DEBITS		\$496,673.20
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CR.

Remittances To Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$408,892.84	
Resident Taxes	8,720.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes .	2.75	
Yield Taxes	6,990.50	
Interest Collected	25.27	
Penalties on Resident Taxes .	23.00	\$424,654.36

Discounts Allowed	6,650.52
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Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 6,996.75	
Resident Taxes	<u>240.00</u>	
		7,236.75

Uncollected taxes - December 31, 1978:

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 54,246.19	
Resident Taxes	2,510.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>1,375.38</u>	58,131.57
TOTAL CREDITS		<u>\$496,673.20</u>

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1977

DR.

Uncollected taxes - As of January 1, 1978:

Property Taxes	\$ 51,719.49	
Resident Taxes	1,020.00	
.	<u>337.44</u>	
		\$ 53,076.93

Added Taxes:

Resident Taxes	\$ <u>250.00</u>	
		250.00

Overpayments:

a/c Property Taxes	\$ <u>15.91</u>	
		15.91

Interest Collected on Delinquent

Property Taxes		1,172.62
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	85.00
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TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$ 54,600.46</u>
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year
Ended December 31, 1978:

Property Taxes	\$ 45,223.78
Resident Taxes	850.00
Interest Collected During Year	1,172.62
Penalties on Resident Taxes .	85.00

Sale to town-prop. taxes . . . \$	6,280.91		
To Priv. Part.-prop. taxes . .	<u>44.90</u>		
		\$	53,657.21
Abatements Made During Year:			
Property Taxes \$	121.43		
Resident Taxes	<u>410.00</u>		
		\$	531.43
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1978:			
(As Per Collector's List)			
Property Taxes \$	64.38		
Resident Taxes	10.00		
	<u>337.44</u>		
		\$	411.82
TOTAL CREDITS			\$ 54,600.46

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1976**

DR.

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1978:			
Property Taxes \$	53.79		
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		2.95	
TOTAL DEBITS			\$ <u><u>56.74</u></u>

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1978:			
Property Taxes \$	53.79		
Interest Collected During Year	<u>2.95</u>		
		\$	56.74
TOTAL CREDITS			\$ <u><u>56.74</u></u>

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1978

DR.

Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:			
	1977	1976	1975
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(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes			
January 1, 1978		\$ 2,336.79	\$ 392.75
(b) Taxes sold to priv. indiv. . . \$ 54.49			
(b) Taxes Sold to Town During			
Current Fiscal Year	6,680.99		
Interest Collected After Sale . .	120.17	103.31	66.00
Redemption Costs	113.23	42.32	10.58
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 6,968.88	\$ 2,482.42	\$ 469.33
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Year:			
Redemptions	\$ 3,582.94	\$ 925.43	\$ 392.75
Interest & Costs After Sale .	233.40	145.63	76.58
Abatements During Year	96.54		
Unredeemed Taxes		177.99	
December 31, 1978	3,056.00	1,233.37	
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 6,968.88	\$ 2,482.42	\$ 469.33
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(a) "Balance of Unredeemed taxes - January 1, 1978:"
Should include balances of Unredeemed Taxes, as of beginning of fiscal year -January 1, 1978 from Tax Sales of Previous Years.

(b) "Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year:"
Tax Sales held during fiscal year ending December 31, 1978, should include total amount of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale.

NOTE: TOTAL DEBITS and TOTAL CREDITS should agree.

UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES

DECEMBER 31, 1978

	1977	Levies of	1976
Cummings, Phyllis, M.	\$ 493.87		\$ 411.63
Bartlett, James & K.	193.18		
Brown, Shepard & Joan	96.01		84.75
Cutter, Dan & C.	261.18		
Inland Acres Assoc.	316.70		277.36
McLaughlin, Robert & S.	771.53		
McLaughlin, Robert	30.78		
Pearson, Glenn	21.97		
Richard, Norman	336.59		294.74
Roberts, David & S.	3.00		
Smith, Lawrence	476.70		
Morrisette, Paul & V.	54.49		48.40
Garneau, Penny & Dana			164.89
LeBrun, Robert			48.40
Kenny, Wm G.			48.40
Harris, Stephen			32.79
TOTAL UNREDEEMED TAXES	\$3,056.00		\$1,411.36

I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1978, on account of the tax levy of 1977 and 1976 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Marjorie A. Stiles
Tax Collector

MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE REPORT

The Master Plan for growth management has been developed during the past year by townspeople serving on the various sub-committees. It consists of a series of situation statements, policy guidelines, recommendations, and related maps, charts, and graphs. The plan was submitted to the Planning Board in the fall and it was subsequently adopted by them.

During the fall, the Master Plan Committee has been working with the Planning Board in the implementation of the Master Plan. Out of the many recommendations presented in the plan, those which would require a change in the zoning laws have been studied in depth by the committee and the board. Nine such amendments to the zoning ordinances have been written and presented to the town for approval.

During the coming year, the committee will be working with the Planning Board on the implementation of other recommendations of the plan. First to be considered will be those recommendations dealing with the sub-division regulations and then general ordinance changes. Continued input by townspeople is necessary to insure a workable plan for growth management. If you have any suggestions, please contact any member of the committee or the Planning Board.

John B. Penney
Mark C. Thompson

1978

STRAFFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

The Commission was saddened this year by the passing of Walter Weidman. Ever since the Town Forest was formed from land given by the Weidmans, members of the Conservation Commission always had an excellent working relationship with Walt and received much encouragement from him in the various activities and projects undertaken at the Forest.

One major project this year was the clearing of the 5 acre field at the Town Forest back to its original limits. This activity was admirably carried out by the Strafford County Adult Conservation Corps at no cost to the Town. Special thanks should go to Dave Perkins of Strafford who was foreman for the project. After tree clearing Davis Clarke and Frank Onstott donated their time and equipment and rotary-mowed the field. Also, it should be mentioned that Don Black made the initial arrangements and did a great deal to bring the project to a successful conclusion. In future years this valuable open space should be more easily maintained.

In order to develop a preliminary management plan for the Parker Mountain (Storer) Tract a walking tour of the property was made this fall with Commission members and several citizens. One project was partially completed on this land and involved installation of erosion control structures on the old road leading up to the top of the mountain from Rt. 126.

Additional timber stand improvement work on all Conservation properties is being planned at this time with State District Forester, Mr. J. B. Cullen. The possibility of some light commercial cutting to salvage diseased and low quality timber is also being looked into.

As usual, a number of dredge and fill applications were reviewed by the Commission one of which culminated in a special hearing by the State Water Resources Board. The Board's decision was favorable to the Town.

Paul Tabory attended Conservation Camp taught by the Society for the Protection of NH Forests. Paul was jointly sponsored by the Conservation Commission and the Women's Club.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Barry
John Bozak - Sec.
JoAnn Brown
Robert Perry
Spencer Smith - Chmn.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

All the children of the Strafford Elementary School are using the library regularly.

The new paperback collections have been well received by both adults and children.

The library has been open 19 hours thanks to the help of the volunteers. The volunteers are Bernice Omand, Gail Barry, Virginia Gustafson, Ruth MacDonald, Majorie Stiles, Anne Taborg, Jan Hill, Katrina Rhodes, Bernice Hill, Jean Groth, Harriet Lundborg, Marilyn Lynch and Marjorie Foss. The library is closed Thursday evening during the winter months.

We thank the Strafford Library Association for their continued interest and support of library activities.

We commend our librarian, Ellen Stiles, for her work and organization. She attended one course at the University of New Hampshire this past year and plans on attending another this year.

Davis Clarke
Katrina Rhodes
Betty Davis

PROPOSED LIBRARY BUDGET - 1979

Books	\$ 500.00
Insurance	65.00
Librarian	2,340.00
Heat and Lights	800.00
Custodian	300.00
Telephone	182.00
Supplies	75.00
TOTAL	<u>\$4,262.00</u>

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Balance - January 1, 1978	\$ 49.42
Received in 1978	
Warren Dow Foss Fund	230.36
From Town	<u>4,325.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,604.78

Expenditures:

Insurance	\$ 131.00	
Librarian	1,824.00	
Custodian	300.00	
Heat & Lights	733.47	
Phone	169.10	
Supplies	43.48	
Books	693.13	
Miscellaneous	<u>8.00</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 3,902.18
Balance December 31, 1978		\$ 702.60

WARREN DOW FOSS FUND

\$3,000 Certificate of Deposit

Interest	\$ 57.58	
	57.58	
	57.60	
	<u>57.60</u>	
Deposited into Library Account for purchase of books		\$ 230.36

STRAFFORD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL REPORT

Strafford Library Assoc. Checking Account

Balance Jan. 1, 1978	\$ 56.60	
Receipts	25.00	
Trans. from Savings	300.00	
Expenses	<u>367.51</u>	
Balance Jan. 1, 1979		\$ 14.09

Strafford Library Assoc. Savings Account

Balance Jan. 1, 1978	\$1,031.30	
Repay from town (ins.)	69.00	
Food Sale receipts	133.60	
Interest for year	53.90	
Trans. to Checking (300 to SLA)(5 to JH)	<u>305.00</u>	
Balance Jan. 1, 1979		\$ 982.80

Jane Huckins Memorial Fund - Checking

Balance Jan. 1, 1978	\$ 12.01
Receipts	242.00
Trans. from Savings (225 - JH)(5 - SLA)	230.00
Expenses	<u>468.17</u>
Balance Jan. 1, 1979	\$ 15.84

Jane Huckins Memorial Fund - Savings

Balance Jan. 1, 1978	\$510.72
Receipts	5.00
Interest for year	29.00
Interest for year CD	172.81
Trans. to checking	<u>225.00</u>
Balance	\$492.53

Lena Leighton Memorial Fund - Savings

Balance Jan. 1, 1978	\$150.42
Interest for year	8.98
Interest for year CD	<u>34.23</u>
Balance Jan. 1, 1979	\$193.63

Strafford Library Assoc. Permanent Fund

Opened June 19, 1978	\$ 10.00
Gifts	595.00
Interest	<u>2.03</u>
Balance Jan. 1, 1979	\$607.03

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice A. Hill, Treas.

LIBRARY REPORT

Library Hours - Hill Library

WINTER

Mon. 12:45 - 3:45 PM

Tues. 12:00 - 9:00 PM

Sat. 12:00 - 6:00 PM

SUMMER

Tues. 12:00 - 9:00 PM

Thurs. 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Sat. 12:00 - 6:00 PM

(Subject to change)
Telephone: 664-2800

Books owned by library, January 1, 1978	4,234
Books Purchased	287
Books Donated (Hard cover 259) (Paperbacks 360)	619
Books Discarded	2
Books Lost	19
Books Owned January 1, 1979	5,119
Magazine Gift Subscriptions	4
Magazines Donated	206
Patterns Donated	48
Puzzles Donated	6
Pamphlets Donated	3
Records Donated	6
Magazine Subscriptions Purchased	2
(Consumer Reports)	
(National Geographic World)	
Books Circulated 1978	8,345
Books Circulated Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	2,757
Included in the total circulation above	
Statewide Library Cards Issued	35
Books Borrowed from Bookmobile (two visits)	1,480
Book Requests Filled Through State Library	14
Four Exhibits 1. Ladybugs & Busy Beavers 4-H Clubs, Summer Crafts, Story Hour, Crickets 4-H Club, Strafford Women's Club	

BOOK FINES

On Hand January 1, 1978	\$ 2.10
Received in Fines	115.96
Received at book sale	16.05
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	\$134.11
Books Purchased with fine money	122.08
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On hand Dec. 31, 1978	\$ 12.03

In addition to books and magazines Hill Library offers jigsaw puzzles, records, and patterns. It also has on display an album of old photographs of people and buildings in Strafford's past. Any of the historical collection of books, maps and other items collected by the historical committee of the Strafford Library Association may be viewed upon request of the Librarian.

Hill Library may issue a New Hampshire Statewide Library Card to any borrower in good standing for four months. This card is good for one year and may be used at any library participating in the program.

We have something of interest for everyone. Do come in and get acquainted and browse around. You really might need us someday.

ELLEN E. STILES
Librarian

STRAFFORD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION REPORT

The S.L.A. continues to grow and serve the public with an increase in membership and services.

Our Historical Committee has added and updated its materials to two volumes which are on display at the library.

The Summer Reading Program added creative writing to its activities which was very productive and again our thanks to all who generously gave of their time and effort.

The S.L.A. has added to its account this year thru paper drives, food sales, flea market proceeds and interest on its savings account. Expenses have included insurance, library supplies, summer reading program and historical committee expenses.

The Lena Leighton Memorial Fund receives income from donations and interest on a certificate of deposit and is for the purchase of books of historical or local significance.

The Jane Huckins Memorial Fund is for the promotion of programs of interest and/or education to the public, encompassing all ages. Its income is thru donations and interest on a certificate of deposit. Expenses are for lecturers, lesson programs, films, etc.

A Permanent Fund has been established this year and is designed to eventually assist in the town expenses for the library. Income so far has been thru donations.

The S.L.A.'s function is to provide outreach to the public thru extension of library facilities and services.

Sheila Rainey, Sec.
Bernice Omand, Pres.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD ON DECEMBER 31, 1978

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Balance End Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
6- 6-25	Babb, John	Perpetual Care	NH Savings Acct. #142306	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	\$ 11.03		\$ 85.97
12-31-72	Albert Brown (John Caveno)		#191837	50.00		50.00	4.29		19.06
12-31-72	Albert Brown		#191836	50.00		50.00	4.29		19.06
12-10-37	(Luther Critchett)		#142316	200.00		200.00	30.65		314.84
4-21-27	Caswell, Dearborn		#142310	100.00		100.00	181.97		200.50
6- 3-72	Caverly, Rev. John		#188939	465.00		465.00	73.69	55.00	59.66
4- 2-27	Clark, John D.		#142312	100.00		100.00	310.76	337.26	
9- 3-71	Cooper, Lillian Foss		#185292	200.00		200.00	19.86	10.00	82.35
9-10-30	Foss, Herbert		#142314	200.00		200.00	102.76		122.35
6- 2-26	Garfield, Eliza		#142313	100.00		100.00	99.19		112.73
3- 5-50	Ham, Leopold		#142308	150.00		150.00	156.48		176.82
9- 6-50	Hartwell, Elizabeth		#134128	200.00		200.00	175.43		200.57
10- 2-21	Hawkins, Betsy		#134127	100.00		100.00	64.98		76.39
6- 6-25	Hayes, Paul		#142302	100.00		100.00	18.18	18.18	8.36
8- 4-34	Holmes, Ella		#142305	50.00		50.00	41.23	13.46	34.05
12-23-58	Jenness, John		#142315	100.00		100.00	45.60		55.24
1-13-21	Jenness, Samuel		#146735	200.00		200.00	197.81		224.90
12-25-58	Jenness, Samuel		#142303	200.00		200.00	395.66		332.44
4-12-27	Jewell, John W.		#142311	100.00		100.00	35.64	117.42	45.41
8-11-57	Leighton & Winkley		#148211	250.00		250.00	323.22		362.51
6- 2-21	Perkins, Nancy		#142301	100.00		100.00	159.64		177.33
9- 9-57	Perkins, Paul		#143751	175.00		175.00	250.04	62.00	216.99
11- 7-22	Seavey, Abbie	Perpetual Care	#143304	100.00		100.00	18.18	18.18	8.36
4- 2-27	Smith, D.W.		#142309	100.00		100.00	18.18	18.18	8.36
8-12-44	Stanton, Fred		#142318	200.00		200.00	137.38	5.00	155.92
9- 5-72	Sevan, Annie		#190602	200.00		200.00	46.36		64.36
19-7	Gray, Bessie		#142299	400.00		400.00	180.65		221.71
10-22-50	Wain, Mary J.		#138047	100.00		100.00	54.38		65.06
5-11-55	Waldron & Caswell		#139009	100.00		100.00	103.06		115.64
12-10-37	Walker, James		#142317	100.00		100.00	18.18	18.18	8.36
6- 2-26	Waterhouse, Ella		#142207	200.00		200.00	46.36	46.36	18.00
3-10-66	Weber, & Tuttle		#167082	375.00		375.00	175.15	30.00	184.88
6-13-19	Welch, Betsy	Perpetual Care	#142300	200.00		200.00	134.15	22.19	321.84
1899	Young, Lavina	Education	#142298	1,000.00		1,000.00	231.86	156.34	
10-28-77	Warren Dow Foss	Library Fund	Savings Cert. #8680	3,000.00	Roch. Sav. Bank	3,000.00	230.34	230.34	
TOTALS				\$ 9,565.00		\$ 9,565.00	\$ 978.59	\$ 642.30	\$ 4,593.62
1 - NH Savings Bank Term Acct. Cert. #75-001970				\$ 6,565.00		\$ 6,565.00	\$ 432.61	\$ 121.62	\$ 432.61
1 - NH Savings Bank Term Acct. Cert. #75-002573				3,800.00		3,800.00	230.34	230.34	239.39
1 - Investment Cert. of Deposit #8680				\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00	47.08	401.96	
Checking Acct. with 1st National Bank, Rochester				\$10,365.00		\$10,365.00	\$1,378.84	\$ 732.30	\$ 793.62

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

I would like to thank everyone for their cooperation since I took over as Acting Chief of Police in June of 1978.

We handled 1,711 calls and complaints of different types this year. We have made some changes in the department, our files and records are now kept in the town office. And I would like the cooperation of everyone by using the Strafford Dispatch (742-4968) for all calls to the Police Department, if possible. They know who is on duty at all times and if for some reason he can not be reached, they know whom to call.

We have made additions to the department, James Savitts as officer and Andrea Evans as dog officer.

All police officers will be attending school starting in February this year. The school is put on by the N.H. Police Standards and Training Council.

The officers are Carl Brown Acting Chief, Erlon C. Jacobs, William Porter, James Savitts, R. Steven Leighton and Edward Laurentz.

Carl S. Brown
Acting Chief of Police

STRAFFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT

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The Strafford Fire Department had a very busy year with a 25% increase in calls over last year with the breakdown as follows:

Structure	7
Chimney	2
Car Accidents	4
Dump	9
Grass & Brush	10
Mutual Aid	12
Car Fire	1
Special Service	1
Miscellaneous	3
TOTAL	49

The Fire Department has made some tremendous advances in the last year which are mostly attributable to joining Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Assn. There has been such a reduction in response time that it is almost unbelievable. This is due to the fact that all the men know about the call at the same exact second. Due to the quicker response times of this department, plus neighboring departments, we have made some real good saves. This is not to say we won't have some bad losses which are inevitable.

Of course none of the above could happen if it wasn't for the cooperation and dedication of the men on the department. They have done a great job and I must commend them for it.

Another big advantage of Lakes Region is that the mutual aid responses of other towns has all been preplanned. The town has been divided into three main sections with a neighboring department being an automatic response on all reported structure fires. This means that as soon as we are toned out then the specified neighboring department is notified and sent also. This is a big improvement over the old system where there was no preplanning and everything had to be done by telephone, as long as someone was available.

The department has spread some of the responsibility around to make things easier. Asst. Chief Bill Rainey is the training officer, Captains Harlie Winkley and Chet Ambrose, comprise our wood stove inspection team and Lieutenant Glenn Pierce is the purchasing officer.

During the year the department purchased approximately \$1,500.00 worth of equipment which was raised through donations. We wish to thank everyone for their continued support.

Anyone interested in joining the department should report to anyone of the stations on a Monday night at 7:00 pm or call the Chief at 664-7715.

Loren W. Pierce
Chief

REPORT OF DISTRICT FOREST FIRE CHIEF AND YOUR FOREST FIRE WARDEN

For more than 80 years, a cooperative effort between the State of New Hampshire and local forest fire authorities has created a forest fire prevention and suppression program that is recognized as superior throughout the United States.

Since the first forest fire laws were written in 1895, the state and local community governments have worked together to prevent and combat forest fires.

Today, 249 forest fire wardens and more than 1,800 deputy wardens are appointed every three years by the State forester to work with the members of the State Forest Fire staff in this effort. State funds are used to pay one-half the cost of forest fire suppression costs incurred by local forest fire organizations, within pay rates established by the Governor and Council. State funds matched by local funds are used to purchase hand tools to suppress forest fires, to train local forest fire crews and in forest fire prevention work.

All outside burning, when the ground is not covered with snow, is permitted only after obtaining a written fire permit from your local Forest Fire Warden. Penalty for burning without a permit when one is required is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine up to \$1,000 or a jail term of up to one year or both.

REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!!

1978 Forest Fire Statistics

	<u>No. of Fires</u>	<u>No. of Acres Burned</u>
State	1,433	460
District	213	105.38
Town	1	.50

Clark M. Davis
District Fire Chief

Loren Pierce
Forest Fire Warden

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RURAL DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL

During the past year the Rural District Health Council has seen an increase in services provided by the Council. As the Federal Government studies the cost of health care, there is increased interest in home care and preventive medicine, as methods of reducing costs and improving health services. The Rural District Health Council continues to qualify as a certified home health agency, implementing procedures to continue to provide quality care.

The agency supported the Referral Coordinator at Frisbie Memorial Hospital for four years; with the increase in service and cost of the program, the agency looked to other sources for financial help. In February of 1978 the hospital agreed to reimburse the agency for this program. Mrs. Marie Dexter, R.N. continues to fill this position.

The agency's priority is the care of the sick services, provided in the home.

The staff conducts Adult Health Screening clinics on Wednesday. The first and third Wednesdays it is held in Farmington. The second in Northwood, the fourth in Milton. For a better provision of services the program has changed its schedule and is providing the service twice a month in Farmington. This program cares for a great number of patients. There have been 595 patients seen, with 174 new patients enrolled with 52 direct referrals made.

The staff also participates in the after care program in cooperation with the Strafford Guidance Center and Seacoast Counseling Center.

The council continues Home Health Aide Services through the contract with the Strafford County Home Maker, Home Health Aide Association, and the Portsmouth Area Home Maker Home Health Aid Association covering Rockingham County Towns. The agency also employs two Home Health Aides, Gail LaRosa and Renne' Wormell. This enables the council to better utilize the professional staff while continuing to provide quality care.

The Child Health Program has once again seen an increase in service. Miss Arlene Thorne, R.N., coordinator of the program remains on the State Child Health Conference Committee. Because of the added case load it was necessary to have additional help. In August of 1978, Mrs. Paula Davis, R.N. was employed to work within this program and also to act as coordinator of the Elderly Health Screening Program.

The Child Health Program offers physical examinations, immunizations, teaching and counseling for ages 0-6 years with an enrollment of 842 children. It also provides a Dental program which includes cleaning and flouride treatment twice a year, with referrals to local Dentists for follow-up care when needed. This program provided service to 513 children 3-6 years with 163 referrals to local Dentists. Home visits are provided when necessary to assure continuity of care. This is funded in part by the U.S. Dept. of Health Education and Welfare, N.H. Division of Public Health, Bureau of Maternal and Child Health grant and the Rural District Health Council.

This year the agency has opened its clinics to school children to make it possible for the schools to raise the level of immunity within the school age child.

The agency is providing the medical component to the Supplemental Food and Nutrition Education Program for Women, Infants, and Children, (WIC) in conjunction with the Strafford County Prenatal Family Planning Program, Inc. The program provided service to 225 children from ages 0-5 years. The food includes, formula, dairy products, fruit juices and cereals.

Transportation being a factor in the areas covered by the agency, the council offers space to the Strafford County Prenatal and Family Planning Clinic to hold a satellite program for family planning once a month.

The agency's dedicated staff is Mary Timmons, R.N., Supervisor, Arlene Thorne, R.N., Paula Davis, R.N., Marie Dexter, R.N., Barbara Drew, R.N., Myrtle Walsh, R.N., JoAnn Pearson, R.N., BSN, Betty Coons, R.N., Alice Ziegler, R.N., BSN, Gail LaRosa, Renee' Wormell, Carl Scholl, RPT, Eleanor Eaton and Junellen Chase.

With the increased cost of the home visit the council feels it is more realistic to increase the charge per visit for the care of the sick. The agency continues to feel that patients who are not covered by insurance are not expected to pay the full charge. The council provides service to any one regardless of ability to pay. This allows the per capita request to remain at \$1.50, from each town.

During the past year the council has made 117 skilled nursing visits, 6 Home Health Aide visits, 0 Physical Therapy visits, 66 Child Health Visits, and 69 children have attended the Child Health Clinic.

Anyone interested in additional information is urged to contact the Rural District Health Council, Inc., P. O. Box 563, 6 So. Main St., Farmington, NH 03835. Telephone 755-2202 - between the hours of 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Monday - Friday.

Ardala Houle, R.N.
Executive Director

1977
PROGRAM TOTAL COST

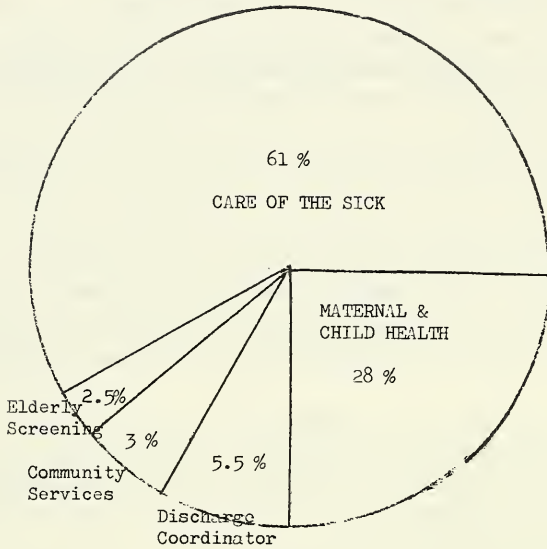
Care of Sick	\$50,750.11
Maternal & Child Health	22,948.31
Discharge Coordinator	4,119.32
Elderly Health Screening	2,135.32
Community Services	<u>2,407.20</u>
TOTAL COST	\$82,360.26

AGENCY INCOME

Town Appropriations	\$22,619.25
Grants	10,198.50
Service Fees	<u>50,747.27</u>
TOTAL	\$83,565.02

ADMINISTRATION COST
\$11,194.65

1977



TOTAL COST

Care of the sick
\$ 50,750.11

Maternal & Child Health
\$ 22,948.31

Discharge Coordinator
\$ 4,119.32

Elderly Screening
\$ 2,135.32

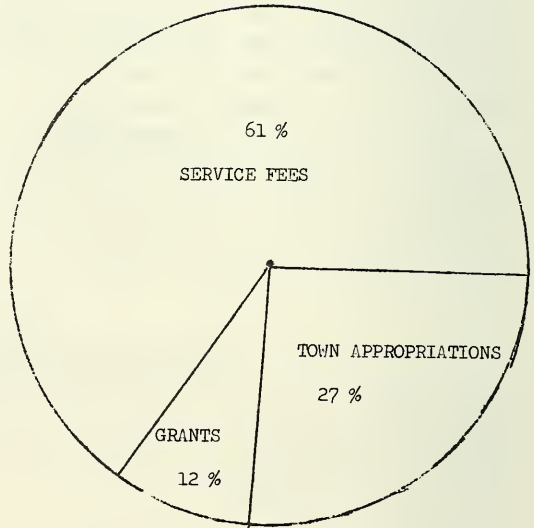
Community Services
\$ 2,407.20

TOTAL INCOME

SERVICE FEES
\$ 50,747.27

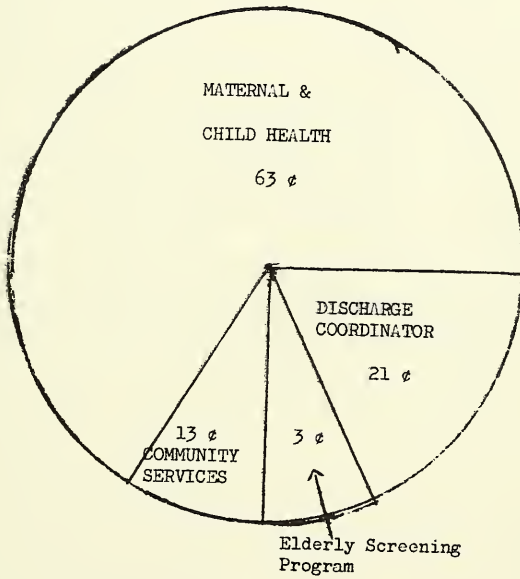
GRANTS
\$ 10,198.50

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS
\$ 22,619.25



1977

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS
FOR EACH \$ 1.00 per capita



ADOPTED BUDGET NOV. 1978

DISBURSEMENTS

ADOPTED - 1979

Salaries	\$ 92,893.50
FICA	6,200.00
Travel	14,400.00
P.T. Expense	9,000.00
HHA Expense	1,800.00
Referral Coordinator	3,600.00
Insurance	2,029.00
Income Protection Plan	1,314.00
Telephone	1,850.00
Rent	2,320.00
Electricity	750.00
Postage	650.00
Office Supplies	1,200.00
Medical Supplies	450.00
MCH Supplies	500.00
Physicals & Uniforms	640.00
Dues & Subscriptions	1,900.00
Auditor	1,200.00
Continuing Education	1,000.00
Public Relations	300.00
Contingency Fund	<u>8,772.00</u>
TOTAL	\$152,768.50

INCOME

ADOPTED

Town Appro. @ \$1.50	\$ 27,088.50
Grants	12,000.00
Service Fees @ \$25.00	95,000.00
Interest	1,000.00
HHA Contract	2,080.00
PT Contract	12,000.00
Referral Coordinator	<u>3,600.00</u>
TOTAL	\$152,768.50

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION

Swimming classes at the Dam in the summer of 1978 were again held in two three-week sessions, with a total of 112 students, counting twice some who participated in both. This was a greater number than in 1977 (103) but about the same as in 1976 (113). The classes were conducted by Maryellen Plante, a Red Cross Water Safety Instructor, favorably known to local families as a teacher at the Elementary School. She granted 46 passing grades, indicating high standards. Fees remained \$3.00 per student with a maximum of \$7.00 per family, and totalled \$345.00. The supervised beach season was again ten weeks, with a lifeguard on duty in good weather from 10 to 5. Vicky Tucker stepped in and competently covered the week-ends after our first appointee dropped out.

Again we thank the Red Cross for a contribution that replenished the first aid kit and renewed some safety equipment; the Bow Lake Community Club, which let us store our gear in the Grange Hall; and Austin Cate Academy, which sent a squad of volunteers to clean up the Dam area before the season opened.

Trash is a major problem at the Dam - on the beaches, in the water and on the grounds - not only off-season but also overnight during the ten weeks. Several youngsters suffered cuts before our program began. Safety requires daily clean-up whenever there are bare feet in the area and caution is always necessary. The lifeguards pick up in the morning. Regular emptying of the trash barrels was arranged this year by the Selectmen but charged to the Recreation Commission budget.

Expenditures of \$1,949.95 in 1978 were again within the budget of \$2,000. Contributions were received from two programs we sponsored - Susan Gosselin's ballet classes and a Bonnie Prudden exercise series - and totalled, with the swimming fees, \$380.00, reducing the cost of our activities to \$1,569.95 for the year. In 1979 we face a minimum wage raised from \$2.65 an hour to \$2.90 as well as the need to replace some equipment and purchase a rescue board. Our budget request will be for \$2,300.00, \$300.00 more than last year but about the same as in 1977.

The Recreation Fund was set up by 1975 Town Meeting "to be expended as the Recreation Commission may determine for capital improvement at the Bow Lake Dam area.....". The first expenditure was made in 1978 when the Selectmen, who control the money, spent \$540.00 to purchase materials for a Town Dock. Last fall's drought stopped the draw-down of the lake and also work on the dock, but the project should be completed before freezing weather this fall.

The Recreation Commission was established in 1975 to improve conditions at the Dam and has pretty much confined its efforts to that purpose, even though its statutory scope is wider. The best eventual use of town-owned land along Water Street contiguous to the Dam area owned by the state and leased to the town has also seemed a legitimate interest and we made some recommendations to the Master Plan Committee concerning this and other long-term recreational needs in town. We have also welcomed and carefully considered all suggestions received. One, that a fund for tennis courts be started, had considerable support, but we have tabled it for the present because courts, although not town-owned, are available in two areas, and

because of its rejection at 1978 Town Meeting. Further suggestions will be welcomed and studied and the Commission will no doubt be ready to broaden its programs when a need arises.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1978

Operating Expenses	Budget 1978	Spent 1978	Budget 1979
Attendants' Salaries	\$1,500.00	\$1,455.45	\$1,700.00
Toilet Rental	225.00	233.00	250.00
Grounds & Sand	275.00	141.50	100.00
Equipment for Safety & Instruction	-0-	-0-	100.00
Trash Removal	-0-	120.00	150.00
TOTAL	\$2,000.00	\$1,949.95	\$2,300.00
Less anticipated Fees	300.00	380.00	300.00
Net Cost To Town	\$1,700.00	\$1,569.95	\$2,000.00

RECREATION FUND

Balance December 31, 1977	\$3,738.84
Plus interest earned	204.31
Less cost of telephone poles for dock (\$400) and freight (\$140)	(540.00)
Balance December 31, 1978	\$3,403.15

(Rochester Savings Bank & Trust Company Savings Account No. 102,462).

ERNEST B. BROWN, Chairman
LOIS FISTERE
ROBERT OMAND
JOHN B. PENNEY, Secretary
DENISE THORNE

AUDITORS' REPORT

We hereby certify that we have made examination of the books and records of the Selectmen, Town, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Town Clerk, and Trustees of Trust Funds for the year ending December 31, 1978.

That in our opinion the accompanying statements set for the financial condition of the town of Strafford and the results of their operations for the year ending December 31, 1978.

HELEN A. SIMS
STEPHEN J. SEEMAN
Auditors

Strafford, N.H.
January 16, 1979

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

SCHOOL BOARD

Mr. Carl Gustafson, Jr. Term Expires 1979
Mrs. Erma Clark Term Expires 1980
Mr. Edward Wingren Term Expires 1981

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Barry L. Clough, B.Ed., M.A., M.Ed.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Bernard R. Davis, B.A., M.A., C.A.G.S.

TREASURER

Christine Bozak

MODERATOR

Russell C. Schillaber

CLERK

Elizabeth Carlson

AUDITORS

Carolyn Clarke
Dorothy Colwell

ATTENDANCE OFFICER AND SCHOOL CENSUS

Leonard Davis

SCHOOL NURSE

Lois Fistere, R.N.

TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in said district on the 13th day of March, 1978, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To choose Auditors, and all other necessary officers and agents for the ensuing year.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 23rd day of February 1978:

CARL GUSTAFSON, JR.
ERMA CLARK
EDWARD WINGREN
School Board

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

CARL GUSTAFSON, JR.
ERMA CLARK
EDWARD WINGREN
School Board

TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in said district on the 20th day of March 1978, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
2. To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
3. 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.
4. To see if the district will authorize the school board to make application for and to receive and expend, 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 agencies.
5. To see if the district will vote to provide transportation for Strafford pupils attending Spaulding High School, Rochester, NH, and to appropriate a sum of money for that purpose. (By Petition)
6. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to have printed annually a public statement of appreciation for the amount of money saved the Town of Strafford by those parents sending students to St. Thomas Aquinas High School and an estimate of total annual savings figured at state average high school tuition. (By Petition)

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

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 23rd day of February 1978:
A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

CARL GUSTAFSON, JR.
ERMA CLARK
EDWARD WINGREN
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

For The Fiscal Year July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978

Cash on Hand July 1, 1977 (Treasurer's bank Balance	\$ 15,688.47
Received from Selectmen	
Current Appropriation	\$299,167.00
Revenue from State Sources	14,246.67
Revenue from Federal Sources	12,994.17
Received from all Other Sources	7,094.27
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>\$333,502.11</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR	<u>\$349,190.58</u>
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID	<u>\$326,824.25</u>
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 1978	\$ 22,366.33

August 1, 1978

Christine K. Bozak
District Treasurer

AUDITORS' 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 Strafford of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1978 and find them correct in all respects.

August 31, 1978

Carolyn Clarke
Dorothy A. Colwell
Auditors

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fiscal Year July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978

Received from Local Sources:

Current Appropriation	\$299,167.00
Other Revenue from Local Sources	6.00

Revenue From State Sources:

School Building Aid	\$6,994.99
Sweepstakes	4,447.43
School Lunch	186.50
Vocational Education Transportation	<u>910.00</u>
	\$ 12,538.92

Revenue From Federal Sources:

School Lunch and Special Milk Program	\$8,145.83
Public Law 874	1,952.51
Prior Year, PL 874	<u>2,895.83</u>
	\$ 12,994.17

Total Receipts From All Sources	<u>\$324,706.09</u>
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Cash on Hand at Beginning of Year, July 1, 1977	\$ 15,688.47
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Item 60 (Reimb. Expenditures)	<u>\$ 8,796.02</u>
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Total Gross Receipts	\$349,190.58
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Expenditures	\$326,824.25
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Cash on Hand End of Year, June 30, 1978	\$ 22,366.33
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Accounts Due District	\$ 1,540.00
Cash on Hand End of Year, June 30, 1978	<u>22,366.33</u>
	\$ 23,906.33

Encumbered Funds	\$ 8,851.72
Unencumbered Funds	<u>15,054.61</u>
	\$23,906.33

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1978

1. Name of Building or Project for which Notes or Bonds were Issued	Strafford School	1st Addition	2nd Addition	TOTAL
2. Outstanding at Beginning of Year	15,000.00	24,966.32	108,800.00	148,766.32
3. Issued During Year				
4. Total	15,000.00	24,966.32	108,800.00	148,766.32
5. Payments of Principal of Debt	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>3,566.76</u>	<u>13,600.00</u>	<u>22,166.76</u>
6. Notes and Bonds Outstanding at End of Year	10,000.00	21,399.56	95,200.00	126,599.56

DETAILED EXPENDITURES 1977 - 1978

Administration:

Salaries

Erma Clark, School Board Member	\$ 250.00
Robert Dowst, School Board Member	187.50
Carl Gustafson, School Board Member	250.00
Edward Wingren, School Board Member	62.50
Christine Bozak, Treasurer	250.00
Sylvia Dowst, School District Clerk	15.00
Russell Schillaber, Moderator	10.00
Carolyn Clarke, Auditor	1.76
Dorothy Colwell, Auditor	<u>30.00</u>

\$ 1,056.76

Contracted Services:

Elizabeth Carlson, Bookkeeper	550.00
Leonard Davis, Census	100.00
N.H. School Board Association	<u>61.40</u>

\$ 711.40

Other Expenses for Administration \$ 280.97

Instruction:

Salaries:

Principal, 7th Grade teacher & physical education

Richard Boyle	11,880.00
Grade 1, Sally Low	9,780.00
Grade 2, Katrina Rhodes	9,576.40
Grade 3, Maryellen Plante	9,110.00
Grade 4, Nancy Lake	9,220.00
Grade 5, Math, Georgia Hooker	9,750.00
Grade 6, Science, Patricia Sukduang	9,234.90
Grade 7, Social Studies, Substitute teacher	
Darla Higgins	4,635.00
Grade 8, English, Mary Higgins	9,750.00
Teacher aide, Janet Andrews	1,689.00
Teacher aide & Substitute, Priscilla Bowlen	1,101.88
Teacher aide, Dorothy Colwell	2,186.01
Art teacher, Eleanor Byrne	1,792.00
Music teacher, Virginia Garlow	1,891.56
Speech, Linda Silver	1,440.00

Substitute teachers:		
Carolyn Clarke	\$ 132.70	
Roger Cummings	100.00	
Charlene Davis	27.50	
Bonnie Inglis	40.00	
Janet Jones	34.00	
Barbara Newsky	31.80	
Bernice Omand	<u>50.00</u>	
(Return from Strafford Learning (-120.00))		\$ 93,332.75
Textbooks		1,338.87
School Library & Audiovisual Materials		1,211.52
Teaching Supplies		3,391.39
Contracted Services:		
Gesell Testing	230.00	
Strafford Learning Center	630.00	
SRA Testing Service	<u>230.48</u>	
		1,090.48
Other Expenses for Instruction		890.49
Attendance Service		25.00
Health Services:		
Lois Fistere, School Nurse	2,987.00	
Supplies	46.94	
		3,033.94
Pupil Transportation:		
Contracted Service:		
Douglas Hatch	8,291.20	
Herbert Scribner	18,190.00	
Dover Vocational Transportation	<u>1,540.00</u>	
		28,021.20
Operation of Plant:		
Salaries:		
Dorothy Colwell	18.00	
Bradford Sargent	680.09	
George Waldron	5,133.48	
Supplies		5,831.57
Contracted Services		1,828.36
Tri-City Janitorial Service		1,200.00
Heat, James K. Horne, Inc.		5,682.32
Utilities, Public Service & New England Telephone		3,605.62

Maintenance of Plant:

New England School Supply	\$ 112.26
Darrells Music Hall	42.00
Mainco School Supply	511.59
Interstate Restaurant Equipment	281.25
Pioneer Business Machines	499.00
Greenlands Corporation	158.92
3M Business Products Inc.	65.00
Ocean & Forest Products	127.36
Pioneer Business Machines	27.50
Public Seating Inc.	56.95
Aetna Pumps Inc.	625.35
Elkins Electrical	131.16
Ellis & Sons	30.00
Harvey MacLean	1,018.59
Noels Heating Service	83.25
Palmer Plumbing Supply	125.76
George Waldron	97.95
Yeaton Associates Inc.	347.70
Ralph Collins Electrical Co.	5.20
Rte. 126 Service Center	<u>75.00</u>

\$ 4,421.79

Fixed Charges:

Teachers Retirement System	1,885.20
F.I.C.A. (Social Security)	6,621.51
Insurance	2,805.00
District Share of Blue Cross	<u>191.72</u>

11,503.43

School Lunch & Special Milk:

Federal Contribution	7,743.00
Student-Body Activities	69.68

Debt Service:

Principal of Debt	22,166.76
Interest on Debt	<u>6,981.23</u>

29,147.99

Out going Transfer Accounts:

Tuition to other School Districts	83,420.45
Tuition to Public Academies	19,207.02
Transportation	<u>1,992.72</u>
District Share of Union Expense	<u>7,989.51</u>
Total Net Expenditures	318,028.23
Item 60 - Reimbursed Expenditures	<u>8,796.02</u>
Grand Total Expenditures	\$326,824.25

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Purpose of Appropriation	1977-78 Adopted	1977-78 Expended	1978-79 Adopted	1979-80 Proposed
Administration				
Salaries	\$ 1,085.00	\$ 1,056.76	\$ 1,135.00	\$ 1,135.00
Contracted Services	650.00	711.40	825.00	825.00
Other Expenses	275.00	280.97	300.00	225.00
Instruction				
Salaries	95,848.00	93,332.75	104,812.00	116,915.00
Textbooks	1,200.00	1,338.87	1,200.00	3,025.00
Library & Audiovisual Materials	710.00	990.52	825.00	1,560.00
Teaching Supplies	4,150.00	3,391.39	4,500.00	5,400.00
Contracted Services	1,045.00	1,311.48	1,440.00	1,585.00
Other Expenses	240.00	890.49	290.00	1,060.00
Attendance Services	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Health Services	3,160.00	3,033.94	3,275.00	4,350.00
Pupil Transportation	25,790.00	26,481.20	31,366.00	26,922.00
Operation of Plant				
Salaries	5,900.00	5,831.57	6,100.00	6,400.00
Supplies	1,800.00	1,828.36	2,000.00	2,200.00
Contracted Services	300.00	1,200.00	300.00	450.00
Heat	7,000.00	5,682.32	7,000.00	7,000.00
Utilities	3,700.00	3,605.62	4,150.00	4,150.00
Maintenance of Plant	1,735.00	4,421.79	3,285.00	2,625.00
Fixed Charges				
Employee Retirement & F.I.C.A.	8,956.28	8,506.71	11,742.03	12,851.71
Insurance	3,125.00	2,996.72	2,725.00	3,625.00
School Lunch & Spec. Milk Prog.	6,700.00	7,743.00	8,900.00	9,100.00

Student-Body Activities				
Capital Outlay	400.00	69.68	400.00	600.00
Equipment			500.00	
Debt Service				
Principal of Debt	22,166.76	22,166.76	22,166.76	22,166.76
Interest on Debt	6,981.23	6,981.23	5,889.81	4,794.39
Outgoing Transfer Accounts in State				
Tuition	103,179.00	102,627.47	118,912.00	151,730.00
Transportation		1,992.72		9,510.00
Supervisory Union Expenses	8,051.58	7,989.51	10,310.15	12,155.03
Expenditures to other than				
Public Schools	8,280.00		3,740.00	5,680.00
Total Net Expenditures		318,028.23		
Total Current Appropriations	322,452.85		358,113.75	418,030.56
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$322,452.85			

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT REVENUES AND CREDITS

Revenues and Credits Available To Reduce School Taxes	Estimated Revenues	
	Approved Budget 1978-79	Proposed Budget 1979-80
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 15,055.00	
Revenue From State Sources:		
Sweepstakes	6,935.00	\$ 4,577.00
School Building Aid	6,870.00	6,995.00
Foster Children Aid	200.00	200.00
Revenues From Federal Sources:		
School Lunch and Special Milk	6,500.00	8,900.00
PL 874	2,050.00	2,000.00
Aid for Special Education		6,508.00
Local Revenue Except Taxes:		
Trust Fund Income		
Total School Revenues and Credits	37,610.00	29,180.00
District Assessment (to be raised by Property Taxes)	320,504.00	388,850.56
Total Appropriations	\$358,114.00	\$418,030.56

STRAFFORD SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978

Beginning Balance - July 1, 1977	\$1,360.10
Receipts:	
Lunch Sales - Children	\$ 8,395.75
Lunch Sales - Adult	704.60
Reimbursement	7,743.00
Misc. Cash	391.17
Total Receipts	<u>\$17,234.52</u>
Total Available	\$18,594.62
Expenditures	
Feed	\$10,679.30
Labor	6,516.21
Equipment	25.92
All other Expenditures	568.06
Total Expenditures	<u>\$17,789.49</u>
Balance - June 30, 1978	\$ 805.13
Other Program Resources:	
Donations: Feed	\$ 2,182.00

BALANCE SHEET

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1978

Assets

Cash in Bank	\$ 805.13
Reimbursement due Program	3,019.37
Used Inventory - June 30	<u>450.65</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,275.15

Dorothy L. Smith

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of the Strafford School District:

When the 1978-79 school year opened last September, the Strafford Elementary School was organized as indicated in the chart below:

EMPLOYEE	ASSIGNMENT
Richard Boyle	Principal and Grade 7
Nancy Bickford	Grade 1 Readiness Aide
Sally Low	Grade 1
Katrina Rhodes	Grade 2
Maryellen Plante	Grade 3
Nancy Lake	Grade 4
Jennifer Shone	Grade 5, Math
Patricia Sukduang	Grade 6, Science
Darla Higgins	Grade 5, Social Studies
Mary Higgins	Grade 8, English
Lois Fistere	School Nurse
Eleanor Byrne	Art-part time
Virginia Carlow	Music-part time
Priscilla Bowlen	Aide
Linda Silver	Speech-one day
Marianne Baron	Learning Specialist*
Karen Schuster	Reading*
Dorothy Smith	Lunch Program Manager
Irma Messenger	Lunch Worker
Brad Sargent	Custodian

*These positions are funded by the Title/Special Education Cooperative Project operated by the Boards of Nottingham, Strafford, Barrington and Northwood. Mr. Bernard Davis is the Project Manager.

The enrollment by grade as reported at the beginning of the year was as follows:

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Pupils	28	29	19	30	26	26	31	25	214

Strafford School District residents attending other schools at the District's expense was reported as indicated in the chart printed below:

School	Spec.	9	10	11	12	Total	Tuition Rate
Coe-Brown	0	3	2	4	3	12	\$1,344.00
Dover Vocational	0	4	2	4	2	12	\$1,410.00

Dover High School	0	0	0	0	1	1	\$1,410.00
Spaulding High	0	15	17	21	11	64	\$1,140.00
Oyster River	0	0	0	1	1	2	\$1,392.00
Somersworth High	1	0	0	0	0	1	\$1,344.00
Hilltop	1	0	0	0	0	1	\$1,148.00
Portsmouth Rehab.	1	0	0	0	0	1	\$4,528.00
Great Bay	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	\$2,300.00
TOTALS	4	22	21	30	18	95	

In April of 1978 the state Board of education adopted an original document entitled *Guidelines for the Implementation of New Hampshire Accountability Plan*. The purpose for this action was to require each school district to re-evaluate its current curriculum, teaching techniques and testing procedures in order to insure the accountability of the district's educational programs to the citizens. In anticipation of this decision by the State Board of Education this office has been stressing the importance of curriculum development to all principals in the Supervisory Union since 1976. Faculty curriculum efforts from throughout the Supervisory Union were reviewed and consolidated this past summer by an accountability/curriculum committee composed of teachers from the various school districts. Mrs. Katrina Rhodes served on this committee as the teacher representative from the Strafford School District. After many long hours and much effort, the committee developed common educational objectives and identified specific learning tasks to be mastered by the pupils. We are presently working on reviewing our current achievement test, the Science Research Associates Achievement series, to determine the validity of this test relative to its ability assess the progress of our pupils. The intent of this plan is to identify any necessary curriculum modifications in order to insure that our pupils are achieving the basic rudiments of a sound education.

As I stated in this report two years ago, one of the most far reaching laws to be passed in recent years in terms of the impact it will have on local school district budgets is P.L. 94-142. Subsequent to the passage of this new Federal law, our own New Hampshire Legislature passed House Bill 16 which caused a significant alteration in the budgetary process through a revision of State law RSA 186-A. Prior to the passage of H.B. 16, local school districts were only required to budget up to double the State wide average tuition rate for the handicapped child in question in the event that the child required specific schooling outside of the school district. If there were any excess costs for such an out-of-district placement of a child, the receiving school would bill the State Department of Education directly for the additional costs. H.B. 16 has revised State law RSA 186-A to the point where the local school district must pay the entire cost of educating a handicapped child for whom an out-of-district placement has been deemed necessary. While the local school district liability remains the same at double the State wide average tuition rate, the revision of State law requires the local district to submit a reimbursement request to the State Department of Education for the excess costs. This action has forced local school districts to budget the full costs of out-of-district placements on the expenditure side of their budgets and to show the anticipated reimbursements from the State department on

the estimated revenues side of the budget. For this reason, at first glance it would appear that our Special Education costs at the local level have sky rocketed dramatically when in reality the actual cost to the local school district has not risen as rapidly as the combined figures would indicate to be the case.

In addition to conducting the normal curriculum development activities and bringing the school district into compliance with the new Special Education legislation, this office will be assisting the School Board and administration in developing an awareness for the new school financial accounting system referred to as *Financial Account Classification Handbook II Revised*. This newly mandated financial accounting system must go into operation as of July 1, 1980. while it appears that this new accounting system will make a school district's budgeting and bookkeeping more complex in terms of additional paperwork, it will enable the school boards to retrieve information more rapidly which should contribute to more effective management decisions.

The Federal and State Governments have placed a large degree of importance on energy conservation practices through the passage of the National Energy Act. Local school districts may soon become eligible for 50/50 matching grants totaling 1.5% of a respective school district's total energy costs for the preceeding year. These grants according to our latest information will enable school districts to contract for the proper insulation of ceilings, the installation of combination windows, renovation of existing heating plants, etc. This office will assist local school districts with the application process for these funds.

In summary, we wish to express our appreciation to the members of the School Board, the teachers, pupils and citizens for the cooperation exhibited during the past year. We look forward to a long and productive relationship in which our mutual goal will continue to be the best possible education for our young people.

Respectfully submitted,

BARRY L. CLOUGH
Superintendent

BERNARD R. DAVIS
Assistant Superintendent

STRAFFORD ELEMENTARY HEALTH SERVICES

1977-78

Our health services continue to increase yearly, with more needs required to provide a good program. Inspections, vision and hearing screenings are done yearly on each student. Notices are sent to parents informing them of problems which need further attention or referral. The increase in the number of students over the last eight years has expanded the health needs of the student body and therefore more time at school should be made available for the school nurse.

The S.A.Y. continues to sponsor our October dental prophylaxis clinic. This year Ms Connie Bartosiewicz and Mary Ellen Tousignant provided 142 students with applications of fluoride.

Much time was given to compile our student standing in a state-wide immunization survey, conducted during this school year. The majority of our students have good protection. Up to date records should be kept by parents and filed at home for quick reference. New immunizations should be made known to the school nurse in order to keep school health records up to date. The State of New Hampshire now requires the following for school entry: polio, diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, measles, mumps, and rubella, a current physical exam and recent T.B. test.

The Rural District Health Council invited our students to attend their immunization clinic in May. Grades 6-8 participated and vaccines given were: 30 mumps, 17 polio, 19 DT, 2 measles and 17 tine tests. Grades 2-6 will take part in a Fall clinic. All children should be properly immunized to provide them with the protection necessary against these painful, crippling and sometimes deadly diseases and their complications.

For their support, staff, parents and school board, my sincere appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,
Lois C. Fistere

SALARY OF SUPERINTENDENT AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

1977-1978

(R.S.A. Chapter 189:48 - New Hampshire Laws)

School District	% Local Share	Superintendent	Assistant Superintendent
BARRINGTON	15.04	\$ 2,932.80	\$ 2,311.50
FARMINGTON	24.03	4,685.85	3,693.18
MIDDLETON	1.855	361.73	285.10
MILTON	14.54	2,835.30	2,234.66
NORTHWOOD	11.355	2,214.22	1,745.16
NOTTINGHAM	9.37	1,827.15	1,440.08
STRAFFORD	8.29	1,616.55	1,274.10
WAKEFIELD	15.52	3,026.40	2,385.28
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	100.000	\$19,500.00	\$15,369.06
State's Share		2,500.00	2,413.00
Total		<hr/> \$22,000.00	<hr/> \$17,782.06

SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 44 Strafford School District Strafford, N.H. 03815

School Calendar 1979-80

September through January - 97 days

February through June - 88 days

DAYS OUT

October 8 - Columbus Day

November 22, 23 Thanksgiving Recess
(November 22 Thanksgiving Day)

December 23 - January 1 Christmas Recess

February 18-22 - February Recess

April 21-25 April Recess

May 30 - Memorial Day

185 Days - 180 Days Required Attendance for Instructional Purposes.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
March 14 and 21, 1978

At the legal meeting of the School District of the Town of Strafford, inhabitants qualified to vote in district affairs met at the Strafford School in said district on the 14th day of March, 1978, and elected the following officers:

Moderator: Russell Shillaber (83 write-in votes)
School Clerk: Sylvia Dowst (24 write-in votes)
School Board Member: Edward Wingren (245 votes)
Bernice Omand (18 write-in votes)
School Treasurer: Christine Bozak (58 write-in votes)
Auditor: Carolyn Clarke (288 votes)

The meeting was continued on March 21, 1978 and called to order by Moderator Russell Shillaber at 7:45 pm.

Elizabeth Carlson was appointed School Clerk protem.

ARTICLE 1

Erma Clark moved that the salaries of the district officers remain the same as last year at \$1,135.00. The motion was seconded and voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 2 - Reports

Robert Dowst reviewed the reports in the Annual Report of the Town of Strafford. The Board wished to skip to Article 4.

ARTICLE 4

Robert Dowst explained the July 1, 1976-June 30, 1977 budget. Carl Gustafson reviewed the proposed 1978-1979 budget. He indicated that there was an 11% increase over last year's budget.

A brief review of the AREA Agreement was requested and given by Carl Gustafson.

An inquiry as to the reasons for assigning a student to another School District was answered as a student may request assignment to a vocational course which is not offered by the AREA school, learning problems requiring special classes, and if an undo hardship would be created by assignment to the AREA school.

The increase in the Supervisory Union account was explained and the Strafford Board's position on the proposed Union split was against the move at this time as they feel it would increase the tax rate and that an increase in the staff of Union 44 would permit quality service to the District.

Christine Bozak inquired as to the use of the \$400.00 proposed studentbody ac-

tivities. It was explained that this was proposed for playground and sports equipment.

Herbert Scribner inquired about the increase in transportation and it was explained that this was a bookkeeping transfer from account 1477 ie handicapped students and a \$200.00 increase for an extension on the Crown Point bus route.

The per pupil costs of Supervisory Union 44 were reviewed and the achievement results were made available.

Robert Dowst moved to raise and appropriate the sum of \$358,113.75, this was seconded. Janice Hill proposed an amendment to the motion to increase the amount of the budget to \$363,113.75 to be used for transporting students to the AREA School and authorize the School Board to negotiate a contract with the bus company and parents. The parents will pay any amounts over the \$5,000.00. This was seconded. The discussion on the amendment included:

1. If this should be a separate warrant article.
2. That Strafford was one of the few towns that did not provide transportation for their high school students.
3. The costs of the transportation would increase the tax rate.
4. The question of safety because of students driving to school during the winter months.

The amendment was voted in the negative. A hand count of the vote was requested by Sally Gustafson. The results showed 9 in favor and 20 opposed.

A vote on the main motion was in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 5

The Article was passed.

ARTICLE 9 Other Business

Carolyn Clarke on behalf of the District extended thanks to Robert Dowst for his nine years serving on the Board.

Robert Dowst acknowledged the work done by Sally Gustafson resulting in a bus transporting students to the AREA School by the parents.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Russell Shillaber swore in Christine Bozak as School District Treasurer and Edward Wingren as School Board Member.

Respectfully submitted,
E. Carlson, School Clerk Protem

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1978

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence at Time of Marriage	Name and Designation of Officiant
Apr. 09	Strafford	Peter M. Berube	Strafford	Everett R. Scrouton Minister
May 06	Manchester	Susan R. Clough David P. Mitchell	Strafford Strafford	Fr. Herbert Smith Priest
May 13	Rochester	Kathleen A. Edwards George E. Nicol Jr.	Manchester Dover	Rev. David E. Pearson Clergy
May 20	Rochester	Michelle T. Brown Jeffrey R. Thorne	Strafford Strafford	Rev. Paul L. Aube R.C. Priest
May 27	Strafford	Julie R. Sanfacon Russell E. Shea	Rochester Portsmouth	Rev. Howard B. Higgins Pastor
July 01	Bow Lake Village	Beverly A. Stiles Thomas L. Heald	Strafford Milford	Leten David Liff Justice of the Peace
Aug. 05	Rochester	Carol G. Creamer David C. Fistere	Strafford Strafford	Rev. Msgr Gilles Simard R.C. Priest
Aug. 26	Rochester	Elaine M. Talbot William E. Self	Rochester Strafford	Rev. Milton A. Johnson Jr. Baptist Minister
Oct. 07	Strafford	Florence M. Libby Leonard V. Sargent	Rochester Strafford	Thomas N. Rice Minister of the Gospel
Oct. 08	Northwood	Shirley D. Strickland Russell E. Cicchetto	Strafford Deerfield	Rev. Jean A. Tremblay Priest
Nov. 25	Barrington	Kim M. Lahti Marc A. LaPanne	Strafford Strafford	Issabelle H. Eldridge Justice of the Peace
Dec. 17	Strafford	Sandra D. Payne Charles W. Johnson	Strafford Del Mar, CA	Rev. Howard B. Higgins Pastor
		Jan Thorne	Strafford	

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

PHYLLIS F. LYNBURG, Town Clerk

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1978

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Sex	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1977					
Aug. 27	Dover	F	Jennifer L. Omand	Richard C. Omand	Charlene M. Potter
1978					
Feb. 03	Rochester	M	Joshua A. Jenisch	Richard A. Jenisch	Margaret A. Veno
Feb. 26	Rochester	F	Jenifer L. Phillips	Ronald H. Phillips	Sharon A. Mason
Mar. 30	Concord	M	Josiah W. Rule	John D. Rule	Katherine Luther
Mar. 31	Concord	F	Rebecca Macrae-Hawkins	Christopher R. Hawkins	Barbara A. Macrae
Apr. 05	Dover	M	Kevin M. Douglas	William H. Douglas	Elaine E. Taggard
Apr. 12	Dover	M	Jeremy R. Richardson	Christopher M. Richardson	Phyllis M. Chaplin
May 18	Rochester	M	Terrence A. Bickford	Terrence R. Bickford	Nancy J. Lobdell
May 31	Rochester	F	Candace L. Wheeler	Charles I. Wheeler Jr.	Catherine P. Cunniff
June 03	Dover	F	Megan L. French	Douglas W. French	Shirleen Tutt
July 24	Dover	M	Jonathan C. White	John R. White	Ellen J. Sicard
Aug. 16	Dover	M	Jeremy T. VanFleet	Robert V. VanFleet	Suzanne T. Wiseman
Aug. 30	Rochester	M	David C. Roberts, II	David C. Roberts	Sally A. Hall
Sept. 04	Dover	M	James H. Hastings	Richard H. Hastings	Pamela J. Maloney
Sept. 06	Strafford	M	Nathan E. Matthews	Bruce E. Matthews	Deborah K. Hensley
Sept. 21	Exeter	F	Melissa G. McFarland	John McFarland	Ellen J. Graves
Oct. 03	Dover	M	Dakota G. Smith	Lawrence G. Smith	Nancy M. George
Oct. 14	Concord	M	Christopher E. McCormack	Kevin J. McCormack	Sandra L. Kenison

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PHYLLIS F. LYNNBOURG, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1978

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 12	Epsom	Dora F. Perkins	73	N.H.	Housewife	George P. Foss	Edna Caswell
Jan. 21	Laconia	Martha L. Jones	54	MA	Housewife	Edward H. Brooks	Esther A. Trenholm
Mar. 05	Concord	Lorin D. Paine	76	NH	NH Highw. Dept.	Louville Paine	Ruby Dresser
Mar. 30	Strafford	Frederic A. Nutter	61	ME	General Electric	Chester A. Nutter	Marion Woodcock
Apr. 10	Strafford	Genevieve L. Sanderson	45	ME	Nurse		Ada F. Lougee
July 31	Exeter	George Hood	57	NH	Mechanic	Joseph Hood	Ethel Wicstead
Aug. 14	Rochester	Lulu M. Gilman	77	NH	Housewife		
Sept. 30	Rochester	Rose P. Young	56	MA	Secretary	Clay C. Rice	Sarah H. Rivers
Oct. 15	Rochester	Walter P. Weidman	76	NY	Scout Executive	William Weidman	
Nov. 04	Strafford	Walter J. Swenson	71	NJ	Television Superv.	John O. Swenson	Mathilda Carlson
Dec. 04	Concord	Jakov Dubin	80	Russia	Accountant	Nicholas Dubin	
Dec. 08	Rochester	John M. Knight	78	NH	Farmer-Woodsman	William Knight	Agnes

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