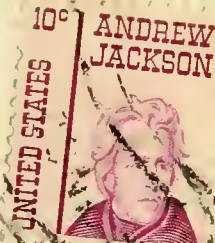
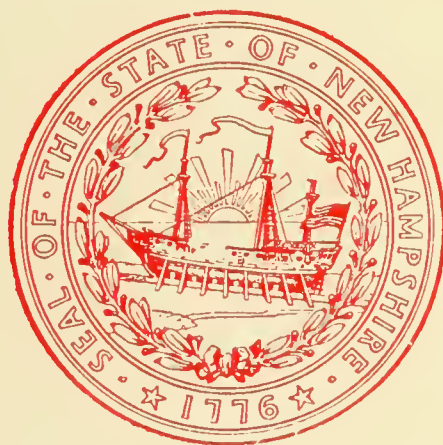


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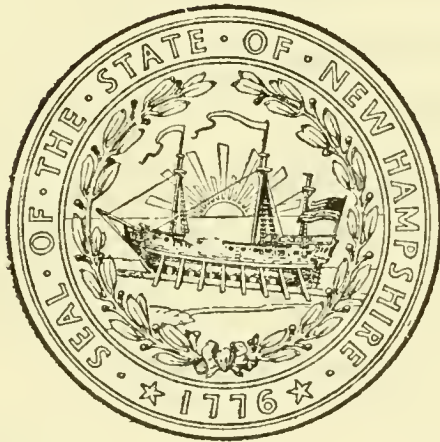


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TOWN OFFICERS

— Town March Meeting —

Town Clerk

PATRICIA MITCHELL	1972
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Selectmen

WILLIAM T. THISTLE	1974
HOLLIS POLLARD	1973
MASON WESTFALL	1972

Treasurer

CLARA JENNESS	1972
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Tax Collector

MARGARET THISTLE	1972
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Road Agent

JOHN MORGAN JR.	1972
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Trustees of Trust Funds

HARRY SMITH	1973
DR. JAMES TOWNSEND	1974
FRANCIS W. CLEMENT	1972

Library Trustees

MYRA CAVIS	1974
CLARA B. JENNESS	1973
ALICE B. DICKINSON	1972

— November Election —

Supervisors of Check List

JEAN WILCOX	1976
CECILE GRAY	1974
ESTHER MORRILL	1972

Appointments

Forest Fire Warden
HOLLIS POLLARD

Deputy Wardens
DELMORE BUCKLIN
JOHN L. JENNESS
RAYMOND TUCKER

Chief of Police
KENNETH RAYMOND

TOWN WARRANT**The State of New Hampshire**

To the Inhabitant of the Town of Bridgewater, N.H. in the County of Grafton in said State qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grange Hall in said Bridgewater on Tuesday, the Seventh day of March, next at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to act on the following subjects:

Polls to be opened from 11:00 A.M. to 6:30 P.M.

Business Meeting at 8:30 P.M.

1. To choose a selectman for 3 years and all necessary Town Officers.

2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$518.44 for T.R.A., provided the State contributes the sum of \$3,456.25.

3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Expenses as estimated in the budget.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for Town Highway Construction.

5. To see what action the Town will take on the matter of driveway plowing.

6. To see what action the Town will take on the matter of the purchase of new equipment.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate

\$1,500.00 to the Highway Dept. Capital Reserve Fund.

8. To see if the Town will direct the Selectmen to assess property taxation at current usage rather than potential use or value. It being in the public interest to prevent the forced conversion of farm land, forest land, recreation land and wild land to more intensive uses as the result of economic pressures caused, in part, by the assessment thereof for purposes of property taxation at values incompatible with their preservation as such open space land. (By Petition)

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

10. To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this Twenty First day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and Seventy Two.

HOLLIS L. POLLARD
MASON P. WESTFALL
WILLIAM T. THISTLE
Selectmen of Bridgewater

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

HOLLIS L. POLLARD
MASON P. WESTFALL
WILLIAM T. THISTLE
Selectmen of Bridgewater

SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF INVENTORY

Land, Improved and Unimproved	\$5,061,800.00
Buildings	3,687,000.00
Parsonage Buildings	2,000.00
Public Utilities	228,950.00
41 House Trailers, Mobile Homes	112,550.00
20 Boats and Launches	11,800.00
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<i>Total Valuation Before Exemptions</i>	\$9,104,100.00
<i>Less: Aged exemptions allowed</i>	43,400.00
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Net Valuation:	\$9,060,700.00
Property Taxes Committed to Collector	\$144,653.37

Tax Rate — \$1.62

SELECTMEN'S CERTIFICATE

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

HOLLIS POLLARD
WILLIAM THISTLE
MASON WESTFALL
Selectmen of Bridgewater

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year Jan. 1, 1972 to December 31, 1972. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1971 to December 31, 1971.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Yr. 1971	Actual Revenue Previous Yr. 1971	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Yr. 1972
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,400.00	\$1,110.22	\$1,100.00
Savings Bank Tax	125.00	228.29	225.00
Highway Subsidy			6,749.83
Meals and Rooms Tax	1,400.00	1,825.00	1,800.00
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	150.00		150.00
Bus. Licenses, Permits, Filing Fees	30.00		30.00
Interest Received on Taxes	500.00	500.00	500.00
Income of Departments:			
Highway, incl rental of equip.			400.00
Driveway	2,000.00	2,200.00	2,000.00
Refunds	300.00		300.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4,000.00		5,400.00
Reimb., a/c Business Profits Tax			
(Town Portion Only)	2,000.00	1,993.57	1,900.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Tax (1970)	374.00	84.00	
Resident Taxes Retained		847.00	825.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	250.00		250.00
Yield Taxes		311.00	360.00
Total Revenues From All Sources			
Except Property Taxes	\$12,529.00		\$21,989.83
Amt. to be Raised by Prop. Taxes			41,591.11
TOTAL REVENUES			\$63,580.94

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

APPROPRIATIONS	Appropriations Previous Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Year	Estimated Appropriations Following Year
General Government	1971	1971	1972
Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,900.00	\$2,763.40	\$3,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,900.00	2,104.30	2,800.00
Election & Registration Expenses	500.00	118.92	400.00
Exp., Town Hall, Other Town Bldgs.	900.00	1,274.58	1,000.00
Auto Permit Fees	450.00	463.00	475.00
Employees' Retirement & Soc. Sec.	850.00	939.15	950.00
Contingency Fund	200.00	200.00	200.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	1,200.00	897.46	2,200.00
Fire Department	500.00	648.96	600.00
Insurance	1,500.00	1,707.35	1,750.00
Planning and Zoning	500.00	25.00	300.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	150.00	187.64	150.00
Health: Health Dept. incl. hosp., NANA	400.00	400.00	400.00
Vital Statistics	5.00	4.25	5.00
Lakes Region Mental Health	50.00	50.00	50.00
Town Dump	2,100.00	2,602.94	3,000.00
Hwys-Bridges: Gen. Exp., Hwy. Dept.	20,000.00	31,948.02	25,000.00
Town Road Aid	594.34	520.04	518.44
Libraries:	235.00	235.00	235.00
Public Welfare: Town Poor	400.00	340.08	400.00
Old Age Assistance	800.00	837.54	900.00
Patriotic Purposes: Memorial Day	15.00	15.00	15.00
Old Home Day	100.00	100.00	250.00
Recreation: Community Center	200.00	200.00	200.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Advertising & Regional Associations	175.00	175.00	175.00
Interest: On Temporary Loans	1,500.00	1,623.33	1,650.00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds	1,837.50	1,738.89	1,457.50
Principal: Long Term Notes	6,750.00	6,750.00	9,500.00
Capital Outlay: Town Constr.	4,500.00	2,000.00	3,000.00
New Lands and Buildings	2,500.00	2,500.00	
New Equipment	4,500.00	5,016.03	
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Deficit of Previous Year	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$61,211.84		\$63,580.94

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Selectmen with the advice of the Highway Advisory Committee purchased a new Ford Dump Truck during fiscal 1971. It was felt by all concerned that the best course of action was to trade in the four wheel drive pickup due to the excessive amount of repairs needed to keep it in operation.

The Caterpillar Motor Grader was exchanged for Huber Maintainer in accordance with the vote at the Town Meeting and has performed very satisfactorily.

The Hawkins Brook project was the subject of much indecision by the State Highway Department this year. In the spring of 1971 the Selectmen were assured that the State would complete the project with T.R.A. funds. Later we were told that this could not be done because the money could not be expended on a project where these monies had been formerly used. However the Legislature has now changed this provision in the law and the project is now slated for completion in the spring.

Improvement to the Town Buildings consist of a heating system and concrete floor in the garage, painting the exterior of the Grange Hall, and an outhouse for the Town Hall on Bridgewater Hill.

Since 1967 the Selectmen have revalued those areas of the town which showed substantial increase in value. This policy is not only in compliance with the law but keeps the property valuation on an equitable basis and reduces the possibility of another expensive revaluation. The following tabulation shows the increases in the total assessed valuation of the town since revaluation.

1967	\$6,113,250	Increase
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1968	6,379,050	+ 265,800
1969	6,511,400	+ 132,350
1970	7,931,750	+1,420,350
1971	9,060,700	+1,128,950
Total Increase		\$2,944,450

The net amount of money to be raised by property taxes in 1972 is \$143,480.11 as proposed in the budget. This is a decrease of \$1,173.00 from 1971. In 1971 the projected amount to be raised from taxes was \$137,682.84, but, due to an unexpected increase in the County tax of over \$9,700 the warrant for 1971 as set by the State Tax Commission was \$144,653.37 giving a tax rate of \$1.62 per hundred, a decrease of .08 per hundred due to the increase in valuation.

With not over a 5% to 6% increase in the school and a slight increase in the County budget over last year, the tax rate for the year 1972 should remain the same as 1971.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

<i>Description</i>	<i>Value</i>
Town Hall	\$ 5,000.00
Grange Hall, Garage and Land	24,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	600.00
Libraries	900.00
Office Equipment	1,500.00
Highway Department :	
Trucks and Plows	\$13,000.00
A. C. Tractor	500.00
Hough Payloader	32,000.00
Huber Maintainer	9,000.00
Tools and Equipment	1,500.00
	————— 56,000.00
Fire Department	2,800.00

STATE AUDIT

*Division of Municipal Accounting - State Tax Commission
Concord, New Hampshire*

Summary of Findings and Recommendations

Board of Selectmen
Bridgewater, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Bridgewater for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1971, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

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

Scope of Audit

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Road Agent and Trustees of Trust Funds.

Financial Statements

General Fund:

Comparative Balance Sheets —

As of Dec. 31, 1970 and Dec. 31, 1971: (Exhibit A-1)

Comparative Balance Sheets - as of December 31, 1970 and December 31, 1971, are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein, the Current Deficit of the Town increased by \$2,182.52 from \$3,846.05 at December 31, 1970 to \$6,028.57 at December 31, 1971.

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

An analysis of the change in current financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit A-2, with the factor which caused the change indicated therein. This was as follows:

Increase in Current Deficit:

Net Budget Deficit	\$2,182.52
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*Comparative Statement of Appropriations & Expenditures -
Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits A-3 & A-4)*

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1971, are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the Budget Summary, (Exhibit A-4), a net overdraft of appropriations of \$6,677.51 less a revenue surplus of \$4,494.99 resulted in a net budget deficit of \$2,182.52.

Long Term Indebtedness:

*Comparative Balance Sheets - Dec. 31, 1970 & Dec. 31, 1971:
(Exhibit A-5)*

Comparative Balance Sheets of the outstanding long term indebtedness of the Town as of December 31, 1970 and December 31, 1971 are contained in Exhibit A-5. As indicated therein, the long term debt increased by \$250.00 during 1971, from \$30,500.00 to \$30,750.00. Authorized long term notes totaling \$7,000.00 were issued, and matured notes in the amount of \$6,750.00 were paid during the fiscal year.

Statement of Debt Service Requirements: (Exhibit A-6)

A statement showing annual debt service requirements (principal and interest)) as of December 31, 1971, is pre-

sented in Exhibit A-6.

Treasurer

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

A classified statement of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1971, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit B-1. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1971, is indicated in Exhibit B-2.

Audit Procedure

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

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

Certificate of Audit

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Bridgewater for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1971.

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

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statements of sources of revenues and expenditures present fairly the financial position of the Town of Bridgewater at December 31, 1971, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK E. LAPLANTE, *Director*

Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

DETAIL STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Town Officers' Salaries:

Hollis Pollard, Selectman	\$ 375.00
William Thistle, Selectman	375.00
Mason Westfall, Selectman	375.00
Patricia Mitchell, Town Clerk	75.00
Margaret Thistle, Tax Collector	1,433.40
Clara B. Jenness, Treasurer	100.00
Ronald Towne, Moderator	30.00
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	\$2,763.40

Town Officers' Expenses:

Brown & Saltmarsh	\$ 280.07
N.E. Tel. & Tel.	155.92
Gregg Office Supplies	4.05
Burroughs	37.00
Adirondak Chair	200.67
N.H. Municipal Assoc	50.00
Assoc. N.H. Assessors	15.00
Postmaster Bristol	44.00
Enterprise Press	361.35
N.H. Taxpayers Assoc	5.00
Edison Eastman	20.33
Barbara Fournier	.20
Charles Wood	34.76
State of N.H.	436.30
Mason Westfall	6.04
Postmaster Plymouth	24.00
Charles A. Rogers Co.	3.90
Homestead Press	60.35

Branham Publishing Co.	7.90
St. Johnsbury Trucking	23.30
Town Clerks Assoc.	6.00
Patricia Mitchell	9.66
Margaret Thistle	307.50
Mountain Media	11.00
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	\$2,104.30

Election and Registration:

Jean Wilcox, Supervisor	\$ 20.00
Cecile Gray, Supervisor	26.00
Esther Morrill, Supervisor	20.00
Myra Cavis, Ballot Clerk	10.00
Agnes Murphy, Ballot Clerk	10.00
Enterprise Press	26.12
Mountain Media	6.80
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	\$118.92

Town Hall and Other Buildings:

Chas. A. Carr Co.	\$ 753.94
R. P. Williams, outbldg., town house	254.40
R. P. Williams, materials, salt shed	81.21
Public Service Co.	167.80
N.H. Electric Coop.	23.01
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	\$1,280.36

Insurance:

John C. Ray	\$1,450.00
Bristol Real Estate & Ins.	227.60

Robert E. Main Agency	29.75
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	\$1,707.35

Town Dump:

Garreth Gilpatric	\$ 374.94
R. P. Williams, dozing	244.00
Howard Mitchell, labor	2,038.00
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	\$2,602.94

Highway Department:

Labor:	
William Robie	\$ 1,261.30
John Morgan Jr.	5,971.20
Garreth Gilpatric	5,404.02
Paul Morrill	173.75
Lawrence Gilpatric	754.00
Eugene Morgan	130.00
Kenneth Robie	110.00
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	\$13,804.27

Expenses:

Merrimack Farmers Exchange	\$ 945.57
Mobil Oil Co.	416.13
H. Wallace, diesel fuel	176.80
Sanel Auto Parts	1,934.35
Sanel Industrial	33.62
B. B. Chain	487.35

Sheppard Auto	22.32
Allstate Gases of N.H.	124.08
Harris Bros.	169.03
Kimball 66	292.52
R. C. Hazelton	627.79
Interstate Machinery	8.63
Del Chemical	26.06
Car-Go	104.36
Newfound Service Center	5.35
Fred's Auto	331.09
N.H. Explosives	205.81
Jordan Milton	579.08
Greenwood Plumbing	4.83
Cooks Chev.	79.07
Enterprise Press	32.40
Prescott Lumber	18.14
Satelite Products Inc.	29.20
John Jenness	304.00
R. H. Smith	30.26
Dicks Body	20.40
Plymouth Tire Co.	138.05
Frank Cheney	45.50
Charles Gould	1,505.65
Brooks Auto Supply	83.87
Cummings Diesel	229.80
Cardigan Sport Store	.70
R. P. Williams & Sons	324.05
Texaco	1,080.94
J. C. Croucher Inc.	168.47
N.H. Bituminous	544.74
Harriet Morrison	61.50
John Perrotta	18.90
Bartlett Motors	5.55
Chas. A. Carr Co., diesel fuel	127.02
Moulton's Getty	2.60
Bartlett Auto	1,488.67
Lester Gale	35.00

William Robie, lumber	25.00
Shorts Garage	4.25
Vern's Shell	1.50
Cy Colby	100.00
Parquette Paving	640.57
E. Smith	27.00
W. Leighton	28.00

Equipment Hire:

Donald Poitras, plowing	\$ 288.75
Donald Poitras, dozer hire	274.75
Eugene Morgan, plowing	2,475.00
William Robie	341.00
John Morgan Jr.	535.00
Paul Morrill, plowing	523.50
John Morrison	10.00

\$4,448.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

New Equipment:

Sanel Industrial, Huber Maintainer	\$6,000.00
Fred's Auto, Ford Truck	8,975.00

Town Construction - Buildings:

Chas. A. Carr Co., Heating System	945.00
Bristol Painting Ser., Painting Grange Hall	485.00
Persons Concrete, Garage Floor	700.00
R. P. Williams & Sons, Materials for Garage Ceiling	192.10
M. P. Westfall, Roof Repairs	165.90
Prescott Lumber	5.22

Special Projects:

R. C. Hazelton, Culverts	1,000.00
Paquette Paving, Gravel	1,000.00
R. C. Hazelton, Culverts Whit. Pt. Dr.	296.30

STATE T.R.A. REPORT

Box 99, Laconia, N.H.

Division No. 03 03246

Board of Selectmen
Town of Bridgewater
New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find copies of previous years Town Road Aid and Maintenance Allotment applications and accomplishment reports, if reports are available, for your town file.

Listed below is a statement of 1971 TRA expenditures:

Balance from 1970-71 expenditures	1,471.02
Town & State apportionment July 1, 1971	3,987.00
Total	5,458.02
Expended 1971 season	426.63
Balance January 15, 1972	5,031.39

Before the winter season ends, I hope you might have an opportunity to discuss and decide upon a TRA project of the 1972 season.

Very truly yours,
s/Charles H. Sleeper
Maintenance Supervisor

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Kenneth Raymond	\$474.36
Jack Laiweneek	326.60
Fred Wilcox	33.60
E. Wayne Thompson	12.50
N. E. Communications Service	50.40
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	\$897.46

Mileage

K. Raymond	732
J. Laiweneek	458
F. Wilcox	49
Number of Warnings	7
Telephone Calls	47
Cases settled out of court	3
Accidents	4

BRIDGEWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY

River Road Station

Annual Report 1971

Books on hand December 31, 1970	1,404
Added by purchase	30
Added by gift	17
Books on hand December 31, 1971	1,451
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Borrowed from Bookmobile	934

Books Loaned:

Adult Fiction	76
Adult Non-fiction	75
Child Fiction	502
Child Non-fiction	126
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Total Books Loaned	785

Borrowing Membership:

Adults	6
Children	24
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Total Membership	30

To the Trustees:

An analysis of the types of books loaned this year shows that the number of adult books increased by 49, while the number of children's books decreased by 112. The decrease in children's books is not surprising as there are only about twenty children in the River Road School. In spite of the decrease it was felt that we needed a fresh supply of books for the lower grades, so the 30 were purchased for them.

Respectfully submitted,
 ALICE B. DICKINSON
 Librarian

LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT*Receipts:*

Balance - December 31, 1970	\$838.28	
Town Appropriation	235.00	
Interest Bristol Savings Bank	25.70	
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Expenses:

Books	\$369.11	
Supplies	18.26	
Salary and Postage Allowance	35.00	
	<hr/>	422.37
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		\$676.61

MYRA P. CAVIS, *Treasurer*
Library Trustees

BRIDGEWATER OLD HOME WEEK REPORT

Cash:

Balance of 1970 Appropriation	\$ 31.38
1971 Appropriation	100.00
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	\$131.38

Payments:

Prizes for children's games	\$ 47.50
Tuning piano	12.50
Photographer	15.00
Noon Lunch	26.30
Speaker Donation	25.00
Old Home Association Dues	5.00
Balance of 1971 Appropriation	.08
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	\$131.38

PATRICIA G. MITCHELL

Treasurer

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Town of New Hampton, Morgan Fire	\$104.00
Bristol Fire Dept., Taylor Fire	\$42.00
Bristol Fire Dept., Accident 3A	98.00
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Paige Welding Co., Tank for truck	228.00
D. A. Bucklin, Fire Permits	5.75
Hollis Pollard, Wardens Training	5.76
John Jenness, Wardens Training	9.60
Raymond Tucker, Wardens Training	15.90
Sanel Auto Parts, Batteries, parts	120.25
J. C. Croucher, Parts	2.20
Hollis Pollard, Forest Fire Duty	7.50
Mason Westfall, Forest Fire Duty	5.00
Maurice Jenness, Forest Fire Duty	5.00
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Total	\$648 96

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

Lest We Forget – It Can Happen Here

Disastrous forest and brush fires that destroy hundreds of homes are more prevalent on the west coast with their dry seasons and strong dry hot winds but 25 years ago this fall is the anniversary of a disaster that devastated large areas of northern New England leaving villages in ashes with rows of cellarholes and chimneys in a number of summer vacation home locations. Many lives were lost on that destructive day of October 23, 1947 – nothing could stop the wind driven flames.

It is true that such conditions are unusual for New Hampshire but they happened once, they can happen again. The fuel for fires is all around us. All it takes is a firebrand. Only by cultivating a habit of carefulness with fire at all times can we meet the challenge of protection when dry conditions prevail. Please let these reminders be your guide:

1. Never, either when walking, riding or driving, discard a firebrand – a lighted match or a glowing cigarette.
2. Always obtain a permit for any outside burning. The burning of household rubbish is not permitted if your town has rubbish collection. Burning of grass or garden litter can be dangerous. See your warden first.
3. If you camp or picnic, be sure open fires are allowed and if they are, put them *dead out* when leaving.
4. *Most important* – Instruct your children in the danger of the lighted match. A lighted match and dry grass or forest litter is a dangerous combination

which leads to destructive loss and can lead to tragedy.

The past year – 1971 was a favorable year for the control of fires. There were too many fire starts in some towns. We thank those who remembered and ask others to heed Smokey's message.

Number of fires reported and acres burned - 1971 season:

State	463 fires	160 acres
District	26	10.8
Town	1	1/8

GERALD S. GROSS

District Chief

HOLLIS L. POLLARD

Forest Fire Warden

NEWFOUND AREA NURSING ASSOCIATION

January 1 through December 31, 1971

The full time visiting nurse service of NANA has continued to grow. We were recertified with Medicare in October for another year. The organization is supported by contributions from the four town area which it covers: Bristol, Bridgewater, New Hampton and Alexandria. The offices are located in the Medical Building next to the First National. Twenty-four hour coverage is available in the event of emergencies. The phone is also covered by an answering service located in the Community Service office from 9:00 AM - 3 PM. The NANA black jade Maverick is easily identified by the NANA seal and NANA 1 license plate. The staff now consists of 2 Registered Nurses and two LPNs, and an office secretary.

The total number of visits for 1971 was 2,314 and broken down as follows:

Skilled Nursing Care (95 of which were	
Communicable Disease Control)	2,071
Physical Therapy	162
Health Promotion	81

Age Groups

0 -- 1 year	20
1 — 4 years	20
5 — 17 years	61
18 — 20 years	7
21 — 44 years	68
45 — 64 years	287
65 and older	1,851

The agency also took part in the following public health activities:

Staff Conferences	42
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Professional Meetings	
Home Health Agencies Consultations	26
Doctors' Conferences	28
Crippled Children's Conferences	4
Health Promotion Service	4
Veterans' Administration Conferences	3
Red Cross Emergency Conferences	5
Police Department Conferences	3
T.B. Conferences	5
Immunization Clinic	1
Inservice Clinic	2
Mental Health Conferences	6
Physical Therapy Conferences	3
Social Service	5
Bloodmobile	1
N.H. Drug Symposium	1
Annual H.H.A. Meeting	1
NANA Festival	1

Submitted by

MADINE T. CROOKS, R.N.
Visiting Nurse

NEWFOUND AREA NURSING ASSOCIATION

Condensed Balance Sheet December 31, 1971

(Unaudited)

— *Assets* —

Current Assets:

Unrestricted Cash	\$2,878.00	
Accounts Receivable (net)	4,448.00	
Unexpired Insurance	40.00	
	<hr/>	\$7,366.00

Other Assets:

Memorial Fund	\$ 63.00	
Fixed Assets (net of \$818 depreciation)	1,608.00	
	<hr/>	1,671.00
<i>Total Assets</i>		\$9,037.00

— *Liabilities & Net Worth* —

Current Liabilities:

Payroll Taxes Accrued and Withheld	\$ 96.00
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Net Worth:

Memorial Fund	\$ 63.00	
Unrestricted	8,878.00	
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<i>Total Liabilities and Net Worth</i>	<hr/>	\$9,038.00
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Condensed Income Statement

Year Ended December 31, 1971

(Unaudited)

Income:

Nursing Services	\$18,393.00
Town Appropriations	2,700.00
Memberships	1,426.00

Lindsay Fund Grant	3,000.00	
Festival (net)	827.00	
	<hr/>	\$26,346.00

Expenses:

Nurse and Aide Salaries	\$14,989.00	
Other Salaries	1,529.00	
Taxes	763.00	
Nursing Expenses	3,214.00	
Other Operating Expenses	3,335.00	
	<hr/>	23,830.00
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		\$2,516.00

<i>Other Deductions from Income (net)</i>	512.00	
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<i>Excess of Income Over Expenses</i>	\$2,004.00	
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VITAL STATISTICS

— BIRTHS —

Date and place of birth; name and sex of child; name of father; maiden name of mother.

- 1/ 7/71 Plymouth; Lee Allen Hughes, male; Gregory Allen Hughes; Catherine Lee Jenness.
- 1/31/71 Plymouth; Jacqueline Dorothy Lyons, female; Merle Stanley Lyons; Carol Lee Avery.
- 5/27/71 Laconia; Jeremy Jon Avery, male; Wilbur Raymond Avery; Deborah Gene Gustafson.
- 8/12/71 Plymouth; Amy Susan Beaulieu, female; Russell Albert Beaulieu; Gail Susan Dearborn.
- 9/26/71 Plymouth; Kathleen Maria Conkey, female; Art Clarence Conkey; Lillian M. Shaw.
- 10/15/71 Plymouth; Shawn Michael Torsey, male; Guy B. Torsey; Betty L. Merrill.

I hereby certify the above return to be correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

PATRICIA G. MITCHELL

Town Clerk

— MARRIAGES —

Date and place of marriage; name and surname of bridegroom and bride; name and official station of person performing ceremony.

- 3/13/71 Plymouth; Anthony F. Cogliano, Arberta B. Atwood; Rev. Philip M. Polhemus, Minister.
- 3/13/71 Bristol; Sterlin Reid Gray, Kimie Oshiro; Rev. Robert E. Sanders, Pastor of the Church.
- 8/28/71 Ashland; Sheldon Ellis Towne, Electa Mary LaPete; Rev. Joseph Rheaume, Catholic Priest.
- 9/11/71 New Hampton; Lawrence Granville Morrill, Clara May Towle; Randolph E. Phillips, Clergyman.
- 10/ 2/71 Bridgewater; George Coolidge Park, Barbara Jean Weir; Rev. Kenneth A. Boyle, Clergyman.
- 10/22/71 Ashland; Timothy Homans Mitchell, Debra Jean Brown; Rev. Robert W. Lamson, Minister.
- 11/ 5/71 Franklin; Francis Leo Loughlin, Mary Elizabeth Hamilton; Eugene S. Daniell, Jr., Justice of the Peace.

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— DEATHS —

Date and place of death; name and surname of deceased, age.

9/14/71 Laconia, N.H.; Catherine M. Maher, 47.

10/16/71 Bridgewater, N.H.; Donald C. Gray, 79.

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