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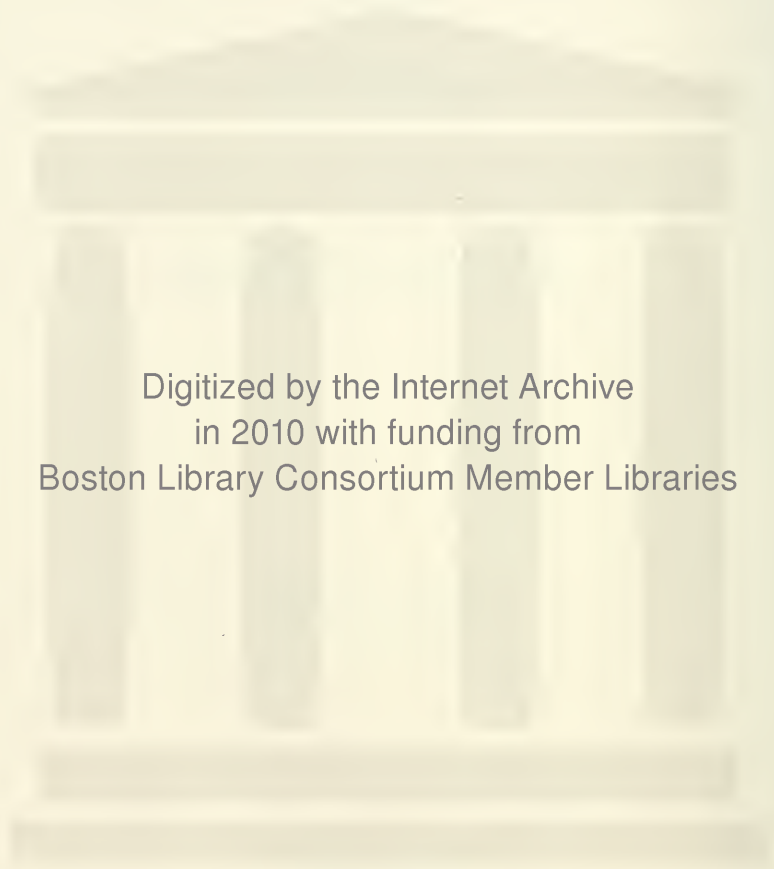
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## **TOWN OFFICERS**

### **SELECTMEN**

Roger S. Leighton - 1982                      S. William Talvio - 1983  
G. Frederick Wagner - 1981

### **TOWN CLERK**

Billye Waldron - 1983

### **TOWN TREASURER**

Phyllis Lynbourg - 1983

### **TAX COLLECTOR**

Marjorie Stiles - 1983

### **MODERATOR**

Russell C. Shillaber - 1982

### **SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST**

Freda Q. Harding - 1986                      Myrtle Hammer - 1982  
Dorothy J. vonKlock - 1984

### **HEALTH OFFICER**

Harold McDonald

### **AUDITORS**

Stephen J. Seeman, PhD                      Robert Sawyer

### **TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS**

M. Justine Leighton - 1983                      Errol D. Clark - 1981  
Robert Evans - 1982

### **LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Katrina Rhodes - 1981                      Ann Tabory - 1983  
Bernice Omand - 1982

### **LIBRARIAN**

Ellen E. Stiles

### **FIRE WARDEN**

Wilbur Rainey

## DEPUTIES

Loren Pierce                      George Thorne                      John MacDougall  
Harley Winkley                      Howard Ambrose

## ROAD AGENT

Radford Messenger - 1981

## CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Robert L. Evans

## BUILDING INSPECTOR

Harold McDonald

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Erlon Jacobs                      William Porter                      Carl Brown - Chief of Police  
James P. Savitts                      R. Stephen Leighton                      E. Laurentz

Andrea Crosby - Dog Officer

## PLANNING BOARD

Lester Huckins - 1984                      Roger S. Leighton                      Mark Thompson - 1981  
David Dupee - 1982                      David Witcher - 1983

## ALTERNATES

David Bennett                      John Creamer                      John Penney

## BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Philip Dame - 1985                      Rene A. Morin - 1982                      Robert Chadbourn - 1984  
John O'Brien - 1983                      Verna Davis - 1981

## ALTERNATES

Albert Leighton                      Michael Barry

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John Bozak - 1981                      Gail Barry - 1983                      JoAnn Brown - 1981  
Neil Mooers - 1982                      James Collin - 1982                      Nancy Lake - 1982  
David Bennett - 1983

## RECREATION COMMISSION

Lois Fistere - 1982                      Robert Omand - 1983                      John B. Penney - 1981  
Denis Thorne - 1981                      Bruce Matthews - 1983

**TOWN WARRANT  
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 10th 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.
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 \$4.00 per hour for all hourly labor.
4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$15,350 for the operation of the Police Department. (\$3,000 from Revenue Sharing)
5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$4,995 for the support of the Rural District Health Council. (\$2,000 from Revenue Sharing)
6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$10,000 to maintain the Strafford Recycling Center.
7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$15,000 toward a fund for the establishment of a refuse center at the present recycling area.
8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$10,800 for the operation and maintenance of the Town Fire Department. (\$2,000 from Revenue Sharing)
9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$4,215 for the following supplies and equipment for the Fire Department:

(1) 4" Pressure Relief Valve . . . . .	\$565
(1) 4" Stortz x 2½ Female Fitting . . . . .	100
(2) Koehler Lights & Charger . . . . .	225
(1) Floating dock strainer. . . . .	500
(2) Scott Bottles for air paks. . . . .	300
500' 2½ Dacron Polyester Hose. . . . .	1,375
(2) Instalert receivers with battery paks . . . . .	400
(3) Full set of gear (helmet, coat, etc.) . . . . .	750
	<b>\$4,215</b>
10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$78,000 for Highways and Bridges.
11. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to allocate \$25,000 of the above appropriation to seal the following sections of roads:
  - 1.0 mi. Rickey Nelson Rd. (Dump Rd.)
  - 1.6 mi. Piper Rd. from Bow Lake Estates to Conroys
  - .8 mi. Wingate Rd. from Leighton Corner to middle of Howard Rd.
  - .8 mi. Canaan Rd. from 202A to Barrington Town Line
  - 1.2 mi 1st Crown Pt. Rd. from Howard Johnsons to Brown



12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,000 to replace bridge (condemned) on 1st Crown Pt. Rd. across "Big River".

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,500 to "hot top" Lake View Drive (Murray Hill).

14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$4,311 as its share to the Center Barnstead Fire Department to provide ambulance service for the Town of Strafford. (\$2,843 from Revenue Sharing)

15. To see if the Town will accept Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate \$970.11 to which the State of N.H. will contribute \$6,467.42.

16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$5,756 for the operation of the Strafford Library. (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing)

17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$10,000 for Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance.

18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$200 for the observance of Memorial Day.

19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$200 as a donation to the Bow Lake Community Club to help defray the cost of the 4th of July fireworks display.

20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,500 for the support of the Recreation Commission. (\$500 from Revenue Sharing)

21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$200 for the support of the Conservation Commission.

22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$250 for Civil Defense.

23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$750 to keep Town Map up to date and to authorize the Selectmen to pay the above appropriation out of the Town Reappraisal reserve fund.

24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,250 for the appraisal of new subdivisions, new buildings and additions during 1981, and to authorize the Selectmen to pay the above appropriation out of the Town Reappraisal reserve fund.

25. 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. . . . .	\$2,843
Fire Department . . . . .	2,000
Library . . . . .	1,000
Police Department. . . . .	3,000
Recreation Commission . . . . .	500
Rural Health. . . . .	2,000

26. To see if the Town will approve and appropriate money for the following

changes in Town Officers salaries:

	PRESENT	PROPOSED
Town Clerk . . . . .	\$700	\$750

27. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to create the position of assistant to the Selectmen at a \$5.30 per hour rate.

28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$8,000 for a cruiser for the Police Department.

29. To see if the Town will vote to petition the Representatives and Senators who represent the Town in the General Court to support in the current session of the General Court, the concurrent resolution to amend the State Constitution to limit the annual increase in property taxes to five percent and limit the annual increase in spending by the state or any city, town, or other governmental unit of the state to five percent. (By Petition)

30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept a Recreation, Conservation and Forestry Lease Agreement from the New Hampshire Water Resources Board to land in Strafford, New Hampshire as shown on a plan entitled "Foss Mill, Isinglass River, Strafford, New Hampshire".

31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for the purchase of a used box trailer to be used at the Recycling Center for temporary storage of newsprint and cardboard.

32. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,000 for expenses incurred by the Planning Board for the ensuing year.

33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend money from the state, federal or another governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the year in accordance with the procedures set forth in RSA 31:95-b.

34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize prepayment of resident taxes and to authorize the tax collector to accept prepayments as provided by RSA 80:1-a.

35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey property or tax liens acquired by the Town by tax collector's deed by public auction or (advertised sealed bid) or in such other manner as determined by the Selectmen as justice may require.

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

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

38. To hear the report of the Committee appointed to study the different methods of town government.

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

Given under our hands and seal, this seventeenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-one.

Roger Leighton, S. William Talvio, G. Frederick Wagner

A true copy of Warrant – Attest:

Roger Leighton, S. William Talvio, G. Frederick Wagner

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD, NH

Purposes of Appropriation	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1981 (1981-82)
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>			
Town officers' salaries	\$ 7,560.00	\$ 7,479.96	\$ 7,610.00
Town officers' expenses	8,500.00	6,881.24	8,700.00
Election and Registration Expenses	1,600.00	1,357.12	1,500.00
Expenses town hall and other buildings	1,500.00	1,555.12	2,000.00
Auto permits	2,000.00	1,785.00	1,950.00
<b>PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:</b>			
Police Department	15,990.00	8,061.04	15,350.00
Fire department, inc. forest fires	8,920.00	8,356.07	10,800.00
Planning and Zoning	1,500.00	1,942.86	1,000.00
Animal Control	1,200.00	1,072.19	1,200.00
Insurance	6,000.00	6,623.90	7,200.00
Civil Defense	250.00	-0-	250.00
Conservation Commission	200.00	263.80	200.00
<b>HEALTH DEPARTMENT:</b>			
Health Dept. Hospital Ambulance - RDHC	8,652.20	8,652.20	9,306.00
Vital Statistics	35.00	-0-	75.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	10,000.00	8,332.28	10,000.00
Estab. Refuse Ctr. (CR Fund)	15,000.00	** 15,000.00	15,000.00
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; BRIDGES:</b>			
Town road aid	980.31	980.31	970.11
Town Maintenance	58,000.00	57,444.24	62,030.00
Street Lighting	1,200.00	1,267.97	1,625.00
Gen. expenses of highway department	15,000.00	15,623.89	15,000.00
<b>LIBRARIES:</b>			
Library	4,541.00	4,322.69	5,756.00

Purposes of Appropriation	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1981 (1981-82)
<b>PUBLIC WELFARE:</b>			
Town poor	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 6,348.75	\$ 7,000.00
Old age assistance	3,800.00	1,708.13	2,000.00
<b>PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:</b>			
Memorial Day - Old home day	200.00	271.84	200.00
Fireworks	125.00	125.00	200.00
<b>RECREATION:</b>			
Parks & Playground, inc. band concerts	2,400.00	2,865.19	2,500.00
<b>UNCLASSIFIED:</b>			
Damages and Legal expenses	500.00	1,072.19	1,000.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	450.00	889.88	900.00
Employees' retirement and Social Security	1,800.00	1,737.37	1,800.00
Reappraisal Fund		**12,117.38	
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>			
Interest on temporary loans	1,000.00	2,383.81	2,000.00
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY:</b>			
Tax Map Art. 23	8,880.00	8,800.00	750.00
Fire Dept. Equip. Art. 9	2,925.00	2,203.88	4,215.00
Fire Dept. Ctr. Str. Bldg.	10,000.00	10,215.01	—0—
Police Cruiser Art. 28			8,000.00
Box Trailer Art. 31			1,500.00
Appraisal of New Prop. Art. 24			1,250.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			
<b>APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<u>\$205,828.51</u>	<u>\$207,740.31</u>	<u>\$210,837.11</u>
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Taxes			\$140,486.67
Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)			70,837.11

\*\*Capital Reserve Fund

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year
<b>FROM LOCAL TAXES:</b>			
Resident Taxes	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 11,150.00	\$ 11,500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	3.00	.25	-0-
Yield Taxes	4,500.00	6,023.53	4,500.00
Interest on Delinquent taxes	1,000.00	1,144.29	1,000.00
Resident Tax Penalties	120.00	146.00	125.00
Inventory Penalties	600.00	380.00	500.00
<b>FROM STATE:</b>			
Meals and Rooms Tax	8,190.00	8,191.49	8,190.00
Interest and Dividends Tax	6,500.00	7,430.29	7,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	2,000.00	2,417.81	2,000.00
Highway Subsidy	12,356.48	12,356.48	12,052.38
Add'l Hgwy. Subsidy	10,199.51	9,386.05	9,108.87
Town Road Aid	6,535.48	6,535.38	6,467.42
Reimb. a/c Business Profits Tax	12,000.00	20,283.84	18,000.00
<b>FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES:</b>			
Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	37,500.00	40,576.50	40,000.00
Dog Licenses	1,400.00	1,213.10	1,200.00
Business Licensed, Permits & Filing Fees	1,359.00	378.00	500.00
Interest Received on Deposits	4,200.00	7,390.15	6,500.00
Income From Trust Funds	-0-	11,500.00	-0-
Income From Dept.	3,000.00	1,245.17	500.00
<b>RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:</b>			
Revenue Sharing Fund	9,777.00	9,777.00	11,343.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES &amp; CREDITS</b>	<b>\$131,440.47</b>	<b>\$157,525.33</b>	<b>\$140,486.67</b>

# STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION & TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 1980

## 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.

Roger Leighton  
S. William Talvio  
G. Frederic Wagner

## PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATIONS

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Town Officers' salaries . . . . .	\$ 7,560.00
Town Officers' expenses . . . . .	8,500.00
Election and Registration expenses . . . . .	1,600.00
Auto Permits . . . . .	2,000.00
Town Hall and Other Bldg. Expenses. . . . .	1,500.00

### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police Dept. . . . .	15,990.00
Fire Dept. incl. forest fires . . . . .	8,920.00
Planning and Zoning . . . . .	1,500.00
Damage by dogs . . . . .	1,200.00
Insurance. . . . .	6,000.00
Conservation Commission . . . . .	200.00
Civil Defense . . . . .	250.00

### HEALTH:

Health Dept. RHDC, Ambulance . . . . .	8,652.20
Vital Statistics . . . . .	35.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal. . . . .	10,000.00
Estab. Refuse Center (Cap. Res. Fund) . . . . .	15,000.00

### HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES:

Town Road Aid . . . . .	980.31
Town Maintenance . . . . .	58,000.00
Street Lighting . . . . .	1,200.00
General Expenses of highway dept. . . . .	15,000.00

### LIBRARIES:

Library . . . . .	4,541.00
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PUBLIC WELFARE:	
Town Poor . . . . .	\$ 5,200.00
Old Age Assistance . . . . .	3,800.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:	
Memorial Day . . . . .	200.00
4th of July - Fireworks. . . . .	125.00
RECREATION:	
Parks & Playground . . . . .	2,400.00
UNCLASSIFIED:	
Employees' retirement and Social Security . . . . .	1,800.00
Advertising & Regional Assn . . . . .	450.00
Damages & Legal Expenses . . . . .	500.00
DEBT SERVICE:	
Interest on temporary loans. . . . .	1,000.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY:	
Tax Map Article 25 . . . . .	8,800.00
Fire Dept. Equip. Article 10 . . . . .	2,925.00
Fire Dept. Ctr. Strafford Art. 11 . . . . .	<u>10,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$205,828.51

**SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION  
TAX YEAR 1980**

Land. . . . .	\$28,360,595
Buildings . . . . .	26,861,900
Public Service Co. of NH & City of Rochester. . . . .	1,450,600
House trailers, mobile homes, travel trailers	
Assessed as Personal Property . . . . .	62 <u>160,100</u>
<b>TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED. . . . .</b>	<b>\$56,833,195</b>

Elderly Exemptions. . . . .	27      \$275,000
School Dining Room, & Kitchen . . . . .	150,000
<b>TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED . . . . .</b>	<b>425,000</b>
<b>NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED. . . . .</b>	<b>\$56,408,195</b>

Number of Inventories distributed in 1980	1,271
Date 1980 Inventories mailed	3/17/80
Number of Inventories returned in 1980	1,062

Number of Individuals Applying for Elderly Exemption in 1980:	20 @ 5,000
	8 @ 10,000
	13 @ 20,000

Number of Individuals Granted an Elderly Exemption in 1980:	13 @ 5,000
	7 @ 10,000
	7 @ 20,000

Number of Property Owners granted Current Use Exemption: 377  
 Number of Acres Exempted under Current Use in 1980 10,369  
 Total assessed value of land under Current Use \$323,811

TYPE	No. of Owners	No. of Acres
Farmland: Forage \$70/A		
Horticulture \$165/A	69	703
Pasture \$30/A		
Forestland: White Pine \$40/A	77	2,614
Hardwood \$33.50/A	83	4,445
Spruce-Fir \$25/A	33	838
Wildland: Unproductive \$10/A	8	804
Productive \$50/A	12	377
Recreation Land: 20% off all rates	50	3,544
Wildland: \$10/A	45	588



**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1980**

**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.

Roger Leighton  
S. William Talvio  
G. Frederic Wagner

**ASSETS**

<b>CASH:</b>		
Bal. in Checking Acct. . . . .	\$ 97,900.06	
C. D. (Dump) . . . . .	15,000.00	
Surplus Fund Acct. . . . .	99.79	
Recreation Comm . . . . .	892.75	
Revenue Sharing Acct. . . . .	259.79	
Reappraisal Fund . . . . .	<u>12,422.15</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 126,574.54</b>
<b>ACCOUNTS DUE TO THE TOWN:</b>		
Balance 1980 TRA Acct. . . . .	1,409.56	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,409.56</b>
<b>UNREDEEMED TAXES:</b>		
Levy of 1979 . . . . .	22,459.93	
Levy of 1978 . . . . .	<u>1,459.09</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>23,919.02</b>
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES &amp; YIELD:</b>		
Levy of 1980 Including Resident Taxes . . . .	206,218.81	
Levy of 1979 . . . . .	422.05	
Levy of 1978 (all Yield) . . . . .	3,645.22	
Previous Years . . . . .	<u>175.44</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>210,461.52</u></b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b><u>\$ 362,364.64</u></b>

Fund Balance - December 31, 1979. . . . .	26,894.99
Fund Balance - December 31, 1980. . . . .	44,597.23
Change in Financial Condition . . . . .	17,702.24

**LIABILITIES**

<b>ACCOUNTS OWED BY THE TOWN:</b>	
Reappraisal . . . . .	\$ 12,422.15
Recreation Comm.. . . . .	892.75
Refuse Center Fund. . . . .	15,000.00

Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds. . . . .	\$	259.79	
Yield Tax Deposits (Escrow Acct.) . . . . .		2,720.75	
School District Tax Payable. . . . .		<u>285,062.41</u>	
TOTAL			\$ 316,357.85
STATE AND TOWN JOINT HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNTS:			
Unexpended Balance in Town Treasury			
1980 TRA. . . . .		1,409.56	
TOTAL			<u>1,409.56</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES			\$ 317,767.41
Fund Balance - Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)			44,597.23
GRAND TOTAL			<u>\$ 362,364.64</u>

### UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

#### RECEIPTS

##### CURRENT REVENUE:

Property Taxes - Current year 1980 . . . . .	\$	424,897.84	
Resident Taxes - Current Year 1980 . . . . .		10,130.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes Current Year 1980 . . . . .		.25	
Yield Taxes - Current Year 1980 . . . . .		4,874.64	
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes			
Previous Years . . . . .		42,241.72	
Resident Taxes - Previous Years . . . . .		1,020.00	
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes . . . . .		1,144.29	
Penalties: Resident Taxes . . . . .		146.00	
Tax sales redeemed . . . . .		<u>13,616.29</u>	
Total Taxes Collected and Remitted			\$ 498,071.03

##### FROM STATE:

Meals and Rooms Tax . . . . .		8,191.49	
Interest and Dividends Tax . . . . .		7,430.29	
Savings Bank Tax . . . . .		2,417.81	
Highway Subsidy & Addtl. Hgwy.			
Subsidy \$9,386.05 . . . . .		21,742.53	
Reimb. a/c Business Profits Tax . . . . .		<u>20,283.84</u>	
Total Receipt From State			60,065.96

##### FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES:

Motor Vehicle Permits Fees . . . . .		40,576.50	
Dog Licenses . . . . .		1,213.10	
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees			
& Bldg. Permits . . . . .		1,076.00	
Interest Received on Deposits . . . . .		7,390.15	
Income From Departments, Cons. Comm., Welfare Reimb.,			
Recreation & History Books . . . . .		2,102.76	

Other Income from Local Sources		
Planning Bd. . . . .	\$	<u>1,233.45</u>
Total Income from Local Sources	\$	53,591.96
RECEIPT OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:		
Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes . . . . .	240,000.00	
Insurance adjustments . . . . .	78.00	
Refunds & Abatements. . . . .	5,313.22	
Posting Costs . . . . .	190.15	
New Trust Funds received during year. . . . .	11,500.00	
Withdrawals from Funds. . . . .	161,400.00	
Yield Tax Security Deposits . . . . .	2,720.75	
Taxes Bought by Town. . . . .	<u>29,831.73</u>	
Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue		\$ 451,033.85
GRANTS FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:		
Revenue Sharing . . . . .	9,777.00	
Total Grants From Federal Government		9,777.00
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		<u>451,033.85</u>
Total Receipts from All Sources		1,072,539.80
Cash on hand January 1, 1980		<u>31,166.70</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$1,103,706.50

PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:		
Town officers' salaries . . . . .	7,479.96	
Town officers' expenses . . . . .	6,881.24	
Election and Registration expenses . . . . .	1,357.12	
Town Hall and Other Buildings Expenses . . .	<u>1,555.12</u>	
Total General Governmental Expenses		\$ 17,273.44
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:		
Police Department. . . . .	8,061.04	
Auto permits . . . . .	1,785.00	
Fire Department, inc. forest fires . . . . .	8,356.07	
Planning and Zoning . . . . .	1,942.86	
Dog Control . . . . .	1,072.19	
Insurance. . . . .	6,623.90	
Conservation Commission . . . . .	263.80	
Yield Tax Dep. . . . .	<u>4,101.66</u>	
Total Protection of Persons and Property Expenses		32,206.52
HEALTH:		
Health Dept., Hospital, Ambulance. . . . .	8,652.20	
Town Dump and Garbage Removal. . . . .	<u>8,332.28</u>	
Total Health Expenses		16,984.48

**HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:**

Town road aid . . . . .	\$ 980.31
Town Maintenance . . . . .	57,444.14
Street Lighting . . . . .	1,267.97
General Expenses and highway dept. . . . .	<u>15,623.89</u>

Total Highways and Bridges Expenses \$ 75,316.31

**LIBRARIES:**

Library . . . . .	4,322.69
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**PUBLIC WELFARE:**

Town poor . . . . .	6,348.75
Old age assistance . . . . .	<u>1,708.13</u>

Total Public Welfare Expenses 8,056.88

**PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:**

Memorial Day - Old home day . . . . .	271.84
Fireworks . . . . .	<u>125.00</u>

Total Patriotic Purpose Expenses 396.84

**RECREATION:**

Parks & Playground, inc. band concerts . . . . .	<u>2,865.19</u>
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Total Recreational Expenses 2,865.19

**UNCLASSIFIED:**

Advertising and Regional Associations . . . . .	889.88
Employees' retirement and Social Security . . . . .	1,737.37
Taxes bought by town . . . . .	30,130.55
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds . . . . .	<u>5,932.56</u>

Total Unclassified Expenses 38,690.36

**DEBT SERVICE:**

Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes . . . . .	240,000.00
Interest on temporary loans. . . . .	<u>2,383.81</u>

Total Debt Service Payments 242,383.81

**CAPITAL OUTLAY:**

Payments to funds. . . . .	26,500.00
Tax Map . . . . .	8,800.00
Reappraisal . . . . .	12,117.38
New Fire Station. . . . .	10,215.01
Fire Dept. Equip. (Art. 10) . . . . .	<u>2,203.88</u>

Total Capital Outlay Payments 59,836.27

**PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS:**

Payments to State a/c 2% bond and Debt Retirement Taxes . . . . .	747.51
Taxes paid to County. . . . .	119,921.55
Payments to School Districts (1980 & 1981 Taxes) . . . . .	<u>386,804.59</u>

Total Payments to Other Governmental Div. 507,473.06

Total Payments for all Purposes	\$1,005,806.44
Cash on hand December 31, 1980	<u>97,900.06</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$1,103,706.50</u>

## DETAILED PAYMENT OF STATEMENTS

### TOWN OFFICE EXPENSE

Postage . . . . .	\$1,128.97
Fifield Printing . . . . .	247.68
Ridings Press, Inc. . . . .	1,107.21
Laura D. Carey, Reg. of Deeds . . . . .	136.30
Pitney Bowes . . . . .	624.40
William Talvio. . . . .	15.60
Billye Waldron . . . . .	81.00
Tom Davis . . . . .	261.87
Roger Leighton. . . . .	40.80
N.H. Water Supply & Poll. . . . .	5.00
Real Data. . . . .	19.00
Sheriff's Dept. . . . .	32.50
F. Wagner . . . . .	29.60
Copy Rite . . . . .	21.10
Harold McDonald . . . . .	373.90
Meaders. . . . .	134.72
Gloria Creamer . . . . .	1,880.04
Ellen White . . . . .	239.99
Brown & Saltmarsh . . . . .	397.06
N.H. Tax Collector Assn. . . . .	7.50
N.H. Municipal Assn. . . . .	55.00
Equity Publishing . . . . .	<u>42.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$6,881.24</u>

### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

George Waldron . . . . .	\$ 276.22
G. Frederic Wagner . . . . .	962.32
Roger Leighton. . . . .	1,359.74
Stephen Seeman . . . . .	100.00
Sikt Grote . . . . .	100.00
S. William Talvio. . . . .	1,200.00
Marjorie Stiles. . . . .	1,364.26
Phyllis Lynbourg. . . . .	1,496.27
Billye Waldron . . . . .	561.31
M. Justine Leighton. . . . .	<u>60.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$7,479.96</u>

## RECYCLING CENTER

Tom Davis . . . . .	\$2,015.91
H. K. Webster Co. . . . .	14.00
A. J. Hodil Co. . . . .	63.00
Herb Scribner Sand & Gravel . . . . .	4,452.50
James Wyatt. . . . .	755.62
Leon Jock, Jr.. . . . .	<u>1,031.25</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,332.28</b>

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY As of December 31, 1980

Town Hall, Furniture and Equipment . . . . .	\$ 20,000.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings . . . . .	35,200.00
Furniture and Equipment . . . . .	3,500.00
Police Department, Equipment . . . . .	3,500.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings. . . . .	67,600.00
Equipment. . . . .	53,500.00
Highway Department, Equipment. . . . .	500.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds. . . . .	7,500.00
Recycling Ctr. Land. . . . .	15,200.00
Five (5) Dumpsters . . . . .	2,500.00
Conservation Land. . . . .	129,200.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings, Equipment . . . . .	788,000.00
Pearson Lot . . . . .	<u>5,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,131,200.00</b>

## BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Permits Issued: 57

New Homes:	20	Garages:	5
Sheds:	10	Mobile Homes:	2
Greenhouse:	1	Barns:	1
Additions:	14	Car Ports:	1
Docks:	3		

Harold McDonald

## HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

Septic Systems Inspected . . . . .	17
Foster Homes Inspected . . . . .	1
Health Complaints . . . . .	2

Harold McDonald

**TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1980**

**RECEIPTS**

Balance, January 1, 1980 . . . . .	\$	31,166.70	
Receipts, 1980 . . . . .		1,072,539.80	
			\$1,103,706.50

**EXPENDITURES**

Expenditures, 1980 . . . . .	\$	1,005,806.44	
Balance checking acct. Dec. 31, 1980 . . . . .		97,900.06	
			\$1,103,706.50

Rochester Savings Bank and Trust Co.

Bank Book No. 105518  
(Surplus Funds Acct.)

Balance, January 1, 1980. . . . .	\$	94.46	
Interest, 1980 . . . . .		5.33	
Balance . . . . .			\$ 99.79

Bank Book No. 102464

(Recreation Commission)

Balance, January 1, 1980. . . . .	\$	842.64	
Interest, 1980 . . . . .		50.11	
Balance . . . . .			\$ 892.75

Bank Book No. 97781

(Revenue Sharing Acct.)

Balance January 1, 1980 . . . . .	\$	2,414.36	
Deposited, 1980 . . . . .		7,385.00	
Interest, 1980 . . . . .		237.43	
Withdrawal, 1980. . . . .		-9,777.00	
Balance . . . . .			\$ 259.79

Bank Book No. 107864

(Reappraisal Fund)

Balance, January 1, 1980. . . . .	\$	1,618.70	
Deposited, 1980 (Certificate of Deposit) . . . . .		20,000.00	
Deposited, 1980 (Interest on C.D.) . . . . .		1,516.61	
Interest, 1980 . . . . .		686.84	
Withdrawal, 1980. . . . .		-11,400.00	
Balance . . . . .			\$ 12,422.15

Rochester Savings Bank and Trust Co.

Certificate of Deposit

(Refuse Center Fund - Art. 8, 1980 Town Meeting) . . . . .	\$	15,000.00	
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Phyllis F. Lynbourg  
Town Treasurer

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**  
**For The Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1980**

**RECEIPTS:**

1980 Motor Vehicle Permits		
1,813 Permits issued . . . . .	\$40,576.50	
1980 Dog Licenses:		
254 Licenses issued . . . . .	1,213.10	
1980 Filing Fees . . . . .	<u>14.00</u>	
		\$41,803.60

**REMITTANCE TO TOWN TREASURER:**

1,813 Motor Vehicle Permits . . . . .	\$40,576.50	
254 Dog Licenses . . . . .	1,213.10	
Filing Fees . . . . .	<u>14.00</u>	
		\$41,803.60

Billye M. Waldron  
Town Clerk



## TOWN MEETING - March 11, 1980

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 11th day of March, 1980.

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

1. The following officers were declared elected.

Number of eligible voters on checklist: . . . . .	995
Number of votes cast . . . . .	333
Selectman - Three Years, S. William Talvio . . . . .	265
Selectman - One Year, G. Frederick Wagner . . . . .	200
Town Clerk - Three Years, Billye M. Waldron . . . . .	194
Town Treasurer - Three Years, Phyllis F. Lynbourg . . . . .	322
Tax Collector - Three Years, Marjorie A. Stiles . . . . .	326
Auditor - Two Years, Robert Sawyer. . . . .	27
Trustee of Trust Funds - Three Years, M. Justin Leighton . . . . .	296
Library Trustee - Three Years, Anne E. Tabory . . . . .	292
Supervisor of Checklist - Six Years, Freda Q. Harding. . . . .	304
Road Agent - One Year, Radford L. Messenger . . . . .	214
Moderator - Two Years, C. Russell Shillaber . . . . .	294

Candidates not elected:

Dennis Sisemore - Selectman . . . . .	56
Bertha L. Huckins - Selectman . . . . .	103
Marilyn F. Roderick - Town Clerk . . . . .	133

Business Meeting opened at 8:00 p.m. by the Moderator C. Russell Shillaber.

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

Article No. 2 to be taken up at the end of meeting.

3. Motion the Town pay \$3.75 per hour for all hourly labor. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$3,500 to fence in Town pond across from Strafford School, after deed execution. Opposed. Does not carry.

5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$15,990 for the operation of the Police Department. Vote in the Affirmative.

6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$5,321.60 for the support of the Rural District Health Council. (\$2,000 from Revenue Sharing) Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$10,000 to maintain the Straf-

ford Recycling Center. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$15,000 toward a fund for the establishment of a refuse center at the present recycling area. Motion made to amend the article to read "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$15,000 toward a Capital Reserve Fund for the establishment of a refuse center at the present recycling area. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$8,920 for the operation and maintenance of the Town Fire Department (\$2,000 from Revenue Sharing) Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,925 for the purchase of two (2) Scott air-paks and 500' of 2½" hose. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$7,500 to finish the Center Fire Station. Motion to amend Article to read \$10,000. Moved and seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$73,000 for Highways and Bridges. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

13. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to allocate \$34,000 of the above appropriation to seal the following sections of roads:

- a. Province Rd. from foot of Caverly to the Barrington Town line - 1.8 mi.
- b. New Road (Dump Rd.) 1.0 mi.
- c. Piper Rd. from Bow Lake Estates to Karvin and from Conroy's to Northwood Town line - 1.6 mi.
- d. Canaan Rd. from 202A to Barrington Town line - .8 mi.
- e. Camp Foss Rd. from Rt. 126 to Willy Pond Rd. - .7 mi.
- f. Wingate Rd. from Leighton Corner to middle of Howard Hill - .8 mi.
- g. 1st C.P. Rd. from Howard Place to C.P. Grange Hall - .71 mi.
- h. 2nd C.P. Rd. from 202A to Clyde Gray - 1.6 mi.
- i. 1st C.P. Rd. from Howard Johnson to Ashman property - .5 mi.

Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$3,330.60 as its share to the Center Barnstead Fire Dept. to provide ambulance service for the Town of Strafford. (\$2,000 from Revenue Sharing) Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

15. To see if the Town will accept Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate \$980.31 to which the State of New Hampshire will contribute \$6,535.38. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$4,541 for the operation of the Strafford Library. (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing). Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$9,000 for Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$200 for the observance of Memorial Day. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$125 as a donation to the Bow

Lake Community Club to help defray the cost of the 4th of July fireworks display. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,400 for the support of the Recreation Commission. (\$500 from Revenue Sharing) Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$200 for the support of the Conservation Commission. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

22. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to accept a deed of land from David Whitcher in lieu of a performance bond for subdivision improvement and authorization to deed same back to David Whitcher when subdivision improvement is completed. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

23. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to execute a Quitclaim Deed releasing any right, title, interest or claim in the property purchased by Mary Ellen Quellette, Sept. 21, 1979 (now identified as lot No. 1 on preliminary tax map 32) Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$250 for Civil Defense. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$8,800 as final payment for completion of the Town Tax Map which was authorized by Article 29 in the 1979 Town Warrant. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

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 . . . . .	\$2,000
Fire Department . . . . .	2,000
Library . . . . .	1,000
Police Department . . . . .	2,277
Recreation Commission . . . . .	500
Rural Health . . . . .	2,000

Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

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

	Present	Proposed
Town Treasurer . . . . .	\$1,200	\$1,400
Tax Collector . . . . .	1,200	1,400

Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

28. 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. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

29. To see if the Town will vote to accept as public roads; Birch Road in its entirety which is 600 feet long, 3,400 feet of Beaver Road and 750 feet of Leavitt Lane in the Beaver Dam Subdivision. These roads were constructed according to Town specification. (By petition) Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,500 for expenses incurred by the Planning Board for the ensuing year. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend money from the state, federal or another governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the year in accordance with the procedures set forth in RSA 31:95-b. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize prepayment of resident taxes and to authorize the tax collector to accept prepayments as provided by RSA 80:1-a. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey property or tax liens acquired by the Town by tax collector's deed by public auction or (advertised sealed bid) or in such other manner as determined by the Selectmen as justice may require. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

34. To see if the Town will grant 2% discount on taxes paid within ten days of the mailing of the tax bill. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

35. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

36. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion the Town raise and appropriate \$33,345 to defray town charges for the ensuing year. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

37. An expression of appreciation to George I. Waldron.

38. Motion by Mark Thompson that the moderator appoint a committee of 5 townspeople to meet at the call of the Selectmen to study different methods of town government and report back to the Town at the next annual meeting. Seconded by Gerald Howe. Vote in the affirmative.

39. Resolution was read by R. B. Richardson. Be it resolved that the people of Strafford, New Hampshire, herewith assembled at the Annual Town Meeting this 11th day of March 1980, believe that the State Tax Exemption for the Elderly should be indexed to the annual rate of inflation and do request our Representative Mr. David L. Gosselin to take appropriate and affirmative action. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion by Mark Thompson that all elected members of the Town be present at all Town Meetings. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

A True Record, Attest:

Gloria G. Creamer  
Acting Town Clerk

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT  
SUMMARY OF WARRANTS  
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES**

**LEVY OF 1980**

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes . . . . .	\$639,634.41
Resident Taxes . . . . .	11,180.00
Boat Tax . . . . .	<u>5.00</u>

TOTAL WARRANTS

\$650,819.41

Yield Taxes . . . . .

5,807.19

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes . . . . .	245.63
Resident Taxes . . . . .	<u>1,290.00</u>

1,535.63

Overpayments during Year:

Property Taxes . . . . .	78.39
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Costs Collected on Resident Taxes . . . . .

5.00

Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes . . . . .

41.00

TOTAL DEBITS

\$658,286.62

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes . . . . .	\$424,892.84
Resident Taxes . . . . .	10,130.00
Yield Taxes . . . . .	4,874.64
Penalties on Resident Taxes . . . . .	41.00
Boat Tax . . . . .	5.00
Costs Collected . . . . .	<u>5.00</u>

\$439,948.48

Discounts Allowed . . . . .

8,165.97

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes . . . . .	3,263.36
Resident Taxes . . . . .	<u>690.00</u>

3,953.36

Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1980:

(As per Collector's List)

Property Taxes . . . . .	203,636.26
Resident Taxes . . . . .	1,650.00
Yield Taxes . . . . .	<u>932.55</u>

206,218.81

TOTAL CREDITS

\$658,286.62

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

**LEVY OF 1979**

DR.

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1980:		
Property Taxes . . . . .	\$70,339.44	
Resident Taxes . . . . .	1,260.00	
Yield Taxes . . . . .	<u>1,323.44</u>	
		\$72,922.88
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes . . . . .	50.00	
Resident Taxes . . . . .	<u>360.00</u>	
		410.00
Overpayments:		
Property Taxes . . . . .	5.55	
		5.55
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property		
Taxes . . . . .	2,182.27	
Costs on Sale to Town . . . . .	305.70	
Costs collected on Delinquent Taxes . . . . .	185.15	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes . . . . .	106.00	
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>		<u>\$76,117.55</u>

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1980:		
Property Taxes . . . . .	\$41,092.83	
Resident Taxes . . . . .	1,020.00	
Yield Taxes . . . . .	1,148.89	
Sale to Town . . . . .	29,831.73	
Interest Collected During Year . . . . .	1,144.29	
Penalties on Resident Taxes . . . . .	106.00	
Posting Costs . . . . .	<u>185.15</u>	
		\$74,528.89
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes . . . . .	596.61	
Resident Taxes . . . . .	<u>570.00</u>	
		1,166.61
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1980: (As per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes . . . . .	217.50	
Resident Taxes . . . . .	30.00	

Yield Taxes . . . . .	\$ 174.55	<u>\$ 422.05</u>
TOTAL CREDITS		<u>\$76,117.55</u>

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

**LEVY OF 1978**

DR.

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1980:		
Property Taxes . . . . .	\$ 148.45	
Resident Taxes . . . . .	-0-	
Yield Taxes . . . . .	<u>3,645.22</u>	
		\$3,793.67
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property		
Taxes . . . . .	-0-	
TOTAL DEBITS		\$3,793.67

CR.

Remittances To Treasurer During		
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1980 . . . .	-0-	
Abatements made During Year:		
Property Taxes . . . . .	148.45	
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1980:		
Yield Taxes . . . . .	<u>3,645.22</u>	
TOTAL CREDITS		\$3,793.67

**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS  
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1980**

DR.

Tax Sales on account of Levies of:

	1979	1978	1977
(a) Balance of Unredeemed taxes			
January 1, 1980 . . . . .		\$5,708.33	\$1,113.61
(b) Taxes Sold to Town During			
Current Fiscal Year . . . . .	\$29,831.73	—0—	—0—
Interest Collected After Sale . . . . .	110.72	314.28	322.24
Redemption Costs . . . . .	137.54	77.79	42.32
TOTAL DEBITS . . . . .	\$30,079.99	\$6,100.40	\$1,478.17

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Year:			
Redemptions . . . . .	\$ 7,304.53	\$4,215.23	\$1,091.64
Interest & Costs After Sale . . . . .	248.26	392.07	364.56
Abatements During Year. . . . .	44.80		
Deeded to Town During Year . . . . .	22.47	34.01	21.97
Unredeemed Taxes —			
December 31, 1980 . . . . .	22,459.93	1,459.09	—0—
TOTAL CREDITS . . . . .	\$30,079.99	\$6,100.40	\$1,478.17

(a) "Balance of Unredeemed Taxes - January 1, 1980" Should include balances of Unredeemed Taxes, as of beginning of fiscal year — January 1, 1980 from Tax Sales of Previous Years.

(b) "Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year:" Tax Sales held during fiscal year ending December 31, 1980, should include total amount of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale.



## **STRAFFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT**

With the appointment of David Bennett to the Commission, we now have seven members.

Plans have been made for the establishment of a scenic vista and erosion control in the area of the sand pit at the main entrance to the Storer Lot. This will be accomplished by using interest from the trust fund which was set up for the purpose of maintaining this property. Also the boundries have been marked and a forest inventory is in progress.

As will be evident in the Town Warrant, the Commission has been given the opportunity to manage under lease from the Water Resources Board, 18 acres of land at the junction of the Isinglass River and Pleasant Valley Road (Pig Lane). This is a valuable piece of property both historically and ecologically and we would be fortunate to acquire use of it.

At present we are in the process of constructing signs which will identify the Storer, McCabe, and French properties.

As in the past, students from the Strafford School continue to use the Town Forest for field trips.

Again this year we sent a student to Conservation Camp in co-sponsorship with the Strafford Women's Club.

We also reviewed several dredge and fill permits.

The Commission would be interested in hearing from anyone who would like to serve on subcommittees to assist us with our projects or anyone who would be interested in going on a field trip to any of the Commission properties.

We hope you will stop and see the exhibit which we will have on display at the school on Town Meeting Day.

Respectfully submitted,  
JoAnn Brown, Chairman  
Gail Barry, David Bennett, John Bozak  
J.B. Cullen, Nancy Lake, Neil Mooers

## **STRAFFORD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT**

It has been another busy year for the S.L.A. An outdoor sign has been installed at the library for posting events and programs to the public. Floor shelves and a paperback book rack have been built and added to accommodate our increasing supply of books and a rhododendron has been planted at the right side of the building. The S.L.A. also sponsored the Summer Reading Program and a Creative Writing class again this year and we thank the people involved for their time and energy.

Our fund-raising projects have been a Bike-a-thon, food and book sale, and selling light bulbs and calendars. We have also received monetary memorial gifts. The Permanent Fund has been growing slowly but steadily and we hope soon to be able

to assist the town in the expenses of the library through this fund. All donations are gratefully accepted.

The Historical Committee has added more material to its albums and is also working on an oral history of Strafford — tapes by towns people who can remember or know of “way back when”. They have also submitted the paperwork to have Austin Hall registered as a historical building.

The Jane Huckins Fund Committee has had 28 varied and interesting programs this year, some of which have been calligraphy, gardening, sponsoring a hunter safety program, and numerous films for adults and children.

If anyone has any ideas on how the S.L.A. can help to serve the public more, their suggestions are most welcome.

Sheila Rainey, Sec.

## LIBRARY REPORT

### Library Hours - Hill Library

WINTER	SUMMER
Tues. 12:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Tues. 12:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Sat. 12:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Thurs. 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Jan. 1 - May 1 open Tue. until 8:00 p.m.	Sat. 12:00 - 6:00 p.m.
(Subject to Change)	
Telephone 664-2800	

Books owned by library January 1, 1980 . . . . .	5,561
Books purchased . . . . .	271
Books donated (Hard cover 158) (Paperbacks 328) . . . . .	486
Books discarded . . . . .	17
Books lost . . . . .	12
Books owned January 1, 1981 . . . . .	6,289
Magazine Gift Subscriptions	
Readers' Digest, DAR Magazine, Conservationist, Wee Wisdom. . . . .	4
Magazines Donated . . . . .	163
Magazine Subscriptions Purchased	
Consumer Reports, National Geographic World, Ranger Rick, Your Back Yard . . . . .	4
Sports Papers, Antique papers donated . . . . .	48
Patterns donated . . . . .	74
Games donated . . . . .	1
Games purchased. . . . .	2
Records donated . . . . .	5
Books circulated 1980 . . . . .	8,649
Books circulated Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, & kindergarten . . . . .	2,613
Included in the total circulation above	

Statewide Library Cards Issued . . . . .	38
Book Requests filled through State Library . . . . .	15
Games circulated. . . . .	4
Records circulated. . . . .	8
Magazines circulated . . . . .	187
Patterns circulated. . . . .	24
Puzzles circulated . . . . .	24
Pamphlets circulated . . . . .	22
Exhibits consisting of the following . . . . .	8
Feb. The Isles of Shoals	
Mar. Elementary School Art exhibit Grade 4	
Apr. Elementary School Art exhibit Grades 7 & 8	
May Elementary School Art exhibit Grade 8	
Aug. Summer Program Exhibit	
Sept. & Oct. Strafford Women's Club Rochester Fair painting	
Parker Mountain Pioneers 4-H Club (canning)	
Dec. Girl Scout Troop No. 514 Christmas Tree	

Last year the Hill Library joined RALI (Rochester Area Libraries). From the grant received Hill Library now has available to use all the audio visual materials given to the cooperative. Stored in Hill Library are a film projector, a cassette recorder/player and 2 headphones. We will have the use of all the filmstrips, slides etc. belonging to the cooperative.

As long as the Hill Library is a member of RALI it is expected to add at least \$50 worth of films, slides or other soft ware to the collection each year.

Also this year the RALI members entered into an agreement with Brodart, Inc. to purchase books cooperatively and thus get a larger discount. We are not held to buy all our books here.

RALI members meet often to talk over their problems, to swap ideas and to find other ways in which they can cooperate to the advantage of each.

Hill Library received \$200 from the Dr. Harold Conrad, Jr. Memorial Fund. With this we purchased 13 sound filmstrips which were used with the Summer story hour. These can be used over and over again and enjoyed.

Your librarian took two more of the Library Techniques courses at the University of New Hampshire. She has attended all the DAC (District Advisory Council) meetings. She is also a member of the New Hampshire Library Association.

It is hoped that all citizens will support the newly proposed library bill coming before the state legislature, that the people of New Hampshire may have the best possible library service. The existence of the Statewide Library card depends upon funding being provided by this bill.

Hill Library still gives out Statewide Library Cards. If we do not have materials you want we can provide them through our service center and the State Library, provided they have them. The Bookmobile is no longer in service in our district

but we have the service of a van which is proving to be equally as good. We aim to give the citizens of Strafford the best possible service with the funds we have available.

Ellen E. Stiles, Librarian

### BOOK FINES

On hand January 1, 1980 . . . . .	\$ 2.61
Received in fines . . . . .	120.39
Received in sale of books . . . . .	15.75
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	\$138.75
Books Purchased . . . . .	128.64
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On hand December 31, 1980 . . . . .	\$ 10.11

## REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

The library and volunteers are uniformly enforcing updated library policy which includes suspension of library privileges until all fines and lost books are paid for, hopefully eliminating the unnecessary burden to the tax payers.

The trustees would like to thank the librarian, Ellen Stiles for all the caring service she gives to the library. We know that she does put in a lot of volunteer time. Once again, this year, she took two courses at the University of New Hampshire and was reimbursed for travel.

Bernice Omand, Harriett Lundberg, Marilyn Lynch, Ruth MacDonald, Marjorie Stiles, Jeanne Groth, Jan Hill, Bernice Hill, Katrina Rhodes, Gail Barry, and Anne Tabory continue to serve as volunteers, allowing the library to be opened for more hours.

This year in addition to Grades 1 through 4 using the facilities, Grade 7 & 8 are also spending time at the library. We are pleased to notice that the Center children are using the library extensively.

During the winter months the library closes at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesdays to conserve energy. During winter storms library patrons should call before venturing out as the library may be closed, depending on the severity of the weather.

Open House, Saturday, April 11th beginning at 2:00 p.m. Special programs including Rosco, the Clown. Fine free day, free books, patterns, and puzzles.

Katrina Rhodes, Chairman  
Bernice Omand, Secretary  
Anne Tabory

## REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Year ending December 31, 1980

Beginning balance - checking account . . . . .		\$ 233.71
<b>Receipts:</b>		
1980 Appropriations . . . . .	\$4,541.00	
Donation . . . . .	100.00	
Dr. Conrad fund . . . . .	200.00	
Bank Error . . . . .	1.00	
Warren Dow Foss Fund . . . . .	230.82	
Fee for lost book . . . . .	7.89	
		5,080.71
		\$5,314.42
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
Librarian's salary . . . . .	\$2,317.50	
Course travel . . . . .	45.90	
Books . . . . .	966.90	

Supplies . . . . .	\$ 71.29	
Media Supplies . . . . .	196.65	
State Library - lost books . . . . .	34.74	
Insurance on books . . . . .	54.00	
Miscellaneous . . . . .	94.28	
Telephone . . . . .	164.36	
Public Service . . . . .	826.42	
Custodian . . . . .	<u>300.00</u>	
		\$5,072.04
Balance January 1, 1981		
Checking account . . . . .	18.88	
Town account . . . . .	223.50	
		\$ 242.38

Katrina Rhodes, Treasurer

PROPOSED LIBRARY BUDGET 1981

Librarian . . . . .	\$2,340.00
Course travel . . . . .	102.00
Professional materials . . . . .	50.00
Books . . . . .	1,000.00
Magazines . . . . .	50.00
Supplies . . . . .	100.00
Media Supplies . . . . .	50.00
Postage and related expenses . . . . .	35.00
State Library - lost books . . . . .	50.00
Insurance on books . . . . .	54.00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	150.00
Telephone . . . . .	250.00
Public Service . . . . .	1,200.00
Custodian . . . . .	300.00
Custodial supplies . . . . .	<u>25.00</u>
TOTAL . . . . .	\$5,756.00

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD ON DECEMBER 31, 1980

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
2- 6-78	Cemetery Trusts	Perpetual Care	C-D No. 75-001970	84.7	\$5,565.00		\$ 5,565.00	\$ 519.27	\$243.12	\$ 985.74
2- 6 78	Lavina Young	Education	C-D No. 75-001970	15.3	1,000.00		1,000.00	93.80		384.15
7- 7-78	Cemetery Trusts	Perpetual Care	C-D No. 75-002573	*84.7			3,629.29	306.68	140.75	3,795.22
7- 7-78	Lavina Young	Education	C-D No. 75-002573	*15.3			749.45	48.32		797.77
10-28-78	Warren Dow	Library	Roch. Sav. Bank No. 8680	100.	3,000.00		3,000.00	230.92	230.92	
3- 3-80	Theodore L. Storer	Conservation (Storer Forest)	Strafford Sav. Bank No. 121247			\$11,500.00	11,500.00	1,055.48	250.00	805.48
TOTALS					\$9,565.00	\$11,500.00	\$21,065.00	\$2,254.47	\$864.79	\$6,768.36

\* Includes Invested Income \$3,800.00

## REPORT OF THE TOWN GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The Strafford Town Government Committee, which was established by vote at the 1980 Town Meeting, has reviewed the various forms of government available for operation of New Hampshire towns and reports the following. There are currently three basic forms of administering towns: Board of Selectmen; Town Manager; and Selectmen with administrative assistant. At this time, the town manager form of government is not economically feasible based on the size of the town and the present scale of government operations. However, the situation that the Town of Strafford is presently in, concerning growth, the administration of regulations, agency coordination, and over-all governmental operation would benefit by the employment of an administrative assistant to the Board of Selectmen.

This conclusion was reached after committee meetings and consultations with governmental specialists within the state. The committee feels that it is unreasonable to expect the Board of Selectmen to effectively operate town government on a part-time basis and adequately discharge their duties and responsibilities. Because of this, we feel that it is in the best interest of the town and its citizenry to compliment the present structure with the expertise and skills of a professionally trained administrative assistant. Based upon research, the committee feels that this can be accomplished for less than twenty thousand dollars, and that the efficiency and effectiveness of this type of structure would more than pay for itself.

There is no specific reference to administrative assistants within New Hampshire statutes. Administrative assistants have no statutory authority; only responsibilities assigned by the Board of Selectmen. In no case, however, may the Board delegate its authority to the administrative assistant. In essence, the Board of Selectmen, should they appoint an administrative assistant, retain all authority granted it by statute, with the administrative assistant carrying out responsibilities assigned by the Board. The following is a list of responsibilities and duties being carried out by professional administrators in New Hampshire municipalities. These are provided as examples only:

- Establish procedure for and coordinating all purchasing to include the review of all requisitions and the drafting of specifications for competitive bid.

- Coordinate the preparation of the budget, its daily administration, and analyze expenditures and report potential problems.

- Coordinate the daily administrative functions of the town, serve as liaison between the Selectmen and the different town agencies; handle advertising and legal requirements for all departments and committees, coordinate the preparation of agreements, easements, rights-of ways, and land use.

- Supervise the preparation of the annual report and Warrant.

- Answer and relay complaints to appropriate departments or committees.

- Coordinate with the Road Agent, capital budget for and schedule major improvements, and review with Road Agent the seasonal or cyclical scheduling of road maintenance.



Arrange meetings at request of Selectmen; represent Selectmen; monitor activities of committees appointed by Selectmen; prepare press releases.

Maintain a log of activities together with results and pending actions.

Attend all selectmen's meetings, take notes, handle correspondence.

Handle complaints from public, refer to proper authorities.

Follow through on all projects as selectmen's representative.

Attend meetings as selectmen's representative in Concord.

Selectmen's calendar alerter, keep operation running smoothly.

Be on alert for new and better methods for the more efficient and effective operation of our town.

Explain.

This is a brief outline of what administrative assistants are doing in other towns. This form of assistance to standard governmental structures is being recognized by many municipalities as a means by which Boards of Selectmen may obtain the necessary assistance that they need to handle their ever increasing and complex workload.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sally Gustafson, George Waldron  
Mark Thompson, Gerald Howe (Chairman)

## POLICE DEPARTMENT 1980 REPORT

I wish to thank the Strafford Womens' Club and the Bow Lake Community Club for their donations to the Police Department.

The number of complaints were down this year, hopefully, this will continue.

Some of the Complaints were:

	Est. Loss	Est. Recovered
Burglary — 32 . . . . .	\$29,084	\$9,000
Thefts — 7 . . . . .	8,960	360
Criminal Mischief — 2 . . . . .	340	
Vandalism — 1 . . . . .	100	
Auto Accidents — 17 —1 fatal		
Disorderly Conduct — 1		

To help the Police with burglaries, I would ask everyone to watch their neighbor's places and write down the time, date, make and model and registration numbers of any strange vehicle they may see.

Carl S. Brown  
Chief of Police

## STRAFFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 1980

The Strafford Fire Department had a total of 48 calls, which is 6 less than 1979, with a breakdown as follows:

Chimney . . . . .	10
Structure . . . . .	4
Grass & Brush. . . . .	5
Accidents. . . . .	4
Mutual Aid. . . . .	8
Wood Stove Problem . . . . .	1
Down Power Lines. . . . .	7
Propane Gas Tank Problem . . . . .	1
Vehicle Fires . . . . .	3
Medical . . . . .	1
Animal Rescue . . . . .	1
Electrical . . . . .	1
Dump . . . . .	1
False. . . . .	1
Total. . . . .	48

The men of the department, plus other town residents, have done a lot of work this past year on the new Center Fire Station. We wish to thank everyone for their support of this project, both financially and with labor.

After we finish some more work on the station we will hold an open house so everyone interested can come and see the building and equipment. Hopefully it will be sometime in the summer of 1981.

I would like to caution everyone burning wood to remember that they have a live fire in their house and treat it with respect. Three out of four of our structure fire calls were caused by wood burning equipment.

I would like to thank the Fire Department Auxiliary for working so hard at raising money for the fire department. Much needed equipment is purchased with the money.

Manpower is needed on the Department so anyone interested in joining may either report to any station on Monday nights or call the Chief at 664-7715.

I would especially like to thank the men for an excellent job. Without them there would be no Department.

Once again I would like to thank everyone for their very generous and continued support. Have a good and safe year in 1981.

Loren W. Pierce  
Chief

# REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST FIRE SERVICE

Forest Fire Prevention: Your Business, Our Business, Good Business. Forest fire prevention slogans have been seen in association with Smokey Bear since the late nineteen forties when a national effort to check the spread of forest fires was implemented.

New Hampshire residents recognized that forest fire prevention and suppression was the responsibility of every citizen, a half century before this national campaign, when our legislature established our first forest fire laws in 1903. Since that date, the State has appointed a town/city forest fire warden who is responsible for forest fire law enforcement in his municipality.

All fires kindled out of doors when there is no snow on the ground must be approved in writing by the forest fire warden before being kindled. All forest fires must be suppressed by the warden and his deputies as soon as they are reported. The cost of fire suppression is shared jointly by the town/city and the State of New Hampshire, as are forest fire prevention and forest fire training costs.

This state and local municipality cooperative forest fire program has given New Hampshire one of the best forest fire records in the United States.

## Forest Fire Statistics 1980

	No. of Fires*	No. of Acres**
State . . . . .	1,226	693
District		
5 Reports — Long Form . . . . .	36	36
Short Form. . . . .	127	
Collectable . . . . .	4	
Town		1¼ Acre

\*Includes Short Fire Reports

\*\*Includes woods and grass

Alfred Grimes  
District Fire Chief

Wilbur Rainey  
Forest Fire Warden

## RURAL DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL, INC. ANNUAL REPORT 1980

The Rural District Health Council continues as a Certified Home Health Agency covering nine towns - six in Strafford County and three in Rockingham County.

Many long hours of research and organization was done by selectmen and concerned citizens of the towns from 1966 until the first visit was made on May 5, 1969.

The priority service is the care of the sick program which includes visiting nurses,

physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech therapist and home health aides, providing visits in the patient's home. The agency also has contracts for home health aide with the Strafford County Home Health Aide program and Portsmouth Area Home Health Aide program.

A Maternal & Child Health program is offered to all children from any of the member towns, and includes physicals, immunizations, teaching and counseling for ages 0-6 years. It also provides home visits to the newborns on request and any follow-up care as requested by physicians.

A Dental program is also provided by the MCH Program and the Pre-School Dental Services and is held for children 3-6 years, which includes cleaning, and fluoride treatments twice a year with referrals to local dentists for follow-up care when needed. The program also works closely with the Women & Infant Children Nutrition Program and the Strafford County Prenatal & Family Planning Program.

The agency also holds monthly adult health maintenance program which provides blood pressure checks, diabetic and anemia screenings, nutrition counseling and special diets and weight control.

The first and third Wednesdays screenings are held at the Town Hall in Farmington for the towns of Farmington, Middleton, and New Durham. The second Wednesday they are held at the Town Hall in Northwood, Nottingham, Deerfield, Barrington and Strafford; the fourth Wednesday they are held in Milton at the Milton Health Center. They all start at 1:00 p.m. and continue until all patients are seen - the program is open to any one in the area. Within the next grant year, the agency looks to providing an ongoing program in Barrington area.

The Rural District Health Council cooperates with other agencies in the area to provide a continuation of good health and social services to its member towns.

The agency with the cooperation of Frisbie Hospital provides a discharge referral coordinator who assists the social services department at the hospital and the patient's physicians to continue care as needed from the hospital to the patient's home. The hospital funds this program in part with the council.

The strength of the Council lies with the dedicated staff who many times devote themselves above and beyond the call of duty reflecting the nurse who cares for people. Staff nurses providing service within the care of the sick program are Barbara Drew, R.N.; Myrtle Walsh, R.N.; Elizabeth Coons, R.N.; Dorothy Demmons, R.N.; and Mary Timmons, R.N.; also acting as part-time supervisor. Arlene Thorne, R.N.; is coordinator of the Maternal Child Health program and Paula Davis, R.N.; as clinic nurse and Elderly Screening Coordinator. Jean Germer, R.N., is the Discharge Coordinator. Joan Menez, LPN is part-time where needed and Alice Ziegra, R.N.; part-time. Home Health Aide services are provided by Gail LaRosa and Renee Wormell. Junellen Chase handles the office duties as Administrative Assistant

The Board of Directors has voted to decrease the per capita cost by \$.20 with a result of \$3.00 per capita for the fiscal year 1981. Many factors contributed to the decision. This year the agency has experienced in depth evaluation of our financial

status, having reviewed both expenditures and income sources. The Ad Hoc Committee was appointed and met frequently throughout the year; "after careful study the Committee recommends that no charge be made to participants of the Child Health Program". However, the Board voted to attempt a pilot study of asking for a \$2.00 donation at clinic sites, a \$1.00 donation will be asked for office visits and a donation for the Elderly Screening Clinics, all effective January 1, 1981.

The Board voted to become a United Way Agency; the grant was increased for the Maternal & Child Health Program through the efforts of the Community Health Care Association. The Agency also has an increase in the State Council on Aging grant and the Referral Coordinator. The total population has increased 751 residents. With this added income the Finance Committee feels the Council can continue to provide the many needed services to its member towns.

Home Health Agencies are delivering relatively inexpensive care to rural residents who might otherwise have no access to such care.

During the past year the Council has made for your town 156 skilled nursing visits, 85 home health aide visits, and 36 therapy visits; there have been 34 child health home visits and 68 children have attended the Child Health Program.

Anyone interested in additional information or needing services may contact the Rural District Health Council, P.O. Box 563, 6 So. Main St., Farmington, N.H. 03835, or telephone 755-2202 between the hours of 8-4 p.m., Monday - Friday.

Ardala Houle, R.N.  
Executive Director

## **REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION - 1980**

Harmony Anderson, an experienced elementary school teacher and qualified water safety instructor, conducted swimming lessons at the Bow Lake Dam in 1980. 89 students enrolled in the classes, which were conducted in two four-week sessions on weekdays in July and August. Mrs. Anderson voluntarily added a special early morning class for adult beginners, which was appreciated. Viki Tucker was again the weekend guard, and this season our budget allowed for weekday guarding during lesson time through the busy month of July. This added to the safety of the beach. Fees for lessons were increased to \$5 per child and \$12 per family this season, which increased our revenue by \$180.

The crib dock of telephone poles constructed with the special recreation fund monies in the Fall of 1979 received good usage. It appears to be a useful addition to our public water access facilities.

We plan no innovations for 1981 and our budget reflects this. We make no attempt to conduct year-round activities, which appear to be met by other citizen-led groups and individuals. Meetings of the Recreation Commission, which are held periodically, are open to the public and members of the Commission welcome suggestions from town's people.

The Strafford County Community Action Program conducted a soccer program and several trips for Strafford youngsters during the summer vacation period in 1980. Denny Thorne and Bernice Omand were the contact persons.

Commissioner Members: Lois Fistere, Bruce Matthews - Secretary, Bob Omand, Jack Penney - Chairman, Denny Thorne.

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1980**

<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Budget 1980</u>	<u>Spent 1980</u>	<u>Budget 1981</u>
Staff salaries	\$2,325.00	\$2,304.75	\$2,325.00
Toilet Rental	250.00	231.50	250.00
Grounds	75.00	70.00	85.00
Equipment	50.00	18.94	50.00
Trash	<u>200.00</u>	<u>240.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>
Total	\$2,900.00	\$2,865.19	\$2,960.00
Less fees	<u>-500.00</u>	<u>-488.39</u>	<u>-460.00</u>
Net cost to Town	\$2,400.00	\$2,376.80	\$2,500.00

**REPORT OF DOG OFFICER - 1980**

During the calendar year I responded to calls to pick up 60 stray dogs. 15 of the dogs were transported to the SPCA shelter in Stratham. 45 dogs were returned to their owners.

I assisted the SPCA in reclaiming adopted dogs in our town.

During the year I traveled 1,460 miles and worked a total of 58½ hours.

Respectfully submitted,  
Andrea Crosby

**REPORT OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

During the calendar year I traveled 10 miles and worked a total of 1 hour as Animal Control Officer. I confiscated a flock of abandoned chickens and kept them for two weeks until they were disposed of. Total cost of maintenance of these chickens was \$36.

I was called to pick up a stray cat and being unable to find its owner, had it euthanized costing \$10.

I assisted the Humane Officer in rescuing neglected animals in our town.

Respectfully submitted,  
Andrea Crosby

## **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 Dec. 31, 1980.

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, 1980.

Stephen J. Seeman, Ph.D.

Robert Sawyer

Strafford, N.H.  
February 9, 1981

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS**

**SCHOOL BOARD**

Mr. Edward Wingren . . . . .Term Expires 1980  
Dr. Fredrick Shiere . . . . .Term Expires 1981  
Mrs. Erma Clark . . . . .Term Expires 1983

**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.  
Leon Worthley, B.A., M.A.

**TREASURER**

Sandra Pierce

**MODERATOR**

David Meserve

**CLERK**

Elizabeth Carlson

**AUDITORS**

Dorothy A. Bickford  
Bertha L. Huckins

**ATTENDANCE OFFICER AND SCHOOL CENSUS**

Leonard Davis

**SCHOOL NURSE**

Nancy Reynolds, 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 10th day of March 1981, 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 18th day of February 1981

Edward W. Wingren, Fredrick R. Shiere, Erma Clark

A true copy of Warrant -- Attest:

Edward W. Wingren, Fredrick R. Shiere, Erma Clark

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 Elementary School in said district on the 18th day of March 1981, at 7:00 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 thereto.
2. To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
3. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to appoint a study committee composed of not more than eleven (11) members for the purpose of assisting the School Board in exploring the feasibility of the School District purchasing Austin Cate Academy and to further authorize the School Board to enter into negotiations with the Trustees of Austin Cate Academy for the purchase of the land, buildings, and equipment and after concluding negotiations, to authorize the School Board to petition Strafford County Superior Court for a Special School District meeting to allow the voters of the School District to vote upon raising and appropriating sufficient funds to purchase said land, buildings and equipment to be held not later than May 15, 1981.
4. 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.
5. To see if the School District wishes to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the School Board to appoint a Deputy Treasurer for the 1981-82 school year and to provide bond for said Deputy Treasurer as provided in RSA 197:22.

6. 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 and/or other sources.

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

**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER  
For The Fiscal Year July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1980**

Cash on Hand July 1, 1979 . . . . .	\$ 28,312.06
Current Appropriation . . . . .	\$364,800.00
Revenue from State Sources . . . . .	26,051.93
Revenue from Federal Sources . . . . .	13,132.51
Received from all Other Sources . . . . .	<u>9,523.25</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS . . . . .	<u>\$413,507.69</u>
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year . . . . .	441,819.75
Less School Board Orders Paid . . . . .	<u>426,633.37</u>
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 1980 . . . . .	\$ 15,186.38

August 11, 1980

Sandra L. Pierce  
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, 1980, and find them correct in all respects.

September 2, 1980

Dorothy A. Bickford  
Bertha L. Huckins  
Auditors

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Fiscal Year July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1980**

Received from Local Sources:

Current Appropriation . . . . .	\$364,800.00
Earnings From Temporary Deposits . . . . .	679.10
Rent . . . . .	80.00
Filing Fees . . . . .	3.00

Received for Prior Year:

78-79 Vocational Transportation . . . . .	2,250.00
78-79 PL 874 . . . . .	390.51
78-79 Food and Nutrition . . . . .	169.00
Sale of outdated textbooks . . . . .	9.60

Received From State Sources:

School Building Aid . . . . .	7,090.89
Handicapped Aid . . . . .	6,638.35
Sweepstakes . . . . .	5,993.29
Foster Children Aid . . . . .	989.76

Received From Federal Sources:

School Lunch and Special Milk . . . . .	12,758.00
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TOTAL NET RECEIPTS . . . . . \$401,851.50

Reimbursed Expenditures . . . . .	11,656.19
Cash on Hand beginning of year, July 1, 1979 . . . . .	<u>28,312.06</u>
Amount Available for 1979-80 . . . . .	\$441,819.75

Less Gross Expenditures . . . . .	<u>426,633.37</u>
Cash on Hand, June 30, 1980 . . . . .	\$ 15,186.38

Cash on Hand, June 30, 1980 . . . . . \$ 15,186.38

Accounts Due District:

Town of Strafford, 79-80 Appropriation . . . . .	12,804.59
State of New Hampshire . . . . .	<u>3,020.00</u>
	\$31,010.97

Encumbered Funds . . . . .	\$ 12,573.80
Unencumbered Funds . . . . .	<u>18,437.17</u>
	\$ 31,010.97

**STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS**  
**For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1980**

Name of Building for which notes/bonds were issued	Strafford School	First Addition	Second Addition	Total
Outstanding at Beginning of Year	\$5,000.00	\$17,832.80	\$81,600.00	\$104,432.80
Payments of Principal of Debt	5,000.00	3,566.76	13,600.00	22,166.76
Notes Outstanding at End of Year	none	<u>\$14,266.04</u>	<u>\$68,000.00</u>	<u>\$82,266.04</u>

## STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT DETAILED EXPENDITURES FOR 1979-80

### Administration:

#### Salaries:

Erma Clark, School Board Member . . . . .	\$ 250.00	
Fredrick Shiere, School Board Member . . .	250.00	
Edward Wingren, School Board Member . .	250.00	
Sandra Pierce, School District Treasurer. . .	300.00	
David Meserve, School District Moderator .	10.00	
Dorothy Bickford, Auditor . . . . .	30.00	
Bertha Huckins, Auditor. . . . .	30.00	
		\$ 1,120.00

#### Contracted Services:

Elizabeth Carlson, School Board Secretary. . . . .	100.00	
Elizabeth Carlson, Bookkeeper/Purchase Agent . . . . .	600.00	
Leonard Davis, Census . . . . .	125.00	
		825.00

Other Expenses of Administration . . . . . 410.30

### Instruction:

#### Salaries:

Richard Boyle, Principal, Athletic Director Basketball Coach . . . . .		15,210.00
Sally Low, grade 1 teacher . . . . .	11,220.00	
Katrina Rhodes, grade 2 teacher. . . . .	10,070.00	
Maryellen Plante, grade 3 teacher, coach . .	10,725.00	
Nancy Lake, grade 4 teacher . . . . .	10,650.00	
Steven Juster, English 5-8, soccer and baseball coach . . . . .	7,790.00	
Darla Higgins, Social Studies 5-8, substitute . . . . .	9,818.32	
Jennifer Shone, Math 5-8 . . . . .	9,495.00	
Patricia Sukduang, Science 5-8. . . . .	10,920.00	
Carol McIntyre, Special Education teacher .	3,570.00	
Linda Silver, Speech Therapist . . . . .	1,785.00	
Linda Bouchard, Art teacher . . . . .	1,535.43	
Virginia Garlow, Music . . . . .	2,150.00	
Nancy Bickford, Teacher Aide . . . . .	3,721.42	
Priscilla Bowlen, Teacher Aide . . . . .	4,181.20	
Bernice Omand, Teacher Aide . . . . .	2,680.11	

Substitutes:		
Patricia Boyle . . . . .	\$	10.00
Carol Burnelle. . . . .		480.00
Keith Buckovitch . . . . .		42.00
Eva Corey . . . . .		50.00
Lynn Eakin . . . . .		20.00
Lois Fistere . . . . .		22.00
Bonnie Inglis . . . . .		495.00
Kathleen Karwowski . . . . .		40.00
Mary Ella Keith. . . . .		120.00
Sandra Schwab . . . . .		20.00
Ann Tabory . . . . .		73.20
Hazel Turmelle . . . . .		120.90
Patti Walker . . . . .		20.00
SAU No. 44 - Accountability . . . . .		<u>600.00</u>
		\$102,424.58
Textbooks . . . . .		2,486.43
School Library & Audio Visual Materials <sup>6</sup> . . . . .		1,668.01
Teaching Supplies . . . . .		7,704.13
Contracted Services:		
Readiness Testing . . . . .		230.00
SRA Testing. . . . .		819.11
Strafford Learning Center . . . . .		749.00
3M Business Products Sales . . . . .		<u>124.00</u>
		1,922.11
Other Expenses of Instruction . . . . .		387.92
Attendance Service . . . . .		25.00
Health Service:		
Salary: Lois Fistere, School Nurse . . . . .		4,100.00
Health Supplies. . . . .		<u>21.81</u>
		4,121.81
Pupil Transportation:		
Herbert Scribner, Bow Lake No. 1 Route. . . . .		5,220.00
Herbert Scribner, Bow Lake No. 2 Route. . . . .		6,336.00
Herbert Scribner, Parker Mt. Route. . . . .		6,634.00
Herbert Scribner, adjustment for 3 routes . . . . .		1,927.19
Dover Vocational Transportation . . . . .		3,742.00
Watson Transportation, Crown Point Route . . . . .		<u>8,297.60</u>
		32,156.79

Operation of Plant:

Salary:

George Waldron, Custodian . . . . .	\$ 6,700.00
Matthew LaPanne, Helper . . . . .	98.60

6,798.60

Supplies. . . . .

2,499.16

Contracted Service:

George Waldron, Mowing . . . . .	15.00
Corey Colwell, mowing. . . . .	55.50
James K. Horne, burner cleaning . . . . .	23.95

Heat: James K. Horne, Inc. . . . . 10,669.33

10,763.78

Utilities:

Public Service of New Hampshire . . . . .	4,104.97
New England Telephone Company . . . . .	<u>611.36</u>

4,716.33

Maintenance of Plant:

Barrington School District, dishwasher booster . . . . .	300.00
Lamper & Sons Hardware Co., Tools . . . . .	304.65
Mainco School Supply Co., tables and chairs.	275.07
New England School Supply Co., desks and chairs . . . . .	558.65
Ocean and Forest Products Co., floor buffer.	2,602.80
Office Furniture Center, classroom dividers .	1,393.00
Reliable Wireless Learning Systems, listening center . . . . .	59.67
Service Merchandise, record player and cassette . . . . .	67.83
Smith Office Equipment, desk . . . . .	204.68
Quimby Office Equipment, adding machine .	85.00
V.H. Cogswell, Inc., lawn mower . . . . .	1,900.00
Pyramid School Products, playground equipment . . . . .	1,143.27
Three students for installation of playground equipment . . . . .	90.00
Hollis Lumber, cement to install playground equipment . . . . .	29.40
Radford Messenger, sand to install playground equipment . . . . .	60.00
SAY donation for playground equipment. . .	534.34
Public Seating Inc., chair glides and tips. . .	508.74
Ocean & Forest Products, buffer repair . . .	29.81

R.E.W. Electronics, repair projector and record player . . . . .	\$ 36.25	
Richard Stone, repair television . . . . .	24.22	
Sherwin Williams, paint . . . . .	400.81	
Richard Boyle, painting . . . . .	1,324.00	
Harvey MacLean, coat racks, shelving, etc. . . . .	440.30	
3M Business Products Sales, service contract. . . . .	80.00	
Lighting Services, gym lighting and emergency lights contract. . . . .	2,188.30	
Charles DiPrazio & Sons, Inc. weather stripping . . . . .	22.60	
Marquette Remodeling, classroom divider, shelving, repair door and vent installed. . . . .	2,105.00	
George Waldron, welding chairs . . . . .	108.50	
S.D. Sundeen, freezer repair . . . . .	128.42	
Harvey MacLean, door repair. . . . .	85.20	
Howard Lank, Inc., plumbing repairs, water pump, installation of water pump . . . . .	4,094.03	
James K. Horne, Inc., replaced fill pipe and furnace repairs . . . . .	189.55	
Corey Colwell, mowing. . . . .	59.00	
Central Glass Company, glass replaced. . . . .	55.87	
Pioneer Business Machines, contract agreement . . . . .	<u>110.00</u>	
		\$ 20,530.28
Fixed Charges:		
Teachers' retirement . . . . .	3,019.07	
F.I.C.A. (Social Security) . . . . .	8,467.98	
Insurance. . . . .	<u>6,840.05</u>	
		18,327.10
School Lunch and Special Milk Program:		
Federal Contribution . . . . .		10,975.00
Debt Service:		
Principal of Debt. . . . .	22,166.76	
Interest on Debt . . . . .	<u>4,794.39</u>	
		26,961.15
Outgoing Transfer Accounts:		
Tuition to Other School Districts . . . . .	90,558.52	
Tuition to Public Academies . . . . .	20,574.33	
District Share of SAU Expense. . . . .	<u>12,155.03</u>	
		123,287.88



Expenditures to Other Public Schools:		
Tuition to Private Nonsectian Schools . . . . .	\$ 9,579.42	
Transportation . . . . .	<u>9,156.80</u>	\$ 18,736.22
Total New Expenditures		\$414,977.18
Reimbursed Expenditures		<u>11,656.19</u>
<b>TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$426,633.37</b>

The Strafford School Board would like to express their appreciation to the parents of the students enrolled in St. Thomas Aquinas High School. For the school year 1979-80 there were eleven students enrolled at St. Thomas Aquinas High School which saved the Town of Strafford an estimated amount of \$13,365.00 in tuition.

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Mr. Edward Wingren  
 Dr. Fredrick Shiere  
 Mrs. Erma Clark

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 REVENUES AND CREDITS**

	Approved Budget <u>1980-81</u>	Proposed Budget <u>1981-82</u>
Unencumbered Balance . . . . .	\$ 18,437.00	—0—
3120 Sweepstakes . . . . .	6,768.00	\$ 6,500.00
3140 Foster Children . . . . .	400.00	400.00
3210 School Building Aid . . . . .	5,450.00	5,400.00
3240 Education of Handicapped Children . . . . .	5,987.00	12,300.00
4460 Child Nutrition . . . . .	10,000.00	11,000.00
4820 PL 874 . . . . .	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total School Revenues and Credits . . . . .	\$ 49,042.00	\$ 37,600.00
District Assessment to be Raised by Property		
Taxes	<u>435,112.00</u>	<u>537,515.00</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$484,154.00</b>	<b>\$575,115.00</b>

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**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BUDGET WORKSHEET 1981-82**

Purpose of Appropriation	Adopted 1980-81	Proposed 1981-82
<b>1000 - INSTRUCTION</b>		
1100 Regular Programs		
1102 Teachers' Salaries . . . . .	\$ 99,950.00	\$133,388.00
1104 Aides Salaries . . . . .	9,791.00	13,708.00
1202 Substitutes . . . . .	1,500.00	1,750.00
4400 Repairs to Equipment . . . . .	100.00	300.00
5600 Tuition . . . . .	145,800.00	141,000.00
6100 Supplies . . . . .	6,300.00	8,250.00
6300 Textbooks . . . . .	2,925.00	3,850.00
7400 Equipment . . . . .	450.00	450.00
1200 Special Programs		
1102 Teachers' Salaries . . . . .	9,450.00	11,824.00
1104 Aides Salaries . . . . .	-0-	-0-
5600 Tuition . . . . .	18,500.00	29,000.00
6100 Supplies . . . . .	280.00	300.00
6300 Textbooks . . . . .	135.00	140.00
7400 Equipment . . . . .	50.00	50.00
1300 Vocational Program		
5600 Tuition . . . . .	17,000.00	34,500.00
1400 Other Programs		
1102 Athletic Salaries . . . . .	1,170.00	1,170.00
6100 Athletic Supplies . . . . .	400.00	400.00
8100 Music Dues . . . . .	-0-	-0-
1900 Benefits		
2112 Health Insurance . . . . .	1,645.00	2,592.00
2140 Workman's Compensation . . . . .	429.00	586.00
2220 Employee Retirement . . . . .	2,429.00	4,363.00
2302 F.I.C.A. . . . .	7,679.00	11,692.00
<b>TOTAL INSTRUCTION . . . . .</b>	<b>\$325,983.00</b>	<b>\$399,313.00</b>
<b>2000 - SUPPORTING SERVICES</b>		
2110 Truant Office & Census . . . . .	150.00	150.00
2120 Pupil Testing . . . . .	900.00	900.00
2130 Health		
1104 Nurse's Salary . . . . .	3,570.00	4,675.00
5800 Travel . . . . .	200.00	200.00
6100 Supplies . . . . .	50.00	50.00
2140 Strafford Learning Center Services . . . .	1,000.00	1,513.00

	Adopted 1980-81	Proposed 1981-82
2150 Speech		
1102 Teachers Salary . . . . .	\$ 1,950.00	\$ 2,235.00
6100 Supplies. . . . .	100.00	100.00
2210 Staff Service . . . . .	575.00	575.00
2220 Educational Media		
3900 Educational Television . . . . .	225.00	275.00
6300 Library Books. . . . .	1,255.00	1,500.00
2300 General Administration		
1101 School Board Salaries . . . . .	750.00	750.00
1105 School District Salaries . . . . .	635.00	635.00
3070 School Administrative Unite No. 44 . .	15,787.00	21,146.00
5220 Liability Insurance. . . . .	750.00	750.00
8900 District Officers Expense. . . . .	50.00	—0—
7420 Equipment. . . . .	—0—	—0—
2400 School Administration		
1101 Principal Salaries . . . . .	16,500.00	18,893.00
4400 Repair to Equipment . . . . .	220.00	220.00
5310 Telephone . . . . .	800.00	1,000.00
5320 Postage . . . . .	175.00	175.00
6100 Supplies, forms . . . . .	100.00	200.00
7410 Office Equipment . . . . .	—0—	—0—
8100 Professional Dues. . . . .	140.00	225.00
8900 Graduation Expense. . . . .	150.00	150.00
2520 Business - Fiscal		
1105 School District Bookkeeper . . . . .	650.00	725.00
6100 Supplies, postage. . . . .	200.00	255.00
2540 Business - Operation and Maintenance of Plant		
1109 Custodian Salary . . . . .	8,500.00	9,790.00
4210 Water, Sewage. . . . .	100.00	100.00
4300 Rubbish, Snow Removal . . . . .	—0—	—0—
4400 Painting Service. . . . .	—0—	—0—
4400 Repairs to Building . . . . .	200.00	—0—
4400 Heat, Boiler Service . . . . .	250.00	250.00
4400 Repair Furniture, Equipment. . . . .	100.00	100.00
4400 Fire Alarm Service. . . . .	50.00	50.00
4400 Mowing . . . . .	—0—	—0—
4400 Playground. . . . .	—0—	—0—
5210 Insurance . . . . .	2,515.00	2,515.00
5800 Travel . . . . .	—0—	80.00
6100 Supplies. . . . .	3,500.00	3,500.00
6520 Fuel Oil . . . . .	15,000.00	15,000.00

	Adopted 1980-81	Proposed 1981-82
6530 Electricity . . . . .	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 5,000.00
6700 Glass Repair and Maintenance . . . . .	—0—	1,225.00
7400 Equipment and Furniture . . . . .	2,500.00	2,195.00
2550 Business - Transportation		
5130 Transportation, regular . . . . .	30,000.00	31,300.00
5130 Transportation, special education . . . . .	9,510.00	10,000.00
5130 Transportation, athletic/field trips . . . . .	350.00	350.00
5130 Transportation, Vocational (reimbursed) . . . . .	—0—	—0—
2570 Food Service		
5700 General Support, District . . . . .	200.00	200.00
8800 General Support, Federal . . . . .	10,000.00	11,000.00
2900 Benefits		
2110 Health Insurance . . . . .	306.00	1,080.00
2140 Workman's Compensation . . . . .	528.00	763.00
2210 Employee Retirement . . . . .	489.00	528.00
2300 F.I.C.A. . . . .	2,518.00	3,379.00
TOTAL SUPPORTING SERVICES . . . . .	<u>\$137,198.00</u>	<u>\$155,702.00</u>
4000 - FACILITIES . . . . .	—0—	10.00
5000 - OTHER OUTLAYS		
8300 Principal of Debt . . . . .	17,167.00	17,167.00
8400 Interest on Debt . . . . .	3,806.00	2,923.00
TOTAL . . . . .	<u>\$484,154.00</u>	<u>\$575,115.00</u>
Encumbered . . . . .	12,573.80	
TOTAL APPROPRIATION . . . . .	<u>\$496,727.80</u>	<u>\$575,115.00</u>

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM  
FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1980**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 1979 . . . . .		\$ 1,426.59
Receipts:		
Lunch Sales - Children . . . . .	\$ 9,913.23	
Lunch Sales - Adults . . . . .	494.37	
Reimbursement . . . . .	10,975.00	
Misc. Cash . . . . .	343.15	
TOTAL RECEIPTS . . . . .		<u>\$ 21,725.75</u>
TOTAL AVAILABLE . . . . .		<u>\$ 23,152.34</u>

Expenditures:		
Food . . . . .	\$ 12,946.03	
Labor . . . . .	8,008.65	
All other expenditures . . . . .	<u>1,924.50</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES . . . . .		\$ 22,879.18
Balance - June 30, 1980 . . . . .		\$ 273.16
Other Program Resources:		
Donations: Food \$3,090.01 . . . . .		\$ 3,090.01

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**Fiscal Year ended June 30, 1980**

Assets:		
Cash in Bank . . . . .	\$ 273.16	
Lunch Sales . . . . .	2,253.00	
Food Inventory - June 30 . . . . .	690.00	
Supplies Inventory - June 30 . . . . .	<u>164.00</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS. . . . .	\$ 3,380.16	

Dorothy L. Smith

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES - 1979-1980**

The major purpose of our health education program is to develop attitudes and behaviors which will promote physical and mental health. Nutrition, safety, disease prevention, life education, smoking, drugs and alcohol are a few of the essentials. This information should help make the student aware of the values of good health, in a healthy environment, and stimulate a personal commitment to, and responsibility for, maintaining and improving the health of all people.

Our student enrollment will be reaching the 250 mark in the fall of 1980. Any increase in our student body will increase the demands on the health service, first aid and classroom education. The nurse's time needs to be increased to three days now and full time in a year or two. Any new addition to our building needs to include larger health facilities and showers.

Yearly programs were carried out during the school year and included health screenings, vision and hearing, programs on safety, nutrition, dental care, hygiene, smoking, drugs, alcohol and life education.

The SAY sponsored the dental prophylactic clinic and students K-8, totaling 122 students received cleanings and fluoride. The purchase of "Winnie the Pooh - Nutrition and You", by this organization added to our film library. Our thanks for their constant interest and support in our students.

Austin Cate Academy also added three new film strips to our health films,

“Safety Through the Year”, “Donald’s Fire Survival Plan”, and “Careful with Strangers”.

A scoliosis screening was held in grades 5-8 with 114 students checked.

Two clinics were held, with vaccines provided through the Rural District Health Council. Students received protection against DT, polio, measles, mumps, rubella and TB skin tests.

My position as school nurse for the past ten and a half years has been a rewarding experience and I leave with appreciation to all. Especially, my thanks to our great student body and staff members who have made working with them such a pleasure!

Lois Fistere, R.N.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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

When the 1980-81 school year opened last September, the Strafford Elementary School was organized as indicated in the chart below:

EMPLOYEE	ASSIGNMENT
Richard Boyle	Principal
Sally Low	Grade 1
Marguerite Finley	Grade 1
Elizabeth Mason	Grade 2
Maryellen Plante	Grade 3
Nancy Lake	Grade 4
Priscilla Bowlen	Grade 4
Darla Higgins	5-8 Social Studies
Steven Juster	5-8 English
Jennifer Shone	5-8 Math
Patricia Sukduang	5-8 Science
Carol McIntyre	Special Education Remedial
Linda Silver	Speech/Language
Tobey Harman	Art
Virginia Garlow	Music
Sharon MacDonald	Physical Education
Nancy Bickford	Teacher Aide
Anne Tabory	Reading Aide Title I*
Dorothy Smith	Lunch Program Manager
Irma Messenger	Lunch Worker
Elliott Stevens	Custodian
Karen Schuster	Reading Title I*
Nancy Reynolds	Nurse

\* These positions are funded by the Title/Special Education cooperative project

operated by the Boards of Barrington, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford.

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	34	30	23	38	19	29	32	29	234

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

School	Spec.	9	10	11	12	Total	
Coe-Brown Academy		7	6	2	0	15	
Dover Vocational		10	9	4	1	24	
Spaulding High		10	8	16	16	50	
SLC Southern Cluster	1					1	
SLC Northern Cluster	1					1	
Great Bay	1					1	
SLC TAC Program	1					1	
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>93</b>

In August, 1980, I requested the State Department of Education to conduct an evaluation of all Elementary Schools in School Administrative Unit No. 44 in order to determine our present state of compliance with the State Department of Education's document entitled, Approved New Hampshire Elementary Schools, k-8. The purpose of this request was to utilize State Department services to obtain information which we could use as a point of reference at the local level in determining education goals for the system. The State Department among other recommendations suggested a thorough examination of present library services with particular attention being given to space and staff. Additional recommendations included: reviewing the pupil/teacher ratio in grade 2 and in grade 7 and funding part time positions for a guidance counselor and a secretary. The evaluation placed the Strafford Elementary School in category II which means that the school has complied with 90% of the State Minimum Standards for Elementary Schools.

Special Education continues to emerge as a particularly significant challenge to local school districts across the Nation as a result of Federal Law PL 94-142 and Strafford is no exception to this trend. During the course of the past several years, the School District has attempted to meet its obligation in this particular area. The high degree of support that these programs have received from the School District, the School Board, Administration and teaching staff is extremely evident and has resulted in the development of appropriate programming for the children. Specifically, as taxpayers and citizens you should be aware of the high degree of professional competence and dedication possessed by your Special Education teachers. The development of such support programs as those for children with special needs can only occur in a system where there is a high degree of professional sensitivity, awareness and co-

operation among the administration, specialists and classroom faculty. Mr. Boyle and the entire staff are to be commended for their cooperation and mutual support.

As the reader will note, there is an article in the warrant to see if the District wishes to establish a study committee to assist the School Board in determining the feasibility of Austin Cate Academy being purchased by the School District. I am in full support of this article for a number of reasons: 1) the School District is in immediate need of six additional classrooms and 2) based on the information that I have received as of this date, the tentative provisions of the potential sale by the Board of Trustees to the School District represents an outstanding opportunity for the Strafford School system. In summary the School District is in a position to more than satisfy immediate space requirements and to receive additional income through a combination of leasing sections of the facilities to the Strafford Learning Center and through the creation of a regional middle school, grades 7 through 9 with surrounding school districts which will generate additional revenue and provide an excellent atmosphere for our children. I strongly support the warrant article.

In closing, on behalf of the School Administrative Unit No. 44 Central Office staff, I wish to express our continued appreciation to the members of the School Board, the principal, teachers and citizens for the cooperation exhibited and progress achieved this past year. We look forward to a long and productive relationship in which our mutual goals will continue to be the best possible education for our young people.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Barry L. Clough, Superintendent

**SALARY OF SUPERINTENDENT AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT  
 1979 - 1980  
 (RSA Chapter 189:45 - New Hampshire Laws)**

School District	% Local Share	Superintendent	Assistant Superintendent
Barrington	16.9	\$3,802.50	\$3,229.59
Farmington	23.2	5,220.00	4,433.52
Middleton	1.9	427.50	363.09
Milton	14.1	3,172.50	2,694.51
Northwood	11.4	2,565.00	2,178.54
Nottingham	8.4	1,890.00	1,605.24
Strafford	8.3	1,867.50	1,586.13
Wakefield	15.8	3,555.00	3,019.38
	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$22,500.00</u>	<u>\$19,110.00</u>
STATE'S SHARE		<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>2,390.00</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$25,000.00</u>	<u>\$21,500.00</u>



**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL CALENDAR  
1981-1982**

September through January - 92 days

February through June - 93 days

**DAYS OUT**

September 7 — Labor Day

Dec. 24 - Jan. 4 — Christmas Vacation

October 12 — Columbus Day

February 22 - 26 — Winter Vacation

November 11 — Veteran's Day

April 26-30 — Spring Vacation

Nov. 26-27 — Thanksgiving Recess

May 31 — Memorial Day

(Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Day)

185 — 180 Days Required Attendance for Instructional Purposes

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
March 11 and 18, 1980**

At a legal meeting of the School District of the Town of Strafford, inhabitants qualified to vote in district affairs met at the Strafford Elementary School in said district on the 11th day of March, 1980 and elected the following officers:

Moderator:

David Merserve (91 write-in votes)

Russell Shillaber (47 write-in votes)

School District Clerk:

Elizabeth Carlson (32 write-in votes)

School Board Member:

Erma Clark (249 voted)

Dennis Sisemoore (56 votes)

School Treasurer:

Sandra Pierce (158 votes)

Auditor:

Dorothy Bickford (19 write-in votes)

Silk Grote (9 write-in votes)

Officers Erma Clark, Sandra Pierce and Elizabeth Carlson were sworn in by Moderator David Merserve.

The meeting was continued on March 18, 1980 and was called to order by Moderator David Merserve.

ARTICLE 1. School Board members Erma Clark and Edward Wingren distributed copies of the major increases in the 80-81 budget. Edward Wingren explained the hand out, then stated the Board would answer any questions from the floor.

Mark Thompson requested an explanation of the added teacher position. Edward Wingren explained the Board felt there may be a need to split the 80-81 school year fourth grade as this class is large at the present time.

George Waldron asked what percent is the increase to the teachers salaries. Edward Wingren replied they budgeted for a 6% plus one increment. This would be an average of a 10% increase over the present salary.

George Waldron stated he had figured the Principal's salary had increased 10% over last year. The Special Education Teacher's salary had a 14% increase over last year. The janitor had received a 4.6% increase for last year and this year the Board had proposed an increase of 10 hours per week but had recommended a decrease in the hourly rate.

Erma Clark replied the Board had to hire someone to do work that could be done by a full time custodian.

The question was raised what are the hours of the present custodian and does the Board have a role description?

Erma Clark answered the present contract lists some duties but does not include things like mowing lawns.

George Waldron stated when he was hired for the position he was told it was between five and six hours per day.

Dr. Fredrick Shiere, School Board Member, stated the present position was part time. Because of this there were things that needed to be done. The Board has been paying to have the mowing, painting, building shelving, etc. done by other contracted people. Their intent was to hire some one full time so these duties could be included in the position.

Albert Leighton asked clarification as to the hours per week and the number of weeks per year for the proposed full time position.

Erma Clark replied 40 hours per week 50 work weeks and 2 weeks paid vacation.

George Waldron pointed out he had figured the hourly rate at present was \$4.29 for a thirty hour week. The proposed 40 hour week would be \$4.08 per hour. He stated he would be willing to continue in the position next year at the same rate if everyone else employed by the school would also agree to stay at the same rate as present. However, he did not feel it was fair to ask him to take a cut in pay.

Erma Clark replied when the Board made up their budget they had contacted other schools in the area to find out what they were paying their custodians. For example Rochester is paying their head custodian \$8,500.00 per year and this is the amount the Board has proposed for the position this year.

Mark Thompson moved the janitor's position remain at 30 hours per week and the salary be increased to \$7,370.00. This was seconded and voted in the affirmative.

Paul St. Clair spoke in favor of increasing the teachers salary and asked how much a substitute received per day.

Katrina Rhodes stated she wanted to clarify that the teachers were receiving a 6% increase and the step was automatic for doing a good job. It doesn't mean that it is a 10% cost of living increase.

Erma Clark replied the step was not necessarily automatic and she felt that the increase was all the town could afford.

Moderator David Merserve requested the Board clarify the salary scale.

Edward Wingren answered the salary scale contained ten steps. The teachers usually received one step per year. A teacher with one years experience would probably be on step one.

John O'Brien asked if it was based on longevity or merit:

Erma Clark replied merit.

Steve Pike asked if the step was considered cost of living raise, longevity, merit or whatever?

Erma Clark explained the salary scale was originally set up long before any of the present members were on the Board but she understood the reason it was adopted was to include the cost of living raise, however, the teachers have requested additional raises each year for the last several years.

George Waldron stated he had calculated the raises for the teachers for the last few years from the Town Report as 1977 8-10%, 1978 10-14%, 1979 10%, 1980 10%, this figure included the step.

Albert Leighton stated he calculated an increase in teachers salary since 1976 as a 50% increase.

ARTICLE 2. David Merserve read the article and inquired if there was any business to be conducted under this article. Since there was none the article was passed.

ARTICLE 3. Edward Wingren moved the district raise and appropriate the sum of \$484,154.00 for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district. This was seconded.

Katrina Rhodes questioned why the total proposed figure was the same as the motion since the janitor's salary had been changed.

Erma Clark replied the Board may have to hire contracted services.

Steve Pike asked what the per pupil expenditure of Strafford was and how it compared to other schools.

Superintendent Barry Clough answered, the present school year's figures were not available as it was not completed at this time. The per pupil expenditure for Strafford Elementary School for the 78-79 school year was \$839.95. Compared to other schools in the state it was 148th out of 154 school districts in New Hampshire or seven schools in the state were below Strafford in their per pupil expenditures.

Steve Pike asked where Strafford School ranked in quality of their education.

David Merserve answered Strafford students had done well on testing and he

felt it was generally agreed the students were receiving a good education.

Paul St. Clair moved teachers salaries be increased to 11% plus increment.

Moderator David Merserve explained a dollar figure was needed before the chair could accept an admendment to the motion.

John O'Brien moved to admend the motion to increase the amount to \$489,154. and the \$5,000.00 be added to the teachers salaries. This was seconded. An aye/nay vote was not a clear vote. Moderator Dave Merserve requested a hand vote. This appeared to be a tie, he requested a second show of hands and designated two people to help count the vote. The vote was 18 yes, 23 no. The admendment was delcared defeated.

There was no more discussion on the motion. Moderator David Meserve called for a vote on the motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$484,154.00 for the support of schools, for the salaries of the school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligation of the district. This was carried and declared passed.

ARTICLE 4. Erma Clark moved the district create the office of Assistant Treasurer to perform the duties of the office whenever the person holding office of Treasurer shall by reason of illness, accident, absence from the state, or other cause, becomes temporarily incapacitated and unable to perform the duties of his office, said Assistant Treasurer to be appointed by the Moderator and to hold office until the next district meeting and thereafter to be elected annually with other district officers. This was seconded, no discussion. Voted and declared in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 5. Edward Wingren moved the district 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 not or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government and/or state agencies. This was seconded. No discussion. Voted and declared in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 6. Edward Wingren pointed out that the cost of printing the Town Report has increased. He asked George Waldron what it cost this year. Mr. Waldron replied they purchased 700 copies at \$1.56 each which was approximately \$13.00 per page. Mr. Wingren asked if some of the material be printed on the school duplicating machine and distributed with the Town Report or if the reports should be printed entirely in the Town Report next year.

John O'Brien moved the printing in the Town Report be cut and the money saved be used to increase the teacher's salary. The motion was not seconded.

Roger Leighton pointed out the school district did not pay to have the printing done. The Town of Strafford paid for the printing of the Town Report.

Fredrick Shiere suggested the Board be instructed by the voters present to investigate naming the portion of the Provence Road to Range Road now known as the New Road, the Ricky Nelson Road after Strafford's eighth grade student who had recently died.

Roger Leighton, selectman, stated there was a procedure that had to be followed

when a road is named. At the present time the town did not officially name the roads. He stated he would investigate the procedure and if it required a vote of the town at Town Meeting, the selectmen would present it at that time.

George Waldron requested a clarification of encumbered funds and asked why the Town of Strafford had to transfer to the School District of Strafford all monies due them on or before June 30th each year. He stated the selectmen had to borrow money to pay the school district. The financial statement of page 57 of the Town Report shows interest income of \$77.77, the selectmen are paying more interest charges than is being received. The taxpayers of the town are paying unnecessary expense.

Mr. Barry Clough explained for the 1978-79 school year the Strafford School District had obligations of \$20,014.00. This included \$3,144.46 outstanding purchase orders, \$12,942.34 tuition payments due, \$1,205.20 special education transportation due, \$1,630.00 repairs, \$50.00 sports program, \$600.00 utilities, \$442.00 vocational transportation due. He explained tuition bills usually did not come to the Board for payment until after the books were closed as this would be for the last quarter of the school year which ended in June. The other items were approved commitments by the Board but the bills may not have been received and had not been approved for payment. Including the sum of \$1,532.00 due to the district for vocational transportation reimbursement the surplus was \$9,830.00. He offered to show Mr. Waldron the report after the meeting.

A speaker moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. This was seconded and voted in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth Carlson  
School District Clerk

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1980

Date of Marriage	Name of Groom	Residence	Name of Bride	Residence
Jan. 12	Daniel G. Stanton	Strafford	Marianne St. John	Strafford
Apr. 26	James P. O'Toole	Barrington	Laura L. Cunningham	Strafford
May 03	Richard H. Lamontagne	Rochester	Cheryl A. Boudreau	Strafford
June 08	Richard J. Boutsianis	Strafford	Vickie L. Harding	Strafford
June 14	Warren P. Hart	Strafford	Sharon E. Hussey	Strafford
June 14	John H. Howard	Strafford	Donna L. Dorr	Strafford
July 05	Fred D. Daggett	Strafford	Carrie A. Riley	Strafford
July 05	Ralph E. Sanderson	Strafford	Patricia A. Wilson	Dover
July 19	Michael G. Conroy	Strafford	Cynthia A. Jeffrey	Northwood
Aug. 06	Charles W. Pixley	Middleton	Katherine J. Shaw	Strafford
Aug. 09	Richard N. Saunders, Jr.	Strafford	Barbara A. Harris	Gloucester
Aug. 20	Daniel G. Stanton	Strafford	Ann N. Skinner	Strafford
Oct. 04	Peter A. Laurentz	Strafford	Colleen V. Baxter	Dover
Oct. 11	Donald F. Markley, Jr.	Strafford	Susan L. Frankel	Strafford
Nov. 17	Armando Almanzan	Portsmouth	Dawn M. Vashey	Strafford
Dec. 13	Kevin L. Newcomb	Strafford	Rosetta J. Riley	Strafford

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

Billye M. Waldron, Town Clerk

**BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1980**

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan. 12	Laurel Jean Scala	Rochester	John A. Scala	Julie-Anne P. Berube
Feb. 15	David Michael Gulick	Dover	Michael J. Gulick	Colleen J. Moody
Feb. 24	Matthew Cory Sulyma	Rochester	Freddie Sulyma	Valerie A. Johnson
Feb. 28	Nathan Michael Brissette	Rochester	Denis M. Brissette	Jeanne C. Charbonneau
Mar. 23	Jebediah Paul Reynolds	Dover	Gary P. Reynolds	Nancy D. Saunders
Mar. 26	Kristin Eleanor Hall	Concord	Russell R. Hall, Jr.	Suzanne C. Routhier
Apr. 04	Emily Joan Liskow	Concord	Wolfgang Liskow	Deborah J. Clark
Apr. 10	Adrian Doyl	Dover	Peter G. Doyle	Ermeline W. Brown
Apr. 23	Adam Karl Ciereszynski	Dover	Edward R. Ciereszynski	Susan J. Lovitz
May 07	Kelley Marie Caskey	Rochester	Ralph W. Caskey	Pamela G. Bridle
May 12	Samantha Page Leighton	Rochester	Roger S. Leighton	Patricia A. Barnard
May 28	Robert Michael Weeks	Rochester	Brian R. Weeks, Sr.	Joyce L. MacDougall
June 03	Brooke Susan Buckovitch	Dover	Keith A. Buckovitch	Jeanne M. Martin
June 03	Christopher Ronald Matthew Daigle	Rochester	Paul R.A. Daigle	Joanne A. Parent
June 04	Candy Lee Moore	Dover	Lawrence J. Moore	Lorrie J. Elliott
June 24	Melissa Denise St. Gelais	Manchester	Richard L. St. Gelais	Carrien C. Boisvert
July 31	Dawn Marie Mellon	Dover	Thomas B. Mellon	Catherine A. Yurick
Aug. 30	Laura Elissa Couture	Dover	Denis P. Couture	Kathleen E. Chasse
Sept. 04	Nicholas Andrew Kalil	Dover	Earl L. Kalil, Jr.	Christine R. Mullen
Sept. 10	Timothy Joseph Cantin	Dover	William F. Cantin	Susan M. Kimmerly
Sept. 25	Theresa Anne Redmond	Rochester	Patrick M. Redmond	Wendy J. Ward
Oct. 20	Carolyn Davis	Hanover	Donald E. Davis, Jr.	Betsy Squiers
Oct. 24	Sarah Elizabeth Rhodes	Rochester	Donald B. Rhodes	Katrina A. Van de Bogart
Dec. 11	Shanna-Lyn Randall	Rochester	Allan L. Randall	Doris M. Levesque

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

Billye Waldron, Town Clerk

## DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1980

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Place of Death	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 14	Virginia T. Brown	Rochester	Edgar J. Tyler	Frances Fuller
Jan. 28	Madaleen S. Leighton	Stafford	John H. Somers	Nellie Williams
Jan. 29	Richard Nelson, Jr.	Rochester	Richard A. Nelson, Sr.	Lois Ferrin
Feb. 06	Frank W. Johnson	Rochester	George H. Johnson	Bernice E. Whitney
Feb. 21	Eugene L. Storey	Concord	Frederick P. Storey	Florence Briggs
Mar. 20	Betty C. Davis	Dover	Clayton J. Schenk	Jane Cullis
Apr. 23	Wesley A. H. French	Rochester	Eugene French	Mary Hall
May 31	Alice K. Douglas	Rochester	Melvin King	Margaret Trainor
June 18	Erna W. Prussing	Epsom	Wilhelm Lier	Hennrietta Lier
Aug. 11	Alexander Maglione	Rochester	Jennare Maglione	Angelina Cardellidru

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