

Annual Report

**of Town Officials, Departments,
and Committees**

Town of Alstead

New Hampshire



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020

TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021



***Town Hall
Renovations
2020***



TOWN INFORMATION

www.alsteadnh.org

SELECT BOARD

835-2986

Fax: 835-2178

Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator

Email: charlottecomeau@alsteadnh.org

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Wednesday: 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

MEETINGS: every other Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise posted (check website)

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

835-2242

Fax: 835-2178

Julie Bacon, Town Clerk/Tax Collector - Merrilee Frable Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Email: jbacon@alsteadnh.org - alsteaddeputy@alsteadnh.org

Monday & Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tuesday 1:00 - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday: 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

HIGHWAY GARAGE

835-2428

Cell 209-3899

Prescott Trafton, Road Agent

Email: prescotttrafton@comcast.net

TRANSFER STATION

835-2425

Jodi Kercewich, Transfer Station Supervisor

Wednesday and Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

AMBULANCE/RESCUE SQUAD

Non-emergency 852-4144

Jesse Moore, Ambulance Chief

Email: alsteadambulance1ac1@gmail.com

MEETINGS: third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Non-emergency 835-6088

Kim Kercewich, Fire Chief

MEETINGS: second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Non-emergency 835-6277

Fax: 835-5546

Stephen Murrell, Police Chief

www.alsteadpolice.com

HEALTH OFFICER

Michael Jasmin 209-4068

Assistant Health Officer: Randall Rhoades 835-9018 evenings

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETINGS: first Wednesday of the month at 5:00 p.m. at the Town Offices

PLANNING BOARD

Melanie Marsden Email: alstead.pb-zba@comcast.net

MEETINGS: second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Melanie Marsden Email: alstead.pb-zba@comcast.net

MEETINGS: first Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

835-6751

Bruce Bellows

SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

835-6661

Alyson Montgomery, Librarian

Email: librarian@sheddporter.org

www.sheddporter.org

Tuesday 2:00–5:00 p.m. Wednesday & Friday 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Thursday 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 - Noon

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Police, Ambulance and Fire – 911, 24-hour dispatch 355-2000

DEDICATION

ERWIN WARD Alstead's First Chief of Police



A lifetime of service to his community and country began for Erwin Ward when he served in the U.S. Air Force after graduating Vilas High School. Within a few years of being honorably discharged, Ward was elected as a Constable for the Town of Alstead, which later became an appointed position as Chief of Police, with the first Police Station being an area in his own home. In addition to holding a full-time job and helping his wife Miriam raise their children, Erwin worked as an Auxiliary State Trooper, a NH Boat Inspector and a Hunter Safety Instructor. After “retiring” from his security job at Fellows Gear Shaper, he was a deputy for the Cheshire County Sheriff's Department, leaving that job in 1998.

Despite being off the beaten path, the Town of Alstead has had more than its share of excitement and high-profile cases during Erwin Ward's time as Constable and Chief of Police. Besides capturing an escaped criminal, pulling over a former Manson Family member for a traffic violation, and busting up a car theft ring, Erwin Ward sniffed out the second largest pot bust in New Hampshire history. In another law enforcement role, as a NH Boat Patrol Inspector, he utilized his newfound skills in CPR to save a drowning boy from Lake Spofford. Chief Ward seemed to have an uncanny knack for being in the right place at the right time, which could either be credited to astute police work, dumb luck, common sense or a combination of all three; no matter the circumstances that brought him to that point, he never hesitated to leap into action. Even up until only a few months before he passed, Chief Ward made sure that the department knew he was available to respond, should the need arise!

During his 43-year tenure as Chief of Police for Alstead, Ward expanded the department; initially by increasing his own training and purchasing the first town cruiser, then ultimately facilitating a station and hiring the town's first full-time officer. His decades in Alstead as the lone police presence gave many long-time residents memories that have made them smile and cringe, yet no one can deny the sense of duty and obligation that made “Big Er” legendary. His death this past April has left a giant void in Alstead that is matched only by the legacy of the man who started it all and spent virtually a lifetime dedicated to the community he loved.

Thank you to the entire Ward family, especially Mim, for all they sacrificed as they supported Erwin during his incredible career. We know he is still watching over our town, as Chief Ward will always be on duty.

R.I.P. Chief and thank you for your service

DEDICATION

PETER KOSEN

Service above self. Those three words exemplify Peter Koson. Born in Walpole, Peter was a life-long resident of Cheshire County, he and his family moved to Alstead in 1974 and resided here for the next 45 of his 79 years. His service to the community and her people knew no bounds; they included everything from working with the youth to being there when his neighbors needed help.

Combined with his love of sports, Peter coached the Vilas Girls Basketball team. One of his prized possessions was the team ball signed by all of the players. Also, his love of children led him to portray Santa at one point. His passion for history and conservation led him to help write the zoning code for Alstead Center, he was instrumental in the purchase of the property on Bragg Lane for safe keeping until the town could take it over. When the Warren Lake dam was found to be defective, he headed the committee to solicit private funding for repairs--he was on the Alstead Ambulance Committee--the list is endless.



Peter was a hunter and fisherman, he ran a successful business, he had a beautiful family and with all of that he had the compassion to care for his neighbors. That load of hay that needed to be gathered before the storm arrived, that driveway that needed plowing because of equipment failure, the lawn belonging to the new folks on the block that needed mowing before their machine arrived.

All of these attributes made up the man we knew as Peter D. Koson, someone who truly believed in 'service above self'. He quietly left a legacy that speaks volumes. He shall be missed, yet he shall be remembered.

TOWN OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES

Rock Wilson	Select Board	Term Ends 2021
Mary Ann Wolf	Select Board	Term Ends 2022
Joseph Levesque	Select Board	Term Ends 2023
Susan Norlander	Moderator	Term Ends 2022
Matthew Saxton	Assistant Moderator	Term Ends 2022
Julie Bacon	Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Term Ends 2021
Merrilee Frable	Dep. Town Clerk/Tax Coll	Term Ends 2021
Hans Waldmann	Treasurer	Term Ends 2023
Prescott Trafton	Director of Public Works	Appointed
Steve Murrell	Police Chief	Appointed
Kim Kercewich	Fire Chief	Appointed
Kim Kercewich	Forest Fire Warden	Appointed
Steven Reynolds	Emergency Mgt. Director	Appointed
Position Open	Asst. Emergency Mgmt.	Appointed
Jesse Moore	Ambulance Chief	Appointed
Alyson Montgomery	Librarian	Appointed
Allan Kauders	Zoning Officer	Appointed
Michael Jasmin	Health Officer	Appointed
Randall Rhoades	Asst. Health Officer	Appointed
Bruce Bellows	Trustee of Trust Funds	Term Ends 2021
Jodi Kercewich	Trustee of Trust Funds	Term Ends 2022
Ellen Chase	Trustee of Trust Funds	Term Ends 2023
Susan Norlander, Asst. Chair	Library Trustee	Term Ends 2021
Carol Reller, Clerk	Library Trustee	Term Ends 2022
Matthew Saxton, Chair	Library Trustee	Term Ends 2022
Karn McShane, Treasurer	Library Trustee	Term Ends 2023
Kathy Torrey	Library Trustee	Term Ends 2023
Joseph Levesque	Alternate	
Penny Gendron	Supervisor of Checklist	Term Ends 2022
Barbara (Bobbie) Wilson	Supervisor of Checklist	Term Ends 2023
Erin Heidorn	Supervisor of Checklist	Term Ends 2024

TOWN OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES - continued

Inspector of Elections - Terms Ends 2022

M. Christian Hansen	Joseph Levesque	Anton Elbers
Marge Noonan	Ellen Chase	Michael Jasmin
Joanne Wildes	Louis LeMay	Holly Gay
Joyce Curll	Planning Board	Term Ends 2021
Matt Saxton	Planning Board	Term Ends 2021
David Konesko	Planning Board	Term Ends 2022
Justin Falango	Planning Board	Term Ends 2022
Mary Ann Wolf, Selectwoman	Ex-Officio Member	
Randy Rhoades	Alternate Member	Term Ends 2022
Chris Reitmann	Planning Board	Term Ends 2023
Gordon Kemp	Planning Board	Term Ends 2023
Peter Rhoades	Planning Board	Term Ends 2023
Joseph H. Cartwright	Zoning Board of	Term Ends 2021
Kevin Clark	Zoning Board of	Term Ends 2021
David Konesko	Alternate	Term Ends 2021
Joseph Levesque	Zoning Board of	Term Ends 2022
Dennis Molesky	Zoning Board of	Term Ends 2022
Michael Rau	Zoning Board of	Term Ends 2022
Donna Sabin	Conservation Commission	Term Ends 2021
John Mann	Alternate	Term Ends 2021
Sarah Webb	Conservation Commission	Term Ends 2021
Joyce Curll	Alternate	Term Ends 2021
Joyce Campbell-Counts	Conservation	Term Ends 2022
David Moody	Conservation	Term Ends 2023
Nancy Montgomery	Conservation Commission	Term Ends 2023
Bruce Bellows	Cemetery Commission	Term Ends 2021
Jodi Kercewich	Cemetery Commission	Term Ends 2022
Ellen Chase	Cemetery Commission	Term Ends 2023
Joseph Levesque	School Board Member Alstead Rep. FMRSD	Term Ends 2022



James A Tufts "Tuffy" speaking at dedication of Shedd-Porter Library with his Father.

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Tim Tufts at store


**SAMPLE BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN BALLOT
TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: 
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p style="text-align: center;">SELECT BOARD (3 YEAR TERM) VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 1</p> <p><u>Gordon Kemp</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p><u>Joel McCarty</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____</p> <p>write-in</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR (3 YEAR TERM) VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 1</p> <p><u>Julie A Bacon</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____</p> <p>write-in</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS (3 YEAR TERM) VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 1</p> <p><u>Bruce Bellows</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____</p> <p>write-in</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">LIBRARY TRUSTEE (3 YEAR TERM) VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 1</p> <p><u>Susan Norlander</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____</p> <p>write-in</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CEMETERY COMMISSION (3 YEAR TERM) VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 1</p> <p><u>Bruce Bellows</u> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____</p> <p>write-in</p>	

SAMPLE BALLOT – continued

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ARTICLES

Article 02 Adoption of Proposed Zoning Amendment No. 1

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Yes No

Article 03 Adoption of Proposed Zoning Amendment No. 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Alstead Planning Board for the Town's Zoning Ordinance as follows: This change would incorporate "Event Center" (as defined above) as an allowed use by special exception, within Article III-C Table of Allowable Uses, in all zoning districts? The Planning Board approves of this proposed amendment to the Alstead Zoning Ordinance. (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

Article 04 Adoption of Proposed Zoning Amendment No. 3

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Yes No

Article 05 Adoption of Proposed Zoning Amendment No. 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Alstead Planning Board for the Town's Zoning Ordinance as follows: This change would restrict any allowable expansion of a non-conforming structure from being built within 10 feet of a property boundary (including any such building's drip line)? The Planning Board approves of this proposed amendment to the Alstead Zoning Ordinance. (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

Article 06 Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$1,634,128.48. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$1,612,252.48, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Alstead or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

SAMPLE BALLOT – continued

Article 07 Paving

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$220,000 for the purpose of reclaiming and paving Gilsum Mine Road, with \$150,000 to come from unassigned fund balance and \$70,000 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

Article 08 Add to Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to be added to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1992. The sum of \$75,000 is to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

Article 09 Add to Highway Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be added to the Highway Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1988. The sum of \$100,000 is to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

Article 10 Purchase a Ford F550 to replace the Ford F350

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$80,000 for the purpose of purchasing a Ford F550 to replace the Ford F350 with \$70,000 to come from Highway Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1988, and \$10,000 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (2-1). (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

Article 11 Add to Bridge Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2012, with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

Article 12 Add to Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 to be added to the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund. The sum of \$8,000 is to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

Article 13 Purchase a Baler and Equipment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,000 for the purpose of purchasing a baler and equipment at the transfer station, with said funds to come from the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2015. No amount to be raised from taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No

Article 14 Add to Shedd-Porter Library Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Library Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2010. The sum of \$10,000 is to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

Yes No

SAMPLE BALLOT – continue

Article 15 Add to the Police Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 to be added to the Police Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2011. The sum of \$18,000 is to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 16 Add to the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,000 to be added to the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1992. The sum of \$27,000 is to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 17 Digital Tax Map Data Conversion & GIS Development

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,500 for the purpose of digitizing Town tax maps and AxisGIS services which is an internet-based service that publishes maps online, enabling homeowners and real estate professionals to print maps and search for abutters. This also provides a valuable platform for police, highway and emergency responders. The sum of \$12,500 is to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 18 Modify Elderly Exemptions

To see if the town will modify the provisions of RSA 72:39-a for elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Alstead, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$25,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 79 years, \$50,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$100,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income limit of \$20,000 or, if married, a combined net income limit of \$27,000 and own net assets not in excess of \$50,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 19 Purchase a Side-by-Side Off-Road Vehicle

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,000 for the purpose of purchasing a side-by-side off-road vehicle equipped for firefighting and rescue. The sum of \$9,500 to be withdrawn from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1992. The remaining \$18,500 to be provided from The Firefighters Association donation fund. No amount to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 20 NH Resolution for Nonpartisan Fair Redistricting

To see if the town will vote to urge that the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the federal census, will ensure fair and effective representation of New Hampshire voters without gerrymandering.

Additionally, these voters ask the town of Alstead to urge the NH General Court to carry out the redistricting in a fair and transparent way through public meetings, not to favor a particular political party, to include communities of interest, and to minimize multi-seat districts. We further ask that the NH Legislature and Governor establish this fair and transparent procedure by law.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Select Board to Alstead's state legislators, the whole NH Senate and General Court, and the Governor, informing them of the demands from their constituents, within 30 days of the vote. (By Petition). (Majority Vote Required)

Yes No



2021
WARRANT

Alstead

The inhabitants of the Town of Alstead in the County of Cheshire in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the two phases of the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative Session):

Date: February 6, 2021

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Millot Green, 15 Mechanic St., Alstead, NH 03602

Details: Alstead's First Open Air Deliberative Session

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: March 9, 2021

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Location: Alstead Town Hall, 9 Main St., Alstead, NH 033602

Details:

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before January 25, 2021, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at 15 Mechanic St and that an original was delivered to the Town Clerk.

Name	Position	Signature
Rock A. Wilson	Selectman	
Mary Ann J. Wolf	Selectwoman	
Joseph Lenesque	Selectman	



Article 01 Election of Officers

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

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To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,500 for the purpose of digitizing Town tax maps and AxisGIS services which is an internet-based service that publishes maps online, enabling homeowners and real estate professionals to print maps and search for abutters. This also provides a valuable platform for police, highway and emergency responders. The sum of \$12,500 is to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

Article 18 Modify Elderly Exemptions

To see if the town will modify the provisions of RSA 72:39-a for elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Alstead, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$25,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 79 years, \$50,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$100,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income limit of \$20,000 or, if married, a combined net income limit of \$27,000 and own net assets not in excess of \$50,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)



Article 19 Purchase a Side-by-Side Off-Road Vehicle

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,000 for the purpose of purchasing a side-by-side off-road vehicle equipped for firefighting and rescue. The sum of \$9,500 to be withdrawn from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1992. The remaining \$18,500 to be provided from The Firefighters Association donation fund. No amount to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

Article 20 NH Resolution for Nonpartisan Fair Redistricting

To see if the town will vote to urge that the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the federal census, will ensure fair and effective representation of New Hampshire voters without gerrymandering.

Additionally, these voters ask the town of Alstead to urge the NH General Court to carry out the redistricting in a fair and transparent way through public meetings, not to favor a particular political party, to include communities of interest, and to minimize multi-seat districts. We further ask that the NH Legislature and Governor establish this fair and transparent procedure by law.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Select Board to Alstead's state legislators, the whole NH Senate and General Court, and the Governor, informing them of the demands from their constituents, within 30 days of the vote. (By Petition). (Majority Vote Required)



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Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2020	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2020	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
General Government						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4130-4139	Executive	06	\$74,646	\$73,652	\$75,102	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	06	\$53,045	\$57,359	\$52,280	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	06	\$33,907	\$43,811	\$44,670	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	06	\$54,149	\$50,000	\$30,500	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	06	\$7,840	\$6,000	\$7,500	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	06	\$160,374	\$167,427	\$172,210	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	06	\$8,755	\$8,002	\$9,130	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	06	\$137,807	\$148,206	\$148,303	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	06	\$26,648	\$33,097	\$26,723	\$0
4196	Insurance	06	\$20,261	\$20,261	\$20,261	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	06	\$3,818	\$3,818	\$3,756	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$581,250	\$611,633	\$590,435	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	06	\$172,781	\$183,944	\$184,424	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	06	\$36,837	\$37,403	\$47,802	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	06	\$64,737	\$71,512	\$72,013	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	06	\$26,671	\$27,007	\$27,738	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)	06	\$0	\$600	\$1	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$301,026	\$320,466	\$331,978	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration	06	\$71,723	\$71,300	\$72,000	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	06	\$376,202	\$604,003	\$399,503	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	06	\$5,743	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$453,668	\$681,303	\$477,503	\$0



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Sanitation

4321	Administration	06	\$40,835	\$38,041	\$55,390	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	06	\$119,058	\$115,209	\$99,583	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$159,893	\$153,250	\$154,973	\$0

Water Distribution and Treatment

4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Electric

4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Health

4411	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4414	Pest Control		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	06	\$14,642	\$14,393	\$15,255	\$0
Health Subtotal			\$14,642	\$14,393	\$15,255	\$0

Welfare

4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	06	\$975	\$6,830	\$5,330	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$975	\$6,830	\$5,330	\$0

Culture and Recreation

4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	06	\$5,980	\$10,300	\$10,001	\$0
4550-4559	Library	06	\$41,280	\$44,500	\$44,500	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	06	\$563	\$500	\$1,600	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	06	\$0	\$2	\$2	\$0
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$47,823	\$55,302	\$56,103	\$0



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Conservation and Development

4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	06	\$250	\$1,401	\$1,051	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$250	\$1,401	\$1,051	\$0

Debt Service

4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	06	\$0	\$0	\$1,500	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest		\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$0	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$0

Capital Outlay

4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$38,132	\$40,000	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$72,600	\$72,600	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$110,732	\$112,600	\$0	\$0

Operating Transfers Out

4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Total Operating Budget Appropriations					\$1,634,128	\$0
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Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	10	\$80,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Purchase a Ford F550 to replace the Ford F350</i>			
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	13	\$14,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Purchase a Baler and Equipment</i>			
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	19	\$28,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Purchase a Side-by-Side Off-Road Vehicle</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	08	\$45,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	09	\$100,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to Highway Capital Reserve Fund</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	11	\$150,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to Bridge Capital Reserve Fund</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	12	\$8,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	14	\$10,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to Shedd-Porter Library Capital Reserve Fund</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	15	\$18,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to the Police Capital Reserve Fund</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	16	\$27,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Add to the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund</i>			
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$480,000	\$0



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Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2021	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4312	Highways and Streets	07	\$220,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Paving</i>			
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	17	\$12,500	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Digital Tax Map Data Conversion & GIS Development</i>			
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$232,500	\$0



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Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2020	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2020	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2021
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	06	\$20,503	\$21,000	\$25,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax	06	\$333	\$332	\$300
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	06	\$5,980	\$10,000	\$10,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Taxes Subtotal			\$26,816	\$31,332	\$35,300
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	06	\$368,874	\$350,000	\$370,000
3230	Building Permits	06	\$775	\$600	\$700
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	06	\$8,025	\$4,000	\$7,500
3311- 3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal			\$377,674	\$354,600	\$378,200
State Sources					
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues		\$0	\$33,000	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	06	\$99,232	\$99,876	\$99,200
3353	Highway Block Grant	06	\$96,156	\$98,827	\$96,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	06	\$2	\$2	\$2
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$195,390	\$231,705	\$195,202
Charges for Services					
3401- 3406	Income from Departments	06	\$118,406	\$90,000	\$118,000
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$118,406	\$90,000	\$118,000
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	06	\$19,924	\$20,000	\$15,000
3502	Interest on Investments	06	\$11,736	\$10,000	\$11,000



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3503-3509	Other	06, 19	\$116,804	\$116,000	\$134,500
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$148,464	\$146,000	\$160,500
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	10, 19, 13	\$0	\$45,000	\$93,500
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal			\$0	\$45,000	\$93,500
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	17, 07, 11	\$0	\$0	\$312,500
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$312,500
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$866,750	\$898,637	\$1,293,202



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Item	Period ending 12/31/2021
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$1,634,128
Special Warrant Articles	\$480,000
Individual Warrant Articles	\$232,500
Total Appropriations	\$2,346,628
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,293,202
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$1,053,426



Revised Estimated Revenues Adjusted
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For the period beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020

In accordance with RSA 21-J:35, the department is notifying you of the following changes in the estimated revenues used in computing the tax rate.

Account	Source	Estimated Revenue	Change Amount	Estimated Revenue Adjusted
Taxes				
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax	\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	\$21,000	\$0	\$21,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax	\$332	\$0	\$332
3189	Other Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
9991	Inventory Penalties	\$0	\$0	\$0
Taxes Subtotal		\$31,332	\$0	\$31,332
Licenses, Permits, and Fees				
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$350,000	\$0	\$350,000
3230	Building Permits	\$600	\$0	\$600
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government	\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal		\$354,600	\$0	\$354,600
State Sources				
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues	\$33,000	\$862	\$33,862
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	\$99,876	(\$644)	\$99,232
3353	Highway Block Grant	\$98,827	(\$2,660)	\$96,167
3354	Water Pollution Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development	\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	\$2	\$0	\$2
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement	\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3379	From Other Governments	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources Subtotal		\$231,705	(\$2,442)	\$229,263
Charges for Services				
3401-3406	Income from Departments	\$90,000	\$0	\$90,000
3409	Other Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services Subtotal		\$90,000	\$0	\$90,000
Miscellaneous Revenues				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
3502	Interest on Investments	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000



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3503-3509	Other	\$116,000	\$0	\$116,000
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal		\$146,000	\$0	\$146,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In				
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	\$45,000	(\$5,000)	\$40,000
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal		\$45,000	(\$5,000)	\$40,000
Other Financing Sources				
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revised Estimated Revenues and Credits		\$898,637	(\$7,442)	\$891,195



Revised Estimated Revenues Adjusted

	Estimated	Change Amount	State Adjusted
Subtotal of Revenues	\$898,637	(\$7,442)	\$891,195
Unassigned Fund Balance (Unreserved)	\$0	\$1,296,223	\$1,296,223
(Less) Emergency Appropriations (RSA 32:11)	\$0	\$0	\$0
(Less) Voted from Fund Balance	\$211,100	\$0	\$211,100
(Less) Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund Balance Retained	(\$211,100)	\$1,296,223	\$1,085,123
Total Revenues and Credits	\$1,109,737	(\$7,442)	\$1,102,295
Requested Overlay	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000

Assessment Overview

Total Appropriations	\$2,120,178
(Less) Total Revenues and Credits	\$1,102,295
Net Assessment	\$1,017,883

Explanation of Adjustments

Account	Reason for Adjustment	Warrant Number
3351	STATE REVENUE	02
3352	STATE REVENUE	02
3353	STATE REVENUE	02
3915	W/A #13	,13,11

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Moderator Susan Norlander called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. The Moderator discussed the procedures and the rules of conduct. The Moderator also introduced all of the officials that were present and announced the date and time of the town election.

Article 01: Election of Officers

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 02 Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$1,634,203. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$1,597,719, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Alstead or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0).

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Mary Ann Wolf

No Discussion.

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 03 Paving

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$207,000 for the purpose of reclaiming and paving the existing tar on Pine Cliff Road. The sum of \$103,500 to come from unassigned fund balance, the additional \$103,500 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (2-1). (Majority Vote Require

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Rock Wilson

Lengthy Discussion:

Mary Ann Wolf: Against the article

Prescott Trafton: Promoted the article

After further discussion there was a Motion to Move: Rock Wilson Second: Jodi Kercewich

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 04 Add to Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to be added to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1992. The sum of \$40,000 to be raised from taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Rock Wilson

Short Discussion:

Richard Nalevanko: What is the fund balance?

Bruce Bellows: \$117,000

Richard Nalevanko: What do we have built into plan for fire trucks? Are we on task?

Glenn Elsesser: \$300,000 after 30 yr. cycle, but unsure of replacement costs

Richard Nalevanko: Are we on task?

Glenn Elsesser: Yes

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 05 Add to Highway Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 to be added to the Highway

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Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1988. The sum of \$65,000 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Mary Ann Wolf

Short Discussion:

Glenn Elsesser: Motion to amend to increase the sum to \$75,000.

Second: Joel McCarty

Vote held: 1 opposed, everyone else approved

Richard Nalevanko expressed gratitude to Glenn Elsesser for CIP and helping to dispose of old equipment

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as amended.

Article 06 Add to Bridge Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2012, with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Joseph McCarty

Short Discussion:

Joseph Levesque: Fund balance?

Bruce Bellows: \$227,000

Richard Nalevanko: Is state aid available? What are priorities at state level?

Prescott Trafton: State to restructure aid. High priority bridges will get fixed. Small towns won't receive as much funding as in the past.

Bruce Bellows: If no aid, can we fix/replace bridges for less?

Prescott Trafton: No

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 07 Add to Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2015. The sum of \$5,000 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Mary Ann Wolf

Short Discussion:

Carolyn Lock: Will the funds go to plastic recycling?

Jodi Kercewich: No. It will go into the Capital Reserve Fund to be used for on-site equipment.

Working on plan to get plastics back. There will be a meeting in the near future.

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 08 Add to Shedd-Porter Library Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Shedd-Porter Memorial Library Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2010. The sum of \$5,000 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Rock Wilson

Short Discussion:

Matthew Saxton: Thanked the town for improvements and community support in regards to repairs and maintenance. Remaining repairs to be done in the next 2-3 years.

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

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Article 09 Fence for Pine Grove Cemetery

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,375 for the purpose of installing a new fence for Pine Grove Cemetery. The sum of \$6,375 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Mary Ann Wolf

No Discussion

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 10 Town Hall Renovations

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$72,600 for the purpose of Town Hall renovations, with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised by taxation. This article passed in 2018 but the work was not done and is now planned for 2020. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Rock Wilson

Short Discussion:

John Mann: What are the renovation plans?

Alan Dustin & Barrett Bellows: Renovations to include ceiling, insulation, windows, lighting, paint, duct work, weather stripping

Juliana Stevens: Against renovating, in support of new town hall

Richard Nalevanko: Is money from 2-year plan sufficient?

Alan Dustin: Yes

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 11 OHRV Firefighting Rescue Vehicle Package

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a 5-year lease with option to purchase not to exceed the amount of \$25,000 for the purpose of leasing and eventually purchasing an OHRV Firefighting Rescue Vehicle Package. This package includes a Polaris 900 side-by-side, firefighting/rescue skid unit and trailer, and to raise and appropriate an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for the first year's payment for that purpose and to authorize the withdrawal of \$5,000 to come from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1991. No amount to be raised by taxation. Please note, if the Town Meeting votes to approve this article and appropriation then, the Town shall be bound to the requirements of this lease for its entire 5-year term and, in particular, all financial obligations of said lease. This article is not recommended by the Select Board (0-3). (2/3 ballot vote required)

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Mary Ann Wolf

Short Discussion:

Richard Beringer: Expressed importance of having the vehicle

Matthew Saxton: What does Select Board think?

Alan Dustin: The Select Board is not in favor of the article

Further comments were made

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 12 Establish a Capital Reserve Fund for Vilas Pool

To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 which shall be known as the Vilas Pool Park Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of conducting repairs and maintenance to the land associated with the park as well as to any improvements, equipment or structures located within. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

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DELIBERATIVE SESSION MINUTES 2020 - continued

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Rock Wilson

No Discussion.

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 13 Purchase Defibrillator & Cardiac Monitor

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for the purpose of purchasing a defibrillator and cardiac monitor and to authorize the withdrawal of \$40,000 from the Ambulance Department Capital Reserve fund previously established in 1992 for this purchase. No amount to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

Motion: Alan Dustin Second: Mary Ann Wolf

Short Discussion:

Jesse Moore: Per FDA, current monitor only good until February 2021. Refurbished monitors no longer available

Further comments were made

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

Article 14: NH Resolution to Take Action on the Climate Crisis (Petitioned Warrant Article)

We the town of Alstead hereby call upon our State and Federal elected representatives to enact carbon-pricing legislation to protect New Hampshire from the costs and environmental risks of continued climate inaction. To protect households, we support a Carbon Fee and Dividend approach that charges fossil fuel producers for their carbon pollution and rebates the money collected to all residents on an equal basis. Enacting a Carbon Cash-Back program decreases long-term fossil-fuel dependence, aids in the economic transition for energy consumers, and keeps local energy dollars in New Hampshire's economy. Carbon Cash-Back has been championed by US economists (Jan 17, 2019 WSJ) as the most effective and fair way to deliver rapid reductions in harmful carbon emissions at the scale required for our safety.

We expect our representatives to lead in this critical moment for the health and well-being of our citizens and for the protection of New Hampshire's natural resources upon which we all rely.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Alstead's State Legislators, to the Governor of New Hampshire, to New Hampshire's Congressional Delegation, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by Alstead's Select Board, within 30 days of the vote.

Motion: Chris Hansen Second: James Gruber

Lengthy Discussion:

Chris Hansen & John Mann

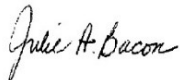
Motion to Move: Rock Wilson

Second: Jodi Kercewich

The Moderator requested that the Town Clerk place the Article on the Warrant Ballot as written.

The meeting ended at 11:50

Respectfully submitted,



Julie A Bacon
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

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ELECTION RESULTS 2020

Article 01 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year

Selectman – One person for three-year term	
Joseph Levesque	407
Town Clerk/Tax Collector – One person for one-year term	
Julie A Bacon	426
Treasurer – One person for three-year term	
Hans Waldmann	404
Moderator – One person for two-year term	
Susan E Norlander	428
Library Trustee – Two persons for three-year term	
Allan Kauders	201
Karn McShane	219
Kathy Torrey	250
Trustee of Trust Funds – One person for three-year term	
Ellen Chase	417
Cemetery Trustee – One person for three-year term	
Ellen Chase	421

Article 02 Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$1,634,203. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$1,597,719, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Alstead or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0).

YES 334 NO 117

Article 03 Paving

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$207,000 for the purpose of reclaiming and paving the existing tar on Pine Cliff Road. The sum of \$103,500 to come from unassigned fund balance, the additional \$103,500 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (2-1). (Majority Vote Required)

YES 251 NO 194

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ELECTION RESULTS 2020 - continued

Article 04 Add to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to be added to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1992. The sum of \$40,000 to be raised from taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

YES 297 NO 148

Article 05 Add to the Highway Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 to be added to the Highway Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1988. The sum of \$65,000 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

YES 314 NO 133

Article 06 Add to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2012, with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

YES 355 NO 81

Article 07 Add to the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund. The sum of \$5,000 to be raised from taxation. This article is recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0). (Majority Vote Required)

YES 322 NO 103

Article 08 Add to Shedd-Porter Library Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Shedd-Porter Memorial Library Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2010. The sum of \$5,000 to be raised by taxation. This article is recommended by the Select Board (3-0). (Majority vote required)

YES 320 NO 106

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YES 250 NO 169

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YES 323 NO 97

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YES 164 NO 258

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YES 319 NO 105

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YES 373 NO 41

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YES 258

NO 148

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SELECT BOARD

Select Board meetings are on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. and are open to the public. You can attend in person at the Town Offices, via conference call (978-990-5000 access code 539083#), or via Google Meet. Check the town website (www.alsteadnh.org) for the Select Board meeting schedule and Google Meet information.

By the time we had our first Select Board meeting after the March election, the entire country, along with most of the world was in a state of emergency. Not the way any of us wanted to start the new board.

The town spent \$96,960 on renovations to the Town Hall. \$72,600 was the original scope of work that was approved in the 2020 warrant article 10. The remaining amount was taken from the building and maintenance budget which covered additional expenses such as replacing side doors, hot water tank upgrade, flooring, acoustic panels, curtain and track. Some people have commented that it was money well spent. The building's interior now looks great. Barrett Bellows Construction was responsible for the work. We also would like to thank the Alstead Historical Society for their beautiful photographic display of Alstead's history. The final step of this renovation was the installation of the ceiling acoustic panels.

The Highway Department reclaimed and repaved the paved section of Pine Cliff Road at a cost of \$207,000 from Warrant Article 3, which was approved at the 2020 Town Meeting. The Highway Department completed this project on time and under budget. They saved enough money to pave the aprons on the entrances to Pine Cliff Road from Forest Road. The traffic on Forest Road created a safety issue, whenever the Highway Department graded the dirt aprons. This safety issue has now been resolved.

The town spent \$2,576.00 on Friendly Meals in the form of propane (\$1,273.50) and electricity (\$1,302.50) for the Bragg Lane kitchen, along with propane and electricity for the Town Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays, until the pandemic arrived. Unfortunately, Friendly Meals may not use the Town Hall until either the State of Emergency is lifted by the Governor, or the Select Board deems communal dining safe. Sadly, we had to ask Friendly Meals to return to the town the Transfer Station building that they were using for their thrift store. Management of the thrift store increasingly became the responsibility of the Transfer Station manager, which is not part of the job description. The Transfer Station requires the building to recycle plastic and store cardboard, until we can get the best price for these commodities in today's volatile markets. We have neither the room, nor the money, to erect another building at the Transfer Station for the proper recycling and storage of cardboard and plastic.

The town was awarded a few grants to help defer some costs. We received \$4,017 from the CARES act to be used for COVID-19 relief. We received \$4,696 from the NH Secretary of State Office for election costs due to COVID-19. We received \$4,600 from the US Department of Agriculture, which was used for new LED lighting at the Highway Department maintenance building. After the lighting installation was completed, we received a rebate of \$2,620 from Liberty for the energy saved by switching to LED lighting. All of these grants help to control the costs of managing the town.

The Select Board members thank Charlotte Comeau for her dedication and efficiency managing the business of the Select Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Rock Wilson, Chair
Mary Ann Wolf, Vice Chair
Joe Levesque

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TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

First and foremost, I would like to take a moment to thank the residents of Alstead. It has been a very difficult and challenging year for all of us. As a community, we have come together and the overwhelming support and empathy towards one another is something to be proud of.

Also, I would like to extend a thank you to the local Election Officials. These individuals went above and beyond to make the 2020 election season a memorable experience. We came together as a team and the outpouring of recognition and appreciation from voters has been very well received.

As Town Clerk/Tax Collector, I continue to find the utmost satisfaction in my position. I am both honored and grateful to be considered an essential worker. In July, I changed my office hours to appointment only, and continued that way until September. Then in late November, I once again went to appointment only. Over the course of the year, I was, and continue to be treated with utmost support, patience and understanding. Once again, I am thankful to be a resident of this wonderful, little town that we all call home.

Merrilee Frable, the deputy town clerk/tax collector, is currently in the office on Tuesday afternoons/evenings to provide service to customers who benefit from later appointments.

I would like to take the opportunity to list some of the services that the Alstead Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office provides.

We are responsible for collecting property taxes. ***For those unable to pay all their taxes at once please note that any payment, even if not the full amount due, will reduce the interest to be paid.*** We register and title motor vehicles and boats, and process dog licenses. We complete marriage license applications and process birth, marriage and death certificates. We also file wetland permit applications and pole licenses. We accept voter registration forms, mail absentee ballots, prepare the town ballot and administer the oath of office to any newly elected or appointed Town Official. Our office also provides Notary Public services.

Please visit our website www.alstead.nh.org and go to the Town Clerk section for more detailed information as well as various printable forms.

We utilize a scanner to scan your old registrations and speed up entry time. ***Please note that bringing in your old registration is required by state law.*** We accept credit card and debit card payments for auto registrations and dog licenses in the office as well as on-line. Please note that there will be a third-party processing fee associated with card payments.

There is the option of renewing your registration and/or dog license on our website www.alstead.nh.org. Property Taxes are also payable on-line by either ACH or Credit Card. To do this, go to the Town Clerk section on the website, scroll down and select the appropriate icon and follow the step-by-step instructions.



Please be sure to **either** make out your check to the Town of Alstead for vehicle registration and print out the confirmation **or** pay the Town by ACH or Credit Card. If paying by check, mail the confirmation in with your check and keep a copy for yourself until you receive your registration in the mail. You are able to renew your registrations up to four months in advance. As always, if you wish to do renew your vehicle or pay your taxes in person, we are here for you!

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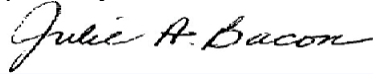
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It will soon be time to renew your dog licenses for 2021 (2020 licenses will expire on April 30th). Beginning June 1st, a \$1.00 per month late fee is assessed. ***Please note that Dog Licensing is required by State Law.***

The office hours are Monday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. unless posted otherwise. If we close the office during these hours, we will post this information ahead of time at the town office and on the Town Clerk section of the website.

For everyone's safety, the office may be closed during inclement weather, if you are unsure or have any questions, please call the office at 835-2242.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie A Bacon
Alstead Town Clerk/Tax Collector

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TOWN CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT

MOTOR VEHICLES

Vehicles Registered: 2945

Vehicle Registrations	\$354,601.06
Town Clerk Fee	\$5,592.00
Town Title Fee	\$952.00
Town Transfer Fee	\$725.00
Municipal Agent Fee	\$8,427.00
E-Log Fee	\$277.00
Returned Check Fee	\$75.00
	\$370,649.06

BOATS

Boats Registered: 52

Boat Agent Fee	\$240.00
Boat Town Clerk Fee	\$27.00
Boat Local Fee	\$319.40
	\$586.40

DOGS

Licenses Issued: 378

Town Fees	\$1,423.00
State Fees	\$735.50
Late Fees	\$214.00
E-Log Fee	\$65.00
Civil Forfeiture/Fines	.00
	\$2,918.00

MARRIAGES

Licenses Issued: 12

Town Fees	\$84.00
State Fees	\$516.00
	\$600.00

FILING FEES

Vital Record Copies: 73

Town Fees	\$451.00
State Fees	\$494.00
UCC	\$840.00
	\$1,785.00

MISCELLANEOUS

NH Statewide Checklist	\$275.00
Pole Licenses	\$10.00
Misc Fees (Research, copies)	\$131.00
	\$416.00

STATE ACH

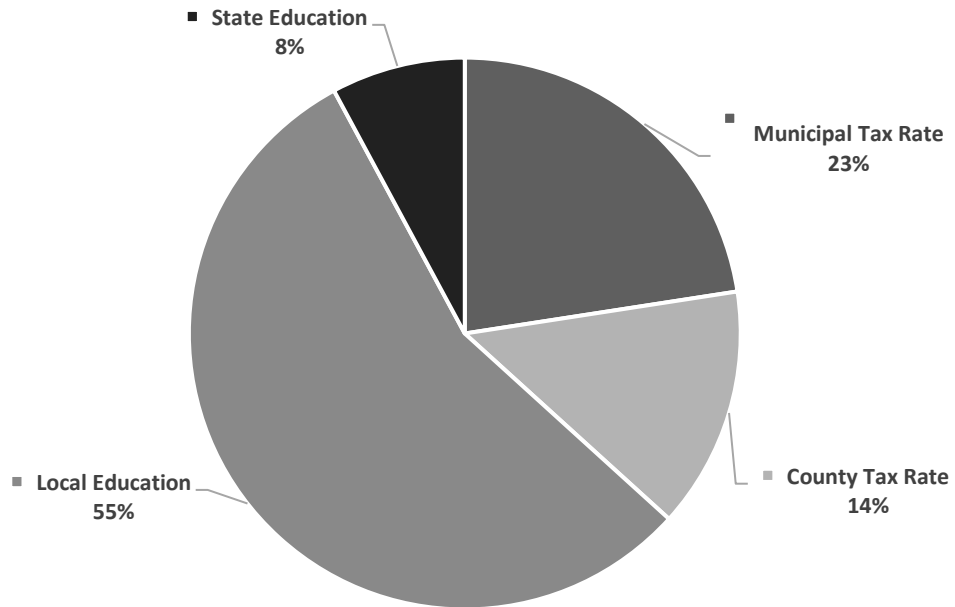
State Motor Vehicles	\$134,814.82
Boat State Fee	\$2,142.00
	\$136,956.82

TOTAL COLLECTED \$513,430.78

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TAX BREAKOUT BY PERCENTAGE

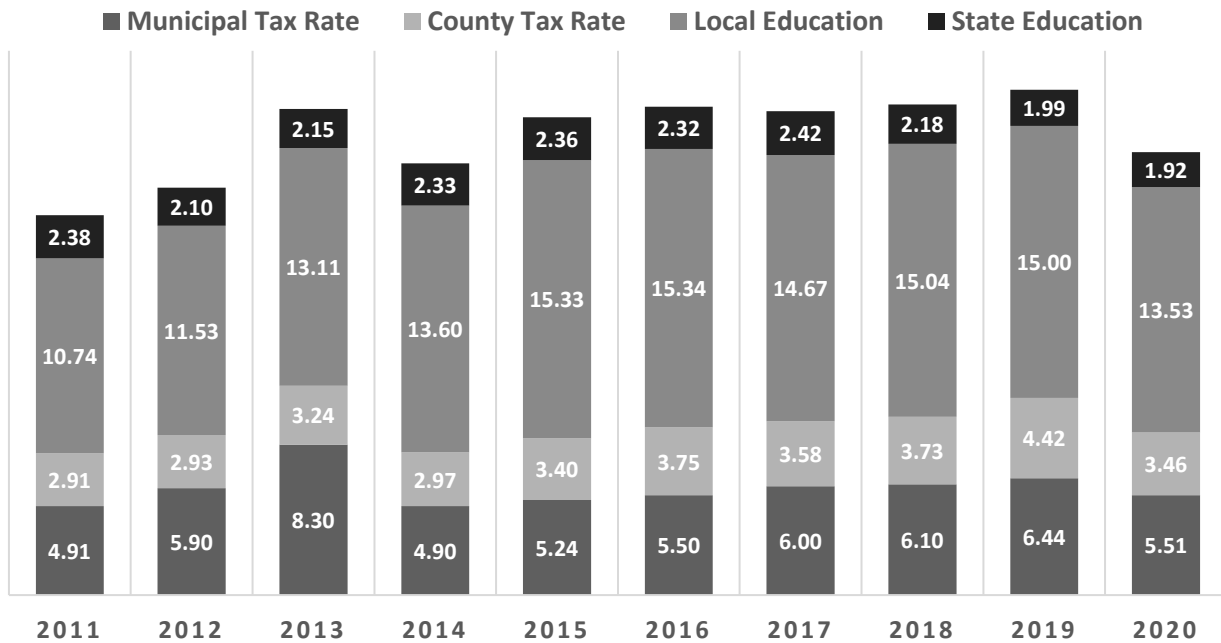
Year	2020
Municipal Tax Rate	\$5.51
County Tax Rate	\$3.46
Local Education	\$13.53
State Education	\$1.92
Total Tax Rate	\$24.42



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TAX RATE COMPARISON

Year	Municipal Tax Rate	County Tax Rate	Local Education	State Education	Total Tax Rate
2011	4.91	2.91	10.74	2.38	20.94
2012	5.90	2.93	11.53	2.19	22.46
2013	8.39	3.24	13.11	2.15	26.80
2014	4.90	2.86	13.60	2.33	23.80
2015	5.24	3.40	15.33	2.36	26.33
2016	5.50	3.75	15.34	2.32	26.91
2017	6.00	3.58	14.67	2.42	26.67
2018	6.10	3.73	15.04	2.18	27.05
2019	6.44	4.42	15.00	1.99	27.85
2020	5.51	3.46	13.53	1.92	24.42



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TAX BALANCES AS OF 12/31/2020

<u>Invoice Description</u>	<u>Balance</u>
2020 Property Tax Issue 1	\$87,515.45
2020 Property Tax Issue 2	\$1,038,263.64
2020 Timber Tax	\$280.75
Total 2019 Taxes Unpaid	\$1,126,059.84
Tax Lien Levy of 2010	\$1,495.10
Tax Lien Levy of 2011	\$1,762.31
Tax Lien Levy of 2012	\$2,263.51
Tax Lien Levy of 2013	\$2,319.64
Tax Lien Levy of 2014	\$2,750.41
Tax Lien Levy of 2015	\$2,462.22
Tax Lien Levy of 2016	\$2,373.53
Tax Lien Levy of 2017	\$7,959.22
Tax Lien Levy of 2018	\$22,915.72
Tax Lien Levy of 2019	\$59,974.48
Tax Lien Levy of 2020	\$85,819.01
Total Tax Liens Unpaid	\$192,095.15
Total Outstanding Balance Due as of 12/31/2020	\$1,318,154.99

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT



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Debits						
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Year:	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
				2019	2018	2017
Property Taxes	3110			\$291,652.67		
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120					
Yield Taxes	3185					
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189					
Property Tax Credit Balance		(\$1,646.82)				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance						

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2019	Prior Levies	
Property Taxes	3110	\$4,692,181.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185	\$19,689.37	\$1,094.05		
Excavation Tax	3187		\$332.90		
Other Taxes	3189				

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2019	Prior Levies	
				2018	2017
Property Taxes	3110	\$3,512.74			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$1,707.74	\$11,247.41		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				

Total Debits	\$4,715,444.03	\$304,327.03	\$0.00	\$0.00
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – continued



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Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	2019	Prior Levies	
			2018	2017
Property Taxes	\$3,571,983.39	\$181,647.41	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Resident Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Land Use Change Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Yield Taxes	\$19,408.62	\$1,094.05	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$1,682.74	\$8,908.91	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Penalties	\$25.00	\$2,338.50	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Excavation Tax	<input type="text"/>	\$332.90	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)	<input type="text"/>	\$110,005.26	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Discounts Allowed	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	2019	Prior Levies	
			2018	2017
Property Taxes	\$265.74	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Resident Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Land Use Change Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Excavation Tax	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other Taxes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Current Levy Deeded	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – continued



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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2019	2018	2017
Property Taxes	\$1,125,779.09			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes	\$280.75			
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$3,981.30)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance				
Total Credits	\$4,715,444.03	\$304,327.03	\$0.00	\$0.00

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$1,122,078.54
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$192,095.15

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – continued



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Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2019	Year: 2018	Year: 2017
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year		\$103,933.86	\$54,253.56	\$27,309.34
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$116,898.46			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$2,005.56	\$13,412.29	\$8,754.86	\$1,397.43
Total Debits	\$118,904.02	\$117,346.15	\$63,008.42	\$28,706.77

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2019	2018	2017
Redemptions	\$31,079.45	\$43,959.38	\$31,337.84	\$3,923.40
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$2,005.56	\$13,412.29	\$8,754.86	\$1,397.43
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$85,819.01	\$59,974.48	\$22,915.72	\$23,385.94
Total Credits	\$118,904.02	\$117,346.15	\$63,008.42	\$28,706.77

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$1,122,078.54
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$192,095.15



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Tax Rate Breakdown Alstead

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$1,065,505	\$193,481,509	\$5.51
County	\$669,521	\$193,481,509	\$3.46
Local Education	\$2,618,365	\$193,481,509	\$13.53
State Education	\$362,442	\$188,801,709	\$1.92
Total	\$4,715,833		\$24.42

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Total			

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$4,715,833
War Service Credits	(\$23,700)
Village District Tax Effort	\$0
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$4,692,133

 James P. Gerry Director of Municipal and Property Division New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration	12/9/2020
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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN – continued

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$2,120,178	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$891,195)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$211,100)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0
War Service Credits	\$23,700	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$23,922	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$1,065,505	

County Apportionment		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$669,521	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$669,521	

Education		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$4,366,242	
Net Education Grant		(\$1,385,435)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$362,442)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$2,618,365	
State Education Tax	\$362,442	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$362,442	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)		
Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$193,481,509	\$163,042,993
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$188,801,709	\$159,773,593
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$0	\$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$193,481,509	\$163,042,993

Village (MS-1V)		
Description	Current Year	



DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN – continued

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	\$0
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$5,770,506
Final Overlay	\$23,922

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the determination of the adequacy of your municipality’s unrestricted fund balance, as currently defined in GASB Statement 54. Retention amounts, as part of the municipality’s stabilization fund policy [1], should be assessed dependent upon your governments own long-term forecasts and special circumstances. Please note that current best practices published by GFOA recommend, at a minimum, that “...general purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months of regular general fund operating revenues or regular general fund operating expenditures.” [2],[3]

[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)*, pg. 17.
 [2] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2015), *Best Practice: Fund Balance Guidelines for the General Fund..*
 [3] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2011), *Best Practice: Replenishing General Fund Balance.*

2020 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Alstead	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (18.80%)	\$1,085,123
17% Retained (<i>Maximum Recommended</i>)	\$980,986
10% Retained	\$577,051
8% Retained	\$461,640
5% Retained (<i>Minimum Recommended</i>)	\$288,525

NOTICE: The current fund balance retained amount is above the maximum recommended threshold.

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TREASUER

2020 Alstead's Treasurer Report						
Alstead's Accounts	Starting Bal Jan. 1, 2020		"in"	"out"	Interest income	Ending Bal. Dec. 31, 2020
** Town Ckg.	\$83,075.07	Include Transfers	\$8,558,329.82	\$7,513,547.16		\$1,127,857.73
* "ICS" Account	\$2,160,452.56	ICS Transfers	\$3,478,206.00	\$2,200,000.00	\$11,735.88	\$893,982.44
Total	\$2,243,527.63	Actuals Rcd & Spent	\$5,080,123.82	\$5,313,547.16	Total	\$2,021,840.17
Vilas Pool						
*** MM	\$27,295.80		\$31,532.48	\$35,070.02		\$23,758.26
CD	\$53,261.46		\$186.50	\$0.00		\$53,447.96
Ckg.	\$3,514.64	trmf from MM	\$3,000.00	\$2,618.62		\$3,896.02
Ambulance, gift from Barbara Derry	\$639.64	<u>Account closed</u>	\$0.00	\$639.64		\$0.00
Conservation Comm.	\$33,674.43		\$1,848.26	\$6,682.94		\$28,839.75
Cemetery Donation	\$4,980.00		\$2,500.00	\$4,560.00		\$2,920.00
* The ICS account is used to "secure" all funds above \$250,000.00, and to maximize interest income. Transfers are made between the ICS and checking accounts as needed.						
** Major receipts are from Tax Collections, Town Clerk operations, and a combination of other income.						
*** Vilas Pool MM, Major receipts from original investments. Funds transferred from MM to Ckg as needed.						

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Town of Alstead 2020-2030 (CIP Schedule and Budget)																	
Updated 02/03/2021	Model	Department	C	Year	Project	Accrued as of	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
						12/31/20											
		Bridge Repair			Bridge Repair CRF 2024	296,769	35,000	150,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
		# 059/134			Bridge at the bottom of Hill Rd (230k) 2019										40,000		
		# 046/141			Hill Road in center of Hill (140k) 2020										40,000		
		# 058/132			Drewsville Bridge (930k) (Town 186k) 2022				500,000								
		Road Improvements			Road paving and repairs			207,000	220,000	222,000	382,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	1,000,000
		Police Department			Police Annual CRF	9,868	0	180,000	180,000	120,000	120,000	120,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
					2016 Police Cruiser (8 yr. cycle) 2023 (\$50K)												40,000
					2017 Police Cruiser (8 yr. cycle) 2026 (\$50K)												
		Fire Department			Fire department Annual CRF	177,939	40,000	45,000	50,000	55,000	55,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
					Pierce Contender (20yr cycle) TBD												
					2015 Scott Pack bottles (15yr cycle) 2030 + 2031 (40K)												
					2006 International Tanker (30yr cycle) 2036 (375K)												
					2016 Pumper/Rescue truck (30 yr. cycle) 2046 (1 Mil)												
					Vilas Pool CRF	0											
		Highway Dept.			Highway Annual CRF	231,659	75,000	100,000	110,000	120,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
					Dept. head truck (10yr cycle) 2016 (70k)			70,000									
					2012 Dodge 5500 Dump truck (10yr cycle) 2022 (90k)				90,000								
					2008 10 wheeler Truck (10 yr. cycle) 2023 (200 k)					200,000							
					1994 Grader (20yr Cycle) 2025 (400K)						400,000						
					2015 Dodge 5500 Dump truck (10yr cycle) 2025 (75k)						80,000						
					2005 Sterling replaced with F550 (10yr cycle) (100k)								100,000				
					1997 Backhoe (30yr cycle) 2027 (140K)									140,000			
					2018 Dump truck 10 wheeler (10yr cycle) 2028 (200k)										200,000		
					2022 New F550 Replaces F550 (2032)												
					2003 Excavator (30yr cycle) 2033 (220k)												
					2004 Loader (30yr cycle) 2036 (200K)												
					2006 Tractor (30yr cycle) (45k) TBD												
		Library			Library CRF (TBD)	17,245	5,000	10,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
					Library Repairs												
		Cemetery			Fence		63,75										
		Ambulance Dept.			Ambulance Annual CRF	147,092	0	27,000	30,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
					Ambulance (15yr cycle) 2020												
					Ambulance Defibrillator		40,000			22,000							
		Town Hall			Town Hall Repairs		72,600			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Transfer Station			Transfer Station Annual CRF	20,648	5,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	5,000
					Compactor												
					Baler and Equipment			14,000			30,000				30,000		
					Yearly CIP totals			\$485,975	\$662,000	\$1,121,000	\$987,000	\$697,000	\$458,000	\$728,000	\$898,000	\$1,085,000	\$425,000
					Fund Balance		\$211,100	-\$300,000	-\$223,000	-\$109,000	-\$229,000	-\$352,000	50	-\$150,000	-\$180,000	-\$147,000	50
					(Highway CR)			-\$70,000	-\$90,000	-\$200,000			-\$100,000	-\$140,000	-\$200,000		
					(Bridge CR)												
					(Ambulance CR)												
					(Library CR)												
					(Police CR)												
					(Transfer CR)			-\$14,000			-\$30,000						
					Raised in taxes		\$234,875	\$278,000	\$358,000	\$438,000	\$438,000	\$438,000	\$318,000	\$438,000	\$438,000	\$438,000	\$375,000
					Tax Impact per thousand		\$1.20	\$1.46	\$1.88	\$2.31	\$2.31	\$2.31	\$1.67	\$2.31	\$2.31	\$2.31	\$2.31
					New money raised for Warrant Articles												
					2008		2013				2018						
					2009		2014				2019						
					2010		2015				2020						
					2011		2016				2021						
					2012		2017										

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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

It was work as usual for the highway crew in 2020. With the shut down for all non-essential workers early in the year we saw less road traffic, which allowed us to get started grading dirt roads and getting them back in shape after winter. Once grading was finished, it was time to get started on our projects.

Alstead Highway had a few projects to get done in 2020, one of them being Pine Cliff Road. Bazin Brothers were awarded the contract for grading and paving Pine Cliff Road. Due to Vermont shutting down construction projects, they were able to move in and start grinding the tar on April 20th. In a day and a half, it was back to a gravel road. This allowed the crew to start replacing culverts, build culvert headers, and then move on to putting down gravel. The highway crew put down 2,780 yards of gravel; building up the roadbed, shoulders, and driveways. In early July Bazin Brothers returned to pave Pine Cliff Road. While they were there, we took the opportunity and had them pave two safety aprons on Pine Cliff Road and the intersection of 123. This will help keep the grader and the operator out of harm's way when grading the road.

The second project on the list was to remove the glass at the town dump. The crew removed approximately 525 yards of crushed glass from the dump. The glass was taken to Cobb Hill Road where we took the bend out of a short section of the road and then built it up to help with a blind spot. Next, was to clean and re-plank the runners on the twin bridges on Hill Road. This was exceptionally hard to get done because of the shortage of pressure treated wood, due to COVID-19. After some time, we were able to acquire Hemlock boards from Woodell & Daughters Forest Products LLC, so we could complete the project.

Another project we accomplished in 2020, was to get set up for using an environmentally friendly product for dust control. Safe Bind is a high-performance blend of ammonium ligninsulfonate and calcium chloride brine. Lignin is an organic material from trees, and ligninsulfonate is a by-product of the paper making process. We applied it to some of the dustier sections of upper and lower Settlers Road, Pine Cliff Road, Corbin Road, and Maclean Road. The highway crew and taxpayers have already seen the benefit of using Safe Bind; by cutting down the dust, keeping washboards and potholes from forming, and holding the road together longer, which means less grading in the future.

Lastly, we built our public sand containment at the town barn again this year. This has worked out great for the Alstead residents. It keeps residents out of harm's way by keeping them away from the large frozen sand piles and the heavy equipment being operated. We hope to continue this practice in the future.

In closing, I would like to thank my full time and part time crews for a job well done last year. I would also like to thank the Alstead residents for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Prescott Trafton

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

2020 is over! Whew! The challenges we faced as a department and a community this year have been like no other.

Our department met the challenges head on and became a stronger team unit. Through working together and having common ideologies and goals, we progressed and continued to provide police services to Alstead throughout the year.

Unfortunately, 2020 also marked the passing of our first Police Chief Erwin Ward. Many State and Local agencies came out in a fantastic display of honor for Chief Ward. The 23 emergency vehicles gave a well-deserved escort of Chief Ward to the cemetery where the Ward family had a small ceremony. He continues to watch over the Town from his post on the hill. Thank you, Chief Ward and your family, for over 40 years of service to our town and community. Please see our website for more on Chief Ward's amazing career and the history of The Alstead Police Department.

During the spring into early summer, we joined in many "birthday parades" which helped foster community strength during challenging times. These parades were in Alstead and the greater community area. In June, we also assisted Vilas and Alstead Primary schools with their 2020 graduation programs. These ceremonies were different than in the past and we all worked together to make graduations celebratory for students, faculty and staff. Throughout the year the department, along with other local groups, participated in Safe and Active Grant Sport Helmet Give Away (August), Trunk or Treat (October), and the Tree Lighting (December).

Training for this year went almost completely online with very few classes being offered in person. That being said, we never stop training to keep up with our current skills and learn new ones. Office Administrator Gendron attended a Uniform Coding for National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) course, and renewed her JP certification. Cpl. Rawling completed Understanding and How to Manage Aggressive Human Behavior, NHDOT Work Zone Training Collaboration, Consistency and Cultural Competency (NCAC), Understanding and Investigating Child Pornography (NCAC), First Responder Contact in a Child Abuse Investigation (NCAC), LE Initial Response to Child Maltreatment (NCAC), and Juvenile Justice. You may notice that many of these courses revolve around juvenile issues and child advocacy. This is purposeful in that we want to be able to offer from our department as much assistance to parents and children as possible while utilizing outside agencies as supplemental to our investigations. In addition to the many required recertification courses taken this year, like Firearms Instructor, I attended Asleep at the Wheel: The Dangers of Drowsy Driving, and NHDOT Work Zone Training Collaboration. As part of the new required training that will be coming for 2021, I attended Fair & Impartial Policing: Command Course.

This as well as many other social and societal trainings will be required in New Hampshire for all police officers in the coming years. These courses include De-escalation Techniques and courses designed around reducing negative interactions between the police and the public. This training is great; however, it does not change the fact that we have been committed to the same level of excellent service for all persons, regardless of who they are or their backgrounds for as long as we have had a police department. Our area of New Hampshire is made up of many small, wonderful communities with varying sizes of police departments. Our department has continued regularly training with other area departments like Marlow, Charlestown, Walpole and Langdon to help each other maintain required yearly police standards as well as other additional training. All of these cooperative efforts help form bonds and promote team work that will keep us and our community safer.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT - continued

Part-Time Officer Dean Wright started working in Alstead in December 2019. He had been full time with the Winchester Police Department when he started with us last year, but now he is full time with the Walpole Police Department. His transfer to Walpole has resulted in increased weekend coverage for Alstead.

2020 marked a few anniversaries. Last March, Office Administrator Gendron completed five years of service. Corporal Rawling and Officer Wright have both smoothly joined our team here and we are happy to celebrate their one-year anniversary. I completed my third year in June. I cannot possibly say it enough, THANK YOU to Penny, Wendy and Dean for all your hard work throughout the years. It is truly our team members that make our department what it is and I look forward to the future of us all working together for many years to come.

As a final thought, this year brought about the most political, socioeconomic and racial divides this country may have ever seen. Please be respectful of each other and of our differences of opinion. Be kind to one another and promote kindness, not hate. The more we foster the "us vs them" mentality, the longer it will take to repair the damages done by the media and the politicians. Remember, elected representatives are supposed to work for us. Hold them to it.

Thank you all for your continued support of our department.

Respectfully,

Stephen D. Murrell
Chief of Police

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AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT

The Ambulance Department had a busy 2020, responding to 141 calls for service.

The pandemic has given us the opportunity to review, modify and test our protocols in order to comply with CDC and state guidelines. We now respond to each call as if it was an active COVID case. We dress out in full personal protective equipment (PPE). Fortunately, the federal government has been providing us with all the PPE at no cost, for now.

I would like to thank the Alstead Fire Department, Walpole Fire & EMS, and DiLuzio Ambulance Services for providing assistance throughout the year.

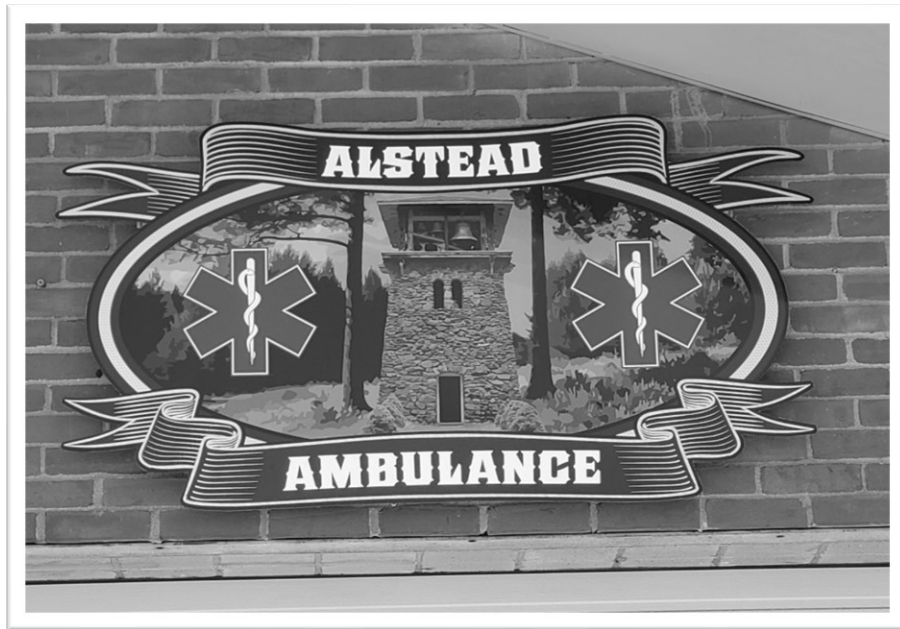
We would like to once again remind residents to have house numbers clearly visible from the road. This will help ensure our timely arrival when you most desperately need our help.

I would like to publicly thank all the members of the Alstead Ambulance Department, and their families, for their continuing dedication and service to our town.

We are always looking for new members and offer training to become an EMT. Please feel free to contact us for more information on how you can help serve the community as a member of the Alstead Ambulance Department. We meet every third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Fire Station.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Jesse Moore



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FIRE DEPARTMENT

The year 2020 was extremely busy for the department. The number of calls increased significantly for us. Training was severely impacted due to the COVID-19 Virus, many trainings were cancelled or postponed until they can be done safely. Brush fires were once again starting to spring up with 2 of them well out into the woods and the 3rd one was on the other side of a swamp. Two of these were started by lightning and the 3rd one was undetermined. Drought, once again, showed up and impacted wildland fires immensely causing them to burn deeper and making them harder to put out. Hopefully, next year will not be as dry. Also, we were able to upgrade our hydraulic rescue tools from gasoline powered to battery powered, making them easier to work with.

The following is a list of calls Alstead Fire responded to:

Automatic Alarms	3
Mutual Aid Calls	10
Trees/Wires	27
1st Alarm Structures	2
Smoke Investigation	6
Odor Investigation	4
C/O Alarms	3
Assist Ambulance	6
Tractor Rollover	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	13
Brush Fires	3
Car Fires	3
Arson Fire	1
Mop Up	1
Check the Welfare	1
Illegal Burns	3
Elevator Alarm	4
Hazmat Investigation	1
Subject Stuck on Man Lift	1

Training for our members included the following:

Hybrid Car Class	
Ice Rescue	
Portable Pump Training	
Driver Training	3
Work Details	7
Test Dry Hydrants	2
Monthly Drill	5
Monthly Meetings	12

One member attended and passed the Firefighter I Class.

The Alstead Fire Department Apparatus is listed below followed by where it is housed:

Engine 1-Manufactured in 2016-HME Ahrens-Fox-1000 gallons of water with a 1500 gpm. It is housed at the Village Station.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT - continued

Engine 3-Manufactured in 2000-Pierce-1000 gallons of water with a 1250 gpm pump. This apparatus also carries hand tools, hose and equipment. It is housed in the East Station.

Tanker 1-Manufactured in 2007-International Chassis, body by Valley Fire Equipment. It carries 3000 gallons of water with a 500 gpm pump. It is housed in the East Station.

Brush 1-Manufactured in 1967-Jeep M715 (military 5/4 pickup). It carries 200 gallons of water. This brush truck also carries assorted forestry hand tools and back pack pumps. Brush 1 is on loan from the State of New Hampshire, Division of Forests and Lands to the Alstead Fire Department. It is insured and maintained by the town and registered by the state. This truck is housed in the East Station.

We would like to once again remind residents to have **visible numbers** on your house; if not it could result in a delay in our arrival, so please put your numbers up where they are visible **from the road**. If we cannot find and see your house numbers, we cannot find you.

We would also like to remind residents that with no snow cover (100' radius) permits are required to burn clean and untreated brush; under 5" in diameter only. You may contact one of the following people to obtain a permit:

Kim Kercewich 835-2928
Michael Kercewich 499-5650
Richard Beringer 1-413-464-5456

It is also possible to obtain an electronic permit online at: www.nhdfi.org and click on Fire Control and Law Enforcement and then click on Fire Permits. There is a \$3.00 charge for the electronic permit.

As always, I would like to publicly thank all the members of the Alstead Fire Department for their continuing dedication and service to our town of Alstead. We are always looking for new members to enlarge our roster. Anyone wishing to join the Department may contact myself or one of our members or stop in at the Alstead Municipal Office for information and an application.

Finally, I would like to ask for your support for the side-by-side. This would enable us to get to brush fires easier and quicker. Also, when we took the Rescue Truck out of service, we lost our off-road rescue capabilities. It will also assist us with off road rescues.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Kercewich, Chief
Alstead Fire Department

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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Alstead Office of Emergency Management primarily dealt with keeping abreast of developments related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The coordination of supply demands by Fire, EMS, and Police Departments with New Hampshire Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. What started as twice weekly telephone conference calls raised at one point to five midday phone calls per week, before finally being reduced to two per week as the pandemic ran its course through the year and the announcement of the promulgation of several vaccines.

The Alstead Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP) is being prepped for its bi-annual updating and will include revisions relative to the pandemic and the lessons learned during the course of its run.

Additionally, an email address for Alstead OEM was created so that inquiries to the OEM can be answered directly.

A Facebook page was maintained and updated with pertinent information to keep citizens informed of upcoming emergencies, dangerous weather conditions, and to provide emergency related information. The URL of this page is: <https://www.facebook.com/alstead.oem.7>

The COVID-19 pandemic is still running its course as the initial vaccines have been received and town first responders and at-risk citizens have either received or await the opportunity to obtain a vaccination in accordance with the state vaccination plan.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Hughes

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Since 2020 was dominated by an infectious virus, the Alstead Conservation Commission did not do some of the community outreach that we normally do. No library educational programs, no Arbor Day Celebration at Vilas School, no indoor monthly meetings. There were some exciting things we did outdoors and one nick-of-time celebration inside.

The commission and, by invitation, the Town of Alstead celebrated the completion of "Alstead Comprehensive Wetlands Comparative Evaluation" prepared by Moosewood Ecological LLC ecologist, Jeff Littleton. The event was held at the Orchard School Community Center on February 19, 2020 and was attended by about twenty-five people. The Orchard Hill Bakery provided refreshments. Thank you all for attending.

Our outdoor activities included our routine conservation easement monitoring and two new activities: one at Pratt Rock and one with the Leaf School. The Pratt Rock viewshed is not exactly new, but it needs periodic maintenance. The commission worked out a plan with Peter Renzelman, forester, and Kroka Expeditions, in Marlow, to clear significant trees to improve the view. We are grateful for Peter and Kroka for their involvement with the project.

Elizabeth Brunell of Leaf Charter School in East Alstead contacted the commission for our input on a nature trail they plan to create at Wellman Pond. (The pond and the school have common boundaries.) This is a great opportunity for the school to create a low-impact trail, meaning no permanent structures, and usage according to the easement directives. We met with Elizabeth outdoors in October to discuss their plans and take a short walk to the waters' edge. Wellman Pond will provide a diverse environment for environmental education at the Leaf School.

Finally, the commission was able to do the Alstead Road Cleanup in April with the cooperation of the town road crew and reuse center. Thank you all for participating from your home frontage and along the roads.

Respectfully submitted by the Alstead Conservation Commission:

Sarah Webb, chair
Joyce Campbell-Counts
Nan Montgomery
David Moody
Donna Sabin
Joyce Curll - alternate
John Mann - alternate

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PLANNING BOARD

The Alstead Planning Board had thirteen meetings this past year. Even with the COVID-19 pandemic, this year proved to be busier for the Board than it had experienced in several years. The Board did not hold a meeting in April, but returned in May, via a Zoom Meet and teleconference platform. By summer, some Members began to meet in person again, but the option for a Zoom (then Google) Meet and teleconference continued throughout the remainder of the year. The Board had many preconceptual visits from persons with questions. They received three Subdivision (all Boundary Line Adjustments) requests, and one Site Plan Review request, all of which were approved. The Board had one joint meeting with the Zoning Board of Adjustment in October for a zoning amendment discussion, and held the Public Hearing for the proposed zoning amendments at the December 2020 and January 2021 meetings - those proposed amendments will appear on the Town ballot as Warrant Articles in March 2021. At the end of the year, work on the Capital Improvement Plan began, and Glen Elsesser was very valuable to the Board for his work and guidance he provided. That work will continue into 2021.

The regular meeting of the Alstead Planning Board is held on the second Monday of each month at the Alstead Municipal Building at 7:00PM. Work meetings are scheduled, as needed, on the fourth Monday of the month. Anyone interested in participating is welcome. Going forward into 2021, the option to attend via Google Meet or teleconference will still be available.

There is still an opening for an Alternate Member. If interested, please contact any Member of the Planning Board, or Members of the Select Board, for more information. We would welcome your participation and input!

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Marsden, Administrative Assistant

Peter Rhoades, Chairman
David Konesko, Member
Joyce Curll, Member
Matt Saxton, Member
Mary Ann Wolf, ex officio Member
Chris Rietmann, Member
Gordon Kemp, Member

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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment had another fairly quiet year. Even with the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board only missed their meeting in April. When the Board met in May, the platform of a Zoom Meet or teleconference was offered. By summer, several Members began to meet in person again, but the option to teleconference or attend via Zoom or Google Meet remained.

They had twelve meetings, which included two Public Hearings for Special Exceptions, both of which were approved, and several preconceptual meetings with persons with questions about zoning in Town. The Zoning Board did hold a joint meeting with the Planning Board in October to discuss zoning amendment proposals. The Zoning Amendment Public Hearing was held in December 2020, and continued into January 2021 - those proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance will appear as Warrant Articles on our March 2021 Town voting day.

We still have only one Alternate Member, and are in need of up to 2 more. Your participation is truly needed! Please consider getting involved!!!! Any citizen interested in becoming a Member is encouraged to contact any Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, a Member of the Select Board, or the Town Clerk.

The ZBA meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30PM, at the Alstead Municipal Building. The public is always welcome. Going forward into 2021, the option to attend via Google Meet or teleconference will still be available

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Marsden, Administrative Assistant

Dennis Molesky, Chairman
Joseph Cartwright, Vice Chairman
Kevin Clark, Member
Joe Levesque, Member
Mike Rau, Member
David Konesko, Alternate Member

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CEMETERY COMMISSION

Regular maintenance of mowing, trimming, leaf and debris cleanup and general upkeep of our seven cemeteries and the Warren Monument were completed.

Scott Taylor finished the east wall at North Cemetery and also repaired the front wall at Alstead Center Cemetery.

The large double pine tree that threatened headstone damage at the North Cemetery was removed.

Some of the metal gates were painted and a new fence installed along the road side of Pine Grove Cemetery.

Cemetery lots may be acquired by contacting Jodi Kercewich at 603-499-3369 or any member of the Cemetery Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce Bellows
Jodi Kercewich
Ellen Chase



A gathering of folks at Mapleside Cemetery in Alstead Village
for the dedication of the Civil War Monument in 1917

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TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Even with the ups and downs of 2020, our funds invested with Three Bearings Fiduciary Advisors returned a good amount of income.

Income from the Shedd-Porter Memorial Library Trust funds was \$3,856.71

Income from the Cemetery Trust Funds to help defray cemetery maintenance expenses was \$14,612.50.

New Trust Funds established:

11/6/2019	Dennis & Candace Gilkenson Fund	\$300.00	West
6/22/2020	Tom & Lori Canfield Fund	\$300.00	West
6/22/2020	Richard & Amy Carrier Fund	\$600.00	A.C.
7/17/2020	Sarah Webb Fund	\$300.00	A.C.
9/2/2020	Paul & Elizabeth Monty Fund	\$200.00	Pine Grove
9/25/2020	Bruce & Lucy Tillson Fund	\$400.00	West

Cemetery lots may be acquired by contacting Jodi Kercewich at 603-499-3369 or any member of the cemetery committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Trustees of Trust Funds
Bruce Bellows
Ellen Chase
Jodi Kercewich

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

MS-9 REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF ALSTEAD FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING 12/31/2020

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS										INCOME			TOTAL		MARKET VALUE	
Date Cre- ated	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Fund	How Invested	%	Beginning Balance	Additions	Capital Gains/ -Losses	With- drawals	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Amount	Expended During Year	Ending Balance	Principal & Income	Unrealized Gain/Loss	Ending Market Value
TOWN																
Capital Reserves																
2015	Transfer Station	Capital Improvements	Common CRF	2.17	12,696.09	5,000.00	197.63	0.00	17,895.72	590.04	264.89	0.00	854.93	18,750.65	1,897.73	20,648.38
2009	Alstead Elementary School	Capital Improvements	Common CRF	5.09	77,535.39	73,300.00	652.43	113,566.20	37,902.62	5,101.31	948.16	0.00	6,049.47	43,952.09	4,448.33	48,400.42
1982	Ambulance	Equipment	Common CRF	15.46	147,070.76	0.00	1,550.29	17,142.14	131,478.91	20,832.87	2,251.90	20,990.00	2,094.77	133,573.69	13,518.82	147,092.50
2012	Bridge Fund	Repair & Replacement	Common CRF	31.18	214,776.29	35,000.00	2,906.51	0.00	252,684.80	12,874.95	3,934.30	0.00	16,809.25	269,494.05	27,275.13	296,769.18
1991	Fire Department	Equipment	Common CRF	18.70	106,870.91	40,000.00	1,708.65	0.00	148,579.46	10,712.78	2,293.39	0.00	13,006.17	161,585.63	16,333.87	177,939.50
1988	Highway Department	Heavy Equipment	Common CRF	24.34	121,531.01	75,000.00	2,183.41	0.00	198,714.42	8,746.87	2,906.71	0.00	11,653.58	210,368.00	21,291.07	231,659.07
2010	Library Building Needs	Building Fund	Common CRF	1.81	9,719.47	5,000.00	163.59	0.00	14,883.06	558.12	218.40	0.00	777.52	15,660.58	1,594.99	17,245.57
1997	Parks & Conservation	Land Purchase	Common CRF	0.22	209.87	0.00	20.74	0.00	229.61	1,625.64	28.33	0.00	1,653.97	1,883.58	190.63	2,074.21
2011	Pelisse Department	Equipment	Common CRF	1.04	7,875.08	0.00	98.73	0.00	7,973.81	654.51	134.82	0.00	989.33	8,961.14	906.95	9,868.09
Total Capital Reserves				100	698,265.77	233,300.00	9,481.98	130,727.34	810,340.41	61,898.09	12,980.90	20,990.00	53,888.99	864,229.40	87,467.52	951,696.92
Total Town				100	698,265.77	233,300.00	9,481.98	130,727.34	810,340.41	61,898.09	12,980.90	20,990.00	53,888.99	864,229.40	87,467.52	951,696.92
GRAND TOTAL: CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS															87,467.52	951,696.92
GRAND TOTAL: ALSTEAD															187,387.52	1,877,338.28

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SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY **Librarian Report**

Worldwide the year 2020 was like no other, and this held true at Shedd-Porter Memorial Library. In fact, the year was sharply divided into “Pre-COVID-19”, and “During COVID-19.” As the virus spread around the world, we had to learn and adapt. This was a year of reimagined library services. As we had to limit our ability to meet with each other or enter enclosed spaces, we developed innovative services and ways to connect with the community. Most importantly, we were free of illness, and were so happy to see COVID-19 numbers low in Alstead and Langdon throughout the year.

The library was open for regular service through March 14th, 2020. During this time, Shedd-Porter was bustling:

- We welcomed 2687 patrons into the building.
- We offered computer services to 239 patrons.
- We enjoyed a delightful evening with Rebecca Rule, author of *Moved and Seconded*, thanks to a grant from NH Humanities.
- Our Adult Coloring group met twice per month on Thursday evenings for fun chat and coloring. Please feel free to join them once we are able to meet again!
- We hosted nine Storytimes on Fridays for our youngest patrons.
- Team Read is our book group for ages 7-9. The Team met in January and February, and was led by Jessi Dussault. Thank you so much Jessi, for starting this new club, as well as making it a delightful opportunity for our youth to meet, talk about books, and craft.
- Civil Conversation met every 3rd Saturday offering stimulating, moderated discussion about politics and the events of the day. Please feel free to join us once we can meet safely outdoors in the Spring!
- We hosted Cinnamon Bun Saturday on the last Saturday of the month, featuring the amazing cinnamon buns of Karn McShane. This is a great opportunity to meet with neighbors and catch up with the community. We look forward to its return!

From March 13th through May 18th the building was closed due to the pandemic. Although in-person services had to stop, we worked behind the scenes.

- We provided many remote technology help and instruction sessions on the NH Downloadables lending system. This app, Libby by Overdrive, became an even more critical lending tool for patrons of all ages. If you would ever like to access the downloadable books and audiobooks available for free with your library card, please do not hesitate to contact Shedd-Porter! We're here to help!
- Our internet service continued to provide access for patrons 24/7 outside the building.
- We continued through the pandemic to offer Storytime via Zoom to our youngest patrons.
- Our own Kat Stiles offered calming, insightful, and inspirational “Poetry Moments” via Facebook. Thank you, Kat!
- We developed a new website – www.Sheddporter.org. Many thanks to Trustee Carol Reller for her help with this project. It's a great way to access the library and its offerings, as well as many online resources. We hope you check it out!

2020 TOWN OF ALSTEAD ANNUAL REPORT

SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY **Librarian Report - continued**

As more was learned about the virus, we were able to reopen for curbside book deliveries on May 18th. We were delighted to see patrons return! Over the summer, we continued to serve the community in new ways:

- Items circulated throughout the community via curbside appointments.
- We hosted three socially-distanced Civil Conversations, and three Cinnamon Bun Saturdays at the Gazebo on Millot Green. These were welcome chances to see each other, even though we were masked and spread out! These opportunities to connect with neighbors will resume as soon as the weather permits in the Spring.
- Summer Reading was different this year. We are grateful for a grant from the NH State Library providing us access to Readsquared.com. This web-based program managed our Summer Reading program this year.
- We co-sponsored an online summer Reading event with the Acworth Silsby Library. “Wildlife Encounters” was virtual, but still was a great way for area children to learn about and see up close some really wild critters.
- A fun new afternoon for youth at the library, Krafternoons with Kat, is led by Kat Stiles. We are grateful for a grant from the State Library to begin these workshops. Due to COVID-19, we had to adjust the “Krafternoon” into “Make and Take” crafts. A new craft project is available for elementary aged children each month. Please stop by to pick one up!

This fall, we were able to invite patrons into the library again. We were delighted to see you!

- We offered socially-distanced Storytimes on the Lawn when the weather permitted.
- Team Read is now led by Lindsey Elsesser, and the group met in a socially-distanced way in early November. Thank you for leading this wonderful club forward Lindsey!
- We continued to provide books to the classrooms at Alstead Primary School and Sarah Porter School.

Throughout the year and beyond:

- We welcomed 42 new patrons.
- 11,495 items were checked out by the community.
- Due to the pandemic, the NH State Inter-Library Loan system was not in operation from mid-March through September 15th. Shedd-Porter did utilize the system as much as possible during the months of operation. In 2020, we borrowed 382 items for patrons. We loaned 365 items out to other libraries in the state.
- We added 925 items to our shelves.
- We continued our partnership with the LEAF School, hosting our second Intern. We look forward to more collaboration and learning!

Despite these challenging times, the community supported Shedd-Porter in many ways, and we are so grateful.

- Before the pandemic closed the library, Cynthia Phippen, Mary Ellen Perreault, Jessi Dussault, and Margaret Perry faithfully volunteered their time to help Shedd-Porter’s operations run smoothly. Thank you so much!
- A generous anonymous donor continues to provide our subscription to the *New York Times*. Due to the pandemic, the subscription is currently on hold. As soon as we can offer in-person services again, we look forward to welcoming you back to enjoy the paper.

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SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Librarian Report - continued

- We are so grateful to the Holmes family for continuing their support of the Marion Holmes Summer Reading Club.
- We received many other generous monetary donations from patrons. These funds are used to support collection development and programming.
- We are so grateful to have received a “Moose Plates” Historic Preservation Grant. These funds are being used to restore the paint and plaster in our front stairwell. Thank you to Joe Levesque for making the application!
- Matt Saxton gave the outside book drop a fresh coat of paint. Thank you, Matt!
- Michael Hawkins built the two supports for our plexiglass guard at the circulation desk. Thank you, Michael!

Looking forward, I am always happy to help patrons find a book of interest to them or make reading suggestions! I’ve done this many times this year especially when people are not able to enter the building to browse. Please never hesitate to ask! I’m also always happy to provide technology help with Overdrive/Libby over the phone or email – that will never change!

I am so very grateful to the resilient staff members at Shedd-Porter. Gaale Klein, Kat Stiles, and Lindsey Elsesser: I am lucky to work with you! Laura LaMears deserves special recognition for taking such good care of the building: Thank you very much Laura!

The Trustees of the Library deserve very special thanks and recognition. Matt Saxton, Karn McShane, Carol Reller, Susan Norlander, Kathy Torrey, and Joe Levesque (alternate) gave freely of their time and talents during this challenging year. There are few words to express how truly grateful I am for their time, support, and leadership of Shedd-Porter Memorial Library.

With the arrival of a vaccine, there is a light at the end of this bleak, COVID-19 tunnel. I cannot wait to welcome patrons back into the building, share the computers with the public, and host programs at the library! I look forward to a new year as Shedd-Porter returns to its happy, busy, and positive rhythms. All of us at the library wish you good health, and look forward to seeing you in the Library soon.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyson Montgomery

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SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY Board of Trustees

Yikes! 2020 tested us all, and it ain't over yet!

At the Library, we Trustees had to be flexible. Led by our intrepid librarian Alyson, we found ways to keep the library as available as could be under the circumstances.

The year began reasonably enough. We pressed forward in arranging for the plaster repair project in the staircases. Alternate Trustee Joe Levesque worked to find grant possibilities to help pay for the project. In the end, he was successful! In November, the Library received a grant from the NH Division of Historical resources (Moose Plates)! Great work, Joe! In the silver lining department, this work has just been completed (January 8th 2021), while the Library was in curbside service mode. The vast staging over the staircases for access to the walls was not an obstacle to our patrons. We thank the plasterers, John and Louis Vachon of Modern Drywall and Plaster. Chris Morrill Painting has consulted on the project and will commence painting once plaster is set and dry.

In March, the Trustees said goodbye to Trustee Jeff Smull, who served many years as Treasurer. Thank you, Jeff! We also welcomed Kathy Torrey to the board.

2020 was the year to update the Library website. Trustee Carol Reller took the project in hand and, working with Alyson and a website professional, created what you will find now at sheddporter.org. Check it out! Great job Carol!

We had an emergency meeting on March 15, when we voted, with regret, to close the Library. And so it began.....

In May, we had our first of many meetings on ZOOM. As it turns out, ZOOM works very well.

The Library opened by appointment on July 1, and then went to curbside service on December 1, which is how we ended the year and began 2021.

Through all of this our patron numbers were good.

Alyson and Gaale answer the phone and are as helpful as can be. Phone patrons requested books, interlibrary loans (ILL), DVD's, downloadables, and suggestions, picking up their choices later. Kat kept the children's programs going using new and creative ways, including make and take crafts and ZOOM Storytimes.

The Library started Tuesday afternoon hours, opening from 2 to 5 PM. We hear this has been well received.

Donations in 2020 were very good. Thank you all!! The Reed Family Trust was especially generous and we are grateful! The Reed family are descendants of John Graves Shedd and Mary Roenna Porter who caused the Library to be built in 1910 in memory of their parents.

The State audit of our finances found everything satisfactory. Trustee Karn McShane keeps the books. Great job, Karn!

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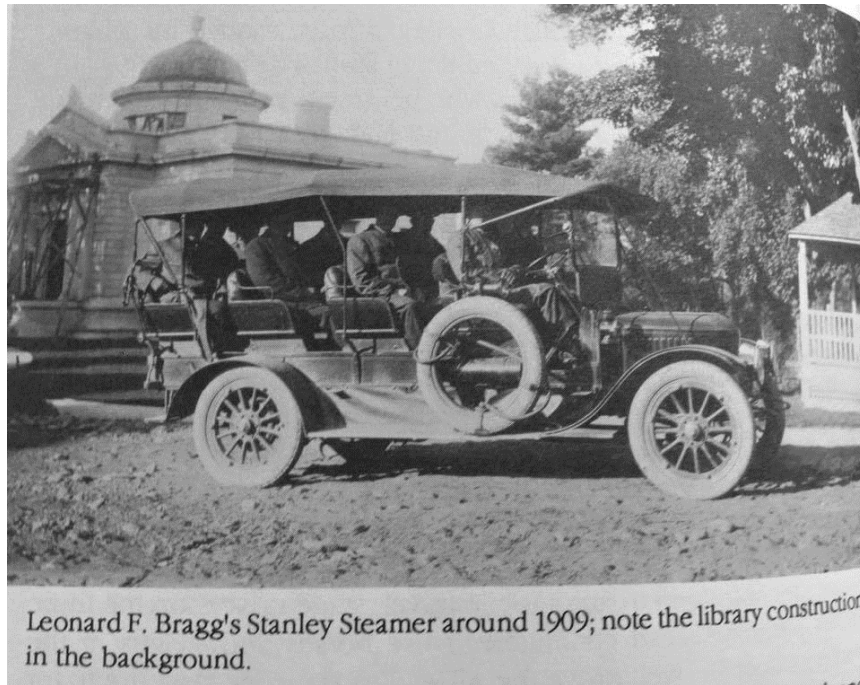
SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Board of Trustees - continued

We grieve the loss of the full use of our great library, and yearn for a time to come-when we can get back to normal. In the meantime, there are many who are going to the extra effort to make good use of all that Shedd-Porter offers. It can be done!

Check our website for hours, open status, Trustee meeting minutes, announcements, and other goodies. You can also call during operating hours at 835-6661 or you can email Alyson at librarian@sheddporter.org. The Library is OPEN!

Respectfully Submitted,

Matt Saxton, Chair
Susan Norlander, Vice-Chair
Karn McShane, Treasurer
Carol Reller, Secretary
Kathy Torrey, Trustee
Joe Levesque, Alternate Trustee



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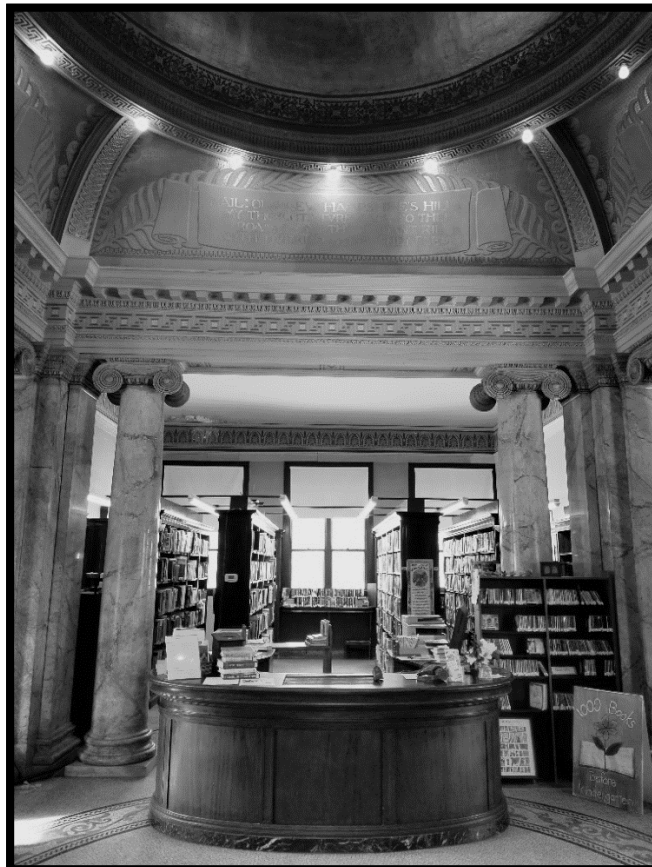
SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Financial Report of the Library Trustees

	<u>Balance</u> <u>01/01/20</u>	<u>Net Gain</u> <u>(Loss)</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/20</u>
<u>Private Trusts</u>			
*John & Mary Shedd Trust	\$104,971.92	\$2,681.58	\$107,653.50
<u>Book Funds</u>			
Holmes Summer Reading Fund	5,442.77	139.04	5,581.88
Maxine Craig Fund	2,113.87	54.01	2,167.88
Mr. & Mrs. Pitcher Fund	22,704.82	580.01	23,284.83
Ruth Gleason Lufkin Fund	<u>16,664.03</u>	<u>425.70</u>	<u>17,089.73</u>
Total Book Fund	<u>46,925.49</u>	<u>1,198.76</u>	<u>48,124.25</u>
<u>Operating Accounts</u>			
Reed Family Foundation	32,953.80	1,629.31	34,583.11
Savings Account	17,296.33	855.20	18,151.53
Savings Account-Local	00.00	30,001.03	30,001.03
Checking Account	<u>19,607.75</u>	<u>00.00</u>	<u>12,402.82</u>
Total Operating Accounts	<u>57,059.73</u>	<u>1,026.80</u>	<u>71,028.78</u>
Grand Totals	<u>221,755.29</u>	<u>36,365.88</u>	<u>250,916.24</u>

*The Shedd-Porter Memorial Library is restricted to receiving only earnings from this fund and cannot draw on the principal

Respectfully Submitted,

Karn McShane
 Treasurer SPML



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HISTORICAL SOCIETY

2020 as we all know has been to some degree disruptive to our normal schedule. This has been the case with the Historical Society.

We were only able to publish two "Alstead Vintage Times" newsletters. We plan to publish additional issues in 2021.

We opened the museum on four Sunday afternoons during the summer observing mask and social distance guidelines. We were very pleased to have many new visitors to our museum.

The society's records and work room at the Municipal Office building was open all but three or four Thursday afternoons during 2020. It was great to have the additional space in which to work on various projects, provided by the addition to our office which was completed early in 2020.

As many people found themselves spending more time at home, in order to keep busy and tackle projects they never had time for, some went to the basement, the attic, the shed or barn to clean and organize. This actually resulted in the Historical Society receiving many donations of items for our museum and a wealth of old records and photos, some dating back to the late 1700's and early 1800's. We would like to thank all the people that donated items.

We were able to build and install four display panels on the walls of the newly renovated town hall. On these panels we placed early photos of papermill village (Alstead), Alstead Center, East Alstead and the original Town Hall.

We welcome new members and anyone interested in Alstead's history to join us in preserving our towns history.

We are open at our Municipal Building office Thursday's 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The Museum is open by appointment and as advertised.

For appointment call:

Bruce Bellows	835-6751
Marie Harling	835-6972
David Moody	835-7900
Margaret Perry	835-6925

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce Bellows, President

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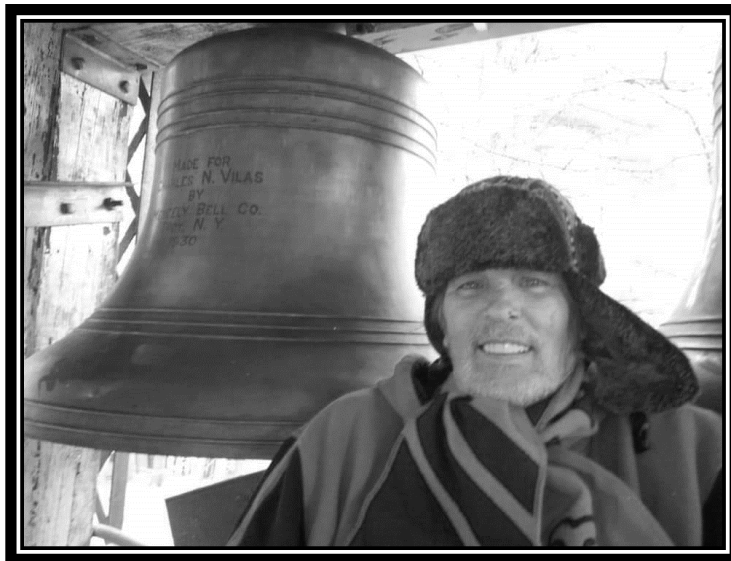
VILAS POOL

The park was closed during the 2020 season due to COVID-19.

The Vilas Pool Park Management Committee would like to donate this page in memory of Johnny Goodwin from Acworth, NH. Johnny was Park Host from 2013 – 2015. Johnny loved the park and after declining health issues still managed to visit the park to play the carillon bells. Johnny was a proud veteran, musician and loved our community. On January 13, 2021 Johnny passed away peacefully under hospice care.

Respectfully submitted,

Vilas Pool Park Management Committee



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BROADBAND COMMITTEE

The Alstead Broadband Committee was established in the summer of 2020 as an advisory committee to the Alstead Select Board, to investigate and recommend possible solutions to enhance and improve broadband options for all the citizens of Alstead. We had hoped to develop a viable broadband solution in time to present a Warrant Article to the Town for the 2021 Town Meeting.

Unfortunately, we were unable to reach an agreement with any service providers to form a partnership in our effort to get a fast, reliable internet connection to those in town struggling with terrible or non-existent service. As such, we disbanded as an official committee in December. However, we are continuing our efforts in a less formal manner.

On the bright side, we did learn a lot. We were able to find some smaller-scale solutions to hold folks over until something better comes along. Most importantly, we believe that something better will be coming along within the next year or so. Between Low Earth Orbit satellite companies bringing their networks online, utilities upgrading their aging infrastructure, and the big cellular companies all getting into the fixed wireless home internet business, we have high hopes.

I want to thank the rest of the committee who attended meetings every week for 6 months, donated their own money for supplies and postage, and volunteered countless hours to this endeavor.

If you are struggling with terrible internet, please email us to see if we can find a solution for your specific situation. We would also love to hear from you if you have ideas, know of any potential services we may have missed, or just want to be on our list to receive updates.

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon Kemp, Chair
AlsteadBroadbandChair@gmail.com

Joe Levesque, Vice Chair
Mark Mastrocinque, Secretary
James Howard
Chris Rietmann
JoAnn Lemieux
Allan Kauders
Joel McCarty

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RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION

2020 was a trying time for everyone. I would like to thank the Town of Alstead residents and Town of Langdon residents for their abilities to overcome some of our obstacle. We shipped 745 ton of MSW (municipal solid waste- trash), C&D (construction & demolition) 165 ton. Total was 910 ton which was an increase over our last 4 years.

2020 we recycled 37.8 ton of mixed paper, 52.40 ton of corrugated cardboard, 4.40 of electronics, 95 freon units, 6.60 ton of tires, 59 propane tanks, .28 ton of fluorescent lights, 4.54 ton of aluminum cans and 85 ton of metal.

2020 revenue was \$74,032.21. In 2021 we have a warrant article #13 to purchase a baler. The plan is to bale corrugated cardboard, aluminum cans and start taking and recycling #1 and #2 plastic bottles. This gives us the opportunity to find better pricing and use less trucking. Of course, it will help our environment.

I would like to thank all the transfer station employees: Robert Esslinger, Jr., Shaena Hakey, Jean Kelly, Jeremy Powers and Tom Gay.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jodi Kercewich

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RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION - continued



Northeast Resource Recovery Association

"Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions"

Alstead, NH

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact your recycling has had on our environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling organization, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled in 2020	Environmental Impact! Here is only one benefit of recycling materials rather than manufacturing products from virgin resources
Aluminum Cans	10,160 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a television for 1,034,288 hours!
Electronics	10,833 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to power 1.4 houses for one year!
Paper	90.2 tons	Saved 1,534 trees!
Tires	7.4 tons	Conserved 4.9 barrels of oil!

Avoided Emissions:

Recycling uses much less energy than making products from virgin resources, and using less energy means fewer greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere.

*By recycling the materials above, you have avoided about **363 tons** of carbon dioxide emissions This is the equivalent of removing **77 passenger cars** from the road for an entire year.*

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VITAL STATISTICS

Alstead Resident Birth Report January 1-December 31, 2020

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Father's/Mother's Name</u>
Elliston, Esmæ Athena	01/06	Alstead	Elliston, Matthias Elliston, Ronja
Hendrick, Estelle Viola	06/22	Alstead	Ian Hendrick Morris, Brenna
Parrott, Harper Mae	07/07	Lebanon	Parrott, Nicholas Parrott, Stacey
Clark, Lacey May	08/28	Keene	Clark Jr, William Clark, Kira
Jenks, Faelynn Rose	08/29	Peterborough	Jenks, William Sargent, Megan
Bermudez, Elijah Alton	09/08	Lebanon	Bermudez II, Mark Dearden, Sarah
Allen, Fiona Jetts	09/20	Lebanon	Allen, Matthew Allen, Jetts

Alstead Resident Marriage Report January 1-December 31, 2020

<u>Person A's Name</u>	<u>Person B's Name</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Date of Marriage</u>
Sharpe, Cameron S	Yeatman, Olivia D	Concord	01/25
Johnson, Scott	Hakey, Brenda J	Hancock	02/29
Travers, Owen H	Ewing, Lindsay M	Carroll	04/02
Cheney, Nathan R	Mitchell, Kristin A	Chesterfield	04/20
Gilbert, Ryan E	Fetzer, Tammy J	Alstead	05/30
Peltier, Daniel N	Malila, Ashley L	Henniker	06/06
Wilson Jr, James E	Cook, Lindsay J	Alstead	07/19
Field, Daniel A	Quinn, Verina O	Alstead	09/26
Davis II, Robert E	Joslyn, Jeannie P	Keene	10/03
Rhoades, Randall F	Oliver, Alyssa J	Alstead	10/10
Zimmer, Jeffrey S	Burnell, Elizabeth T	Campton	10/17

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VITAL STATISTICS - continued

Alstead Resident Death Report January 1-December 31, 2020

<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Galeota, James J	Keene	01/19
Anderson, Francis W	Manchester	02/14
Couitt, Mary Joyce	Alstead	02/22
Luce, Anna Louise	Claremont	03/17
King, Geoffrey Lawrence	Alstead	03/17
Kehoe, Donald James	Alstead	03/20
Ward, Erwin Walter	Alstead	04/25
Crosby, Edith L	Lebanon	06/09
Vigneault, Leonard Roger	Alstead	06/24
Monty Sr, Paul C	Alstead	07/25
Mackenzie, John Gilbert	Alstead	09/12
St. Pierre, Sandra L	Alstead	09/17
Koson, Peter D	Lebanon	09/24
Lawlor, Anne Elisabeth	Manchester	10/21
Anderson, John Richard	Alstead	11/08
Zdrodowski, Joseph John	Lebanon	11/11
Blood, Guy G	Alstead	11/19
Barratt, Bernard Ralph	Alstead	11/21
Thompson, Paul William	Lebanon	11/28
Bishop, Roger F	Alstead	12/04
Simms, Tammy L	Lebanon	12/20



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Land Value Only		Acres	Valuation
1A	Current Use RSA 79-A	18,140.66	\$1,374,653
1B	Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B	570.19	\$36,556
1C	Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	0.00	\$0
1D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	0.00	\$0
1E	Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0.00	\$0
1F	Residential Land	4,959.13	\$67,722,800
1G	Commercial/Industrial Land	68.22	\$1,020,700
1H	Total of Taxable Land	23,738.20	\$70,154,709
1I	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	485.04	\$2,958,700

Buildings Value Only		Structures	Valuation
2A	Residential	0	\$112,750,680
2B	Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31	0	\$2,512,700
2C	Commercial/Industrial	0	\$3,583,800
2D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	1	\$17,820
2E	Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0	\$0
2F	Total of Taxable Buildings	0	\$118,865,000
2G	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings	0	\$5,773,500

Utilities & Timber		Valuation
3A	Utilities	\$4,679,800
3B	Other Utilities	\$0
4	Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5	\$0
5	Valuation before Exemption	\$193,699,509

Exemptions		Total Granted	Valuation
6	Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a	0	\$0
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b V	0	\$0
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a	0	\$0
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23-IV	0	\$0
10A	Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA	0	\$0
10B	Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a	0	\$0
11	Modified Assessed Value of All Properties		\$193,699,509

Optional Exemptions		Amount Per	Total	Valuation
12	Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	\$15,000	1	\$15,000
13	Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a,b	\$0	2	\$100,000
14	Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b	\$0	0	\$0
15	Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	\$0	0	\$0
16	Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	\$0	0	\$0
17	Solar Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:62	\$0	18	\$103,000
18	Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	\$0	0	\$0
19	Additional School Dining/Dorm/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23	\$0	0	\$0
19A	Electric Energy Storage Systems RSA 72:85	\$0	0	\$0

20	Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		\$218,000
21A	Net Valuation		\$193,481,509
21B	Less TIF Retained Value		\$0
21C	Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value		\$193,481,509
21D	Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption		\$0
21E	Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value and Comm/Ind Construction		\$193,481,509
22	Less Utilities		\$4,679,800
23A	Net Valuation without Utilities		\$188,801,709
23B	Net Valuation without Utilities, Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value		\$188,801,709



Utility Value Appraiser

Brian Fogg, LLC

The municipality **DOES NOT** use DRA utility values. The municipality **IS NOT** equalized by the ratio.

Electric Company Name	Distr.	Distr. (Other)	Gen.	Trans.	Valuation
LIBERTY UTILITIES (GRANITE STATE ELECTRIC) CORP	\$4,104,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,104,800
NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$360,000	\$360,000
PSNH DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY	\$215,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$215,000
	\$4,319,800	\$0	\$0	\$360,000	\$4,679,800



Veteran's Tax Credits	Limits	Number	Est. Tax Credits
Veterans' Tax Credit RSA 72:28	\$300	58	\$17,400
Surviving Spouse RSA 72:29-a	\$700	1	\$700
Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability RSA 72:35	\$1,400	4	\$5,600
All Veterans Tax Credit RSA 72:28-b	\$0	0	\$0
Combat Service Tax Credit RSA 72:28-c	\$0	0	\$0
		63	\$23,700

Deaf & Disabled Exemption Report			
Deaf Income Limits		Deaf Asset Limits	
Single	\$0	Single	\$0
Married	\$0	Married	\$0
Disabled Income Limits		Disabled Asset Limits	
Single	\$0	Single	\$0
Married	\$0	Married	\$0

Elderly Exemption Report						
First-time Filers Granted Elderly Exemption for the Current Tax Year		Total Number of Individuals Granted Elderly Exemptions for the Current Tax Year and Total Number of Exemptions Granted				
Age	Number	Age	Number	Amount	Maximum	Total
65-74	0	65-74	0	\$20,000	\$0	\$0
75-79	0	75-79	1	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
80+	0	80+	1	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000
			2		\$100,000	\$100,000
Income Limits		Asset Limits				
Single	\$17,500	Single	\$40,000			
Married	\$24,000	Married	\$40,000			

Has the municipality adopted Community Tax Relief Incentive? (RSA 79-E)	Granted/Adopted? No	Structures:
Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Certain Chartered Public School Facilities? (RSA 79-H)	Granted/Adopted? No	Properties:
Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Qualifying Historic Buildings? (RSA 79-G)	Granted/Adopted? No	Properties:
Has the municipality adopted the optional commercial and industrial construction exemption? (RSA 72:76-78 or RSA 72:80-83)	Granted/Adopted? No	Properties:
	Percent of assessed value attributable to new construction to be exempted:	
	Total Exemption Granted:	
Has the municipality granted any credits under the low-income housing tax credit tax program? (RSA 75:1-a)	Granted/Adopted? No	Properties:
	Assessed value prior to effective date of RSA 75:1-a:	
	Current Assessed Value:	



Current Use RSA 79-A	Total Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	1,344.29	\$334,362
Forest Land	9,948.35	\$747,469
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	6,201.70	\$278,310
Unproductive Land	218.02	\$4,855
Wet Land	428.30	\$9,657
	18,140.66	\$1,374,653

Other Current Use Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	4,223.17
Total Number of Acres Removed from Current Use During Current Tax Year	Acres:	2.70
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	Owners:	300
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	Parcels:	442

Land Use Change Tax

Gross Monies Received for Calendar Year		\$0
Conservation Allocation	Percentage: 0.00%	Dollar Amount: \$2,000
Monies to Conservation Fund		\$0
Monies to General Fund		\$0

Conservation Restriction Assessment Report RSA 79-B

	Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	10.70	\$3,516
Forest Land	417.24	\$26,775
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	123.80	\$5,840
Unproductive Land	18.20	\$419
Wet Land	0.25	\$6
	570.19	\$36,556

Other Conservation Restriction Assessment Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	84.00
Total Number of Acres Removed from Conservation Restriction During Current Tax Year	Acres:	
Owners in Conservation Restriction	Owners:	8
Parcels in Conservation Restriction	Parcels:	11



Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	Acres	Owners	Assessed Valuation
	0.00	0	\$0

Taxation of Farm Structures and Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F				
Number Granted	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
0	0	0.00	\$0	\$0

Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D				
Owners	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
1	1	0.00	\$0	\$17,820

Map	Lot	Block	%	Description
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Tax Increment Financing District	Date	Original	Unretained	Retained	Current
<i>This municipality has no TIF districts.</i>					

Revenues Received from Payments in Lieu of Tax	Revenue	Acres
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreational and/or land from MS-434, account 3356 and 3357	\$2.00	3.00
White Mountain National Forest only, account 3186	\$0.00	0.00

Payments in Lieu of Tax from Renewable Generation Facilities (RSA 72:74)	Amount
<i>This municipality has not adopted RSA 72:74 or has no applicable PILT sources.</i>	

Other Sources of Payments in Lieu of Taxes (MS-434 Account 3186)	Amount
<i>This municipality has no additional sources of PILTs.</i>	

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