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**ALSTEAD, N. H.**



**ANNUAL REPORT**

**1975**



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ANNUAL REPORTS  
of the  
TOWN OFFICERS  
of  
ALSTEAD, N. H.

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975

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*Picture shown on the cover was known as the Emerson Vilas Block. It contained the Post Office, a shoe shop, a store and Masonic Hall. It burned November 28, 1880 and was replaced by the present building. The photo is courtesy of Marie A. Radcliffe.*

**TOWN OFFICIALS  
1975**

**Selectmen**

Harry Neal	Term Expires 1976
Fred Stearns	Term Expires 1977
Stanley Kmiec Sr.	Term Expires 1978
Austin D. Fletcher	Moderator
Roberta Young	Town Clerk
Howard L. Goss	Town Treasurer
Roberta Young	Tax Collector
Erwin Ward	Chief of Police
Bertie Hakey	Dog Constable
Richard G. Clark	Overseer of Public Welfare
Ronald Jacobson	Park Commissioner
Ronald Jacobson	Civil Defense Director

**TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS**

Marie Radcliffe	Term Expires 1976
Edith Provost	Term Expires 1977
James Brooks	Term Expires 1978

**FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

<b>Thomas J. Hancock</b>	<b>Term Expires 1976</b>
Thomas J. Hancock	Term Expires 1976
Richard Wilson	Term Expires 1977
John Burroughs	Term Expires 1976

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

James Brooks	Term Expires 1976
Benjamin Roman	Term Expires 1976
Virginia Strout	Term Expires 1977
Marie Radcliffe	Term Expires 1977
Annette LaFrank	Term Expires 1978
Willard C. Kelley	Term Expires 1978

**ARCH POND COMMITTEE**

Clifford E. Clark	Term Expires 1976
Howard Goss	Term Expires 1977
Marie Radcliffe	Term Expires 1978

**SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST**

Frank Dustin	Clifford Smith	R. Eleanor Nostrand
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**BALLOT CLERKS**

Ora Clark	Lorraine Bellows	Beatrice Ramsey	Floyd Sears
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## PLANNING BOARD

Gloria Seddon	Term Expires 1976
Pamela Rogers	Term Expires 1977
Timothy Noonan	Term Expires 1978
Peter Rhoades	Term Expires 1978
Fred Stearns	Ex-officio, Selectman expiring 1976

## VILAS POOL COMMITTEE

Gloria Seddon	Ronald Jacobson
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## UNIVERSALIST CHURCH COMMITTEE

Benjamin Roman	Term Expires 1976
Howard Goss	Term Expires 1976
Marie Radcliffe	Term Expires 1976

## SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ALSTEAD REPRESENTATIVES FALL MT. CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT

John Bengston	Term Expires 1977
Alfred Ikeler	Term Expires 1978

**TOWN WARRANT 1976**  
**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Alstead in the county of Cheshire in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at The Municipal Building in said Alstead on Tuesday, the 2nd day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon. Polls will be open until 7:30 P.M. The Business Meeting to be holden at 7:30 P.M. to act on the following:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
2. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for Town Officers salaries and expenses and elections and registration.
3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500.00 for Old Age Assistance and Town Poor.
4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for highway and bridges and oiling of Town roads and general maintenance.
4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$910.29 Town Road Construction (T R A), the State to contribute \$6,068.59
5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$910.29 Town Road Construction (T R A), the State to contribute \$6,068.59.
6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for repair and reconstruction of the bridge at the top of Bell Hill and to further authorize the Selectmen to borrow an additional amount of \$5,000.00, or any portion thereof, on a short term note if required for the project.
7. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell real estate acquired by tax sales.
8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, if necessary.
9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for support of the Library.
10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for the Town Planning Board.
11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$890.12 as the Town's share for studies and operation of the Southwestern New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission.
12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,200.00 for operation of the Police Department.
13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the expenses of the Dog Officer.

14. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to hire a Certified Public Accountant or a Public Accountant licensed by the state under R S A 309-A:8, to conduct a yearly audit of the accounts of the Town.
15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the following sums for items and purposes as listed:
 

a. Maintenance and upkeep of the Municipal Building	\$1,700.00
b. Operation and maintenance of the Town Dump	1,600.00
c. Pine Blister Rust Control	149.00
d. Bonds for Town Officers, liability and property insurance	5,500.00
e. For interest on temporary and long term notes	1,800.00
f. For Social Security expenses	2,100.00
g. For street lights including flashing lights	3,000.00
h. For damage and legal expenses	300.00
i. Civil defense	150.00
j. For care of cemeteries	500.00
k. Parks and playgrounds	<u>500.00</u>
	\$17,299.00
16. To see if the Town will authorize a discount of two (2)% on real estate taxes paid on or before September 30 next, on current year assessments. Further to authorize the Selectmen to extend this date up to thirty days as may be necessary to allow at least ten days before payment is due after mailing of tax bills.
17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for final payment on the long term note on the former Universalist Church.
18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to issue permits for playing Bingo as prescribed by law.
19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Memorial Day observance.
20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 for 4th of July observance.
21. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Fire Commissioners to keep the retired MAXIM fire truck in the Alstead Fire Department, provided that said truck is maintained by the department at no expense to the Town.
22. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to apply for, and accept any Federal Disaster Aid that may become available and expend these sums upon receipt of same.
23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for Forest Fire Protection.
24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for fire protection, equipment, and maintenance of the Alstead Fire Department.



25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500.00 for payment on the long term note issued to purchase the new fire truck.
26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of +414.00 for support of the Cheshire Hospital for the year of 1976.
27. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$282.00 for the Monadnock Regional Association.
28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 as a contribution to the Monadnock Region Humane Society.
29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,850.00 for support of the Fall Mountain Visiting Nurse Association.
30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for maintenance and renovation of the former Universalist Church.
31. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$654.00 for support of the Monadnock Family and Mental Health Service in Keene, N.H. for 1976 - By request.
32. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the proposed ordinance entitled "Minimum Standard Requirements for Residential Building Development." Purpose of said ordinance deemed necessary in the interest of public health, welfare and safety in the Town of Alstead.
33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set-offs against budget appropriations in the amount indicated; and, further, to authorize the Selectmen to make pro-rate reductions in the amount if estimated entitlements are reduced or take any other action hereon:

Appropriations	Estimated Amount
Article 4, Road Maintenance	\$5,000.00

34. To see if the Town will adopt the proposed ordinance prohibiting the consumption of alcoholic beverages on public property within the limits of the Town of Alstead pursuant to the Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 41-11-1955 of the State of New Hampshire.
35. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Selectmen of Alstead

Harry A. Neal  
Stanley Kmiec  
Fred C. Stearns Jr.

## INVENTORY OF PROPERTY VALUES

	1974	1975
Land	\$2,152,714.00	\$2,180,428.00
Buildings	6,367,917.00	6,573,710.00
Factory buildings	102,675.00	105,800.00
Public utilities	261,676.00	253,676.00
Boats and launches	11,450.00	9,775.00
Mobile homes	<u>321,840.00</u>	<u>331,015.00</u>
	\$9,218,272.00	\$9,454,404.00
Less Elderly & Blind Exemptions:	<u>69,052.00</u>	<u>86,900.00</u>
	\$9,149,220.00	\$9,367,504.00

### ALSTEAD TAX RATE 1975

Net Assessed Valuation		\$9,370,504.00
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Town property taxes assessed	\$ 379,505.41	
Total Gross Property Taxes	379,505.41	
Less: War Serv. Tax Credits	<u>5,986.00</u>	
Net Prop. Tax Commitment	\$ 373,519.41	
Tax Rate		\$ 4.05
Net School Appropriations	364,981.24	
County Tax Assessment	19,392.87	

### SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land & Bldgs., Fire Station Combined	\$ 60,000.00
Furniture & Equipment and Four Fire Trucks	50,000.00
Libraries, Land & Bldgs. & Equipment	220,000.00
Police Department	
Equipment and Radios	6,600.00
Fire Department, Land & Bldgs. East Asstead	7,500.00
Highway Department, Land & Bldgs	1,500.00
Equipment	55,000.00
Parks Commons & Equipment & Vilas Pool	125,000.00
Former Universalist Church Land & Bldgs.	<u>25,000.00</u>
	\$550,500.00

## APPROPRIATIONS

<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>			
Town Officers' Salaries	9,600.00	9,800.32	12,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses)			
Election & Registration Exp.)			
Town Hall & Other Town Blds.	1,500.00	1,726.51	1,700.00
Employees' Ret. & Soc. Sec.	2,000.00	1,750.00	2,100.00
Former Universalist Church	2,000.00	3,497.13	500.00
<b>Protection of Persons &amp; Property:</b>			
Police Department	3,200.00	3,461.32	3,400.00
Fire Department	6,500.00	6,563.34	7,360.00
Pine Blister Rust			149.00
Insurance	5,500.00	5,678.00	5,500.00
Planning & Zoning	1,401.00	1,048.88	1,390.12
Damages & Legal Exp.	300.00	232.19	300.00
Civil Defense	150.00	55.56	150.00
<b>Health:</b>			
<b>(Incl. Hospitals &amp; Ambulance)</b>	3,064.00	3,478.00	2,918.00
Town Dump & Gar. Removal	1,200.00	2,180.00	1,600.00
<b>Highways &amp; Bridges:</b>			
Street Lighting	2,700.00	2,367.36	3,000.00
Gen. Exp. of Highway Dept.	42,000.00	54,587.49	45,000.00
Town Road Aid	921.00	921.00	910.29
<b>Public Welfare:</b>			
Town Poor	3,000.00	3,980.77	4,500.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	1,400.97	2,000.00
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>	500.00	700.00	500.00
<b>Recreation:</b>	500.00	431.02	500.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	500.00	585.50	500.00
Monadnock Humane Soc.	100.00	100.00	100.00
Advertising & Reg. Assoc.	282.00	282.00	282.00
<b>Debt Service:</b>			
Prin. & Long Term notes & bonds	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,000.00
Int. - long term notes & bonds	390.00	607.30	850.00
Int. on Temp. loans	1,110.00	1,665.45	950.00
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>			
New Fire Truck	5,000.00	5,000.00	6,500.00
Reconst. of bridge on Bell Hill		9,493.07	15,000.00
County Tax	15,000.00	19,392.87	25,000.00
School Tax	380,681.00	387,721.18	414,045.00
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 494,699.00</b>	<b>\$ 531,307.23</b>	<b>\$ 560,704.00</b>

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

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year**  
**January 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976**  
**Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations**  
**and Expenditures of the Previous Fiscal Year.**

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,354.19	\$ 9,300.00
Savings Bank Tax	1,525.00	1,751.69	1,500.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	7,500.00	8,116.99	8,000.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	13,466.00	13,466.86	13,391.07
Reimb. Forest Conserv. Aid		17.78	
Reimb. A/C Bus. Profits Tax (Town Portion)	6,000.00	6,407.72	6,000.00
Class V Highway	5,140.00	5,140.71	5,623.09
Road Toll Refund	300.00	330.70	300.00
<b>From Local Sources:</b>			
Dog Licenses	750.00	618.00	625.00
Bus. Lic. Permits & Filing Fees	25.00	79.50	25.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	15,000.00	16,185.32	15,000.00
Income from Trust Funds	35,000.00	31,770.63	32,000.00
Resident Taxes Retained	7,200.00	6,780.00	6,700.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	1,500.00	594.00	600.00
Rent of Town Property	800.00	302.00	1,100.00
<b>Surplus from Federal Sources:</b>			
Revenue Sharing	5,000.00	4,761.00	4,500.00
*TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES	<u>108,206.00</u>	<u>105,677.09</u>	104,664.16
*AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES	<u>385,493.00</u>	<u>373,519.41</u>	456,039.84
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u><u>493,699.00</u></u>	<u><u>479,196.50</u></u>	560,704.00

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The final payment has been made on the note for the Municipal Building and Fire Station.

The final Flood Disaster Aid Funds from the 1973 floods, were not received in 1975 as had been expected and it appears that this will be reduced to less than \$1,000.00 when payment is finally made.

A long term note in the amount of \$16,500.00 has been issued for payment of the new fire truck. This is scheduled to be paid off as follows: \$6,500.00 in 1976, \$5,000.00 in 1977 and 1978.

Federal Revenue Sharing Funds will be terminated as of July 1, 1977 unless the program is renewed by Congress. This has amounted to \$4,761.00 in 1975.

An agreement was reached with Land/Vest whereby they rebuilt a section of the Barrett Hill Road in the Southwest corner of town, to serve their development in the area. In addition, the town received \$6,000.00 from Land/Vest for improvement of the road from the McLean Place (so called) to the Wyman Farm.

Permission has been granted by the State to continue burning in the Town Dump until July 1, 1977.

Several items in the budget for 1976 have been increased due primarily to the inflationary economic situation today. \$12,000.00 has been budgeted to cover town officers salaries, expenses and election and registration costs. This will include a \$200.00 increase in salaries for Selectmen, Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Treasurer and \$100.00 for Trustee of Trust Funds. More demands are made of town officials each year particularly in complying with state requirements.

Funding for reconstruction of the bridge at the top of Bell Hill is included in the budget. This bridge has been posted to limited loads since last Fall. This development was completely unexpected.

The accounts of the Town have been audited annually by the State Division of Municipal Accounting for several years. It has become increasingly difficult in recent years, to have the audit completed and the report returned to the Town in time for budget work and inclusion in the Town Report. This has caused a delay in the printing of the Report. The Selectmen are requesting authorization to obtain this service from another source in the future.

In the interest of expediting the printing of this report as well as for economy in printing and postage necessary to mail the reports, portions of the audit are not being included. The complete audit report may be seen upon request to the Town Clerk or the office of Selectmen.

Selectmen of Alstead  
Harry A. Neal  
Fred C. Stearns Jr.  
Stanley Kmiec



## REPORT OF THE ALSTEAD FIRE DEPARTMENT

1975 was another busy and active year for the Alstead Fire Department. Sixteen of our men attended Fire School cases and training sessions at Springfield, Vt., Meadowood Training Grounds, Marlow , and North Walpole. A wide spectrum of courses were taken, ranging from Arson Investigation and Defensive Driving to LP Gas Fire Fighting, Pump Operations, Structural Fire Fighting and Hose and Ladder Handling. Our Department has consistently had a good turn out for training programs of this type.

The new truck was completed and delivered in December and when fully operational should be a tremendous boost to our fire fighting capability. The men have spent countless hours of volunteer time and hard work in their efforts to build a tanker for the Town. As of this writing over \$1,200.00 of their money, raised through fund raising activities, and over 14 months of effort have gone into the nearly completed truck.

We feel that the best fire fighting technique is prevention; therefore the Fire Dept. participated in Fire Prevention Week activities at the local schools and has continued the home fire inspection program. This past January, the Ladies Auxilliary sponsored a highly successful all day Homemakers Fire School taught by State of New Hampshire instructors.

Remember -- in case of fire or emergency, dial 352-1100.

Below is a run-down of 1975 activities:

Fires	21
Mutual Aid Calls	15
Meetings	12
Training Drills	10
Accident and Emergency Calls	5
Parades attended	4
Missing Persons Searches	2
Smoke and gas investigations	2

Thomas J. Hancock  
Fire Commissioner

**REPORT OF THE FALL MOUNTAIN VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION**  
**December 31, 1975**

In 1975 the Fall Mountain V.N.A. made 2478 visits and, in addition, saw 216 patients in cancer prevention and blood pressure clinics. This is a total of 2694 patient services, 90% more than were provided in 1974. A total of 363 different individuals were serviced in 1975, which is 6% of the population of the four-town area.

Since activity far exceeded what was anticipated, the proposed budget of \$29,289 for 1975 proved unrealistic. Total expenditures by the Agency in 1975 were \$37,637.22, \$8,348.22 more than had been planned for. It was able to meet expenses through reimbursements by patients, government agencies, miscellaneous gifts and the \$2.00 per capita, contributions made by the four participating towns.

Contributions by the towns are a significant part of the V.N.A. budget, enabling the Agency, in particular, to serve those patients who are ineligible for reimbursement by Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance. A breakdown of the sources of income during 1975 follows:

Medicare payments .....	47.18%
The Four Towns (\$2/capita) .....	31.53%
Patient Payments .....	11.99%
Medicaid Payments .....	6.52%
Miscellaneous Income-Memorial Gifts, Interest, Comm. Dis., Contributions	2.78%

Distribution of services by the Agency for the year is shown in the chart below:

Town	No. Nurse Visits	No. O.T. Visits	No. Pts. Seen in Clinics
Acworth	230	1	37
Alstead	332	81	60
Charlestown	1507	104	79
Langdon	203	20	40

For 1976 the participating towns are requested to contribute \$1.50 per capita, instead of the \$2.00 assessed in 1975. It is possible this will not totally underwrite the Association's non-reimbursed costs, but in that event the Board of Directors will seek other sources to fund the balance.

(North Walpole, in addition to Acworth, Alstead, Charlestown, and Langdon, will receive V.N.A. services beginning January 1976.)

Respectfully submitted,  
 Katherine Frazer, Director  
 Fall Mountain V. N. A.



## POLICE REPORT - 1975

The 1975 Police Report could be pretty much a repeat from that of 1974 and previous years - with one major difference, practically every nature of complaint has doubled, and, as I am sure you are aware from the news media, Alstead is no exception to this dilemma.

Breaks involving the theft of thousands of dollars worth of household furnishings, antiques, camping equipment, tools, chain saws, wood stoves, building supplies, guns, and other personal property is at an alarming increase and many are truly saddened by their losses. Insurance helps but it does not replace a treasured heirloom.

I have been fortunate to have apprehended a few but there are many more that may never get caught. What are we going to do about this situation?

We, in the small communities, are somewhat hampered by small budgets to sufficiently operate and our force is made up of men who work on a part time or "when called" basis. Whether it be a selectman, a fireman or a police officer, all would have to agree that no one gets rich performing his duty assigned to him. We are civic minded people who are all open to harsh criticism and ridicule, but each of us have to do the best we can with each situation at the time it confronts us.

We are fortunate to have a reliable, willing backup from the State Police and other officers in nearby towns if an emergency warrants additional help, and please don't ever forget to use the Mutual Aid number 352-1100 if you need assistance.

The school patrol is doing an excellent job keeping the children safely in line on these narrow streets that have been hampered by ice and snow.

May I stress, once again, the importance of immediately reporting any suspicious incident no matter what time of day or night for we are here to help you.

A complete police log is kept on each and every call as reference is frequently requested and referred to.

Respectfully submitted,  
Edwin W. Ward, Chief of Police

## REPORT OF ALSTEAD PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board again has had a very active year. Even though the economy has been slow, we have not seen a decline in proposed sub-divisions. This indicates the Town of Alstead is still growing. Our regular meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month between 8:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. in the municipal building. Our meetings are always open to all interested residents.

We finally are presenting to our fellow residents, for their careful consideration, the ordinance entitled "Minimum Standard Requirements for Residential Building Development." This proposal is in response to the questionnaire filled out by interested residents previously. We have deliberated long on this and with the help of regional planning have prepared an ordinance which we feel would benefit the town. Please consider carefully the benefits to the town and vote accordingly.

Please remember that the Planning Board members are concerned for the entire town. Any decisions we make, are done so with that thought in mind. None of us vote as individuals for our own benefit; but, rather all decision making is always made with our duty to the town our prime concern.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gloria Seddon, Chairman  
Timothy Noonan  
Pamela Rogers  
Peter Rhoades, Secretary

## REPORT OF OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Several families are on the Food Stamp Program. Direct Relief Aid was given to families on request.

Richard G. Clark

## REPORT OF CEMETERY CUSTODIAN

The leaves and debris were raked and removed this spring. The cemeteries were mowed several times. Brush was trimmed around the walls. A large dead tree which had fallen was cut up and removed. Sunken graves were filled and reseeded.

Richard G. Clark

## LIBRARY REPORT

January 12, 1976

As your Librarian, I hereby submit my report for 1975.

The energy crisis still being serious, the Library hours are still as last year.

Two book meetings were attended by your librarian at the District Office of the N. H. State library in Keene. Youth books were on display.

In April for National Library Week and in November for Book Week, posters were supplied to Vilas Jr. High and Alstead Elementary schools.

During March, "Youth Art Month," two art exhibits were on display in the Library, from kindergarten through 4th grades of "Spring colors on black construction paper" and the 5th grade exhibited "plaster cast art." In October the 2nd grade displayed colorful butterflies.

Mrs. Charlotte Thompson displayed local scenes in water colors. Visitors in the library enjoyed all the exhibits and now look forward to them.

Miss Rose Knight with her 2nd grade class visited the Library in May and the use of the file cabinet was explained to them and they each borrowed books.

Three visits of the State Library Bookmobile from Keene district left over 1000 books.

Our summer reading program for 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades during July was "The Bicentennial Reading Program" requiring each child to read 15 books or more. 26 entered and 19 completed. Each awarded certificates and their pictures in the weekly paper. 887 junior books were read during the program.

The bus pupils again made weekly visits to the library, weather permitting. Two mothers accompanied them and our thanks to these mothers.

114 books were borrowed, by request, from the N. H. State library.

Number of books purchased: 140; gifts, 101; magazines on loan, 28; daily paper, 1; and weekly paper, 1.

### Circulation for 1975

Fiction	5870
Non-fiction	1459
Juvenile	5671
Records	73
Magazines	1156
Total	14,229

Irene Stevens, Librarian

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE  
SHEDD PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

RECEIPTS:

Shedd Porter Fund	\$5,629.10
Carpenter Fund	33.47
Kimball Fund	165.18
Warren Fund	193.55
Water Rents	450.00
Gift Book in Memory Janette S. Buss	<u>10.00</u>

Balance on Hand 1-1-1975	\$6,481.30
	<u>129.35</u>

Disbursements	\$6,610.65
	<u>6,237.76</u>

Balance on Hand 12-31-1975	372.89
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DISBURSEMENTS:

Librarian	1,412.28
Assistant Librarian	115.50
Treasurer	35.00
Janitor	790.80
Social Security	136.92
Books-Magazines-Newspapers	696.00
Insurance	139.91
Telephone	358.14
Electricity	1,239.28
Fuel	85.16
Postage and Supplies	263.09
Water Expense	<u>74.00</u>

\$6,237.76

Balance in Savings Bank of Walpole \$2,343.09

Respectfully submitted,

Marie A. Radcliffe, Treasurer

## ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

The past year culverts were laid on Campbrook, Southwoods, Abiells, Bacons, Allen, Pratts Roads.

Tarring was done on Hill Rds., Pleasant St., Slade Hill and Gilsum Roads.

T.R.A. was completed on Corbin Road with the exception of some crushed gravel from Corbin's farm to the Marlow Road.

Crushed gravel was applied on Bennett Road, Pine Grove, Bonnie Brae, Dustin and Cooper Hill Roads.

A new road was built from MacLean property off Slade Hill to the Alstead-Walpole Town Line under T.R.A. specifications which makes for a nice road. The town should get some revenue from the abutting property owners for taxes.

A 36 in. x 206 ft. culvert was laid from Ralph Jacobs across Hill Rd., through Alwin Ward's property replacing an old stone one at quite an expense, which should take care of the run-off in the spring of the year.

At this time, I wish to thank any one that assisted me in any way the past year.

Clifford C. Clark  
Road Agent, Alstead, N. H.

## INCOME OF EQUIPMENT

Virginia Pride, rent of truck	\$7.00
Margaret Renjelman, rent of truck and loader	32.00
Waldeman Shermin, Rent of truck	6.00
Town dump, hauling gravel, covering dump	191.00
Land Vest Corp	6,000.00
Stanley Johnson, oiling drive	52.00
Mildred Duffy, oiling drive	52.00
Alma LaFrank, oiling drive	72.00
Robert Wyman, oiling drive	61.00
Ben Roman, chlorida	8.70
Ann Lunquist, stone, truck, labor	12.20
Irwin Boak, truck and loader	36.00
Blanch Flower Lumber Corp, chloride	23.40
Judi Bellows, oiling drive	54.00
Sandia Jacobson, oiling drive	62.00
Frances Stevens, truck and loader	8.00
Fred Watson, truck and loader	20.90
Francis Pratt, truck and loader	14.00
Carroll Robbins, pump	25.00
Floyd Rhoades, chloride	2.50
Nellie Ayer, truck and loader	7.00
Kenneth Stanley, truck and loader	7.00
Gorden Moodie, chloride	15.60
Marguerite Finley, truck and loader	73.00
Ruth Cault, oiling drive	73.00

Tressie Fuller, truck and loader	8.00
Robert Esslinger, sanding road	95.00
Robert Putnam, truck and loader	32.00
Gilman Ellis, truck and loader	54.90

### TARRING

Asphalt	\$4,031.72
Cold Patch	608.11
Sand	932.54
Equipment	931.05
Labor	972.61

### DUNCAN MONEY

Equipment	\$1,059.85
Gravel crushed	2,070.00
Labor	860.29

### EXPENSES OF ROAD AGENT

Clifford Clark, Labor	\$10,027.65
Richard Clark, Labor	8,500.85
Lee Saucie, Labor	2,016.00
Ronald Bitben, Labor	24.00
Fred Carman, Labor	41.00
Dale Wilson, Backhoe	1,180.30
Ola Peterson, gravel	498.90
Blanch Flower Lumber Co., Bridge Plant	17.98
Cray Oil Co., Diesel Fuel, gas	703.31
Adams Garage, parts G.M.C.	32.31
Brennan Wildment Co., service on plow wing	324.00
Chemical Corp, salt	202.83
R. N. Johnson, chloride, parts, saw	640.00
Kmiecs Garage, gas, repairs	2,478.41

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Kmiecs Garage, gas, repairs . . . . .	2,478.41
Kenneth Winham, truck and loader . . . . .	6,222.79
Don Porter, tractor, mowing rd. sides . . . . .	420.00
Goss Service, service on saw . . . . .	27.50
R. C. Hazelton Co., parts sanders . . . . .	101.29
Timber Owners of N.E., plowing snow . . . . .	70.00
Reynold's & Son, Inc., cutting edges . . . . .	203.18
John Burroughs, crushing gravel . . . . .	4,478.40
Morton Salt Co., salt . . . . .	271.62
Cheever Tire Co., capping tires . . . . .	98.60
Roy Parker, spikes, saw blades . . . . .	12.68
Robert Esslinger, oiling trucks . . . . .	34.00
Cheshire Signs, Inc., signs . . . . .	55.50
Northeaster Culverts Corp., culverts . . . . .	417.18
Hodgkins & Sons, Inc., loader, dozer, trucks, gravel . . . . .	7,852.40



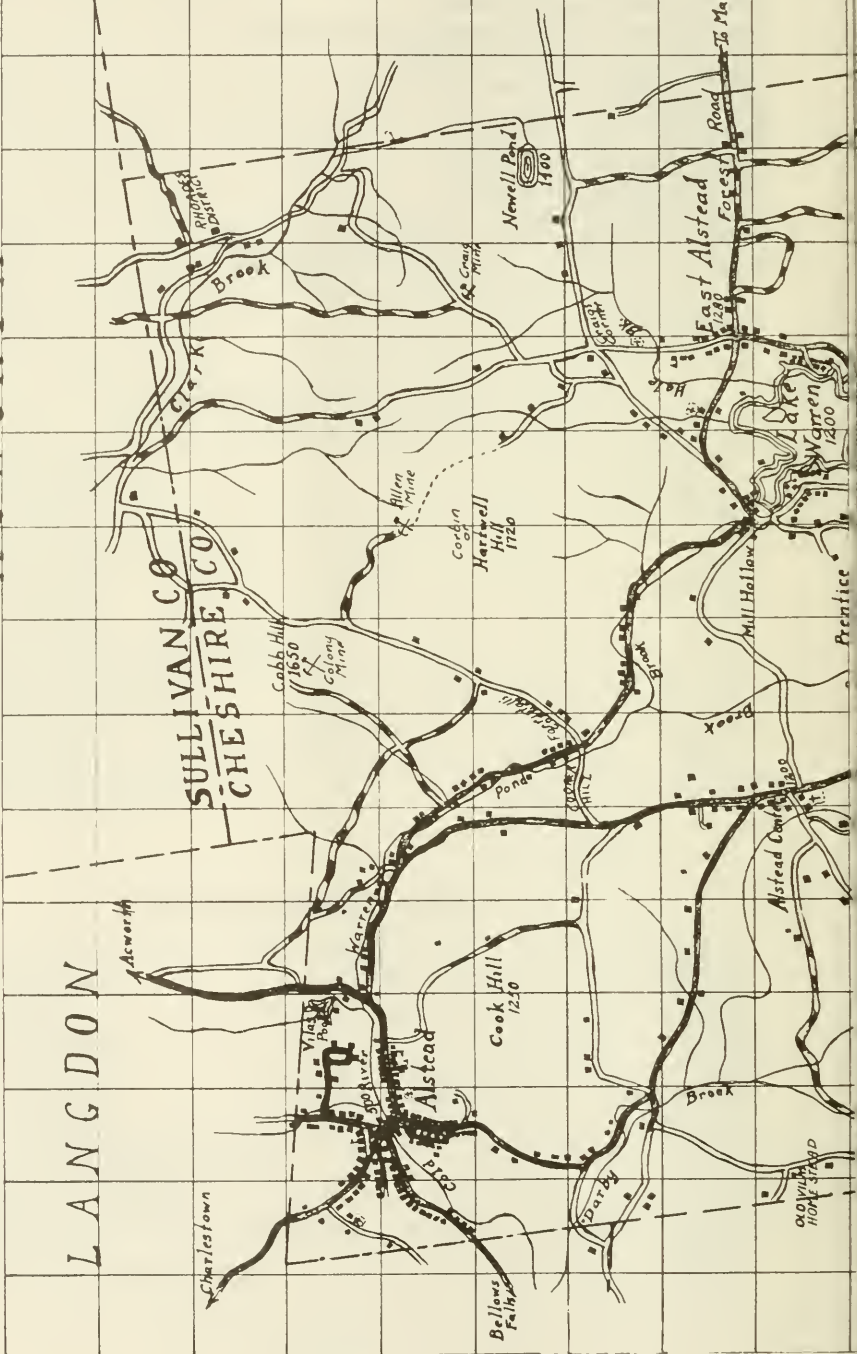
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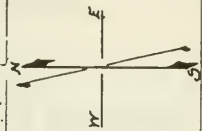




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 Cross sections used  
 to Locate Properties.  
 Example - Vilas Pool  
 located in section  
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# MAP OF THE TOWN OF ALSTEAD CHESHIRE COUNTY, N.H.

Drawn by F.C. Dustin using U.S.G.S. Maps 1957



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**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNT  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
Concord, New Hampshire**

**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Board of Selectmen  
Town Office  
Alstead, New Hampshire 03602

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Alstead for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

One of the audit reports must be given to the Town Clerk as part of the permanent Town records.

**SCOPE OF AUDIT**

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Roberta Young - Tax Collector for the period March 4, 1975 to December 31, 1975, Town Clerk, Road Agent, Trustees of Trust Funds and Vilas Pool Fund. The accounts of Gilman O. Ellis - Tax Collector for the period January 1, 1975 to March 4, 1975 were examined previously and a report of that examination was submitted to your Board under date of March 10, 1975.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**General Fund:**

**Comparative Balance Sheets - December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975:  
(Exhibit A-1)**

Comparative balance sheets - general fund - as of December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975, are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein, the Current Surplus of the Town decreased by \$4,898.11, from \$16,763.10 to \$11,864.99, during the year ended December 31, 1975.

**Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition: (Exhibit A-2)**

An analysis of change in current financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit A-2. The factors which caused the change were as follows:

**Decrease in Current Surplus:**

Net Budget Deficit (Exhibit A-4)	\$ 2,398.11
Surplus Used To Reduce Tax Rate	<u>2,500.00</u>

**Net Decrease in Current Surplus** \$ 4,898.11

**Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures - Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits A-3 and A-4)**

Comparative statements of general fund appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975, are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the Budget Summary (Exhibit A-4), a revenue deficit of \$1,121.04, plus a net overdraft of appropriations of \$1,277.07, resulted in a net budget deficit of \$2,398.11.

**Long-Term Indebtedness:**

**Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibit A-5)**

Comparative balance sheets which disclose the long-term indebtedness of the Town as of December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975 are presented in Exhibit A-5. As indicated therein, the long-term debt increased by \$13,900.00 during 1975. Outstanding long-term notes as of December 31, 1975, totaled \$18,500.00.

**Statement of Long-Term Indebtedness: (Exhibit A-6)**

A statement of long-term indebtedness showing annual payments of principal and interest is included in Exhibit A-6.

**TREASURER**

**General Fund:**

**Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit B-1)**

A summary statement of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit B-1.

**Revenue Sharing Funds: (Exhibit G)**

A statement of Revenue Sharing Fund receipts, expenditures, encumbrances and fund balance is contained in Exhibit G. As stated therein, there is an unappropriated fund balance of \$2,919.02 as of December 31, 1975.

## AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were necessary in the circumstances.

Verification of uncollected and unredeemed taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Tax Collector's records. Consequently, the amounts of uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are subject to any changes which may be necessitated by the return of verification notices.

### **Conclusion:**

The provisions of Chapter 71-A, Section 21, require that the auditors' summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the Town. Publication of the Exhibits contained in this audit report is optional at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen. This letter, however, must be published in its entirety.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Alstead for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,  
Frederick E. Laplante, Director  
DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES  
DEPT. OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

## CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Alstead for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statements of sources of revenues and expenditures present fairly the financial position of the Town of Alstead at December 31, 1975 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applies on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frederick E. Laplante, Director  
DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES  
DEPT. OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

**EXHIBIT A-1**  
**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**  
**General Fund**  
**Comparative Balance Sheets**  
**As of December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975**

Assets	December 31, 1974	December 31, 1975
<b>Cash:</b>		
General Fund	\$176,770.97	\$108,230.24
Special Fund (Payroll)	93.78	411.08
Town Clerk - Change Fund	25.00	25.00
Special Highway Fund	<u>( .02)</u>	<u>( 15.02)</u>
	\$176,889.73	\$108,651.30
 <b>Long-Term Notes Authorized -</b>		
Unissued:		
 Vilas Pool Gates		
(Article 46 - 1972)	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00
Fire Truck		
(Article 2 - 1974)	<u>21,500.00</u>	<u>                    </u>
	23,800.00	2,300.00
 <b>Capital Reserve Fund - Fire</b>		
<b>Truck</b>	3,743.00	
 <b>Accounts Due To Town:</b>		
<b>From State:</b>		
Disaster Relief Act Funds	\$ 9,844.00	\$ 9,844.00
Bounties	44.00	65.00
Reimbursement a/c Vilas Pool Gates	4,635.00	
 <b>Other:</b>		
a/c Overpaymt. of abate.		22.11
Due from Cap. Res. Fund	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>                    </u>
	18,023.00	9,931.11
 <b>Unredeemed Taxes</b>		
(Exhibit C-2)	8,062.78	20,857.91
 <b>Uncollected Taxes</b>		
(Exhibit C-1)	<u>65,882.00</u>	<u>80,816.84</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>\$ 296,400.51</u>	 <u>\$ 222,557.16</u>



<b>Liabilities &amp; Current Surplus</b>	<b>December 31, 1974</b>	<b>December 31, 1975</b>
<b>Bills Outstanding</b>	\$ 507.76	\$ 396.06
<b>Loans from Vilas Pool Fund</b>	3,570.00	
<b>Unexpended Balance of Non-Revenue:</b>		
<b>Appropriations:</b>		
Vilas Pool Gates	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00
Fire Truck	<u>25,000.00</u>	<u>2,741.37</u>
	27,300.00	5,041.37
<b>Unexpended Balance of Special Appropriations:</b>		
Arch Pont Commission	\$ 4,294.00	\$ 3,612.51
Universalist Church Bldg. Development Fund	2,057.00	559.87
Bell Hill Bridge	10,061.00	567.93
Vilas Pool Gates	<u>1,000.00</u>	
	17,412.00	4,740.31
<b>Unappropriated Revenue</b>		
<b>Sharing Funds</b>	<b>2,872.65</b>	<b>2,919.02</b>
<b>Disaster Relief Act Bills</b>		
<b>Payable</b>	5,520.00	
<b>Yield Tax Security Deposits</b>	595.00	2,209.50
<b>Due To State of N.H.:</b>		
<b>2% Bond &amp; Debt Retirement Taxes:</b>		
Uncollected	77.00	90.12
Collected- not remitted	<u>354.00</u>	<u>88.16</u>
	431.00	178.28
<b>Overpaymts to be refunded</b>		<b>261.57</b>
<b>School Dist. Tax Payable</b>	217,686.00	194,946.06
<b>Capital Reserve Fund</b>	<u>3,743.00</u>	
Total Liabilities	\$279,637.41	\$210,692.17
Current Surplus	<u>16,763.10</u>	<u>11,864.99</u>
<b>TOTAL LIAB. &amp;</b>		
<b>CURR. SURPLUS</b>	<u>\$296,400.51</u>	<u>\$222,557.16</u>

**EXHIBIT A-2**  
**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**  
**General Fund**  
**Analysis of Change in Financial Condition**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975**

Current Surplus - December 31, 1975	\$ 16,763.10	
Current Surplus - December 31, 1975	<u>11,864.99</u>	
Decrease in Current Surplus		<u>\$ 4,898.11</u>

**Analysis of Change**

**Decreases in Current Surplus:**

Surplus Used to Reduce Taxes	\$ 2,500.00	
Net Budget Deficit (Exhibit A-4)	<u>2,398.11</u>	
Net Decrease		<u>\$ 4,898.11</u>



### Budget Summary

Estimated Revenues	\$ 487,886.41		
Actual Revenues	<u>486,765.37</u>		
Revenue Deficit		\$ 1,121.04	
Overdrafts of Appropriations	3,130.74		
Unexpended Bal. of Approp. 1,853.67	<u>                    </u>		
Net Overdraft of Approp.		<u>1,277.07</u>	
Net Budget Deficit			<u><u>\$ 2,398.11</u></u>

**EXHIBIT A-5**  
**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**  
**Long-Term Indebtedness**  
**Comparative Balance Sheets**  
**As of December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975**

ASSETS	December 31, 1974	December 31, 1975
<b>Amount To Be Provided For</b>		
Retirement of Long-Term Debt	\$4,600.00	\$18,500.00

**LIABILITIES**

**Long-Term Notes Outstanding:**

New Town Building Notes 1968	\$ 600.00		
Land & Bldg. Acquisition Notes - 1972	4,000.00	2,000.00	
Fire Truck Note - 1975	<u>                    </u>	<u>16,500.00</u>	
Total Liabilities	<u><u>\$ 4,600.00</u></u>	<u><u>18,500.00</u></u>	

EXHIBIT A-3

TOWN OF ALSTEAD

General Fund

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975

	Approps. Forwarded From 1974	Approps. 1975	Receipts and Reimb.	Total Amount Available	Expend. 1975	Balances Unexpended	Approps. Forwarded To 1976
<b>General Government:</b>							
Town Officers' Salaries		5,200.00		5,200.00	5,190.50	9.50	
Town Officers' Expenses		3,800.00	64.00	3,864.00	3,879.55		15.55
Election and Registration Expenses		600.00		600.00	730.27		130.27
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,726.51		226.51
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>							
Police Department		3,200.00	40.00	3,240.00	3,461.32		221.32
Fire Department, Including Forest Fires		6,500.00	17.78	6,517.78	6,563.34		45.56
Planning and Zoning		1,401.00		1,401.00	1,048.88	352.12	
Insurance		6,000.00		6,000.00	5,678.00	322.00	
Civil Defense		150.00		150.00	55.56	94.44	
Humane Society		100.00		100.00	100.00		
<b>Health and Sanitation:</b>							
Health Department	414.00	3,064.00		3,478.00	3,478.00		
Town Dump		1,200.00		1,200.00	2,180.00		980.00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>							
Town Road Aid		921.00		921.00	921.00		
Street Lighting		2,700.00		2,700.00	2,367.36	332.64	
General Expense of Highway Department (Including Disaster Relief Act Funds)	( 8,604.00)	42,000.00	7,230.91	46,146.91	54,587.49	163.42	( 8,604.00)
	5,520.00						

<b>Public Welfare:</b>									
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00	83.45	1,583.45	1,400.97				182.48	
Town Poor	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,980.77					480.77
<b>Patriotic Purposes</b>	500.00	200.00	700.00	700.00					
<b>Recreation:</b>									
Parks and Playgrounds	500.00		500.00	431.02				68.98	
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>									
Cemeteries	500.00		500.00	585.50					85.50
<b>Unclassified:</b>									
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	2,000.00	10.28	2,010.28	1,750.00				260.28	
Damages and Legal Expenses	300.00		300.00	232.19				67.81	
Advertising and Regional Associations	282.00		282.00	282.00					
<b>Debt Service:</b>									
Interest on Debt:									
On Long-Term Notes	390.00		390.00	607.30				217.30	
On Tax Anticipation Notes	1,110.00		1,110.00	1,665.45				555.45	
<b>Principal of Debt:</b>									
Payments On Long-Term Notes	2,600.00		2,600.00	2,600.00					
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>									
<b>New Construction:</b>									
Arch Pond Commission	4,294.00		4,294.00	681.49				3,612.51	
Vilas Pool Gates )	( 4,635.00)		4,635.00	4,570.00					
Bell Hill Bridge	10,061.00		10,061.00	9,493.07				567.93	
<b>New Equipment:</b>									
New Fire Truck	5,000.00	20,412.32	25,412.32	22,670.95				2,741.37	
<b>Land and Buildings:</b>									
Universalist Church Building	2,057.00		4,057.00	3,497.13				559.87	
Universalist Church Building	( 13,239.00)							( 8,604.00)	
<b>Totals a/c Town Appropriations</b>	26,916.00	32,693.74	144,888.74	147,115.62				1,853.67	2,958.23
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>									
School District Tax	217,686.00		582,667.24	387,721.18				194,946.06	
County Tax	19,392.87		19,392.87	19,392.87					
<b>Overlay (Discounts, Abatements, Refunds)</b>	4,994.30		4,994.30	5,188.92				172.51	( 22.11)
	( 13,239.00)							( 8,626.11)	
	\$244,602.00	\$487,886.41	\$32,693.74	\$751,943.15	\$559,418.59	\$1,853.67	\$3,130.74	\$202,427.74	

**EXHIBIT B-1**  
**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**  
**General Fund**  
**Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975**

**RECEIPTS**

**Current Revenue:**

From Local Taxes:

**Current Year:**

Property Taxes	\$	291,695.50
Resident Taxes		4,780.00
Yield Taxes		426.05
		426.05
	\$	296,901.55

**Prior Years:**

Property Taxes		63,115.71
Resident Taxes		2,000.00
Yield Taxes		168.81
Poll Taxes		6.00
		6.00

65,290.52

**Interest on Delinquent Taxes** 3,557.15

**Resident Tax Penalties** 220.50

**Tax Sales Redeemed** 2,638.61

\$368,608.33

**From State of New Hampshire:**

Interest and Dividends Tax	9,354.19
Savings Bank Tax	1,751.69
Highway Subsidy	13,466.86
Class IV Highways	5,140.71
Meals and Rooms Tax	8,116.99
Business Profits Tax	6,407.72
Forest Fire Reimbursement	17.78
Old Age Assistance	83.45
Bounties	52.50
Gas Tax Refunds	330.70
	330.70

44,722.59

**From Local Sources, Except**

**Taxes:**

Income From Trust Funds	31,770.63
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	16,185.32
Dog Licenses	618.60
Bus. Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	79.50
Rent of Town Prop. & Equip.	302.00

**Income From Departments:**

Planning Board	135.78
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**Refunds:**

**Appropriation Credits:**

Town Officers' Expenses	64.00
Police Department	40.00
Highway Department	7,230.91
Patriotic Purposes	200.00
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	10.28

7,545.19

\$ 56,637.02

**Receipts Other Than Current**

**Revenue:**

Withdrawal From Capital Reserve Fund	3,912.32
Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	100,000.00
Proceeds of Fire Truck Note	16,500.00
Sale of Town Property	50.00
Yield Tax Security Deposits	1,614.50
Vilas Pool Gates	4,635.00

**Federal Grants:**

Revenue Sharing	4,873.00
Interest on Revenue Sharing Funds	173.37

5,046.37

131,758.19

Total Rec. from all sources

601,726.13

Balance - Jan. 1, 1975

176,770.97

GRAND TOTAL

\$778,497.10  
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## EXPENDITURES

### General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 5,190.50	
Town Officers' Expenses	3,879.55	
Election and Registration Expenses	730.27	
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	<u>1,726.51</u>	
		\$ 11,526.83

### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	3,461.32	
Fire Department, Including Forest Fires	6,563.34	
Planning and Zoning	1,048.88	
Insurance	5,678.00	
Civil Defense	55.56	
Humane Society	100.00	
Bounties	<u>73.50</u>	
		16,980.60

### Health and Sanitation:

Health Department	3,478.00	
Town Dump	<u>2,180.00</u>	
		5,658.00

### Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	921.00	
Street Lighting	2,367.36	
General Expenses of Highway Department	<u>54,587.49</u>	
		57,875.85

### Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	1,400.97	
Town Poor	<u>3,980.77</u>	
		5,381.74

### Patriotic Purposes

700.00

### Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds	431.02	
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### Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	585.50	
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**Unclassified:**

Advertising and Regional Associations	282.00
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	1,750.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	232.19
Taxes Bought By Town	15,433.74

**Abatements and Refunds:**

Property Tax Overpayments Refunded	22.11
Property Tax Abatements	141.50
Motor Vehicle Permits	2.00

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 17,863.54
**Debt Service:****Interest on Debt:**

Long-Term Notes	607.30
Tax Anticipation Notes	1,665.45

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 2,272.75
**Principal of Debt:**

Tax Anticipation Notes Paid	100,000.00
Long-Term Notes Paid	2,600.00

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 102,600.00
**Capital Outlay:****New Construction:**

Arch Pond Commission	681.49
Vilas Pool Gates	4,570.00
Bell Hill Bridge	9,493.07

**New Equipment:**

New Fire Truck	22,670.95
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**Land and Buildings:**

Universalist Church Building	3,497.13
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 40,912.64
**Payments To Other Governmental Divisions:****State of New Hampshire:**

2% Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes	364.34
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**County Taxes**

19,392.87

**School District Taxes:**

1974-75 Assessment

217,686.00

1975-76 Assessment

170,035.18

387,721.18

Total Expenditures For All Purposes

670,266.86

Balance - December 31, 1975

108,230.24

**GRAND TOTAL**

\$ 778,497.10



**TOWN OF ALSTEAD  
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**Proposed  
Minimum Standard Requirements for  
Residential Building Development**

**SECTION 1 - PURPOSE AND INTENT**

In the interest of public health, welfare, and safety, the Town's voters hereby deem it necessary to stipulate conditions for the construction of buildings to be utilized for residential purposes under State of New Hampshire Law RSA 31:39.

**SECTION 2 - REQUIREMENTS**

No building or structure may be erected, placed, altered or used for residential purposes on any lot unless such lot conforms to the following specifications:

- (1) Acreage: All lots shall be of sufficient size to provide adequate area for water supply and sewage disposal facilities, but in no case shall the lot be less than one acre.
- (2) Frontage: Each lot shall have a minimum frontage of at least two hundred (200') feet. The minimum depth shall be at least one hundred fifty (150') feet from the front property line not to exceed five (5) times the frontage.
- (3) Setback: No building or structure shall be erected or placed closer than twenty (20') feet from the front property line. No building or structure to be used for residential purposes shall be placed closer than ten (10') feet from the side and rear property lines. All structures and buildings used for residential purposes including mobile homes shall be placed on an enclosed permanent foundation.

**SECTION 3 - DEFINITIONS**

- (1) Frontage: The length of the lot bordering on a public street.
- (2) Lot: A parcel of land occupied or capable of being occupied by one structure or use and the structures or uses accessory thereto, including such open spaces and setbacks as are required by this ordinance.
- (3) Public Street: Any highway, street, road, avenue, land, or other right-of-way over which the public has a right to pass and repass, and the state, county or municipality has a responsibility to maintain. The phrase "public street" shall include the entire right-of-way.
- (4) Lot Width: The width of any lot measured wholly within such lot as the shortest distance between side lot lines at the front property line.

## SECTION 4 - PERMITS

Written application for a building permit shall be filed with the Board of Selectmen and shall include a complete description of the location and nature of the proposed construction or other work together with a detailed plan of same drawn to scale by the applicant showing the boundaries of the lot, proposed location of the building to be used for residential purposes and any other structures existing or proposed on the lot and the location for proposed or existing water supply and sewage disposal facilities. The plan shall include names of owners of abutting lands and any other pertinent general information, including contour of the lot, proposed access to the land, and any other details.

**Issuance of Permit.** The Board of Selectmen shall determine as a matter of record whether or not the granting of such permit will be in accordance with the purpose and requirements of this ordinance, and shall take into consideration the following items: That the proposed use will not adversely affect stream channels and their ability to handle run-off of surface waters and the nature of the soils and subsoils and their ability to adequately support sewage disposal systems.

The granting or denial of the permit shall take place not later than thirty (30) days from the date of filing the application unless the applicant and the Board of Selectmen shall jointly agree to a reasonable extension.

**Conditions - Approval.** The Board of Selectmen may grant a permit subject to any reasonable conditions it may impose to insure the purpose of this ordinance be carried out.

**Revocation of Permit -** Any permit may be revoked by the Board of Selectmen at any time for just cause.

## SECTION 5 - NON-CONFORMING USES

All uses which will otherwise be subject to this ordinance which are in existence at the time of passage of this ordinance may continue without need for making application to the Board of Selectmen.

## SECTION 6 - ENFORCEMENT

The Board of Selectmen shall enforce the provisions of this ordinance in the name of the town under the penalty of provisions and if necessary by seeking injunction relief.

## SECTION 7 - PENALTY

The holder of a permit found guilty of violating any provision of this ordinance shall be fined not more than one hundred (\$100) dollars per day for each day such violation shall continue after notice is given to the holder by the Board of Selectmen.

## SECTION 8 - BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Creation: A Board of Adjustment is hereby created and its members shall be appointed by the Selectmen in accordance with, and shall have the terms and powers hereby conferred upon the Board of Adjustment by the provisions of Chapter 31, N.H. Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955, and as may be amended.

Adoption of Rules The Board of Adjustment shall adopt rules to govern its proceedings in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, and the provisions of Chapter 31, N.H. Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955, and as may be amended.

Interpretation: The Board of Adjustment may hear and decide a case where it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by the Selectmen or their agent in the enforcement of this ordinance.

Appeals Appeals to the Board of Adjustment may be taken by any person aggrieved or by any officer, department, board, or bureau of the municipality affected by any decision within a reasonable time, as provided by the rules of the Board, by filing with the officer from whom the appeal is taken and with the board a notice of appeal specifying the grounds thereof. The Board of Adjustment shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of the appeal, give public notice thereof, as well as notice to the parties in interest, and decide the same within a reasonable time. Upon the hearing any party may appear in person or by agent or attorney.

## SECTION 9 - EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoptions.

### PROPOSED ORDINANCE

#### ORDINANCE-USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Pursuant to the Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 41-11-1955 of the State of New Hampshire, no person shall drink any alcoholic beverages or alcoholic liquor as defined in Chapter 175 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, upon any public street or any public highway, public sidewalk, municipal parking lot or municipal park within the limits of the Town of Alstead. Violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00). This ordinance to become effective April 1, 1976.

## 1975 BIRTHS

<b>Date</b>	<b>Place of Birth</b>	<b>Baby's Name</b>	<b>Father's Name</b>	<b>Mother's Maiden Name</b>
March 21	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Leigh Anne	Robert Wilder Putnam	Linda Jeanne Burton
May 7	Keene, N.H.	Frank Henry II	Frank Henry Anderson	Doretta Evelyn Walker
June 24	Keene, N.H.	Joanne Marie	Joseph Anthony Fordiani	Judith Ann Walsh
July 9	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Allen Robert	Arthur Lee Buffum	Christine Anne Lynch
Aug. 1	Keene, N.H.	Jason Michael Jon	Ernest Lee Porter	Syrene Anne Walker
Aug. 12	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Duana Rachel	Robert Charles Holloway	Leslee Robin Seymour
Aug. 29	Keene, N.H.	Jennifer Lee	Kenneth Edward Avery	Mary Anne Sherwood
Sept. 3	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Heather Lynn	William Anthony Nichols	Katherine Ann Garland
Sept. 6	Keene, N.H.	Andrew Sture	John Eric Bengston	Pamela Lynd Davis
Sept. 20	Keene, N.H.	Daniel Roland	Daniel Anthony Moore	Theresa Eileen Wicks
Oct. 28	Greenfield, Mass.	Sky Young Shaw	Benjamin Page Rogers	Pamela Van Ostrand Perkins
Nov. 17	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Joseph Fred	Edwin Oscar Pratt Sr.	Judith Ann Balch

### 1975 MARRIAGES

<b>Name of Groom</b>	<b>Residence</b>	<b>Name of Bride</b>	<b>Residence</b>	<b>Place of Marriage</b>	<b>Date</b>
Perley Byrn Lund	Drewsville, N.H.	Donna Lyn Bascom	Alstead, N.H.	Alstead, N.H.	Jan. 1
Frank Henry Anderson	Alstead, N.H.	Doretta Evelyn Walker	Alstead, N.H.	Alstead, N.H.	Feb. 8
J. Philip Shand	Alstead, N.H.	Patricia Gail Bailey	Charlestown, N.H.	Charlestown, N.H.	Apr. 19
Wayne Alfred Ring	So. Acworth, N.H.	Roxie Lou Campbell	Alstead, N.H.	E. Alstead, N.H.	May 31
Bruce Edward Bushway	Charlestown, N.H.	Jane Lorraine Wilson	Alstead, N.H.	Acworth, N.H.	June 28
Paul Lester Wilson	Keene, N.H.	Kathleen Rose Willard	Alstead, N.H.	Troy, N.H.	July 22
Ralph Raymond Roy	Alstead, N.H.	Joni Jo Walker	Alstead, N.H.	Alstead, N.H.	Aug. 2
Thomas John Durnford	Alstead, N.H.	Lael Allison Bustinduy	Alstead, N.H.	Alstead, N.H.	Aug. 2
Joji Sawa	Alstead, N.H.	Priscilla Alden Jones	Alstead, N.H.	Alstead, N.H.	Aug. 22
Theodore Andrew Porter	Alstead, N.H.	LuAnne Haskins	Alstead, N.H.	Alstead, N.H.	Sept. 20
Kirk William Harnett	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Deborah Jean Smart	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Alstead, N.H.	Sept. 6
George Manley Garland Jr.	Alstead, N.H.	Patricia Ann Moulton	Alstead, N.H.	Alstead, N.H.	Oct. 4
J. Willis Dorsey	Alstead, N.H.	Brenda Lea Biddle	Alstead, N.H.	Alstead, N.H.	Oct. 26
Henry James Blair Jr.	Winchester, N.H.	Sherry Paula Willard	Alstead, N.H.	Keene, N.H.	Nov. 8

## 1975 DEATHS

Date	Name	Place of Death	Age
Feb. 10	Perley A. Washburn	Bellows Falls, Vt.	80
March 1	Baby Boy Koson	Hanover, N.H.	12 hrs. 9 mins.
March 9	Edward R. Squibb	Keene, N.H.	87
April 8	Henry William Bosely	Bellows Falls, Vt.	79
*April 20	Evelyn B. Estabrook	Westmoreland, N.H.	82
May 26	Frank E. Clark	Alstead, N.H.	54
June 4	Jean Anne Shea	Alstead, N.H.	40
July 7	Herbert Sutherland	Hanover, N.H.	85
*July 31	Mark Wilson Sweet	Weathersfield, Vt.	16
Aug. 8	Cecilia Mary Duffy	Alstead, N.H.	76
Oct. 5	George Comstock	Westmoreland, N.H.	74
*Oct. 20	Vernard C. Smith	North Swanzey, N.H.	50
*Dec. 7	Ezra G. Lufkin	Norfolk, Conn.	90
Dec. 24	Thomas E. Donaghue	Bellows Falls, Vt.	67

\* Brought to town for burial





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