

HOPKINTON ANNUAL TOWN REPORT 1996



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About the cover

The covered highway bridge in Contoocook is pictured in this view of Contoocook village. According to C.C. Lord's *Life and Times of Hopkinton*, the town voted to build the original bridge in 1794. In 1795, "further action was taken in regard to the proposed new bridge, among the provisions being that each man that worked on it should have one gill of rum a day. On the 1st day of the next September, the town voted to 'set up the bridge at public vendue,' in prospect of its erection, and on the 19th of April, 1796, to raise \$367 to pay for it."

The covered bridge was replaced by the current stone highway bridge in 1935.

— *Photograph courtesy of The New Hampshire Antiquarian Society, Hopkinton*

Dedication

The 1996 Town Report is dedicated
to the memory of

BERNARD G. FOSTER

Bernard Foster died on March 31, 1995. He was not a native of New Hampshire but was born and grew up in Canaan, Maine. He graduated from Skowhegan High School where he was a fine student and an outstanding athlete being All Maine in three sports (football, basketball, and baseball). He married a Hopkinton girl, Daisey Audrey Rhodenizer on February 27th 1944 while still on active duty as a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army. After the war he settled in Hopkinton and there began a long period of public service which we should all be very proud of.



He was first elected Road Agent in 1950 when we had two Agents, one the Contoocook Division and the Hopkinton Division to which "Bun" was elected. In 1954 the Town voted to have one Road Agent, to be appointed by the Selectmen and he was so appointed. He went on to continue in this position for 27 years, an outstanding achievement, in a very demanding position. In this job he was never one to just supervise but would do any task that his men had to do as this was his way.

"Bun" also was involved in many other community positions including: active volunteer fireman for over thirty-five years, Cemetery Sexton from 1954 to 1987, period of over 33 years, and many years as a Hopkinton Village Precinct Commissioner.

Bernard Foster was public spirited throughout his life here in Hopkinton as shown above but another side of him that was known by many of us was his willingness to help anyone in need. It made no difference the time of night, day, or weekend, if you needed help, "Bun" was there. If you were off the road, your water pipes were frozen, your sewer was plugged or you needed a few dollars to tide you over, "Bun" was there.

Hopkinton is the town it is today because of men like Bernard G. Foster.

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RICHARD ELDON CARRUTHERS

1917 - 1996

“Eldon” as he was known to most of us, served his country with distinction during World War II and then settled, worked and raised his family here after the war. During those early years he was most noted for his service to the youth of our community. This was evidenced by his over twenty years as a Contoocook Precinct Park Commissioner and a very noticeable improvement in George’s Park. His special care of the skating rink gave thousands of wonderful hours to so many of us. At the end of the war Town Team basketball came back to life and “Eldon” was a big part of this as a player, a coach, and then as an unpaid referee, giving his Sunday evenings to keep the program going for many years.

He was called to serve on the newly formed Sewer Committee and answered the call for eleven years and served as a member of the Cemetery Trustees for over seven years. Eldon served us long and well, young and old alike, and he will be sorely missed by all.

GREG HICKS

1946 - 1996

A friend to all, Greg had the unique ability to unite the community. Although he never was a member of the political scene, Greg was always at the Town and School District meetings giving his support, offering suggestions and supplying guidance to issues. He served as an active member of the Hopkinton Rescue Squad for many years; one of the “Elves” who had custody over SANTA in the middle of Contoocook Village; founder and president emeritus of the infamous DOMOC’s; and was always available to assist any community activity or function. Greg was one of the “characters” that molds a community. He will sorely be missed!

WILLIAM (HANK) RUBY

1951 - 1996

On September 26, 1996 Hank Ruby was killed in a motorcycle accident. Hank started with the Hopkinton Fire Department on January 1986 as a full-time firefighter E.M.T. Later that year he moved from Washington N.H. to Contoocook. His career went from firefighter to Lieutenant, Captain and 2nd Deputy Chief/Training Officer. In 1988 he accepted a position as a firefighter/company inspector for Concord Fire Department yet Hank remained active with Hopkinton Fire Department. At Concord Fire he later became Captain of fire prevention and was going to school to get his Masters in Public Administration. Hank had three children, coached girls softball and enjoyed hunting, fishing and carpentry. Working with Hank was always a pleasure, his technical knowledge and motivation was 110%. As a fellow firefighter, E.M.T. and friend, Hank will be greatly missed.

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Hours of Town Offices

The Selectmen's Office, Town Hall,
330 Main Street, is open the following
days and hours unless posted otherwise:

Monday - Wednesday and Friday

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Thursday

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Telephone Number 746-3170

**The Planning Board and Zoning
Board of Adjustment Coordinator**
will be in the office Monday through
Friday to assist with questions or con-
cerns relevant to planning and zoning.

The Town Clerk's Office,
44 Cedar Street, (Contoocook Grange
Hall) is open the following days and
hours unless posted otherwise:
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Telephone Number 746-3180

The Tax Collector's Office,
44 Cedar Street
(Contoocook Grange Hall)
is open the following days and hours
unless posted otherwise:
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Telephone Number 746-3179

Hopkinton Highway Department,
300 Maple Street
746-5118

Hopkinton / Webster Landfill,
491 East Penacook Road
746-3810

Dump Hours
Monday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Wednesday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Library Hours
Bates Library, 846 Main Street
746-3663
Tuesday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Wednesday 12:00 - 8:00 PM
Thursday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (September - May)

Police Department,
154 Pine Street
Non-Emergency 746-5151
24-Hour Number 746-4141
Emergency 911

Fire Department,
9 Pine Street; 110 Main Street
Non-Emergency 746-3181
Emergency 911

Parks & Recreation Department,
330 Main Street
746-2915

Town Committee Hours

The Board of Selectmen

Meets every Wednesday evening beginning at 5:00 PM at the Town Hall unless otherwise posted.

Hopkinton Cemetery Board

Meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Planning Board

Meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Road Committee

Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Town Garage.

Sewer Committee

Meets as needed; the date and time is posted a week ahead of time.

Conservation Committee

Meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM at the Kimball Lake Cabins.

Landfill Committee

Meets as needed; the date and time is posted a week ahead of time.

Recreation Committee

Meets quarterly or as needed; the date and time will be posted a week ahead of time.

Recycling Committee

Meets as needed; the date and time is posted a week ahead of time.

Joint Loss Management Committee

Meets quarterly; the date and time will be posted a week ahead of time.

Hopkinton Town Report

1996 Town Officers

***MODERATOR**

Gary Richardson Term Expires 1998

***SELECTMEN**

John Prewitt, Chairman Term Expires 1997

David Jensen Term Expires 1998

Barbara Unger Term Expires 1999

***TOWN CLERK**

Thomas Johnson Term Expires 1997

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Sue Strickford Term Expires 1997

***TAX COLLECTOR**

Sue Strickford Term Expires 1997

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Thomas Johnson Term Expires 1997

***TREASURER**

Owen French Term Expires 1997

DEPUTY TREASURER

Jeanne Prewitt Term Expires 1997

CHIEF OF POLICE

Ira Migdal

FIRE CHIEF

Peter Russell

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Richard Schaefer

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Thomas Krzyzaniak

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Leslie Townes

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

David Story

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Alice Monchamp

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Jane Margerum

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Peter Russell

WELFARE OFFICER

Marilyn Bresaw

BOARD OF HEALTH

Alice Monchamp, Health Officer	Term Expires 1997
John Prewitt	Term Expires 1997
David Jensen	Term Expires 1998
Barbara Unger	Term Expires 1999

*BUDGET COMMITTEE

Erick Leadbeater	Term Expires 1997
Thomas O'Donnell	Term Expires 1997
Luciele Gaskill, Chairperson	Term Expires 1998
Jeff Taylor	Term Expires 1998
Robert Wells	Term Expires 1999
Jane Bradstreet	Term Expires 1999
John Prewitt	Selectmen's Rep.
David Simmering	Hopkinton Precinct Rep.
Richard Strickford	Contoocook Precenct Rep.
Susan Sauer	School Board Rep.

*SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Phyllis Averill	Term Expires 1998
Mary Ella Cluff	Term Expires 2000
Edith Allison	Term Expires 2002

*TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Bonita Cressy, Chairperson	Term Expires 1997
Edward Horstmann	Term Expires 1998
Hays Junkin	Term Expires 1999

*LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Peter Mosseau	Term Expires 1997
Katrina Richardson, Chairperson	Term Expires 1998
Edward McGrath	Term Expires 1998
Christine Hamm	Term Expires 1999
Jane Swett, Treasurer	Term Expires 1999

FIREWARDS

Leonard George
Tom Krzyzaniak
Robert White

FENCE VIEWERS

Alfred Chandler
Richard Symonds
William Cressy (Deceased 1996)

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND TIMBER

Stan White
Charles Sawyer
John Herrick

TREE WARDEN

David Story

WEIGHER

Roger Andrus

TOWN ROAD COMMITTEE

Shad Wilson	Term Expires 1997
Donald Houston	Term Expires 1997
Vacancy	Term Expires 1998
Craig Green	Term Expires 1999

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Erick Leadbeater	Term Expires 1997
Robert French	Term Expires 1997

Leland Wilder	Term Expires 1997
Todd Aubertin	Term Expires 1998
Ronald Klemarczyk	Term Expires 1998
Derek Owen, Chairperson	Term Expires 1999
Melinda Payson	Term Expires 1999

PLANNING BOARD

Timothy Fortier	Term Expires 1997
Vacancy	Term Expires 1997
Bruce Ellsworth, Chairperson	Term Expires 1997
Timothy Britain	Term Expires 1998
Richard Flynn	Term Expires 1998
David Jensen (Slectmen's Rep.)	Term Expires 1998
Wanda Druding	Term Expires 1999

ALTERNATES

Richard Schoch	Term Expires 1997
Jane Bradstreet	Term Expires 1998
Kenneth Traum	Term Expires 1999

*CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Barbara Brown, Treasurer	Term Expires 1997
Robert Bean	Term Expires 1998
Susan Adams	Term Expires 1999

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Janet Krzyzaniak, Chairperson	Term Expires 1997
Richard Hesse	Term Expires 1997
George Langwasser	Term Expires 1998
Charles Koontz	Term Expires 1999
Toni Gray	Term Expires 1999

ALTERNATES

Richard Flynn	Term Expires 1997
Vacancy	Term Expires 1998
Tony Lamarine	Term Expires 1999

HOPKINTON-WEBSTER LANDFILL COMMITTEE

HOPKINTON REPRESENTATIVES

David Price	Term Expires 1997
James Damman	Term Expires 1998
Roger Bloomfield	Term Expires 1999

RECYCLING COMMITTEE

David Price (Landfill Liaison)	Term Expires 1997
John Porter	Term Expires 1997
Binney Wells	Term Expires 1998
Sue Pisinski, Chairperson	Term Expires 1999
Betsy Stefany	Term Expires 1999

RECREATION COMMITTEE

William Bean	Term Expires 1997
Richard Boss	Term Expires 1997
Barbara Boatwright, Chairperson	Term Expires 1998
Mark Bates	Term Expires 1998
Derek Owen	Term Expires 1998
Doug Brown	Term Expires 1999
John Madden (School Board Rep.)	Term Expires 1999

SEWER COMMITTEE

William Chapin	Term Expires 1997
Donald Drescher	Term Expires 1998
David Jensen (Selectmen's Rep.)	Term Expires 1998
Stuart Nelson	Term Expires 1999
Paul Smith	Term Expires 1999

*PRECINCT COMMISSIONERS

HOPKINTON

David Simmering, Chairperson	Term Expires 1997
Celeste Hemingson	Term Expires 1998
Craig Dunning	Term Expires 1999

CONTOOCCOOK

Jon Richardson, Chairperson	Term Expires 1997
Richard Strickford	Term Expires 1998
Mark Connelly	Term Expires 1999

*REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT

- Derek Owen, Hopkinton
- Stephen DeStefano, Bow
- Patricia Krueger, Dunbarton
- Eric Anderson, Bow

*STATE SENATOR

- Sylvia Larsen, Concord

* *Elected Officials*

Hopkinton Town

Employees

Department

Position

Selectmen's Office

Margaret Astles	Bookkeeper
Jane Margerum	Assessing Assistant
Carol McCann	Secretary (Part-time)
Alice Monchamp	Town Administrator

Town Clerk / Tax Collector's Office

Barbara Boatwright	Secretary / Assistant Tax Collector (Part-time)
Thomas Johnson	Town Clerk
Nancy Remick	Secretary / Assistant Town Clerk (Part-time)
Sue Strickford	Tax Collector

Planning and Zoning

Karen Mayo	Planning / Zoning Coordinator
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Police Department

Robert Arseneault	Patrolman II
Nathan Berry	Patrolman I (Part-time)
Robert Carruthers	Police Sergeant
Brian Corson	Rabies (Animal) Control Officer (Part-time)
Walter Dwinells	Patrolman I (Part-time)
John Eichhorn	Patrolman I (Part-time)
Lawrence Hilton	Patrolman I (Part-time)
Thelma McManus	Clerk / Dispatcher (Part-time)
Christopher Metalious	Patrolman II
Ira Migdal	Police Chief
Michael Morrison	Patrolman I (Part-time)
Abbott Presby	Patrolman I (Part-time)
Kathleen Schoch	Clerk / Dispatcher (Administrative Secretary to Chief)

William Simpson	Patrolman II
Thomas Walsh	Patrolman I (Part-time)
Rodney Watson	Patrolman I (Part-time)

Fire Department

Raymond Eaton	Firefighter / EMT
John Pianka	Lieutenant

Public Works

Kent Barton	Equipment Operator II
Harold Blanchette	Asst. Supt. Public Works - Highways
Brian Cayer	Equipment Operator I
Bruce Cayer	Equipment Operator I (Part-time)
Stephen Clough	Asst. Supt. of Public Works - Waste
Louis Corson	Equipment Operator I (Part-time)
Robert Davis	Equipment Operator II (Solid Waste Facility Operator)
Fred Donovan	Equipment Operator I (Solid Waste Facility Attendant)
Richard Drown	Equipment Operator II (Part-time)
Henry Gagne	Equipment Operator I (Part-time)
Nathan Holmes	Equipment Operator I (Part-time)
Peter Holmes	Equipment Operator II (Part-time)
Robert McCabe	Equipment Operator I
Ken Miller	Equipment Operator I
Allison Mock	Equipment Operator I (Part-time)
David Price	Equipment Operator I (Part-time)
Warren Sawyer	Equipment Operator II (Part-time)
David Story	Superintendent of Public Works
John Windhurst	Laborer (Part-time)
Jeff Yale	Equipment Operator I (Part-time)

Library

Marcia Bartlett	Librarian II (Part-time)
Elaine Distefano	Librarian I (Part-time)
June Mortenson	Librarian I (Part-time)
Barbara Semple	Librarian II (Children's Librarian) (Part-time)

Becky SchulzLibrary Director
Carol WallerLibrarian I (Part-time)

Parks & Recreation

Vint ChoiniereRecreation Director

Welfare

Marilyn BresawWelfare Officer (Part-time)

Warrant for the 1997 Annual Town Meeting The State of New Hampshire

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THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:30 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hopkinton, in the County of MERRIMACK, in the said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said HOPKINTON on Tuesday, the 11th of March, 1997, next at 7:30 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To see what action the Town will take with respect to the following amendments to the Zoning Ordinance by voting by ballot upon the following questions:

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend Section II, Paragraph 2.1.H.1 by deleting the existing definition entitled ``Home Occupation'' and substituting the following definition of ``Home Business'':

``Home Business'' shall mean any business or profession conducted entirely within a dwelling, or an accessory building located on the same premises as the dwelling, which (a) entails contact with the general public at the premises, (b) is capable of being unobtrusively pursued, (c) creates no nuisance nor any environmental, health or safety concerns, (d) is clearly incidental and subordinate to the dwelling use, (e) does not change either the character of the dwelling as a residence or the character of the neighborhood in which the Home Business is established, (f) is conducted by the resident owner(s) of the dwelling, (g) employs not more than one person outside the Family (as defined in Section II, Paragraph 2.1.F.1), and (h) utilizes an area (either in the dwelling or in an accessory building) of not more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the total floor area of the dwelling (including any functional basement) or five hundred (500) square feet, whichever is less. A Home Business shall be subject to the provisions of Section III, Paragraph 3.7.3 of this Ordinance.

Yes____

No____

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add new Paragraph 2.1.H.2 entitled ``Home Occupation'' to Section II as follows:

``Home Occupation`` shall mean any individual business or profession conducted entirely within a dwelling which (a) entails no contact with the general public at the dwelling (except normal postal and commercial delivery services), (b) is capable of being unobtrusively pursued, (c) creates no nuisance nor any environmental, health or safety concerns, (d) is clearly incidental and subordinate to the dwelling use, (e) does not change either the character of the dwelling as a residence or the character of the neighborhood in which the Home Occupation is established, (f) is conducted solely by the resident owner(s) of the dwelling, and (g) utilizes an area of not more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the total floor area of the dwelling (including any functional basement) or 500 square feet, whichever is less. Home Occupations shall be subject to the provisions of Section III, Paragraph 3.7.5 of this Ordinance.

Yes____

No____

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add new Paragraph 2.1.T.1 entitled ``Telecommuting`` to Section II as follows:

``Telecommuting`` shall mean the use of a dwelling by the resident owner(s) thereof for the purposes of providing services for communicating with such owner(s)' off-premises business employer by means of telecommunication facilities, including without limitation, facsimile, modem, and/or telephone, and through postal and light commercial delivery services. Other means of communication and delivery service shall not be permitted in connection with this use unless the resident owner(s) otherwise satisfy the requirements of this Ordinance for such manner of communication and delivery service. Telecommuting shall be subject to the provisions of Section III, Paragraph 3.7.5 of this Ordinance.

Yes____

No____

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To re-number existing Paragraph 2.1.T.1 of Section II to Paragraph 2.1.T.2.

Yes____

No____

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend Section III, Table 3.6, section A regarding
``Residential Uses'' as follows:

- a. Amend Item 8 by changing ``Home Occupation'' to ``Home Business''.
- b. Add Item 11 ``Home Occupation in accordance with Section III, Paragraph 3.7.5'' as a permitted use in all districts.
- c. Add Item 12 ``Telecommuting in accordance with Section III, Paragraph 3.7.5'' as a permitted use in all districts.

Yes____

No____

6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend Section III, Paragraph 3.7.3 to read as follows:

3.7.3 Home Business: In addition to meeting the requirements of Section 15, Paragraph 15.8.2 of this Ordinance, the applicant must agree to and demonstrate compliance with the following conditions in order to receive a special exception for a Home Business:

- a. The use shall be carried out entirely within the dwelling or an accessory building located on the same premises as the dwelling, subject to the area limitations set forth in Section II, Paragraph 2.1.H.1.
- b. There shall be no display of goods or wares visible from the street.
- c. The dwelling or accessory building in which the Home Business is conducted shall not be rendered objectionable to the neighborhood because of exterior appearance, emission of odors, gas, smoke, dust, noise, electrical disturbance, hours of operation or in any other way.
- d. In a multi-family dwelling, the Home Business use shall in no way become objectionable or detrimental to any residential use within the multi-family dwelling. It shall include no features of design not customary in buildings for residential use.
- e. The use shall not create a traffic safety hazard, nor shall it result in a substantial increase in the level of traffic congestion in the vicinity of the dwelling.
- f. No outside storage of equipment will be allowed in connection with the Home Business.

g. Any special exception for a Home Business (i) shall be nontransferable, (ii) shall be issued to the individual applicant(s) only, and (iii) shall automatically expire when such applicant(s) is no longer the resident owner(s) of the dwelling.

h. Not more than one commercial vehicle in connection with the Home Business shall be stored on the premises. Parking areas associated with or needed for the Home Business, if any, shall be effectively screened from abutting and facing residential properties by appropriate fencing, four (4) feet in height, or by an evergreen planting at least three (3) feet in height, at the time of planting.

i. Site plan review by the Planning Board shall be required.

Yes____

No____

7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add new Paragraph 3.7.5 to Section III as follows:

3.7.5 Telecommuting and Home Occupations: In order for Telecommuting, as defined in Section II, Paragraph 2.1.T.1, or a Home Occupation, as defined in Section II, Paragraph 2.1.H.2, to be conducted as a permitted use, the following conditions must be met:

a. The use shall be carried out entirely within the dwelling.

b. There shall be no display of goods or wares or signs.

c. No outside structures not typically associated with residential telephone lines shall be allowed unless such structures are otherwise permitted under this Ordinance.

d. The use shall not create a traffic safety hazard, nor shall it result in a substantial increase in the level of traffic congestion in the vicinity.

e. The use shall not constitute a Home Business, as defined in Section II, Paragraph 2.1.H.1.

f. All Home Occupations shall be registered with the Board of Selectmen.

Yes____

No____

8. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend Section VII, Paragraph 7.3 by changing ``Home Occupations in all Districts'' to ``Home Businesses in all Districts.''

Yes____

No____

9. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add new Paragraph 2.1.U.3 entitled ``Use, Adult'' to Section II as follows:

``Use, Adult'' shall mean a business where more than 10% of the gross revenues, 10% or more of the stock in trade, or 10% or more of the goods or paraphernalia displayed are of a sexually oriented or sexually explicit nature. Such goods and paraphernalia include, but are not limited to sexually oriented or sexually explicit Materials. Examples of adult uses include, but are not limited to, theaters or mini-motion picture displays where sexually explicit Materials are shown, nude modeling studios, sexually oriented massage parlors, escort agencies or sexually encounter centers. As used in this Ordinance, Materials shall have the meaning set forth in RSA 650:1, III, or successor statute.

Yes____

No____

10. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend Section III, Table 3.6, section F regarding , ``Commercial Uses'' as follows:

2.1 Add Item 18 ``Uses, Adult in accordance with Section III, Paragraph 3.9'' as a use permitted by special exception in the commercial district.

Yes____

No____

11. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add new Paragraph 3.9 to Section III as follows:

3.9 Use, Adult: In addition to meeting the requirements of Section 15, Paragraph 15.8.2 of this Ordinance, the applicant must agree to and demonstrate compliance with the following conditions in order to receive a special exception for an Adult Use:

- a. No adult use shall be located within 1,000 feet of the property line of a church, cemetery, school, day care center, or within 500 feet of a property line of a residence.
- b. No sexually explicit Materials shall be visible from outside the building.
- c. No private viewing rooms or booths shall be constructed unless one side is always open to a public central area.
- d. No one under the age of 18 shall be permitted inside an area containing such a use and a procedure shall be developed to keep those under 18 from entering.

Yes____

No____

12. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 12 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add the following definitions to Item I. of the Flood Plain Development Ordinance:

``FEMA'' means the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

``Historic Structure'' means any structure that is:

- (a) Listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places (a listing maintained by the Department of Interior) or preliminary determined by the Secretary of Interior as meeting the requirements for individual listing on the National Register;
- (b) Certified or preliminary determined by the Secretary of Interior as contributing to the historical significance of a registered historic district or a district preliminary determined by the Secretary to qualify as a registered historic district;
- (c) Individually listed on a state inventory of historic places in states with historic preservation programs which have been approved by the Secretary of Interior; or
- (d) Individually listed on a local inventory of historic places in communities with historic preservation programs that have been certified either:
 - 1) By an approved state program as determined by the Secretary of Interior, or
 - 2) Directly by the Secretary of the Interior in states without approved programs.

``Substantial damage'' means damage of any origin sustained by a structure whereby the cost of restoring the structure to

its before damaged condition would equal or exceed 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred.

Yes____

No____

13. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 13 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To delete the following definitions from Item I. of the Flood Plain Development Ordinance:

``Coastal high hazard zone'' means the area subject to high velocity waters, including but not limited to hurricane wave wash or tsunamis. The area is designated on a FIRM as Zone V1-30, VE, or V.

``Flood Hazard Boundary Map'' (FHBM) means an official map of a community, issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, where the boundaries of the flood, mudslide (i.e., mudflow) related erosion areas having special hazards have been designated as Zones A, M, and/or E.

``V Zone'' -- see ``coastal high hazard area.''

Yes____

No____

14. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 14 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend Item VIII.2.a. of the Flood Plain Development Ordinance to read as follows:

- a. All new construction or substantial improvement of residential structures have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated to or above the 100 year flood elevation.

Yes____

No____

15. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 15 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To re-number existing Item VIII.1.d., concerning recreational vehicles placed on sites within Zones A1-30, AH and AE, to item VIII.2.d. of the Flood Plain Development Ordinance:

VIII.2.d. All recreational vehicles placed on sites within Zones A1-30, AH, and AE shall either:

- (i) be on the site for fewer than 180 consecutive days;

- (ii) be fully licensed and ready for highway use; or
- (iii) meet all standards of Section 60.3 (b) (I) of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations and elevation and anchoring requirements for ``manufactured homes'' in Paragraph © (6) of Section 60.3.

Yes____

No____

16. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 16 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add Item IX Variances and Appeals to the Flood Plain Development Ordinance:

Item IX Variances and Appeals:

1. Any order, requirement, decision or determination of the building inspector made under this Ordinance may be appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as set forth in RSA 676:5.
2. If the applicant, upon appeal, requests a variance as authorized by RSA 674:33, I(b), the applicant shall have the burden of showing in addition to the usual variance standards under state law:
 - (a) that the variance will not result in increased flood heights, additional threats to public safety, or extraordinary public expense.
 - (b) that if the requested variance is for activity within a designated regulatory floodway, no increase in flood levels during the base flood discharge will result.
 - (c) that the variance is the minimum necessary, considering the flood hazard, to afford relief.
3. The Zoning Board of Adjustment shall notify the applicant in writing that: (i) the issuance of a variance to construct below the base flood level will result in increased premium rates for flood insurance up to amounts as high as \$25 for \$100 of insurance coverage and (ii) such construction below the base flood level increases risks to life and property. Such notification shall be maintained with a record of all variance actions.

Yes____

No____

17. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 17 as proposed by the Planning Board (by vote 4-0) for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend Section III, Establishment of Districts and Uses by adding a new Paragraph 3.10 to read as follows:

3.10 WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES

3.10.1 Authority.

This ordinance is adopted by the Town of Hopkinton on _____ in accordance with the authority granted in New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated 674:16 and 674:21.

3.10.2 Purpose.

These regulations have been enacted in order to establish general guidelines for the siting of towers and antennas and to enhance and fulfill the following goals:

- A. Preserve the authority of the Town of Hopkinton to regulate and to provide for reasonable opportunity for the siting of wireless telecommunications facilities, by enhancing the ability of providers of wireless telecommunications services to provide such services to the community quickly, effectively, and efficiently.
- B. Reduce adverse impacts such facilities may create, including, but not limited to: impacts on aesthetics, environmentally sensitive areas, historically significant locations, flight corridors, health and safety by injurious accidents to person and property, and prosperity through protection of property values.
- C. Provide for co-location and minimal impact siting options through an assessment of technology, current locational options, future available locations, innovative siting techniques, and siting possibilities beyond the political jurisdiction of the Town.
- D. Permit the construction of new towers only where all other reasonable opportunities have been exhausted, and to encourage the users of towers and antennas to configure them in a way that minimizes the adverse visual impact of the towers and antennas.
- E. Require cooperation and co-location, to the highest extend possible, between competitors in order to reduce cumulative negative impacts upon the Town of Hopkinton.
- F. Provide constant maintenance and safety inspections for any and all facilities.
- G. Provide for the removal of abandoned facilities that are no longer inspected for safety concerns and code compliance. Provide a mechanism for the Town to remove these abandoned towers to protect the citizens from imminent harm and danger.

H. Provide for the removal or upgrade of facilities that are technologically outdated.

3.10.3 Definitions.

Alternative Tower Structure: Shall mean innovative siting techniques that include man-made trees, clock towers, bell steeples, light poles, and similar alternative-design mounting structures that camouflage or conceal the presence of antennas or towers.

Antenna: Shall mean any exterior apparatus designed for telephonic, radio, television, personal communications service (PCS), pager network, or any other communications through the sending and/or receiving of electromagnetic waves of any bandwidth.

FAA: An acronym that shall mean the Federal Aviation Administration.

FCC: An acronym that shall mean the Federal Communications Commission.

Height: Shall mean, when referring to a tower or other structure, the distance measured from ground level to the highest point on the tower or other structure, even if said highest point is an antenna.

Planning Board or Board: Shall mean the Town of Hopkinton Planning Board which is the regulator of this ordinance.

Preexisting Towers and Antennas: Shall mean any tower or antenna lawfully constructed or permitted prior to the adoption of this ordinance, as well as the replacement of any such tower or antenna, provided that such replacement meets the requirements of Paragraph 3.10.6(A).

Preexisting towers and antennas shall also mean any tower or antenna lawfully constructed in accordance with this ordinance that predates an application currently before the Board.

Tower: Shall mean any structure that is designed and constructed primarily for the purpose of supporting one or more antennas, including self-supporting lattice towers, guy towers, or monopole towers. The term includes radio and television transmission towers, microwave towers, common-carrier towers, cellular telephone towers, alternative tower structures, and the like.

Wireless Telecommunications Facilities: Shall mean any antenna, tower, or other structure which is intended for use in connection with the transmission or reception of radio or television signals or any other electromagnetic spectrum-based transmissions/receptions.

3.10.4 Wireless Telecommunications Facilities District.

The Wireless Telecommunications Facilities District shall be an overlay district consisting of all land above the elevation of 750 feet mean sea level and all Town-owned lands within the Town of Hopkinton. Historic sites are specifically excluded from this District. Notwithstanding anything in this ordinance to the contrary, this ordinance shall not apply to any preexisting towers or antennas. Further, this ordinance shall not apply to applications pending prior to the adoption of this ordinance to construct a tower or antenna.

3.10.5 Permitted Uses Within the Wireless Telecommunications Facilities District.

- A. General. In addition to the uses permitted in the underlying zoning districts under Section III, wireless telecommunications facilities are a permitted use within the Wireless Telecommunications Facilities District only after obtaining a Conditional Use Permit, as provided for in Paragraph 3.10.7. All such uses must comply with other applicable ordinances and regulations of the Town of Hopkinton (including Site Plan Review Regulations). Wireless telecommunications facilities shall not be permitted in any district except the Wireless Telecommunication Facilities District, unless a waiver is granted pursuant to Paragraph 3.10.8.
1. Principal or Secondary Use. Antennas and towers may be considered either principal or secondary uses. Having an existing-permitted use on site shall not preclude the addition of wireless telecommunications facilities as a Secondary Use as long as all other provisions of this Ordinance are met. A different existing use or an existing structure on the same lot shall not preclude the installation of an antenna or tower on such lot. For purposes of determining whether the installation of a tower or antenna complies with district development regulations, including but not limited to set-back requirements, lot-coverage requirements, and other such requirements, the dimensions of the entire lot shall control, even though the antennas or towers may be located on leased parcels within such lots. Towers that are constructed, and antennas that are installed, in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance shall not be deemed to constitute the expansion of a nonconforming use or structure.
- B. Height Requirements. These requirements and limitations shall preempt all other height limitations as required by the Town of Hopkinton Zoning Ordinance and shall apply only to wireless telecommunications facilities. These height requirements may be waived through the Conditional Use Permit process only if the intent of the ordinance is preserved (e.g. where a

higher tower would not increase adverse impacts but provide a greater opportunity for co-location in accordance with Paragraph 3.10.8.).

	New Tower Construct-ion	Co-location on Preexisting Tower	Co-location on Existing Structure
Wireless Telecommu-nications Facilities District	180'	Current Height + 20% (not to exceed the height of a new tower)	Current Height + 40' (not to exceed the height of a new tower)

- C. Amateur Radio; Receive-Only Antennas. This ordinance shall not govern any tower, or the installation of any antenna that is under 70 feet in height and is owned and operated by a federally-licensed amateur radio station operator or is used exclusively for receive only antennas. This ordinance adopts the provisions and limitations as referenced in RSA 674:16, IV.
- D. Essential Services & Public Utilities. Wireless telecommunications facilities shall not be considered infrastructure, essential services, or public utilities, as defined or used elsewhere in the Town's ordinances and regulations. Siting for wireless telecommunication facilities is a use of land, and is addressed by this Paragraph 3.10.

3.10.6 Construction Performance Requirements.

- A. Aesthetic and Lighting. The guidelines in this subsection, shall govern the location of all towers, and the installation of all antennas. However, the Planning Board may waive these requirements, in accordance with Paragraph 3.10.8, only if it determines that the goals of this ordinance are better served thereby.
1. Towers shall either maintain a galvanized steel finish, subject to any applicable standards of the FAA, or be painted a neutral color, so as to reduce visual obtrusiveness.
 2. At a tower site, the design of the buildings and related structures shall, to the maximum extent possible, use materials, colors, textures, screening, and landscaping that will blend the tower facilities with the natural setting and built environment. These buildings and facilities shall also be subject to all other Site Plan Review Regulation requirements.
 3. If an antenna is installed on a structure other than a tower, the antenna and supporting electrical

and mechanical equipment must be of neutral color that is identical to, or closely compatible with, the color of the supporting structure so as to make the antenna and related equipment as visually unobtrusive as possible.

4. Towers shall not be artificially lighted, unless required by the FAA or other applicable authority. If lighting is required, the governing authority may review the available lighting alternatives and approve the design that would cause the least disturbance to the surrounding views.
 5. Towers shall not contain any permanent or temporary signs, writing, symbols, or any graphic representation of any kind.
- B. Federal Requirements. All towers must meet or exceed current standards and regulations of the FAA, FCC, and any other agency of the federal government with the authority to regulate towers and antennas. If such standards and regulations are changed, then the owners of the towers and antennas governed by this ordinance shall bring such towers and antennas into compliance with such revised standards and regulations within six (6) months of the effective date of such standards and regulations, unless a more stringent compliance schedule is mandated by the controlling federal agency. Failure to bring towers and antennas into compliance with such revised standards and regulations shall constitute grounds for the removal, in accordance with Paragraph 3.10.10, of the tower or antenna, as abandoned, at the owners expense through the execution of the posted security.
- C. Building Codes-Safety Standards. To ensure the structural integrity of towers and antennas, the owner of a tower shall ensure that it is maintained in compliance with standards contained in applicable local building codes and the applicable standards for towers that are published by the Electronic Industries Association, as amended from time to time. If, upon inspection, the Town concludes that a tower fails to comply with such codes and standards and constitutes a danger to persons or property, then upon notice being provided to the owner of the tower, the owner shall have 30 days to bring such tower into compliance with such standards. If the owner fails to bring such tower into compliance within 30 days, such action shall constitute an abandonment and grounds for the removal, in accordance with Paragraph 3.10.10, of the tower or antenna, as abandoned, at the owners expense through execution of the posted security.
- D. Additional Requirement for Wireless Telecommunications Facilities. These requirements shall supersede any and

all other applicable standards found elsewhere in Town Ordinances or Regulations that are less strict.

1. Setbacks and Separation.

- a. Towers must be set back a distance equal to 125% of the height of the tower from any off-site residential structure.
- b. Tower, guys, and accessory facilities must satisfy the minimum zoning district setback requirements.

2. Security Fencing. Towers shall be enclosed by security fencing not less than six feet in height and shall also be equipped with an appropriate anti-climbing device.

3. Landscaping.

- a. Towers shall be landscaped with a buffer of plant materials that effectively screens the view of the tower compounded from adjacent residential property. The standard buffer shall consist of a landscaped strip at least 10 feet wide outside the perimeter of the compound. Natural vegetation is preferred.
- b. In locations where the visual impact of the tower would be minimal, the landscaping requirement may be reduced or waived entirely.
- c. Existing mature tree growth and natural land forms on the site shall be preserved to the maximum extent possible. In some cases, such as towers sited on large wooded lots, natural growth around the property may be deemed a sufficient buffer.

3.10.7 Conditional Use Permits

- A. General. All applications under this ordinance shall apply to the Planning Board for Site Plan Review, in accordance with the requirements as provided for in the Town's Site Plan Review Regulations. In addition, applications under this ordinance shall also be required to submit the information provided for in this paragraph 3.10.7.
- B. Issuance of Conditional Use Permits. In granting the Conditional Use Permit, the planning Board may impose conditions to the extent the Board concludes such conditions are necessary to minimize any adverse effect of the proposed tower on adjoining properties, and preserve the intent of this ordinance.

1. Procedure on application. The Planning Board shall act upon the application in accordance with the procedural requirements of the Site Plan Review Regulations and RSA 676:4.
2. Decisions. Possible decisions rendered by the Planning Board, include approval, approval with conditions, disapproval without prejudice, or disapproval. All decisions shall be rendered in writing, in accordance with RSA 676:3. In accordance with the National Wireless Telecommunications Siting Policy - Section 332(c)(47 U.S.C. 332(c)), a denial shall be based upon substantial evidence contained in the written record.
3. Factors Considered in Granting Decisions:
 - a. Height of proposed tower or other structure does not exceed that which is essential for its intended use and public safety.
 - b. Proximity of tower to residential development or zones.
 - c. Nature of uses on adjacent and nearby properties.
 - d. Surrounding topography.
 - e. Surrounding tree coverage and foliage.
 - f. Design of the tower, with particular reference to design characteristics that have the effect of reducing or eliminating visual obtrusiveness.
 - g. Proposed ingress and egress to the site.
 - h. Availability of suitable existing towers and other structures as discussed in subparagraphs D(3) and D(4) of this Paragraph 3.10.7.
 - i. Visual impacts on viewsheds, ridgelines, and other impacts by means of tower location, tree and foliage clearing and placement of incidental structures.
 - j. That the proposed wireless telecommunication facility, tower or antenna will not unreasonably interfere with the view from any public park, natural scenic vista, historic building or major view corridor.
 - k. That the proposed wireless telecommunication facility, tower or antenna is not constructed

in such a manner as to result in needless height, mass, and guy-wire supports.

1. Availability of alternative tower structures and alternative siting locations.

C. Plan Requirements. Each applicant requesting a Conditional Use Permit under this ordinance shall submit a scaled plan in accordance with the Site Plan Review Regulations and further information including:

1. A scaled elevation view;
2. Topography;
3. Radio frequency coverage;
4. Tower height requirements;
5. Setbacks;
6. Adjacent uses (up to 200' away);
7. The location of all buildings and structures within 500 feet of proposed tower;
8. Driveways and parking;
9. Fencing; and
10. Landscaping.

D. Other Information Required. In order to assess compliance with this ordinance, the Planning Board shall require the applicant to submit the following prior to any approval by the Board:

1. The applicant shall submit written proof that the proposed use/facility complies with the FCC regulations on radio frequency (RF) exposure guidelines.
2. The applicant shall submit written proof that it has conducted an evaluation of any requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) pertaining to the proposed wireless telecommunication facility, tower or antenna, as may be required under applicable FCC rules, and the results of any such evaluation. If an Environmental Assessment (EA) or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required under the FCC rules and/or NEPA, the applicant shall submit the EA or EIS to the Board prior to the beginning of the federal 30 day comment period, and the Town proceedings with respect to the proposed wireless telecommunication facility, tower or antenna shall become part of the FCC application requirements.

3. Each applicant for an antenna and/or a tower shall provide to the Planning Board an inventory of its existing towers that are within the jurisdiction of the Town and those within two miles of the border thereof, including specific information about the location, height, design of each tower, as well as economic and technological feasibility for co-location on the inventoried towers. The Planning Board may share such information with other applicants applying for approvals or conditional use permits under this ordinance or other organizations seeking to locate antennas within the jurisdiction of the governing authority, provided, however, the Planning Board is not, by sharing such information, in any way representing or warranting that such sites are available or suitable.
4. If the applicant is proposing to build a new tower, the applicant shall submit written evidence demonstrating that no existing structure can accommodate the applicant's proposed antenna. The evidence may consist of:
 - a. Substantial Evidence that no existing towers or structures are located within the geographic area required to meet the applicant's engineering requirements, provided that a description of the geographic area required is also submitted.
 - b. Substantial Evidence that existing towers are not of sufficient height to meet the applicant's engineering requirements, with supporting reasons.
 - c. Substantial Evidence that the existing towers or structures do not have sufficient structural strength to support applicant's proposed antenna and related equipment.
 - d. Substantial Evidence that the applicant's proposed antenna would cause electromagnetic interference with the antenna on the existing towers or structures, or the antenna on the existing towers or structures would cause interference with the applicant's proposed antenna.
 - e. Substantial Evidence that the fees, costs, or contractual provisions required by the owner in order to share the existing tower or structure are unreasonable. Costs exceeding new tower development are presumed to be unreasonable.

- f. Substantial Evidence that the applicant can demonstrate other limiting factors that render existing towers and structures unsuitable.
 - g. Information on the number of sites for wireless telecommunication facilities each provider will require.
 - h. Information on sites outside of the Town of Hopkinton that are being considered.
 - i. Information on how future technology reduce or eliminate the need for tall antenna sites.
 - j. Information on how the siting of a wireless telecommunication facility will affect the ability to allow a competitor's antennas on the same property.
 - k. Information of whether any, or all, of the wireless telecommunications carriers providing service to central New Hampshire use the system known as cable microcell integrator/headend interface converter ('`CMI/HIC'') which utilizes cable television lines and small transceivers mounted on utility poles to communicate with wireless telephones.
 - l. Information on whether there are any such carriers using CMI/HIC in surrounding cities and towns.
 - m. Information on whether it is feasible for carriers to locate base station equipment underground.
5. The applicant proposing to build a new tower, shall submit an agreement with the Town that allows for the maximum allowance of co-location upon the new structure. Such statement shall become a condition to any approval. This statement shall, at a minimum, require the applicant to supply available co-location for reasonable fees and costs to other wireless telecommunications providers. Failure to provide such an agreement is evidence of the applicant's unwillingness to cooperate with the orderly and well-planned development of the Town of Hopkinton and grounds for a denial.
6. The applicant shall submit the engineering information detailing the size and coverage required for the facility location. The Board may retain the services of a consultant qualified in wireless telecommunications services to review the application and all associated information submitted by the applicant. The Board may further require, pursuant to RSA 676:4,I(g), that the

applicant reimburse the Town for reasonable costs of this review. No application shall be approved until such fees, if applicable, are paid in full.

3.10.8 Waivers.

- A. General. Where the Board finds that extraordinary hardships, practical difficulties, or unnecessary and unreasonable expense would result from strict compliance with the foregoing regulations or the purposes of these regulations may be served to a greater extent by an alternative proposal, it may approve waivers to these regulations. The purpose of granting waivers under provisions of these regulations shall be to insure that an applicant is not unduly burdened as opposed to merely inconvenienced by said regulations. The Board shall not approve any waiver(s) unless a majority of those present and voting shall find that all of the following apply:
1. The granting of the waiver will not be detrimental to the public safety, health or welfare or injurious to other property and will promote the public interest.
 2. A particular and identifiable hardship exists or a specific circumstance warrants the granting of a waiver. Factors to be considered in determining the existence of a hardship shall include, but not be limited to:
 - a. Topography and other site features;
 - b. Availability of alternative site locations;
 - c. Geographic location of property;
 - d. Size/magnitude of project being evaluated and availability of co-location.
- B. Conditions. In approving waivers, the Board may impose such conditions as it deems appropriate to substantially secure the objectives of the standards or requirements of these regulations.
- C. Procedures. A petition for any such waiver shall be submitted in writing by the applicant for Board review. The petition shall state fully the grounds for the waiver and all of the facts relied upon by the applicant.

3.10.9 Bonding and Security Insurance.

In recognition of the extremely hazardous situation presented by abandoned and unmonitored towers, the Planning Board shall set the form and amount of security that represents the cost for removal and disposal of

abandoned towers in the event that the tower is abandoned and the tower owner is incapable and unwilling to remove the tower in accordance with Paragraph 3.10.10. The Planning Board shall also require the applicant to submit proof of appropriate liability insurance with respect to the proposed wireless telecommunication facilities, tower or antenna prior to the construction of such facilities, tower or antenna.

3.10.10 Removal of Abandoned Antennas and Towers.

Any antenna or tower that is not operated for a continuous period of 12 months shall be considered abandoned and hazardous to the public health and safety, unless the owner of said tower provides proof of quarterly inspections. The owner shall remove the abandoned structure within 90 days of receipt of a declaration of abandonment from the Town notifying the owner of such abandonment. A declaration of abandonment shall only be issued following a public hearing, noticed per Town regulations, with notice to abutters and the last known owner/operator of the tower. If the abandoned tower is not removed within 90 days the Town may execute the security and have the tower removed. If there are two or more users of a single tower, this provision shall not become effective until all users cease using the tower.

Yes____

No____

ARTICLE 3: Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Hopkinton, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$10,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$20,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$40,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 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 for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$20,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$30,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$50,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

Yes____

No____

ARTICLE 4: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town? (Submitted by Petition)(Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

Yes____

No____

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hopkinton, in the County of MERRIMACK, in the State of NEW HAMPSHIRE, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Hopkinton High School Gymnasium on Wednesday, the 12th of March, 1997, next at 7:00 P.M. to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,600,000 for the construction and equipping of a new library on Town-owned land (former Houston property); not more than \$850,000 of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of the entire principal from the Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose, plus all accumulated interest to date of withdrawal -- the balance to be raised by private funds and not by general taxation. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee) (two-thirds ballot vote required)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500,000 for the construction of an access road and site preparation for playing fields on Town-owned land (former Houston property); not more than \$500,000 of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (not recommended by the Budget Committee) (two-thirds ballot vote required)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$550,000 for the construction and equipping of a new Police facility on Town-owned land (former Mento property); not more than \$440,000 of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of the entire principal from the Capital Reserve

Fund created for this purpose, plus all accumulated interest to date of withdrawal -- no additional funds to be raised by general taxation. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (not recommended by the Budget Committee) (two-thirds ballot vote required)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,636,444 for General Operations as follows:

	<u>Amount</u>
General Government	
Executive	66,049
Election, Registration and Vital Statistics	86,894
Financial Administration	195,133
Legal Expenses	42,000
Planning and Zoning	46,245
General Government Buildings	96,000
Cemeteries	13,000
Insurance	3,620
Budget Committee	1,544
Road Committee	200
Public Safety	
Police	444,250
Fire	258,947
Special Detail	4,984
Hopkinton Fair	48,655
Highways and Streets	
Highway Department	505,165
Street Lighting	1,800
Sanitation	
Landfill	381,557
Water Distribution and Treatment	
Sewer	76,463
Welfare	
Administration & Direct Assistance	62,210
Culture and Recreation	
Parks and Recreation	122,778
Library	92,723
Patriotic Purposes	800
Conservation	
Conservation Commission	1,550
Economic Development	
Community Action Program	3,517
Debt Service	
Principal - Long Term Debt	40,000
Interest - Long Term Debt	35,360
Interest - TANS	5,000

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES \$2,636,444

(recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget

the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the July 4th fireworks. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 21: We the undersigned registered voters in the Town of Hopkinton, New Hampshire, believe that restoration of the Bell Tower in the Old 1789 Town Meeting House, now the First Congregational Church of Hopkinton, is desirable and worthy, for in the Bell Tower hangs a bell, weighing 1158 lbs., cast in Boston in 1811 by Paul Revere and Son. Of the more than 950 bells cast by Paul Revere and Son(s), there now remain only 43 cast during Paul Revere's lifetime. The bell hanging in the belfry of the First Congregational Church is number 30. Because of the weakened and hazardous condition of the Tower due to old age and timber rot, the bell has not been rung for nearly a year. Since it is an historical landmark of the Town, we therefore petition the Selectmen to place the following article in the Warrant for the 1997 Town Meeting.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as matching funds up to no more than \$6,000. The First Congregational Church of Hopkinton will provide up to \$12,000 to fix and repair the historic Paul Revere Bell Tower of the Old 1757 Town Meeting House so that the bell can be safely rung and strike the hour of the Hopkinton Precinct Clock.

(Submitted by Petition) (recommended by the Board of Selectmen)
(recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to change to 35% the percentage of all revenues from all future payments collected under the land use change tax set forth in RSA Chapter 79-A which are placed in the conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5III. The current percentage is 20% as established by 1993 Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-D authorizing the library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the library trustees shall be deemed to bind the town or the library trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property.

ARTICLE 24: Whereas, the Town has voted to close the existing landfill, and has spent in excess of one million (\$1,000,000) to do so; Whereas, the Town has spent monies to redrill wells in homes located near the former landfill; Whereas, the residents are concerned to preserve the natural beauty of the land in the Town of Hopkinton and safeguard the health of residents, the safety of the air and water supply, the integrity of the land to grow crops and support wildlife; To see if the Town will prohibit the creation of a landfill for any purpose whatsoever on land located in the Town of Hopkinton or the Village of Contoocook.
(Submitted by Petition)

ARTICLE 25: To act on reports of Town officers, Trustees and Committees for the year 1996.

Committee)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be added to the Library Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to be added to the Police Station Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 as a Contingency Fund. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,432 for the Hopkinton Rescue Squad. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,387 for New Construction of Highways. The State of New Hampshire will contribute the entire amount of \$125,387. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 in the interest of public health and safety to provide winter plowing and sanding on the following roads, during the winter of 1997: South Shore Drive - 1,500 feet; Ridge Lane - 900 feet; Rolfe Pond Drive - 2,000 feet; Salachar Road - 500 feet; and Perch Lane - 700 feet. This action shall in no way be interpreted as changing the status of these roads from private to public roads. It is the general policy of the Town that no work will be done on any other private or Class VI highway. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for the paving of town roads. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund (pursuant to RSA Chapter 35) for the future revaluation of the Town and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$63,000 towards this purpose, and appoint the Selectmen as agents to administer the fund. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the Hopkinton Community Center. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

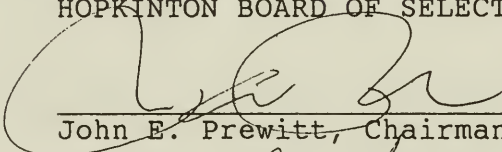
ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 for a sidewalk plow for the Highway Department. (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$72,134 for a loader for the landfill. (recommended by

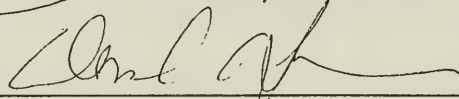
ARTICLE 26: To hear and transact any other business that may come legally before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 12th day of February, 1997.

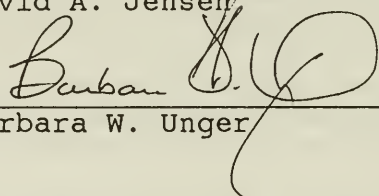
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John E. Prewitt, Chairman

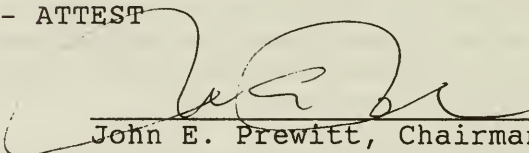


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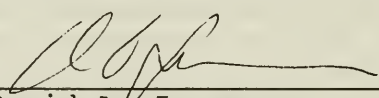


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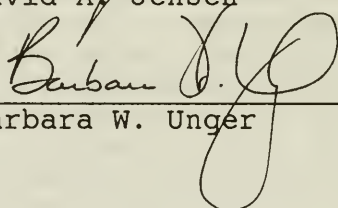
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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
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MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

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BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF HOPKINTON N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1997 to December 31, 1997 or
for Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink.)

Suzie Laskill
Suzanne M. Sauer
Thomas McDonnell
[Signature]
[Signature]

Date FEBRUARY 11, 1997

David Simmons
Richard J. [Signature]
[Signature]
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(Revised 1996)

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Uarr Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4139	Executive	8	65,150	XXXXXXXXXX 62,789	XXXXXXXXXX 66,049	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX 66,049	XXXXXXXXXX
4140-4149	Election,Registration & Vital Statistics	8	87,623	87,244	86,894		86,894	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	8	177,384	161,334	195,133		195,133	
4152	Revaluation of Property							
4153	Legal Expense	8	27,000	16,580	42,000		42,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration							
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	8	45,123	44,885	46,245		46,245	
4194	General Government Buildings	8	36,000	29,009	96,000		96,000	
4195	Cemeteries	8	13,000	8,869	13,000		13,000	
4196	Insurance	8	3,620	3,264	3,620		3,620	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.							
4199	Other General Government	8	1,623	1,252	1,744		1,744	
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4210-4214	Police	8	417,071	XXXXXXXXXX 427,410	XXXXXXXXXX 444,250	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4215-4219	Ambulance						444,250	
4220-4229	Fire		241,754	237,395	258,947		258,947	
4240-4249	Building InspectionDetail	8	4,984	2,714	4,984		4,984	
4290-4298	Emergency Management Fair	8	51,520	48,655	48,655		48,655	
4299	Other Public Safety (including Communications)							
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS								
4311-4312	Administration & Highways & Streets	8	515,709	XXXXXXXXXX 494,999	XXXXXXXXXX 505,165	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4313	Bridges							
4316-4319	Street Lighting & other	8	1,800	1,781	1,800		1,800	

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
SANITATION								
4321-4323	Administration & Solid Waste Collection Landfill	8	364,964	355,499	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4324-4325	Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup				381,557		381,557	
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other	8	74,118	61,378	76,463		76,463	
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331-4332	Administration & Water Services		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conservation & Other							
ELECTRIC								
4351-4352	Administration & Generation		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4355-4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH								
4411-4414	Administration & Pest Control							
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other							
WELFARE								
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assistance	8	41,827	52,461	62,210	XXXXXXXXXX	62,210	XXXXXXXXXX
4444	Intergov. Welfare Payments CAP	8	3,517	3,517	3,517		3,517	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	8	57,059	54,546	122,778	XXXXXXXXXX	122,778	XXXXXXXXXX
4550-4559	Library	8	89,991	89,940	92,723		92,723	

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Act No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS				RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	8	800	800	800		800	
CONSERVATION								
4611-4612	Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources	8	1,500	1,500	1,550		1,550	
4619	Other Conservation							
4631-2	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING							
4651-9	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	8	40,000	40,000	40,000		40,000	
4712	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	8	38,080	38,080	35,360		35,360	
4723	Interest on TANS	8	5,000		5,000		5,000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4901	Land & Improvements							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improv. Other Than Buildings							
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT								
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sever-							
	Water-							
	Electric-							

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maint. Trust Fund)							
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Agency Funds							
	SUBTOTAL 1	8	2,406,217	2,325,901	2,636,444		2,636,444	

Please note: "Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles", which are addressed below.

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Contingency	11	10,000		10,000		10,000	
	Rescue Squad	12	6,432	6,410	6,432		6,432	
	New Construction	13	114,812	114,386	125,387		125,387	
	Private Roads	14	2,000	2,000	2,000		2,000	
	Shim & Paving	15	75,000	75,000	75,000		75,000	
	Hopkinton Community Center	17	19,000	17,336	15,000		15,000	
	Sidewalk Flow	18			18,000		18,000	
	1997 Landfill Loader	19			72,134		72,134	
	Fireworks	20	4,000	4,000	4,000		4,000	
	Parks & Rec.		27,143	20,516				
	Pickup Truck		25,000	21,816				
	Houston Land Purchase		350,000	343,769				
	Rowell Bridge		23,000					
	1996 - 1 Ton Truck		25,000	22,454				
	Ambulance		85,000	83,195				
	SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	327,953	XXXXXXXXXX	327,953	XXXXXXXXXX

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as 1) petitioned warrant articles; 2) an article whose appropriation is raised by bonds or notes; 3) an article which calls for an appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; and 4) any article designated on the warrant as a special article or as nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

Acct No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Library	5			1,600,000		1,600,000	
	Former Houston Property Road and Playing Fields	6			500,000			500,000
	Police Station	7			550,000			550,000
	Library Bldg. Capital Res	9			100,000		100,000	
	Police St. Capital Res	10			75,000		75,000	
	Revaluation Capital Res	16			63,000		63,000	
	Bell Tower (Petition)	21			5,000		5,000	
	SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	2,893,000		1,843,000	XXXXXXXXXX

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes	8	10,000	54,672	10,000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Yield Taxes		10,000	16,577	10,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		161,000	171,029	161,000
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		60,000	95,953	60,000
	Inventory Penalties				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		550,000	571,615	550,000
3230	Building Permits				
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		31,000	36,092	31,000
3311-3319 FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT					
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues Shared Block Grant		82,860	82,860	82,860
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution				
3353	Highway Block Grant		114,812	114,811	125,387
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		703	703	703
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		101,648	102,842	101,648
3359	Fed Owned Land-Ambulance Barge Pk. Other (Including Railroad Tax)		129,019	184,591	203,536
Webster-Special Detail 3379 FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS					
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		4,000	6,631	4,000
3409	Other Charges Landfill		100,000	135,551	100,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property				
3502	Interest on Investments		80,000	109,578	90,000
3503-3509	Other Fair-Insurance Dividends		95,134	118,127	87,310
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	Special Revenue Funds Parks & Rec.				20,000

3912 Special Revenue Funds					
Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
3913 Capital Projects Fund	Reserves - Ambulance Attack Pumper		40,000 7,000	41,940 7,454	
3914 Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer - (Offset) & Capital Recover		75,118	63,779	77,463
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
3915 Capital Reserve Fund	Library Police	5 7			280,000 110,000
3916 Trust & Agency Funds	Private Funding for Library	5			470,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934 Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes	Library Police	5 7			850,000 440,000
Former Houston Prop. Roads & Fields Amounts Voted From "Surplus"		6	XXXXXXXXXX		500,000
"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
TOTAL REVENUES			1,652,294	1,914,805	* 4,364,907

BUDGET SUMMARY	SELECTMEN	BUDGET COMMITTEE	* NOTE: Total estimated revenue includes 550,000 related to Police Station Bond and 500,000 related to Former Houston Property Roads & Fields Bond.
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SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 4)	2,636,444	2,636,444
SUBTOTAL 2 "Individual" warrant articles (from page 4)	327,953	327,953
SUBTOTAL 3 Special warrant articles as defined by law (from page 4)	2,893,000	1,843,000
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	5,857,397	4,807,397
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes) (from above)	* 4,364,907	3,314,907
Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	1,492,490	1,492,490

HELP! We ask your assistance in the following: If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. No.	W.A. No.	Amount		Acct.No.	W.A. No.	Amount

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE
(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)

VERSION #1

REVISED 1996

Local Govt. Unit: Hopkinton Fiscal Year Ending: December 31, 1997

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Committee	4,807,397
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	
2. Principle: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	40,000
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	35,360
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b.	850,000
5. Mandatory Assessments	
6. TOTAL EXCLUSIONS (Sum of rows 2 - 5)	925,360
7. AMOUNT RECOMMENDED LESS RECOMMENDED EXCLUSION AMOUNTS (Line 1 less Line 6)	3,882,037
8. Line 7 times 10%	388,203

THIS IS THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE INCREASE TO BUDGET COMMITTEES RECOMMENDED BUDGET. See versions 2 & 3 if you have collective bargaining items.

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Board of Selectmen

1996 Annual Report

1996 was not a dull year for Town activities. Quite a few meetings and hearings were held prior to Town Meeting to discuss the pros and cons of both closing the landfill and acquiring the Houston Farm property. Much to our satisfaction, the taxpayers gave us the go ahead on both projects. We are pleased to report that the bulk of the landfill construction is complete and basically only the seeding of the site needs to be done in the spring. We appreciate the Town's response to this problem and look forward to not having the specter of an environmental problem facing the Town in the future.

Besides overseeing that project, we started the Master Plan process for the development of the Houston Farm. Starting in July, we held twelve public meetings soliciting comments and opinions from groups, boards, and individuals as to how they would like to see this property used. For all of those folks who took part, we appreciate your concern and diligence in sticking with the process. Your participation gave us the direction we needed to bring to the citizens of Hopkinton proposals that are in harmony with the Master Plan. (The summary of the Master Plan is to be found elsewhere in this Town Report).

After the Town had purchased the farm, we were concerned about security at the barns and house on the property. We asked Chief Migdal if he was interested in moving into the farmhouse on a temporary basis and he subsequently agreed to do it. This not only gave him some much needed additional space, but provided good oversight to the property. In addition, it freed up some space in Town Hall. It was a good thing because we hired the Town's first Recreation Director and he needed a place to hang up his sign. Vint Choiniere came to us from Gorham where he developed a terrific recreation program. We hope that everyone in Town will take advantage of the numerous programs that he and the Recreation Committee are planning for 1997.

The repairs on the Rowell Covered Bridge in West Hopkinton were completed this year. Through the efforts of a crew of men from the NH Department of Transportation, a very professional job was done. For all of those who attended the reopening of the bridge on August 1st, it was a time of great civic pride.

The strength of this community has been and continues to be the efforts and ded-

ication of all our volunteer groups. Hopefully the Town government provides a stable platform of services so that our hundreds of volunteers can develop their activities effectively. We could never list all of those groups but we want you to know that you all are appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
Hopkinton Board of Selectmen
John E. Prewitt, Chairman
David A. Jensen
Barbara W. Unger

Schedule of Town/School/ Precinct Property

Town

Location	Map/Lot	Acreage	Value
Community Center	101/7	.10	\$278,300
Contoocook Fire Station	101/20	1.10	496,850
Bates Library	101/85	2.04	191,250
Town Garage & Sewage Treatment Plant	102/9	49.32	4,097,300
Kimball Lake & Cabins	106/3	52.50	398,700
Town Hall	106/23	.47	420,950
Hopkinton Fire Station	106/49	1.20	141,700
N/S Pine Street	221/83	68.00	320,100
Landfill & Buildings	244/6 & 11	133.00	668,550
W/S Cedar Street	101/17	.56	80,500
S/S Pine Street (Inc Dam)	101/21	.55	648,900
W/S Park Ave & E/S Kearsarge Ave	101/52	.05	3,350
Off N/S Carriage Lane	102/22.1	1.42	4,950
Jct Maple Street & Cedar Street	102/38	.03	200
E/S Penacook Rd & S/S Gould Hill Rd	103/17 & 22	.62	14,700
W/S Woodland Drive	104/27	.80	4,350
N/S Old Putney Hill Road	105/22	15.00	65,050
N/S Old Putney Hill Road	105/24.1	.06	1,550
Jct Old Henniker Rd & Hopkinton Rd	105/31	.33	15,750
N/S Bound Tree & W/S Clement Hill Rd	207/16	4.30	24,450
N/S Bound Tree & E/S Clement Hill Rd	207/17	43.00	70,900
N/S Tamarack Road	211/14	.60	9,550
W/S Hatfield Road	214/1	41.50	84,800
Off E/S Galloping Hill Road	217/41	24.00	28,450
Off S/S Pine Street	220/35	12.00	16,800
N/S Pine Street	221/44	45.50	97,600
S/S Spring Street	221/104	.18	3,650
N/S Gage Hill Road	229/1	.20	3,500
S/S Little Frost Road	230/3	.05	1,550
W/S Bassett Mill Road	231/8	9.70	23,600
N/S Eugene Foote Road	233/2	31.00	54,300
Off W/S Irish Hill Road	237/38	1.30	2,300
Off E/S Sugar Hill Road	237/39	5.80	9,150

Location	Map/Lot	Acreage	Value
Jct Old Irish Hill Road & South Road	238/70	.02	550
N/S Old Putney Hill Road	239/56	33.50	140,100
Off E/S East Penacook Road	246/6	97.00	60,450
N/S Patch Road	249/13	33.46	104,350
Jct Patch Road & Briar Hill Road	249/21	.05	450
S/S Rollins Road	250/61	18.50	141,200
S/S Rollins Road (Kimball Pond)	250/65	2.80	13,850
E/S New Road	251/1	3.90	13,650
N/S Hawthorne Hill Road	251/10.1	92.54	180,500
Jct Hopkinton Road & Garrison Lane	251/56	.40	8,850
W/S Jewett Road	256/5	16.40	58,900
Jct Currier Road & Beech Hill Road	259/20 & 24	.35	1,250
N/S Farrington Corner Road	265/2	1.80	15,600
E/S Upper Straw Road	265/27	.06	550
N/S Farrington Corner Road	266/44.1	96.20	48,400

School

Hopkinton School District	102/3	.48	137,100
Maple Street School	102/4	5.80	1,155,500
Harold Martin School	106/7	8.00	2,090,900
Hopkinton High School	222/67	24.00	3,382,550

Contoocook Village Precinct

Off E/S Hopkinton Road	104/95.1	.12	148,500
N/S Bound Tree Road	204/13.1	3.00	203,250
N/S Pleasant Pond Road	204/21	14.90	46,250
N/S Bound Tree Road	204/24	.07	3,350
N/S Bound Tree Road	204/25	4.10	10,700
E/S Kearsarge Avenue	222/67.1	0	6,850

Hopkinton Village Precinct

Old Fire Station, Main Street	105/49	.11	54,750
S/S Old Putney Hill Road	239/59	.75	28,850
W/S Briar Hill Road	250/6	14.74	27,800

Summary of Inventory Valuations

	Town	Contoocook Precinct	Hopkinton Precinct
Value of Land			
Current Use	2,410,650	125,050	28,000
Residential	113,358,500	24,524,600	8,185,300
Commercial/Industrial	11,453,400	4,392,500	508,150
Total Taxable Land	127,222,550	29,042,150	8,721,450
Value of Buildings			
Residential	170,589,100	37,899,250	13,640,000
Manufactured Housing	5,347,250	14,000	0
Commercial/Industrial	23,423,150	8,492,700	651,550
Total Taxable Buildings	199,359,500	46,405,950	14,291,550
Total Public Utilities	15,005,120		
Total Valuation Before Exemptions	341,587,170	75,448,100	23,013,000
Less Exemptions			
Blind	120,000	30,000	30,000
Elderly	1,130,000	250,000	50,000
Solar/Windpower	73,900	2,800	3,000
Water/Air Pollution Control	950,050	0	0
Total Exemptions	2,273,950	282,800	83,000
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Based	339,313,220	75,165,300	22,930,000

Current Use Report

CURRENT USE REPORT

CURRENT USE CLASSIFICATION	TOTAL ACRES FROM PREV. YEAR	ACRES ADDED THIS YR.	ACRES TAKEN OUT THIS YR.	TOTAL ACRES YR. END
Farm Land	2,140.42	4.80	6.00	2,076.68
Forest Land	11,978.54	160.46	14.50	12,105.54
Unproductive/Wet Land	1,450.22	38.30	2.93	1,567.09
Discretionary Easements	38.78			38.78
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES IN CURRENT USE				15,788.09

UTILITY SUMMARY

NAME OF COMPANY

Concord Electric Company	\$ 126,225
New England Hydro-Transmission Corp.	\$ 6,959,271
New England Power Company	\$ 2,943,874
Public Service Company of NH	\$ 4,975,750

TOTAL	\$15,005,120
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HOW YOUR TAX DOLLAR IS SPENT TAX RATE INFORMATION

MUNICIPAL.....	4.35
COUNTY.....	1.80
SCHOOL.....	20.63
 COMBINED RATE.....	 26.78
 CONTOOCH VILLAGE PRECINCT....	 1.93
HOPKINTON VILLAGE PRECINCT.....	38

Tax Collector's Report

Year Ending 12/31/96

DEBITS	Levy for Year of this report		Prior Levies	
	1996	1995	1994	1992
Uncollected Taxes				
Beg. of Year				
Property Taxes		588,210.08		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes		2,097.70	104.14	227.46
Utilities		7,454.86		
Taxes Committed				
This Year				
Property Taxes	9,194,488.00			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	54,672.17			
Yield Taxes	20,078.32			
Utilities	72,899.03			
PPAY	2,155.00			
Overpayment				
Property Taxes	7,141.00			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Interest Collected on Delinquent Tax				
Collected Resident Tax Penalties	9,546.57	35,394.04		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$9,360,980.09	\$633,156.68	\$104.14	\$227.46

Tax Collector's Report

Year Ending 12/31/96

CREDITS	Levy for Year of this report		Prior Levies	
	1996	1995	1994	1992
Remitted to Treas.				
During F.Y.				
Property Taxes PPAY	8,564,777.56	584,113.08		
Resident Taxes	2,201.00			
Land Use Change	54,672.17			
Yield Taxes	19,779.65	2,097.70		
Utilities	61,231.25	7,311.86		
Interest	9,546.57	35,394.04		
Penalties				
 Discounts Allowed:				
 Abatements Made				
Property Taxes	21,902.18	4,097.00		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes			104.14	227.46
Utilities	1,716.68	143.00		
Current Levy Deeded				
 Uncollected Taxes				
End of Year				
Property Taxes	614,903.26			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	298.67			
Utilities	9,951.10			
 TOTAL CREDITS	\$9,360,980.09	\$633,156.68	\$104.14	\$227.46

Tax Collector's Report

Year Ending 12/31/96

DEBITS	Last Year's		Prior Levies		
	Levy 1995	1994	1993	1992	1991
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Year		223,624.78	100,129.24	4,697.83	11,894.48
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	330,981.43				
Interest & Costs Coll. After Lien Execution	9,830.22	22,767.64	26,570.05	2,134.34	8,152.17
TOTAL DEBITS	\$340,811.65	\$246,392.42	\$126,699.29	\$ 6,832.17	\$20,046.65
CREDITS					
Remittance to Treasurer					
Redemptions	114,183.44	131,433.33	96,981.10	3,943.39	11,894.48
Int. / Costs (After Lien Execution)	9,830.22	22,767.64	26,570.05	2,134.34	8,152.17
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes		8,911.60	2,828.04		
Liens <u>Deeded</u> to Municipalities					
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	216,797.99	83,279.85	320.10	754.44	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$340,811.65	\$246,392.42	\$126,699.29	\$6,832.17	\$20,046.65

Town Clerk's Report Year Ending 12/31/96

RECEIPTS:

Auto:

Permits	\$571,615.00
Town Clerk Fees	6,306.00
Titles	2,034.00
Decal Fees	12,995.00

Dog Licenses:

Town	2,317.50
Town Clerk Fees	331.00
Penalties	119.00

Boats:

Town Tax	952.60
Town Clerk Fees	213.00

UCC's	2,574.25
Certified Copies	578.00
Filing Fees	46.00
Miscellaneous	460.27

Landfill:

Stickers Town	80.00
Stickers Town Clerk Fees	80.00

Marriages:

Town Clerk Fees	238.00
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State of New Hampshire:

Motor Vehicle Registrations	155,657.35
Boats	2,825.50
Certified Copies	666.00
Dog Licenses	331.00
Additional State Dog Fees	1,134.00
Marriages	1,292.00

Cemeteries

3,500.00

TOTAL

\$766,345.47

PAID OUT:

Town Treasurer	\$607,188.12
State of New Hampshire:	
Motor Vehicle Registrations	155,657.35

Cemeteries:

Hopkinton Cemetery Trustees	1,220.00
Bonita Cressy, Trustee of Trust Funds	2,280.00

TOTAL

\$766,345.47

Treasurer's Report

Owen L. French, Treasurer, in Account with the Town of Hopkinton

RECEIPTS:

Balance at time of settlement - December 31, 1995	\$3,052,960.66
U.S. Government:	
Payment on Federally-owned lands	2,107.00

NEW HAMPSHIRE TREASURER:

EPA Revolving Fund - Landfill	1,449,912.42
Highway Block Grant	114,811.67
Flood Control	102,842.16
Shared Revenue - Block Grant	219,705.62
Reimbursement - Forest Fires	1,105.57
Reimbursement - State & Federal Forest Lands	1,461.90
Emergency Management Grant - Fire Dept.	5,916.50

SELECTMEN:

Reimbursement - Hopkinton Fair	53,804.47
Reimbursement - Sewer Department	61,377.82
Reimbursement - Hopkinton Libraries	50.69
Reimbursement - George's Park	12,458.42
Reimbursement - Police Department	6,696.28
Reimbursement - Highway	4,749.34
Reimbursement - Fire Department	923.15
Reimbursement - Landfill	1,007.70
Refunds - Blue Cross/Blue Shield	92.22
Refunds - Fire Department	466.35
Income From Departments	7,191.26
License, Permits, and Fees	8,124.00
Recycle Grant - America The Beautiful	1,000.00
Ambulance Fees - Concord Hospital	92,386.76
Ambulance Fees - Warner	21,167.04
Ambulance Fees - Webster	5,847.37
Ambulance Fees - Other	4,771.79
Insurance Dividend - Workers Compensation	43,619.79
Insurance Dividend - Property/Liability Trust	23,289.78
Landfill - Town of Webster	54,003.96
Landfill - All Other	76,566.60
Transfer Station Income	62,542.82
Payment in Lieu of Taxes - Digital	152,493.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes - HDI	1,313.28
Payment in Lieu of Taxes - CHI	17,222.85
Capital Recovery - Sewer	2,400.00
Elderly Liens Collected	12,406.24

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS:

Concord Savings Bank - Deposits & Repos	48,440.32
Bank of New Hampshire - NOW Account	817.29
First NH Bank - NOW Account	819.88
NHPDIP - Investment Pool	59,501.32

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS:

Reserve Fund - Fire Truck	7,454.36
Reserve Fund - Ambulance	41,939.71

THOMAS H. JOHNSON, JR. - Town Clerk

Town Clerk - Auto Fees	6,306.00
Town Clerk - Title Fees	2,034.00
Town Clerk - Dog Fees	331.00
Town Clerk - Boat Fees	213.00
Town Clerk - UCC Fees	2,340.00
Town Clerk - UCC Search	90.00
Town Clerk - UCC Copies	32.25
Town Clerk - UCC Attach	112.00
Town Clerk - Certifications	578.00
Town Clerk - Marriage Fees	238.00
Town Clerk - Decals	12,995.00
Town Clerk - Dredge and Fill	40.00
Town Clerk - Voter Registrations	6.00
Town Clerk - Dump Stickers	80.00
Town Clerk - Miscellaneous	244.27
Motor Vehicle Permits	571,615.00
Dog Licenses	2,317.50
Dog License Penalties	119.00
Boat Licenses	952.60
Filing Fees	46.00
Returned Checks	170.00
Dump Stickers	80.00
State - Boat Licenses	2,825.50
State - Dog Licenses	331.00
State - Marriage Licenses	1,292.00
State - Certification Copies	666.00
State - Dog Fees - Additional	1,134.00
TOTAL - Town Clerk	607,188.12

SUE B. STRICKFORD - Tax Collector

1997 Property Taxes	2,201.00
1996 Property Taxes	8,564,777.56
1996 Property Tax Interest	9,326.24
1996 Land Use Change Taxes	54,672.17
1996 Land Use Change Tax Interest	105.04

1996 Yield Taxes	19,779.65
1996 Yield Taxes Interest	4.41
1995 Property Taxes	281,208.76
1995 Property Tax Interest	10,034.85
1995 Tax Sale and Interest and Costs	330,981.43
1995 Yield Taxes	2,097.70
1995 Yield Tax Interest	246.86
1995 Taxes Redeemed	114,183.44
1995 Taxes Redeemed Interest and Cost	9,830.22
1994 Taxes Redeemed	131,433.33
1994 Taxes Redeemed Interest and Cost	22,767.64
1993 Taxes Redeemed	96,981.10
1993 Taxes Redeemed Interest and Cost	26,570.05
1992 Taxes Redeemed	3,943.39
1992 Taxes Redeemed Interest and Cost	2,134.34
1991 Taxes Redeemed	11,894.48
1991 Taxes Redeemed Interest And Cost	8,152.17

TOTAL - Tax Collector	9,703,325.83
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	13,095,322.65
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PAID ORDERS OF SELECTMEN	12,578,332.81
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BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1996	3,569,950.50
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Respectfully submitted,
Owen L. French, Treasurer

CASH BALANCE 12/31/96

Bank of New Hampshire - NOW Account	91,789.46
NHPDIP Pool - Investment Pool	132,039.36
Concord Savings Bank - Checking Account	60,000.00
Concord Savings Bank - Checking Account	85,000.00
Concord Savings Bank - Repurchase Account	3,201,121.68

TOTAL	3,569,950.50
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Treasurer's Report

Owen L. French, Treasurer - Town of Hopkinton

Sewer Fund

Balance at Statement - December 31, 1995 \$ 40,874.90

Sue Strickford 1996 - Sewer Fees	\$61,977.35
Sue Strickford 1996 - Sewer Fees Interest	53.68
Sue Strickford 1995 - Sewer Fees	6,622.96
Sue Strickford 1995 - Sewer Fees Interest	691.29

Bank of New Hampshire - Interest on NOW Account	406.71
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TOTAL	\$ 69,751.99
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Total Receipts	\$110,626.89
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Town of Hopkinton - Reimbursement

January	6,332.89
February	4,482.69
March	4,417.04
April	3,446.95
May	5,828.86
June	4,520.99
July	7,693.73
August	4,926.46
September	4,391.91
October	4,615.71
November	4,028.75
December	6,691.84

TOTAL	\$ 61,377.82
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Sewer Fund Balance as of Dember 31, 1996	\$ 49,249.07
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Hopkinton Town Forest Fund

Balance as of Dec. 31, 1995 - NHPDIP Pool	7,325.18
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Interest Income - Investment Pool	373.43
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Balance as of Dec. 31, 1996 - NHPDIP Pool	<u>7,698.61</u>
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Hopkinton Conservation Commission

Balance as of December 31, 1995 10,704.72

Interest Income - Investment Pool 1,104.53

Interest Income - Checking Account 16.64

Appropriations - Town of Hopkinton 1,500.00

1995 Land Use Change Tax - Town of Hopkinton 10,475.80

Refund - Deposit on Houston Property 7,100.00

TOTALS 30,901.69

Distributions - Dues 200.00

Distributions - Land Appraisal 250.00

Distributions - Land Survey 1,390.50

Distributions - Conservation Camp 550.00

TOTALS 2,390.50

Balance as of December 31, 1996 - Fleet Checking 853.70

Balance as of December 31, 1996 - Investment Pool 27,657.49

TOTAL 28,511.19

Respectfully submitted,
Owen L. French, Treasurer

Statement of Appropriations and

Taxes Assessed for

the Tax Year 1996

APPROPRIATIONS

Executive	65,150
Financial Administration	177,384
Elections, Registration & Vital Statistics	87,623
Cemeteries	13,000
General Government Buildings	36,000
Planning and Zoning	45,123
Legal Services	27,000
Parks & Recreation Director	27,143
Contingency Fund	10,000
Budget Committee	1,423
Road Committee	200
Police Department	417,071
Fire Department	241,754
Rescue Squad	6,432
1996 Pickup Truck	25,000
Hopkinton Fair	51,520
Highway Department	515,709
Street Lighting	1,800
New Construction	114,812
Special Detail	4,984
Private Roads	2,000
Shim & Paving	75,000
Landfill	364,964
Houston Land Purchase	350,000
Rowell Bridge Repair	23,000
1996 1-ton Truck	25,000
Welfare	41,827
Community Action Program	3,517
Library	89,991
Parks and Recreation	57,059
Patriotic Purposes	800
Conservation Commission	1,500
Community Center	19,000
Principal - Long Term Debt	40,000
Interest - Long Term Debt	38,080
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000
Ambulance	85,000
Fireworks	4,000
Sewer	74,118
Insurance	3,620
Landfill Closure (Bond)	1,980,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS5,152,604

ESTIMATED REVENUES

Yield Taxes	10,000
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	60,000
Land Use Change Tax	10,000
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	161,000
Shared Revenue - Block Grant	82,860
Highway Block Grant	114,812
Reim.a/cState-Federal Forest Land	703
State Aid Flood Control	101,648
Payment of Federally Owned Lands	2,726
Hopkinton Fair Association	51,520
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	550,000
Dog Licenses	3,000
Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	6,000
Town Clerk Fees	22,000
Income from Departments	4,000
Sanitary Landfill Income	100,000
Webster Portion of Landfill	68,609
Ambulance Income	45,000
School Contribution - George Park Maintenance	7,700
Interest on Deposits	80,000
Insurance Dividends	43,614
Reimbursement Sewer Department	74,118
Withdrawal - Capital Reserve - Ambulance	40,000
Close Out Capital Reserve - Attack Pumper	7,000
Capital Recovery Cost - Sewer	1,000
Special Detail	4,984
Proceeds from Long Term Notes & Bonds	1,980,000
Fund Balance	182,006
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	3,814,300

Total Town Appropriations	5,152,604
DEDUCT Total Revenues and Credits	3,814,300
EQUALS Net Town Appropriations	1,338,304
ADD School Tax Assessment	7,113,722
ADD County Tax Assessment	616,265
Total of Town, School and County	9,068,291
DEDUCT Total Business Profits Tax Reimbursement	136,845
ADD War Service Credits	46,100
ADD Overlay	109,263
Property Taxes to be Raised	9,086,809
Gross Precinct and / or Service Areas Taxes	153,782
Total	9,240,591
Less War Service Credits	46,100

Total Tax Commitment for Tax Year 19969,194,491

**Hopkinton Cemetery
Board of Trustees
1996 Annual Report**

Financial Report 1996

Cash on hand January 1, 1996 **\$7,910.66**

RECEIPTS

Town Cemetery Appropriation	\$7,371.00
Perpetual Care Fund Supplement	7,000.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots	1,220.00
Bank Interest	113.87
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	\$23,615.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Maintenance Contract (Soucy)	\$14,640.01
Reprints - Cemetery Rules & Regulations	252.50
Removal of old trees front of Contoocook Village Cemetery for new trees & shrubs	1,775.00
Removal of hedge - Contoocook Village Cemetery for Memorial Garden	245.67
Care of Huse Cemetery	350.00
Eagle Scout, Matt Lyman, cemetery signs	73.00
Water for cemeteries	594.48
Repair of broken monuments	480.00
Repurchase of lots	560.00
Cemetery supplies	660.24
Office expenses	95.00
Bank account charges	77.65
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	\$19,803.55

Cash on Hand December 31, 1996 **\$3,811.98**

The Hopkinton Cemetery Board of Trustees meets at 2:00 PM at Town Hall the first Tuesday of each month except during winter, when the cemeteries are closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Town of Hopkinton
Cemetery Board of Trustees
Susan Adams
Robert Bean
Barbara L. Brown

Capital Reserves Report for the Town of Hopkinton
January 1, 1996 to December 31, 1996

Purpose	Beginning Balance	Added	Paid	Income	Ending Balance
Contoocook Village Precinct CR	\$ 92,011.74	\$113,404.24	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 9,076.58	\$ 193,492.56
Police Station CR	104,489.39	.00	.00	5,326.65	109,816.04
Hopkinton SD Main & Reno CR	130,091.63	115,070.89	132,136.00	4,446.09	117,472.61
Library CR	267,773.03	.00	.00	13,650.67	281,423.70
Fire Dept. Truck CR	7,240.90	.00	7,454.36	213.46	.00
Fire Dept. Ambulance CR	40,738.16	.00	41,939.71	1,201.55	.00
TOTALS	\$642,344.85	\$228,475.13	\$202,530.07	\$33,915.00	\$702,204.91

Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds of the Town of Hopkinton for 1996

DATE	TRUST NAME	PURPOSE	BEGINNING BALANCE	NEW FUNDS	PAID OUT	GAIN/ LOSS	ENDING BALANCE	BEGINNING BALANCE	INCOME	PAID OUT	ENDING BALANCE	PRINCIPAL & INCOME
	Hopkinton Cemetery	Lot Care	61,545.61	230.00		1,980.63	63,756.24	55,573.14	6,383.27	(3,500.00)	58,456.41	122,212.65
	Contoocook Cemetery*	Lot Care	87,044.15	1,935.00		2,835.22	91,814.37	41,594.08	7,070.48	(3,500.00)	45,164.56	136,978.93
	Stumpfield Cemetery	Lot Care	2,668.61			85.74	2,754.35	4,078.09	367.40		4,445.49	7,199.84
	Blackwater Cemetery	Lot Care	5,299.35			170.26	5,469.61	3,234.03	464.69		3,698.72	9,168.33
	Misc. Cemeteries	Lot Care	2,112.27			67.87	2,180.14	4,185.89	342.97		4,528.86	6,709.00
1994	Contoocook Cemetery *	Con. Cem. Assoc.	4,089.49			131.39	4,220.88	363.47	242.49		605.96	4,826.84
1994	Contoocook Cemetery *	Con. Cem. Assoc.	4,248.48			136.50	4,384.98	353.74	250.62		604.36	4,989.34
1994	Terry, Warren & H	Flowers	155.21			4.99	160.20	179.71	18.24		197.95	358.15
1994	Hopkinton Vll Cem	Upkeep	621.71			19.98	641.69	5,271.68	320.93		5,592.61	6,224.30
1994	Contoocook Cem	Upkeep	5,557.04			178.54	5,735.58	18,552.85	1,312.93		19,865.78	25,601.36
1994	Hopkinton Old Cem	Upkeep	1,800.95			57.86	1,858.81	13,640.48	840.88		14,481.36	16,340.17
1994	Stumpfield Cemetery	Upkeep	39.80			1.28	41.08	241.90	15.34		257.24	298.32
1994	Clement's Hill Cem	Upkeep	6.00			0.19	6.19	55.95	3.37		59.32	65.51
1994	Lewis White	Upkeep	536.97			17.25	554.22	1,797.57	127.13		1,924.70	2,478.92
1994	Mary L Flanders	Upkeep	1,187.89			38.17	1,226.06	10,496.94	636.31		11,133.25	12,359.31
1994	Contoocook Cem Assoc	Upkeep	10,356.95			332.76	10,689.71	12,588.15	1,249.50		13,837.65	24,527.36
1994	Lerned, Dr Ebenezer	Female charity	528.94			16.99	545.93	1,302.94	99.76		1,402.70	1,948.63
1994	Lerned, Hannah Brook	Female charity	517.56			16.63	534.19	612.27	61.53		673.80	1,207.99
1994	Anderson, Hon Lars	Charity	1,077.01			34.60	1,111.61	3,765.98	263.73		4,029.71	5,141.32
1994	Anderson, Isabel	Local charity	1,075.15			34.54	1,109.69	3,653.22	257.49		3,910.71	5,020.40
1994	Helping Hand Fund	Charity	8,107.94			260.50	8,368.44	5,322.82	731.39		6,054.28	14,422.72
1994	Mary L. Flanders	Charity	48,502.46			1,558.35	50,060.81	63,647.45	6,107.24		69,754.69	119,815.50
1994	Chase, Ruth G	Charity	1,820.05			58.48	1,878.53	2,407.40	230.21		2,637.61	4,516.14
1994	John Babson	Scholarship	899.38			28.90	928.28	86.58	53.69		140.27	1,068.55
1994	Marton Kimball Mem	Scholarship	2,904.29			93.31	2,997.60	1,987.36	266.38	(300.00)	1,953.74	4,951.34
1994	Jessie Gould	Scholarship	22.66			0.73	23.39	36.50	3.22		39.72	63.11
1994	Evelyn Rice memorial	Scholarship	2,094.12			67.28	2,161.40	691.11	151.67	(200.00)	642.78	2,804.18
1994	Harold H Martin Mem	Scholarship	937.20			30.11	967.31	271.51	65.82	(100.00)	237.33	1,204.64
1994	Barry Regal	Scholarship	1,477.26			47.46	1,524.72	244.61	93.77		338.38	1,863.10
1994	Andrew J Carroll Mem	Scholarship	2,718.55	1,262.00		87.35	4,067.90	174.25	157.53	(100.00)	4,299.68	11,681.12
1994	W & H Sterling Mem	Scholarship	10,622.86			341.30	10,964.16	890.01	626.95	(800.00)	716.96	12,028.09
1994	W C & MJB Sterling	Scholarship	10,272.71			330.05	10,602.76	1,579.88	645.45	(400.00)	1,425.33	5,581.95
1994	Sullivan, J & A Mem	Scholarship	5,141.58			165.20	5,306.78	374.77	300.40		275.17	5,581.95
1994	Burns, Richard	Books for children	513.63			16.50	530.13	(0.37)	27.95	(33.74)	(6.16)	523.97
1994	Kimball, Sarah U	Hopkinton Library	102.73			3.30	106.03	(0.08)	5.59	(6.84)	(1.33)	104.70
1994	Richardson, Eliza	Hopkinton Library	937.07			30.11	967.18	(0.68)	50.99	(61.83)	(11.52)	955.66
1994	Lerned, Lucy	Hopkinton Library	152.30			4.89	157.19	(0.11)	8.29	(10.16)	(1.98)	155.21
1994	Richardson, Eliza	Contoocook Library	667.76			21.45	689.21	46.90	38.92	(91.08)	(5.26)	683.95
1994	Kimball, John P	Contoocook Library	205.45			6.60	212.05	(0.15)	11.18	(13.69)	(2.66)	209.39
1994	Young, William P	Books for children	567.86			18.24	586.10	(0.41)	30.90	(37.47)	(6.98)	579.12
1994	Glen H Haselton Mem	Children's Bks C'ck	3,493.48	2,025.00		112.24	5,630.72	5.42	190.54	(228.74)	(32.78)	5,597.94
1994	Ty Houston Memorial	Child Pgm's Contoocook	308.19			9.90	318.09	(0.23)	16.77	(20.40)	(3.86)	314.23
1994	Katherine E Seiple	Cld Bks Contoocook	3,080.67			98.98	3,179.65	1.19	167.83	(202.73)	(33.71)	3,145.94
1994	Jessie H Brown Mem	Libraries	533.63			17.15	550.78	(0.39)	29.04	(35.16)	(6.51)	544.27
1994	C Louise Wright Mem	Child bks Contoocook	1,834.76			58.95	1,893.71	(1.33)	99.84	(120.69)	(22.18)	1,871.53
1994	Kelly, G Everett	Library	20,274.51			651.41	20,925.92	(14.67)	1,103.27	(1,333.60)	(245.00)	20,680.92
1994	Helen Young Bailey	General school use	107.30			3.45	110.75	352.02	25.01		377.03	487.78
1994	Jessie Gould	School Libraries	4,756.08			152.81	4,908.89	4,641.68	511.77	(627.40)	4,526.05	9,434.94
1994	Project Graduation	Graduation	5,089.08			163.53	5,252.61	1,798.27	375.06		2,173.33	7,425.94
1994	Brooke Blanchard Mem	Scholarships	0.00	3,530.00		56.23	3,586.23	0.00	95.30		95.30	3,681.53
1994	Stacey Griscom Mem	Scholarships	0.00	5,677.53		91.20	5,768.73	0.00	154.56		154.56	5,923.29
	Total Perpetual Funds, Common Trust Funds		328,614.70	14,659.53	0.00	10,747.35	354,021.58	266,083.46	32,705.59	(12,523.53)	286,265.52	640,287.10

Expendable Funds												
Contoocook Precinct												
Total Expendable Funds												
Grand Total												

* Contoocook Cemetery Association balances moved from Contoocook Cemetery balances

Common Fund of the Town of Hopkinton for 1996

SHARES	ASSET DESCRIPTION	BEGINNING 01/01/96	ADDED	SOLD	GAIN (LOSS)	BALANCE 12/31/96	MARKET VALUE	INCOME
19,646	FINANCIAL SQUARE MONEY MARKET THE FEDERAL PORTFOLIO	11,900.00	19,646.00	(11,900.00)		19,646.00	19,646.00	1,336.68
	LAKE SUNAPEE SAVINGS ACCOUNT	30,000.00		(30,000.00)		0.00	0.00	208.18
2,235.605	VANGUARD INDEX TRUST-500 #40	87,355.84	30,000.00		510.17	117,866.01	154,614.44	262.71
7,009.389	VANGUARD WORLD-US GROWTH #23	94,704.92	30,000.00		9,988.36	134,693.28	166,402.89	2,479.14
	FORD MOTOR CREDIT CORP NC	9,784.45		(10,000.00)	215.55	0.00	0.00	1,603.07
	TENN VALLEY AUTH	19,339.63		(20,000.00)	660.37	0.00	0.00	412.50
	US TREASURY NOTE	10,625.96		(10,000.00)	(625.96)	0.00	0.00	1,650.00
2,000	LAKE SUNAPEE BK #1000110670	21,756.90				21,756.90	20,481.25	725.00
25,000	GEN MOTORS ACC CORP N/C	25,000.00				25,000.00	25,000.00	1,775.00
30,000	LAKE SUNAPEE BK #1000110680	29,416.69				29,416.69	25,000.00	1,651.45
25,000	LAKE SUNAPEE BK #1000110690	25,000.00				25,000.00	25,000.00	2,325.00
25,000	US TREASURY NOTE	32,074.04				32,074.04	25,000.00	1,651.47
20,000	FED HOME LOAN BKS	19,736.35				19,736.35	32,400.00	2,550.00
10,000	TENN VALLEY AUTH	10,791.20				10,791.20	20,481.25	1,400.00
25,000	US TREASURY NOTE	26,373.77				26,373.77	10,243.75	745.00
25,000	PHILIP MORRIS	24,447.94				24,447.94	26,320.31	1,875.00
5,000	TENN VALLEY AUTH	5,161.19				5,161.19	25,765.63	1,906.26
40,000	TENN VALLEY AUTH	36,660.47				36,660.47	5,034.38	343.76
25,000	FED HOME LOAN BKS	25,006.25				25,006.25	38,900.00	2,450.00
	SARA LEE CORP MULTI STEP UP	15,001.14		(15,000.00)	(1.14)	0.00	26,882.81	1,967.50
20,000	FED HOME LOAN MTGE CORP	0.00	20,000.00			20,000.00	0.00	1,207.50
35,000	SOYLAND POWER COOP GRANTOR TR 9.700%	41,083.75				41,083.75	19,875.00	(176.08)
	ACCTS PAYABLE, DUE CONTOCOOK PRECINCT, EXPENDABLE ACCOUNT, RCVD FROM CAPITAL RESERVES	(30,302.21)	30,302.21			0.00	37,275.00	3,395.00
	INTEREST DUE TO CONTOCOOK PRECINCT, RCVD FROM CAPITAL RESERVES	(595.44)	595.44			0.00		
	INTEREST DUE TO CONTOCOOK PRECINCT	(625.10)	625.10			0.00		
	BANKING ASSISTANCE FEES			(0.42)		573.26	573.26	(2,690.04)
	CASH	0.42	573.26					
	TOTAL	594,698.16	131,742.01	(96,900.42)	10,747.35	640,287.10	710,570.97	32,705.59
	CONTOCOOK PRECINCT - EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS							
	HASCONA SB MVA	21,800.00	1,357.00	(21,800.00)		1,357.00	1,357.00	
	LAKE SUNAPEE BANK TREASURY SAVINGS	74.00		(74.00)				
	FED HOME LOAN BK DISC NOTE	0.00	53,717.58			53,717.58	53,881.20	
	CASH	0.36	0.18	(0.36)		0.18	0.18	
	PAYABLE DUE FROM TRUST FUNDS, 1995	30,302.21		(30,302.21)		0.00	0.00	
	PAYABLE DUE FROM TRUST FUNDS, 1996	1,220.54		(1,220.54)		0.00	0.00	
	BANKING ASSISTANCE FEES							(119.53)
	INCOME ALL SOURCES							1,797.18
	GAIN FROM ALL SOURCES							
	TOTAL	53,397.11	55,074.76	(53,397.11)	0.00	55,074.76	55,238.38	1,677.65
	GRAND TOTAL	648,095.27	186,816.77	(150,297.53)	10,747.35	695,361.86	765,809.35	34,383.24

Independent Auditor's Report of

Financial Presentation

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hopkinton
Hopkinton, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Hopkinton for the year ended December 31, 1996, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We are pleased to report that, during the course of our review of internal controls, no material weaknesses in the Town's accounting systems and records were identified. Minor weaknesses or other considerations coming to our attention were generally procedural in nature and dealt with administrative or recordkeeping practices. In these instances, we made specific recommendations or provided instruction to those individuals involved during the course of our audit fieldwork.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

January 31, 1997

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hopkinton
Hopkinton, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hopkinton as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Hopkinton has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Hopkinton, as of December 31, 1996, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its and nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Hopkinton. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

January 31, 1997

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EXHIBIT A
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group
December 31, 1996

<u>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</u>	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 3,437,961	\$ 81,630	\$
Investments	132,040	45,562	
<u>Receivables (Net of Allowances For Uncollectibles)</u>			
Taxes	766,685		
Accounts	7,855	9,951	
Intergovernmental	1,086		
Interfund Receivable	968	18,346	
Elderly Tax Liens	44,292		
Elderly Tax Liens			
Reserved Until Collected	(44,292)		
<u>Other Debits</u>			
Amount to be Provided for			
Retirement of General Long-Term Debt			
 TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	 <u>\$ 4,346,595</u>	 <u>\$ 155,489</u>	 <u>\$ -0-</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>			
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	\$ 152	\$	\$
Retainage Payable			132,039
Intergovernmental Payable	3,552,733		
Interfund Payable	18,346		968
Deferred Tax Revenues	2,155		
General Obligation Debt Payable			
Landfill Closure Costs Payable			
Total Liabilities	<u>3,573,386</u>		<u>133,007</u>
<u>Equity</u>			
<u>Fund Balances</u>			
Reserved For Endowments			
Reserved For Encumbrances	58,924		
Reserved For Special Purposes			
<u>Unreserved</u>			
Designated For Special Purposes		155,489	
Undesignated (Deficit)	<u>714,285</u>		<u>(133,007)</u>
Total Equity	<u>773,209</u>	<u>155,489</u>	<u>(133,007)</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	 <u>\$ 4,346,595</u>	 <u>\$ 155,489</u>	 <u>\$ -0-</u>

<u>Fiduciary Fund Types Trust Fund</u>	<u>Account Group General Long- Term Debt</u>	<u>Total (Memorandum Only)</u>
\$ 21,576	\$	\$ 3,541,167
1,375,990		1,553,592
		766,685
		17,806
		1,086
		19,314
		44,292
		(44,292)
	<u>2,420,164</u>	<u>2,420,164</u>
<u>\$ 1,397,566</u>	<u>\$ 2,420,164</u>	<u>\$ 8,319,814</u>
\$	\$	\$ 152
		132,039
366,040		3,918,773
		19,314
		2,155
	1,969,912	1,969,912
	<u>450,252</u>	<u>450,252</u>
<u>366,040</u>	<u>2,420,164</u>	<u>6,492,597</u>
354,022		354,022
677,504		58,924
		677,504
		155,489
		<u>581,278</u>
<u>1,031,526</u>		<u>1,827,217</u>
<u>\$ 1,397,566</u>	<u>\$ 2,420,164</u>	<u>\$ 8,319,814</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT B
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Type Expendable Trust</u>	<u>Total (Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>		
<u>Revenues</u>					
Taxes	\$ 9,470,813	\$ 10,934	\$	\$	\$ 9,481,747
Licenses and Permits	609,895				609,895
Intergovernmental	448,828				448,828
Charges for Services	198,509	71,097			269,606
Miscellaneous	360,987	27,261		20,393	408,641
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>					
Operating Transfers In	49,394	18,067			67,461
Proceeds of General Obligation Debt			<u>1,449,912</u>		<u>1,449,912</u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>11,138,426</u>	<u>127,359</u>	<u>1,449,912</u>	<u>20,393</u>	<u>12,736,090</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>					
<u>Current</u>					
General Government	407,856	19,674			427,530
Public Safety	805,779	1,097			806,876
Highways and Streets	498,780				498,780
Sanitation	355,499	61,378			416,877
Health	3,517				3,517
Welfare	52,461				52,461
Culture and Recreation	187,138	13,927			201,065
Conservation		2,391			2,391
Debt Service	78,080				78,080
Capital Outlay	588,675		1,503,083		2,091,758
Intergovernmental	7,884,769				7,884,769
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>					
Operating Transfers Out	<u>8,871</u>			<u>49,394</u>	<u>58,265</u>
<u>Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>10,871,425</u>	<u>98,467</u>	<u>1,503,083</u>	<u>49,394</u>	<u>12,522,369</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	267,001	28,892	(53,171)	(29,001)	213,721
<u>Fund Balances - January 1</u>	<u>506,208</u>	<u>126,597</u>	<u>(79,836)</u>	<u>420,241</u>	<u>973,210</u>
<u>Fund Balances - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 773,209</u>	<u>\$ 155,489</u>	<u>\$ (133,007)</u>	<u>\$ 391,240</u>	<u>\$ 1,186,931</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)
General and Special Revenue Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	<u>General Fund</u>		Variance
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
<u>Revenues</u>			
Taxes	\$ 9,326,228	\$ 9,470,813	\$ 144,585
Licenses and Permits	581,000	609,895	28,895
Intergovernmental	436,868	448,828	11,960
Charges for Services	220,335	198,509	(21,826)
Miscellaneous	228,818	360,987	132,169
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
Operating Transfers In	<u>7,000</u>	<u>49,394</u>	<u>42,394</u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>10,800,249</u>	<u>11,138,426</u>	<u>338,177</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>			
<u>Current</u>			
General Government	453,523	407,856	45,667
Public Safety	806,761	805,779	982
Highways and Streets	519,509	498,780	20,729
Sanitation	364,964	355,499	9,465
Health	3,517	3,517	
Welfare	41,827	52,461	(10,634)
Culture and Recreation	197,993	187,138	10,855
Debt Service	83,080	78,080	5,000
Capital Outlay	612,812	606,656	6,156
Intergovernmental	7,883,769	7,884,769	(1,000)
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>			
Operating Transfers Out	<u>14,500</u>	<u>8,871</u>	<u>5,629</u>
<u>Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>10,982,255</u>	<u>10,889,406</u>	<u>92,849</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	(182,006)	249,020	431,026
<u>Unreserved Fund Balances - January 1</u>	<u>465,265</u>	<u>465,265</u>	
<u>Unreserved Fund Balances - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 283,259</u>	<u>\$ 714,285</u>	<u>\$ 431,026</u>

Annually Budgeted Special Revenue Funds			Totals (Memorandum Only)		
Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
\$	\$	\$	\$ 9,326,228	\$ 9,470,813	\$ 144,585
			581,000	609,895	28,895
			436,868	448,828	11,960
75,118	71,097	(4,021)	295,453	269,606	(25,847)
89,991	17,362	(72,629)	318,809	378,349	59,540
<u>13,000</u>	<u>16,567</u>	<u>3,567</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>65,961</u>	<u>45,961</u>
<u>178,109</u>	<u>105,026</u>	<u>(73,083)</u>	<u>10,978,358</u>	<u>11,243,452</u>	<u>265,094</u>
13,000	19,674	(6,674)	466,523	427,530	38,993
			806,761	805,779	982
			519,509	498,780	20,729
75,118	61,378	13,740	440,082	416,877	23,205
			3,517	3,517	
			41,827	52,461	(10,634)
89,991	13,927	76,064	287,984	201,065	86,919
			83,080	78,080	5,000
			612,812	606,656	6,156
			7,883,769	7,884,769	(1,000)
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>14,500</u>	<u>8,871</u>	<u>5,629</u>
<u>178,109</u>	<u>94,979</u>	<u>83,130</u>	<u>11,160,364</u>	<u>10,984,385</u>	<u>175,979</u>
	10,047	10,047	(182,006)	259,067	441,073
<u>98,092</u>	<u>98,092</u>	<u> </u>	<u>563,357</u>	<u>563,357</u>	<u> </u>
<u>\$ 98,092</u>	<u>\$ 108,139</u>	<u>\$ 10,047</u>	<u>\$ 381,351</u>	<u>\$ 822,424</u>	<u>\$ 441,073</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT D
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance
All Nonexpendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	<u>Fiduciary Fund Type Nonexpendable Town Trusts</u>
<u>Operating Revenues</u>	
New Funds	\$ 14,660
Interest and Dividends	32,706
Capital Gains	<u>10,745</u>
 <u>Total Operating Revenues</u>	 58,111
 <u>Operating Expenses</u>	
Trust Income Distributions	<u>3,327</u>
 <u>Operating Income</u>	 54,784
 <u>Operating Transfers</u>	
Transfers Out	<u>9,196</u>
 <u>Net Income</u>	 45,588
 <u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>	 <u>594,698</u>
 <u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>	 <u>\$ 640,286</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT E
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Cash Flows
All Nonexpendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	Fiduciary <u>Fund Type</u> Nonexpendable <u>Town Trusts</u>
<u>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</u>	
Interest and Dividends Received	\$ 43,451
New Funds Received	14,660
Trust Income Distributions	(3,327)
Operating Transfers Out - To Other Funds	<u>(9,196)</u>
<u>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</u>	45,588
<u>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</u>	
Purchase of Investment Securities	<u>(57,788)</u>
<u>Net Decrease in Cash</u>	(12,200)
<u>Cash - January 1</u>	<u>33,776</u>
<u>Cash - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 21,576</u>
 <i>Reconciliation of Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</i>	
<u>Net Income</u>	<u>\$ 45,588</u>

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Reserve for Encumbrances - is used to account for open purchase orders, contracts and other commitments at year end for which goods and services have not been received.

Reserve for Special Purposes - is used to account for the unencumbered balance of restricted funds. These include the Town's Expendable Trust Funds, and the income portion of the Town's Nonexpendable Trust Funds.

F. Total Columns (Memorandum Only) on Combined Statements

Amounts in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns in the combined financial statement line items of the fund types and account groups are presented for analytical purposes only. The summation includes fund types and account groups that use different bases of accounting, includes interfund transactions that have not been eliminated and the caption "amounts to be provided," which is not an asset in the usual sense. Consequently, amounts shown in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns are not comparable to a consolidation and do not represent the total resources available or total revenues and expenditures/expenses of the Town.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Deficit Fund Balances

Project Deficit

There is a deficit of \$133,007 in the Capital Projects (Landfill Closure) Fund at December 31, 1996. Generally, this deficit arises because of the application of generally accepted accounting principles to the financial reporting for this fund. Bonds or notes authorized to finance the project are not recognized on the financial statements until issued.

B. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

The following governmental fund had an excess of expenditures over appropriations for the year ended December 31, 1996:

Special Revenue Fund

Hopkinton Cemetery Association

\$ 6,674

Overexpenditures occurred primarily due to the receipt and expenditure of unanticipated funds.

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NOTE 3 - ASSETS

A. Cash and Equivalents

At year end, the Town's cash deposits categorized according to risk assumed were as follows:

Category 1 Includes deposits that are insured (Federal Depository Insurance).

Category 2 Includes deposits that are uninsured, but are collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution, its trust department or agent in the Town's name.

Category 3 Includes deposits that are uninsured and uncollateralized.

	<u>Category</u>			<u>Total</u>	
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>
<u>Cash</u>					
Bank Deposits	<u>\$ 245,790</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 142,024</u>	\$ 387,814	\$ 340,045
<u>Cash Equivalents</u>					
Repurchase Agreements				<u>3,150,332</u>	<u>3,201,122</u>
<u>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>				<u>\$ 3,538,146</u>	<u>\$ 3,541,167</u>

Repurchase Agreements

Included in the Town's cash equivalents at December 31, 1996, were short-term investments in repurchase agreements issued by a local banking institution. Under these agreements, the Town will be repaid principal plus interest on a specified date which is subsequent to year end. The agreement is guaranteed/collateralized with securities held by the banking institution which exceed the amount of the agreement. To the extent that the banking institution may default on its commitment to these obligations, the Town is at risk of economic loss. Management considers this exposure to be minimal. At December 31, 1996, the Town held investments in repurchase agreements as follows:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Underlying Securities</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
\$ 2,900,000	7.410	5/18/05	FHLMC	\$ 2,902,146
\$ 1,000,000	7.260	9/10/99	FHLB	\$ 1,010,080

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During 1995, the Town of Hopkinton entered into an agreement with the Hopkinton School District whereby the Town will deposit to a newly established bank account, a sum equal to the estimated cash requirement submitted by the School District. This account is fully collateralized and invested in United States Government obligations. Although the School District will draw daily from this account, it will remain the property of the Town. Interest earned on this account will accrue to the Town. These funds are not included in the above summary.

B. Investments

Investments made by the Town are summarized below. The investments that are represented by specific identifiable investment securities are classified as to credit risk into three categories as follows:

- Category 1* Includes investments that are insured or registered, for which the securities are held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name.
- Category 2* Includes uninsured and unregistered investments, for which the securities are held by the Town, broker, counter party's trust department or agent in the Town's name.
- Category 3* Includes uninsured and unregistered investments, for which the securities are held by the broker, counter party, counter party's trust department, or agent, but not in the Town's name.

Investments under the authority of the Trustees of Trust Funds are under the management of the Charter Trust Company, who is the Town's agent for these Funds. Investments totaling \$431,226 are designated as Category 3 because they are held by and agent of the Bank, but not in the Town's name.

	<u>Category</u>			<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>		
US Government Obligations	\$	\$	\$ 198,668	\$ 198,668	\$ 225,320
Corporate Bonds			<u>232,558</u>	<u>232,558</u>	<u>227,892</u>
	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 431,226</u>	<u>\$ 431,226</u>	<u>\$ 453,212</u>
Mutual Funds				\$ 252,559	\$ 321,016
New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool				<u>869,807</u>	<u>869,807</u>
				<u>\$ 1,122,366</u>	<u>\$ 1,190,823</u>
<u>Total Investments</u>				<u>\$ 1,553,592</u>	<u>\$ 1,644,035</u>

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C. Property Taxes

The property tax year is from April 1 to March 31 and all property taxes are assessed on the inventory taken in April of that year. The net assessed valuation as of April 1, 1996, upon which the 1996 property tax levy was based was \$339,226,170.

The Town subscribes to the semi-annual method of tax collection as provided for by RSA 76:15-a. Under this method, tax bills are sent on or around June 1 and November 1 of each year, with interest accruing at a rate of 12% on bills outstanding for more than 30 days.

The June 1 billing is considered an estimate only and is one half of the previous year's tax billing. The remaining balance of taxes due is billed in the fall after the State Department of Revenue Administration has calculated and approved the Town's tax rate for the fiscal year.

In connection with the setting of the tax rate, Town Officials, with the approval of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, establish and raise through taxation an amount for abatements and refunds of property taxes, known as overlay. This amount is reported as a reduction in tax revenue and is adjusted by management for any tax reserves at year end. The property taxes collected by the Town include taxes levied for the Hopkinton School District, Merrimack County, Hopkinton Village Precinct, and Contoocook Village Precinct which are remitted to these governmental units as required by law. The ultimate responsibility for the collection of taxes rests with the Town.

The tax rate for the year ended December 31, 1996, was as follows:

	Taxpayers in the Contoocook Village <u>Precinct</u>	Taxpayers in the Hopkinton Village <u>Precinct</u>
Municipal Portion	\$ 4.35	\$ 4.35
School Tax Assessment	20.63	20.63
County Tax Assessment	1.80	1.80
Precinct Tax Assessment	<u>1.93</u>	<u>.38</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$28.71</u>	<u>\$ 27.16</u>

As prescribed by law, within 18 months of the date assessed, the Tax Collector places a lien on properties for all uncollected property taxes in the following year after taxes are due. The lien on these properties has priority over other liens and accrues interest at 18% per annum. If property is not redeemed within the 2-year redemption period, the property is tax-deeded to the Town.

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During the current fiscal year, the Tax Collector on April 15 placed a lien for all uncollected 1995 property taxes.

Taxes receivable at December 31, 1996, are as follows:

<u>Property Taxes</u>	
Levy of 1996	\$ 614,903
<u>Unredeemed Taxes (under tax lien)</u>	
Levy of 1995	216,798
Levy of 1994	83,280
Levy of 1993	320
Levy of 1992	754
Yield Taxes	630
Less: Reserve for estimated uncollectible taxes	<u>(150,000)</u>
<u>Total Taxes Receivable</u>	<u>\$ 766,685</u>

D. Other Receivables

Receivables as of December 31, 1996, are as follows:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Receivables</u>			
Accounts	\$ 7,855	\$ 9,951	\$ 17,806
Intergovernmental	<u>1,086</u>	<u> </u>	<u>1,086</u>
<u>Net Total Receivables</u>	<u>\$ 8,941</u>	<u>\$ 9,951</u>	<u>\$ 18,892</u>

E. Interfund Receivables/Payables

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances at December 31, 1996 are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Interfund Receivable</u>	<u>Interfund Payable</u>
General Fund	\$ 968	\$ 18,346
<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>		
Sewer Department	7,412	
Conservation Commission	10,934	
<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>		
Landfill Closure	<u> </u>	<u>968</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 19,314</u>	<u>\$ 19,314</u>

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F. Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets, errors or omissions, injuries to employees, or acts of God. During fiscal year 1996, the Town was a member of the New Hampshire Municipal Association Property-Liability Insurance Trust, Inc. and the compensation funds of the New Hampshire Workers' Compensation Fund. These entities are considered public entity risk pools, currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for member towns and cities.

The New Hampshire Municipal Association Property-Liability Insurance Trust, Inc. is a Trust organized to provide certain property and liability insurance coverages to member towns, cities and other qualified political subdivisions of New Hampshire. As a member of the NHMA Property-Liability Insurance Trust, Inc., the Town shares in contributing to the cost of, and receiving benefits from, a self-insured pooled risk management program. The membership and coverage run from July 1 to June 30. The program includes a Self-Insured Retention Fund from which is paid up to \$500,000 for each and every covered property, crime and/or liability loss subject to a \$1,000 deductible, and each and every covered General Liability and Public Officials Liability Loss.

The Trust maintains, on behalf of its members, the following re-insurance policies shared by the membership for the year ended June 30, 1997.

1. United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company (USF&G) Casualty Facultative Reinsurance Certificate #GC12225404500 which provides general liability and public officials liability coverage in the amount of \$1,500,000 in excess of the Trust's Self-Insured Retention for each and every loss.
2. United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company (USF&G) Property Facultative Reinsurance Certificate #GC12225404600 which provides property and auto physical damage coverage in the amount of \$500,000 in excess of the Trust's Self-Insured Retention for each and every loss.
3. Swiss Reinsurance America Corporation Property Facultative Reinsurance Certificate #116781 which provides property and auto physical damage coverage in excess of the Trust Self-Insured Retention and the (USF&G) Property Facultative Reinsurance Certificate, up to the total property and vehicle schedule on file with the Trust for its entire membership.
4. United States Fidelity and Guaranty Corporation provides some members with higher limits of from \$1 to \$4 million in excess of the underlying \$2 million.
5. Members of the Trust also share Kemper National Insurance Companies Boiler and Machinery Policy #3XN 025 476-01 which provides a \$30,000,000 limit resulting from any "one accident" subject to a \$1,000 deductible.

Contributions paid in 1996 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, to be recorded as an insurance expense/expenditure totaled \$54,536. Additional contributions paid in 1996 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1996 totaled \$21. Unpaid contributions for the year ending June 30, 1997 and due in

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1996 were \$-0-. Claims submitted to the Trust that have been billed to the Town for their portion of payment (i.e., deductible) as of December 31, 1996, totaled \$-0-. During December 1996, \$23,290 was returned to the Town of Hopkinton as its 1996 "dividend" for the years 1989 through 1994.

The Trust Agreement permits the Trust to make additional assessments to members should there be a deficiency in Trust assets to meet its liabilities. At this time, the Town foresees no likelihood of an additional assessment for any of the past years.

Compensation Funds of New Hampshire - Workers' Compensation Fund is a Trust organized to provide statutory workers' compensation and employer's liability self-insurance coverage to member towns, cities, school districts, and other qualified political subdivisions of New Hampshire. As a member of Compensation Funds of New Hampshire - Workers' Compensation Fund, the Town of Hopkinton shares in contributing to the cost of and receiving benefits from a self-insured pooled risk management program. The membership and coverage runs from January 1 to December 31. The coverage is for the statutorily required workers' compensation benefits and employer's liability coverage up to \$1,000,000. The program includes a Loss Fund from which is paid up to \$375,000 for each and every covered claim.

The Trust maintained on behalf of its members the following insurance policy shared by the membership for the year ended December 31, 1996:

Aggregate reinsurance to cover total claims should they exceed the Loss Fund established by the Trust (coverage to \$5,000,000).

The Trust Agreement permits the Trust to make additional assessments to members should there be a deficiency in Trust assets to meet its liabilities. At this time, the Trust foresees no likelihood of any additional assessments for any of the past years.

The Town continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including employee and public official fidelity bonds, health and accident insurance.

NOTE 4 - LIABILITIES

A. Intergovernmental Payable

Payables due other governments at December 31, 1996 include:

General Fund

Balance of 1996-1997 Assessment Due to School District \$ 3,552,733

Trust Funds

Trust and Capital Reserve Funds

Due to Hopkinton School District and Precincts 366,040

Total Intergovernmental Payable

\$ 3,918,773

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B. Deferred Revenue

General Fund

Deferred revenue at December 31, 1996, in the amount of \$2,155 consists of property taxes collected or levied in advance of the fiscal year to which they apply.

C. Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Plan Description and Provisions

The New Hampshire Retirement System (System) is the administrator of a cost-sharing multiple-employer contributory pension plan and trust established in 1967 by RSA 100-A:2 and is qualified as a tax-exempt organization under Sections 401 (a) and 501 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan is a contributory, defined benefit plan providing service, disability, death and vested retirement benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Substantially all full-time state employees, public school teachers and administrators, permanent firefighters and permanent police officers within the State of New Hampshire are eligible and required to participate in the System. Full-time employees of political subdivisions, including counties, municipalities and school districts, are also eligible to participate as a group if the governing body of the political subdivision has elected participation. The Hopkinton participates in the System and the payroll for employees covered by the System for the year ended December 31, 1996, was 796,288; the Town's total payroll was \$1,023,798.

All full-time employees are eligible to participate in the System. The System is divided into two employee groups; **Group I** - teachers and all other employees except firefighters and police officers, and **Group II** - firefighters and police officers.

Group I - Members at age 60 qualify for a normal service retirement allowance based on years of creditable service and average final salary for the highest three years. The yearly pension amount is 1/60 or 1.667% of average final compensation (AFC), multiplied by years of creditable service. AFC is defined as the average of the three highest salary years, and for benefit calculation purposes only, the final year's salary can not exceed by more than 150% the higher of the previous year's salary or the salary for the highest year used in the calculation of AFC (not including the final year's salary). At age 65, the yearly pension amount is recalculated at 1/66 or 1.515% of AFC multiplied by years of creditable service. Members in service with 10 or more years creditable service who are between age 50 and 60 or members in service with at least 20 or more years of service, whose age plus service is equal to or greater than 70 are entitled to a retirement allowance with appropriate graduated reduction based on years of creditable service.

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Group II - Members who are age 60, or members who are at least age 45 with at least 20 years creditable service can receive a retirement allowance at a rate of 2.5% of AFC for each year of creditable service, not to exceed 40 years.

Members of both groups may qualify for vested deferred allowances, disability allowances, and death benefit allowances subject to meeting various eligibility requirements; benefits are based on AFC or earnable compensation and/or service.

The State of New Hampshire funds 35% of employer costs for firefighters and police officers employed by the Town. The State does not participate in funding the employer cost of other Town employees.

Description of Funding Policy

The System is financed by contributions from both the employees and the Town. By State statute, Group I employees are required to contribute 5% of earnable compensation. Group II employees are required to contribute 9.3% of gross earnings. The Town contributed 2.73% for police officers, 5.12% for firefighters and 3.39% for other employees, during the year ended December 31, 1996. The contribution requirement was as follows:

Town's Portion	\$ 26,701
Employees' Portion	<u>51,440</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 78,141</u>

The amount shown as "pension benefit obligation" is based on a standardized measurement which reflects the present value of pension benefits, adjusted for the effects of projected salary increases and step-rate benefits, estimated to be payable in the future as a result of employee service to date. The measure, which is the actuarial present value of credited projected benefits, is intended to help users assess the System's funding status on a going-concern basis, assess progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due, and make comparisons among PERS and employers. The System does not make separate measurements of assets and pension benefit obligations for individual employers. The pension benefit obligation at June 30, 1996, for the System as a whole, determined through an actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 1995, projected to June 30, 1996, was \$2.419 billion. The System's net assets available for benefits on June 30, 1996, (valued at market) were \$2.564 billion. The System holds none of the Town's securities.

Trend Information

Historical trend information showing the System's progress in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due is available and is presented in the System's June 30, 1996 annual financial report (the latest year available).

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D. Construction and Other Significant Commitments

As of December 31, 1996, the Town had the following commitments with respect to unfinished capital projects:

<u>Capital Project</u>	<u>Remaining Construction Commitment</u>	<u>Expected Date of Completion</u>
Landfill Closure	\$450,252	1997

E. Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs

Federal and State laws and regulations require that the Town place a final cover on its landfill when closed and perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill site after closure. A liability is being recognized in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group based on the future closure and postclosure care costs that will be incurred near or after the date the landfill no longer accepts waste. The estimated liability for landfill closure and postclosure care costs has a balance of \$450,252 as of December 31, 1996, which is based on 100% usage (filled) of the landfill.

Landfill closure costs incurred through December 31, 1996 were \$1,529,748 and were financed by loans from the State of New Hampshire. Additional loans will be provided for the balance of the project.

F. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of the Town's general long-term debt transactions for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1996:

	<u>General Obligation Debt Payable</u>	<u>Accrued Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
<i>General Long-Term Debt Account Group</i>			
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 560,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,560,000
Issued	1,449,912		1,449,912
Retired	(40,000)		(40,000)
Net increase (decrease) in Accrued Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs	<u> </u>	<u>(2,549,748)</u>	<u>(2,549,748)</u>
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 1,969,912</u>	<u>\$ 450,252</u>	<u>\$ 2,420,164</u>

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Long-term debt payable at December 31, 1996, is comprised of the following individual issues:

<u>Description of Issue</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Interest Rate %</u>	<u>Outstanding at 12/31/96</u>
<u>General Long-Term</u>					
<u>Debt Account Group</u>					
<u>General Obligation</u>					
<u>Debt Payable</u>					
Landfill Closure Bonds	\$800,000	1989	2009	Variable	\$ 520,000
Landfill Closure Notes	\$1,449,912	1996	2017	4.632	<u>1,449,912</u>
					\$ 1,969,912
<u>Accrued Landfill Closure</u>					
<u>and Postclosure Care Costs</u>					<u>450,252</u>
<u>Total General Long-Term</u>					
<u>Debt Account Group</u>					<u>\$ 2,420,164</u>

Annual Requirements To Amortize Governmental Fund Debt

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation debt outstanding as of December 31, 1996, including interest payments, are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Governmental Fund Debt</u>		
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
1997	\$ 40,000	\$ 35,360	\$ 75,360
1998	112,496	99,800	212,296
1999	112,496	93,722	206,218
2000	112,496	87,644	200,140
2001	112,496	81,566	194,062
2002-2017	<u>1,479,928</u>	<u>554,604</u>	<u>2,034,532</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 1,969,912</u>	<u>\$ 952,696</u>	<u>\$ 2,922,608</u>

All debt is general obligation debt of the Town, which is backed by its full faith and credit. All debt will be repaid from general governmental revenues.

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Bonds or Notes Authorized - Unissued

Bonds and notes authorized and unissued as of December 31, 1996 were as follows:

<u>Per Town Meeting Vote of</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Unissued Amount</u>
Article 5, 1988	Landfill Closure	\$ 252,500
Article 3, 1996	Landfill Closure	\$ 530,088

NOTE 5 - FUND EQUITY

A. Reservations of Fund Balances

Reserve for Encumbrances

Funds encumbered at year end were as follows:

General Fund	<u>\$ 58,924</u>
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Reserve for Special Purposes

In the Trust Funds, the reserve for special purposes represents the unspent balance of the Town's Trust Funds which may be spent for the purposes specified as follows:

<u>Nonexpendable Trust Funds (Income Balances)</u>		
Cemetery Care	\$ 184,854	
Charity	88,463	
Library	(380)	
Scholarship	6,001	
School	<u>7,326</u>	
<u>Total Nonexpendable Trust Funds</u>		\$ 286,264
<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>		
Police Station	\$ 109,816	
Library	<u>281,424</u>	
<u>Total Capital Reserve Funds</u>		<u>391,240</u>
<u>Total</u>		<u>\$ 677,504</u>

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Reserved for Endowments

The amount reserved for endowments at December 31, 1996 represents the principal amount of all Nonexpendable Trust Funds which is restricted either by law or by terms of individual bequests, in that only income earned may be expended. The principal balances of the Town's Nonexpendable Trust Funds at December 31, 1996 are detailed as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Principal</u>
Cemetery Care	\$ 195,495
Charity	63,609
Library	35,747
Scholarship	39,544
School	<u>19,627</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 354,022</u>

B. Unreserved Fund Balances

Designated for Special Purposes

The \$155,489 designated for special purposes, representing Special Revenue Fund balances which management intends to use in the subsequent years, is as follows:

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>	
Public Library	\$ 37,582
Hopkinton Cemetery Association	3,945
Sewer Department	66,612
Conservation Commission	39,445
Town Forest	7,699
Drug Forfeiture	<u>206</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 155,489</u>

SCHEDULE A-1
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Over (Under) Budget</u>
<u>Taxes</u>			
Property	\$ 9,085,228	\$ 9,119,315	\$ 34,087
Land Use Change	10,000	43,738	33,738
Yield	10,000	20,078	10,078
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	161,000	173,287	12,287
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	<u>60,000</u>	<u>114,395</u>	<u>54,395</u>
Total Taxes	<u>9,326,228</u>	<u>9,470,813</u>	<u>144,585</u>
<u>Licenses and Permits</u>			
Business Licenses, Permits and Fees	31,000	38,487	7,487
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	<u>550,000</u>	<u>571,408</u>	<u>21,408</u>
Total Licenses and Permits	<u>581,000</u>	<u>609,895</u>	<u>28,895</u>
<u>Intergovernmental Revenues</u>			
<u>State</u>			
Shared Revenue	219,705	219,705	
Highway Block Grant	114,812	114,812	
State and Federal Forest			
Land Reimbursement	703	703	
Flood Control Reimbursement	101,648	102,842	1,194
Other Reimbursements		7,197	7,197
<u>Federal</u>			
Environmental Protection			
Agency Entitlement Lands		<u>3,569</u>	<u>3,569</u>
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>436,868</u>	<u>448,828</u>	<u>11,960</u>
<u>Charges For Services</u>			
Income From Departments	4,000	6,530	2,530
Garbage - Refuse Charges	<u>216,335</u>	<u>191,979</u>	<u>(24,356)</u>
Total Charges For Services	<u>220,335</u>	<u>198,509</u>	<u>(21,826)</u>
<u>Miscellaneous Revenues</u>			
Interest on Investments	80,000	107,637	27,637
Other	<u>148,818</u>	<u>253,350</u>	<u>104,532</u>
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>228,818</u>	<u>360,987</u>	<u>132,169</u>
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
<u>Operating Transfers In</u>			
Interfund Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds	<u>7,000</u>	<u>49,394</u>	<u>42,394</u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>10,800,249</u>	<u>\$ 11,138,426</u>	<u>\$ 338,177</u>
<u>Unreserved Fund Balance Used To Reduce Tax Rate</u>	<u>182,006</u>		
<u>Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources and Use of Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 10,982,255</u>		

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SCHEDULE A-2
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	Encumbered From 1995	Appropriations 1996	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To 1997	(Over) Under Budget
<u>Current</u>					
<u>General Government</u>					
Executive	\$	\$ 65,150	\$ 62,790	\$	\$ 2,360
Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics		87,623	87,244		379
Financial Administration		187,384	162,832		24,552
Legal Expenses		27,000	16,580		10,420
Planning and Zoning		45,123	44,885		238
General Government Buildings		36,000	29,009		6,991
Insurance, not otherwise allocated		3,620	3,264		356
Other		1,623	1,252		371
Total General Government		453,523	407,856		45,667
<u>Public Safety</u>					
Police Department		473,575	478,779		(5,204)
Ambulance		85,000	83,195		1,805
Fire Department		241,754	237,395		4,359
Emergency Management		6,432	6,410		22
Total Public Safety		806,761	805,779		982
<u>Highways and Streets</u>					
Highways and Streets		515,709	494,999		20,710
Street Lighting		1,800	1,781		19
Other		2,000	2,000		
Total Highways and Streets		519,509	498,780		20,729
<u>Sanitation</u>					
Solid Waste Disposal		364,964	355,499		9,465
<u>Health</u>					
Health Agencies and Hospitals		3,517	3,517		
<u>Welfare</u>					
Vendor Payments		41,827	52,461		(10,634)
<u>Culture and Recreation</u>					
Parks and Recreation		84,202	75,062		9,140
Library		89,991	89,940		51
Patriotic Purposes		800	800		
Other Culture and Recreation		23,000	21,336		1,664
Total Culture and Recreation		197,993	187,138		10,855

SCHEDULE A-2 (Continued)
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	<u>Encumbered From 1995</u>	<u>Appropriations 1996</u>	<u>Expenditures Net of Refunds</u>	<u>Encumbered To 1997</u>	<u>(Over) Under Budget</u>
<u>Debt Service</u>					
Principal of Long-Term Debt		40,000	40,000		
Interest Expense - Long-Term Debt		38,080	38,080		
Interest Expense -					
Tax Anticipation Notes		<u>5,000</u>			<u>5,000</u>
Total Debt Service		<u>83,080</u>	<u>78,080</u>		<u>5,000</u>
<u>Capital Outlay</u>					
Rowell Street Repairs	25,000	23,000		48,000	
New Highway Construction		114,812	114,386		426
Shim/Paving		75,000	75,000		
Land Purchase		350,000	343,769	6,231	
Library Architectural Fees	15,943		11,250	4,693	
Pick-up Truck		25,000	21,816		3,184
Highway Truck		<u>25,000</u>	<u>22,454</u>		<u>2,546</u>
Total Capital Outlay	<u>40,943</u>	<u>612,812</u>	<u>588,675</u>	<u>58,924</u>	<u>6,156</u>
<u>Intergovernmental</u>					
School District Assessment		7,113,722	7,113,722		
County Tax Assessment		616,265	616,265		
Precinct Assessments		<u>153,782</u>	<u>154,782</u>		<u>(1,000)</u>
Total Intergovernmental		<u>7,883,769</u>	<u>7,884,769</u>		<u>(1,000)</u>
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>					
<u>Operating Transfers Out</u>					
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>					
Special Revenue Fund		<u>14,500</u>	<u>8,871</u>		<u>5,629</u>
<u>Total Appropriations</u>					
<u>Expenditures and Encumbrances</u>	<u>\$ 40,943</u>	<u>\$ 10,982,255</u>	<u>\$ 10,871,425</u>	<u>\$ 58,924</u>	<u>\$ 92,849</u>

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*SCHEDULE A-3
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996*

<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u> <u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>	\$ 465,265	
<u>Deduction</u> Unreserved Fund Balance Used To Reduce 1996 Tax Rate	<u>(182,006)</u>	\$ 283,259
<u>Addition</u> <u>1996 Budget Summary</u> Revenue Surplus (Schedule A-1) Unexpended Balance of Appropriations (Schedule A-2)	\$ 338,177 <u>92,849</u>	
1996 Budget Surplus		<u>431,026</u>
<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u> <u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>		<u>\$ 714,285</u>

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SCHEDULE B-1
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
December 31, 1996

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Budgeted Funds</u>			<u>Total Budgeted Funds</u>
	<u>Public Library</u>	<u>Hopkinton Cemetery Association</u>	<u>Sewer Department</u>	
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 27,582	\$ 3,945	\$ 49,249	\$ 80,776
Investments	10,000			10,000
<u>Receivables (Net of Allowances For Uncollectibles)</u>				
Accounts			9,951	9,951
Interfund Receivable	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>7,412</u>	<u>7,412</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 37,582</u>	 <u>\$ 3,945</u>	 <u>\$ 66,612</u>	 <u>\$ 108,139</u>
 <u>FUND BALANCES</u>				
 <u>Unreserved</u>				
Designated For Special Purposes	<u>\$ 37,582</u>	<u>\$ 3,945</u>	<u>\$ 66,612</u>	<u>\$ 108,139</u>

<u>Nonbudgeted Funds</u>			<u>Total Nonbudgeted Funds</u>	<u>Total All Funds</u>
<u>Conservation Commission</u>	<u>Town Forest</u>	<u>Drug Forfeiture</u>		
\$ 854	\$	\$	\$ 854	\$ 81,630
27,657	7,699	206	35,562	45,562
				9,951
<u>10,934</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>10,934</u>	<u>18,346</u>
<u>\$ 39,445</u>	<u>\$ 7,699</u>	<u>\$ 206</u>	<u>\$ 47,350</u>	<u>\$ 155,489</u>
<u>\$ 39,445</u>	<u>\$ 7,699</u>	<u>\$ 206</u>	<u>\$ 47,350</u>	<u>\$ 155,489</u>

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SCHEDULE B-2
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996

	<u>Budgeted Funds</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Public</u>	<u>Hopkinton</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
	<u>Library</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Funds</u>
<u>Revenues</u>				
Taxes	\$	\$	\$	\$
Charges for Services			71,097	71,097
Miscellaneous	14,874	1,337	1,151	17,362
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>				
Operating Transfers In	<u>2,196</u>	<u>14,371</u>	<u> </u>	<u>16,567</u>
<u>Total Revenues and</u>				
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>17,070</u>	<u>15,708</u>	<u>72,248</u>	<u>105,026</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>				
<u>Current</u>				
General Government		19,674		19,674
Public Safety				
Sanitation			61,378	61,378
Conservation				
Culture and Recreation	<u>13,927</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>13,927</u>
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	<u>13,927</u>	<u>19,674</u>	<u>61,378</u>	<u>94,979</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues</u>				
<u>and Other Financing Sources</u>				
<u>Over (Under) Expenditures</u>	3,143	(3,966)	10,870	10,047
<u>Fund Balances - January 1</u>	<u>34,439</u>	<u>7,911</u>	<u>55,742</u>	<u>98,092</u>
<u>Fund Balances - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 37,582</u>	<u>\$ 3,945</u>	<u>\$ 66,612</u>	<u>\$ 108,139</u>

<u>Nonbudgeted Funds</u>			<u>Total Nonbudgeted Funds</u>	<u>Total All Funds</u>
<u>Conservation Commission</u>	<u>Town Forest</u>	<u>Drug Forfeiture</u>		
\$ 10,934	\$	\$	\$ 10,934	\$ 10,934
8,222	374	1,303	9,899	71,097
<u>1,500</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>27,261</u>
<u>20,656</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>1,303</u>	<u>22,333</u>	<u>18,067</u>
		1,097	1,097	19,674
2,391			2,391	1,097
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>61,378</u>
<u>2,391</u>	<u> </u>	<u>1,097</u>	<u>3,488</u>	<u>2,391</u>
				<u>13,927</u>
18,265	374	206	18,845	28,892
<u>21,180</u>	<u>7,325</u>	<u> </u>	<u>28,505</u>	<u>126,597</u>
<u>\$ 39,445</u>	<u>\$ 7,699</u>	<u>\$ 206</u>	<u>\$ 47,350</u>	<u>\$ 155,489</u>

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SCHEDULE C-1
TOWN OF HOPKINTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Trust Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
December 31, 1996

	Trust Funds		Total
	<u>Expendable Capital Reserve</u>	<u>Nonexpendable Town</u>	
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Equivalents	\$	\$ 21,576	\$ 21,576
Investments	<u>702,205</u>	<u>673,785</u>	<u>1,375,990</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 702,205</u>	 <u>\$ 695,361</u>	 <u>\$ 1,397,566</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>			
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Intergovernmental Payable	<u>\$ 310,965</u>	<u>\$ 55,075</u>	<u>\$ 366,040</u>
 <u>Fund Balances</u>			
Reserved For Endowments		354,022	354,022
Reserved For Special Purposes	<u>391,240</u>	<u>286,264</u>	<u>677,504</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>391,240</u>	<u>640,286</u>	<u>1,031,526</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	 <u>\$ 702,205</u>	 <u>\$ 695,361</u>	 <u>\$ 1,397,566</u>

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Houston Property Master Plan

Development Recommendations

Overall

- Development on this land will be guided by adherence to wetland management principals and sensitivity to the high quality of natural features.
- Recreational development (active and passive) will be allowed on sensitive lands and building activity will be allowed on non sensitive lands.
- Development on this land needs to take into consideration the visual and acoustical privacy of the abutters.
- Development of this land needs to be integrated into the Village Activities and vice versa.
- Development on this land does not include the rehabilitation or reuse of existing structures with the possible exception of the "Red Barn".
- Development on this site does not include the use of night lighting.
- Development should occur in phases.

Phase I

1. Remove or recycle the large barn. Options to consider are:
 - Move it to a new location
 - Demolish and stockpile material for reuse
 - Offer for sale and removal by others
2. Design, permit and construct +/-1300 feet of new paved Entry Road from Pine Street at George's property into the interior of property, and a gravel parking area for 40 cars.
3. Design, permit and construct +/-300 feet of domestic water, sanitary sewer lines and underground power connected to Town services in Pine Street and stubbed into the property to provide service for future development. Work should be done at the same time as new Entry Road curb cut is constructed on Pine Street.
4. Design, permit and construct three recreational fields which includes: one (1) Baseball field with a 60 base line and two (2) full size Soccer fields at 200 feet x 330 feet.
5. Vacate and remove pavement from existing driveway on Pine Street and restore area to match lawns and landscape character of adjoining

residences. Provide evergreen screen planting at property boundary to begin establishing buffer. Maintain ownership of driveway parcel.

6. Maintain Right Of Way connections to Spring Street for future pedestrian connections (i.e. hiking, jogging, and bike paths) and snowmobile access.
7. Co-ordinate Planning and Design Schedules for new Police Station and Library to facilitate best land use and scheduling.
8. Demolish existing farmhouse when police station is relocated but consider re-use of small, red barn that is attached for re-use as:
 - Recreation Facility (Office, Storage, Group use)
 - Concession
 - Comfort Station
9. Design and Construct landscape buffers along inside perimeter of Phase I property to begin long term process of growing buffer plantings that protect adjoining landowners from recreational uses on the property.
10. Initiate efforts to fund, design and construct +/-2100 feet of paved hiking, jogging and biking trail which would connect to +/-1150 feet of existing gravel road. This trail would include 1 overlook/exercise station.
11. Continue with agricultural practices on the property to preserve resource until a change in use occurs. Preservation includes haying, mowing and cultivation, planting of nurse crops.
12. Construct a new Library.

Phase II

1. Design, permit and construct an additional +/-400 feet of new paved road culvert crossing the wetland, and a gravel parking area for 42 cars.
2. Design, permit and construct an additional +/-750 feet of domestic water, sanitary sewer lines and underground power for concessions area and comfort station.
3. Design, permit and construct an additional recreational area which includes: two (2) Baseball fields with a 60 base line and one (1) full size Soccer field at 200 feet x 330 feet, 2 basketball courts, a picnic area and possibly a skate board area.
4. Continue efforts to fund design and construct an additional 3070 feet of paved hiking, jogging and biking trails with 3 overlook/exercise stations.

5. Design and Construct landscape buffers along inside perimeter of Phase II property to begin long term process of growing buffer plantings that protect adjoining landowners from recreational uses on the property.
6. Continue with agricultural practices on the property to preserve resource until a change in use occurs. Preservation includes haying, mowing and cultivation, planting of nurse crops.

Future

1. Upgrade, permit and construct an additional 1060 feet of existing gravel road and a gravel parking area for 10 cars.
2. Design, permit and construct additional recreational areas which include: two (2) multipurpose fields at 250 feet x 330 feet, grass volley ball courts and picnic areas.
3. Continue efforts to fund design and construct an additional 1850 feet of paved hiking, jogging, and biking trails with 1 overlook/exercise station and a boardwalk over the wetlands to Spring Street.
4. Design and Construct landscape buffers along inside perimeter of future property to begin long term process of growing buffer plantings that protect adjoining landowners from recreational uses on the property.

Ongoing

1. Continue to work with representatives of Hopkinton Conservation Commission to preserve and enhance existing wildlife habitats and other natural features that require preservation and to insure the quality of future development on the land.
2. Plan and acquire the necessary Right Of Way to eventually connect the new Entry Road routed into the site from Pine Street, to Kearsarge Road to the East. Commence discussions with Merrimack Telephone Company to begin accomplishing this goal.
3. Commence discussions with Merrimack Telephone Company to begin examining the possibility of a pedestrian path across their land to access the site. This pedestrian path also needs to find it's way across Pine Street and eventually back into the Village.
4. Maintain landscape buffers along inside perimeter of property to continue long term process of retaining buffer plantings that protect adjoining landowners from recreational uses and public access on the property.

5. Continue with agricultural practices on the property to preserve resource until a change in use occurs. Preservation includes haying, mowing and cultivation, planting of nurse crops.
6. Continue to explore advisability of adding other municipal buildings to the site that fit with the proposed land use and land management practices
7. If the residential character of Pine Street begins to deteriorate, the Town should step in to preserve and control the 'Front Door' of the property by establishing an Overlay District of specific "Pine Street" regulations.
8. Consider acquisition of additional properties along the Houston's Property borders to further preserve and advance rural, park like use of the land.

These acquisitions would be prioritized as:

'A' Entry Protection: Sites purchased to protect Houston Property Pine Street Entry from incompatible land uses, particularly those allowed in the B-1 (Commercial) and M-1(Industrial) Districts.

'B' Expansion: Sites purchased for future play field expansion and potential access to Pine Street such as private property at southwest corner of Phase II soccer field / picnic area

'C' Preservation/Buffers Sites purchased to protect 'edges' of Houston Property from incompatible land uses, particularly those allowed in the B-1 (Commercial) and M-1(Industrial) Districts.

Hopkinton Police Department

1996 Annual Report

Once again I must report with regret and sadness that another Hopkinton youth died needlessly in a motor vehicle accident. On April 3, 1996, many lives were damaged and changed forever. It is of vital importance that we as a community join together to prevent another child from dying on a Hopkinton road. While alcohol plays a part in some of these fatalities, the real cause is reckless and irresponsible driving by many of our 16-18 year old licensed operators of vehicles. I ask you the parent, to play some part in educating your sons and daughters that speed kills and the privilege to drive requires maturity.

The Police Department's burglary prevention patrol once again proved quite effective. Five residential burglaries were reported to the Police. Two of these burglaries were solved after intensive investigation by Officers of the Hopkinton Police Department.

The Department continues to be active within the community. DARE is alive and well and is currently underway at the Maple Street School. Women's self-defense has been so successful we needed to conduct two eight week programs in 1996. We plan to offer it again in 1997. The PTA and the Hopkinton Police Department plan on providing a bicycle safety rodeo for all ages, and with my creative grant writing I hope to secure 50 bike helmets to give to the participants. We are thrilled to work hand in hand with the PTA and I am certain this event will be quite successful.

Our temporary quarters at the Houston Farm have served us well. After many hours of research and study, there is no way whatsoever that this building could serve as a permanent Police facility. Our occupation of the farm house has provided us with a little more room, but does not now or can it ever, meet the requirements of serving as a functioning Police Station. A new station must be constructed as soon as possible so that the Department can best serve the community, and properly support all the employees of the Hopkinton Police Department.

We wish to thank the Selectmen for all their help and support in 1996. The rapport and communication we enjoy makes us the envy of many a Police Department. I look forward to working closely with the Board in 1997.

To the residents of Hopkinton – thank you for being our eyes and ears. Many incidents have been prevented and deterred by your reporting of unusual cars, persons, and

events. We applaud you for being an involved community who cares for one another.

And to the members of the Hopkinton Police Department – thank you for your loyalty and dedication. It does not go unnoticed.

Respectfully submitted,
Ira J. Migdal
Chief of Police

1996 Statistics for Town Report

Criminal Activity:		Other Complaints	
Forcible Rape	0	Family Disputes/Disturbances	74
Sexual Assault/Child	1	Disputes Involving Firearms	2
Child Abuse/Neglect	3	Burglar Alarms Answered	234
Domestic Assaults	6	Emergency Assist/Mutual Aid	118
Other Assaults	14	Assist to Ambulance	179
Burglary	7	Suspicious Persons/Vehicles	226
Burglaries solved by arrest	2	Traffic Complaints	232
Burglaries solved - no arrest	2		
Criminal Mischief	79		
Theft	69		
Drugs	21		
Telephone Harassment/Obscene Calls	98		
911 Hang-ups	37		
Disorderly Persons	20		
Arson	0		
Minors Taken into Protective Custody			
(drugs/alcohol)	52		
Possession of Alcohol/Intoxication	31		
Motor Vehicle Activity			
Warnings/Summonses Issued	3,751		
Driving After Suspension	22		
Driving While Intoxicated	34		
Transporting Alcohol	11		
Accidents Investigated	127		
Fatal Accidents	2		

Hopkinton Fire Department

1996 Annual Report

During 1996 the Hopkinton Fire Department responded to 742 calls. Once again we are showing an increase over the previous year's record of 686. This year 576 of the calls were Emergency Medical related calls with the remaining 166 calls fire related. This department is running ahead of the national averages with 77% EMS vs. 23% fire. The national averages are about 70% vs. 30%. During 1996 we did not have one building fire. We thank you residents for being aware of the fire hazards and preventing fires.

576 Emergency Medical calls translated to almost two calls per day. The dedication of the EMS staff is outstanding. Not only do these individuals take a 100 hour plus course to become an EMT, they must continue the education on a monthly basis. I thank them for their dedication. We took delivery of a new McCloy Miller Ambulance this spring which has proven to be very dependable.

Residents using the ambulance service may realize that their insurance company is now being billed for this service. Our intention is that we will accept the amount that your insurance company agrees to pay for the service. Any remaining amounts will not be billed to Hopkinton residents. This procedure, along with the billing of services we provide for other communities, has provided in excess of \$100,000 revenue for the town. This new procedure allows us to provide Emergency Medical coverage at very little cost to the community.

We continue to upgrade bunker gear, pagers, portable radios, hose, and fittings on a regular basis. We either send out or test in house every item that we are required to test on a regular basis. This effort has been a major undertaking, and I must thank the full-timers for getting that job done.

The full-timers have a busy work schedule. They are required to respond to all calls during the day. They must also inspect the schools, daycare facilities, multifamily homes, factories, and new constructions. All inspections require research of the codes and a written report. They must also report on all EMS and fire related calls to the fire marshal's office. A hazardous materials inventory must be taken for each commercial facility yearly and those records reported. They also purchase for the department, do all vehicle maintenance, and building and grounds maintenance.

Street numbering is still an issue. We have the very best numbering system, best dispatching available, and many of you still will not help us with your numbering. Please

number your house and/or mailbox with large reflective numbers so that we may find you easier.

I must thank all fire and EMS personnel for their outstanding efforts in 1996, the residents for being fire safe, and the Selectmen and their staff for their support. Without your help this would be a truly difficult job.

We lost two active members of our organization in 1996. Hank Ruby, an active member of Fire Company 2, and Greg Hicks, an active member of the Rescue, both died early and unexpected deaths. Their loyalty, dedication, and friendship will be missed by all.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Russell, Chief

1996 Hopkinton Fire Department Incident Summary

On February 21, 1996 the new computer aided dispatch system was activated at Concord Fire Dispatch Center. This system is owned by the Capital Area Fire Mutual Aid System of which Hopkinton was a charter member in 1966. The reports created for the Area Chiefs is very extensive and includes an hourly breakdown of when calls are received. This is a wonderful tool for planning purposes. The following summary will be complete from February 21, 1996 to December 31, 1996.

Alarm Activation	13	Mass casualty	2
Residential Alarm	29	Medical Aid	359
Chimney	2	Motor Vehicle Accidents	76
CO detector	6	Motor Vehicle Fires	15
Cover truck	1	Odor in bldg.	4
Electrical problem	1	Paramedic intercept	33
Odor of gas	1	Search	2
Brush and grass	10	Service call	26
Hazardous condition	4	Smoke in building	3
Hazardous Materials	1	Smoke outside	3
Ice rescue	1	Structure	1
Investigation	3	Water problem	2
Lock in	1	Wires	21
Lock out	1		

Hopkinton Rescue Squad

1996 Annual Report

We had another busy, but successful, year with 30 automobile accidents, 7 fire calls, 1 ambulance assist, and 3 lost persons.

Our new truck arrived during July 1996 and is presently being outfitted for our use. We expect delivery during February 1997 and it should be in service sometime during March or April.

The most difficult thing we did during 1996 was suffer the loss of 20-year member Greg Hicks "Hicksie" due to a sudden illness. He was a good friend to all of us and a very valuable Squad member. He contributed immensely to our success and was always willing to help those in need. He will truly be missed.

We thank you again for all of your support and help over the last 31 years. Please look for our Open House in 1997. We invite you to come and visit us.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Schoch
Captain

Forest Fire Warden's 1996 Annual Report

Forestry calls for the year	15 (up 1 from last year)
Brush fires	4
Mutual aid brush fires	2
Non-permit fires	2
Smoke investigations	7

Although we piled up a record snowfall last spring, it disappeared very rapidly, leaving the ground still frozen and bare, with wind-dried grasses. During this time we experienced the first grass-brush fire, covering one acre, caused by an illegal incinerator. The next day it snowed 14 inches.

In last year's report I noted the annual rainfall was on the rise, and it certainly was true this year. Last year's (1995) rainfall in Hopkinton was 29.61 inches, including snow melt. This year, 1996, we received 40.2 inches and you can add 8 inches of record snow melt. Above-average rainfall came through July, but all in of August and 2 weeks into September only 00.41 inches of rain was produced. What saved us was the high humidity, resulting in fire danger staying in the low and moderate range, with a few days reaching into the high range.

This year we tried to keep as accurate a count as possible of verbal fire permits. Adding to the written permits, we issued 386 permits in all. We had a problem with only one customer, who decided to accelerate the starting of his brush pile with gasoline, alerting his whole neighborhood, plus 911. He was very fortunate not to experience a trip to the hospital. I commend all of you on this good record for adhering to the rules and being very careful with your burning.

Wardens' and deputies' training this year was in two segments. In early spring we had classroom work, were given a scenario, divided into groups and planned a wildfire from tone-out through extinguishment, using lists of times, apparatus, and manpower available. One month later it was out into the field for hands-on training with portable pumps.

Again I remind you, written permits are required when there is no snow cover, regardless of the time of year. With snow cover, only a verbal permit is needed, but we still need to know about it in order to notify Fire Alarm. Permits are needed for any outside fire, even cooking and campfires. One must be 18 years of age to be issued a permit. If you plan on a fire on land that is not your own, you must bring written permis-

sion from the land owner. Similarly, if you are doing work for a landowner, you must bring a statement to that effect. Only brush and limbs up to five inches in diameter and demolition materials free of paint and roofing materials may be burned.

Penalites for permit violations can be severe and range up to a \$2000 fine and/or two years in jail.

One evening, I had a request for a camp fire permit. The fellow said he was a professional photographer working on a magazine cover. Good luck, maybe we will see your work.

Permits may be obtained from the full time personnel at the Contoocook station, and from Deputies Jerry Flanders on Kearsage Avenue, John Pianka on Pinewood Drive, Peter Russell on Maple Street, Robert White on Country Club Road, Richard Gourley on Hopkinton Road, and Raymond Eaton and myself, Les Townes, on Spring Street. Please enter these names into your new phone book for future reference, and remember, when Smokey's sign reads Class 3 (high) and higher, no permits will be issued.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie C. Townes
Forest Fire Warden

Town Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger 1996 Annual Report

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing any open burning. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the state of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are ten Forest Rangers who work for the N.H. Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. State Forest Rangers are available to assist communities with forest fire suppression, prevention and training programs as well as the enforcement of forest fire and timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws please call our office at 271-2217.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments.

1996 Fire Statistics (Cost Shared)

Fires Reported by County

Belknap	06
Carroll	07
Cheshire	13
Coos	10
Grafton	12
Hillsborough	19
Merrimack	14
Rockingham	15
Strafford	05
Sullivan	06

Causes of Fires Reported

Smoking	05
Debris Burning	34
Campfire	16
Power Line	04
Railroad	02
Equipment Use	01
Lightning	02
Children	22
OHRV	01
Miscellaneous	20

Total Fires 107

“Remember, only you can prevent forest fires!”

Bryan C. Nowell
Forest Ranger

Leslie C. Townes
Forest Fire Warden

Highway Department

1996 Annual Report

The winter of 1995-96 was very stormy, starting with snow in November of '95 and ending with two heavy snowstorms in April of '96. My department plowed 22 storms and we had a total of 122 inches of snow!

The Spring started out very wet and the Department had a slow start as the roads were too muddy to work on.

We hired Pike Industries to shim and overlay 3.89 miles of roads in 1996:

1. Upper Straw Road (finish coat)	.9 miles
2. Gould Hill Road (finish coat)	.72 miles
3. Appletree Lane	.15 miles
4. Chase Farm Road	.19 miles
5. Gage Hill Road	.18 miles
6. Old Stagecoach Road	.15 miles
7. Penacook Road	.60 miles

We reconstructed and paved 1,700 feet of Dolly Road. The Department started reconstructing 2,300 feet of Clement Hill and 2,900 feet of Kast Hill. The two projects are about 70% completed. This is in the area of Rowell Bridge which was completed by the State and opened for traffic this Summer.

The upgrading projects scheduled to be completed in 1997 will complete the upgrading of all the paved roads in this area.

Other projects completed in 1996 are as follows:

1. Culverts 1,380 feet (new or replaced)
2. Guard Rail 180' on Briar Hill Road
3. Catch Basins 6 newly installed, 30 cleaned
4. Road Signs 58 new or replaced
5. Tree Removal 29 by outside contractors
6. Road Stripping8 miles
7. Sweeping of Roads 30 roads or sections
8. Sealing3 miles of roads

This, along with other tasks, kept the Department busy. The Department installed many new culverts this year and, in many cases, increased the capacity in areas that wash out

during heavy rains. These were tested in October when 7 3/4 inches of rain fell in a 24 hour period of time (October 20 and 21).

The Department hired Derek Owen and crew to do some extensive work on the Kimball Pond Dam November. We assisted with our equipment and materials. The work consisted of rebuilding two back piers and placing material on the back slope of the earth embankment. There is more work to be done on the dam, but these were the most noticeable necessary improvements. The funds for this project are from the Highway Construction money, rather than asking the Town for a separate appropriation.

I would like to thank the residents, town employees and officials for their continued cooperation and support in 96.

Respectfully submitted,
David A. Story
Superintendent of Public Works and Highways

Town Policy for Winter Maintenance

Snow Plowing

The Town vehicles begin plowing when the snow has accumulated 2 to 3 inches. After roads are clear, sanding and salting will begin.

Winter Freezing Rain Storm

It is important to note that salt or sand is wasted if applied before rain stops. There is nothing the Highway Department can do during a freezing rain storm. However, as soon as the rain stops, salt and sand will be applied to the roads.

Clean Road Policy

The Town of Hopkinton does not have a clean road policy. In other words, all roads and streets will not be kept completely clear of snow and therefore only caution can be advised for winter driving. Salt will be used sparingly. Dirt roads will be sanded, but with ice under the sand, it still makes instant stops impossible.

Plow Routes

Each plow route is approximately 15 miles long and takes 3 to 4 hours to cover. So, if plowing is started with two inches of snow, by the time the vehicle finishes the route 3 or 4 hours later, there could be up to 6 inches of snow on the first part of the route. Therefore, during a heavy snowstorm, at times, there will be snow on the roads.

Town Policy for Winter Maintenance — Sidewalks and Town Parking Lots

1. Parking lots will be plowed after roads have been cleared. Snow might accumulate several inches before parking lots are plowed.
2. Town sidewalks will be plowed after the storm is over. The individual who plows the sidewalks also has a road plow route. Therefore, no one is available to plow sidewalks until roads are clear and treated.
3. Sanding Town parking lots will be done when the roads are being treated after the storm is over.
4. Sanding Town sidewalks will be done as needed after roads have been treated. Each Highway Department employee has a designated road sanding route, so no one is available to sand sidewalks until after roads are treated.
5. Some sidewalks cannot be plowed because of their location and width, particularly if there is substantial snow accumulation. These particular walks have never been plowed. Some sidewalks that are located at the edge of State roads have to be closed if there is an abnormal amount of snow.

Road Committee

1996 Annual Report

The Road Committee had another inactive year as there were very few subdivisions and no major subdivisions proposed in 1996.

The Road Committee meets on a need basis for recommendations to the Highway Department, Selectmen or Planning Board.

The Highway Department is still working on the 1994 Road Committee seven year road improvement program.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Green

Shadrack Wilson

Donald Houston

Hopkinton/Webster Landfill

1996 Annual Report

The Hopkinton/Webster Landfill was closed and capped in 1996. Although this was a major environmental project for the towns, there were no major problems. Waste disposal and recycling operations continued throughout the project with only minor inconveniences which residents took in stride.

There have been several operational changes dictated by the landfill closure. Demolition debris and metal are now handled at a common loading dock for shipment off site. The brush pile and composting materials are in a slightly different location but easily accessible. There may be a few minor changes and additional recycling opportunities, but all the essential services are also intact. Attendants are always available to explain disposal locations/operations and answer questions.

The Hopkinton/Webster Transfer Station delivered over 3800 tons of refuse to the Wheelabrator Incinerator in Penacook in 1996. The recycling center processed 425 tons of materials which generated about \$35,000.00 in savings and revenue. Approximately 200 tons of leaf and yard waste were composted, screened, and given away to residents.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Clough
Assistant Superintendent, PW, Waste

Hopkinton Wastewater Department

1996 Annual Report

It was another uneventful year at the Contoocook Village Wastewater Treatment Plant in 1996. There were no major projects or problems.

The facility has continued to comply with the discharge permit issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The increased testing which has been required since 1995 has strengthened the monitoring program and become a part of routine operations. Flows to the plant remain constant at about 60% of capacity.

The Hopkinton Wastewater Department Operation and Maintenance Committee met several times during 1996 to discuss operational issues. The Committee continues to focus on short and long term facility planning.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Clough
Assistant Superintendent, PW, Waste

Hopkinton Conservation Commission

1996 Annual Report

This year got off to an exciting start with the town's acquisition of the Ty Houston Farm on the North side of Pine Street, NW of Contoocook Village. As reported earlier, your Commission authorized the Selectmen to use some of your Commission's Land Use Change Tax Funds as a deposit toward the anticipated purchase of the Houston property. The Selectmen have returned this deposit to the Conservation Commission.

The Ty Houston Farm land has many possibilities. Your Commission was especially interested in protecting a portion of this property as open space near Contoocook Village. The town currently allows a 20% allocation of the Land Use Change Tax for use by the Conservation Commission. Many towns in NH have this provision. Hopkinton's 20% is small in comparison to similar NH towns. Of the 59 towns that have voted to allocate some of the Land Use Change Tax to their Conservation Commissions, two towns have 20% as we do, and forty-six have a higher percentage. Most allocate 50%. As our town continues to grow, it becomes increasingly prudent to set aside desirable tracts of conservation land for future generations. Open space adds to a town's esthetic value. Please support the warrant article requesting to increase Hopkinton's Land Use Change Tax allocation to 35%

Your Conservation Commission formulated the Houston Property Report for the "Charette." Logical and thoughtful findings were included for the good of the town. Your Commission supports the village center concept as opposed to having community services located at the outlying Houston farm. We strongly believe that presently the newly acquired Houston property should provide a variety of sporting fields, recreation and educational uses, greenspace for Contoocook Village, and wildlife habitat. Community services belong close to people with easy village access.

Reverend Hank Junkin helpfully assisted your Conservation Commission choose two fine candidates for summer 1996 Conservation Camp. Two Hopkinton students received a full scholarship from the Commission conservation funds. Kip Cross and Alex Speaker brought back much knowledge and experience to share with their school and community.

Your Commission worked with representatives of the Central NH Regional Planning Commission to discuss local water resources and riparian (stream bank,) land management, as they relate to the town's master plan.

Another successful Arbor Day Ceremony was held in April in cooperation with the Merrimack County Telephone Company's 100th year celebration. The Telephone Company retained Three Season's Landscaping to plant a healthy young Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*) on the lawn of Hopkinton High School. Fifty additional Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*) saplings, purchased by your Conservation Commission, were given to town folks present, for planting on their own property.

Other happenings this year included: completing the NH Department of Environmental Services Ground Water Protection Survey, reviewing and advising the selectmen on the sludge issue and the landfill closing, getting the Allen Lewis Memorial Forest surveyed and mapped, assisting the NH Audubon Society to design a bridge for the Brockway Nature Preserve, and checking conservation easements and Land Conservation Investment Program Lands. In addition; many thanks to the Bean family for donating land adjacent to the Brockway Nature Preserve; Your Commission continued to assist the selectpersons in reviewing current use applications. Thanks to the US Army Corp of Engineers for their reclaiming of a vernal pool at Hopkinton Lake and thanks to Ron Klemarczyk for leading the annual second grade nature tour of the Hawthorne Town Forest.

Your Conservation Commission generally meets the first tuesday of each month. Interested individuals are always welcome. Contact a commission member or the Selectmen's office for time and place.

Respectfully submitted,
Derek Owen, Chair
Bob French
Ron Klemarczyk
Erick Leadbeater
Melinda Payson
Todd Aubertin
Lee Wilder

Planning Board

1996 Annual Report

The Hopkinton Planning Board (PB) consists of ten members, each of whom is appointed by the Board of Selectmen for 3 year terms (or shorter terms, if appointed to complete an unexpired term). Seven of these members are regular members (the seventh member is a representative of the Board of Selectmen), who are expected to sit on all hearings before the PB. The other three members are alternates, who sit in place of regular members who either cannot attend a meeting or wish to step down from a particular case.

The PB meets on the third Tuesday evening of each month. The PB is authorized to review applications for subdivision, annexation, lot line adjustment, and site review. For any of these applications, the PB schedules a hearing date, sends notice of that date and the applicant's intentions to all abutters of the concerned property, and advertises the meeting and scheduled case in a local newspaper, as well as posting copies of that same notice in various public places throughout the town. For each hearing the PB first listens to a presentation by the applicant explaining their request. The PB will then vote on a motion to "accept the application for consideration" based on whether or not the majority feels that the application is complete. Then, the PB will open public testimony to any abutter or affected citizen who wishes to speak either in favor or in opposition to the application. During this time the PB will also hear testimony from any other Board, Commission or Department that wishes to comment on a particular application. If there is any opposition, the first round of testimony is followed by a rebuttal round, giving parties on both sides a chance to respond to statements made by the other side. Once public testimony is closed the PB will deliberate the matter, asking questions if further information is needed, after which the PB comes to a decision by voting on a motion to either approve, deny or defer the matter to a later date in order to obtain additional information. Generally, the PB will place conditions or stipulations on applications that may in some way have an impact.

During the calendar year 1996, the Board reviewed seventeen applications. There were four applications for lot line adjustments/annexations, ten applications for site plan review and three applications for subdivision creating a total of three new lots.

The Board wishes to thank the Selectmen, Zoning Board of Adjustment and residents of Hopkinton for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Ellsworth, Chairman
Timothy Britain, Vice Chairman
David Jensen, Selectmen's Representative
Richard Flynn
Timothy Fortier

Wanda Druding
Richard Schoch, Alternate
Kenneth Traum, Alternate
Jane Bradstreet, Alternate

1997 Hopkinton Capital Improvement Program

PROJECT TITLE	TOTAL COST:	METHOD OF FUNDING:	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:								
Revaluation 2000	250	A/B	63	63	63	63		
FIRE DEPARTMENT:								
Replace 1977 Pumper (60M-1)	200	A/B			100	100		
Replace 1991 Ambulance (60X-2)	110	A					110	
Replace 1965 Ladder Truck (60L-1)	350	A/B						50
PUBLIC WORKS & HIGHWAYS:								
Shim & Paving (yearly project)		A	75	75	75	75	75	75
Road Construction (yearly project)		C	115	115	115	115	115	115
Replace 1985 Dump Truck	70	A		70				
Replace 1988 Loader	85	A			85			
Replace 1989 Dump Truck	70	A				70		
Replace 1993 1-ton Truck	30	A					30	
Replace 1992 Grader	100	A						100
Sidewalk Plow	18	A	18					
HEALTH:								
Replace 1983 Landfill Loader	72	A	72					
Subtotal:	1,355		343	323	438	423	330	340
BONDED PROJECTS (EXISTING):								
Transfer Station	800	A	75	73	70	67	64	62
Landfill Closure	1,980	A/C		188	183	179	174	170
1988 Harold Martin Addition	2,200	A/C	207					
Total Existing:	4,980		282	261	253	246	238	232
BONDED PROJECTS (PROPOSED):								
Library	1,000	A/B	100	105	102	100	97	94
Houston Property Road & Fields	425	A		53	51	50	48	47
Police Station	500	A/B	75	80	75	72	69	65
Community Center Renovations	100	A		25	25	25	25	
School District Building Project	7,000	A/C		760	712	694	676	657
Total Proposed:	9,025		175	1023	965	941	915	863

1997 Hopkinton Capital Improvement Program

PROJECT TITLE:	TOTAL COST:	METHOD OF FUNDING:	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Total Bonds:			457	1,284	1,218	1,187	1,153	1,095
Total Project:			343	323	438	423	330	340
Total Bond/Project:			800	1,607	1,656	1,610	1,483	1,435
Less Non-Tax Funds:								
School Building Aid:								
1988 Harold Martin Addition			76					
School District Building Project								
Highway Block Grant			115	105	105	105	105	105
Transfer Station (20% Webster Contribution)			15	115	115	115	115	115
Landfill Closure (20% State Aid)			15	15	14	13	13	12
Landfill Closure (20% Webster - After Grant)				38	37	36	35	34
Total Non-Tax Funds:			206	303	300	297	296	293
Amount To Be Raised By Taxes:			594	1,304	1,356	1,313	1,187	1,142
Method Of Funding By Year:								
(A) Taxes								
(B) Capital Reserve as of 12/31/96								
Police Station \$100,000								
Library \$250,000								
(C) State								
CONTOOCCOOK VILLAGE PRECINCT:								
Bonded Projects:								
Water Filtration Plant/Pipeline Replacement	1,200	A/C	148	148	148	148	148	148
Less Non-Tax Funds:								
Water Filtration Plant/Pipeline Replacement			23	23	23	23	23	23
Hopkinton Planning Board Decision of January 21, 1997:								
Motion was made by Richard Flynn, seconded by Timothy Brittain to approve the 1997 CIP without endorsement of any project setforth. With four members voting, four voted in favor (Druding, Brittain, Ellsworth and Flynn).								

Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission 1996 Annual Report

The Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 towns in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties and the City of Concord. The Town of Hopkinton is a member in good standing of the Commission.

Our mission is to improve, through education, training, and planning assistance, the ability of the municipalities of the region to prepare and implement municipal plans; to prepare a plan for effective and appropriate development and utilization of the resources of the region; and to assist municipalities in carrying out the regional plan.

The Commission provides a variety of planning services, including telephone consultations on planning issues; planning research; sample ordinances, regulations, and planning documents; models; data and access to data sources; grant information; review and comment on planning documents; development review; and educational programs. membership also entitles a community to affordable master planning assistance, GIS mapping, and grant preparation. During 1996, our services in Hopkinton included:

providing information on Requests For Proposals and a list of planning and architectural firms; and providing traffic counts on the roads requested.

During 1996 the Regional Planning Commission:

- went *on-line* at address cnhrpc@kear.tdsnet.com;
- distributed the zoning amendment calendar to assist Towns with the amendment process;
- processed 13 applications for \$15,000,000 in special federal transportation projects, of which \$2,500,000 will be spent in Central NH communities;
- created and distributed a new publication - the *What's Up* newsletter;
- helped community representatives implement management plans for the Contoocook and Merrimack Rivers;
- presented and sponsored educational programs on regulating the land application of sludge; using the planning related statutes;

creating computerized tax maps; developing pocket parks; acquiring conservation lands; and successfully managing the impacts of major events/facilities (NH International Speedway);

- maintained the land use, transportation, and hydrological data in the regional Geographic Information System (GIS) and added data on conservation lands and historic sites;
- conducted about 100 traffic counts on state and local highways;
- amended the regional transportation plan; and
- assisted the Central New Hampshire Solid Waste District in closing out its operations.

For additional information, please contact CNHRPC staff.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen Schoppmeyer
Chairperson

Zoning Board of Adjustment

1996 Annual Report

The Hopkinton Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) is an appeals board consisting of eight members, each of whom is appointed by the Board of Selectmen for three year terms (or shorter terms, if appointed to complete an unexpired term). Five of these members are regular members who are expected to sit on all hearings before the ZBA. The other three are alternates, who sit in place of regular members who either cannot attend a meeting or wish to step down from a particular case.

The ZBA meets on the first Tuesday evening of each month. The ZBA is authorized by the State RSAs to hear three kinds of cases: requests for variances, requests for special exceptions, and appeals of zoning administrative decisions made by the Town zoning official or the Planning Board.

For variances, which give relief from the literal restrictions of the Hopkinton Zoning Ordinance, State statutes require that a majority of the sitting members find that an application meets all five requirements: (1) that no decrease in the value of surrounding properties would be suffered, (2) that granting the variance would be of a benefit to the public interest, (3) that by granting the variance substantial justice would be done, (4) that the spirit and intent of the Ordinance will not be broken by granting the variance, and (5) that a hardship must exist which is inherent in the land in question and which is not shared in common with other parcels of land in the district, and the denial of the variance would result in an unnecessary hardship, financial excluded, to the owner seeking it.

For special exceptions, nine different requirements apply. The Hopkinton Zoning Ordinance defines the conditions under which special exceptions can be granted (for example, to allow a home occupation as a secondary use on residential property). For these requirements, a majority of the sitting members must agree the intended use satisfies the requirements defined by the Zoning Ordinance for the intended use.

For appeals of administrative decisions, the ZBA moves either to uphold the administrative decision or to reverse that decision. For such hearings the majority of sitting members must find they would or would not have come to the decision that is being appealed.

For any of these three types of cases, the ZBA schedules a hearing date, sends notice of that date and the applicant's intentions to all abutters of the concerned property, and advertises the meeting and scheduled cases in a local newspaper, as well as posting copies of that same notice in various public places throughout the town. For each hearing the ZBA first listens to a presentation by the applicant explaining why the request should be granted, and then from any abutter or affected citizen who wishes to speak either in favor of or in opposition to the request. If there is opposition, this first round of testimony is followed by a rebuttal round, giving parties on both sides a chance to respond to statements made by the other side. The ZBA members then deliberate the matter, asking questions if further information is needed, after which the ZBA comes to a decision by making and voting on a motion to "vote on the application" (either to approve or to deny, with occasional instances of deferring the matter to a later date in order to obtain additional information). Citizens who feel aggrieved by the decision have a period of 20 days in which to file a request for a rehearing, after which the ZBA has a 30 day period in which to decide whether rehearing of the case is warranted. In the event that a rehearing is granted, the matter is then treated as a new case.

During the year 1996, the ZBA processed 22 applications, of which it approved 18 and denied one. The accompanying table shows the breakdown.

Zoning Applications

Type of Application	Total	Approved	Denied	Withdrawn
Administrative Appeals	3	2	1	
Variances	6	3		3
Special Exceptions	10	10		
Special Use Permits	3	3		

The Board wishes to thank the Selectmen, Planning Board and residents for their cooperation during 1996.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Krzyzaniak, Chairperson
Charles Koontz
George Langwasser
Richard Hesse
Toni Gray
Richard Flynn, Alternate
Tony Lamarine, Alternate

Parks and Recreation Committee

1996 Annual Report

In July the Committee welcomed Vint Choiniere as the new Recreation Director. With experience to match his enthusiasm, Vint has been developing programs and activities for all ages. Share your ideas with him— his office is in the Town Hall.

Last winter was a good skating season with increased use of the area at Kimball Lake. Sue Pisinski again hosted the 5th grade science fair at Kimball Lake Recreation Area. Summer swimming at Kimball Pond included 120 children enrolled in swimming lessons.

At George's Park the dugouts were completed and the basketball court resealed. And the Park once again provided a few meals for the local moose.

Once again a special thanks to those who provide extra help to the Recreation Committee – Dave Story and the Public Works crew, EMT's John and Ray, the Police Department, and John D. Windhurst.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Boatwright, Chairman
Mark Bates
William Bean
Richard Boss
Douglas Brown
John Madden
Derek Owen

== Hopkinton Parks and Recreation Department ==

1996 Annual Report

As you know, the position of full time Park and Recreation Director was created at the 1996 Town Meeting. The transition into a full time delivery of leisure services began in late July as I was hired as director of the newly formed department. The first goal that I attempted to accomplish was to meet with as many people, groups, and organizations as possible who were currently offering activities in town. This enabled me to assess recreational needs and begin implementing programs to meet those needs.

One such program that has been very successful is the "Silver Striders" senior adult walking program. Seniors meet twice per week at the Hopkinton High School gymnasium during the school day to enjoy a healthy walk to music. Seniors also enjoyed a fall foliage scenic train ride in Bellows Falls, Vermont. A very successful adult co-ed volleyball program was provided on Sunday evenings at the high school gym. Children ages 3-12 enjoyed an ice skating lesson program held at Kimball Lake.

Many activities are being planned such as trips to the Fleet Center for Celtics and Bruins games, as well as Fenway Park to enjoy a Red Sox game. A summer playground program will be offered to children ages 5-12 where they will enjoy games, arts and crafts, and field trips. A summer concert series will also be offered, providing family entertainment for all to enjoy. Other programs being planned include a senior adult picnic, teen dances, sports camps and clinics, youth sports coaches clinics, indoor soccer, Red Cross baby-sitting course, tennis lessons, woodworking, skateboarding, hiking, and much more.

The Department will also be responsible for maintaining the Town's recreational facilities. Renovations to the 3 ball fields at George's Park began in 1996. A high priority will be placed on the safety of all those who use and enjoy the town's facilities.

In conclusion, I would like to thank everyone for your generous support since arriving here in Hopkinton. School and town officials have been overwhelmingly supportive and helpful in their commitment to recreation. I would like to also thank Bev Johnson from the Golden Group, HYSA, the Hopkinton Soccer Club, and Nini Allen from the Community Center for all of their assistance. Thanks to Dave Story and his crew and to John Windhurst for his efforts. Thanks to all who helped at our volunteer workday on the ball fields this fall.

I would like to thank and commend Barbara Boatwright and her fellow Recreation Commission members for doing such an outstanding job over the years. They all performed above and beyond the call of duty and have been extremely committed to providing recreation for the community. I want to thank Barbara for her support and I look forward to the Commission's continued guidance in forming the town's future recreation plans.

I urge members of the community to stop by the recreation office or call 746-2915 to share any ideas you may have regarding recreational needs for the community. The recreation office is located at the Town Hall. Your input is valuable to the shaping of recreation opportunities in the future. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
Vint M. Choiniere
Recreation Director

Bates Public Library

1996 Annual Report

This past year will be remembered as one of the most dynamic in the library's history. Support for a new library gained momentum. Trustees are seeking voter approval at town meeting this year.

Acting on the Town Needs Committee's recommendations, the residents voted at last year's town meeting to purchase the Houston property, 67 acres of farm land in Contoocook Village. The Selectmen hired the architectural firm of Sherman, Grenier and Halle to develop a master plan for the town's use of the property. As a result of that six-month planning session, the property was designated as the site for the future library and home to playing fields and recreation for the town.

We received an anonymous donation of \$10,000 to use as seed money for the library project. Trustees and staff attended a seminar sponsored by the Graduate School of Library Science at Simmons College on planning new public library buildings. The trustees hired a professional library consulting firm, Aaron Cohen Associates, to develop a needs assessment program which spells out the multiple needs and size requirements for the future building. With that document completed, the trustees interviewed architectural firms that specialized in library buildings. In November, we hired the award-winning firm of Sheerr and McCrystal Associates from New London, NH. The project architect will be Eric Palson of Pine Street, Contoocook.

Once the architect selection was completed, trustees, staff and architects rolled up their collective sleeves and started creating the library's new home for future generations to enjoy. Over 100 town residents volunteered to be part of four citizen committees (building, technology, public relations, and fund-raising) that were organized to aid in that process.

At summer's end we received notice that the library will receive a bequest of \$100,000 from the estate of Katherine Bailey of Jewett Road. We have since received notification that the bequest will be even greater than the initial \$100,000. Add to that approximately \$280,000 in the Capital Reserve Fund, more than \$30,000 in the Hopkinton Library Foundation, and this year's Capital Reserve payment of \$100,000 for a total that exceeds \$500,000.

With bond interest rates low and a fundraising effort underway, this is a favorable time to borrow and build. We expect to obtain a bond of no more than \$1 million allowing

us to build our library now with a neutral impact on the town tax rate.

This year also marked a dynamic expansion of library programs and services. Three-hundred and sixty-two more town residents became library cardholders bringing our overall total to 3112! More than 900 of these new patrons have been added in the last three years. Children's circulation increased by over 1000 books and interest remains high in the summer reading program with 139 children reading over 1400 books. The 1996 theme "Reading: The Best Game Around" proved popular with both children and the senior residents of the Park Avenue Apartments. The camaraderie between the participants spawned an intergenerational program on quilting during Children's Book Week.

In celebration of National Library Week, adults were treated to a humorous reading by New Hampshire author Rebecca Rule. This program was co-sponsored by the Friends of Bates Library. Town residents have also participated in lively discussions at the Bates Library Reading Group meetings held the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Our thanks to all the community members, organizations and businesses who have helped financially or with their kind words, smiles and willingness to pitch in with children's programs, shelving books or donating materials. Our thanks to the following: Collins Tree Service, Yankee Book Peddler, the Hopkinton Woman's Club, the Hopkinton Firefighter's Association, Richard Schoch Plumbing, Heating and Cooling, Johnson & Porter Insurance, Merrimack Telephone, Horace Mann Insurance, Contoocook Artesian Well, Boulder Farm, Pat's Beauty Salon, the Horseshoe Tavern, Provan & Lorver, and Mr. Mike's.

Also, thanks to members of the Hopkinton High School Student Council who helped with the summer reading program, Girl Scout troops 583, 069, and 237 for their help with programs and projects and Sean Ferrigno for his program about his Australian travels. As in years past, we are always appreciative of Dave Story and the Public Works crew for their timely attention to our needs.

A special thanks to the Huff family for their countless hours spent shelving books and helping at our Friday morning story hours and to the Friends of the Library who shared their time and expertise volunteering at the library and baking for special events like the "Our Town" production. Particular thanks goes to all the town residents who were part of the production. Bake sale and ticket profits brought in almost \$5000 for a new library.

This year was a real community effort. We couldn't have done it without all of you!

Respectfully submitted,

The Library Board of Trustees

Katrina Richardson, Chair

Christine Hamm

Edward McGrath

Peter Mosseau

Jane Swett

Library Director, Becky Schulz

Hopkinton Town Library

1996 Financial Report

Balance brought forward	\$ 34,865.01
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Revenues

Appropriations	89,991.00	
Trust Funds	6467.69	
Gifts/Memorials	1296.00	
Interest	1091.69	
Miscellaneous (Fines, Sales, Etc.)	<u>2118.60</u>	
Sub Total:		\$ 100,964.98

TOTAL:	<u>\$135,829.99</u>
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Expenditures

Salaries/Fixed Costs	71,233.00	
Utilities/Insurance	4308.00	
General Operations	3300.00	
Books/Equipment/Programs from Approp.	11,150.00	
Books/Equipment/Programs from Trust Funds	<u>8270.91</u>	
Sub Total		\$ 98,261.91

Ending Balance

Trust Funds	<u>37,568.08</u>
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TOTAL:	<u>\$135,829.99</u>
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Circulation Statistics for 1996

Category	Adult	Juvenile	Totals
Fiction	11,445	11,447	22,892
Non-Fiction	3,676	2,313	5,989
Audiobooks	2,210	341	2,551
Periodicals	2,320	48	2,368
Inter-Library Loans	449	25	474
Totals:	<u>20,100</u>	<u>14,174</u>	<u>34,274</u>

Public Welfare - 1996

1996 started a new era of welfare reform on the Federal and State level whose philosophy has merit but whose implementation is impossible without causing hardship and injustice. Town and City welfare will shoulder some of the financial burden which will increase gradually over the next several years. There will be an urgent need for volunteer services and charitable funds.

1996 was a busy and challenging year in the Hopkinton Welfare Department. Requests were numerous and complicated. Over (100) one hundred different families made inquiries. Forty-one families (128 individuals) received direct assistance. Assistance varied from a one time food order to extended assistance to several homeless families. Shelters were used whenever available, referrals to other agencies and services were made when feasible, and the food pantry, local trust funds, and service organizations were utilized when possible.

1996 Expenditures were as follows:

Rent	\$26,335.46
Fuel	7,359.71
Food	3,113.81
Medical	3,306.55
Misc.	635.71

The town community spirit flourished during the 1996 Holiday season. Eighty-three local families were served. On behalf of those who benefited, sincere gratitude to all who graciously gave of their time, money and energy.

Again, please do not hesitate to make referrals concerning any person or family who may be in need. All information is confidential. No person should be without food, shelter or medical attention in our community.

The mission of this office is to enable individuals and families who find themselves in difficult situations, to return to functioning as vital members of our society.

In a society of complacency, we are fortunate to have two individuals discontent with the status quo. Donald and Lucille Lafond came forward offering their precious time and energy for the welfare of the less fortunate people in their community. For the past eight years, Don and Lucy have committed themselves to the smooth running of the

Hopkinton Food Pantry. On behalf of all who have been touched by their graciousness, I extend heartfelt appreciation. Thank you both, it has been an honor and a joy working with you.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Ceriello Bresaw

**Contoocook River
Local Advisory Committee
1996 Annual Report**

During 1996 Bob Houston and Dana Rood were quite busy attending to the duties of the Contoocook River Local Advisory Committee as these duties pertained to the Town of Hopkinton. Besides reviewing several projects that had potential impact on the Contoocook River, a great deal of time and effort was spent with the review of the town planning ordinances.

Mr. Bill Klubben of the Central NH Planning Association chose Hopkinton as the initial town to review and implement new planning concepts in the river corridor. After careful review Mr. Houston and Mr. Rood felt that our master plan was adequate with no new rules necessary. They also felt that at some point the plan should possibly be reorganized with a river planning section. This could be done at the review time of the entire master plan.

Submitted,
Dana Rood
Bob Houston

Hopkinton Community Center

Financial Report for Fiscal Year

August 1995 to July 1996

	Revenue	Expense	Payroll	Scholarhsip
Town of Hopkinton	\$ 15,000	\$	\$	\$
Donations	5,647			
Membership	6,352			
Sports	10,321	7,578.15		
Senior Program	695.08	1,154.98		
Preschool	9,830.32	1,147.07	9,751.55	3,944.50
Gymnastics	2,717.50	55.00	1,278.75	150.00
Ballet	4,552.98	404.85	1,913.00	200.00
Light Aerobics	1,572.50		648.00	
Fundraising	12,103.33	2,810.80		
60/40 specials	2,355.00	771.95		180.00
60/40 fitness	3,180.00	3,650.20		
70/30 fitness	409.50	614.95		
Teen Center	926.93	237.58		
Character Ed	1,414.00	711.54		
Rental	110.00			
Interest	171.50			
Adult Diversion	2,400.00			
Other	335.18			
Maintenance		1,920.58	1,823.75	
Office		1,001.89		
Postage		367.62		
Telephone		496.00		
Copier Rental		1,385.25		
Insurance		4,016.89		
Fuel/Propane		2,606.23		
Electric		2,000.33		
Water/Sewer		399.56		
State Unemployment		242.18		
Donations		61.93		
Bank Charges		110.24		
Miscellaneous		329.17		
Payroll Taxes		2,653.14		
Admin. Wages			19,274.84	
TOTALS	\$80,093.82	\$36,728.08	\$34,689.89	\$4,474.50

Hopkinton Community Center

1996 Annual Report

The Hopkinton Community Center is a non-profit organization that provides services, educational and recreational opportunities, and informational resources to the Town of Hopkinton and outlying areas. The major sources of operational revenue are memberships, fundraisers, program fees and dues, and the Town of Hopkinton.

Tax contributions through the town help insure availability of the facility itself for use by numerous clubs and churches, as well as all the programs and services listed below, most of which provide no direct revenue to the Center itself. The town funds help offset the Community Center's costs to maintain the building (ie: insurance, fuel/propane, maintenance, electric) at no cost to these many organizations. Below is a partial list of programs and services the Center offers:

Instructional Programs:

Ballet, Gymnastics, Performing Arts Workshops, Preschool, HCC Aerobics, Low Impact Aerobics, Folk Dancing, Karate, Taichi, African Dance, Kids' Improv Theatre Classes, Teen Aerobics

Sports:

Basketball, Hershey Track and Field, NASC soccer camp, Golf Camp, Coach certifications, Women's Running Club

Specials:

The "Emanon" Teen Center, "Almost Dinner" Theatre (community productions), MWM Children's Theatre, High School Drama, Strawberry Festival, Halloween Party

Services:

Tax Help, Senior Luncheons, Weekly Blood Pressure Screening, Workmatch Spring & Fall Clean-up, Operation Christmas, Food Pantry, Community Service Opportunities, Resource Information for Respite, a home for Dial-A-Ride, Senior to Senior Service, Moms, Tots, and Pops resource, "home base" for organizations such as Hopkinton Character Education

The Hopkinton Community Center has long range plans of providing a Parenting Center, Drop in Center, and a recreational summer camp. New ideas, members and programs are always welcome!

Hopkinton Woman's Club

1996 Annual Report

The Hopkinton Woman's Club is a civic organization celebrating 56 years of volunteerism to the community. The club is open to women of all ages and interests who wish to make new friends and to be involved in making a difference in their lives and community. The club extends a welcome to any woman wishing to attend a meeting or function.

The club has made fundraising for Hopkinton High School scholarships a high priority. Moneys have been given to further student's education in culinary institutions, beautician academies, technical schools and two and four year colleges. This past year \$14,350 was awarded in June at the Hopkinton High School's annual Awards Night. In October 1996 the club held a new scholarship fund-raiser - Bids 4 Kids. It was a sales and service auction which was both silent and live. It was challenging, exciting and a bit scary to hold something new after twenty five years of the Antique Show. One of the goals was to provide opportunities for more town wide participation and fun. That more than exceeded our expectations. Businesses and people who had never been able to help before contributed. All the schools were great with their ideas, participation and hard work. The club greatly appreciates everyone's help. At this time we hope to hold Bids 4 Kids again, this time in November 1997.

The club sponsors Respite Care, a program to provide relief for care-givers of ill home-bound persons. If you are in need of this service or are interested in volunteering, please call April Hotchkiss at 746-3042. The Club also sponsors Dial-A-Ride which provides free transportation for doctor's appointments for older members of the community. Dial-A-Ride is always in great need of more volunteer drivers within the community. It requires volunteering only a few hours a month. For more information call 756-HELP. During the past year the Woman's Club has provided assistance for families in need and financial support for Contoocook Valley Counseling Center, Hopkinton Food Pantry, Project Graduation, Bates Library, Hopkinton Arts and Music Festival, Outreach Programs, Hopkinton Community Center Basketball Program, Hopkinton Character Education Committee, Dial-A-Ride and Respite Care. The Club also sponsors the annual Hopkinton Tree Lighting and Caroling.

Throughout the year the Club provides informational programs and entertainment for club members to get together. This year's topics include Planning for Retirement, Baking Seminar and Hormone Replacement and Osteoporosis.

We would be happy to hear from any interested woman wanting more information about the club and activities. Please call membership chairman Debbie Richey at 225-3830 or President Cathy Rothwell at 746-4364.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Rothwell

As Received and Recorded by the Town Clerk for 1996

Date of Birth	Child's Name	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Place of Birth
01-04-96	Christopher Lawrence	Robert W. Junkins	Amy J. Clark	Concord
01-28-96	Patrick Michael	James M. Bittman Jr.	Donna M. Burns	Concord
01-28-96	Kaila Marie	Walter K. Carr	April T. Mahoney	Concord
02-01-96	Matthew Alexander	Kevin C. Boehm	Judith E. Platt	Concord
02-01-96	Emma Mae	Brian S. Hamilton	Sandra L. Joyce	Concord
02-08-96	David Gregory	Gregg E. Peters	Nancy E. Goupille	Concord
02-09-96	Courtney Irene	Peter C. Benson	Michelle A. Raney	Concord
02-04-96	Olivia Patricia	Christopher R. Harding	Karrie A. Fesette	Hopkinton
02-14-96	Lukas Ryan	Roger L. Trantham	Kathleen T. Lawler	Concord
02-17-96	Raychel Morgan	Ricky A. Matulaitis	Karla J. Killian	Concord
02-21-96	Johan Carter	Peter G. Noordsij	Kathy L. Krebsbach	Concord
02-25-96	Brian Karl	Karl K. Hauschild	Mary E. MacKinney	Concord
02-28-96	Katherine Christine	Kenneth R. Soucy	Cynthia L. Horner	Concord
02-29-96	Jonathan Allen	Richard W. Jones	Sheryl C. Veinotte	Concord
03-25-96	Michael James	Timothy M. Allen	Jennifer M. Keaveny	Peterborough
03-03-96	Casey May	John P. Malloy	Cheryl D. Temple	Concord
03-06-06	Tessa Rae	James G. Garlow	Lisa S. Smith	Concord
03-31-96	Kyle Joseph	Peter E. Belliveau	Kathy A. Petit	Concord
04-19-96	Calvin Goddard Kneifel	Andrew D. Johnstone	Andrea K.B. Kneifel	Concord
04-24-96	Kyle Ethan	Stuart F. Nelson	Lisa Huntoon	Concord
04-25-96	Brittany Nicole	James A. Marshall	Heidi J. Barrett	Concord
04-29-96	Jordan Rose MacBride	Thomas J. Mack	Elizabeth L. MacBride	Concord
05-03-96	Matthew Daniel	David A. French	Jeannie L. Rogers	Manchester
05-03-96	Jed Hawk	Todd A. Aubertin	Lori S. Day	New London

Date of Birth	Child's Name	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Place of Birth
05-03-96	Zachary Justin	Bryan M. Bigue	Jennifer Olson	Lebanon
05-19-96	Kelly Margaret	Thomas E. Harritt	Elizabeth M. Durnas	Nashua
06-06-96	Katherine Alysse	Peter Wasserman	Jennifer A. Biggers	Concord
06-20-96	Emily Louise	William A. Jones	Melissa G. Ellsworth	Concord
06-29-96	Peter	Frederick M. Briccetti	Rebecca W. Atwater	Manchester
07-03-96	Summer Eileen	Samuel D. Blackford	Sulane Holt	Concord
07-07-96	Taylor Alexandra	Stephen C. Yianakopoulos	Susan D. Eaton	Concord
07-15-96	Emily Lynn	Robert C. Vallari	Lauren Sally	Concord
06-12-96	Thomas William	William V. Story	Darlene A. Greer	New London
07-19-96	Joshua Alexander	Merritt D. Salmon	Natalie R. Walker	Manchester
07-21-96	Katherine Marlene	Robert J. A. Irwin	Karen J. Kriester	Manchester
10-16-96	Zachary Brock	Michael T. Rouleau	Kimberly L. Brock	Manchester
07-22-96	Gabriel James	Keith R. Nichols	Julie A. Ford	Concord
07-29-96	Joshua Harris	David L. Salzberg	Elissa M. Barr	Concord
08-15-96	Hunter Adam	Christopher P. Sicely	Christine E. Gleason	Concord
08-21-96	Colby Dion	Peter W. Tawney	Shannan L. Dion	Concord
08-22-96	Meagan Marie	Michael M. Bourque	Lisa M. Bailey	Concord
08-22-96	Douglas Whitney	Robert A. Fleury	Daphne M. Whitney	Concord
08-23-96	Kelly Hunter	James H. Scammon	Dorian R. Deglin	Concord
08-23-96	Paige Whitney	James H. Scammon	Dorian R. Deglin	Concord
10-15-96	James Edward III	James E. Bromwell Jr.	Sandra J. Swain	Concord
10-28-96	Zackery Allan	Douglas A. Cressy	Kristine A. Carter	Concord
10-30-96	Colleen Ann	Daniel J. Earley	Nancy J. Lamy	Concord
11-18-96	Samuel Luc	Jon D. Charpentier	Brenda K. Brown	Concord
11-19-96	Elizabeth Lucy	John L. Tremblay	Tammy S. Carito	Concord
11-29-96	Victoria Ann	Scott W. Flood	Ann Meissner	Concord

Marriages

As Received and Recorded by the Town Clerk for 1996

Date of Marriage	Name of Bride & Groom	Place of Residence
07-08-95	Kimball, Christopher M.	Hopkinton
	Lewis, Susan K.	Haverhill
01-07-96	Jewell, Mark F.	Contoocook
	Graham, Kimberly A.	Contoocook
02-10-96	Romer, Ronald E.	Contoocook
	Sladek, Katherine M.	Contoocook
03-16-96	McGann, Thomas	Hopkinton
	Koehler, Susan I.	Hopkinton
04-06-96	Driessen, Alexander W.	Contoocook
	Secor, Frances J.	Henniker
04-24-96	Carr, James V.	Contoocook
	Carr, Katherine E.	Contoocook
04-27-96	Fleury, Robert A.	Hopkinton
	Whitney, Daphne M.	Hopkinton
05-04-96	Fortier, Peter S.	Contoocook
	Brasier, Tammy M.	Contoocook
05-18-96	Foster, Timothy S.	Contoocook
	Gagne, Dawn M.	Contoocook
05-18-96	Holden, Kelly R.	Contoocook
	Brouillette, Caroline H.	Contoocook
05-18-96	Sullivan, Edward	Contoocook
	Farley, Deborah R.	Contoocook
05-25-96	Palacios, Daniel A.	Holden, MA
	Dinsmore, Cathleen S.	Somerville, MA
06-08-96	Blanco, John J.	Contoocook
	Bairstow, Lori	Contoocook
06-08-96	Poquette, John F.	Hopkinton
	Graham, Erin M.	Hopkinton
06-15-96	Ludwick, Jason T.	Boise, ID
	Hamilton, Tabatha G.	Hopkinton

Date of Marriage	Name of Bride & Groom	Place of Residence
06-15-96	Wiley, Robert J. Robertson, Angela M.	Warner Contoocook
06-22-96	Fairbairn, William K. Willmer, Susan A.	Weymouth, MA Weymouth, MA
06-29-96	Finnemore, Douglas E. Johnson, Kathleen M.	Contoocook Contoocook
07-20-96	Cassara, Thomas C. Carlson, Carla J.	Contoocook Contoocook
07-28-96	Azmy, Gamil F-S Gerrard, Lois A.	Contoocook Contoocook
05-05-96	Ozenich, John M. Huddell, Cindy F.	Silverdale, PA Silverdale, PA
08-17-96	Bassi, John C. Chapin, Julie A.	Hopkinton Hopkinton
08-27-96	Morrill, Robin L. Danley, Lisa	Hopkinton Contoocook
09-07-96	Windhurst, Eric Donohue, Tracy A.	Hopkinton Hopkinton
09-14-96	Thoits, Charles F. IV Davis, Barbara A.	Contoocook Contoocook
09-21-96	Hollihan, Keith P. Williams, Rosemary T.	North York, Canada Arlington, VA
09-28-96	O'Neal, Michael P. Nagel, Nancy A.	Naples, FL Naples, FL
09-28-96	Yetton, Richard V. Strine, Tracey L.	Contoocook Contoocook
10-05-96	Koenig, Eric M. Desmond, Kathleen M.	Womelsdorf, PA Contoocook
10-12-96	Tracy, Douglas O. Gleason, Tracy L.	Contoocook Contoocook
11-29-96	Jordan, Chester L. Hevern, Linda K.	Hopkinton Bow
11-30-96	Carey, Paul E. Remington, Mary E.	Hopkinton Hopkinton
12-07-96	Holleman, Robert A. Desruisseaux, Dale J.	Hopkinton Hopkinton

Deaths

As Received and Recorded by the Town Clerk for 1996

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Place of Death	Name of Father	Name of Mother
01-06-96	Durgin, Janet D.	Concord	William Lynke	Mary Perrin
01-15-96	Tinkham, Ruth I.	Concord	Samuel Semerjian	Helen Raines
01-16-96	Moran, Dean S.	Hopkinton	Reginald T. Moran	Blanche Straw
01-23-96	Delaney, Joan	Contoocook	John J. Fenton	Charlotte Lee
01-25-96	Ingram, Stanely A.	Hopkinton	Albert W. Ingram	Virginia R. Bell
01-31-96	Burleigh, Gordon A.	Contoocook	Artemus T. Burleigh	Gladys Goodell
02-11-96	Reid, Rilla F.	Franklin	John Ford	Margaret Walker
03-18-96	Blanchette, Nellie M.	Laconia	Henry Morton	Esther Rogers
04-03-96	Blanchard, Brooke E.	Hopkinton	Steven H. Blanchard	Virginia Dwinells
04-11-96	Hemphill, Mary E.	Boscawen	Charles H. Westney	Alma I. Green
04-11-96	Stanley, Horace C.	Contoocook	Clinton J. Stanley	Anne Weeks
02-07-96	Thibodeau, Velna D.	Concord	Roscoe Duplace	Ellen Frost
04-17-96	Metzger, Herbert H.	Concord	Henry Metzger	Martha Wilcox
05-11-96	Drew, Russell H.	Contoocook	Charles Drew	Edith Unknown
05-18-96	McCune, Darinka A.	Hopkinton	Michael Alexich	Ljubica Jakovatz
06-06-96	Heinz, Harriet	Contoocook	Harold Stillings	Unknown Unknown
06-13-96	Ball, Lena C.	Concord	Dwight E. Conant	Blanche Kemp
06-26-96	Long, Eugene B.	Manchester	Donald E. Long	Nellie Carter
06-29-96	Greenwood, Helen W.	Franklin	Charles F. White	Bess White
07-17-96	Mitchell, Francis E.	Contoocook	Everett J. Mitchell	Mamie Roby

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Place of Death	Name of Father	Name of Mother
09-01-96	Cahill, Edward A.	Contoocook	Jacob W. Cahill	Emilia Schworer
09-05-96	Cressy, William A.	Hopkinton	Byron Cressy	Gertrude Ring
09-07-96	Carruthers, Richard E.	Franklin	Gordon W. Carruthers	Clara Anderson
07-01-96	Scott, Arthur W. Jr.	Concord	Arthur W. Scott Sr.	Etta Currier
07-18-96	Cornett, Joseph C.	Concord	Unknown Cornett	Mary Moran
08-08-96	Hamel, Raymond J.	Concord	Almazor J. Hamel	Mary E. Hurley
08-28-96	Bailey, Katherine B.	Concord	Frazer S. Brown	Rose Mulgavey
10-01-96	Jackson, Rose L.R.	Concord	John A. Roy	Marguerite St. Armand
10-12-96	Leslie, Stewart J.	Concord	Sidney Leslie	Annie B. Fraser
10-18-96	Boyd, Edward S. Sr.	Concord	Herbert Boyd	Eunice Rogers
11-08-96	Wheeler, Gordon B.	Contoocook	Edward M. Wheeler	Evangline Promroy
11-12-96	Cossette, Arthur	Contoocook	Henry Cossette	Mary Robicheau
11-15-96	Cole, Rachel H.	Contoocook	Carl S. Hoar	Ruth Cole
11-22-96	Peters, Michael K.	Hopkinton	Jerome E. Peters	Eva M. Van Buskirk
11-26-96	Kelley, James H.	Concord	William Kelley	Margaret Unknown
12-08-96	Cross, Marion W.	Boscawen	Dexter P. Whiting	Evelyn Campbell
12-11-96	Hicks, Gregory S.	Contoocook	Robert S. Hicks	Mary Parker
12-03-96	Beers, Estelle F.	Concord	Eugene Ferris	Maude Hunt
12-21-96	Langworth, Harriet H.	Concord	Max E. Hertwig	Katherine D. Daur
12-28-96	Jackson, Conchita C.	Concord	Allen Clow	Esther Del Valle

Report of the Annual Town Meeting

March 13, 1996

The Hopkinton Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. in the Hopkinton Town Hall by Moderator, Gary Richardson.

ARTICLE 1: The following resolution was offered by Selectman John Prewitt and moved its adoption, seconded by Town Clerk Thomas Johnson, Jr.

I nominate the following Town Officers for the term of one year and move that the Town Clerk be instructed to cast one ballot for same, and in addition waive the reading of the warrant.

Firewards: Leonard L. George, Thomas Krzyzaniak, Robert White

Fence viewers: Alfred N. Chandler, Richard Symonds, William Cressy

Tree Warden: David A. Story

Weigher: Roger M. Andrus

Surveyors of

Wood and

Timber: Stanley White, Charles Sawyer, John Herrick

Article 1 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 2: Action taken with respect to the following amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and voting by ballot upon the following question:

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend paragraph 3.8 Fair District Overlay, sub-paragraph 3.8.4.2 Agency Response, changing the number of days for Fire/Police/Emergency Services (EMS) to respond to the Selectmen with information regarding services required at the fair from forty-five (45) days to twenty (20) days (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 810 No: 126

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend paragraph 3.8 Fair District Overlay, sub-paragraph 3.8.4.4 Additional Expenses, changing the latest date for the owner/operating entity to pay the Town's invoices from October 1 to no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the bill (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 831 No: 92

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend paragraph 3.8 Fair District Overlay, sub-paragraph 3.8.5. and 3.8.5.1, clarifying the types of non-fair uses permitted without a special use permit and removing the cap on the number of events allowed. This amendment will also require changing the numerical sequence of sub-paragraphs (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 810 No: 106

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend paragraph 3.8 Fair District Overlay, sub-paragraph 3.8.5.1.1, changing the number of days prior to the event that the owner/operating entity must provide to the Selectmen information identifying the nature of the use or uses that will be conducted from sixty (60) days to forty (40) days prior to the event (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 798 No: 131

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend paragraph 3.8 Fair District Overlay, sub-paragraph 3.8.5.1.2, changing the cap on the anticipated attendance at non-fair events permitted without Special Use Permit from five hundred (500) persons per day to one thousand (1000) per day (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 829 No: 97

6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend paragraph 3.8 Fair District Overlay, sub-paragraph 3.8.5.2.2, changing the cap on the anticipated attendance at non-fair events permitted by Special Use Permit from twenty-five hundred (2500) persons per day to twenty-six thousand (26,000) per day (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 748 No: 172

7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend paragraph 3.8 Fair District Overlay, sub-paragraph 3.8.5.2.3, to require the applicant to submit necessary information to the Selectmen at the time of application to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 802 No: 93

8. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend paragraph 3.8 Fair District Overlay, sub-paragraph 3.8.5.2.4, to require the filing of an application for Special Use Permit at least thirty (30) days before the Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting at which the application will be heard (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 795 No: 100

9. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend Section II Definitions, sub-paragraph 2.1.E.1 Essential Services, to specifically exclude from this definition building not necessary for the furnishing of essential service by such public utility or governmental agencies for the public health, safety or general welfare (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 742 No: 126

10. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.10 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend paragraph 3.6 Table of Uses, letter E. Institutional Uses/Community Facilities, by inserting as number 14, buildings necessary for the furnishing of non-essential service by such public utility for the public health, safety or general welfare. These buildings will be permitted in the M-1 (Industrial) and B-1 (Commercial) zones, require a special exception in the R-1 (high density residential zone, and will not be permitted in the R-2 (medium density residential), R-3 (low density residential), and R-4 (residential/agricultural) zones. This amendment will require changing the numerical sequence of the uses listed as Institutional Uses/Community

Facilities (recommended by the Planning Board).

Yes: 715 No: 143

The Town Meeting convened at the Hopkinton High School on Wednesday, March 13, 1996, at 7:08 p.m.

Moderator Gary Richardson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moderator Gary Richardson introduced the Town Officials at the podium: Selectmen Jack Prewitt, A. David Dufault and David Jensen; Town Administrator Alice Monchamp; and Town Clerk Thomas Johnson, Jr.

Moderator Richardson recognized Selectman Prewitt for the purpose of publicly thanking A. David Dufault for his three years of service on the Hopkinton Board of Selectmen. He noted that he now has a new appreciation for how our Town is run.

Moderator Richardson explained parliamentary procedure for the meeting.

Moderator Richardson paid special recognition to the passing of three residents. John Grant, who served nine years as a Hopkinton Village Precinct Commissioner and six years as a Budget Committee member. Raymond "Ray" Sullivan, a 1945 graduate of Hopkinton High School and who served with the Hopkinton Police Department and as a ballot clerk for over 40 years. Bernard "Bun" Foster, who was our Town's Road Agent for 27 years, a thirty-five year member of the Hopkinton Fire Department, Sexton of the Hopkinton Cemeteries for thirty three years and a long time Hopkinton Village Precinct Commissioner.

The Moderator urged the voters not to consider going to a ballot system in our Town. The history and tradition of our Town meetings are very important and we must maintain them.

The Moderator declared the following elected as a result of Tuesday, March 12, 1996, election for Town and School District Officers:

Selectmen:	Barbara Unger	626 Votes	Elected
Town Clerk:	Thomas Johnson, Jr.	953 Votes	Elected
Town Treasurer:	Owen L. French	916 Votes	Elected
Tax Collector:	Sue B. Strickford	957 Votes	Elected
Budget Committee:	Jane Bradstreet	748 Votes	Elected
	Robert Wells	801 Votes	Elected
Town Moderator:	Gary B. Richardson	881 Votes	Elected
Library Trustee - 3 yrs.:	Christine Hamm	822 Votes	Elected

	Jane Swett	762 Votes	Elected
Library Trustee - 1 yr.:	Peter W. Mosseau	849 Votes	Elected
Cemetery Trustee - 3 yrs.	Susan G. Adams	554 Votes	Elected
Supervisor of the Checklist:	Edith B. Allison	862 Votes	Elected
Trustee of Trust Funds:	Hays Junkin (write in)	24 Votes	Elected
School Board:	Kim Fuller	579 Votes	Elected
	John Madden	693 Votes	Elected
School Treasurer:	John Hastings (write in)	84 Votes	Elected
School Moderator:	Charles E. Dibble	819 Votes	Elected
School Clerk:	Thomas Johnson, Jr.	927 Votes	Elected

ARTICLE 3: The following resolution was offered by William Milne and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000,000 for the purpose of closing the Town's existing landfill and to make certain improvements to the Town's existing transfer station; such sum to be raised by the issuance of bonds and notes not to exceed \$3,000,000 under and in compliance with the provisions of the New Hampshire Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to take such steps as may be necessary to borrow all or some of such sums from, or otherwise to comply with the terms of State's Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 486:14; and to authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend such additional sums and grants as may become available from federal, state or other sources; to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes, to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms and conditions thereof; and to pass any other vote relative thereto (recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (recommended by the Budget Committee) (two-thirds ballot vote required).

The Moderator recognized Derek Owen who moved to take Article 24 out of order as it has a financial impact on Article 3, seconded by A. David Dufault. The motion was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 24: The following resolution was offered by Derek Owen and moved its adoption, seconded by Reverend Hays Junkins.

To see if the Town will vote to prohibit the processing, storage, and land spreading of waste water treatment sludge/bio solids, including, but not limited to, sewage, paper and pulp mill sludge, whether it be wet, dry, composted, pelletized, mixed with other

materials, or injected on or into the land in the Town of Hopkinton, NH until regulations are enacted by the Selectmen or the Planning Board with public involvement, to control such activity.
(Submitted by Petition)

Moderator Richardson recognized Mr. Derek Owen for the purposes of offering an amendment to Article 24. Mr. Owen moved to amend Article 24, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr., by replacing it in its entirety with the following:

To see if the Town will vote to prohibit any further processing, storage, or land operation of such septic/sludge/bio solids from outside the State of NH or any land within the Town of Hopkinton with the exception of (1) the proposed landfill cap off Penacook Road, (2) those farms and businesses already involved in using or producing sludge, (3) the current storage and processing at the Hopkinton sewage treatment plant and, (4) the septic lagoons located at the landfill until regulations are enacted by the Selectmen or the Planning Board with public involvement, to control such activity.

Mr. Gerald Adams asked if this amendment would mean we would have to close down leach fields and sewage tanks. Mr. Owen replied that sewage is different from sludge. Sludge is a product of sewage and waste treatment effluent of municipal sewage.

Mr. Gary Rondeau of Penacook Road stated that Article 24 was set up to keep bio solids/sludge out of the Town of Hopkinton unless the people that are using it, want it. He was concerned over the fact that the landfill cap may be spread with bio solids/sludge from outside of New Hampshire.

Mr. Owen responded to Mr. Rondeau's concerns as discussed earlier. He stated that the concern is that the existing landfill is filled with so many unknown materials, they wondered what the result would be if yet another unknown material such as out of state sludge is used to cap the landfill.

Mr. Jamie Robertson, a dairy farmer on Penacook Road, moved to amend # (2) of Mr. Owen's amendment as follows: " those farms already involved in using or producing sludge to include agricultural businesses that do not currently use bio solids to use them in the future under best management practices established by Cooperative Extension Service."

He further stated that they are not using it currently but may want to if they change to a higher corn base that would need more organic matter on the ground. Mr. Brad Dorsey seconded Mr. Robertson's amendment to the amendment.

Mr. Jeff Donohoe of Amesbury Road, stated that the Houston Farm used the sludge last summer and the odor was very offensive. He opposed the amendment until improvements are made to the way it is spread.

Lorraine Ellis stated that the original article disallowed the use of sludge from any source. Mr. Owen's amendment would allow the use of sludge from anywhere in NH. If we pass Mr. Owen's amendment we could get sludge from outside of this town.

Laurel Miller, abutter to the landfill, stated that volatile organic compounds have been found in her well water. This is from the run off from the landfill. By using sludge that is unknown matter to cap the landfill, she felt the situation could be worsened. She urged the adoption of Article 24 as it was originally written to allow us to be informed and to allow us to know exactly what is being put into our land.

Richard Haines, an abutter to the Houston Farm, stated that the sludge does have a smell but it doesn't last. The sludge is an organic material and it is a chemistry problem in how it is treated. Mr. Haines felt that the sludge can be made safe. If farmers are not allowed to use it, they may be driven out of business.

Selectman David Jensen stated that one of the original statements in Article 24 suggests that sewage would also be disallowed. At the landfill there are sewage lagoons that accepts the material pumped out of the septic tanks. The Selectmen are concerned about the state law that requires septic tanks to be emptied in the town landfill.

Joanie Esperi stated that she certainly does not want to see dairy farmers put out of business. She stated that sludge is not organic matter and not just human waste. There are materials from waste water treatment plants that come from commercial processing like motor oils and synthetic paints, in addition to household sewage. Then chemicals are applied to treat this waste. If we accept this amendment to Article 24 excepting waste from outside of NH, we could be receiving sludge from New York City or Los Angeles and we will not know what is in that sludge. The proposal is to truck 800 truckloads of sludge into our landfill as part of the capping process. None of those trucks will be tested before the sludge is dumped. Ms. Esperi went onto read examples of negative health incidents caused by the use of sludge in communities around the country. Mr. Esperi urged the community to vote in favor of Article 24 and vote down both amendments.

The Moderator called for a vote on Mr. Robertson's amendment since there was no further discussion. Mr. Robertson's amendment was defeated.

Ron Klemarczyk stated that he frequently cross country skis on the Houston Farm property. He is concerned with the out of state sludge but felt that it can be tested properly and we can be guaranteed that it is safe. He felt that the sludge is being produced by all of us and it can be made as a safe fertilizing product.

Laurel Miller stated that if the farmers want to use the sludge, it is fine with her. The spreading of the sludge on the landfill cap is the issue and felt that it is an unknown material that may cause more problems in the future.

Barbara Beeler stated that the Houston property used the product last summer and the smell lasted for months. She felt that the quality of life was effected a great deal and further study needs to be done on the product.

Gary Jacques asked if the original Article 24 will put existing business in jeopardy. Selectman Prewitt replied that Papertech's business will be effected. Their paper sludge has a high water content that is stock piled on their property to dry out. When it is dried they bring that to the landfill. If Article 24 passes, they will not be allowed to bring it to our landfill anymore. Mr. Owen's amendment to Article 24 prevents that from happening. Also, sewage trucks will not know where to dump the sewage. Concord, Warner, and Henniker cannot take it. Mr. Owen's amendment allows establishment of guidelines and allows businesses to carry on as usual.

Erick Leadbeater asked if this amendment is supported by the Selectmen. Selectman David Jensen replied that the Selectmen are in favor of the amendment because it would allow us to continue using the sewage lagoons and Papertech Corp. can continue their operations.

Mr. Leadbeater felt that neither the Selectmen nor the Planning Board have the expertise to determine the safety of the use of sludge. The Selectmen and Planning Board will have to turn to the EPA or the Dept. of Environmental Services of NH to enact regulations.

Mr. Leadbeater moved to amend Mr. Owen's amendment to Article 24, seconded by Mr. Fottler, to strike the wording of Article 24 as posted and insert the following in its place: "The Town of Hopkinton in Town Meeting convened go on record to express its grave reservations with respect to the environmental safety of land application of sludge. Further, to respectfully request and insist that the Dept. of Environmental Safety, test, monitor, and actively control all sludge storage and application activities in the Town of Hopkinton to insure compliance with all EPA and Dept. of Environmental Services regulations to the fullest extent possible, under the law."

Joanie Esperi stated that she respectfully disagreed with Mr. Leadbeater in that Article 24 gives us local control. The Dept. of Environmental Service is state funded. What happens if state funds run out and the sludge cannot be monitored. One of the beauties of

living in a small community is that the Town can decide within our own boundaries what is best for us. She urged an affirmative vote on Article 24 as it stands originally.

Arnold Coda asked what effect does Mr. Leadbeater's amendment have on the disposal of sewage materials being placed in the landfill lagoons. Selectman Jensen replied that this would allow us to continue using the sewage lagoons at the landfill.

Keith Wallace asked if Article 3 can be amended before we vote on it. There are two concerns, agricultural use for sludge and spreading sludge on the landfill. He commented that the spreading of sludge on the landfill cap is beyond his reason, further stating that one would not dump radio active waste on a nuclear power plant that would close. He felt we should vote down Article 24 and let the State regulate the agricultural issues. Then amend Article 3 to cap the landfill with natural materials.

There being no further discussion, the Moderator called for a vote on Mr. Leadbeater's amendment. The Moderator called for a standing vote. Mr. Leadbeater's amendment to Article 24 was adopted.

The Moderator called for a vote on Article 24 as amended. Article 24 passed as amended.

The Moderator declared we were now back to Article 3 as offered.

Selectman Prewitt asked to speak to Article 3. He explained that there is 18 acres of garbage buried at the landfill. There have been many years of burning activity at the landfill. In the late 1980s it was decided that burning should cease and the waste had to be hauled away by the Concord Coop. Since that time, monitor wells have been placed around the landfill site to determine what materials might be leaching from the landfill to the ground water level. We have been testing every sixth month for the last six or seven years. This has given us a good profile as to what is happening with the landfill. Nobis Engineering has been hired to help determine the best plan to close the landfill and prevent further leaching. Selectman Prewitt went on to explain that there has been questioning as to why we should cap the landfill now when the Federal Government is not ordering us to do so. When we stopped the burning at the landfill and started the transfer station, that was all done on a voluntary basis because it was the right thing to do. It would be irresponsible to wait for a major contamination problem. Several alternatives were looked at to close the landfill, one was to mine the landfill, sorting the waste and hauling it away. This is extremely expensive to do especially for the size of our landfill. Another alternative is soil closure, that is a temporary measure. It is capping without the synthetic membrane but that is only viable when there are no volatile organic compounds leaching into the ground water. The Dept. of Environmental Services will not allow us to close the landfill in this manner.

Selectman Prewitt stated that the footprint of the landfill closure will be reduced from 18 to 14 acres. The price will be reduced from the original \$3,000,000 to \$1,980,000. The new figure will allow for top soil to cover the landfill. This landfill will have monitoring wells on the down stream side for years to come.

Selectman Prewitt stated that we share the landfill with Webster as 80/20 partners. The Town of Webster has been wonderful to work with them. The closing costs will be shared 80/20 with Webster as well. The State of NH has a grant program that provides a 20% grant of principal and interest payments on this bond issue for over 20 years. The interest rate on the 20 year bond would be 4.6%.

He went on to explain that the Town of Warner had used our landfill on a contract basis for fifteen years. We have been in negotiations since the summer to gain their participation in closing the landfill. We have received a letter from the Warner Selectmen, indicating that they will present an article to the voters at their town meeting, to pay 25% of the cost of the landfill based on the number of years Warner was a participant. Selectman Prewitt stated that Warner will be a participant regardless of their town meeting vote. The debt service for the bond will effect the tax rate between .25 and .30 in 1998. Selectman Prewitt urged the voters to adopt this article.

The Moderator called for a vote on the amendment made by Selectman Prewitt to amend Article 3 reducing the cost from \$3,000,000 to \$1,980,000, seconded by Selectman David Jensen. The motion to amend was adopted in the affirmative.

Gerry Adams asked Mr. Roger Keilig of Nobis Engineering, if he has noticed an increase in the volatile organic compounds in the wells and by how much? Roger Keilig replied that in the landfill and in the immediate area there has been a general decrease. The residential wells have also been monitored over the last seven years were non-detect for a number of years. There has been a revision in the testing method used and the detection limits are lower. Some of the contaminates that we are now detecting may well have been there before. The levels being detected are well below the drinking water standards.

Gerry Adams asked if there has been an increase in detecting volatile organic compounds in Deer Meadow Brook. Roger Keilig stated that Deer Meadow Brook has never had any measurable impact.

Gerry Adams asked how much will the monitoring cost be for the next twenty to thirty years. Mr. Keilig replied that the monitoring of the landfill has cost between \$4,000 and \$5,000 per year. For the closure, several monitoring wells will be added and that will increase the cost to \$5,000 or \$6,000 per year. Mr. Adams further asked if he is correct in understanding that the monitor wells have not shown an impact from the landfill. Mr. Keilig replied that the brooks and the surface water bodies have not been impacted but the monitoring wells around the landfill have shown slight VOC contamination. Mr. Keilig

explained that the capping process will prevent the leaching through the landfill to the ground water table and there will be improvement over time.

After the discussion ended, the Moderator declared the polls open for one hour until 9:50 p.m., to vote on Article 3.

After the hour had passed, the Moderator asked the election officials to count the ballots and report the results. 350 ballots having been cast, he announced that 233 would be necessary for a two-thirds majority. With 302 having voted yes, and 48 no, the Moderator declared Article 3 adopted as amended.

Richard Drescher urged the voters to come to the School District Meeting on Saturday, March 16, 1996.

The Moderator called for the body to reaffirm their vote on Mr. Leadbeater's amendment to Article 24. Article 24 as amended, was reaffirmed.

ARTICLE 4: The following resolution was offered by Peter Russell and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman David Jensen.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,386,217 for General Operations as follows:

General Government:	Amount:
Executive	\$ 65,150
Election, Registration and Vital Statistics	\$ 87,623
Financial Administration	\$177,384
Legal Expenses	\$ 27,000
Planning and Zoning	\$ 45,123
General Government Buildings	\$ 36,000
Cemeteries	\$ 13,000
Insurance	\$ 3,620
Budget Committee	\$ 1,423
Public Safety	
Police	\$417,071
Fire	\$241,754
Special Detail	\$ 4,984
Highways and Streets	
Highway Department	\$495,709
Street Lighting	\$ 1,800

Road Committee	\$ 200
Sanitation	
Landfill	\$364,964
Water Distribution and Treatment	
Sewer	\$ 74,118
Health	
Hopkinton Fair	\$ 51,520
Welfare	
Direct Assistance	\$ 41,827
Culture and Recreation	
Parks and Recreation	\$ 57,059
Library	\$ 89,991
Patriotic Purposes	\$ 800
Conservation	
Conservation Commission	\$ 1,500
Economic Development	
Community Action Program	\$ 3,517
Debt Service	
Principal - Long Term Debt	\$ 40,000
Interest - Long Term Debt	\$ 38,080
Interest - TANS	\$ 5,000

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES: \$2,386,217
(recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

The Moderator recognized Selectman Prewitt for the purposes of moving to amend the Town Report to read that the Total Operating Expenses in the General Operating Budget is \$2,386,217, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr. All in favor of the amendment.

The Moderator recognized Selectman Prewitt for purposes of giving an overview of the proposed general operating budget. Selectman Prewitt stated that this budget has complied with the requests of the Budget Committee to keep increases to 2%. All town employees received a two percent cost of living increase. Selectman Prewitt noted that

the Highway Department has requested an increase to the budget of \$20,000 due to the unusually harsh and long winter. The Highway Budget will increase from \$495,709 to \$515,709 and this would increase the total operating budget to \$2,406,217. He noted that David Story, Superintendent of Public Works and Crew has managed to turn a surplus back to the town in past years. Mr. Story and Crew were applauded for their efforts. Selectman Prewitt stated that the effect of this operating budget and all of the warrant articles will end up with a zero percent increase over the current tax rate.

Selectman Prewitt moved to amend Article 4 to increase the Highway Department budget by \$20,000, seconded by Selectman Dufault.

Robert Greer stated that he supported the budget and asked why the Police Department exceeded their budget last year. Selectman Jensen replied that the Police Department had two issues that caused them to go over budget. One issue was the cruiser fire and the other issue is the initiation of 24 hour Police coverage.

The amendment to Article 4 was adopted in the affirmative.

Brad Dorsey asked about the check that our Police Department is to receive from the Drug Forfeiture Program. Chief Ira Migdal replied that the check has not been received but noted that both Federal and State law prohibit the use of that check to offset Police budgets. Mr. Dorsey asked what the check will be used for. Chief Migdal replied that the money will be used for drug abuse, drug education, and scholarships.

Gerald Adams asked what has caused the increase to the Fire Department budget. Selectman Jensen replied that the Fire Department budget has increased due to the new contract we have with Concord Hospital to do ambulance billing. The Town has not historically billed insurance companies for residents transported to the hospital. We have started to do that now and the cost is \$10,000. An increase in ambulance income of approximately \$20,000 is expected. He noted that if there is an additional expense to a town resident over and above insurance, the resident will not be billed. An additional \$4,000 for overtime has been included in the increase to cover the full time employees for work they do as volunteers. There is a \$5,000 increase for the Capital Area Mutual Aid Compact which is paid on a pro-rata basis.

Mr. Adams asked what departments are under Financial Administration. Selectman Prewitt replied that the tax assessor, tax collector, treasurer and bookkeeping. Mr. Adams asked what the General Government Buildings budget is used for. Moderator Richardson replied it is used for the maintenance of buildings.

Richard Gourley commented that several years ago, it was resolved under an RSA that the full time fire fighters would become volunteers when they stop being full time regular employees and we are not required to pay them overtime.

Richard Drescher commended all of the Town Departments on the good job they have done with their budgets and moved the question. Mr. Drescher motion was adopted in the affirmative.

With no further question or debate, Article 4 was adopted as amended.

ARTICLE 5: The following resolution was offered by Gerald Adams and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,143 to cover eight months salary and expenses for a full-time recreation director (new position) (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee).

Luciele Gaskill, Chairman of the Budget Committee, stated that a full time recreation director will have many functions. This person will schedule the limited number of athletic fields for practice and games for our Town's sports programs. This person will be available to give assistance to volunteer groups in ordering supplies and whatever else needs to be done and will coordinate new programs and work to enhance the other groups already in existence. She urged the voters to support this article.

Ronald Klemarczyk stated that he was part of the committee that looked into hiring a full time recreation director and he felt that the volunteer programs that we have in Town now can be enhanced. He encouraged all to vote for this article.

Joy Bloomfield asked if we voted this position in last year. Selectman Prewitt stated that we had a recommendation last year to have a full time recreation director but for budgetary reasons the Selectmen approved a part time position. In advertising for the position, the Selectmen did not get the number of applicants with qualifications needed for the position.

There being no further discussion, Article 5 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 6: The following resolution was offered by Sandra Smart and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman Jack Prewitt:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 as a Contingency Fund (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee).

Dale Warner asked what the contingency fund is used for. Selectman David Jensen replied that it is a fund established in the event of an emergency. He noted that it has never been used before but felt it was a prudent measure to continue.

There being no further discussion, Article 6 is adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 7: The following resolution was offered by Robert York and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman A. David Dufault.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,432 for the Hopkinton Rescue Squad (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee).

There being no discussion, Article 7 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 8: The following resolution was offered by Leslie Townes and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to purchase a new pickup truck for the Hopkinton Highway Department (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee).

Richard Drescher asked why the \$25,000 for the new one ton truck in Article 15 is the same price as the pick up truck. Selectman Prewitt replied that the pick up truck will probably end up costing closer to \$20,000 but at the time of budgeting that was the best number they had to use.

With no further discussion, Article 8 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 9: The following resolution was offered by David Simmering and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$114,812 for New Construction of Highways. The State of New Hampshire will contribute the entire amount of \$114,812 (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee).

With no discussion, Article 9 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 10: The following resolution was offered by Richard Schoch and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 in the interest of public health and safety to provide winter plowing and sanding on the following roads, during the winter of 1996: South Shore Drive - 1,500 feet; Ridge Lane - 900 feet; Rolfe

Pond Drive - 2,000 feet; Salachar Road - 500 feet; and Perch Lane - 700 feet. This action shall in no way be interpreted as changing the status of these roads from private to public roads. It is the general policy of the Town that no work will be done on any other private or Class VI highway (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee).

There being no discussion, Article 10 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 11: The following resolution was offered by Gerald Adams and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman Jack Prewitt.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for the paving of Town roads (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee).

Mary Scheffey asked if Cast Hill Road will be one of the roads paved. Selectman Prewitt replied that Cast Hill is not scheduled for shim and paving but for re-construction. Ms. Scheffey noted that four Hopkinton families and seven children live on that portion of road and people drive very fast on it already. She asked that Cast Hill not be repaired so as to slow traffic down.

James Smith of Dolly Road stated that Dolly Road residents will take the money that the Cast Hill residents don't want spent on their road. He asked if Dolly Road is on the list and the Moderator noted it was.

With no further discussion, Article 11 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 12: The following resolution was offered by George Camp and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman A. David Dufault.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 for a loader for the landfill (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee).

Dale Warner reminded the public in attendance that we need to hold the line on spending. He didn't see anything wrong with the present loader and that it seemed to work fine. Selectman Jensen replied that it is a 1985 loader and there is some thought that it is not in the best of shape. He noted that Webster will participate in 20% of the cost of the loader.

Thomas Congoran asked if it is relevant to purchase a new loader when we are closing the landfill. Selectman Jensen replied that the landfill will close but the transfer station will remain and a loader is needed for that.

Gary Rondeau stated that with good care and maintenance, and with the closing of the landfill being less taxing on the loader, the machine should last quite a bit longer.

Jeffrey Donohoe asked David Story, Superintendent of Public Works, to comment on why we need a new loader. David Story replied that the loader is re-built with 118,000 hours on it. Mr. Story explained that this is a high number of hours of operation.

With no further discussion, Article 12 was defeated.

ARTICLE 13: The following resolution was offered by Erick Leadbeater and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman A. David Dufault.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350,000 for the purchase of the real estate, with all buildings, fixtures, improvements and appurtenant easements known as 154 Pine Street, Hopkinton (Eveline Houston Estate property, Tax Map 221, Lot 83) and 120 Pine Street (Leonard L. George, Sr. and Gail George property, Tax Map 221, Lot 87); associated legal costs; and the development of a master plan for the future use of this property and other property currently owned by the Town (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee).

Selectman A. David Dufault stated that the assessed value of \$241,750 as printed in the handout is incorrect. The correct assessment is \$320,000. He stated that this is a good opportunity for the Town and it should alleviate our space dilemma now and in the years to come. He thanked all who contributed their efforts to the project, especially Virginia Haines who brought this to their attention.

Erick Leadbeater encouraged all to vote for this article. The Town never accepted the gift of land he gave to them. The cost to clear, de-stump and make playing fields ready, would be more than purchasing the Houston land.

Michael Foley, President of HYSA, urged an affirmative vote due to the great need of athletic fields in Town.

Dale Warner, HYSA volunteer coach, stated that we need fields but wondered what happened to the land that was purchased by the Town in the center of Contoocook to alleviate Town building needs. Can this unused land be sold and the money put toward the buying of the Houston land.

The Moderator intervened and declared that the polls closed on Article #3.

Selectman John Prewitt replied that the financing of this purchase has been planned in the Capital Improvement Project. The \$50,000 that was to be used for the CIP revaluation plan, will be used for land purchase. The \$100,000 for the library CIP as well as the \$70,000 for the Police Station will be used for the land purchase. The balance will be taken from the surplus from the previous year's operation.

Gerald Adams asked if we realistically have a handle on how much it will cost to put in the playing fields and is this a ballot question.

Renee Adams asked if this is the same Houston property that has the sludge on it. The Moderator replied that it is not.

Robert York noted that in that area there is nothing but solid ledge and he wondered if anyone has looked into that before the purchase. Selectman Dufault replied that we have not looked into that because we do not own the land. There is money built into this purchase to study this. Selectman Dufault stated that there is a little bit of wetland in one corner of the property.

Mr. York noted that soil tests and ledge testing is usually done before or contingent upon a sale of property.

Gary Jacques asked if the new library and police station will be on the Houston land. Selectman Prewitt stated that we have to get together members of our community to study and plan what should be placed on the land.

Craig Dunning asked if a site inspection has been done or is the sale contingent upon this. Selectman Dufault stated that there are two underground fuel tanks and they have been looked at by engineers and there is no pollution at this time.

Ruth White stated that we have watched the growth of Hopkinton. We are losing our land for future development for our Town and our children. She urged the voters to act favorably on this article.

Craig Dunning asked if we are going to have an environmental site assessment before the purchase. Bob Houston responded by saying that his father bought the property in 1931 and sold it to his brother in 1941. Mr. Houston continued, stating that he has lived on the land practically all of his life and neither he or his uncle has ever sprayed or spread anything on that land except for manure. There has been no hazardous waste placed on that land.

Priscilla Edwards asked what was spread on that land last year. Mr. Houston replied that plain cow manure, nitrogen and wood ash but no chemicals.

Dale Warner asked if the rumor about the HMC building being offered to the Town is true. Selectman Jensen replied the owner of the HMC site indicated they would be willing to sell it to the Town. Selectmen Jensen went on to explain that the owner was told that the warrant had been completed for this year. At this point in time, it was too late to make changes.

George Camp stated that this is an excellent buy and we should develop this property very carefully, keeping in mind priorities of what we need in Town. He asked what are the plans for the Houston property.

Selectman Dufault said that we have no plans at the present time.

Derek Owen hoped that we all voted in favor of this article. The Conservation Commission feels that Contoocook Village has little or no open space and this is a unique opportunity for us.

There being no further discussion, the Moderator announced that Article 13 was petitioned to be a ballot vote. He declared the results as 258 yes and 72 no. Article 13 was adopted in the affirmative.

The Moderator read the results of the voting on the Bond Issue (Article 3). He declared that 302 voted in the affirmative and 48 voted in the negative. Article 3 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 14: The following resolution was offered by Brad Dorsey and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman Jack Prewitt.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,000 to repair the Rowell Bridge in West Hopkinton. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the repairs are completed or in five years, whichever is less. This appropriation represents the remaining portion of the Town's total share of the cost of the repairs -- \$25,000 for this purpose having been appropriated at 1994 Town Meeting; and \$25,000 for this purpose having been appropriated at 1995 Town Meeting. The State of New Hampshire will contribute a total of \$292,000 (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

There being no discussion, Article 14 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 15: The following resolution was offered by Robert Greer and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman David Jensen.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for a new 1-ton truck for the Highway Department (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee).

Arnold Coda asked for some general information regarding the need for the purchase of this truck. Selectman Jensen replied that this is replacing a 1990 truck with 40,000 miles that has turned out to be a lemon. There has been approximately \$10,000 put into this truck so far.

With no further discussion, Article 15 is adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 16: The following resolution was offered by Alfred Gibbs and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman Prewitt.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,000 for the Hopkinton Community Center (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee).

George Camp asked what the \$19,000 is used for. Selectman Dufault replied that \$15,000 has been given in years past as the normal appropriation to offset expenses. The additional \$4,000 will be used for roof repairs.

With no further discussion, Article 16 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 17: The following resolution was offered by William Rogers and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$85,000 to purchase a new ambulance for the Hopkinton Fire Department and to authorize the withdrawal of \$40,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose, plus all accumulated interest to date of withdrawal. The balance of \$45,000 is to come from general taxation (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

Dale Warner asked if the surplus money in the Capital Reserve fund for the attack pumper be used to offset this article. Selectman Prewitt replied that the money that is coming back from the Capital Reserve fund will go back into the general fund as surplus used to offset the appropriation.

Mr. Fottler asked for general information regarding the replacement of the ambulance.

Selectman Prewitt replied that the ambulance we are replacing is a 1985 model with a lot of miles and a lot of rust on the body. The cost will probably be closer to \$80,000.

Fire Chief Peter Russell stated that last year the ambulance crew made 484 runs from the Contoocook Station. We have a 1985 and a 1990 ambulance and the purpose of the article is to get these vehicles on a five year replacement schedule. The 1985 vehicle has 80,000 miles and it has a lot of hours of engine time. We will get about \$10,000 for a trade in on the vehicle. He noted that each year the number of ambulance calls is increasing.

With no further discussion, Article 17 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 18: The following resolution was offered by Luciele Gaskill and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the July 4th fireworks (recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee).

With no discussion, Article 18 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 19: The following resolution was offered by Jayne Schoch and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the fire engine (attack pumper) Capital Reserve Fund created in 1995. The fire engine (attack pumper) was purchased in 1995. The balance in said fund is to be transferred to the Town's general fund.

Scott Coen asked how much is left in the general fund. Selectman Dufault replied that there is \$7,000 left. Mr. Coen asked if that money can go into the purchase of new fire apparatus. Selectman Dufault replied that surely some of the money could help to pay for fire apparatus but not all of it.

With no further discussion, Article 19 is adopted in the affirmative.

At this time, the Moderator declared that the vote on Article 13 to be 258 votes in the affirmative and 72 opposed. Article 13 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 20: The following resolution was offered by John Boatwright and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen

to accept, on behalf of the Town, gifts, legacies, and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purposes, as permitted by RSA 31:19. This authorization will remain in effect indefinitely, until rescinded by a vote of the Town Meeting.

There being no discussion, Article 20 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 21: The following resolution was offered by Janet Krzyzaniak and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to accept the following Cemetery Trust Funds, the income to be used for perpetual care of burial lots as directed, subject to such provisions as may be applicable thereto:

<u>From</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>
Doris & William Milne	\$450	Perpetual Care	Contoocook
H.E. & M. Neer	\$115	Perpetual Care	Contoocook
J.& P Desmond	\$450	Perpetual Care	Contoocook
Eugene & Lorraine Miller	\$450	Perpetual Care	Contoocook
William & Ann Simpson	\$450	Perpetual Care	Contoocook
John & Marcia Reed	\$115	Perpetual Care	Contoocook
Ann-Lee Verville	\$2,700	Perpetual Care	Contoocook
J. & J. O'Connor	\$230	Perpetual Care	Hopkinton
L. & D. Eaton	\$230	Perpetual Care	Hopkinton
John D. & Alyn McNeish	\$115	Perpetual Care	Hopkinton
John W. & Adela S. Knipe	\$230	Perpetual Care	Hopkinton
E. & R. Dustin	\$450	Perpetual Care	Blackwater

There being no discussion, Article 21 is adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 22: The following resolution was offered by Susan Drescher and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to accept additions to the principal of the following Trust Funds, subject to such provisions as may be applicable thereto:

<u>Name of Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Andrew J. Carroll Scholarship	\$365.90
Glenn M Haselton Mem.Children's Books-Contoocook	\$200.00
Katherine E. Semple Children's Books-Contoocook	\$ 50.00

There being no discussion, Article 22 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 23: The following was offered by Joseph Long and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to urge our representatives to the General Court of New Hampshire and the United States Congress to pass laws reforming electoral campaign financing, thus returning the political process to the will of the people and encouraging the participation of candidates with great ability and limited means. Measures to accomplish this may include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Sharp limitations on all forms of contributions to candidates, including soft money contributions (contributions to political parties);
2. Maximum spending limits per election linked to geographic and demographic makeup of each state and district, such a \$1.00 per voter.
3. Sharp limitations on all forms of spending to influence elections, including independent expenditures.
4. Sharp limitations on contributions to and spending by political action committees; and
5. Remedies, such a free broadcast time, postal subsidies and democratic (public) financing, to balance inequities between credible candidates, incumbent and challenger, rich and poor. (Submitted by petition)

Brad Dorsey moved to amend Article 23 by deleting "and the U.S. Congress" in the first sentence. There was no second to Mr. Dorsey's motion and the amendment failed.

Irene Irving stated that we have to deal with the problem of money in politics. She felt that there is a direct relationship between campaign spending and winning elections.

Mr. Dorsey stated that the reason for his amendment is if the article passes in its present form, we will be urging Congress to pass an unconstitutional law. The 10th amendment to the U.S. Constitution basically says that all powers not granted by the Constitution to the Federal Government are reserved for the states or the people. He urged the voters to defeat this article in its present form.

With no further discussion, Article 23 was defeated.

ARTICLE 25: The following resolution was offered by Derek Owen and moved

its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to ratify its acceptance from the Contoocook Village Precinct in 1986 of the remaining land known as "George Park". This vote is necessitated by the lack of a Precinct vote to gift the property to the Town in 1986, and to correct the deed to reflect the conveyance of a portion of George Park to the Hopkinton School District in 1951, which defects are being addressed by a vote of the 1996 annual Contoocook Village Precinct meeting.

There being no discussion, Article 25 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 26: The following resolution was offered by Michael Sanborn and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To see if the Town will vote to gift, by deed, to the Hopkinton School District a parcel of land of approximately four and one-half acres as shown on a sketch on file at the Office of Selectmen, making up a portion of "George Park", Tax Map 222, Lot 67, upon additional terms and conditions as the Selectmen may determine or take any other action in relation thereto.

There being no discussion, Article 26 was adopted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 27: The following resolution was offered by Arnold Coda and moved its adoption, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr.

To act on reports of Town Officers, Trustees and Committees for year 1995.

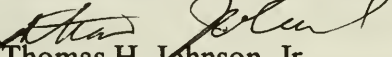
There being no discussion, Article 27 was adopted in the affirmative.

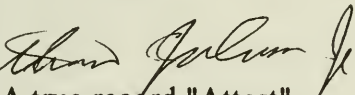
ARTICLE 28: The following resolution was offered by Thomas Johnson, Jr. and moved its adoption, seconded by Selectman Jack Prewitt.

To hear and transact any other business that may come legally before said meeting.

Selectman Jack Prewitt thanked Selectman A. David Dufault for his three years of service as Selectman for the Town of Hopkinton and he was presented a gift of appreciation. There being no further discussion, Article 28 was adopted in the affirmative.

Gerald Adams moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr. There being no discussion, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:53 p.m.


Thomas H. Johnson, Jr.
Town Clerk


A true record "Attest"
April 5, 1996
Thomas H. Johnson, Jr.
Town Clerk

Town of Hopkinton

Special Town Meeting June 26, 1996

Moderator Gary Richardson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Harold Martin School Multi-purpose room.

Moderator Richardson introduced Town Clerk Thomas H. Johnson, Jr., Margaret Astles - Town Bookkeeper, Selectman John Prewitt, Selectman David Jensen and Selectman Barbara Unger, Town Administrator Alice Monchamp. Moderator Richardson explained the rules of procedure for conducting the meeting. He reminded those in attendance that action can only be taken on the warrant that has been posted. Moderator Richardson read the warrant as follows:

Warrant For Special Town Meeting The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of HOPKINTON, in the county of MERRIMACK, in the said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Harold Martin School Multi-purpose Room on Wednesday, the 26th of June 1996, next at 7:00 P.M. to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and enter into a lease agreement with Papertech Corporation for one acre of land at the existing landfill site for disposal of non-hazardous waste generated by Papertech and Bio Energy Corporation and additional easements to provide access to and use of that one acre, at no expense or exposure to liability of the Town, and to pass any other vote in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2: To hear and transact any other business that may come legally before said meeting.

Moderator Richardson recognized Selectman John Prewitt for the purposes of making a motion. Selectman Prewitt moved the adoption of Article 1 as printed in the warrant. The motion was seconded by Selectman Barbara Unger.

Selectman Prewitt explained that the issue of the disposal of Papertech and Bio Energy's waste came up during the preliminary landfill closure discussions. When it became

apparent that closing the landfill would become a reality, a meeting resulted in a request to lease a section of landfill property, adjacent to the area that is being capped. The Selectmen made it clear from the onset of discussion, that all expense for this would be incurred by the companies. The waste material that was being hauled in from Papertech and Bio Energy was tested frequently and the results revealed that the waste material was inert. After a meeting with the Department of Environmental Services, they indicated that the proposal would not be impossible but that they would have to jump through many hoops to gain approval.

The Selectmen felt that this issue made sense since no risk is posed, it will only take up once acre of property. Economically, Papertech and Bio Energy, who are major employers and tax payers in Town would save money if they did not have to haul the waste to another part of the State.

Selectman Prewitt introduced Norman Provencher of Papertech, Harry Smith of Bio Energy, Ken Korneef and Roger Kielig of Nobis Engineering. Moderator Richardson asked for a fifteen minute presentation from the Administration from Papertech Corporation, Bio Energy Corporation and Nobis Engineering.

Norman Provencher of Papertech Corporation stated that in April, they met with the State and found that they were missing a 30 year closure plan. Research was then done to cost out this plan. The State said they would allow a permit, if all criteria were met, for a double lined containment cell within six months to a year.

The cost to truck the waste elsewhere was outstanding. Mr. Provencher stated that Papertech is a 100% recycled paperboard mill, located on Route 127 in West Hopkinton. The mill was built in 1907 and operated as the A.D. Davis Co. until 1973. Papertech became incorporated after the acquisition of the formerly known, Hoague Sprague Corporation. Papertech is a New Hampshire corporation that is wholly owned and a subsidiary of Texpac that is a group of companies dealing with the paper making and paper converting business. Papertech employs 55 people and produces 70 to 90 tons per day of recycled paperboard used for consumer and industrial packaging. He noted that the waste is an inert product. Mr. Provencher briefly explained the process that achieves the recycled paperboard. Papertech proposes to have a double lined containment cell that will meet the most stringent regulations. He felt that this will be safe to the environment. The cost of the project will be about 1.5 million dollars.

Harry Smith, Vice President of Operations at Bio Energy Corporation, stated that Bio Energy burns wood chips to produce 78,000 megawatts of electricity per year and gen-

erate 2000 tons of ash per year. The ash has been transported to the Hopkinton Landfill since 1984 and they would like to continue to do so.

Roger Kielig of Nobis Engineering explained that the waste resulting from the process used by Papertech and Bio Energy is placed in a landfill where leaching takes place. From an environmental standpoint, testing both the leachate and the waste materials is done to determine any pathways to contamination of the environment. The wastes and leachate are tested for volatile organic compounds and have to meet other testing requirements. So far, the waste and leachates have not failed any of the State or EPA guidelines and pose no threat to the liner of the containment system.

Mr. Kielig presented a map of the proposed landfill site. The setting chosen is to take advantage of what are known about ground water flow direction and contaminate history of the property. This is an environmentally suitable and lowest risks location for the proposed landfill. He explained the intensive review process to go through in order to receive a permit. This includes the landfill design, maintenance plan and long term monitoring plan for thirty years. There are also guidelines for financial assurances and a plan for public involvement for the final design phase.

Mr. Ken Korneef of Nobis Engineering, explained that first they had to determine the volume of waste they needed to plan for in the ten year life of the landfill footprint. It was determined that one acre would provide Papertech and Bio Energy with ten years of waste disposal. The EPA and DES regulations dictate where a landfill can be placed on the site and Nobis Engineering was able to come up with 3.5 acres of area where the proposed landfill could be located. In the one acre site chosen, there would be a perimeter gravel road around the outside of the facility, a fence surrounding the entire facility, and a double walled containment system with a leak detection system. There will also be monitoring wells that will be tested three times per year and the results submitted to DES. He explained the DES regulated containment system. At the end of the ten year period it will be capped as the current landfill is being closed.

Mr. Provencher stated that if Papertech is forced to haul the waste to the Bethlehem or Rochester, NH disposal sites, the cost will be \$60./ton and \$400./hauling fee for a total of \$178,000. to \$195,000 annually. A compactor will have to be purchased for \$40,000. and this will squeeze the excess water from the waste. This compactor will reduce the excess moisture by 60%. He stated that Papertech is a New Hampshire based business that would like to keep the business local.

Mr. Harry Smith stated that Bio Energy is currently paying \$14,000. in disposal fees.

The proposed landfill will cost approximately \$80,000. per year. If we go to a commercial landfill the cost would increase to approximately \$147,000. per year.

Moderator Richardson stated that Selectman Prewitt's motion is open for discussion or amendment.

Ms. Joni N. Esperian of Penacook Road and abutter to the landfill, stated that three months ago at Town Meeting, it was voted to close the landfill. She asked why this issue was not raised at the March Town Meeting when there were enough residents of the town to give their views. She expressed her concern for the families living around the landfill that are exposed to the contamination of their water from the landfill. She asked why we are considering the creation of a new landfill at the same site. She stated that if the waste that has been proposed to be dumped at a new landfill site is so safe, why do we need a double-lined containment cell with a leachate collection system.

Mr. Donald Rondeau asked Mr. Provencher of Papertech Corp. about the article written in the Concord Monitor the day before the meeting. The article said that they will spend \$1.5 million to build a 40 ton landfill that would be used for the next ten years and the Town would be able to use it to generate revenue. Mr. Rondeau asked Mr. Provencher of the Selectmen what kind of revenue will be generated and will other companies be using that landfill.

Mr. Provencher replied that there will be operational costs associated with the landfill. Presently the town is weighing the trucks as the waste comes in and they bulldoze the inert material dumped. Papertech would like to continue that process with the town and we have budgeted \$5,000. per year to do that.

Mr. Provencher addressed Ms. Esperian's concern about the safety of the waste, if it has to be placed in a containment cell. He noted that NH Division of Environmental Service regulates that the waste be contained but he felt that the material is safe.

Mr. Chester R. Dunn of Penacook Road, stated that he spoke with Steve Clough at the Landfill. Last year, Bio Energy dumped 22,000 tons of ash and paid \$10.50/ton. The Town received \$28,073.33 for the materials dumped. Papertech dumped 2,700 tons of material in the dump at a cost of \$3.60/ton for a total cost of \$7,855.62. If any resident were to dump that much waste at the landfill it would cost many times more than that. He stated that Papertech and Bio Energy have been given a huge break on the costs and the Town had a lost revenue of \$307,000. just last year.

Mr. Dunn stated that the one acre site to put the waste in would hold a great deal of water. If this water were snow or ice, the weight would not allow for the cap to be pulled back. He also expressed concern about the capping material used. He stated that he called a company that makes the 60 ml capping material and was told that it is brittle in cold temperatures.

Mr. Dunn expressed concern after the ten year period, if something goes wrong with the system, who will fix and pay for it. The costs will surely increase over the years.

Mr. Dunn stated that in 1991, Papertech was assessed for \$1,245,300. A treatment pond was put in and a tax appeal settlement was given for \$840,000. and taken off the tax roles. The assessed value for the same property in 1995 is \$757,100. He compared this to five new homes on Briar Hill Road that are worth \$250,000. each and those homes generate a large revenue for the Town.

Mr. Provencher briefly explained the breakdown of costs. There is \$67,000. per year budgeted for leachate or rainfall collection. A big portion of the 1.5 million dollars is for the bond once the landfill closes. We are responsible for an additional thirty years past the life of the landfill.

Laurel A. Miller of Penacook Road, asked all of the Townspeople in attendance to take their time and listen to what is being said and to not rush in their decision making. She stated that she is an abutter of the Landfill and has only known about this matter for two weeks. She expressed concern that this is being rushed through. She felt that a precedent is being set by allowing a landfill for Papertech and Bio Energy. Other companies in the future may want the same special permission to create a landfill as Papertech and Bio Energy have received. The proposed landfill is 1000' from her home and she stated her property value has gone down to \$23,000. because of the landfill. Ms. Miller stated that she knows that no one can guarantee that there will be no leaching from the landfill site even with the capping. She asked if Papertech is ready to accept the responsibility if her children become ill from the contamination? She asked if this landfill goes through will someone buy her house? She noted that a bank will not finance her property and a real estate agent will not list her home because of the problems with the well and with surrounding properties. She asked that all parties involved research this further.

David F. Price of East Penacook Road, stated that there are a lot of unanswered questions. The vote to close the landfill in March was welcomed by the people on Penacook Road and they spent a great deal of money fixing up their properties. With the infor-

mation that the landfill is closing, he purchased five future home sites for his growing family. He felt that closing a landfill only to open another one doesn't make any sense. He urged the townspeople in attendance to vote no.

George Camp asked if the life of this proposed landfill is only ten years, where do they plan on dumping after that. Ken Korneef replied that in ten years, the corporations would have to come before the Town again.

Gary D. Rondeau, of East Penacook Road, stated that the discussions to close the landfill began in 1984. The proposal to re-open the landfill has only been known to the public for two to three weeks and it is the middle of summer when many residents are not at home. He asked when will there be an end to discussions regarding the re-opening of the landfill.

Selectman David Jensen replied that although the dump will be closed there will always be a transfer station there and a sewer lagoon. The demolition debris and yard waste will also continue to be accepted.

Mr. Gary Rondeau responded, stating that he was on the Landfill Study Committee and he knows about the remaining activity at the site. He asked how often will we be re-opening the landfill.

Selectman Prewitt replied that he cannot give an answer to that question as it will depend who is on the board in years to come. As we sit here tonight, there is no intention for this matter to come back again. We have not proposed for this matter to come back every ten years.

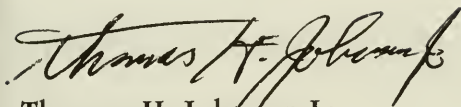
Moderator Richardson did not want to shut off anyone's opportunity to speak but noted that it comes to a point during discussion when the Moderator feels everyone has made up their minds as to how they are going to vote.

The Moderator asked how many are in favor of closing debate. The majority was in favor of closing the debate on the issue.

Moderator Richardson returned to the vote on Mr. Prewitt's original motion to adopt Article 1 as printed in the warrant. The Moderator declared Article 1 defeated.

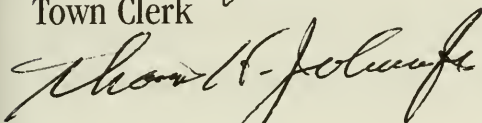
Selectman Prewitt moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Thomas Johnson, Jr. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas H. Johnson, Jr.

Town Clerk



A true record "Attest"

June 27, 1996

Thomas H. Johnson, Jr.

Town Clerk

Contoocook Village Precinct

1996 Annual Report

Richard Strickford was elected to finish out the term of Hub Yonkers who resigned in January.

The water mains at the intersection of Kearsarge Ave. and Spring St. have been replaced, eliminating a source of many leaks and discolored water. Further replacement of water main along Spring St. will continue next summer.

A 1200 ft. section of water main on Maple St. which was installed by and owned by Jordan Milton Machine Co. back in 1970 has been given to the Precinct by Mr. Bill Jordan. This section of water main is now inside the revised Precinct boundaries and we can now connect services to this main from nearby homes.

During 1996, the Filtration Plant and distribution system performed very well with few water leaks or any other problems.

The Precinct has contracted Operator's Services Co. from Henniker as a back up for Steve Clough to operate the Filtration Plant whenever Steve is out of town or on vacation. Steve has done a great job operating our water system over the past years with very little help, and can now feel confident that the system is in good hands when he is away.

Respectfully submitted,
Contoocook Village Precinct Commissioners:
Jon Richardson
Mark Connelly
Richard Strickford

Contoocook Village Budget

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

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BUDGET FORM FOR VILLAGE DISTRICTS

WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

Village District of: CONTOOCCOOK

In the Town of: HOPKINTON And County of: MERRIMACK

Mailing Address: CONTOOCCOOK VILLAGE PRECINCT

P O BOX 414

CONTOOCCOOK NH 03229-0414

Phone Number: 746-3454 Date of Annual/Special Meeting MARCH 20, 1997

1. Please read the new RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities. It requires this budget be prepared on a "gross" basis showing all revenues and appropriations. At least one public hearing must be held on this budget.
2. This budget must be posted with the Village District warrant not later than the fifteenth day before the day of the meeting.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the village district clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink.)

Date FEBRUARY 11, 1997

Lucile Luskil

Suzanne M. Sauer

Thomas McDonald

Jeffrey H. Taylor

David Simmons

Robert A. Wells

Richard P. [unclear]

James D. [unclear]

Erick [unclear]

David Simmons

(Revised 1996)

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	COMMISSIONERS' APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4139 Executive			22,000	17,700	22,000	XXXXXXXXXX	22,000	XXXXXXXXXX
4150-4152 Financial Administration			4,500	3,376	4,500		4,500	
4153 Legal Expense			3,000	0	2,500		2,500	
4155-4159 Personnel Administration			1,700	1,200	1,700		1,700	
4194 General Government Buildings								
4196 Insurance			3,500	4,108	4,200		4,200	
4197 Advertising & Regional Assoc.			300	235	300		300	
4199 Other General Government			3,000	1,740	3,000		3,000	
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4210-4214 Police			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4215-4219 Ambulance								
4220-4229 Fire								
4290-4298 Emergency Management								
4299 Other Public Safety (including Communications)								
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS								
4311-4312 Admin. & Highways & Streets			2,500	700	2,000	XXXXXXXXXX	2,000	XXXXXXXXXX
4313 Bridges								
4316 Street Lighting			18,000	14,750	18,000		18,000	
4319 Other Highway, Streets & Bridges								
SANITATION								
4321-4323 Administration & Solid Waste Collection			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4324 Solid Waste Disposal								
4325 Solid Waste Clean-Up								

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4326	sewage Collection & Disposal							
4329	Other Sanitation							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331-4332	Admin. & Water Services		28,000	14,100	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4335	Water Treatment		4,500	4,600			28,000	
4338-4339	Other Water				4,500		4,500	
HEALTH								
4411-4414	Admin. & Pest Control				XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4419	Other Health							
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		1,500	1,180	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4589	Other Culture & Recreation				1,500		1,500	
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		95,000	95,000	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		53,000	52,650	46,000		46,000	
4723	Interest on TANS							
4790	Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4901	Land & Improvements		21,000	15,550	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		1,500	3,550	1,500		1,500	
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings				25,000		25,000	
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT								
4912	To Special Revenue Funds				XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Trust & Agency Funds							
SUBTOTAL 1			263,000	230,439	309,700		309,700	

Please note: "Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles", which are addressed on the following page.

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INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES								
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes				
	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3311-3319	Other Federal Grants & Reimbursements				
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		2,539	2,539	2,539
3354	Water Pollution Grants		23,000	23,000	23,000
3359	Other				
	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues				
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401	Income from Departments		60,000	71,000	60,000
3402	Water Supply System Charges				
3403	Sewer User Charges				
3404	Garbage - Refuse Charges				
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Village District Property				
3502	Interest on Investments		750	1,000	750
3503-3509	Other		1,150	1,150	1,150
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Fund				11,000
3914	From Proprietary Fund				
3915	From Capital Reserve Fund		21,000	21,000	45,000
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc.from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amounts Voted From "Surplus"		XXXXXXXXXX		14,000
	"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes		XXXXXXXXXX	10,000	XXXXXXXXXX
	TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS		108,439	129,689	157,439

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

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VERSION #1

REVISED 1996

Local Govt. Unit: Contoocook Village Precinct - Hopkinton Fiscal Year Ending: December 31, 1997

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Committee	309,700
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	
2. Principle: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	100,000
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	46,000
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b.	
5. Mandatory Assessments	
6. TOTAL EXCLUSIONS (Sum of rows 2 - 5)	146,000
7. AMOUNT RECOMMENDED LESS RECOMMENDED EXCLUSION AMOUNTS (Line 1 less Line 6)	163,700
8. Line 7 times 10%	16,370

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Hopkinton Village Budget

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

61 So. Spring St., P.O. Box 1122
Concord, NH 03302-1122
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MS-37



BUDGET FORM FOR VILLAGE DISTRICTS

WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

Village District of: HOPKINTON

In the Town of: HOPKINTON And County of: MERRIMACK

Mailing Address: C/O RAY U MILLS, TREASURER
117 OLD PUTNEY HILL ROAD
CONTOOCOOK NH 03229

Phone Number: 746-3660 Date of Annual/Special Meeting APRIL 8, 1997

1. Please read the new RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities. It requires this budget be prepared on a "gross" basis showing all revenues and appropriations. At least one public hearing must be held on this budget.
2. This budget must be posted with the Village District warrant not later than the fifteenth day before the day of the meeting.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the village district clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink.)

Date FEBRUARY 11, 1997

Lucile Laskill

Suzanne M. Sauer

Thomas McDonnell

Jeffrey H. Taylor

Jeffrey H. Taylor

David Summering

Richard L. [Signature]

[Signature]

Erick Z. [Signature]

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4139	Executive		500	500	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4150-4152	Financial Administration							
4153	Legal Expense							
4155-4159	Personnel Administration							
4194	General Government Buildings		5,000	104	5,000		5,000	
4196	Insurance		1,200	580	1,000		1,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		100	70	100		100	
4199	Other General Government		200		200		200	
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4210-4214	Police				XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4215-4219	Ambulance							
4220-4229	Fire		1,000	1,000	1,000		1,000	
4290-4298	Emergency Management							
4299	Other Public Safety (including Communications)							
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS								
4311-4312	Admin.& Highways & Streets				XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4313	Bridges							
4316	Street Lighting		8,000	7,191	8,000		8,000	
4319	Other Highway, Streets & Bridges							
SANITATION								
4321-4323	Administration & Solid Waste Collection				XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4324	Solid Waste Disposal							
4325	Solid Waste Clean-Up							

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4326	Sewage Collection & Disposal							
4329	Other Sanitation							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331-4332	Admin. & Water Services		39,058	12,692	47,857		47,857	XXXXXX
4335	Water Treatment							
4338-4339	Other Water							
HEALTH								
4411-4414	Admin. & Pest Control							XXXXXX
4419	Other Health							
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation Clock		200	341	1,250		1,250	XXXXXX
4589	Other Culture & Recreation							
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		5,000	5,000	5,000		5,000	XXXXXX
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		5,500	5,231	5,000		5,000	
4723	Interest on TANS							
4790	Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4901	Land & Improvements							XXXXXX
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
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4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings							
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT								
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	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3311-3319	Other Federal Grants & Reimbursements				
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		135	135	135
3354	Water Pollution Grants				
3359	Other				
	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues				
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401	Income from Departments				
3402	Water Supply System Charges		49,558	27,138	26,168
3403	Sewer User Charges				
3404	Garbage - Refuse Charges				
3409	Other Charges Permits		105	150	100
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Village District Property				
3502	Interest on Investments		65	1,019	1,085
3503-3509	Other Refunds			763	
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Fund				
3914	From Proprietary Fund				
3915	From Capital Reserve Fund				
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc.from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amounts Voted From "Surplus"		XXXXXXXXXX	25,408	30,689
	"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes		XXXXXXXXXX	8,385	7,388
	TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS		49,863	62,998	65,565

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 Local Govt. Unit: _____ Fiscal Year Ending: _____ December 31, 1997

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1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Committee	74,907
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	
2. Principle: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	5,000
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	5,000
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b.	
5. Mandatory Assessments	
6. TOTAL EXCLUSIONS (Sum of rows 2 - 5)	10,000
7. AMOUNT RECOMMENDED LESS RECOMMENDED EXCLUSION AMOUNTS (Line 1 less Line 6)	64,907
8. Line 7 times 10%	6,490

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Hopkinton School District Report



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Hopkinton School District Organization

MODERATOR.....Charles Dibble
CLERK.....Thomas Johnson
TREASURER.....John H. Hastings
AUDITORS.....Vachon & Clukay
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.....Edward G. McHale, Jr.
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR BUSINESS...Stephania Pearce
PRINCIPALS
 Catherine Hamblett.....Harold Martin School
 Mary Beth Stevens.....Maple Street School
 Sandra Burney.....Hopkinton High School

DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION.....Dr. Jane Canning

SCHOOL BOARD

John C. Madden.....	Term Expires	1999
Kim Fuller.....	Term Expires	1999
Arpiar Saunders.....	Term Expires	1998
Suzanne M. Sauer.....	Term Expires	1997
John H. Zimmerman.....	Term Expires	1997

School Board Report

The 96-97 school year has been an extremely busy one for our school district. The School Board needed to focus on several areas to address the current needs of our school district. These areas included the Building Facility needs, the hiring of a new superintendent, labor negotiations and communications.

When the Town of Hopkinton appropriated \$40,000 at the last district meeting to hire an architect and further study the building facility needs, the School Board began interviewing many architectural and construction firms. Utilizing the construction management approach, the board hired Banwell, White, Arnold, Hemberger and Partners, Inc. and the Hutter Construction Company to team with the School Board to develop plans which would address the facility needs of both Maple Street School and Hopkinton Middle High School. A Building Facility Committee, co-chaired by Marshall Rowe and John Madden, was formed and comprised of community members, faculty and administration. Their task was to define the size and scope of the project, while addressing the educational needs of our students and the systems upgrades in each building. The committee was also to develop plans and determine the cost of the project, making final recommendations to the School Board. Their countless hours and dedication produced a building proposal which is exciting and which will greatly enhance our current educational program and directly benefit our students. We would like to express our gratitude to this committee for all their hard work and time.

June 30, 1997 will mark the retirement of Edward McHale, superintendent of schools. The Board wishes to thank Mr. McHale for his contributions to the Hopkinton School District and wish him and his wife, Nancy, a healthy and happy retirement. Efforts are currently underway to hire a new superintendent. The School Board employed the services of NESDEC to assist in this search for superintendent. A Selection Committee has been formed and is currently reviewing applications and interviewing selected candidates. Final selection will be made by the School Board by March 10, 1997.

The School Board has negotiated with three different unions this year. Presently the Hopkinton Education Association (HEA) and the Hopkinton School Board has reached agreement on the teacher master contract. At the time of this writing, negotiations with the Teamsters and the Hopkinton Education Support Staff (HESS) is currently in progress.

The School Board acknowledged at the beginning of the year that increased communication was of great importance. The district newsletter, which is published quarterly, has contributed greatly in getting information out to the community. This effort would not be possible without the energy of Julie Lanocha, Amanda Damour and Larry Bickford. Our many thanks to all who contribute. Other community groups such as C.A.R.E.S. and the Character & Education Committee are great examples of the positive community partnerships Hopkinton has in its schools.

A noted highlight for this past year came from the results of the New Hampshire Statewide Assessment. Last spring our third, sixth and tenth grade students participated in the testing. Our students scored extremely well, placing them in the top schools statewide. Congratulations to all the students who participated and many thanks to our faculty for their dedicated instruction and their continual work in curriculum revision. We look forward to continued results in future years.

In closing, I wish to thank the community of Hopkinton for their continued support and interest in the schools of this district. We are so fortunate to live in a community that understands the importance of educating our youth in a school system we can take pride in.

Respectfully submitted:

Suzanne Sauer, Chairman of School Board

Arpiar Saunders, Vice Chairman

Kim Fuller

John Madden

John Zimmerman

Superintendent's Report

As you read the various reports from administrators, School Board and PTA, a vision emerges of an ever changing, dynamic and busy school community.

Hopkinton's 1996 school year was marked by administrative change, amidst continued evidence of the strength of our school programs. Sandra Burney, an experienced Hopkinton administrator was named as principal of the middle/high school replacing Jim Gorman who had served through the summer of 1995.

During the early part of the year, the district conducted an extensive search for a new Maple Street principal, choosing Mary Beth Stevens, an experienced New Hampshire educator.

Change also occurred on the School Board as Suzanne Sauer replaced John Zimmerman as School Board chair and Kim Fuller joined the board in the seat vacated by Barbara Unger.

In both May and November, the school district received and analyzed results of the New Hampshire Student Assessment Program for grades 3, 6, and 10. The results were clear evidence of the district's commitment to excellence and the hard work of the past few years aimed at improving student performance. Hopkinton's students performed extremely well, demonstrating that they are among the finest in the Granite State.

Further evidence of our growth and of our need for improvement in some areas occurred with the long awaited New England Association of Schools and Colleges visit to our high school and the subsequent report. We were commended for our strong faculty, our breadth of offerings, as well as the commitment of our parent population. We were also cited most conspicuously, for our need for continued communication and need to improve facilities at the high school.

Facility examination and planning occupied staff and community energy and involvement throughout the year. At the Annual Meeting in March, the School Board put forth a proposal to renovate and expand Maple Street School. In acknowledging the need for extensive work at the high school, the Board requested the allocation of \$40,000 to engage an architect to design the necessary improvements.

The Maple Street effort failed, but the Board did receive voter approval for the architect expenditure. Voters also approved the purchase of property adjoining the Maple Street School in order to house the SAU office, freeing needed space at Harold Martin School.

As the result of continued need and growing public awareness, the Board appointed a citizen committee in late summer to examine building needs 4-12 and to recommend possible solutions. Throughout the fall, the committee, under the leadership of John Madden and Marshall Rowe, met diligently with the architect, the construction management firm, and the administrative staff. The report of the committee will be presented to the community in early 1997.

One final note. During the past 5 years, I have enjoyed working with a fine School Board, a dedicated staff and a wonderful parent and student population. I came to New Hampshire after many years as a superintendent in New York State in order to participate with you in the formation of a new SAU.

I leave you feeling that much has been accomplished and much needs to be done. After nearly 30 years as a superintendent, I enthusiastically leave any unfinished tasks to my successor.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward G. McHale, Jr.
Superintendent

Principal's Report

The Hopkinton School District welcomed many new administrators and staff during 1996. Music at the elementary schools is taught by Mary Louise Bingham who is filling a one year leave for Michael Alberici. At Maple Street School, Amanda Viger assumed guidance responsibilities for grades five and six. Deborah Pike filled a restored sixth grade position while Susan Roberts moved from the Middle School to the sixth grade position vacated by the retirement of Gwen Peters. A number of new staff were also hired in the middle/high school. David Chase, Physical Education, and Scott Semmons, Science, replaced retirees Esther Hansen and Arthur Clement respectively. Martha Kruse, Learning Disabilities Specialist, came on board to fill the position vacated by Dr. James Leon who assumed the responsibility for the administration of the School and Work Program. Linda Pothier Beers, 7th grade science and geography, replaced Michael Gerber. Carl Olsen was hired to staff the High School Language Based Classroom. In the Guidance Office, Ann Whiting was hired to fill the secretarial position vacated by Kim Pilote. Robert Forsten filled the expanded position of district-wide psychologist.

Through a competitive search process, two new administrators were hired. Beth Stevens became principal of Maple Street School while Sandra Burney was selected as principal after spending a year in the interim position.

The Hopkinton School District received a significant School and Work Grant in March of 1996. The grant will support an extension of the previous School and Work Program to include a K-12 initiative across the

disciplines. This fall, a committee with representation from all three schools and from the business community began the development of a long range plan for the District School and Work Program components include: development of critical thinking skills; development of exit competencies; development of a career portfolio; the establishment of mentorships and job shadowing opportunities. A special highlight of curriculum initiatives under the program is the building-wide use of *Instrumental Enrichment* at Maple Street School.

During 1996, the district hosted several nationally known programs and speakers. Among these were a certificate program in SOLVE techniques for identified students with severe behavioral issues; Linda Albert on Cooperative Discipline; Mike Mezzochi on motivating positive student behavior; William Copp and Jane Williams on *Instrumental Enrichment*; Judith Randall on Comprehensive Career Guidance.

Frequently, individuals from the Hopkinton School District are noted for their professional expertise. This year, Nancy Callahan, Guidance Counselor at Harold Martin and Maple Street School was recognized at the New Hampshire Guidance Counselor of the Year.

Third year results of the New Hampshire State Assessment at third grade and first year of results for grades 6 and 10 were received by the District. These results demonstrate the Hopkinton School District's commitment to excellence and alignment of curriculum to New Hampshire frameworks.

In 1996, the District became ineligible for Title I Federal Funding because of a reduction in resident foster children. The town commitment

to providing services to at-risk children by additional funds to the school budget and a separately approved warrant article enabled us to continue services without disruption.

In March, following 19 months of self-study, Hopkinton Middle High School hosted the on-site visiting Committee of the New England Association of School and Colleges, Commission on Public Secondary Schools. The Commission's findings were made public in August. The published report is available through the School District, the Selectmen's Office and at the public libraries. Following the release of the report, the Association informed the School that it would receive continuing accreditation. with the requirement that the school prepare a Special Progress Report and routine two and five year reports. The Special Progress Report will address recommendations regarding the facility which the Commission identified as priorities for maintenance of accreditation.

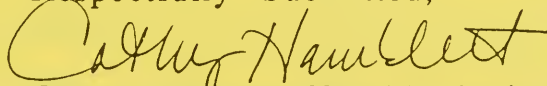
Hopkinton Middle High School continues to provide opportunities for students to participate in Exchange Programs and in and out of country travel. This past year, students from Costa Rica and Germany were hosted by Hopkinton Families. Hopkinton students traveled to Quebec City, Montreal, Colorado and Washington DC. In addition, the seventh grade class participated in an Environmental Camp in Maine.

The athletic program continues to be strong at Hopkinton Middle High School. The Boys and Girls Ski Teams both won the Division II ski championships. The following sports were represented by teams or individuals in tournaments and playoff games: Boys Soccer; Girls Soccer;

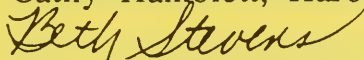
Field Hockey; Golf; Cross Country; Boys Basketball; Girls Basketball; Skiing; Baseball; Softball; Track and Field.

After a year hiatus, the Middle High School Parent Advisory Board was reinstated and has since met once a month to address a variety of issues which impact the School. The entire Hopkinton School District Staff look forward to continued collaboration with the Hopkinton Character Education Committee, Hopkinton Cares, Hopkinton Community Center and the Recreational Department, the PTA and the Booster Club. We appreciate parent and community support of our efforts.

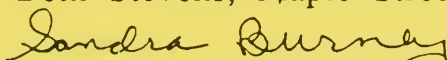
Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Hamblett, Harold Martin School



Beth Stevens, Maple Street School



Sandra Burney, Hopkinton High School

PTA Report

The Hopkinton Parent Teacher Association 1996/1997 Report

The Hopkinton Parent Teachers Association (PTA) is an organization with a current enrollment of 220 members that serve the needs of over 900 children in our community. Our organization is guided by the National PTA mission to support children in the school and in the community, and to sponsor programs that assist parents in developing skills they may need while raising their children. Based on our support of that mission, the objectives of the Hopkinton PTA for the 1996-1997 school year are to develop and sponsor programs specifically designed for the parents in our community and to work with other community groups who are committed to the children of Hopkinton and Contoocook. We will continue to financially support many excellent programs currently in place for the children in the schools and to promote communication between the schools, the school board and the community.

Currently, the Hopkinton PTA is actively pursuing these objectives. In August, we sponsored the program "Coping with Kids" featuring Dr. Linda Albert who addressed ways of improving parent and child communication. In September we purchased a program entitled Preparing for the Drug Free Years. This program is researched based and "teaches parents how to reduce risk factors that are especially important during the late elementary and middle school years and to enhance protection in the family during this period." It is a program that we feel will be an adjunct to drug free programs already active in the community. In November, in conjunction with the Character Education committee, CARES and Hopkinton Youth Sports Association (HYSA), we sponsored Dr. Russell Gough who spoke on the relationship between sports and character education.

The PTA has continued to subsidize the costs of many school field trips and provide "mini-grants" that enrich the lives of our children in and out of the classroom. The Artist in Residence and Author in the School programs will be presented in February and in April with financial support from the PTA. This years budget includes donations to Odyssey of the Mind , D.A.R.E., Special Olympics, and Project Graduation.

At our first PTA meeting in September, we voted in favor of our operating budget for the year and we restructured our meeting format to reduce the amount of time spent on business related issues. This now allows us more time for educational programs at our meetings. To date we have had presentations regarding the School to Work Program, Instrumental Learning, "Drug Free Zones" and the "School Safety Act". During our January meeting, we sponsored a presentation by the building committee that addressed the needs of Maple Street School and the Middle School/High School. We also plan on sponsoring a "Candidates Night" in March to introduce prospective school board and town selectmen candidates to the community. We have continued to support a PTA/SAU newsletter that promotes communication within our community.

The PTA officers for the 1996/97 school year, Barbara Foley, Donna-Beth Murphy, Julie Lanocha, and Jane Britain, welcome your suggestions and ideas. All members of the community are invited to join our community organization and to attend PTA meetings that are scheduled at 7:00pm on the second Wednesday of each month at Maple Street School. Thank you in advance for your support.

Respectfully Submitted

Barbara Foley
President, Hopkinton PTA

Health Service Report

ANNUAL SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE REPORT

Pupil Enrollment	938
Vision Tests	530
Hearing Tests	530
Heights and Weights	530
Scoliosis Screenings	294
First Aid	2423

Other

Transported to Dr's Office	6
Transported to Home	132
Transported to Hospital	3

Communicable Diseases

Chicken pox	3
Pediculosis	5
Impetigo	1
Scarlet Fever	1
Mononucleosis	4
Fifth's Disease	1

Immunizations

Repeat Measles	84
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Clinics and Special Referrals

Vision	3
Hearing	3
Posture	2
Speech	2
Dental	52
Neurological Testing	2
Orthopedic	5

Sports Physicals	69
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Total Visits to Nurses Office 10,577

School Physician: Lynn Durand
School Nurse: Joan Ann Craig

Assistant Superintendent for Business Report

The diverse nature of school districts fiscal operations, and the necessity of legal compliance under New Hampshire law, require that all recording and summarizing of financial transactions be done as a single accounting entity. New Hampshire statute Chapter 332: III states "All appropriations recommended shall be stipulated on a "gross" basis, showing anticipated revenues from all sources, including grants, gifts, bequests, and bond issues, which shall be shown as offsetting revenues to appropriations affected." Therefore, the total appropriated budget of the school district is organized and operated on a fund basis. Each fund is completely independent of the other. Funds must be accounted for by identifying its resources, obligations, revenues, expenditures, and fund equities. If one were to compare this fund accounting system with commercial accounting, each fund would equate to an independent business with a separate set of records, owned by one umbrella entity, in this case the school district.

The funds managed by the Hopkinton School District, in addition to the General Fund, are the Food Service Fund, the Special Purposes Fund, and the Capital Projects Fund. The General Fund includes the operational budget for the Hopkinton School District. This fund may or may not have additional funding warrants raised and appropriated at the district meeting. The Food Service Fund includes all transactions of the Food Service program. The Special Purposes Fund includes all transactions for federal, state and local grants. The Capital Projects Fund includes all transactions of the School Building Repair and Maintenance Trust and any Capital Reserve funds. These other funds are appropriated for within the aggregate Hopkinton School District Budget as fund transfers, which allow their activity to flow through the General Fund cash account. They therefore maintain a constant payable or receivable relationship with the General Fund.

The Hopkinton School District General Fund activity was as follows:

<u>General Fund balance on June 30, 1995</u>	\$ 159,688
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This combined fund balance represents the total fund equity and liabilities for the General Fund at the end of the previous fiscal year.

1995-1996 General Fund Revenues:	+ \$ 6,813,154
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These revenues include local and state funds received during the fiscal year. These include revenues such as tax appropriation, contributions, donations, state School Building aid, state Catastrophic aid, and the transfer from the School Building and Maintenance Trust fund for repairs to the Harold Martin School septic system repairs, electrical repairs and networking at the High School.

1995-1996 General Fund Expenditures:	- \$ 6,737,693
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These expenditures include all General Fund operating costs, and any additional special warrants, for the fiscal year. They include the fund transfer to Food Service fund

1995-1996 Obligated payments: - \$ 31,794
 These costs represent the actual final expenditures made from the funds carried forward from 1994-1995 as obligations.

Total General Fund balance, June 30, 1996:	\$ 203,355
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The General Fund balance of \$203,355 was classified, obligated or disbursed in the following manner.

Funds reserved for obligated purchases:	\$ 35,445
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This amount represents costs that occurred in 1995-1996, and not paid as of June 30, 1996. These funds are reserved and will be classified as expenditures in 1996-1997.

Funds reserved for Pre paid expenses:	\$ 107,105
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This amount represents 1996-1997 expenses paid prior to July 1, 1996. These funds are reserved to fund the expense in 1996-1997. The SAU building closing date was 7-1-96, the check was prepared prior to the new year, thus the \$90,136 for this purchase is in this reserved amount.

Contingency Fund:	\$ 50,000
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This fund was not used and thus declared as revenue to reduce the 1996-1997 school tax appropriation.

Funds reserved for transfer:	\$ 10,805
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These funds were left unexpended in the General Fund and thus reserved for transfer in 1996-1997 to the School Building and Repair and Maintenance Trust Fund.

Total General Fund Balance, June 30, 1996:	\$ 203,355
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This summary represents the 1995-1996 Hopkinton School District General Fund fiscal year end closing transactions.

The remaining funds were closed as follows:

Food Service Fund:

June 30 1995 begging balance:	\$ 9,227
1995-1996 Revenues:	\$230,948
1995-1996 Expenditures:	<u>-\$234,114</u>
June 30, 1996 Fund Balance:	\$ 6,061

The Hopkinton School Food Service program sold 61,710 lunches and 12,736 breakfasts during the 1995-1996 year. The fund balance will be used as start up funds for next year of the Food Service program. The General Fund transferred \$35,000 to the School Food Service Fund which is represented in the revenue amount.

Special Purposes Fund:

June 30, 1995 beginning balance:	\$ 000
1995-1996 Revenues:	\$109,428
<u>1995-1996 Expenditures:</u>	<u>\$109,428</u>
June 30, 1996 Fund Balance:	\$ 000

The Special Purposes Fund represents all grant funds that pass through the district's interfund accounting system. These grants include: School and Work, Title I or reading and math, Special Education PL 94-142, Special Education Preschool, Title II for math and science, Drug Free Schools, Title VI media, Art in residence program, First NH Bank Learn and Digital Corp. grants. Grant funds are funded on a reimbursement basis only. Thus, grant funds are either expended or deferred at the end of the fiscal year creating a zero fund balance.

Capital Projects Fund:

June 30, 1995 beginning balance:	\$202,734
1995-1996 Revenues:	\$ 19,753
<u>1995-1996 Expenditures:</u>	<u>\$ 75,000</u>
June 30, 1996 Fund Balance:	\$147,487

This fund includes the School Building Repair and Maintenance Trust Fund activity. The revenues represent interest earnings. The expenditures represent funds withdrawn for the repairs to the Harold Martin school septic system and for the electrical repairs and technology networking at the high school. The annual meeting voted to allow up to \$100,000 to be spent on the HMS septic system and \$30,000 for the high school work. The total cost for these projects was \$60,869. The remaining \$14,131 was returned to the trust. There was \$7,000 worth of work contracted but uncompleted of electrical work at the high school. These funds were reserved and will be expended in 1996-1997.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephania Pearce
Assistant Superintendent for Business

Auditor's Report

June 30, 1996

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL
STRUCTURE BASED ON AN AUDIT OF GENERAL PURPOSE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE
WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

To the School Board
Hopkinton, New Hampshire School District

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Hopkinton, New Hampshire School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated July 10, 1996.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the provisions of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments." Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Hopkinton, New Hampshire School District for the year ended June 30, 1996, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

The management of the Hopkinton, New Hampshire School District is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

For the purpose of this report, we have classified the significant internal control structure policies and procedures in the following categories:

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Certified Public Accountants

ACCOUNTING APPLICATIONS

- Budget
- Cash
- Revenue and receivables
- Expenditures for goods and services
and accounts payable
- Payroll and related liabilities
- Debt and debt service expenditures
- Single Audit and similar grant programs

For all of the internal control structure categories listed above, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

This report is intended for the information of management and the School Board. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Vachon, Clukay & Co., PC

July 10, 1996

School District Balance Sheet

June 30, 1996

The Hopkinton School District's 1995-1996 Balance Sheet for all funds contains the Reserve Trust year end detail.

The General fund year end equity contains \$50,000 in unreserved funds, which represent the Contingency fund. These funds will be used to offset taxes. The amount of \$10,803.83 is reserved for the School Building and Maintenance Trust.

The Federal and state grant fund shows no year end fund equity because the district is reimbursed for these expenditures.

The food service fund has a unreserved balance of \$5,681.55. These funds remain within the food service fund. They will be expended in 1996-1997 for start up. The School Building Repair and Maintenance Trust fund equity of \$147,487.04 is held by the Trustees of the trust funds.

	GENERAL FUND	FEDERAL PROJECT FUND	FOOD SERVICE FUND	CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	JUNE 30, 1996 TOTAL ALL FUNDS
ASSETS					
Cash	164,323.65				164,323.65
Inter-fund Receivable	19,422.55		0.00	133,355.98	152,778.53
Intergovernmental Receivable		40,962.39	0.00	14,131.06	55,093.45
Other Receivables	10,214.91		10,098.61		20,313.52
Prepaid Expenses	107,104.64				0.00
Other Current Assets				0.00	0.00
Total Assets:	301,065.75	40,962.39	10,098.61	147,487.04	392,509.15
LIABILITIES					
Inter-fund Payables		33,184.96	3,089.99		36,274.95
Intergovernmental Payables	77,379.93				77,379.93
Deferred Revenue	0.00	0.00			0.00
Other Payables	20,332.16	7,777.44	946.93		29,056.53
Total Liabilities	97,712.09	40,962.40	4,036.92	0.00	142,711.41
EQUITY					
Reserve for encumbrances	35,445.19		380.14		35,825.33
Reserve for Prepaids	107,104.64				
Reserve for Special Purposes	10,803.83		5,681.55	147,487.04	163,972.42
Unreserved Funds	50,000.00				50,000.00
Total Fund Equity	203,353.66	0.00	6,061.69	147,487.04	249,797.75
Total Equity and Liabilities	301,065.75	40,962.40	10,098.61	147,487.04	392,509.16

Treasurer's Report

June 30, 1996

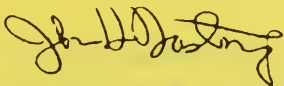
Hopkinton School District Treasurers Report
Year Ended June 30, 1996
Cash Receipts and Disbursements

	District Book Balance	Outstanding Checks	Concord Savings Bank Balance
Balance, June 30, 1995 per Treasurer	171,691.62	120,144.82	291,836.44
General Fund Receipts	7,152,824.19		
Food Service Receipts	187,402.69		
Special Funds Receipts	107,899.20		
Total Receipts	7,448,126.08		
Total Cash Disbursements, all funds	7,455,494.05		
Balance June 30, 1996	164,323.65	294,884.14	459,207.79

Receipts for all District funds are deposited at the Concord Savings Bank, Concord, New Hampshire. The Food Service Fund and the Special Revenue Fund each carry a payable or receivable relationship with the General Fund, the holder of the district's cash. The Harold Martin School, Maple Street School and the Hopkinton High School each have activity accounts which are not co-mingled with the District's general cash account.

The 1995-1996 fiscal year was the first year of the Cash Management agreement between the Town of Hopkinton and the Hopkinton School District. The cash balances of both municipalities must be adequately secured and without risk. In order to accomplish this task with the least cost to Hopkinton a cash management system was agreed to by both municipalities.

This agreement states that the Town will deposit funds into an account at the Concord Savings Bank sufficient to meet the District's cash needs. Each day the District cash account will draw from the Town account only the funds needed to fund the cleared checks. The interest earnings accrue to the Town. The District cash account remains at zero throughout the fiscal year. On the last day of the fiscal year the funds in the Town account that remain due to the District but not drawn are transferred to the District for accurate accounting of District's assets.



Treasurer, John Hastings

1995 - 1996 Revenues All Funds

The 1995-1996 Revenue budget represents the Hopkinton School District's fiscal activity including the general fund, the federal and state grant fund, and the food service fund.

REVENUES AND CREDITS:	1995 - 1996 APPROVED BUDGET	1995-1996 GENERAL FUND REVENUES	FEDERAL & STATE PROJECTS REVENUES	FOOD SERVICE REVENUES	TOTAL AL FUNI REVENUE
UNRESERVED BALANCE	108,951				0
TOTAL TAX ASSESSMENT	6,541,562	6,541,562			6,541,562
RESERVES - BUILDING REPAIR TRUST	130,000	60,869			60,869
PRIOR YEAR TRANSFER TO BUILDING TRUST RESERVE	0				0
TUITION	0	7,937			7,937
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	0	363			363
PUPIL ACTIVITIES	12,000	7,659			7,659
RENTAL	0	3,045			3,045
DONATIONS	700	634			634
FOOD SERVICE, LOCAL SALES	170,000			165,605	165,605
OTHER LOCAL		33,591			33,591
BUILDING AID	102,388	102,388			102,388
AREA VOCATIONAL SCHOOL	750	0			0
DRIVER EDUCATION	6,750	5,250			5,250
CATASTROPHIC AID	49,001	47,382			47,382
FUND TRANSFER FOOD SERVICE	35,000			35,000	35,000
OTHER FEDERAL AND STATE		2,473		30,343	32,816
FEDERAL - FUND TRANSFER	150,000		109,428		109,428
TOTAL REVENUES	7,307,102	6,813,154	109,428	230,948	7,153,530

Explanations of Revenue Variances in the General Fund are as follows:

- Unreserved Fund Balance: The \$108,951 represents the unreserved funds at the end of 1994-1995. These funds will not be collected as part of the 1995-1996 tax assessment year. \$50,000 represents the voted contingency funds, the \$58,951 represents funds unexpended, encumbered or reserved.
- Reserves - Building Repair Trust: Warrants were approved in the amounts of \$100,000 to repair the Harold Martin School Septic System and \$30,000 for electrical repairs and communications upgrades at the High School building. The \$60,869 represents the actual amount spent.

- Prior Year Transfer to the School Building and Maintenance Trust Fund: The 1994-1995 appropriations did not include funds to be transferred to the Building and Maintenance Trust. The 1994-1995 year end amounts would have been expended in 1995-1996.
- Tuition: One twelfth grade student.
- Earnings on Investment: This fiscal year is the first of three using the cash management system that accrues all interest earnings to the Town. The \$363. represents the earnings for June 30, 1996, the only day the District had a cash balance at the Concord Savings Bank.
- Donations: This revenue line represents the J. Gould Trust income that is set aside for library purchases.
- Other Local: This revenue of \$31,405 represents a insurance deductible reimbursement, jury duty reimbursements and a Exxon petroleum settlement payment.
- Driver Education: This amount of \$5,250 represents the actual amount received from the state. The same amount is expended when it is sent to the Safe way Driving School.
- Food Service: This revenue totaled \$230,948. These funds contain \$35,000 raised and appropriated to help fund the Food Service program.
- Federal and State Projects: These revenues total \$109,428. The total federal appropriation allotment within the aggregate budget was \$150,000.



1995 - 1996 Expenditures, All Funds

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION - FUNCTION	1995 - 1996 APPROVED BUDGET	1995-1996 GENERAL FUND	FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS	FOOD SERVICE	TOTAL EXPENSE
REGULAR EDUCATION	3,412,385	3,263,445			3,263,445
SPECIAL PROGRAM	634,259	757,890			757,890
VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS	7,000	2,783			2,783
OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS	140,996	132,833			132,833
GUIDANCE SERVICES	178,462	188,441			188,441
HEALTH SERVICES	92,694	90,009			90,009
PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	35,243	34,070			34,070
SPEECH PATH. / AUDIOLOGY	88,601	76,139			76,139
IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION	55,414	49,053			49,053
EDUCATIONAL MEDIA	250,889	243,659			243,659
SCHOOL BOARD ADMINISTRATION	46,049	32,882			32,882
CONTINGENCY	50,000				
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	283,486	294,704			294,704
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION SERVICES	419,477	401,210			401,210
OPERATION & MAINT. OF PLANT	562,309	553,053			553,053
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	228,787	220,501			220,501
MANAGERIAL	10,151	8,114			8,114
BUILDING REPAIR TRUST	130,000	60,869			60,869
DEBT SERVICE	290,900	290,900			290,900
FUND TRANSFER, FEDERAL PROJ.	150,000	2,139	109,428		111,567
FUND TRANSFER, FOOD SERVICE	240,000	35,000		234,114	269,114
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	7,307,102	6,737,693	109,428	234,114	7,081,234

1995 - 1996 EXPENDITURE INFORMATION

The following information is a summary analysis of the variances between the 1995-1996 General Fund budget and actual expenditures.

Regular Education: The Language Based teacher position at the Maple Street School was budgeted in this function, however the cost was charged to Special Education. The cost of benefits was much less than anticipated. Some of these savings was offset by the purchase of additional furniture and equipment.

Special Education: The Maple Street Language Based teacher was charged to this appropriate function even though the position was budgeted in Regular Education. The need for several special tutors was unanticipated. Special Education legal services were charged to this function, however the funds were budgeted in the School Board administration function. Out of district tuition was greater than anticipated. The relocation of the Special Education Director's office was unanticipated.

Other Instructional Programs: Some of the positions were not filled.

Guidance Services: The scope of services needed for 504 tutors was unanticipated.

Speech Services: Funds budgeted for contracted services were unexpended. The Services were funded through a federal grant and some salaried tutors and aides.

Educational Media: Budgeted items for telecommunications repairs were not fully expended.

School Board Administration: The school board secretary position was filled by an in-house employee. The legal funds for Special Education services were charged to Special Education.

Office of the Superintendent: The cost of advertising for open positions was greater than anticipated.

School Administration Services: Salaries were over expended due to separation payments. This cost was offset by unexpended funds for curriculum development, repair and maintenance, telephone, and printing.

Operation and Maint. of Facilities: Balances left in benefits, liability insurance and maintenance of grounds were off set by overages in repairs to heat and ventilation, buildings and the cost of electricity.

Transportation: Funds unexpended were for regular routes, field trips and athletic trips.

Statement of Bonded Indebtedness

1988 Harold Martin Addition

	Principal	Interest	Debt Total	Building Aid	Budget cost
1995/96	250,000	40,900	290,900	76,500	214,400
1996/97	250,000	23,275	273,275	76,500	196,775
1997/98	200,000	7,200	207,200	60,000	147,200
TOTAL:	700,000	71,375	771,375	213,000	558,375

Trust Fund Detail

TRUST FUNDS DETAIL

School Building Maintenance and Repair Trust

1991-1992 Fund Balance Transfer:	86,345.49
1991-1992 Interest Earned:	990.32
1992-1993 Fund Balance Transfer:	212,413.76
1992-1993 Boiler Replacment Trust transfer:	481.29
1993-1994 Funds Transfered to General Fund:	(100,000.00)
1993-1994 Interest earned:	5,698.12
1993-1994 Fund Balance transfer:	87,557.57
1994-1995 Interest Earned:	9,247.92
1994-1995 Funds Transfer to the General Fund:	(100,000.00)
1995-1996 Funds Transfer to the General Fund:	(75,000.00)
1995-1996 Interest Earned:	19,752.57
Fund Balance June 30, 1996:	147,487.04
1995-1996 Fund Balance to Transfer to Trust in 1996-1997:	10,805.00
1996-1997 Funds approved for Transfer to the General Fund:	(65,000.00)
1996-1997 Funds Available in the Trust:	93,292.04

In 1993-1994 \$100,000 was appropriated to fund the construction of a storage area and renovation of the nurse's office at the Maple Street School, a new technology classroom, some new ceilings, and new heating and venting controls at the High School, and an additional window in the music room at the Harold Martin School. In 1994-1995 \$100,000 was appropriated to fund for the renovation of the High School Bathrooms and air cleaning equipment in the Industrial Arts area of the High School. The 1995 annual meeting appropriated \$100,000 for the Harold Martin septic system repair. The cost of replacing one field and repairing the d-box was \$38,364. The 1995 annual meeting appropriated \$5,000 for networking and \$25,000 for electrical repairs at the High School. The \$5,000 for networking has been spent. The electrical work to date has cost \$17,505. Additional electrical work was completed during the 1996 summer.

Report of the Annual School District Meeting, March 16, 1996

Moderator Charles Dibble called the annual meeting of the Hopkinton School District to order at 7:00 a.m. on March 16, 1996, at the Hopkinton High School gymnasium.

The Moderator explained the parliamentary procedure for the meeting and the process of registered voters obtaining a voting tag from the Supervisors of the Checklist. The bond articles require a ballot vote and the polls will be open for one hour. The Moderator has received a request for a ballot vote on Article 7. If anyone wants a yes/no vote on any other article, they must give a written request to the Moderator.

The Moderator recognized Rev. Hays Junkin, who explained that the purpose of today's meeting is to focus on the care of our children. He asked residents to hold a moment of silence out of respect and solidarity for the community in Dublin, Scotland, who recently lost children and a teacher in an act of violence.

The Moderator advised that ordinarily any vote is open for reconsideration until the close of the meeting. There are two exceptions: The first three articles are bond articles, so reconsideration cannot be done any earlier than seven days from the meeting. Bond articles take a 2/3 vote to pass; however, a motion to reconsider only requires a majority vote. The non-bond articles can be reconsidered at any point during the meeting. The meeting has the authority under State Statutes to restrict reconsideration.

The Moderator recognized School Board Chairman John Zimmerman for the purpose of introducing members of the School Board: Suzanne Sauer, John Madden, Arpiar Saunders, and Barbara Unger. Also introduced were Superintendent of Schools Ed McHale, Assistant Superintendent of Business Stephania Pearce, Moderator Charles Dibble, School District Clerk Thomas Johnson, Jr., School District Legal Counsel Douglas Hatfield, Principal of Maple Street School Barry King, Principal of Harold Martin School Kathy Hamblet, and Principal of the High School Sandra Burney. Mr. Zimmerman noted that Mrs. Burney recently had a job change from interim Principal to permanent Principal of the High School.

Article 1: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of moving Article 1, seconded by Arpiar Saunders. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,100,000 (Two Million, One Hundred Thousand Dollars) for renovations and improvements to the electrical, mechanical, telecommunications and life safety systems at the Maple Street School; construction of new classroom space at the Maple Street School; and renovations and improvements to the classroom, office, common and support areas of the Maple Street School; \$2,100,000 (Two Million, One Hundred Thousand Dollars) such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 (Sixty-five Thousand Dollars) for the first year of debt service, and to authorize the School Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative

thereto. The School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (2/3 ballot vote required).

The Moderator recognized Mr. Saunders for the purpose of explaining Article 1. Mr. Saunders informed everyone present that they should have a hand-out of information that will be helpful in explaining the purpose of Article 1. Article 4 and 13 he will discuss during the School Board's presentation, which is the \$40,000 that is asked to be withdrawn to do Phase II at the High School as well as Article 13, which concerns the proposed purchase of the property to the East of Maple Street School.

In 1990, the residents decided to have a separate SAU Office to insure that the programs and facilities were geared to Hopkinton children. SAU 66 was then created. Under the guidance of Ed McHale and Stephania Pearce, the School Board has been embarked on a program of looking at the curriculum and the increased enrollment demand for our facilities. The School Board came up with what they believe is a plan of action that meets our needs today and in the next century. Part of the process involved a strategic planning initiative giving guidance on curriculum, programs and facility needs. Additionally, the Board was aware of the increased enrollment through the schools. The Board, two or three years ago, engaged in a dialog with residents and other officials as to whether we should have one, two or three schools. At the last Annual School Meeting, it was a consensus of the group that we should stay with three schools. The Board will present a two phase program of building renovations and additions, with Phase I being Maple Street School and Phase II representing the needs of the High School. Through this process there will be changes made at the Harold Martin School and the SAU Office.

Mr. Saunders explained the reason for Maple Street School being Phase I. In January, after input from the residents and faculty, the School Board reached a consensus on how the classrooms and children should be configured using the three schools. The outcome was that kindergarten through third grade should remain at the Harold Martin School, fourth through sixth grade will remain at Maple Street School, and seventh through twelfth grade will continue to be at the High School with special effort to physically separate the seventh and eighth grade from the upper class. The Board also discussed the replacement of the gym and the needs of the Town. Additionally, the Board decided to propose a new auditorium that would seat 400 people. This would allow for an adequate place for drama groups to put on plays and other groups to conduct meetings. The reason for Maple Street School being Phase I is as follows: (1) Critical space needs - next year, we will be shy one classroom; therefore, in September, one class will meet in either a modular classroom or in the proposed property to the east. If the School Board is allowed to purchase the property to the east then the children would be moved to the house for one year, until the addition to Maple Street School is completed.

School Board member Saunders went on to explain the enrollment trends of Hopkinton Schools. He advised that between 1984 and 1994 there has been a sixteen student increase in enrollment at Maple Street School. They anticipate that the 242 figure is likely to be the number for the foreseeable future within ten to fifteen students. Additionally, there is a need to provide special educational opportunities to those children that need it. The special education programs mandate a need for classroom space. As a result of the space crunch there has been a critical crunch of educational opportunities. Mr. Saunders directed everyone's attention to the art program that is currently in place at Maple Street School. The teacher now pushes

around a cart, which is known as "art in a cart". He believes that the "art in a cart" does not provide the students with the educational opportunities and exposure that the State expects to meet minimum standards. Mr. Saunders referred everyone's attention to the hand-out and a floor plan that represents the proposed renovations and addition to Maple Street School. The proposed addition would be on the back of the School. There will be six classrooms. Also, proposed is the renovation of the present facilities that will include a music room, art room, media computer room, and special education/language room. If the residents approve Article 1, Phase I will begin in June and will likely take fourteen months to complete. However, if Phase I is not approved, where the addition is proposed will be placed a modular classroom that will cost \$20,000 a year. In the hand-out there is discussion of program needs. The need for classes, art, music, remedial and special education, guidance, nurse, staff, storage and kitchen areas. Phase one addresses all of those issues. Where does the money come from? Mr. Saunders referred everyone to page 11 of the hand-out that reflects the estimated cost of \$2,100,000 for Phase I. There will be 8,600 square feet of new space and 19,000 square feet of renovated space. The renovated area will include the heat, lighting, sprinklers and wiring. Presently, there is no bid for Phase I; however, if the bid comes in at less than \$2,100,000 then the Board proposes to return the money to the Town. The proposal is for a twenty year bond because the Board believes that those that use the School should pay for it and that in twenty years over 2100 children will pass through the school. In using the current bond figures, current interest rates and current tax assessments for a \$100,000 house, the average cost over twenty years is \$40.46.

Mr. Saunders advised that Phase II is part of Article 4, which is the plan for the High School. The reason the High School is Phase II is because the Board does not have specifications or detail that they can present to the residents. However, the Board believes a responsible cost estimate may be between \$6,000,000 and \$8,000,000 to do renovations in order to bring the building up to life safety codes and to construct six to eight additional classrooms. Next year the High School will have an additional enrollment of 32 students. Furthermore, the Board anticipates the need for a new gymnasium and auditorium that would seat 400 people. The \$40,000 is the estimated cost to hire a design and specification team to put together the material to present a warrant article that would cover the cost of Phase II. The Board anticipates that they will be prepared to come back within four to six months for approval, and that the construction would take between eighteen months and two years to complete.

Mr. Saunders further explained that there is a warrant article concerning George's Park, which will allow the School Board to acquire property directly behind the High School for construction of phase two. The additional land will also allow for additional parking and easier movement of buses.

Lastly, Mr. Saunders advised that Article 13, is the purchase of property to the east of Maple Street School. As an overview, he explained that the School Board wishes to purchase the property and eventually move the SAU Office to the house. The State will cover 40% of the cost because it is for an SAU Office. Additionally, the house will be renovated in order to move the bubble class for one year, which will eliminate the need for the modular classroom. The estimated cost of renovations is approximately \$15,000. The additional land will allow for approximately 15 parking spaces. The School Board has a commitment to the neighbors that they will maintain and improve the house. The front of the property will remain as is; however, for one year there will be a need for a handicap ramp in front of the house. However, once the

addition to Maple Street is complete and the children move out of the house the ramp will be moved to the back of the house. The School Board will also honor all applicable zoning ordinances and requests of the Planning Committee.

The Moderator noted that he had an inquiry as to the range of debate on Article 1. Although, Mr. Saunders discussed other articles there is only one article on the floor. However, Article 1 takes into consideration other related articles; therefore, the Moderator will allow the related articles to be discussed.

Gerry Adams requested that Article 1 be amended to include Articles 4 and 13, since they are related.

The Moderator reminded everyone that Article 1 requires a vote of 2/3 majority to pass because it is a bond article. He questioned whether the residents would like to include Articles 4 and 13, which do not require a 2/3 vote to pass. In response, Mr. Adams replied yes, explaining that in the long-range plan if Article 1 does not pass, then why proceed with Articles 4 and 13.

The Moderator advised that there is a motion on the floor to amend Article 1 by including Article 4, which is to withdraw and appropriate \$40,000 for professional services for the design and cost of renovations and an addition to the High School, and Article 13, which is to appropriate \$90,139 for the purchase of property at 204 Maple Street, adjacent to Maple Street School. Mr. Adams motion was seconded by Lee Marden.

The Moderator advised that he would consider Mr. Adam's motion an amendment to Article 1 and the meeting would still consider Articles 4 and 13 in their regular position on the Warrant. In the case that all three articles pass together, he would assume that the meeting would skip over Articles 4 and 13.

Arnold Coda stated that he does not favor Mr. Adam's motion. He believes that separate articles give the residents the option of voting in favor or in opposition to what they feel is appropriate for the Town.

Mr. Zimmerman advised that the School Board is not in favor of combining the articles for the reasons stated by Mr. Coda. The Board believes that each article is very separate.

The Moderator called for further discussion or debate regarding Mr. Adam's motion to amend Article 1. There being none, he called for a voice vote and declared that the amendment failed.

Jeff Donohoe questioned how the School Board arrived at the \$55.00 per square foot cost figure. In response, Mr. Saunders explained that the estimate was based on discussions with the architect, and the construction cost for renovations and an addition to Concord High School. The cost for Concord is over a three year period of between \$35.00 - \$38.00 per square foot.

The School Board believes that the \$55.00 figure is a responsible estimate that would cover the unknown once construction has begun.

Mr. Donohoe advised that he had spoken with representatives of Concord, who had informed him that their cost is \$48.00 per square foot. Therefore, he moved that Article 1 be amended to reflect a cost of \$1,800,000 that includes a \$40.00 per square foot cost. Mr. Donohoe's motion was seconded by Kathy Donohoe.

The Moderator called for further discussion or debate concerning Mr. Donohoe's motion to amend Article 1. There being none, he called for a voice vote and declared that the amendment failed.

Mary French recalled at previous meetings of discussion concerning problems with access around Maple Street School. Mr. Saunders explained that the Board has proposed the addition to be in the middle of the school so that safety vehicles can move around the area.

Mrs. French asked if purchasing the property at 204 Maple Street would allow for access around the entire school. In response to Mrs. French's question, Mr. Saunders replied no.

Mrs. French further stated that the "art in the cart" program works for up to sixth grade. She believed that the Town may consider supporting a fourth school for the sixth, seventh, and eighth grade children now that the Town has agreed to purchase the Houston property.

Mr. Coda stated he believed that the purchase of the Houston property on Pine Street gives the Town a better opportunity for planning. Now may not be the time for the Town to agree to the addition to Maple Street School, in case that the playing fields are moved from Maple Street to the Houston property, then that may free up more space and allow for a different expansion plan. Mr. Coda stated that he is not in favor of having three separate schools and does not recall the residents ever saying no to having two schools, just that the residents did not believe that the School Board, at the time, had a good plan. In 1984, Mr. Coda moved to Hopkinton and had a tax bill of \$2,400 a year, now his most recent bill was \$6,300. He believed that taxes are getting too confiscatory and does not believe that the tax payer alone can handle the entire burden.

Richard Drescher questioned whether the Board considered constructing the addition so that the school is L-shaped.

In response to Mr. Coda's comments, Mr. Saunders stated that the School Board has considered all of the issues mentioned by Mr. Coda. If the Board waited until the Town decided to purchase the Houston property, then it would have been too late to present a proposal at this meeting. The School Board believes that now is the time to act and to stop planning. If in the future the Houston property is available to the School, then the School Board would discuss the issue.

In response to Mr. Drescher, Mr. Saunders explained that the addition will require relocation of the tires and jungle gym that is behind Maple Street School. The addition will not affect the playing fields. The configuration presented is what the School Board believes is the best design.

Larry Vogelmann commended everyone for the time involved in developing the plan. He believed that the plan presented is fiscally responsible. He also believed that the "art in the cart" program works because of the dedication of the teachers. Concerning the discussion of taxes, Mr. Vogelmann thought that if the schools are not competitive, then the community will not be vibrant and people will not want to move to Hopkinton.

Mr. Saunders advised that the School portion of the tax rate is 75 percent, the Town and County make up 25 percent. Currently, the School rate is \$19.16 per thousand. If everything passed, the tax rate will increase 7.3 percent or \$1.86.

Donna Ireland questioned what plans the School Board has in improving the High School. In response, Mr. Madden explained that the Board agrees there is a pressing need at Maple Street School and the High School for improvements. However, the School Board is prepared now to present a plan for improvements to Maple Street School and hopefully in the next six months the Board will be back with a detailed plan for the High School.

In response to Mrs. Ireland, Mr. Donohoe advised that he would be doing the presentation for the two petition articles, Articles 2 and 3.

The Moderator recommended that the residents hear Mr. Donohoe's presentation now, so that they can take it into consideration when voting on Article 1.

Mr. Donohoe addressed the meeting explaining that he served as Chairman of the Facilities Committee that developed the cost estimate with the architect for Maple Street School and the High School. Article 2 is a petitioned article requesting \$2,500,000 for heating, electrical and plumbing work at the High School. The reason for the petition is because a group of residents believe that the conditions at the High School are more serious than Maple Street School.

Mr. Camp questioned the cost per student, before and after the article passes. In response, Mr. Saunders stated that currently the cost is \$6,388.17 per student.

Mr. Dale Warner addressed the meeting to comment on the discussions concerning property values decreasing and people not wanting to come to Hopkinton because of the conditions of the schools. Mr. Warner does not believe that property values will decrease if this Article does not pass. Furthermore, he did not believe that the School Board would have enough money after this project to return funds to the Town. Lastly, he questioned the enrollment statistics and the enrollment figures listed in the previous Town Reports versus the current figures printed in the hand-out. In response, Stephania Pearce, Assistant Superintendent for Business, advised that the school enrollment figures on the hand-out are only for Maple Street School.

Donna Beth Murphy noted that the State has revised the State Minimum Standards for schools. Currently, Maple Street School has only been approved on a conditional basis because of conditions at the school.

Mr. McHale advised that currently Maple Street School does not meet minimum State standards for space. He has submitted a statement to the State explaining that the School Board has developed a plan that would be presented to the voters in 1996. Because of the

statement, the State took Maple Street School off of the conditional list. However, if this Article is not approved, the school will go back on the list.

Ms. Murphy questioned whether Maple Street School is the only school in Hopkinton that does not meet State minimum standards. Mr. McHale stated that is correct.

Michael Green complimented the School Board on the work done in developing the plan for Maple Street School. He urged the voters to vote in favor of Article 1.

Thomas O'Donnell addressed the voters presenting an over-head transparency showing the population trend for the children in Hopkinton schools. Based on his review the projected number of children will remain the same. Approximately 10 to 15 children a year go off to prep school, and usually there is a decrease in enrollment because of demographics and the prices of homes.

Joy Bloomfield questioned whether the renovations at Maple Street School need to be so extensive, and if the Article is approved would we still need a portable classroom. In response, Mr. Madden explained that in order to construct the addition the building needs to be brought up to code. This will be done simultaneously.

Mrs. Bloomfield reminded the voters that next year the School Board may come back requesting \$2,100,000 for additions and renovations to the High School. She believed that Hopkinton children are not lacking in education and that people will move to Hopkinton no matter what happens. The enrollment figures projected for the High School for next year is 433 students; however, in 1983 there were 425 students. She agreed with Mr. Warner and Mr. O'Donnell in that the enrollment statistics tend to remain the same.

Celeste Hemingson stated that Mr. Saunder's presentation convinced her that something needs to be done to the schools. However, she believed that the Town should take into consideration the new land purchase on Pine Street and now that the Town owns the property is an addition to Maple Street School the most appropriate way to spend the money.

Mr. Madden re-addressed the voters explaining that the School Board spent a great deal of time considering the grade and building configurations. The studies discussed by Mr. Donohoe were not brought forward because it was a consensus of the Board that Hopkinton should use the three existing schools.

Donald Fundstein congratulated Kimberly Fuller on her election to the School Board. Mr. Fundstein reminded everyone that the children are now competing with other children around the world. He expressed concern with the voters micro-managing the actions of the School Board. He urged the voters to vote in favor of Article 1.

Craig Dunning noted that after the addition of six classrooms and the renovations to the interior of the building there will be the same number of classrooms as we have now. In response, Mr. Zimmerman advised that the School Board believes that the proposal meets population trends for the future. Next year there will be four fourth and fifth grade classes. Furthermore, this year there are eleven regular educational classrooms and one special

education classroom. Next year, if the addition is approved there will be twelve regular classrooms and one special education classroom.

David Dufault believed if the School Board waited to see what the outcome of the vote was concerning the purchase of the Houston property, then the residents would have said that the Board was negligent. The Selectmen and members of the community will develop a master plan of the Houston property to see what the needs are of the Town and how to best use the property. He further noted that there is a need for more industry in Hopkinton because currently the cost for school improvements falls on the resident tax payers.

With no further debate or discussion of Article 1, the Moderator explained the procedure for voting by ballot on Article 1. He noted that the polls will close at 11:58 a.m.; however, while the meeting waits for the polls to remain open for one hour, he recommended that the meeting continue on with Articles 2 and 3. The next two articles were submitted by petition and are related. He proposed that we put Articles 2 and 3 on the floor for discussion at the same time and debate and vote on the articles separately, but at the same time.

Article 2: The Moderator recognized Jeff Donohoe for the purpose of moving Article 2, seconded by Michael Foley. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500,000 (Two Million, Five Hundred Thousand) for renovations and improvements to the electrical, mechanical, telecommunications and life safety systems at the high school/middle school, said sum to be in addition to any federal, state or private funds made available therefore, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,500,000 (Two Million, Five Hundred Thousand) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (By petition article requiring 2/3 ballot vote.) (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee do not recommend this appropriation.)

Article 3: The Moderator recognized Jeff Donohoe for the purpose of moving Article 3, seconded by Michael Foley. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500,000 (One Million, Five Hundred Thousand) for construction of a new gymnasium and related facilities and approximately 5,000 square feet of new building space at the high school/middle school, said sum to be in addition to any federal, state or private funds made available therefore, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,500,000 (one Million, Five Hundred Thousand) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (By petition article requiring 2/3 ballot vote). (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee do not recommend this appropriation.)

The Moderator recognized Jeff Donohoe for the purpose of giving two presentations on Articles 2 and 3.

Mr. Donohoe made two presentations concerning Articles 2 and 3, using an over-head projector. Article 2 is to upgrade the infrastructure systems at the high school. In the past a Strategy Four Committee was organized by Ed McHale, at the time he was hired. In May 1993, the Committee was asked to study the school facilities and made recommendations; in

November 1994, Mr. McHale made a presentation of nine different alternatives as a solution to the space problems. In May 1995, the School Board organized a Facilities Sub-Committee, which Mr. Donohoe was the Chairman. The Sub-Committee was given two alternatives to study, none of which were part of the nine alternatives that the School Board had originally been given. In October 1995, the Sub-Committee studied the two alternatives and made recommendations of what they felt the cost would be for the renovations and additions. At the time, the School Board thought that the cost estimates of \$8,600,000 and \$10,700,000 were too high. So, the School Board sought other alternatives and the middle school study was what the Board focused on. Subsequently, a group of residents got together and submitted the petitions for the renovations and addition to the High School. In January 1996, the School Board decided to present the plan for Maple Street School. Mr. Donohoe presented slides showing issues that need to be addressed at the high school. For example, he noted that there isn't enough electrical outlets to service the needs of the classrooms. He presented pictures showing wires hanging from the ceiling in classrooms, bare wires, power strips along walls, outlet covers missing, small classrooms with very little ventilation and the old boiler which is coated with asbestos. Mr. Donohoe explained that the proposal is to upgrade the electrical service to the building using the existing conduit, add a new ventilation system to the roof of the building, install a second boiler and a sprinkler system, install additional conduit for cable television, security and computer networking and replace the treads on the landing and stairs. He advised that changes in education require the changes to the building and it will not be cheaper if we wait and do this work later.

Mr. Donohoe informed the voters that the Sub-Committee discussed with the contractor that is doing the work to Concord High School about the problems that need to be addressed and the cost estimate. The cost estimate given includes a \$36.00 per square foot price to do the utility systems, and 7,000 square feet of hallway and flooring. The estimates are as follows: \$625,000 for heating and ventilation, \$70,000 for plumbing, \$175,000 for sprinkler and fire system, \$315,000 for electrical service, \$210,000 for painting, \$275,000 for site work, and \$450,000 for miscellaneous. Mr. Donohoe further noted that the School Board will be requesting \$40,000 to study the high school and to come back before the voters to ask for the money needed for renovations and the addition. However, the concern is that if in October or November when the School Board comes back requesting the funds and the plan proposed is turned down, the hazards will not go away.

Mr. Donohoe advised that Article 3 is to build a new gymnasium and to add four new classrooms to the high school.

Mrs. Ireland stated that she would like to first discuss Article 2 before hearing Article 3.

The Moderator asked for a voice vote and declared it too close to call. He then asked for a division vote based on sight. After counting the vote, the Moderator declared 144 voted to limit debate to Article 2 and 150 voted to continue on with Mr. Donohoe's presentation and hear debate on Articles 2 and 3; however, each article will be voted on separately.

Mr. Camp noted that the Moderator had previously made a ruling that the meeting will hear both Articles 2 and 3 and subsequently, vote separately on the two articles.

The Moderator recognized Jeffrey Donohoe for the purpose of continuing his presentation. Mr. Donohoe presented pictures showing how small the existing classrooms are and what was previously used as a storage room is now being used for a classroom. He further advised that there is less than three feet of clearance when the bleachers are out and the players are playing on the gymnasium floor. He proposes the following: 5,000 square feet of classrooms costing approximately \$425,000; construct a new 10,000 square foot gymnasium costing approximately \$700,000, entryways, etc. costing approximately \$160,000, and architectural, engineering and contingency fees of approximately \$200,000. The project would be eligible for building aid, so that the net cost is estimated at \$1,050,000. The reason for the additional classrooms is to reclaim space that was once used for storage, home economics and a senior lounge. If Article 2 fails, Article 3 cannot be implemented because the State Fire Marshall has informed the School Board that the building cannot be added onto without upgrading the life safety services.

The Moderator closed the polls on Article 1 at 11:58 a.m.. He stated that while the ballots are being counted, the meeting will continue on with debate on Articles 2 and 3.

In response to Mr. Donohoe's presentation, Mr. Saunders noted that the School Board appreciates the efforts by Mr. Donohoe's committee in putting together these two proposals. However, the Board does not agree with the petitioned articles because they do not believe that now is the appropriate time for the renovations and addition to the High School. Mr. Saunders believes that the School Board will need to look at the life safety services and the results of the Accreditation Committee's report concerning programs and space needs before actually presenting a plan for approval.. The purpose of Article 4 is to allow for the planning of details concerning the High School.

Mrs. Krzyzaniak noted that the problems discussed by Mr. Donohoe are mostly maintenance issues and not a reason to spend \$2,000,000. Furthermore, Mrs. Krzyzaniak questioned why there was a senior lounge, since it has nothing to do with educating the children.

Barbara Langworth questioned what Mr. Donohoe meant when he had indicated in Article 2 that they are estimating the cost of \$400,000 for miscellaneous items. She also questioned in Article 3, who actually feels the need for the new gymnasium and classrooms, and furthermore, what will happen to the existing gymnasium. In response, Mr. Donohoe indicated that in Article 2 the miscellaneous items are repairs to the stair treads, asbestos removal, carpeting, painting, and ceilings if they are damaged during the installation of the sprinkler system. With regard to Mrs. Langworth's question concerning the use of the existing gymnasium, Mr. Donohoe indicated that the existing gym could be used for what ever is needed, for example, maybe a practice gym. The overall goal is to create additional classrooms because the existing rooms do not meet minimum standards for the number of children in a room.

Richard Coen questioned why the money that is put into the building maintenance fund every year has not been used to correct these problems that Mr. Donohoe has noted. He believed that the voters need to consider where and why they are spending the money.

Michael Foley questioned the time frame for work to begin if Article 2 is approved. In response, Mr. Zimmerman stated that the School Board would hope that Article 4 would also

be approved so that the Board can go through the planning process, which would take several months. The other factor to consider is that the Budget Committee and the School Board did not recommend Articles 2 and 3; therefore, if the articles pass the Department of Revenue Administration will fund the articles in the order in which they are passed, and the operating budget would be at the bottom of the list. The Town would be approximately \$3,000,000 short to fund all of the articles.

Mrs. Bloomfield questioned what work was done with the \$130,000 that was taken from the Maintenance Trust Fund last year. In response, Stephania Pearce noted that \$38,000 was spent on the leach field for Harold Martin School, \$5,000 was used for computer networking, and \$17,000 was used to replace a boiler.

Mrs. Bloomfield advised Mr. Donohoe that a number of years ago the School Board and Town voted to close up the windows in the High School. So, the size of the windows in the classrooms was a decision made by the Town.

The Moderator announced the results of Article 1 with 392 ballots cast, necessary for 2/3 majority is 261, 256 voting in the affirmative and 136 voting in the negative. Article 1 failed.

There being no further debate on Articles 2 and 3, the Moderator called for a ballot vote.

Erick Leadbeater asked for a response to the presentation on Articles 2 and 3 from the School Board, now that we know that Article 1 has failed.

The Moderator re-opened discussion on Articles 2 and 3 for the limited purpose of hearing new information that is a result of the decision on Article 1.

Lucy Breed questioned the procedure for reconsideration of Article 1. In response, the Moderator indicated that he will explain the procedure after the meeting finishes reviewing Articles 2 and 3.

Mr. Adams noted that according to his calculations Article 1 failed by two votes, rather than five. He asked if the ballots had been counted more than once. In response, the Moderator replied yes, stating that the ballots were counted twice.

Richard Hampe asked if it would be in order to ask that Article 2 be indefinitely postponed. The Moderator indicated that Mr. Hampe's motion would not be in order.

Marshall Rowe asked if the School Board would comment on Article 2 in light of the results of Article 1.

Mr. Zimmerman advised that the School Board still remains opposed to Articles 2 and 3. The Board would hope to come back to the voters with a more comprehensive plan for the High School.

Superintendent McHale noted that the High School has been inspected on a number of occasions by the Fire Department and on all occasions there was never any live wires hanging

from the ceilings. Mr. McHale assured the residents that there are no safety hazards in the building.

Stephania Pearce advised that the pictures shown are during a typical day at the High School. One day the items are repaired and the next day they are vandalized and need to be fixed again.

Janet Krzyzaniak expressed concern with the pictures shown by Mr. Donohoe. Mrs. Krzyzaniak noted that the problems shown by Mr. Donohoe are maintenance items. Each year the School Board is given money to repair the items noted by Mr. Donohoe. She questioned where the teachers are each time the children are vandalizing the school.

Lucielle Gaskill, Chairman of the Budget Committee, stated if Articles 2 and 3 passed because they are not recommended by the Budget committee or School Board, she stated they would bring the budget over the 10 percent allowed. In response, Mrs. Pearce explained that the Municipal Budget law clearly says that voters cannot raise and appropriate more than 110 percent of what is posted as the budget. If Articles 2 and 3 pass together it will limit the operational budget because the Department of Revenue Administration takes the Articles as they are listed on the warrant.

With no further debate or discussion on Articles 2 and 3, the Moderator explained the procedures for voting by ballot on Articles 2 and 3 separately. He noted that the polls will close at 1:31 PM. The moderator asked that everyone wait to request reconsideration of Article 1, until the results are known for Articles 2 and 3. If there is a motion to reconsider Article 1, then the meeting for reconsideration of Article 1 will be Tuesday, March 26, 1996 at 7:00 p.m.

Article 4: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of moving Article 4, seconded by Suzanne Sauer. To see if the School District will vote to withdraw and appropriate \$40,000 (Forty Thousand Dollars) from the School Building Repair and Maintenance Trust Fund, established March 5, 1993, Article 12, for the purpose of purchasing preliminary architectural and other replanted professional services to design and cost the renovations of and additions to the Hopkinton High School or to take any other action in relation thereto (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation).

The Moderator recognized Mr. Saunders for the purpose of explaining Article 4. The \$40,000 is money that will come out of the reserve account for the purpose of developing a design to address the needs for the high School. The School Board believes that they will be prepared to come back this fall for approval of the design. Mr. Saunders also noted that the School District is involved in a 10 year accreditation program and as part of the process the accreditation group will be speaking with the teachers and students. The results of the accreditation study may affect the proposal that will be put forth to the voters. Lastly Mr. Saunders noted that if the building is at all renovated then they must address all of the Life Safety Codes.

A motion was made by David Liimatainen and seconded by Janet Krzyzaniak to amend Article 4, so that we raise and appropriate the \$40,000 for the purpose of developing a design for the High School.

Jane Bradstreet noted that if the amendment passed, the Town would not have an additional \$40,000 to be used for maintenance because the money has not been specifically requested to be taken from the Trust Fund for maintenance. In response, Mrs. Pearce advised that Mrs. Bradstreet is correct in her conclusion.

Mr. Zimmerman stated that the School Board is opposed to Mr. Liimatainen's proposed amendment to Article 4.

Mrs. Krzyzaniak withdrew her second because she had originally thought that the \$40,000 that is already in the Fund could be used for maintenance.

Mr. Liimatainen's motion to amend Article 4 was re-seconded by Theodore Noon.

With no further debate or discussion on the amendment, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared that the amendment failed.

Mr. Donohoe asked for a status report on the funds available in the Maintenance Trust Fund. In response, Mr. Saunders noted that \$143,405.07 remains in the fund.

William Kerin stated that in considering all of the work already done by Mr. Donohoe's Committee would that substantially reduce the money needed for Article 4, architectural design of the High School. In response, Mr. Saunders stated that the School Board had considered Mr. Donohoe's work when arriving at the \$40,000.

Mr. Kerin made reference to page S-2, the independent audit report, in the Town Report. He expressed concern with how strong the disclaimer is regarding the general fixed assets. He asked for an explanation. The Moderator asked that Mr. Kerin wait until Article 5 is discussed before asking his question.

Judith Kidder expressed concern with the fact that there was only one choice presented to the residents for Maple Street School. She hoped that the voters would have more than one option when the High School plan is presented.

Barbara Langworth questioned the type of relationship that the School Board and Mr. Donohoe's group have because they are both working towards a common goal, but are separately requesting money for the High School project. In response, Mr. Saunders explained that the work that has been completed is a facilities survey and not a programmatic survey. The money is needed to complete the programmatic survey in order to present a responsible plan to the voters.

Clark Kidder asked whether the School Board would request additional money for another survey, if the plan is voted down.

There being no further discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 4 passed.

Article 5: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of moving Article 5, seconded by Barbara Unger. To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees and officers chosen, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Mr. William Kerin again questioned why in the auditors report there is a strong disclaimer. In response, Stephania Pearce advised that the district had no other management exceptions in the audit report. The Auditors are now requesting that the School District declare their fixed assets as part of their accounting aggregate total. However, there is a strong disagreement on this issue at the Federal level. The District has not done this and it is not a requirement under the law. However, the District does keep a detailed inventory on their supplies and equipment.

There being no further discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 5 passed.

Article 6: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of moving Article 6, seconded by John Madden. To see if the School District will vote to establish the salaries of the School Board and the compensation for any other officers or agents of the District as printed in the 1996/1997 budget, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Mr. Zimmerman explained that Article 6 includes the cost for four School Board members at \$1,000 a piece and one member at \$1,250. The School District Clerk and Moderator each receive \$75.00, the Checklist Ballot Clerks each receive \$200, and the Treasurer receives \$2,400. There have been no increases over the current year.

There being no further discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 6 passed.

Article 7: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of moving Article 7, seconded by Arpiar Saunders. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate \$7,519,679 (Seven Million, Five Hundred Nineteen Thousand, Six Hundred and Seventy Nine Dollars) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto. (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

The Moderator noted that he has received a written request for a ballot vote on Article 7.

The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of introducing Article 7. Mr. Zimmerman advised that the budget is based on three areas: (1) technology, (2) special education and (3) the 35 additional students at the High School. Hopkinton is a leader in technology use in classrooms. One reason is because of the desire of the teachers to use the technology available to them. The cost of special education is rising. Mr. Zimmerman believed that Hopkinton is receiving their monies worth when it comes to special education. The School Board is trying to offer the necessary services for the children that are in need, so that they do not have to be sent elsewhere. Additionally, there will be thirty-five (35) additional students next year at the High School. The increase in students will require a new math teacher, who will then free up a science teacher that has been teaching both math and science. The budget

presented is significantly less than what the school administration had presented to the School Board.

Mr. Lee Marden asked if there is a "cola" increase included in the budget for the teachers and staff. In response, Mr. Zimmerman advised that the teachers will receive a two percent increase. There are also step increases that are based on time; however, the teachers must meet the principal's expectations.

Mr. Marden questioned if any merit increases were given. In response, Mr. Zimmerman replied no, and further explained that Hopkinton is average in the State when it comes to teachers salaries.

Mrs. Bloomfield questioned how many children are transported to Concord High School for the Vocational Program. In response, Mr. Zimmerman advised that this year less than five students participated in the Vocational Program. However, next year the School Board anticipates that there may be twenty (20) students attending the program.

Mr. Marden questioned the difference in expenditures for the SAU Office compared to the times when Hopkinton was in a joint SAU. In response, Mr. Zimmerman stated that the costs for Hopkinton's SAU is relatively level. In 1992/1993 Hopkinton's cost was \$307,000 and this year the SAU cost was \$287,000.

Mrs. Krzyzaniak asked how many staff members there are in the SAU Office. In response, Mr. McHale stated that there are three professional staff members which include a Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and a part-time Director of Special Education. Also, included in the SAU Office is one secretary and one bookkeeper.

There being no further discussion or debate, the Moderator announced that the meeting will proceed with a ballot vote on Article 7.

The Moderator announced that the polls have closed for voting by ballot on Articles 2 and 3. The results of voting on Article 2 were 42 people voted in favor and 303 voted in opposition. The Moderator declared that Article 2 failed. With regards to Article 3 there were 31 people voting in favor and 315 voting in opposition; therefore, Article 3 failed. With regards to Article 7, there were 232 votes in favor and 61 votes in opposition; therefore, Article 7 passed.

The Moderator recognized Richard Langworth for the purpose of moving reconsideration of Article 1 at a School District Meeting on Tuesday, March 26, 1996, at 7 PM. The motion was seconded by David Lancaster. The Moderator asked for a voice vote on the motion for reconsideration and declared the motion passed. He further announced that the motion is a non-debatable issue and that on March 26, 1996, there will not be an extended debate. He reminded everyone that a 2/3 vote is required for Article 1 to pass. Polls will remain open from 7 PM to 8 PM.

Mr. Richard Drescher thought that the date and time would be inconvenient for the elderly residents. He believed it would be appropriate to continue the meeting to a Saturday morning.

Mr. Leadbeater asked if at the March 26, 1996, meeting residents can request that other articles be reconsidered. In response, the Moderator replied yes, and explained that generally an item can only be reconsidered once.

The Moderator then requested a standing vote of all in favor of the Tuesday meeting or holding the meeting on Saturday. The Moderator declared that 140 voted in favor of holding the meeting on Tuesday and 123 voted in favor of reconvening the meeting on Saturday, March 30, 1996. The meeting will be reconvened on Tuesday, March 26, 1996 at 7 PM in the High School gymnasium.

Mr. Lee Marden stated that he would be willing to move that the meeting reconsider all items, except for Article 1 and would urge that everyone vote no to the motion. In response, the Moderator noted that there is a New Hampshire Superior Court case in which this situation had arisen and he could recall that the court had decided that reconsideration cannot be limited at a meeting that is a continuation.

Article 8: The Moderator recognized David Robins for the purpose of introducing Article 8, seconded by Hays Junkins. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) for the continuation of the Title 1 Reading Program. (Article submitted by petition.) (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

Mr. Robins explained that the Title 1 Reading Program was federally funded, but recently the Town has been made aware that the funding will not be made available for next year. This program involves children in grades K - 3. It helps the children that need assistance in reading to meet their goals. There is \$37,647 within the budget to continue the program; however, the petitioned article of \$15,000 will ensure that the program is maintained at its current level which is to serve 65 children.

Mrs. Peter Spaulding addressed the meeting urging everyone to vote in favor of Article 8. She explained that her son is involved in the program and has improved greatly with his reading. These children are children that have needs that do not qualify them for special education funds, yet these children need the extra boost in reading. Allowing this program to continue will give the individual support necessary.

Mrs. Sauer advised that the School Board is in favor of Article 8. The \$15,000 will supplement the monies in the budget for this program. The School Board found out late in the budgeting process that the federal funds would not be available this year.

There being no further discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 8 adopted.

Article 9: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of introducing Article 9, seconded by Suzanne Sauer. To see if the School District will vote to establish a General Contingency Fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year and to raise and appropriate \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this fund, or to take any other action in relation thereto (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation).

Mr. Zimmerman explained that the contingency fund was originally established after the boiler had failed and it was found that the School District did not have the necessary funds to repair it. Since that time, the Town has established a contingency fund every year and the School Board has never had to use it. The money has always been returned to the Town to reduce the tax rate.

There being no discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 9 adopted in the affirmative.

Article 10: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of introducing Article 10, seconded by Barbara Unger. To appropriate for the purpose of adding to the School Building Repair and Maintenance Trust Fund, established March 6, 1993, Article 12, any fund balance not to exceed \$60,000 (Sixty Thousand Dollars) in excess of \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) as of June 30, 1996 or take any other action in relation thereto (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation).

Mrs. Unger explained that the School Building Repair and Maintenance Trust Fund was established in 1993. The trust fund was to cover the repairs, renovations and related services of the three schools. Any withdrawals from this fund must be done by warrant article at a School District meeting. The purpose of this Article is to fund the School Building Repair and Maintenance Trust Fund. In the past the following monies have been transferred into the fund: 1991/1992 \$86,345, 1992/1993 \$212,894 and in 1993/1994 \$87,577. From this fund the District has expended \$259,329. In 1993/1994 \$100,000 was expended for heating and ventilation work, a new classroom ceiling and a new technology classroom at the High School. In 1994/1995 \$100,000 was expended for renovations of the bathrooms and air cleaning equipment in the industrial arts area at the High School. In 1995/1996 \$130,000 was authorized to repair the septic system at Harold Martin School, replacement of some electrical panels and wiring at the High School; however, this work was completed for \$59,329. Continuation of this fund allows us to positively impact the building conditions without adversely affecting the future tax rates.

Stephania Pearce advised that the \$50,000 contingency fund that was voted on last March is in the current budget and can only be expended if the Board votes specifically to withdraw from the contingency. The Board does not anticipate the need for that, so the funds will automatically be returned to the tax payers. Anything else that may be left in the general fund on June 30, above the \$50,000 contingency fund, will go into the trust fund; however, it would not exceed \$60,000.

There being no further discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 10 adopted.

Article 11: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of introducing Article 11, seconded by Barbara Unger. To see if the School District will vote to withdraw and appropriate \$25,000 (Twenty-five Thousand Dollars) from the School Building Repair and Maintenance Trust Fund, established March 6, 1993, Article 12, for the purpose of repairs at the Harold Martin Elementary School, or take any other action in relation thereto (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation).

Mrs. Unger explained that the \$25,000 requested in Article 11 is broken down as follows: \$3,000 will be used to bring heat into the kitchen at the Harold Martin School; \$2,000 will be used to install piping, pumps, valves, etc. for an oil fired hot water heater in the kitchen, and \$20,000 will be used to install new drainage and to increase the size of the pipes behind the Harold Martin School because on occasion when it rains the multi-purpose room and playground flood. There will be no tax impact because the funds will come from the trust fund.

There being no further discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 11 adopted.

Article 12: To see if the School District will vote to accept a gift from the Town of Hopkinton of approximately four and one-half acres of land as shown on a drawing on file at the Hopkinton School District Office, making up a portion of "George's Park", Tax Map 222, Lot 67, and to raise and appropriate \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to pay legal, surveying, and other expenses in relation thereto, and to authorize the School Board to negotiate any additional terms and conditions that may be required to complete the transaction or take any other action in relation thereto (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation).

Mr. Zimmerman explained that it was over forty (40) years ago that the first piece of property from George's Park was transferred to the School District. Subsequently, the High School was built on the site and has since then been added onto. This portion of the property is wooded and does not involve taking over any of the ball fields. The School District would hope that the additional land would take care of the school needs for the next forty (40) years. The School Board and Selectmen have agreed to this transfer.

Mr. Adams questioned whether the ball fields are part of George's Park, or part of the School District property. He further asked who has the first use of the fields and how is it determined. In response, Mr. Zimmerman stated that he was unsure as to who has the first use of the fields and how it is determined; however, the ball fields will continue to be part of George's Park.

Mr. Kerin expressed concern with the fact that the residents of Hopkinton will have to pay \$10,000 to transfer the four and one-half acres to themselves, when in fact they presently own it.

There being no further discussion or debate regarding Article 12, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 12 adopted.

Article 13: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of introducing Article 13, seconded by Suzanne Sauer. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,139 (Ninety Thousand One Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars) for the purchase of property, 204 Maple Street, Contoocook, NH, Tax Map 102, Lot 3, or take any other action in relation thereto (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation).

Mr. Saunders explained that the property referred to in Article 13 is the gray cape to the left of Maple Street School. David Dufault purchased the property and subsequently, offered the

property to the School District at his cost of \$90,139. The School Board asked Arnold Coda to do an appraisal of the property. Mr. Coda came up with a value of between \$100,000 and \$105,000. Based on that information and the fact that Maple Street School is somewhat land locked, the School Board believed that this would be a good purchase for the District.

Mr. Saunders further explained that currently, the Harold Martin School is in need of the space that is occupied by the SAU Office and next year the Harold Martin School will be short one classroom. In the budget there is \$21,000 for a module classroom at Maple Street School; however, instead this money could be used for the renovations to the home in order to use the building for an SAU Office, classroom, and conference area. There will be no removal of fences or trees, nor would there be a change in the appearance of the building. For the first year there is a need for a handicap ramp in the front of the building in order for the District to meet ADA standards; however, once the renovation work is complete the ramp will be moved to the rear of the building. Furthermore, the additional property will help alleviate the traffic problems that now occur at Maple Street School. There will be 16 additional parking spaces behind the house that will be designated for staff parking allowing more room for the buses to maneuver and parents to park.

Mr. Marden asked if the \$21,000 will cover all renovations, including the parking area. In response, Mr. Saunders advised that if Article 1 does not pass at the March 26, 1996 meeting, then the School Board may return next year asking for money for paving of the new parking area. Mr. Saunders further noted that because the building will be used for the SAU Office, the State will fund 40% of the purchase, which will be paid to the District over a five year period.

Richard Gourley questioned the size of the property. Mr. Saunders indicated that it is one-half acre.

Mr. Drescher suggested that the Town consider moving the SAU Office to the module classroom. He asked that the residents consider whether we can afford to take another piece of property off of the tax roll. Furthermore, he questioned whether the current SAU concept for Hopkinton will be the way of the future, and will the students receive a better education because of the purchase of this property. Mr. Drescher urged the residents to vote in opposition to Article 13.

Mr. Leadbeater addressed the meeting, speaking in favor of Article 13. He further thought that the abutters would also be in favor because of the fact that the purchase of the property may eliminate some of the overflow traffic that parks along Maple Street. Lastly, he noted that the 40% is a significant amount that will be paid by the State.

There being no further discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 13 adopted.

Article 14: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of moving Article 14, seconded by John Madden. To see if the School District will vote to cancel the unexpended balance of Article 1, March 15, 1994 Annual Meeting in the sum of \$110,778 (One Hundred Ten Thousand, Seven Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars) for the purpose of providing building

improvements to the Hopkinton School facilities or to take any other action thereof (The Hopkinton School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation).

There being no discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 14 adopted.

Article 15: The Moderator recognized John Zimmerman for the purpose of moving Article 15, seconded by Barbara Unger. To see if the School District will vote to authorize the treasurer to appoint a deputy treasurer pursuant to RSA 197:24-a, with the approval of the School Board or to take any other action thereof.

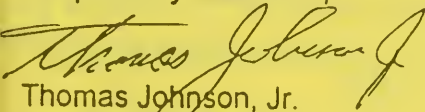
There being no discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared Article 15 adopted.

Mr. Lee Marden moved that all Articles be reconsidered at this time and urged the meeting to vote in opposition, with the exception of Article 1 which will be reconsidered on March 26, 1996 at 7 PM. In response to Mr. Marden's motion, the Moderator advised that there is case law which prohibits limiting reconsideration when a meeting is being continued to another date, rather than adjourned.

Mr. Gourley questioned how many students do not attend Hopkinton schools. In response, Superintendent McHale noted that approximately 10% of Hopkinton children go to school elsewhere.

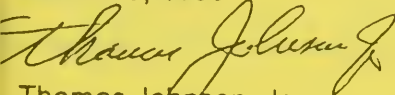
Mr. Zimmerman moved and Mr. Saunders seconded that the meeting adjourn to Tuesday, March 26, 1996, at 7 PM at the High School. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Johnson, Jr.
School District Clerk

A true record "Attest"
March 16, 1996



Thomas Johnson, Jr.
School District Clerk

Report of the Annual School District Meeting, March 26, 1996

Moderator Charles Dibble called the annual meeting of the Hopkinton School District to order at 7:00 p.m. on March 26, 1996, at the Hopkinton High School gymnasium. In attendance, School Board Members: Suzanne Sauer, John Madden, Arpiar Saunders, and Barbara Unger. Superintendent of Schools Ed McHale and Assistant Superintendent of Business Stephanica Pearce

The Moderator advised that this is a reconvened meeting of the March 16, 1996, annual meeting of the Hopkinton School District, at which there was a motion to reconsider Article 1.

The Moderator then recognized School Board Chairman John Zimmerman for the purpose of moving that reconsideration of Articles 2 through 16 be restricted, seconded by Arpiar Saunders. The Moderator then explained the parliamentary procedure for Mr. Zimmerman's motion. There being no discussion or debate, the Moderator called for a voice vote and declared the motion passed.

At the March 16, 1996 meeting, Article 1 was moved by John Zimmerman and seconded by Arpiar Saunders. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,100,000 (Two Million, One Hundred Thousand Dollars) for renovations and improvements to the electrical, mechanical, telecommunications and life safety systems at the Maple Street School; construction of new classroom space at the Maple Street School; and renovations and improvements to the classroom office, common and support areas of the Maple Street School; \$2,100,000 (Two Million, One Hundred Thousand Dollars) such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 (Sixty-five Thousand Dollars) for the first year of debt service, and to authorize the School Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. The School Board and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (2/3 ballot vote required).

There being no discussion or debate, the Moderator explained the procedure for voting by ballot on Article 1. He noted that the polls will open at 7:21 p.m. and will remain open until all who wished to vote have had that opportunity. The Moderator declared the polls closed at that time.

The Moderator announced the results of Article 1 with 988 ballots cast, necessary for 2/3 majority is 659, 367 voting in the affirmative and 621 voting in the negative. Article 1 failed.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Zimmerman moved and Mr. Saunders seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m. All were in favor.

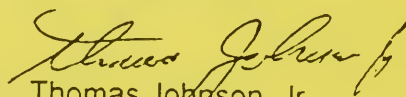
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School District Budget (MS27)

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BUDGET FORM FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

OF HOPKINTON N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for Fiscal Year From

July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list **ALL APPROPRIATIONS** in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school district clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink.)

Date FEBRUARY 11, 1997

Lucille Luskell

Robert A. Wall

Suzanne M. Sauer

David Simms

Thomas McDermott

Richard L. Thompson

Jack

Jim O'Connell

Jerry H. Taylor

Frank Leadbeater

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Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Varr Art. #	Expenditures For Year 7/1995 To 6/30 1996	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	SCHOOL BOARD'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)								
1100-1199 Regular Programs		4	3,263,445	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
1200-1299 Special Programs		4	757,890	3,576,054	3,555,360	3,555,360		
1300-1399 Vocational Programs		4	2,784	842,852	917,661	917,661		
1400-1499 Other Instructional Programs		4	132,833	10,000	5,000	5,000		
1600-1699 Adult/Continuing Education				137,044	170,159	170,159		
SUPPORT SERVICES (2100-2999)								
Pupil Services			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
2110-2119 Attendance & Social Work			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
2120-2129 Guidance		4	188,441	207,393	208,361	208,361		
2130-2139 Health		4	90,009	94,758	94,247	94,247		
2140-2149 Psychological		4	34,070	39,197	47,785	47,785		
2150-2159 Speech Pathology & Audiology		4	76,139	88,787	96,503	96,503		
2190-2199 Other Pupil Services								
Instructional Staff Services			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
2210-2219 Improvement of Instruction		4	49,053	60,924	63,485	63,485		
2220-2229 Educational Media		4	243,659	283,380	281,742	281,742		
2290-2299 Other Instructional Staff Services								
General Administration			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
2310 School Board			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
2310 870 Contingency								
2310-2319 All Other Objects		4	32,882	33,846	36,918	36,918		

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Office of Superintendent		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
	2320 351 SAU Management Services							
	2320-2329 All Other Objects	4	294,704	289,894	294,829		294,829	
	2330-2339 Special Area Administration Services							
	2390-2399 Other General Administration Services							
	2400-2499 School Administrative Services	4	401,210	423,770	467,960		467,960	
	Business Services		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
	2520-2529 Fiscal							
	2540-2549 Operation & Maintenance of Plant	4	553,053	573,108	613,104		613,104	
	2550-2559 Pupil Transportation	4	220,501	229,717	238,692		238,692	
	2570-2579 Procurement							
	2590-2599 Other Business Services							
	2600-2699 Managerial Services		8,114	680				
	2900-2999 Other Support Services							
	3000-3999 COMMUNITY SERVICES							
	4000-4999 FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION							
	5000 OTHER OUTLAYS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
	5100 830 Debt Service - Principal	4	250,000	250,000	200,000		200,000	
	5100 840 Debt Service - Interest	4	40,900	23,275	7,200		7,200	
	Fund Transfers							

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
5220	To Federal Projects Fund	4	111,567	150,000	150,000		150,000	
5230	To Capital Projects Fund							
5240	To Food Service Fund	4	269,114	205,000	225,000		225,000	
5241-5249	To Special Revenue Funds (including Revolving Funds)							
5250-5254	To Capital Reserve Fund							
5255	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
5256-5259	To Other Trust Funds							
	SUBTOTAL 1		7,020,368	7,519,679	7,674,006	XXXXXXXXXX	7,674,006	XXXXXXXXXX

Please note: "Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles", which are addressed on the following page. Examples of individual warrant articles include: 1) ratification of negotiated cost items for multiple year labor agreements; 2) contingency appropriations; 3) supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; and 4) deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	
INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES									
	Hopkinton Teachers Assoc	5			127,146		127,146		
	Teamsters Union (Custodia	6			9,986		9,986		
	Contingency Fund	8		50,000	50,000		50,000		
	Maintenance Trust Fund	9		10,805	60,000		60,000		
	Repairs & Arch.		60,869	65,000					
	SAU House			90,139					
	Title I			15,000					
	George;s Park			10,000					
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended						247,132	XXXXXXXXXX	247,132	XXXXXXXXXX

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3110	Foundation Aid				
3210	School Building Aid	4	102,388	102,388	97,676
3220	Area Vocational School			750	750
3230	Driver Education		5,250	6,720	6,720
3240	Catastrophic Aid		47,382	47,538	40,000
3250	Adult Education				
3270	Child Nutrition		15,000	5,000	5,000
	Kindergarten Aid				35,000
	Other State Aid (Specify)				
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4410	ECIA, Chapter I & II		48,377	47,500	47,500
4430	Vocational Education				
4450	Adult Education				
4460	Child Nutrition Programs		15,343	12,000	12,000
4470	Handicapped Programs		37,438	43,500	43,500
	Federal Forest Land				
	Other Federal Sources (identify)		26,087	59,000	59,000
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5100	Sale of Bonds or Notes	1			6,992,000
5230	Transfer from Capital Projects Fund				
5250	Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund				
5255	Transfer from Expendable Trust Fund		60,869	65,000	
1300-1360	Tuition		7,937		
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		363		
1700-1799	Public Activities		7,659	4,000	4,000
	Other Local Sources (identify) (1900-1999)		33,591		
1900	Sale from Food Services		165,605	188,000	188,000
	Rent		3,045	4,000	4,000
	Donations - Refunds		634	700	20,700

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
THIS SECTION FOR CALCULATION OF REIMBURSEMENT ANTICIPATION NOTES (RAN) PER RSA 198:20-D FOR CATASTROPHIC AID BORROWING RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ = NET RAN _____					
Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)					
Appropriations Voted From "Surplus"		9	XXXXXXXXXX	10,805	60,000
"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes		8	50,000	50,000	50,000
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			626,968	646,901	7,665,846

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)

VERSION #1

REVISED 1996

Hopkinton School District

June 30, 1998

Local Govt. Unit: _____

Fiscal Year Ending: _____

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Committee	15,140,477
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	
2. Principle: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	200,000
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b.	6,992,000
5. Mandatory Assessments	294,829
6. TOTAL EXCLUSIONS (Sum of rows 2 - 5)	7,721,368
7. AMOUNT RECOMMENDED LESS RECOMMENDED EXCLUSION AMOUNTS (Line 1 less Line 6)	7,419,109
8. Line 7 times 10%	741,910

THIS IS THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE INCREASE TO BUDGET COMMITTEES RECOMMENDED BUDGET. See versions 2 & 3 if you have collective bargaining items.

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Warrant Articles for the Annual School District, March 8, 1997

WARRANT FOR THE 1997 ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of HOPKINTON, in the County of MERRIMACK, in the said State, qualified to vote in school district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Hopkinton High School in said HOPKINTON on Saturday, the 8th of March, 1997, next at 9:00 a.m. o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE I: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,992,000 (Six Million, Nine Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Dollars) for renovations and additions to the Maple Street School and the Hopkinton High School. Such sum, \$6,992,000 (Six Million, Nine Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Dollars) to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project; to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$227,340 (Two Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Forty Dollars) for the first year of debt service and to authorize the School Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. (2/3 ballot vote required) (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (The Hopkinton Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.)

ARTICLE II: To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees and officers chosen, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE III: To see if the School District will vote to establish the salaries of the School Board and the compensation for any other officers or agents of the District as printed in the 1997/1998 budget, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE IV: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate \$7,674,006 (Seven Million, Six Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand, Six Dollars) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (The Hopkinton Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.)

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

ARTICLE V: To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Hopkinton School Board and the Hopkinton Education Association (teachers) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

		(Estimated Increases)
Year 1	1997-1998	\$127,146
Year 2	1998-1999	\$119,748
Year 3	1999-2000	\$126,795

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$127,146 (One Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand, One Hundred Forty-Six Dollars) for the 1997-1998 year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits (FICA, Retirement, Workmen's Compensation, Life Insurance and Long-Term Disability) over those of the appropriation at the current staffing levels paid in the 1996-1997 fiscal year. (The Hopkinton School Board recommends this appropriation.) (The Hopkinton Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.)

ARTICLE VI: To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Hopkinton School Board and the Teamsters Union (Custodians) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

		(Estimated Increases)
Year 1	1997-1998	\$ 9,986
Year 2	1998-1999	\$ 9,873
Year 3	1999-2000	\$10,177

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,986 (Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Eighty-Six Dollars) for the 1997-1998 year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits (FICA, Retirement, Workmen's Compensation, Life Insurance and Long-Term Disability) over those of the appropriation at the current staffing levels paid in the 1996-1997 fiscal year. (The Hopkinton School Board recommends this appropriation.) (The Hopkinton Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.)

ARTICLE VII: (The district) by reassessing and reevaluating the needs of this district, you will combine both the Superintendent of Schools position and the Assistant Superintendent's position. This to be completed by July 1, 2000. (By Petition)

ARTICLE VIII: To see if the School District will vote to establish a General Contingency Fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year and to raise and appropriate \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this fund, or to take any other action in relation thereto. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (The Hopkinton Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.)

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ARTICLE IX: To appropriate for the purposes of adding to the School Building Repair and Maintenance Trust Fund, established March 6, 1993, Article 12, any fund balance not to exceed \$60,000 (Sixty Thousand Dollars) in excess of \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) as of June 30, 1997 or take any other action in relation thereto. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (The Hopkinton Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.)

ARTICLE X: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

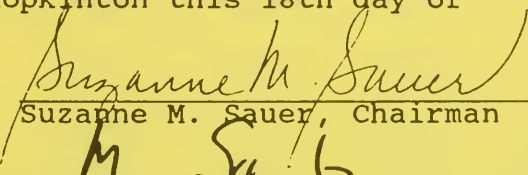
FURTHER: You are hereby notified to meet at the Hopkinton Town Hall on the 11th day of March, 1997 with the polls open at 7:30 a.m. and remaining open continually until 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE XI: To choose by nonpartisan ballot, the following School District Officers.

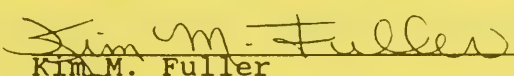
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| a. 2 School Board Members | 3 Year Term |
| b. 1 Moderator | 1 Year Term |
| c. 1 Clerk | 1 Year Term |
| d. 1 Treasurer | 1 Year Term |

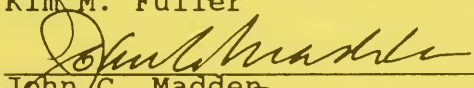
ARTICLE XII: Shall we adopt the provisions of the RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the School District? (By Petition) (The Hopkinton School Board does not recommend Article.)

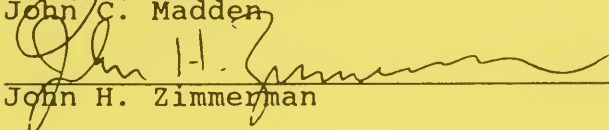
Given under our hands at said Hopkinton this 18th day of February, 1997.


Suzanne M. Sauer, Chairman


Arpiar G. Saunders, Vice Chairman

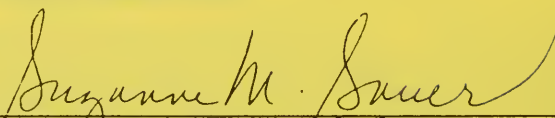

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WARRANT FOR
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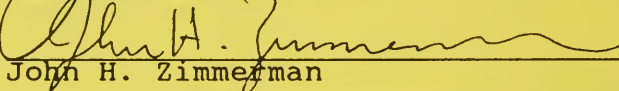
A true copy of Warrant -Attest:


Suzanne M. Sauer, Chairman


Arpiar G. Saunders, Vice Chairman


Kim M. Fuller


John C. Madden


John H. Zimmerman

1997 - 1998 School District Operational Budget

1997-1998 Hopkinton School District Budget Operational Budget

This budget information does not contain any separate special warrant articles.

The 1997-1998 Hopkinton School District Operational Budget has been grouped into five sections: Instructional Programs, Student and Staff Services, Administrative Services, Operation of School Buildings and Transportation, and Debt Service and Transfers to other Funds section.

TOTAL OF ALL PROGRAMS

TOTAL OF ALL PROGRAM FUNCTIONS	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS:	4,194,640	4,156,951	4,565,950	4,648,180	82,230
STUDENT AND STAFF SERVICES:	701,303	681,370	774,439	792,123	17,684
ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS:	759,163	736,910	748,190	799,707	51,517
FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION:	784,838	773,554	802,825	851,796	48,971
DEBT AND FUND TRANSFERS:	680,900	328,039	628,275	582,200	(46,075)
TOTAL:	7,120,844	6,676,824	7,519,679	7,674,006	154,327

The 1997-1998 operational budget shows a \$154,327 increase represents a 2.05% increase. This increase is a result of:

- \$51,695 in new staff positions;
- \$41,380 new funds for staff benefits;
- \$22,286 increase in non bargained staff salaries and;
- \$38,966 increase in other budget items.

Instructional Programs

The functions found within the Instructional Programs group are: Regular Educational programs, Special Educational programs, Vocational programs and Other Instructional programs.

Regular Educational Programs (1100)

The Regular Education portion of the 1997-1998 budget contains instructional activities designed to provide grades K-12 students with learning experiences preparing them for activities as citizens, family members and workers. All grades and subjects are funded in this section.

REGULAR EDUCATION	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	2,539,821	2,498,622	2,687,084	2,669,174	(17,910)
BENEFITS	635,125	531,766	638,809	637,874	(935)
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	13,170	7,642	12,440	10,302	(2,138)
PROPERTY SERVICES	27,606	25,099	26,640	35,265	8,625
OTHER SERVICES	0	0			0
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	137,632	133,787	139,492	146,701	7,209
PROPERTY	57,301	64,931	69,135	50,959	(18,176)
OTHER ITEMS	1,730	1,598	2,454	5,085	2,631
TOTAL:	3,412,385	3,263,445	3,576,054	3,555,360	(20,694)

- The Regular Educational program section also contains funds for the Early retirement process. The total cost of early retirement is \$93,537. This amount includes \$21,893 for second payments for the teachers who are retiring June 1997 and the estimated cost of three teachers to retire in 1998 is calculated to be \$71,644. The total has been reduced by \$25,000 to represent expected savings in this program. The amount budgeted is \$68,537.
- All other positions are level funded to the 1996-1997 contract level. This section will be effected by collective bargaining.
- There is one new position in this function:

New Staff position:

<u>Middle School</u> 7th Grade teacher \$40,685	The request is to accommodate the four sections on the 7th grade.
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Special Education Programs (1200)

These funds are for instructional activities designed primarily to deal with students having special needs. The Special Programs include pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, elementary and secondary services for the mentally retarded, physically handicapped, emotionally disturbed, and students with learning disabilities.

SPECIAL EDUCATION	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	379,383	461,213	528,367	530,157	1,790
BENEFITS	81,766	77,242	93,929	117,621	23,692
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	29,375	47,421	41,133	50,764	9,631
PROPERTY SERVICES	0	249	0	0	0
OTHER SERVICES	134,054	157,980	163,382	198,906	35,524
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	7,681	6,006	11,105	10,893	(212)
PROPERTY	0	6,339	2,836	7,220	4,384
OTHER ITEMS	2,000	1,440	2,100	2,100	0
TOTAL:	634,259	757,890	842,852	917,661	74,809

New Staff positions:

<u>Harold Martin School</u> Kindergarten IEP aide \$3,670	A child currently attends pre-school and will need direct services in 1997-1998.
<u>Maple Street School</u> IEP Aide \$7,338	This aide is for a third grader leaving Harold Martin School.

- Professional Services: This increase is caused by an increase in the special education legal budget from \$10,000 to \$15,000. The remaining increase is for increased demand for Occupational and Physical therapy services. The total of this increase is \$3,325.
- Other Services: This line item is used mostly for special education tuition for out of district placements. The total tuition increase is \$52,208. This increase is reduced to a net of \$35,524 because of a reduction in travel expenses.

Vocational Programs (1300)

These funds are for instructional activities that provide students with the opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes needed for employment in an occupational area. These funds are for tuition to the Concord School District Regional vocational program.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	7,000	2,784	10,000	5,000	(5,000)
TOTAL:	7,000	2,784	10,000	5,000	(5,000)

- The 1997-1998 Budget shows a decrease of \$5,000. The current budget carried \$5,000 for the School to Work Grant preliminary work. Now that the grant is active these funds are no longer needed. The remaining \$5,000 is for tuition to the Concord Vocational Center.

Other Instructional Programs: (1400)

This section contains funds for activities commonly known as co-curricular programs. Funds in this category are for the coaches, officials, equipment and supplies for school sponsored activities, under the guidance and supervision of staff, designed to provide students such experiences such as motivation, enjoyment and improvement of skills. Co-curricular activities normally supplement the regular instructional program and include such activities as band, chorus and athletics.

OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	88,308	83,100	79,858	107,838	27,980
BENEFITS	9,331	7,323	10,100	13,587	3,487
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	4,250	4,058	4,495	4,375	(120)
PROPERTY SERVICES	400	0	400	400	0
OTHER SERVICES	0				0
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	12,535	12,072	12,957	13,185	228
PROPERTY	7,322	7,869	8,459	9,199	740
OTHER ITEMS	18,850	18,412	20,775	21,575	800
TOTAL:	140,996	132,833	137,044	170,159	33,115

Student and Staff Services

Student and Staff Services include Guidance Services, Health Services, Psychological Services, Speech Pathology and Auditory Services, Improvement of Instruction Services and Media Services.

Guidance Services (2120)

These funds are for activities involving counseling with students and parents, providing consultation with other staff members on learning problems, evaluating the abilities of pupils, assisting students as they make their own educational and career plans and choices, assessing students in personal and social development, providing referral assistance, and working with other staff members in planning and conducting guidance programs for pupils.

GUIDANCE SERVICES	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	138,917	152,592	166,458	161,236	(5,222)
BENEFITS	32,775	29,976	35,748	38,771	3,023
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	1,270	902	1,413	1,836	423
PROPERTY SERVICES	0	0			0
OTHER SERVICES	0	0			0
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	1,225	954	1,217	1,502	285
PROPERTY	4,275	4,017	2,557	5,016	2,459
OTHER ITEMS	0				0
TOTAL:	178,462	188,441	207,393	208,361	968

- Property: The increase in Property funds to continue to purchase fire safe file cabinets. The current budget has funds for one cabinet, this budget requests funds for two cabinets. There are also funds in this line for a replacement computer at the Middle School.

Health Services (2130)

These funds include physical and mental health services which may include some direct instruction. Also included are activities that provide students with appropriate medical, dental and nursing services.

HEALTH SERVICES	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	72,573	72,519	74,805	75,005	200
BENEFITS	15,506	13,497	13,756	14,638	882
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	700	472	800	800	0
PROPERTY SERVICES	307	0	250	307	57
OTHER SERVICES	450	495	450	500	50
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	2,997	2,875	2,997	2,997	0
PROPERTY	161	150	1,700		(1,700)
OTHER ITEMS	0	0	0		0
TOTAL:	92,694	90,009	94,758	94,247	(511)

Psychological Services (2140)

These funds include activities concerned with administering psychological tests and interpreting the results, gathering and interpreting information about student behavior, working with other staff members in planning school programs to meet the special needs of pupils as indicated by psychological tests, behavioral evaluation, planning and managing a program of psychological services, including psychological counseling for students, staff and parents.

PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	26,176	26,176	33,200	41,518	8,318
BENEFITS	8,322	7,069	5,252	5,376	124
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	459	0		0
PROPERTY SERVICES	0	0	0		0
OTHER SERVICES	0	0	0		0
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	745	366	745	891	146
PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER ITEMS	0	0	0		0
TOTAL:	35,243	34,070	39,197	47,785	8,588

Speech Pathology Services (2150)

These funds include activities which have as their purpose the identification, assessment, and treatment of children with impairments in speech, hearing and language.

SPEECH SERVICES	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	54,259	54,067	65,386	67,359	1,973
BENEFITS	10,712	9,440	11,036	11,876	840
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	22,145	10,023	10,800	15,000	4,200
PROPERTY SERVICES	0	0			0
OTHER SERVICES	0	457	150	500	350
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	1,485	2,152	1,415	1,768	353
PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER ITEMS	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL:	88,601	76,139	88,787	96,503	7,716

- Professional Services: Contracted speech services has been increased by \$4,200.
- Other Services: Travel allotment

Improvement of Instruction Services (2210)

This section include activities which are designed primarily for assisting instructional staff in planning, developing, and evaluating the process of providing challenging learning experiences for students. These activities include curriculum development, techniques of instruction, child development and understanding, staff training, etc.

IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	12,000	10,004	12,000	12,000	0
BENEFITS	21,567	15,372	25,348	25,410	62
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	20,657	22,565	22,376	24,875	2,499
PROPERTY SERVICES		0	0		0
OTHER SERVICES	0	0	0		0
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	1,190	1,071	1,200	1,200	0
PROPERTY	0		0		0
OTHER ITEMS	0	40	0		0
TOTAL:	55,414	49,053	60,924	63,485	2,561

- Salaries: Curriculum writing stipend funds.
- Benefits: Fixed charges for the curriculum writing and \$24,000 for tuition reimbursement costs.
- Professional Services: These funds are for inservice training of the staff. The 1997-1998 budget is for advertisement, books, handouts, speakers, consultants, travel and food service costs. Some of these costs may be offset by revenues collected from other districts wishing to attend our programs.

Media Services (2220)

This section includes both the libraries and computer assisted instruction programs. The library programs include activities such as selecting, acquiring, preparing, cataloging, and circulating books and other materials. The computer assisted instruction includes activities concerned with planning, programming, writing, and presenting educational projects which have been especially programmed for a computer to be used as the principal medium of instruction.

MEDIA SERVICES	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	119,359	120,058	145,306	145,789	483
BENEFITS	23,194	20,484	23,978	21,651	(2,327)
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	1,592	1,145	842	892	50
PROPERTY SERVICES	9,780	7,863	8,150	10,400	2,250
OTHER SERVICES	0		630	0	(630)
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	58,553	54,456	61,029	62,352	1,323
PROPERTY	38,411	39,652	43,445	40,658	(2,787)
OTHER ITEMS	0		0		0
TOTAL:	250,889	243,659	283,380	281,742	(1,638)

Administrative Costs

The Administrative Cost section of the 1997-1998 budget includes school board services, treasurer, district meeting costs, legal expenses, audit fees, the office of the superintendent and the school administrative offices.

School Board Activities (2311)

This section includes activities of the elected body which has been created according to State law and vested with responsibilities for the educational activities in a given administrative unit. These include the costs of the district treasurer, services rendered in connection with any school system election, including election of officers, bond vote, budget and appropriation vote, and all district sponsored meetings, services rendered in connection with providing counseling services to the school board in regard to law and statutes and services rendered in providing audit services by an independent auditor.

SCHOOL BOARD ADMINISTRATION	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	9,175	8,315	7,725	8,225	500
BENEFITS	999	1,209	646	718	72
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	24,450	12,537	14,450	14,450	0
PROPERTY SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER SERVICES	4,400	4,922	5,000	7,500	2,500
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	0		0		0
PROPERTY	0		0		0
OTHER ITEMS	7,025	5,899	6,025	6,025	0
TOTAL:	46,049	32,882	33,846	36,918	3,072

- Professional Services: This line item includes the district meeting moderator and secretary, non-special education legal costs, auditors, and conferences and conventions costs. These costs have been level funded.
- Other Services: These funds include the cost of the district's share of the annual report and Errors and Omissions insurance. The cost of both of these items is expected to increase.
- Other Items: These funds includes \$2,500 for school board miscellaneous items and dues and fees costs.

The Office of the Superintendent (2320)

This section includes activities associated with the overall general administration of, or executive responsibility for, the entire school district. The funded positions for the superintendent, assistant superintendent for business, bookkeeper, and

secretary are included here. The costs of operation the S.A.U. office and \$10,000 for professional fees are also included in this section. The cost of the SAU house is contained in the operation of building and grounds function of this budget.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	181,747	181,259	185,342	194,866	9,524
BENEFITS	38,574	36,579	37,190	38,318	1,128
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	16,000	16,502	16,000	16,000	0
PROPERTY SERVICES	5,750	7,130	5,697	6,500	803
OTHER SERVICES	20,500	28,580	24,500	24,500	0
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	6,850	8,410	6,500	6,500	0
PROPERTY	750	1,012	450	750	300
OTHER ITEMS	13,315	15,233	14,215	7,395	(6,820)
TOTAL:	283,486	294,704	289,894	294,829	4,935

- Salaries: The SAU positions have been budgeted with a 3% increase, and additional funds for the Superintendent position.
- Professional Services: These funds include \$3,000 for in service, \$3,000 for conventions and conferences and \$10,000 for professional services such as engineers and consultants. This line item has bee level funded for four years.
- Property Services: This line item includes repair and maintenance funds for equipment and maintenance agreements on office equipment and software.
- Other Services: This line item includes travel, postage, telephone, and advertising. These items have been level funded.
- Supplies: These funds are for general office supplies, books, periodicals and software costs.
- Other Items: This line item contained funds for a five year lease / purchase agreement for the computer system, copier and fax machine beginning in 1992. That lease will be paid in full in the 1996-1997 year. The cost of that annual lease was \$8,570. This amount is offset by a \$250 increase in the funds for staff criminal records check and a \$1,500 increase in the cost of the community newsletter. This line also include due and fees for membership to various organizations.

Note: the cost of the SAU office building is contained in the Operations of Buildings section of the budget.

The Office of the School Principal (2410)

This section includes activities concerned with directing and managing the operation of a particular school. It includes the activities performed by the principal and any other assistants in general supervision of all operations of the school, evaluation of the staff members of the school, assignment of duties to staff members, supervision and maintenance of the records of the school, and coordination of school instructional activities with instructional activities of the school district. It includes clerical staff for these activities and office cost items.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	277,459	290,541	285,910	322,205	36,295
BENEFITS	66,635	55,671	55,829	60,633	4,804
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	11,350	4,844	12,350	12,450	100
PROPERTY SERVICES	3,000		1,000	1,754	754
OTHER SERVICES	36,035	26,199	42,241	42,955	714
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	13,150	12,816	14,900	17,208	2,308
PROPERTY	2,140	9,728	2,500	2,500	0
OTHER ITEMS	9,708	1,410	9,040	8,255	(785)
TOTAL:	419,477	401,210	423,770	467,960	44,190

- Professional Services: This line item contains funds for curriculum development to be used at the discretion of the principals by their staff, and inservice funds for the administration.
- Property Services: This line item includes repair and maintenance funds for equipment and maintenance agreements on office equipment and software.
- Other Services: This line item includes travel, postage, telephone, and printing. These items have been level funded.
- Supplies: These funds are for general office supplies, books, periodicals, graduation supplies and software costs.
- Property: This line item contains funds to upgrade memory needs in the office computers.

Managerial costs (2600)

These funds are for activities associated with the accreditation of the Hopkinton high School.

TOTAL MANAGERIAL COSTS	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
	10,151	8,114	680	0	(680)

- The NESC accreditation costs will be complete in 1996-1997.

Buildings, and Transportation

Maintenance of buildings (2540)

This section includes activities concerned with keeping the physical buildings open, comfortable, clean and safe for use. This includes salaries and benefits for custodial and maintenance staff. This section includes operating the heating, light and venting systems, and repair of facilities. Included here are the costs of custodial supplies, rubbish removal, water, sewer, snow removal, landscaping, and grounds maintenance and building liability insurance.

OPERATION OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	232,354	234,468	242,159	250,334	8,175
BENEFITS	65,317	47,299	58,784	65,069	6,285
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	0	0		0
PROPERTY SERVICES	66,050	77,873	77,525	87,625	10,100
OTHER SERVICES	30,850	23,860	30,800	27,800	(3,000)
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	158,480	163,680	162,340	178,076	15,736
PROPERTY	3,000	5,022	1,500	3,800	2,300
OTHER ITEMS	0	853	0	400	400
TOTAL:	556,051	553,053	573,108	613,104	39,996

Property Services: This line item reflects increase based on the past five years of experience of costs.

- Other Services: This line item includes the insurance for the buildings. This cost is expected to demand \$2,800 less in budgeted funds.
- Property: The funds in this line are to purchase a 2 speed buffer for the HMS and two replacement vacuum cleaners for the custodians.
- Other Items: These funds are for registration costs for the maintenance van.

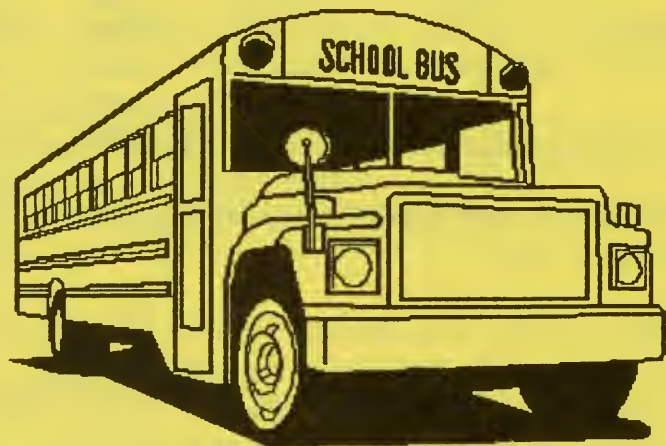
Pupil Transportation services (2550)

These funds are for activities concerned with the conveyance of pupils to and from school. It includes trips between home and school, field trips and athletic transportation responsibilities.

TRANSPORTATION	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
SALARIES	9,640	10,865	10,329	10,328	(1)
BENEFITS	1,210	941	1,138	1,380	242
OTHER PURCHASED SERV.	212,437	203,228	218,250	226,984	8,734
OTHER ITEMS	5,500	5,466	0		0
TOTAL:	228,787	220,501	229,717	238,692	8,975

Other Purchased Services: Increase due to \$. 03 increase per mile in contract.

1997-1998 rate : \$1.97 per mile. Last year of contract with Bruce Transportation.				
8 regular routes	410 miles a day average	180 days	73,800 miles	\$145,386
Kindergarten	96 miles a day average	180 days	17,280 miles	\$ 34,042
Vocational	48 miles a day average	180 days	8,640 miles	\$ 17,021
Field Trips			6,000 miles annually	\$ 11,820
Athletics			9,500 miles annually	\$ 18,715
Total			115,220 miles annually	\$226,984



Debt and other Funds

Debt Service (5000)

These funds are set aside for the payment of the debt of the school district including principal and interest.

DEBT SERVICE	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
PRINCIPAL	250,000	250,000	250,000	200,000	(50,000)
INTEREST	40,900	40,900	23,275	7,200	(16,075)
TOTAL:	290,900	290,900	273,275	207,200	(66,075)

The 1997-1998 budget will be the last year of debt on the Harold Martin addition.

Other Funds:(5400)

These funds are either transferred from the General Fund to other funds, such as the Food Service Fund, or they are allocations for gross budgeting funds which are off set by matching revenue amounts. Thus the entire scope of the Hopkinton School District's operating budget activity can be summarized in one budget.

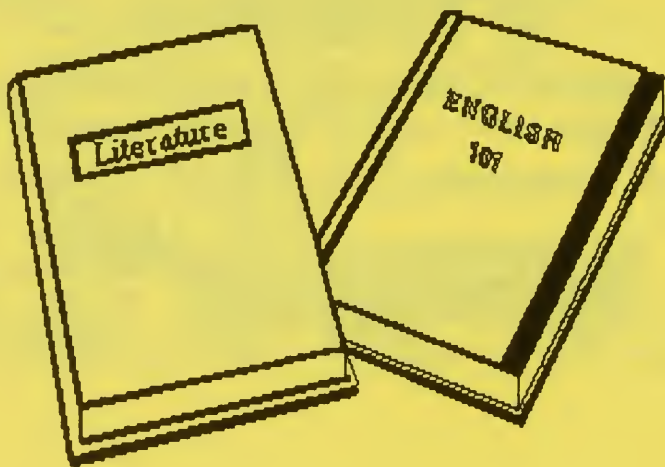
FUND TRANSFERS	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
FEDERAL & STATE					
PROJ.	150,000	2,139	150,000	150,000	0
FOOD SERVICE	240,000	35,000	205,000	225,000	20,000
TO BUILDING TRUST	0		0	0	0
TOTAL:	390,000	37,139	355,000	375,000	20,000

This section of the budget has increased by \$20,000. These funds will be used to offset the 1996-1997 year end Food Service deficit, if there is one.

TOTAL DEBT AND FUND TRANSFERS	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
	680,900	328,039	628,275	582,200	(46,075)

**1997-1998 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET COMBINED BY ITEMS
PURCHASED**

TOTAL SERVICES OR COMMODITIES	1995-1996 BUDGET	1995-1996 EXPENDED	1996-1997 BUDGET	1997-1998 BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGE
EMPLOYEE SALARIES :	4,141,171	4,203,799	4,523,929	4,596,034	72,105
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:	1,011,033	853,869	1,011,543	1,052,922	41,379
PURCHASED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:	144,959	128,569	137,099	151,744	14,645
PURCHASED PROPERTY SERVICES:	112,893	118,214	119,662	142,251	22,589
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES:	455,877	456,619	496,083	534,645	38,562
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS:	402,523	398,645	415,897	443,273	27,376
PROPERTY:	113,360	138,719	132,582	120,102	(12,480)
OTHER ITEMS:	739,028	378,389	682,884	633,035	(49,849)
TOTAL:	7,120,844	6,676,824	7,519,679	7,674,006	154,327



Teacher Roster 1996 - 1997

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TEACHER ROSTER 1996-1997

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION
Annett	Barbara	Language Based Classroom Teacher
Antonicci	Chris	Mathematics
Aubertin	Lori	Grade 2
Baker	Sharon	Business Education
Barton	Sandra	Grade 5
Beers	Linda	Science Teacher
Bickford	Lawrence	Computer Coordinator, Algebra
Bingham	Mary-Louise	One Year Elementary Music Teacher
Blanchard	Dorothy	Kindergarten
Boyko	Sandra	Kindergarten .5
Brandt	Richard	English
Brookfield	John	Music
Callahan	Nancy	Guidance Counselor
Cavanaugh	Judith	Grade 6
Chase	David	Physical Education Teacher
Chorney	Kenneth	Self-Contained Special Education
Codd	Sally	Learning Disabilities
Cotnoir	Michelle	French
Craig	Joan Ann	Nurse & Health Classes
Cross	Alicia	English
Dinan	Christine	Speech/Therapist
Donovan	Kimberly	English
Dusseault	Andre	Social Studies
Forgiel	Kathleen	Kindergarten .5
Forsten	Robert	School Psychologist
Gaskill	Pertice	Industrial Arts
Grady	Teresa	Grade 2
Greene	Bennett	Grade 4
Hamilton	Stanley	Guidance Counselor
Harb	Mary	French
Hazen	Kenneth	Grade 4
Heinz	Patricia	Grade 4
Helm	Dorothy	Grade 3
Henderson	Beth Anne	Physical Education-Elementary
Hodgdon	Lary	Science
Houston	Tyrus	Social Studies
Jones	Debra	Grade 2
Kaplan	Madelon	Grade 1
Kent	David	Mathematics

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TEACHER ROSTER 1996-1997

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION
Kociuba	James	Art
Kruse	Martha	Resource Room Teacher
Lapree	Jane	Grade 1
Leon	James	School to Work Coordinator
List	Jane	Art-Elementary
Lochhead	Shelley	Librarian
Marasca	Maureen	Grade 4
Martin	Curtis	Physical Education
May	Karen	Elementary Teacher
McCool	Janice	Mathematics Teacher
McHone	Jennifer	Spanish
McKenzie	Suzette	Grade 5
Meskoob	Mehrdad	Science
Mills	Charles	English/Social Studies .8
Morin	Diana	English
Nadeau	Susan	Language Based Classroom Teacher
Nason	Ann	Grade 3
Nichols	Linda	Grade 1
Nix	Anne	Guidance Counselor
Noble	Marion	French/Spanish
Olsen	Carl	Language Based Classroom
Olson	Carl	German
Perkins	Eileen	Grade 3
Perreault	Celine	Reading Specialist .7, Elementary
Pheffer	Michael	Industrial Arts
Pike	Deborah	Grade 6
Pisinski	Susan	Grade 5
Potter	Prudence	Grade 1
Ritscher	Regina	Grade 6
Roberts	Susan	Grade 6
Semmens	Scott	Science Teacher
Silverman	Paul	Music
Sommers	Warren	Learning Disabilities
Stumb	Margaret	Reading Recovery .6
Surprenant	Gail	Grade 5
Thornley	Melanie	Math
Tilley	David	Grade 3
Timm	Michael	Social Studies/English
Tipton	Sue	Science

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TEACHER ROSTER 1996-1997

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION
Tirone	Ellen	Librarian
Tortolini	Pearle	Consumer Education/Life Skills
Towne-Vigue	Judith	Mathematics
Turcotte	Sarah	Reading Recovery .6
Viger	Amanda	Elementary Guidance Counselor .5
Walsh	Linda	Grade 2
Wirta	Robert	Social Studies

Enrollment History

SCHOOL DISTRICT ATTENDANCE HISTORY

The school instructional year is 180 full days. The Average Daily Membership is the total of 360 half days of student attendance. The Average Daily Attendance is a percentage calculated by dividing the actual attendance by the full attendance total.

	1990- 1991	1991- 1992	1992- 1993	1993- 1994	1994- 1995	1995- 1996	1996- 1997	Proj. 1997- 1998
GRADE								
KINDERGARTEN	63	70	66	77	65	67	77	69
GRADE 1	56	73	65	76	85	79	67	77
GRADE 2	84	60	71	77	80	80	85	67
GRADE 3	81	89	61	77	77	78	86	85
HAROLD MARTIN	284	292	263	307	307	304	315	298
GRADE 4	85	83	92	66	77	75	87	86
GRADE 5	90	79	90	93	66	79	80	87
GRADE 6	57	99	80	86	90	63	79	80
MAPLE STREET	232	261	262	245	233	217	246	253
ELEMENTARY TOTAL	516	553	525	552	540	521	561	551
AVG. DAILY MEMBERSHIP	490.8	517.4	524.4	507.6	539.3	489.0		
AVG. ANNUAL ATTENDANCE	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%		
GRADE 7	61	55	99	84	80	80	63	79
GRADE 8	61	58	51	95	84	81	80	63
MIDDLE SCH.	122	113	150	179	164	161	143	142
AVG. DAILY MEMBERSHIP	118.6	118.6	151.1	179.8	162.3	162.4		
AVG. ANNUAL ATTENDANCE	95%	95%	95%	94%	95%	95%		
GRADE 9	57	57	56	51	87	75	82	80
GRADE 10	61	52	53	55	49	77	74	82
GRADE 11	49	52	44	49	48	49	75	74
GRADE 12	52	52	55	41	53	47	41	75
HIGH SCHOOL	219	213	208	196	237	248	272	311
AVG. DAILY MEMBERSHIP	213.3	212.4	204.5	191.9	228.4	242.7		
AVG. ANNUAL ATTENDANCE	94%	90%	90%	91%	93%	93%		
TOTAL ALL STUDENTS	857	879	883	927	941	930	976	1,004
AVG. DAILY MEMBERSHIP	822.7	841.6	880	879.3	930	894.6		
AVG. ANNUAL ATTENDANCE	95%	94%	95%	95%	95%	95%		



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