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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator: Donald G. Johnson, 1999

Town Clerk A. Elizabeth Priebe, 2001

Treasurer Ralph Kazanjian, 2001

Trustees of Trust Funds Elizabeth Godfrey, 1999 George Boewe, Jr., 2000 Bonnie Burroughs, 2001

Conservation Commission Barry Keith, 1999 William Klotz, 1999 Susan Hoople, 2001 Alan Grant, 2001 Malcolm Reed, Alt. Mathew Krug, Alt.

Planning Board Brian Hampton, 1999 Eastham Hockmeyer, 1999 David Cyr, 2000 Wendell Brooks, 2000 Hugh Priebe, 2001 Martha Hall, 2001

Fire Chief Gene Doe, Jr.

Police Chief John Pyne, III

Administrative Assistant Karen Hatch

Health Officer Warren Anthony Selectmen Patricia E. McCoy, 1999 John D. Krebs, 2000 Eric Bossidy, 2001

Tax Collector Thomas Kondrat, 1999

Town Auditor Ernest Day, 1999

Library Trustees Elizabeth Bossi, 1999 Frank Seabury, 1999 Mary Lee Allison, 2001

Road Agent Scott Brooks, 2001

Zoning Board of Adjustment Howard Bouve, 2000 Deborah Fauver, 2001 Paul Wheeler, 2001 Donald Bossi, 2001 Pamela Keith, 2001 Hugh Priebe, Alt. Mark Bittner, Alt.

Forest Fire Warden Gene Doe, Jr.

Code Enforcement Officer Paul Dorian

Town Buildings Custodian Charles Bojus

Supervisors of the Checklist Albert Godfrey, 2000; Merton Sargent, Sr., 2002; Daniel Brooks, 2004

RULES OF PROCEDURE

According to RSA 40, the Town Moderator determines the procedures to be used in Town Meetings. The Moderator determines the rules without regard to parliamentary or other procedural rules. The voters can overturn the Moderator's rules at any time, however. A motion to overturn the Moderator's rules, or establish new rules, will always take precedence to other business which is already "on the floor".

So that you will know the ground rules by which we are maintaining order, these procedural rules are announced to you ahead of time.

- The Moderator will read each <u>article</u> in its entirety before that article is considered.
- There can be no discussion until there has been a <u>motion</u> under the article. (usually the first motion is to approve the article as it appears on the warrant)
- All motions must be seconded by a different individual.
- Discussion will only take place after a motion has been moved and seconded.
- All discussion must take place only when called upon by the <u>Moderator</u>. You must have permission from the Moderator before you can speak.
- When the Moderator recognizes you, <u>standup</u>, <u>speak</u> <u>out</u> loudly and <u>announce your name</u> before proceeding with your comments.
- If you want to change a portion of a motion, you can do so by making an <u>amendment</u>. We will consider only one move to amend at any given time. When discussion regarding an amendment comes to a conclusion, the amendment will be voted upon. If the amendment <u>passes</u> we will then continue considering the original motion as it has now been amended. If the amendment <u>fails</u>, we will return to considering the motion in its form prior to the motion to amend.
- A secret written ballot will be used on any article when requested by any 5 voters in writing (RSA 40:4-a).
- A vote will be re-tabulated by secret written ballot when requested in writing or orally by only 7 voters (RSA 40:40b). This action must be requested before we have already moved onto the next item of business.

One final word of advice from your Moderator: If you want to get action from the Town Meeting, you have to make a motion. It's okay to get up and ask a question or make a comment (as long as it's relevant to what's on the table), but if you want the Town Meeting to discuss and vote on your idea, you have to get it on the table with a motion. Let's work together to have a successful and efficient meeting.

> Thank you Donald Johnson, Moderator

TOWN MEETING - MARCH 10, 1998

The Moderator, Donald Johnson, opened the polls at 9:00 a.m. in the downstairs of the Town Hall. All election official had been sworn in, namely: Robert Fowler, Carroll Chase, Sue Brown, Cynthia Nason and Alice Haslett. The Moderator then proceeded immediately upstairs to open Town Meeting.

The Moderator opened the meeting by explaining the rules of procedure, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the introduction of the Town Officials, and noted that the polls would be open downstairs from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing Town and School Officials and for deciding the written ballot items. The Moderator also introduced the Town's Attorney, Lawrence Gardner. Mr. Johnson announced that at the Annual Freedom School District Meeting held the night before, the budget of \$1,476,000.00 had been approved.

Mr. Johnson then proceeded with the reading of the Warrant:

To the inhabitants of the Town of Freedom in the County of Carroll in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Freedom will be held at the Freedom Town Hall on Tuesday, the 10th day of March, 1998, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects.

There will be voting by Official Ballot for the election of Town Officers and all other articles requiring vote by Official Ballot. The polls open at 9:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close at 7:00 p.m.

All other articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Freedom Town Hall.

ARTICLE I: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

For the purposes of these Minutes, the election results are included herein as follows:

The day started with 951 voters on the checklist, two were removed (one death; one duplicate) and 25 new voters were added during the day for a total of 974. We had a total of 574 people voting, approximately 59%.

TOWN BALLOT:

Moderator (2 years)	Donald G. Johnson 526
Treasurer (3 years)	Ralph Kazanjian459
Selectman (3 year position)	Eric Bossidy444
Selectman (1 year position)(write-in)	Pat McCoy277
	Barry Keith223
Town Clerk (3 years)	
Supervisor of the Checklist (6 years)	Daniel S. Brooks504

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Planning Board (3 years.) (Vote for Two)Martha P. Hall445
Library Trustee (3 years)
Trustee of Trust Funds (3 years) (write in)Bonnie Burroughs5
Road Agent (3 years)Scott N. Brooks414
Town Auditor (1 year) - write-ins only; Selectmen to appoint*

(*Ernest Day, who had been the Town Auditor for the past several years, received 25 write-in votes but declined the position; Town Tax Collector, Tom Kondrat, received the next highest number of write-ins with 15.)

SCHOOL BALLOT:

Moderator (1 year)Donald G. Johnson	509
Clerk of School District (1 year)Carol E. Stansell	474
School Auditor (1 year)	488
School Board Member (3 years)Richard F. Surrette	493
School Treasurer (1 year)Ralph E. Kazanjian	441

NOTE for the Minutes: Article 9 from the Official School District Warrant read as follows:

Article 9: (to vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to change the term of the school treasurer from one (1) year to three (3) years as provided by RSA 671:6a. The following question is on the official ballot:

"Are you in favor of extending the term of the school treasurer two (2) years beginning with the term of the school treasurer at next years regular town meeting, and then to coincide with town treasurers three (3) year term effective in the year 2001, from then on. (by Petition)"

RESULTS: YES 374 NO 125

ARTICLE 2: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Freedom Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board with regard to camps and campgrounds.

The official copy of Amendment #1 is on file and available to the public at the office of the Town Clerk and will be on display at the Town Hall on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Freedom Zoning Ordinance regarding camps and campgrounds?

The proposed amendment would allow residence camps, recreational campgrounds or camping parks as special exception uses in both the Rural Residential District and the General Residential District. Currently, camps and campgrounds are allowed only in the Rural Residential District by Special Exception. The proposed amendment would change the definition of campground and would recognize that campgrounds play an important role in the Town. The proposed amendment lists specific conditions that must be met before camps are allowed by special exception and specifies information that must be included in an application. The amendment, would only apply to new residence camps, recreational campgrounds or camping parks not already in existence on March 10, 1998."

RESULTS: YES 300 NO 179

ARTICLE 3: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Freedom Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board with regard to special exception standards.

The official copy of Amendment #2 is on file and available to the public at the office of the Town Clerk and will be on display at the Town Hall on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Freedom Zoning Ordinance with regard to special exception standards?

The proposed amendment requires the Board of Adjustment to make findings of fact that an application for a special exception satisfies 13 listed standards and for the applicant to provide information as to each standard. The proposed amendment lists specific information that must be included in an application for a special exception, as well."

RESULTS: YES 336 NO 117

ARTICLE 4: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Freedom Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board with regard to water recreation and storage facilities.

The official copy of Amendment #3 is on file and available to the public at the office of the Town Clerk and will be on display at the Town Hall on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Freedom Zoning Ordinance with regard to water recreation and storage facilities?

The proposed amendment would delete entirely the existing Article 9 regarding "Water Recreation and Storage Facilities" from the Zoning Ordinance, replace it with "Water Storage Facility" as a permitted use in each zoning district, and add a new section regarding water storage facilities, requiring such facilities to be enclosed by fences at least four feet high to prevent uncontrolled access by small children. This condition could be waived by the Board of Adjustment if there were no threat to health and safety. Private swimming pools as an accessory use to residen-

tial dwellings are expressly exempted. **RESULTS:** YES 331 NO 125

ARTICLE 5: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Freedom Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board with regard to definitions.

The official copy of Amendment #4 is on file and available to the public at the office of the Town Clerk and will be on display at the Town Hall on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Freedom Zoning Ordinance with regard to definitions?

The proposed amendment would define "Water Storage Facility" and redefine "Lot" and "Accessory Building or Use."

RESULTS: YES 357 NO 123

ARTICLE 6: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Freedom Flood Plain Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board.

The official copy of the amendment is on file and available to the public at the office of the Town Clerk and will be on display at the Town Hall on the day of the meeting. The following question is on the Official Ballot:

"Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment as proposed by the Planning Board for the Freedom Flood Plain Ordinance?

The proposed amendment adds a clearer description of the applicable maps being part of the Flood Plain Ordinance. It also adds definitions for "breakaway wall," "Flood Boundary & Floodway Map," "Flood Elevation Study," "Flood Insurance Study," and "Special Flood Hazard Area." The proposed amendment adds a subparagraph regarding new construction, substantial improvements, or other development within zones A1-30 and AK."

RESULTS: YES 384 NO 99

ARTICLE 7: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to conduct the choice of Town Officers elected by Official Ballot and other action required to be inserted on said Official Ballot on the 2nd Tuesday of March and authorize the Selectmen to choose another day for the second session of the Town Meeting for the transaction of all other Town business as provided in RSA 39:2-a. The following question appears on the Official Ballot.

"Do you approve of having 2 sessions for the Annual Town Meeting in this Town, the first session for choice of Town Officers elected by an Official Ballot and other action required to be inserted on said Official Ballot, and the second session on a date set by the Selectmen, for the transaction of other business?"

RESULTS: YES 281 NO 215

ARTICLE 8:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following sums of money:

Town Officers' Salaries \$ 17,105
Town Officers' Expense
Election and Registration
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings 17,250
Planning and Zoning Boards
Conservation Commission
Legal Fees
Town Needy
Unemployment Compensation
FICA/Med Tax
Insurance
Codes Officer
\$196,754

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: Mark Bittner

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 8: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 9:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following sums of money:

Town Maintenance of Highways\$268,700*
General Expense of Highway Department .71,372
Cemeteries
Street Lights
Old Home Week & Memorial Day
Ball-field, Courts & Beaches
Bond & Interest, Tax Note Interest110,000
Water Precinct
\$468,472

* This appropriation will be reduced by the estimated State Highway Block Grant of \$53,061. with the balance to be raised from taxes, per Department of Revenue Administration.

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: Mark Bittner

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 9: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 10:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$33,030 for the second year lease payment for the motor grader.

MOVED: Scott Brooks

SECONDED: Mark Bittner

Brief explanation by Road Agent, Scott Brooks: second year payment on a five-year lease/purchase; after the 5th payment, the motor grader will belong to the Town.

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 10: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to repave Town roads.

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: Scott Brooks.

Scott Brooks explained that there is usually a sum of \$25,000.00 on the warrant for paving, this amount reflects a price increase in the paving materials.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 11: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 12:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$18,000 to seal Town roads.

MOVED: Scott Brooks

SECONDED: Ralph Kazanjian

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 12: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 13:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$22,390 for an above ground petroleum storage tank system at the Town Garage, in compliance with DES rules which took effect April 25, 1997.

MOVED: Mark Bittner

SECONDED: John Krebs

The Selectmen deferred to Scott Brooks, who explained that the replacement of the tanks is mandated by the Department of Environmental Services and must take place by April of 2000. The new system will allow for better monitoring of fuel consumption by the various departments and the larger tank will allow the Town to purchase the fuel at a better price per gallon.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 13: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 14:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$25,230 for a new salt storage building.

MOVED: Ralph Kazanjian

SECONDED: Scott Brooks

Scott Brooks explained that the new building would be 24 x 48 with concrete walls 10 inches thick, and that he would be able to put away 300 to 400 ton of salt in the fall of the year before the bad weather sets in. Salt is purchased by the ton and it is better to purchase it dry. The new shed will cut down on spillage and leaching. The present building, which is too close to the brook, will be taken down. The new building will be erected back further from the brook and will comply with the required set-backs.

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 14: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 15:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$44,450 for the Fire Department to be used as listed:

Chief's & Members' Expenses\$ 13,000
Turnout Gear
Mutual Aid Dues
Equipment
Training1,500
Maintenance
\$44.450

MOVED: Eli Gordon

SECONDED: Justin Brooks

Mr. Gordon asked if there was a fund set aside for the firemen or the police if someone was injured on the job. The Fire Chief, Gene Doe, and the Selectmen, explained that this would be covered by Workmen's Comp.

Discussion.

Chief Gene Doe made a MOTION TO AMEND the Article down by \$500.00 by reducing the line item for Mutual Aid Dues from \$2,500.00 to \$2,000.00, reducing the Article total down to \$43,950.00; SECONDED by Mark Bittner.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND: YES, unanimous.

Discussion on Article 15 as amended.

Al Davidson made a MOTION MOVE THE QUESTION.

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE: NO, motion defeated; discussion continued.

Bonnie Ainsworth made a MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION.

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE: YES, by majority.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 15 as Amended down to \$43,950.00: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 16:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for Forest Fire Protection. This amount is matched with State funds.

MOVED: Ralph Kazanjian.

SECONDED: Eli Gordon.

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 16: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 17:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$19,995 for the purchase of a new set of "Jaws of Life".

MOVED: Mark Bittner.

SECONDED: Justin Brooks.

Discussion.

MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION: Mark Bittner.

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE: YES, unanimous.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 17: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 18:

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell the 1972 Chevy fire truck and miscellaneous old equipment and to use the proceeds towards the purchase of the "Jaws of Life" if Article 17 is approved, otherwise to be paid into the General Fund.

MOVED: Justin Brooks

SECONDED: Mark Bittner

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 18: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 19:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,500 for the continuation of the Safety and Emergency Management programs. MOVED: Warren Anthony

SECONDED: Ralph Kazanjian

Warren Anthony explained that the intent of this article is to have the Town Hall and perhaps fire station and school properly wired so as to be able to run a generator or generators during the time of an emergency to provide shelter and food for the townspeople.

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 19: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 20:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500 for the Enhanced 911 program.

MOVED: John Krebs

SECONDED: Eli Gordon

Discussion.

Mark Bittner made a MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION.

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE: YES, unanimous.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 20: YES, unanimous.

The Moderator stopped the meeting at 11:05 a.m. for a ten (10) minute recess; the voting had been so heavy downstairs, the ballot box had to be emptied! The meeting re-convened at approximately 11:15 a.m.

ARTICLE 21:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,527 for dues as follows:

MOVED: John Krebs

SECONDED: Marge Conrey

Betty Godfrey MADE A MOTION TO AMEND the Article by removing the \$800 for the M.W.V. Economic Council; SECONDED by Adrienne Brooks.

Discussion followed on Motion to Amend.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND: NO, amendment defeated.

Ralph Kazanjian disagreed with the Moderator's decision and asked for a division of the house. The Moderator then proceeded with a division of the house, asking the Selectmen to assist with counting. Tom Kondrat disagreed with a division of the house - felt that it would be necessary to go

to a written ballot at this point. The Moderator asked the question of the Town's Attorney, Lawrence Gardner. Mr. Gardner stated that the Moderator was following the correct procedure.

A division of the house confirmed that the Motion to Amend had been defeated.

Mark Bittner MADE A MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION.

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE: YES, by majority.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 21 in its original version: YES, by majority.

ARTICLE 22:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$13,517 for the Freedom Public Library to provide and maintain adequate library services for the Freedom Public Library.

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: Wesley Maynard

The Moderator recognized William Stoops, a Library Trustee, who spoke to the issue, explaining that the Library usually requests \$10,000, but the additional funds were being requested due to the fact that the Library had to replace its furnace.

Discussion.

Ed Reed explained that the Library's Expansion Committee had hoped to have an Article on the Warrant for architectural fees, but had missed the February 4th deadline. Mr. Reed MADE A MOTION TO AMEND the Article up by \$2,000.00 to \$15,517.00 for this purpose; SECONDED by Emory Stokes.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT: YES, unanimous.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 22 as amended up to \$15,517.00: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 23:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$69,663 for the Police Department.

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: Mary Ellen Cade

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 23: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 24:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$34,951 for the salary and benefits of a police officer completing the last year of the 3-year \$75,000 Federal COPS Grant.

Comment: The Federal Grant of \$20,000 will reduce the actual cost of the Town to \$14,951.

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: Ralph Kazanjian

Chief Pyne explained that the Town's portion had increased over the three years and that next year the policeman's entire salary would be added to the regular budget.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 25: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 25:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$18,825 for the purchase of a police cruiser.

Comment: The old police cruiser was damaged in an automobile accident. The balance of the insurance settlement, \$3,200, will reduce the amount to be raised by taxes to \$15,625.

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: Ralph Kazanjian

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 25: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 26:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for the operation of the Town Transfer Station the sum of \$76,288.

MOVED: Mark Bittner

SECONDED: Richard Goff

Much discussion regarding the recycling and the potential for privatizing with Rapid Rubbish. It was explained by the Town's Attorney, Lawrence Gardner, that the Selectmen cannot enter in to a contract for privatizing the transfer station without the approval of a Town Meeting. Royanne Bossidy asked for an Amendment to the Article to have that so stated in writing and was advised by Mr. - Gardner and by the Moderator that it was not necessary.

Tom Kondrat made a MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION.

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE: YES, unanimous.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 26: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 27:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the bulldozer at the Transfer Station.

This Article was not introduced on to the floor; passed over.

ARTICLE 28:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,281 for Freedom's share of the Ossipee Lake Dam Authority for 1998.

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: William Cutler

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 28: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 29:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$11,990 for the following purposes:

Huggins Hospital\$ 1,200
Carroll County Mental Health
Children Unlimited
Community Action Program1,500
Children's Health Center1,705
Visiting Nurse Service1,100
Family Health Center
Starting Point (formerly Domestic Violence)500
Red Cross
Family Support
Animal Control

\$11,990

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: Mary Ellen Cade

Betty Godfrey MADE A MOTION TO AMEND this Article by reducing this Article by \$9,990.00, deleting all line items except animal control, and giving the \$9,990.00 to the Library; SECONDED by Bob Spaulding.

Discussion.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT: NO, - the amendment was defeated.

No further discussion on Article 29 in its original form.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 29 in its original form: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 30:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$11,550 for the ambulance service.

MOVED: John Krebs

SECONDED: Peg Cade

Discussion.

Al Davidson made a MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION.

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION: YES, unanimous.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 30: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 31:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,745 for the purchase of computer software for vehicle registrations, dog licensing, etc. for use at the Town Clerk's office.

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: John Krebs

Richard Goff spoke to the issue - said it was long past due and would pay for itself.

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 31: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 32:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of a Town-wide reappraisal for tax assessment purposes as authorized by RSA 35:1, III, and such Capital Reserve Fund shall be known as the Reappraisal Capital Reserve Fund?

MOVED: Mark Bittner

SECONDED: John Krebs

Richard Goff explained to the meeting that our tax assessment rates according to the State are at an unacceptable level, which makes tax abatements more difficult. The State has not yet ordered a re-evaluation. However, re-evaluation is inevitable. The last re-val was done in 1990.

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 32: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 33:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be paid into the Reappraisal Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectmen: For <u>3</u> Against: <u>0</u>

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: Ralph Kazanjian

Tom Kondrat MADE A MOTION TO AMEND this Article down to \$25,000.00; SECONDED by Malcolm Reed.

Discussion on Amendment.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT: NO, amendment defeated.

No further discussion on Article 33 in its original form.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 33 in its original form: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 34:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,534 for restoration of the Town Hall kitchen.

MOVED: Mark Bittner

SECONDED: John Krebs

Discussion.

Justin Brooks made a MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION.

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE: YES, unanimous.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 34: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 35:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,865 for upgrading lighting at the Town Office building.

MOVED: Richard Goff

SECONDED: John Krebs

The Town Clerk, Libby Priebe, asked if this amount included emergency lighting and was told it did not.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 35: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 36: (By Petition)

"We, the undersigned, do hereby petition the Selectmen of the Town of Freedom, State of New Hampshire, to include in the next Town Meeting or Special Town Meeting an article to bring these class 5 sections of Town Roads up to Town specifications and then pave same. This affects Old Stagecoach Road from the New Lake Ossipee Road to the junction of Weona Drive a distance of 456 feet. From that point, on Weona Drive a distance of 636 feet, or a total of 1,092 feet.

Cost of upgrading with gravel, etc., to maintain Town specifications has been furnished by Alvin Coleman Co., of Albany, N.H.

Gi	ravel delivered	d & fine grading .	\$21,709
As	sphalt in place	e (allowancy) [sic]	
М	isc. drainage l	loam and fine grading	ng,
	possible un	foreseen expenses	
			\$34,243 "
Selectmen:	For	Against	

Legal Comment: The Town Meeting cannot act on this Article until Old Stage Coach Road and Weona Drive, assumed to be Class VI highways, are reclassified as Class V highways. The Selectmen have inserted Articles to allow the Town Meeting to act legally on the subject matter of this petitioned Article. The legal procedure recommended is to take no action on this Article, but to go on and take up the Articles inserted by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 36 was read and the town's attorney, Lawrence Gardner, explained that when the warrant was put together, the status of the two roads was uncertain. He advised the Moderator to skip over Article 36, proceed with Article 37, and come back to Article 36.

ARTICLE 37:

To see if the Town will vote to reclassify pursuant to RSA 231:22a, as a Class V Town Highway that portion of Old Stage Coach Road from the new Lake Ossipee Road to the junction of Weona Drive for a distance of approximately 456 feet.

MOVED: William Cutler

SECONDED: Janet Johnson

SECONDED: John Krebs

VOTE ON ARTICLE 37: YES, unanimous.

ARTICLE 38:

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to upgrade and pave the reclassified portion of Old Stage Coach Road.

The Moderator noted that we needed to pass over Article 38 and proceed to Article 39.

ARTICLE 39:

To see if the Town will vote to reclassify pursuant to RSA 231:22a, as a Class V Town Highway that portion of Weona Drive from the junction of Old Stage Coach Road for a distance of approximately 636 feet.

Comment: Research at the time the warrant was prepared indicated a Town Meeting vote in 1969 to take no action on accepting a deed conveying a highway through Square Brook Estates to be taken over as a Town Highway. The only Town Meeting action found as to roads in the Square Brook Estates was a 1975 Town Meeting vote to do winter maintenance. If Weona Drive is a private road, the Town Meeting cannot reclassify a private road. Weona Drive would have to be either laid out by the Selectmen as a Town Highway or the Selectmen would have to accept a deed conveying Weona Drive to the Town as a public highway. Any Town Meeting action to consider an appropriation to upgrade and pave, would have to wait until March 1999.

MOVED: Ralph Kazanjian

SECONDED: Janet Johnson

As a result of discussion, the Moderator determined that the Selectmen believe that Weona Drive is a private road and has no classification; therefore, it cannot be re-classified. The Moderator also acknowledged that there is apparent disagreement with this finding by Square Brook residents. The Moderator noted that it was the general feeling of the meeting was that this should be investigated further to determine the status of Weona Drive and that no action should be taken at this time.

Tom Kondrat MADE A MOTION TO TABLE THE ARTICLE;

SECONDED by Ralph Kazanjian.

VOTE ON MOTION TO TABLE ARTICLE 39: YES, unanimous.

The Moderator then returned the meeting to Article 36:

Article 36 reads as follows:

ARTICLE 36: (By Petition)

"We, the undersigned, do hereby petition the Selectmen of the Town of Freedom, State of New Hampshire, to include in the next Town Meeting or Special Town Meeting an article to bring these class 5 sections of Town Roads up to Town specifications and then pave same. This affects Old Stagecoach Road from the New Lake Ossipee Road to the junction of Weona Drive a distance of 456 feet. From that point, on Weona Drive a distance of 636 feet, or a total of 1,092 feet.

Cost of upgrading with gravel, etc., to maintain Town specifications has been furnished by Alvin Coleman Co., of Albany, N.H.

Gravel delivered & fine grading\$21,709 Asphalt in place (allowancy) [sic]7,310 Misc. drainage loam and fine grading, possible unforeseen expenses5.224

\$34.243"

Selectmen: For _____ Against ___

Legal Comment: The Town Meeting cannot act on this Article until Old Stage Coach Road and Weona Drive, assumed to be Class VI highways, are reclassified as Class V highways. The Selectmen have inserted Articles to allow the Town Meeting to act legally on the subject matter of this petitioned Article. The legal procedure recommended is to take no action on this Article, but to go on and take up the Articles inserted by the Board of Selectmen.

MOVED: William Cutler

SECONDED: Ralph Kazanjian

William Cutler made a MOTION TO AMEND the Article to change the wording by omitting the reference to "paving same" and to insert "bring-

ing Old Stagecoach Road up to town specifications - \$16,500.00; and to paving the apron - \$2,500.00 - for a total of \$19,000.00; SECONDED by Dave McCue, so that the Article would now read:

"We, the undersigned, do hereby petition the Selectmen of the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire, to bring Old Stagecoach Road up to Town specifications. This affects Old Stagecoach Road from the New Lake Ossipee Road to the junction of Weona Drive a distance of 456 feet, as follows:

Bringing Old Stagecoach Road up to
Town Specifications\$ 16,500,00
Paved Apron
\$ 19,000,00

Discussion.

Mark Bittner MADE A MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION;

VOTE ON MOTION TO MOVE: YES, by majority.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 36: NO, by majority amendment defeated.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 36 as originally presented; NO, unanimous.

ARTICLE 40:

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to upgrade and pave the reclassified portion of Weona Drive.

See comment under Article 39,

The Moderator announced that we would pass over this Article and proceed to Article 41.

ARTICLE 41: (By Petition)

"To see if the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire will vote to give the Board of Selectmen the authority to request the Freedom Road Agent to plow and maintain Wintergreen Ridge Road during the winter. The property owners of Wintergreen Ridge Road will be responsible for all summer maintenance, repair and general upkeep."

Legal Comment: The Selectmen have been advised by the Town Attorney that only the Selectmen can layout Wintergreen Ridge Road as a winter road requiring the Town to maintain that road from November 15 until April 1 of each year. In order for the Selectmen to act' there must be a petition to the Board of Selectmen to lay out Wintergreen Ridge Road as a winter road under RSA 231:24. The Selectmen send a notice to landowners, hold a public hearing and decide.

There was no motion made to bring this Article on to the floor, so the Moderator moved on to Article 42.

ARTICLE 42: (By Petition)

"To have the Town of Freedom pave North Broad Bay Road at least 0.3 of a mile from Lake Ossipee Road to the Stabile property.

We the undersigned taxpayers and users of North Broad Bay Road in the Town of Freedom, N.H., hereby request that the North Broad Bay Road be paved, monies to come from the Highway Proposed Budget for 1998. Dust and traffic due to Dave Sand's Lake Ossipee Village Beach Club."

Comment: If this article is approved, it would be advisory only and would require the Selectmen to take the money to repave this highway from Article 9 above.

MOVED: Karen Babb SECONDED: Gwen Stabile

Gwen Stabile spoke on behalf of this Article

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 42: NO, by majority - the article was defeated.

ARTICLE 43:

To review real estate acquired by the Town by Tax Collector's deeds since the last Annual Town Meeting.

There was no motion made to bring this Article on to the floor, so the Moderator moved on to Article 44.

ARTICLE 44:

To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Glenda Espinosa MADE A MOTION TO RE-CONSIDER ARTICLE 41, SECONDED by Janet Johnson.

VOTE ON MOTION TO RECONSIDER: YES, unanimous.

Article 41 reads as follows:

ARTICLE 41: (By Petition)

"To see if the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire will vote to give the Board of Selectmen the authority to request the Freedom Road Agent to plow and maintain Wintergreen Ridge Road during the winter. The property owners of Wintergreen Ridge Road will be responsible for all summer maintenance, repair and general upkeep."

Legal Comment: The Selectmen have been advised by the Town Attorney that only the Selectmen can layout Wintergreen Ridge Road as a winter road requiring the Town to maintain that road from November 15 until April 1 of each year. In order for the Selectmen to act, there must be a petition to the Board of Selectmen to lay out Wintergreen Ridge Road as a winter road under RSA 231:24. The Selectmen send a notice to landown-

ers, hold a public hearing and decide.

Discussion.

The Town's attorney, Lawrence Gardner, re-stated the Legal Comment information and advised the petitioners that they need to follow that course of action.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 41: NO, by majority - the article was defeated.

Further discussion on Article 44:

Ellie Stokes made a recommendation that, based on the fact that the town has \$4000.00 for the needy, it might be time for the town to hire somebody to work with the needy to assist with their problems.

The Moderator pointed out that we couldn't act on that today would be a recommendation only.

It was recommended that the next Town Meeting consider hiring someone to help the needy, creating a new town employee position; SECONDED by Emory Stokes.

Discussion.

VOTE ON MOTION TO ACCEPT THIS RECOMMENDATION: NO, by majority recommendation failed.

Justin Brooks made a MOTION TO ADJOURN; SECONDED by Tom Kondrat.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Tom Kondrat offered a "Thank you" the two retiring Selectmen : Mark Bittner and Richard Goff.

A true record, attest:

A. ELIZABETH PRIEBE, TOWN CLERK

(NOTE: the total amount of money raised and appropriated for today's meeting is: \$1,164,557.00.)

(Full discussion on tape.)

TOWN MEETING - MARCH 13, 1999 WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire - Town of Freedom: The polls will be open on Tuesday, March 9, 1999, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Freedom in the County of Carroll and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Freedom will be held in two sessions at the Freedom Town Hall, the first session on Tuesday, March 9, 1999, with the polls open from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing town and school officials, and on Saturday, March 13, 1999, at 9:00 a.m. in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects.

There will be voting by Official Ballot for the election of: Town Officers and all others articles requiring vote by Official Ballot, being Articles 1 through 6, on Tuesday, March 9, 1999. The polls open at 9:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close at 7:00 p.m.

All other Articles, being Articles 7 through 42, will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Freedom Town Hall on Saturday, March 13, 1999.

ARTICLE 1: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see whether or not the Town will vote to adopt Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Freedom Planning Board to the Town Zoning Ordinance which amends Freedom Zoning Ordinance Article 1'2, Section 1201, by deleting the last sentence therein and inserting the following subparagraphs:

- a. Definition: In order to more harmoniously integrate manufactured homes into the overall New England Style ambiance of the Town of Freedom, all manufactured homes not placed in manufactured home parks shall be of a combined transportable structure constructed don a permanent chassis with a combined structural width of not less than fifteen feet (15') wide and not less than thirty-eight feet (38') in length and place don a minimum of a full frost wall foundation and designed to be used as a dwelling connected to required utilities which include plumbing, heating, electric and septic.
- b. Flood Plain: Manufactured homes installed in the Flood Plain Area shall meet all the requirements to satisfy all laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to Flood Plain Areas.
- c. Installation: Manufactured homes installed after the adoption of this ordinance shall meet construction requirements of, and be certified by, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Recommended by the Freedom Planning Board (5-0-0)

ARTICLE 3: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see whether or not the Town will vote to adopt Amendment 2 as proposed by the Freedom Planning Board to the Town Building Code which amends the Freedom Building Code by deleting all references to the "1990 Edition-BOCA, National Building Code" in Article II, Section 1 and Section 4(c) (misnomered as Section 5 under page 5) and the subsections thereunder and adopting and inserting therefor as follows:

1996 Edition of the BOCA National Building Code as recommended and maintained by the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc., except that all penalty clauses therein shall be deleted and the penalties and remedies shall remain as now applicable under the Freedom Building Code.

Recommended by the Freedom Planning Board (5-0-0).

ARTICLE 4: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see whether the Town will adopt amendment 3 as proposed by the Freedom Planning Board to the Town building Code which amends the Freedom Building Code by deleting all references to the "1987 Edition BOCA. National Plumbing Code" in Article II, Section 1 and Section 4(B) and the subsections thereunder and adopting and inserting therefor as follows:

1993 Edition of the BOCA National Plumbing Code as recommended and maintained by the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc., except that all penalty clauses therein shall be deleted and the penalties and remedies shall remain as now applicable under the Freedom Building Code.

Recommended by the Freedom Planning Board (5-0-0).

ARTICLE 5: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see whether the Town will adopt Amendment 4 as proposed by the Freedom Planning Board to the Town Building Code which amends Freedom Building Code by deleting all references to the "1987 Edition NFPA7O. NFPA National Electric Code" in Article II, Section 1 and Section 4(A) and adopting and inserting therefor as follows:

1996 Edition of the National Electric Code, ANSI/NFPA 70 as adopted by the National Fire Protection Association, Inc. and approved by the American National Standards Institute, except that all penalty clauses therein shall be deleted and penalties and remedies shall remain as now applicable under the Freedom Building Code.

Recommended by the Freedom Planning Board (5-0-0).

ARTICLE 6: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To see if the Town will rescind the prior Town Meeting vote for having two (2) sessions of the Annual Town Meeting. This article will be voted on by Official Ballot, which will contain the following question, as required by RSA 39:2-a:

"Shall the provisions for having two sessions of the Annual Town Meeting be declared no longer in effect in this Town?"

ARTICLE 7:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money:

Town Officers' Salaries\$17,105.	00
Town Officers' Expense	00
Election and Registration	00
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	00
Planning and Zoning Boards	00
Conservation Commission	00
Legal Fees	00
Town Needy	00
Unemployment Compensation1,500.	00
FICA/MED Tax14,750.	00
Insurance	00
Codes Officer	00

\$193,682.00

ARTICLE 8:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money:

Town Maintenance of Highways*	\$263,050.00
General Expense of Highway Department	
Cemeteries	1,500.00
Street Lights	
Old Home Week & Memorial Day	1,700.00
Ball-field, Courts & Beaches	
Bond & Interest, Tax Note Interest	105,260.00
Water Precinct	

\$456,145.00

* This appropriation will be reduced by the estimated State Highway Block Grant of \$52,339.70, with the balance to be raised from taxes, per Department of Revenue Administration.

ARTICLE 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,030.00 for the third year lease payment for the motor grader.

ARTICLE 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 to repave Town roads.

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000.00 to seal Town Roads.

ARTICLE 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to extend town water to the highway garage and ball field.

ARTICLE 13:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 to be held in a Highway Improvement Account to be drawn upon as needed by the Board of Selectmen for remediation of the flood damage to the Town roads and any balance not expended within two (2) years to shall be added to the Town's General Fund. These monies were reimbursed in 1998 by the State of New Hampshire but at the time put in to the general fund and not the highway budget.

ARTICLE 14:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,800.00 to purchase a new 6-yard stainless steel sander.

ARTICLE 15:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to purchase a gas pump and computerized key system for the fuel storage unit located at the Town Garage.

ARTICLE 16:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of reconstructing the Bennett Road and Danforth Bridge as authorized by RSA 35:1, III, and such Capital Reserve Fund shall be known as the Bennett Road/Danforth Bridge Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 17:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 to be paid in to the Bennett Road/Danforth Bridge Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 18:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 to fund a Zoning Enforcement Officer for one (l) year.

ARTICLE 19:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 for survey and permitting fees to establish a stump dump at Town property on Round Pond Road. This is a one-time expenditure.

ARTICLE 20:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$46,750.00 for the Fire Department to be used as listed:

Town of Freedom, New Hampshire

Chiefs & Members	s' Expenses	\$.\$13,000.00
Turnout Gear		 	2,500.00
Mutual Aid Dues		 	2,500.00
Equipment		 	8,500.00
Training		 	2,500.00
Maintenance		 	17,750.00

\$46,750.00

ARTICLE 21:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for Forest Fire Protection. This amount is matched with State funds.

ARTICLE 22:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for the ambulance service.

ARTICLE 23:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the continuation of the Safety and Emergency Management programs.

ARTICLE 24:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$114,795.00 for the Police Department.

ARTICLE 25:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation of the Town Transfer Station the sum of \$111,780.00.

ARTICLE 26:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,859.00 for Freedom's share of the Ossipee Lake Dam Authority for 1999.

ARTICLE 27:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,662.00 for the following charitable entities:

Huggins Hospital\$ 1.00
Carroll County Mental Health
Children Unlimited
Community Action Program
Children's Health Center
Visiting Nurse Service
Family Health Center
Starting Point (formerly Domestic Violence)
Red Cross
Animal Control

\$9,662.00

ARTICLE 28:

To see if the Town of Freedom will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the Family Support Program of The Center of Hope, Inc., according to a petition by Mary Ellen Cade and others.

ARTICLE 29:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,200.00 for the Freedom Public Library to provide and maintain adequate library services for the Freedom Public Library.

ARTICLE 30:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the Freedom Public Library for use in conjunction with the construction and expansion of the Library, and such Capital Reserve Fund shall be known as the Freedom Public Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 31:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000.00 to be paid in to the Freedom Public Library Expansion Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 32:

To see if the voters will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,727.00 for the support of the Lakes Region Planning Commission for 1999, according to a petition by Margery Conrey and others.

ARTICLE 33:

To see if the voters will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$844.00 for the support of the Mount Washington Valley Economic Council for 1999, according to a petition by Margery Conrey and others.

ARTICLE 34:

To see if the Town will choose to have the property taxes in the Town of Freedom collected semi-annually (twice a year) commencing with January 2000 pursuant to RSA 76:15A. (Taxes are currently collected annually (once a year).

ARTICLE 35:

To see if the Town of Freedom will vote to establish a Budget Committee, under RSA 32:14, to oversee the town and school proposed budgets and expenditures. Said committee to contain five (5) members and be voted into office at the regular March 2000 Town Meeting, who shall serve staggered terms of three (3) years, according to a petition by Elizabeth R. Godfrey and others.

ARTICLE 36:

To see whether the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to abandon and release by deed the Town's right of way for access purposes over the property of Frederic Ainsworth and Bonnie Ainsworth from Old Portland Road on terms and conditions to be determined by the Board of Selectmen acting in behalf of the Town.

ARTICLE 37:

To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to apply against purchase and gift of approximately one acre of land adjacent to the Town Garage property on terms and conditions to be determined by the Board of Selectmen acting in behalf of the Town.

ARTICLE 38:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 to be paid in to the Reappraisal Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 39:

To see whether the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at public sale, the terms of which shall be determined by said Board of Selectmen, any real estate which the Town acquires by Tax collector's deed except when said real estate is being conveyed back to the former owner or the heirs or assigns of the former owner, in which instance private sale may be utilized, with this authorization to remain in effect indefinitely until rescinded by vote of the Town per RSA 80:84 IV.

ARTICLE 40:

To see if the Town will vote to pay over to the Trustees of the Trust Funds the amount of \$1,840.65 from the sale of lots at "Prospect Cemetery" to be held in a perpetual care fund with the income therefrom annually applied to the care and maintenance of the cemetery.

ARTICLE 41:

To review real estate acquired by the Town by Tax Collector's Deeds since the last Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 42:

To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 2nd day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-nine.

A true copy, attest

BOARD OF SELECTMEN John D. Krebs Patricia E. McCoy Eric Bossidy

BUDGET 1999 OF THE TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH January 1, 1999 - December 31, 1999

	Appropriations	Actual	Appropriations
PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Prior Year	Expenditures Prior Year	Ensuing Fiscal Year
General Government			
Executive	\$17,105	\$17,105	\$17,105
Election, Registration, & Vital Statis			3,550
Financial Administration	68,592	63,817	65,400
Legal Expense			18,500
Personnel Administration			16,250
Planning and Zoning			
General Government Building			
Cemeteries			
Insurance			
Auventising and Regional Associa	110118.2,327	2,321	
Public Safety			
Police			114,795
Ambulance			10,000
Fire			
Bldg. Inspection			
Emergency Management Other (including communications)			
Other (including communications)		4,773	
Highways and Streets			
Highways and Streets			
Street Lighting	10,000		8,000
Sanitation			
Solid Waste Disposal			111,780
Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other	1,744	1,100	
Health			
Pest Control	2.000	1.044	
Health Agencies & Hospitals & O	ther . 9.990	9.990	
		, , ,	
Welfare Vendor Payments and Other	4 000	2 520	2 750
vendor Payments and Other	4,000	2,539	3,750
Culture and Recreation			
Parks and Recreation			
Library			
Patriotic Purposes			
Other Culture and Recreation	2,500	2,500	1,200
Conservation			
Admin. & Purch. of Natural Reso	urces 400 .	300	

Debt Service			
Princ Long Term Bonds & Note			
Interest - Long Term Bonds & No			
Interest on TANs	8,000 .		
Capital Outlay			15.000
Land			
Buildings			
Improvements Other Than Building			4,000
Operating Transfers Out			
To Capital Reserve Fund	50,000 .	50,000	200,000
Total Appropriations	\$1,164,557	\$1,156,876	\$1,318,374
	Estimated	Actual	Estimated
SOURCE OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Revenue	Revenue
Taxes	Prior year	Prior year	Ensuing FY
Land Use Change Taxes	\$2,450 .	\$2,450	
Timber Taxes			\$23,000
Other Taxes			
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent T	axes 27,000.	30,581	28,000
Licenses, Permits and Fees			
Business Licenses & Permits			
Building Permits Other Licenses, Permits & Fees.	6,500 .	22 672	28,000
From Federal Government			20,000
	120,102 .	120,500	
From State Shared Revenue	5 000	12 041	12 000
Meals & Rooms Tax Distr			
Highway Block Grant.			
Other			
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Sale of Municipal Property	11,000 .	11,004	
Interest on Investments			
Other	6,000 .	13,581	12,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In From Special Revenue Funds		345	
From Financing Sources			
Fund Balance (surplus) to Reduce	e Taxes	20,500	
Total Estimated Revenues & Credit	s \$493,279	\$569,050	\$390,840
Total Appropriations		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	.\$1,318,374
Amount of Estimated Revenues &			
Amount of Taxes to be Raised			\$927,534

PROPERTY VALUATION INVENTORY SCHEDULE

Value of Land Only	Acres	1998 Assessed Valuation	Totals
A. Current Use		\$787,427	
A. (at current use values)			
B. Residential		95,265,835	
C. Commercial/Industrial		4,602,387	
Total of Taxable Land			\$100,655,649

Tax Exempt Non Taxable (3,538,500)

Value of Buildings Only

	A. Residential		\$9	9,114,9	48
	B. Manufactured Housing .		1	1,156,5	00
	A. (as defined in RSA 674:3	1)			
	C. Commercial/Industrial			5,479,9	60
A.	Total of Taxable Buildings			6 F.	\$115,751,408

Tax Exempt Non Taxable (4,349,500)

Public Utilities - Value of all property used in production, transmission and distribution including production, machinery, land, landrights, easements, etc.

Electric	\$1,478,140
Valuation Before Exemptions	.\$217,885,197
Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	l.
72:43f & 72:43h	•
Exempt. RSA 72:37-b	1
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions	\$716,000

Net Valuation of Which the Tax Rate is Computed\$217,169,197

UTILITY SUMMARY

Name of Company Electric Public Service of NH NH Electric Co-op					
					\$1,478,140
Types of Elderly Exemptions Being G Option Adjusted Exemption					r Adopted 1990
Elderly Exemption Count					
Number of Individuals				=	96,000
			25,000	=	125,000
	8	@	50,000	=	400,000
Total			21		\$621,000
Total Number of Acres Exempted und	ler Curr	en	tUse		9605

Total Number of Acres Taken out of Current Use During Year2

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief, RSA 21-J:34.

Selectmen of Freedom, John D. Krebs Patricia E. McCoy Eric Bossidy

APPROPRIATIONS - STATEMENT OF

Purposes of Appropriation

General Government

	Town Officers Salaries	\$ 17,105
	Election & Registration	4,600
	Town Officers Expense	68,592
	Legal Expense	
	Personnel Administration	13,450
	Planning & Zoning	
	General Government Buildings	
	Cemeteries	
	Insurance	
	Regional Association	
Public S	Safety	
	Police	104,614
	Ambulance	11,550
	Fire	
	Building Inspection	4,600
	Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	3,781
	Safety Program	3,500
Highwa	y, Streets and Bridges	
	Highway, Streets and Bridges	
	Street Lighting	10,000
Sanitati	0.0	
Saman	Solid Waste Disposal	74 544
	Sewage Collection and Disposal	
	Sewage concerton and Disposal	
Water I	Distribution and Treatment	
	Water Precinct	
Health		
	Animal Control	
	Health Agencies and Hospitals	9,990
Welfare		
wenare	vendor Payments	4 000
	venuor rayments	4,000
Culture	and Recreation	
	Park and Recreation	1,900
	Library	
	Patriotic Purposes	500
	Old Home Week	
Conserv	vation	

Town of Freedom, New Hampsh	ire	е
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Debt Service Principal Long Term Bond Interest Long Term Bond	80,000
Interest on TAN	
Capital Outlay	
Machinery, Vehicles and Equipment	75,595
Buildings	
Improvements other than buildings	
Operating Transfers Out	
Reappraisal	50,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS\$1,1	64,557
Overlay	21,289

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

	Tax Rates
Total Town Appropriations \$1,164,557	Kates
Less: Revenues	
Less: Shared Revenues	
Add: Overlay	
War Service Credits	
Net Town Appropriation	
Approved Tax Effort\$686,909	
Municipal Tax Rate	3.16
School Portion	
Due Local School\$1,283,325	
Less: Shared Revenues 5,166	
Net School Appropriation	
Approved School Effort	
School Tax Rate	5.89
County Portion	
Due to County	
Less: Shared Revenues	
Net County Appropriation	
Approved County Tax Effort	0.00
County Tax Rate	0.80
Combined Tax Rate	9.85

Commitment Analysis

Total Property Taxes Assessed .	 		 		 				 .2,139,117
Less: War Service Credits	 		 						 (17,900)
Total Property Tax Commitment		• •	 		 	•			 .2,121,217

Proof of Rate

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
217,169,197	9.85	2,139,117

TOWN OWNED EQUIPMENT In Excess of \$1,000

Highway

1963 York Rake
1979 H60 Hough Loader
1992 Morbark Chipper
1994 GMC Topkick all wheel drive
1995 Case 580L Backhoe
1996 Ford 350 one ton
1991 MB Sweeper
1995 Tar Pot
1994 Billy Goat
1987 Fontaine 10 yd sander
1994 Swenson stainless steel 5 yd sander
1997 Gallion Grader

Police Department

1996 Ford Crown Victoria 1997 Ford Crown Victoria Kustom Trooper Radar Unit

Fire Department

1996 Spartan Fire Truck
1989 Mack Fire Truck
1986 Chevy Rescue Truck
1985 Chevy Tank Truck
1948 Military Forestry Truck
1926 Seagrave Fire Truck
1996 Stinger Deck Gun
1996 100 watt Kenwood Radio
1996 Physio Control Defibrillator
1998 Jaws of Life
10 Survivair Airpacks
Honda Generator

TOWN OWNED PROPERTY SCHEDULE as of December 31, 1998

Town Hall, Town Office, Land and Buildings	
Library, Land and Buildings	
Police Department Equipment	34,300
Fire Department Land and Buildings	
Highway Department Land and Buildings Equipment Materials and Supplies	450,000
Transfer/Recycling Facility Land and Buildings	
Parks, Commons, Playgrounds and Beaches	305,200
Schools, Land, Building, Equipment.	1,035,200
Conservation Commission	189,800
All Land Acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds	12,800
All other Property Fox Run Lot Demerritt Land - near precinct Abuts Morrow/Haynes - Owners uncertain backland off Cushing Corner Road	22,300
	\$3,796,600

SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY

Liability at Beginning of Year	
Total Liability within Current Year	\$2,153,348
Payments made to School District	
	\$2,513,348

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

New Issues During Current Year\$	545,000
Issues Retired During Current Year	545,000

BALANCE SHEET -DECEMBER 31, 1998

ASSETS:	BEGINNING .	ENDING
Cash	\$801.743	\$729.896
Taxes Receivable		
Tax Liens Receivable		
Accounts Receivable		
Due From Federal Government		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,071,806	\$929,053
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY: CURRENT LIABILITIES: Warrants and Accounts Payable Due to School District Other Payables	870,023 .	684,325
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$903,816	\$710,941
FUND EQUITY:		
Reserve for Encumbrances	\$20,010 .	\$ 28,461
Unreserved Fund Balance		
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$167,990	\$218,112
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	\$1,071,806	\$929,053

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FISCAL YEAR 1998

Transfor To

	Balance 01-01-98			Transfer To Genl Fund Revenue	
Insurance Funds Reserved For The Repair or Replacem of Damaged Property	ient				
Public Safety: Police (Cruiser)	.\$ 3,200	\$ 0	.\$ 3,200	\$ 0	\$ 0
Sanitation: Landfill (Building) .	0	3,225	2,880	345	0
Total Insurance Funds	3,200	3,225	6,080	345	0
Gifts and Donations:					
General Government: Town Hall - Kitchen Selectmen					
Public Safety: Police Dept Fire Dept			0 0	0 0	
Highways: Highway Dept	408	500	390	0	518
Culture and Recreation: Library	0	300	300	0	0
Total Gifts & Donations	1,374	3,650	2,290	0	2,734
OUTSIDE DETAIL:					
Public Safety: Police Dept	0	2,720	2,720	0	0
Total Outside Detail	0	2,720	2,720	0	0
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$ 4,574	\$ 9,595	\$11,090	\$ 345	\$ 2,734
ACTIVITY BY FUNCTION		¢ 1 000	¢ 1 (00	¢ 0	• • • •
General Government Public Safety	3,700	3,770	5,920	0	1,550
Highways					
Culture and Recreation .					
	\$ 4,574	\$ 9,595	\$11,090	\$ 345	\$ 2,734

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET -ALL FUNDS December 31, 1998

	Special			Total
General	Revenue	Debt	Trust	All
Fund	Fund	fund	Funds	Funds
.\$ 24,408	\$ 2,734	\$ 0	\$ 0	.\$ 27,142
33,198	0	0	0	33,198
1,076	0	0	0	1,076
ebt0	0	.320,000	0	.320,000
\$ 929,053	\$ 2,734	\$320,000	\$133,930	\$1,385,717
.\$ 26,571	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	.\$ 26,571
684,325	0	0	31,489	.715,814
0	0	0	0	0
45	0	0	0	45
\$ 710,941	\$ 0	\$320,000	\$ 31,489	\$1,062,430
189,651	0	0	0	.189,651
\$218,112	\$ 2,734	\$ 0	\$102,441	\$323,287
\$929,053	\$ 2,734	\$320,000	\$133,930	\$1,385,717
	Fund .\$ 24,408 .705,488 .149,068 33,198 1076 15,815 0 ebt0 \$ 929,053 \$ 929,053 	General Fund Revenue Fund \$ 24,408 .\$ 2,734 .705,488 .0 .149,068 .0 .33,198 .0 .1,076 .0 .15,815 .0 0 .0 .929,053 \$ 2,734 .\$ 26,571 .0 .684,325 .0	General Fund Revenue Fund Debt fund .\$ 24,408 .\$ 2,734 .\$ 0 705,488 0 0 149,068 0 0 33,198 0 0 149,068 0 0 33,198 0 0 1076 0 0 1076 0 0 1076 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	General Fund Revenue Fund Debt fund Trust Funds .\$ 24,408 .\$ 2,734 .\$ 0 .\$ 0 705,488 0 0 .133,930 149,068 0 0 133,930 149,068 0 0 0 33,198 0 0 0 1,076 0 0 0

DEBT - AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

Purpose	Road Upgrade
Annual Installment	\$80,000
Interest Rate	\$5.58
Date of Final Payment	
Bonds o/s at beginning of year	\$400,000
Bonds issued this year	0
Bonds Retired this year	\$80,000
Bonds o/s at end of year	\$320,000

Annual requirements to amortize all general obligation (debt as of 12/31/98)

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
1999	\$80,000	\$17,760	\$97,760
2000	80,000		
2001	80,000		
2002	80,000		
TOTAL	\$320,000	\$44,800	\$364,800

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES 1998

Title of Appropriation			Unexpended	Overdraft
Town Officers Salaries	\$17,105	\$17,105		
Town Officers Expense .	68,592	63,871	\$ 4,721	
Election & Registration .	4,600	4,837		\$ 237
Town Buildings	17,250	15,494	1,756	
Highway Maintenance		335,492	4,580	
Police Department	104,614	104,684		70
Fire Dept. & Forest Fire .		43,993	957	
Transfer Station	76,288	96,664		20,376
Cemetery		1,215	1,285	
Legal Expenses	25,000			805
Planning & Zoning		1,814	1,786	
Zoning Officer	4,600	4,627		27
FICA/MED Tax		13,761		1,361
Unemployment Comp		1,264		214
Insurance			4,100	
Welfare		2,539	1,461	
Street Lights	10,000	7,924	2,076	
Water Precinct	1,000	1,000		
Library	15,517	15,517		
Parks & Recreation			737	
Conservation Commission			100	
Interest Expense		27,111	2,889	
Bond	80,000			
Capital Reserve	50,000	50,000		
Health & Social Services	21,540			
Animal Control		1,044	956	
Advertising & Reg. Assoc		2,527		
Ossipee Lake Dam Author	rity3,281	3,275	6	
Safety Program	4,000	1,170	2,830	
Capital Outlay	174,614	174,137		
TOTALS	\$1,164,557	\$1,153,930	\$ 30,717	\$ 23,090
TOTAL UNDERRUN				\$ 7,627

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT (January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998)

Report of Revenue Received

2156	Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	.\$ 204,659.00
56	Boat Registrations	1,850.56
124	Dog Licenses	852.50
41	Dump Permits	41.00
	Postage	
11	Marriage Licenses	418.00
	Vital Records Copies	
	Bad Check Fees	50.00
	Filing Fees	

TOTAL:

\$ 208,047.06

Respectfully submitted, A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS Fiscal year ending December 31, 1998

	L	evies of:
	1998	1997
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes		
Yield Taxes		
Fees		
Revenues Committed This Year:	¢0.10(.41(.00	
Property Taxes		
Yield Taxes	'	
Land Use Change		10.054.21
Costs		10,034.31
Overpayment:		
Property Taxes	5 441 62	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Tax:		
1		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$2,157,547.85	\$210,916.87
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes		\$121,987.49
Land Use Change		
Yield Taxes		
Interest		1,983.45
Penalties		
Liens		
Cost		6,632.45
Abatements Made:	050 17	
Property Taxes		
Uncollected Revenue End of Year		
Property Taxes	158 269 03	0.00
Land Use Change		
Yield Tax		
Costs		
0000		
TOTAL CREDITS	\$2,157,547.85	\$210,916.87

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES/ TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1998

	Levies of:				
	1997	Prior			
Unredeemed Taxes Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		\$80,078.65			
Liens Sold or Executed: During Fiscal Year	\$86,839.47				
Interest and Costs Collected After Sale/Lien Execution	3,181.65 .	16,685.38			
TOTAL DEBITS	\$90,021.12	\$96,764.03			
Remitted To Treasurer: Redemptions Interest/Costs (After Sale or Lien Execution					
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	13,064.78 .	12,303.36			
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	25,969.71 .	12,097.27			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$90,021.12	\$96,764.03			

PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1998

O'Connell .			•	•			.\$259.00
Grant							43.00
Thompson							206.00
Kazanjian .							68.00
Wilkinson .							207.00
Trail							109.00
MacDonald		•					520.00

Meyer							.\$226.00
Santarpio							12.00
Love		,					230.00
Davis							25.00
Couture							195.00
Gibbons							16.00

1997

Ossipee Lake Marina \$2610.51

1996

Ossipee Lake Marina\$ 525.42

TREASURER'S REPORT

As Treasurer of the Town of Freedom, I have worked hard again this year to do my part in helping to keep the tax rate down and making your money work for you.

In 1998, again I compared the rates at the different banks looking for the best rates to invest your tax dollars and the best rate for a TAN (money banks lend to municipalities called Tax Anticipated Notes). Each year our Town appropriates \$8,000.00 to cover the interest for the money that is borrowed from the bank in order for the Town to operate. It is noted every year in the selectmen's report how much is spent on interest. This year, 1998, the amount is \$5,111.00. In the Treasurer's report under recoveries/interest income, it shows that our Town recovered more than we spent. Interest income earnings were \$8,817.99. TAN interest spent was \$5,111.00. There was a net gain of \$3,706.99 for the Town. The Town not only saves the \$8,000.00 that is appropriated, but has a net gain also. This helps to keep your tax rate down.

I enjoy serving the townspeople of Freedom as your Treasurer and will continue to make your money work for you.

Respectfully submitted, Ralph E. Kazanjian Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT REVENUE FROM ALL SOURCES

Calendar Year 1998

Tax Collector Town Clerk Ossipee Lake Marina - Boat Tax Donations Sale of Property	
FEES AND PERMITS	
Zoning Board	
Building Permits	
Dump Permits	
Dump Tipping Fees	
Cable TV Franchise Fee	
	32,110.44
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE	52,110.11
Block Grants	
Forest Fire Reimbursement	
Shared Revenue	
	79,869.09
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	12,002.02
Dept of Justice (COPS Grant)	
FEMA	
	128 621 00
RECOVERIES	128,631.00
Insurance - Police-Town	
Workers Comp	
Legal Fees - Foord	
Diesel Fuel	
Recording Fees	
Over Payments	
Police - Dare	
Misc	
Forest Fire Fines/Reimbursement	
Yield Tax Fines	
Trustees Cemetery	
NH Retirement	
Selectmen - Test Pits	
Police - Special Details	

36,478.69

SALE OF MATERIALS

Photocopies/Fax	636.62
Garbage Bags	125.00
Computer Printouts/Voters Checklist .	250.00
Stamps	
Metal/Aluminum	222.00
	1,268.55
INTEREST INCOME	
LOAN PROCEEDS	
TOTAL REVENUE	\$3 314 946 04

CASH ACCOUNT RECONCILEMENT

Cash On Hand 01-01-98 Plus: Total Revenue 1998	. ,
	4,089,516.02
Less: Selectmens Orders Paid 1998	3,383,457.14
Cash On Hand 12-31-98	\$706,058.88

BANK RECONCILIATIONS AT December 31, 1998

Bank of New Hampshire - Regular AccountBank of New Hampshire - Payroll AccountBank of New Hampshire - Investment AccountFleet Bank- Investment AccountCitizens Bank- Investment AccountCommunity Bank & Trust - Investment Account	
	922,998.60
Plus: 1998 Deposits Not Credited	10,059.66
Less: 1998 Checks Outstanding	933,058.26 226,999.38
Total	\$706,058.88

PAYROLL

TOWN OFFICERS	SALARY	FEES	EXPENSES	TOTAL
Mark Bittner Eric Bossidy Richard Goff John Krebs Patricia McCoy	. 2,250.00 750.00 . 3,000.00	\$154.00 430.00 .		
Town Clerk				
A. Elizabeth Priebe .	. 2,000.00 .	3,645.00 .		5,854.00
Deputy Town Clerk Sue Brown	861.00			861.00
Treasurer Ralph Kazanjian	. 2,000.00		534.57 .	2,534.57
Tax Collector Thomas Kondrat	. 2,000.00 .	4,090.00	7,595.00	.13,685.00
Auditor Ernest Day	. 2,000.00			2,000.00
Supervisors of Checklist				
Daniel Brooks Albert Godfrey Merton Sargent	408.00			408.00
Moderator				
Donald Johnson	256.00	•••••		
Trustees of Trust Funds George Boewe Jr Bonnie Burroughs Elizabeth Godfrey	35.00 35.00			35.00

TOWN EMPLOYEES

Police
Mark Andrews
James Brown
Scott Fulton
Charles Pearson
Daniel Poirier
Jack Pyne
Josh Shackford
Highway
Scott Brooks
Anthony DiFonzo
Jason Ferry
Calvin Johnson
John Nason
Brian Perry
Hugh Priebe
Brian Streeter
Christopher Szatynski
1 2
Transfer Station
Harold Libby Sr
Robert Libby Sr
Codes Officer
Paul Dorian
Office
Margery Conrey
Karen Hatch
Janitor
Charles Bojus
Planning Board
Linda Farinella144.38
Zoning Board
Karen Hatch

VENDORS - MAJOR SERVICE SUPPLIERS

Anton	\$ 1,312
Baybutt Foundation	.11,110
Beauregard Equip	1,290
H. Edmund Bergeron	1,927
Devin Bolduc	3,038
Bound Tree	1,343
G. W. Brooks & Son, Inc.	.43,929
Scott Brooks	.37,538
Burnell Land Surveying	3,862
Business Management Systems	1,309
C.C. Independent	1,207
A. J. Coleman	4,281
Coleman Rental Supply	1,238
Dow Sand & Gravel	.13,065
Diprizio GMC Trucks	723
Durkee Crane Service	930
Paul Ellis	1,734
Howard Fairfield	4,072
Frechette Oil & Backhoe Service	1,749
Fred Fuller Oil Co.	.11,231
Federal Piping	3,765
Freedom Computer	1,735
Freedom Landscaping	875
Granite State Minerals	.20,691
Hambrook Land Surveying	1,500
Hastings Law Office	1,522
R. C. Hazelton	8,113
Richard Heath & Sons, Inc	2,000
Ikon Office Solutions	1,325
Irving Oil	3,656
KDC Financial	.33,029
Kondrat Construction	.12,900
Laconia Electric	3,774
MJM Trucking	3,774
Maine Lubrication Service Inc.	1,408

MedStar EMS Inc	750
Microbac Lab, Inc.	2,538
S.A. McLean, Inc.	1,339
NEBS	1,042
Neptune Uniforms	1,163
N.H. Bituminous Co. Inc.	23,724
N.H. Municipal Truck Equip.	2,967
Northern Building Supplies	1,188
Ossipee Aggregates	2,652
Ossipee Auto Parts	7,435
Ossipee Mtn. Electronics	2,384
Pike Industries	1,131
Pine Tree Engineering	6,529
Portland Welding	1,713
E. J. Prescott	929
Profile Motors	4,513
Pufco	929
R & D Paving, Inc.	48,204
Rapid Sanitation	72,311
John Roberts Const	4,928
Skehan Home Center	8,666
Southworth Milton, Inc.	4,800
Steve's Market	1,359
State of N.H.D.O.T.	2,855
Summit Electric & Heating, Inc.	2,633
Underground Press	2,539

SELECTMEN'S REPORT STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES 1998 APPROPRIATIONS

TOWN OFFICER SALARIES

Selectmen		\$ 9,000
Town Clerk		
Tax Collector		
Town Treasurer		
Auditor		
Trustees of Trust Funds	•••••	105
	Expended	\$ 17,105
	Appropriated	17,105

Balance	
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0

TOWN OFFICE EXPENSE

Town Clerk Fees		\$ 3,421
Deputy Town Clerk		
Tax Collector Fees & Costs		
Other Fees & Service		
Reimbursable Expense		
Administrative Assistant		
Special Projects Coordinator		1,689
Computer Support		1,254
Dues		
Tax Map Updates		
Meetings/Training		
Office Supplies		
Telephone		
Printing, Postage, Notices		3,365
Health/Dental Insurance		
Misc		
	Expended	\$ 63,871
	Appropriated	68,592
	Underrun	\$ 4,721
ELECTION & REGISTRATION		
Workers		\$ 3.636
Printing Town Report		
	Expended	\$ 4,837
	Appropriated	4,600
	Underrun	\$ 237

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ТО	WN BUILDING Janitorial Services		\$ 3,13	6
	Utilities			
	Maintenance			
		Expended	\$ 15,49	4
		Appropriated	17,25	
		Underrun	\$ 1,75	6
		onderrun	ψ 1,75	
HI	GHWAY MAINTENANCE			
	Summer		¢ 56.05	2
	Labor Equipment			
	Material			
	Contract Services			
	Total Summer Maintenance		\$ 142,31	
	Winter		φ 142,51	0
	Labor		\$ 56,45	3
	Equipment			
	Material		24,56	5
	Total Winter Maintenance		\$ 124,46	51
	General Highway Expense			50
	Health/Dental Insurance			1
			\$ 68,72	21
		E		-
		Expended Appropriated	\$ 335,49 340,07	
				_
		Underrun	\$ 4,58	0
PO	LICE			
	Chief Salary			
	Part Time Salaries Chief Retirement			
	Chief Health & Dental			
	Gasoline			
	Repairs			
	Office/Operating Supplies			
	Uniforms			
	Telephone			
	Equipment		96	59
	Misc.			
		Expended	\$ 69,60)9
		Appropriated	69,66	
		Underrun	\$ 5	54

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COPS GRANT OFFICER			
Salary			24,806
Benefits			.10,269
	Europedad	\$	25.075
	Expended	\$	35,075
	Appropriated		34,951
	Underrun	\$	124
FIRE DEPARTMENT			
Members Reimbursable			10,000
Chief Reimbursable			
Mutual Aid Dues			
Utilities			
Equipment Purchase			
Training			
Vehicle Repairs & Gas			
Building Maintenance			
Tools & Supplies			
Radio Repairs			
First Responders			
Medical Services			
Misc		••••••••	120
	Expended	\$	41,484
	Encumbered		1,500
			42,984
	Appropriated		43,950
	Appropriated		43,930
	Underrun	\$	966
FOREST FIRE PROTECTION			
I OREST TIRE TROTECTION	Expended	\$	1,009
	Appropriated		1,000
	Overrun	\$	9
TRANSFER STATION			
Labor		\$	12,732
Utilities			1,042
Equipment Repair/Diesel			599
Engineering			
Transfer Fees			.70,974
			,
Misc			
Lagoon			1,100
	Expended	\$	96,664
	Appropriated	4	76,288
	Overrun	\$	20,376

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CEMETERY			
	Expended	\$	1,215
	Appropriated		2,500
	Underrun	\$	1,285
LEGAL EXPENSES			
Town Office		\$	7,276
Zoning Board			
Mazzeo(Ossipee Lake Marina)vs Towr			
KSC vs Town			
	Expended	\$	
	Appropriated	Φ	25,805 25,000
	Overrun		\$805
PLANNING & ZONING		•	
	Expended Appropriated	\$	1,814 3,600
	••••		
	Underrun	\$	1,786
CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER			
Parttime salary			3,560
Expenses			1 067
	Expended	\$	4.627
	Appropriated		4,600
	Overrun	\$	27
EMPLOYER SHARE - FICA/NED			
EMILLOTER SHARE - FICAMED	Expended	\$	13,761
	Appropriated		12,400
	Overrun	\$	1,361
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION			
UNEMPLOTMENT COMPENSATION	Expended	\$	1,264
	Appropriated		1,050
	Overrun	\$	214
INSURANCE	Expended	\$	34,057
	Appropriated	Ŷ	38,157
	Underrun	\$	4,100
	Chovitoli	Ψ	1,100

WELFARE	Expended	\$
	Appropriated	Φ
	Underrun	\$
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND		
Revaluation	Expended Appropriated	\$
	Balance	
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES Ambulance Huggins Hospital		
C.C. Mental Health Children Unlimited Community Action Program Children's Health Center Visiting Nurse Service Family Health Center Starting Point		· · · · · · · ·
Red Cross Family Support		
	Expended Appropriated	\$
	Balance	
ANIMAL CONTROL Part time salary Expenses		\$
	Expended Appropriated	\$
	Underrun	\$
ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASS	OCIATION	
Lakes Region Planning		¢

2.539 4,000 1,461

50,000 50,000

11,550 .1,200 .1,330 . . .700 . .1,500 . .1,705 . .1,100 .1,200 . . .500 . . .480 . . .275 21,540 21,540

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475 . . .569 1,044 2,000 956

Region Planning		
	- Expended Appropriated	\$ 2,527 2,527
	Balance	 0

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OSSIPEE LAKE DAM AUTHORITY			
	Expended Appropriated	\$	3,281 3,275
	Underrun	\$	6
STREET LIGHTS		٠	-
	Expended Appropriated	\$	7,924 10,000
	Underrun	\$	2,076
WATER PRECINCT			
	Expended Appropriated	\$	1,000 1,000
	Balance		0
LIBRARY			
	Expended Appropriated	\$	15,517 15,517
	Balance		0
PARKS & RECREATION Old Home Week Other	•••••		2,500 1,663
	Expended Appropriated	\$	4,163 4,900
	Underrun	\$	737
<i>Note:</i> The Old Home Week committee appropriation back in the general fund		nis yea	ars
CONSERVATION COMMISSION			
	Expended Appropriated	\$	300 400
	Underrun	\$	100
INTEREST EXPENSE			
TAN Bond		\$	5,111 .22,000
	Expended Appropriated	\$	27,111 30,000
	Underrun	\$	2,889

BOND		
	Expended	\$ 80,000
	Appropriated	80,000
	Balance	0
SAFETY & EMERGENCY MANAGEM	ENT PROGRAMS	
SALLTT & EMEROLICET MANAGEM	Expended	\$ 670
	Appropriated	3,500
	Underrun	\$ 2,830
ENHANCED 911		
	Expended	\$ 500
	Appropriated	500
	Balance	0
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
Grader Lease		\$ 33,029
Fuel Storage		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Salt Shed		
Jaws of Life		 .19,995
Police Cruiser		· -
Town Office Lighting		· ·
Sealing Roads		
	Expended	\$ 144,476
	Encumbered	26,461
	Appropriated	171,414
	Underrun	\$ 477

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT

It was another great year for Freedom Parks and Recreation! Your committee and volunteers engaged in many activities including the CIRCUS for the second year, line dancing continues (we once again performed at the Fryeburg Fair and Old Home Week Parade), Halloween party, the Freedom Rings in the Holidays luncheon and a tree lighting/caroling celebration.

We continue to work on upgrading the ballfield area. A Freedom Community Park sign and flagpole are a charming sight as you enter the park. We are grateful for donations from Freedom Club of NH (to engrave the granite rock), Camp Huckins (towards the purchase of new soccer goals), Glenda Espinosa (flagpole) and David Buswell (flag). The redwood bench is in place at the tennis court thanks to the generous donation from Bill & Dottie Read in memory of Dottie's parents.

The committee spent the spring removing slats from the dump and recycled them to make privacy slats between the basketball court and the tennis court and we did general maintenance at the park. We hope to plant shrubs in the coming year.

The Flag Sale fundraiser added 840 bright new flags to our 100th Old Home Week celebration. We thank everyone for their support. We have also started an ink cartridge recycling program - for every laser, inkjet or fax ink cartridge we recycle, we receive \$1.50 towards Parks & Recreation. There are drop boxes located at the Town Office and at the Freedom Elementary School.

We invite and encourage you to attend our monthly meetings the first Saturday of every month at 9 AM at Katie's Country Kitchen.

We wish to thank all the volunteers who have generously given their time and we will continue to improve and provide recreational facilities and activities for residents and friends of Freedom.

> Respectfully submitted, Freedom Parks & Recreation Committee

Assets on Hand January 1, 1998	\$ 2,427.86
RECEIPTS:	
Bank Interest, Fund raising Activities, Circus,	
Donations from Individuals & Organizations to include	
Camp Huckins, Roller Hockey & Ossipee Lake Marina	3,730.09
TOTAL:	\$6,157.95
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Supper Supplies, Line Dancing, Purchase of Flags for	
Resale OHW, Soccer Goals & Nets, Halloween Party,	
Skehan Lumber, & Donations to Swimming Lessons	
Program & Freedom Historical Society Paint Project.	3,484.68
Assets on Hand December 31, 1997	\$ 2,673.27

FREEDOM PUBLIC LIBRARY'S REPORT

The year 1998 was an extremely busy one for all library-related personnel - Ellie Thurston, Librarian, the Trustees, Friends of the Library, loyal volunteers and our outstanding Library Expansion Committee, chaired by Ed Reed, and comprised of Mark Bittner, Howard Bouve, Lee Fritz and Emery Stokes.

After many interviews and an extensive search for an architect, the Expansion Committee selected Paul Gosselin of Salmon Falls Architecture. A number of drawings and revisions were submitted by Mr. Gosselin for the Committe's approval and, with an eye toward cost and future needs, a plan was selected which will more than double the size of our existing building. Ed Reed and his Committee have met with various groups in town to show and explain the drawings and a complete set is currently on display in the library.

The next step entailed the formation of a Building Fund Capital Campaign Committee and we happily report that the Library Expansion group agreed, to a person, to put on new hats and assume the role of fundraisers with the help of the Friends of the Library, the Trustees and a large group of volunteer townspeople. Ed Reed, Chairperson, along with Gail Bickford of Freedom Press Associates designed a most informative and attractive brochure and the fundraising began. At this writing 100 people have been approached and have committed to approximately \$85,000 of the \$200,000 estimated cost of expansion. We are most gratified with the results to date and Lee Allison, a Trustee, is presently writing a number of foundations in search of grant monies. The Committee will keep the Trustees apprised of progress, and we will inform the town through timely newspaper updates.

It has been a richly rewarding year of great accomplishment, and sincere thanks go out to all the volunteers who have worked so diligently.

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth L. Bossi, Chairperson Lee Allison, Secretary Frank Seabury, Trustee William A. Stoops, Treasurer

Assets on Hand, January 1. 1998

Checking\$ 435.71
Savings
Centennial CD
Endowment Fund
Moreno Fund
lames & Janette Cayford Trust
Fines & Petty Cash

Total Assets 1/1/98

Received During 1998

Town Appropriation	.\$15,517.00
Book & Tile Sales	167.86
Copier Income	87.80
Friends of the Library	4,100.00
Other Unrestricted Gifts	1,128.41
Fines	43.15
Interest Received	628.19
Reimbursements	46.92

Total	Receipts	1998
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Total Assets + Receipts

Expenditures 1998

Librarian's Salary	.\$6,040.37
Library-paid FICA & Medicare	646.29
Books & Video	3,358.26
Dues & Conferences	60.00
Electricity	744.13
Grounds	425.00
Heat	518.27
Maintenance	906.70
Periodicals	245.99
Capital Improvements	8,113.57
Postage & Box Rental	
Programs	90.00
Supplies	756.83
Telephone	481.82
Water	290.00
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Total Expenditures 1998

\$22,761.23

\$20,895.31

\$21,719.33 \$42,614.64

Assets on Hand. January 1, 1999

Checking\$ 743.20	
Savings	
Centennial CD	
Endowment Fund	
Moreno Fund	
James & Janet Cayford Trust	
Building Account	
Fines & Petty Cash	
Total Assets 1/1/99	\$19,853.41
Total Expenditures + Assets	\$42,614.64

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

A sharp increase of calls in 1998 was partly due to several bouts of severe weather. Calls increased from 148 in 1997 to 246 in 1998. Fire-Rescue members gave many hours assisting residents, landowners and town crews.

Several members will be attending the upcoming firefighter basic course to be given this year. Medical members have attended classes and tested to recertify their licenses.

Every year we see an increase in the number of fire and medical calls. We find that people are extremely pleased with the quick response of the department.

Once again I would like to thank all the volunteer fire-rescue members for their time and efforts. The department has 16 members and 2 Jr. members. We are always looking for more volunteers, anyone interested can come to our business meetings which are held on the last Tuesday of the month.

I end my report by thanking the Selectmen, Department Heads and their employees for all their cooperation but most of all to the citizens of Freedom for their much needed support.

Certification Level for the Fire Dept. (Firefighter Basic - Firefighter Career)

Certification Level for the Rescue (First Responder - EMT Paramedic)

Respectfully submitted, Justin S. Brooks Fire-Rescue Chief

FREEDOM FIRE-RESCUE LOG FOR 1998

	In	Mutual	
	Town	Aid	Total
Motor Vehicle Accidents	9	1	10
Fire Alarms	16		32
Brush Fires	8		11
Cover Truck	0		8
Vehicle Fire	5	0	5
Medical/Rescue	90		94
Chimney/Furnace	4	0	4
Structure Fire	1 .	11	12
Propane /Oil /Gas	8	6	14
Smoke Investigation	3		4
Dump Fire	3	0	3
Power Lines	23		25
C02 Detector	3	0	3
Service Call	11		12
Boating Accident	1	0	1
Ice Rescue	1	0	1
Permit Burn	1	0	1
Flood	1		2
Electrical Fire	4	0	4
TOTALS	192	54	246

FOREST FIRE WARDEN/ STATE FOREST RANGER 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 outside 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 New Hampshire 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 & timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217.

There are 2400 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. Early in 1998 we experienced an ice storm, which caused severe damage to forests of New Hampshire. This damage created a greater potential fire hazard as well as safety hazards to many areas of the state. Your local fire warden and Forest Rangers need your assistance in preventing wildfires in these hard hit areas and throughout the State. If you need assistance or information dealing with ice damaged woodlands, please call 1-800-444-8978.

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. This is a critical factor in controlling the size of wildland fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible.

1998 FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru December 23, 1998)

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.89
.67
.18
.43
232
08
21
.64
.12
.89 .67 .18 .43 232 108 121 .64

TOTAL FIRES .	
TOTAL ACRES	

Causes of Fires Reported
Smoking
Debris Burning
Campfire
Power Line
Railroad
Equipment Use
Lightning16
Children
OHRV
Miscellaneous
Unknown
Fireworks
Arson/Suspicious16
illegal
Rekindle
Disposal of ashes

CODE OFFICER REPORT

The year 1998 has come and gone with a flurry of activity in code enforcement. A total of 138 permits were issued. The majority were for remodeling, alterations, and accessory buildings. The number of new single family home permits numbered 10.

Permit fees collected for the year were over \$10,000. Hence, the activity and frequency of inspections were up which required more man hours on the job. However, permit fees collected were 100% more than expenditures.

I continue to be active with the New Hampshire Building Officials Association and the Program of Continuing Education with code changes and State requirements.

Respectfully submitted, Paul Dorian

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment received 13 applications in 1 99X. Six of those applications involved requests for dimensional variances (requests to build new structures or additions which are located at least in part in the side, front, or rear setbacks). Four dimensional variances were granted, and two were denied. The Board also:

- Interpreted the ordinance to allow conversion of a shed to a summer apartment for elderly parents, with kitchen facilities to be removed when that particular need expires.
- Granted special exceptions to allow an aromatherapy home occupation, and removal of four trees in the Shorefront Residential District.
- Denied the request of Ossipee Lake Marina to add a sandwich shop, finding that the marina is in a residential zone and the proposed use was not accessory to the nonconforming marina use.
- Granted two septic variances for waterfront lots that could not reasonably comply with our 125' setback from wetlands, but which had state and Conservation Commission approval.
- Granted a special exception to allow Camp Huckins to build an 80' x 108' covered pavilion.

This year the Board has voted unanimously to encourage the Selectmen to establish a job description and budget for a Zoning Officer. Building Inspector Paul Dorian has held the title of /toning Officer, but his particular duties have not been described or separately funded. At this point, he says he would be glad to be relieved of his zoning duties. The Board feels that the time has come for the Town to describe and fill a part-time position that would include time to help applicants file applications, time to monitor ongoing building activities, and time to follow up on the Special Exception uses and other approvals granted by the Board.

Zoning is one important tool the Town has to help protect the essentially rural life we value so highly in Freedom. It is not intended to stop growth, but to manage it. Consistent application of the ordinance is crucial; adding a part-time staff person will help the volunteer board members with this task.

The KSC Realty Trust matter (the sale of water from the Foord property on Route 153) is still pending at the Carroll County Superior Court. The delay in getting the matter to trial is largely the result of scheduling difficulties at the courthouse.

We continue to work closely with the Conservation Commission on matters involving wetlands and septic systems. We also continue to value citizen input at our meetings. Our policy is to hear from anyone wishing to speak (or to write, as the case may be).

> Respectfully submitted, Deborah A. Fauver, Chairperson

POLICE REPORT

The following is a report of the Freedom Police Department for the year 1998.

On December 31, 1998, the 3 year grant, under which Charlie Pearson was hired, came to an end. In the years ahead the Town will be the one to fund this position.

When we applied for this grant we were in the talking stages of hiring a second full time officer. The grant made this decision easy and allowed us to see if it was necessary. I think it's clear, we need this position. In the past the Police Dept. tried to cover many shifts with parttime police officers. This was okay but it left many shifts uncovered and was not in the best interest of the Town.

For the second year in a row tragedy struck the local law enforcement community with the passing of Trp. Shawn Willard (an ex parttime Freedom police officer) we again had to experience the loss of one of our own. Shawn was not here a long time but I'm sure that he touched many of you while he was here and will be missed and thought of often.

The Freedom Police Dept. received and responded to a total of 563 calls for service. The calls we received were similar to that of past years, such as alarms, burglaries, domestic disputes, motor vehicle accidents, etc. One positive note is the decrease in the number of domestic disputes. In 1996 we had 72, in 1997 we had 25 and in 1998 in was down to 16.

The bike patrol was again a successful tool to the department. The bike was used to patrol neighborhood areas, campgrounds and used at various town gatherings in the village.

In 1998 we received a lot of complaints from many of you concerned about speeding traffic. We as a department plan to address this problem with more intensive motor vehicle traffic enforcement in 1999.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Town Officials, the Department Heads and their employees, the citizen of the Town and all the people who volunteer their time to make the Town of Freedom such a special place to work. A special thanks goes out to the officers of the Freedom Police Department for their hard work and dedication to perform their duties in a courteous and professional manner.

> Respectfully submitted, Jack Pyne Chief of Police

CONSERVATION COMMISSION'S REPORT

The Freedom Conservation Commission had an active year in 1998. We met almost every month and, in addition, performed site reviews, investigated alleged violations and attended several ZBA meetings when our opinion was solicited.

Malcolm Reed, who was previously an alternate member, was appointed to full-time status by the Selectmen. The Commission is in need of an alternate member to fill Malcolm's position. Anyone who is interested should contact any Commission member or the Board of Selectmen.

The Commission was one of the sponsors and organizers of a highly successful Summer Earth Day program hosted by Camp Calumet.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind land owners that any construction or excavation work taking place adjacent to wetlands or any body of water may require a Wetlands Permit. Applications are available at the Town Clerks office. Questions concerning permit requirements may be directed to any Commission member.

> Respectfully submitted, Alan Grant, Co-chairman Barry Keith, Co-chairman Susan Hoople William Klotz Malcolm Reed Matthew Krug - Alternate

OSSIPEE LAKE DAM AUTHORITY'S REPORT

The following is an actual report of the expenses of the Dam Authority for the 1998 year.

1997 Remaining Balance	. \$22,626.70
1998 Appropriations Ossipee	\$ 29,993.62
Less ExpensesBell Atlantic monitoring circuits	£ 0.010.00
Income Interest	\$ 8,919.98
1999 Appropriations Ossipee\$4,798.29	\$ 21,342.93
Freedom	\$30,000.00
Please send payments to Ossipee Lake Dam Authority, P.O. Bos Freedom, NH 03836, attention of below.	x 339,

Respectfully Submitted, William O. Cutler Secretary/Treasurer

ROAD AGENT REPORT

The calendar has made another full cycle as I review my journals and ponder over making a summary and realizing what a fast ride, challenging and most difficult year 1998 has made in our history and for this annual report. — Maybe no need to be so exacting—but I have and will so continue to look, at our community as Freedom's family to protect.

I realized it would be a busy year just with the new building projects approved at town meeting and the '98 ice storm clean-up all to be drafted, planned, constructed, with a constant figure out a strategy achievement to be met, always thinking back, and always thinking ahead instantaneously, for everyone's safety.

-1998- A Year of Extreme Temperature Changes-

to note some: Mar 27th- 70*, Mar 31st- 86*(set all time record) Apr 1st- 42* We learned from meteorologist worldwide talking about El Nino - La Nina!!!

1998 Ice Storm -- our clean-up extended into Mar, Apr, & May. The use of the 38ft. Powered Man Lift worked wonders for some of our achievements.

May started & ended with Heavy Rain.

June the whole month—RECORD Setting Heavy Rainfall over 12 inches causing Ossipee River, Lake & Bays well over flood stage with property & portions of Huckins Road & Pequawket Trail under 3 ft. of water, brooks & streams overflowing 'causing various road washouts. Numerous emergency repairs were done to make roads passable.—(Still work to be performed to recover from the flood waters).

July resulted a month of severe Thunder Storms/ Heavy Rain . Again already damaged roads were further impacted by more erosion.

August—High temperatures / High Humidity / MORE Heavy Rain and— August 24th worked all day toward repairing high water damage to Sq. Bk. Outlet header erosion—THEN—AT 3:50 pm we experienced the storm of STORMS!!! Fierce wind, sheet rain, golf ball size hail, thunder / lightening, zero visibility, lasted only minutes but resulted in severe damage & further erosion making 4 days clean-up w/ 2 days of extra trucks, chipper, & men hire. There was a swath about 3 miles wide coming from Ossipee Lk area toppling trees across roads, 5 places across Bennett, Oss Lk Vil, Freedom Point, Round Pd, Loon Lk, Freedom Vil, Oss Lake, E. Danforth, W.Danforth, Cushion Cor, Eaton, Fox Run, Rte. 25, and even a building at the transfer station blew over. The twister effect followed Ossipee River into Maine. A time when we all will remember where & what we were doing!

IMPROVEMENTS:

- Graveled Round Pond Road with 3/4 CBRG from Loon Lk Rd to Blake residence from there Rotten Rock was used to Grant reside
- Sq. Bk. Outlet Installation of a 20' x 72" culvert w/ 300 yds fill gravel to replace what was washed away from all the high water floods. The old culvert was

shaped like an egg so a regular O ring type collar could not be used, so I formed what is known as a concrete collar to insure a tight seal between the two pieces to insure no leaks as it would undermine the road. Erosion control fabric was used under a layer of rip rap rocks which was machine placed.

- Overgrown brush was cut back on Moulton, Round Pond, Freedom Point, Scarboro, Swetts Hill Roads.
- Youngs Hill Rd finally completed. (To clarify some controversy as to how much time was spent on construction this year & to those who may thought it would never be completed.) ---- 20 full days / 5 half days with just 2 men working some of those days. We were rained out 'til July 20th -thru various days ending Aug 10th when under drain, catch basins, & culvert installation construction completed. Two men Sept 1st-thru various days up to the 11th loamed, seeded, mulched, rip rap slope finalized, 3/4 CBRG put in place on 14 & 15
- Oct 2nd Sealed Pequawket Trail, Oss Lk Vil 1, & portions of 2 & 3, & a portion of Huckins, using 10,284.62 gals of MC #800 sealing tar. *Oct 15th Youngs Hill & Moulton Roads paved.

NEW CONSTRUCTION:

- Spreader Body Rack & Storage Shed (60'x20'w/ 5 bays my plan & design) Constructed by Hugh Priebe, Brian Perry, John Nason, Anthony DiFonzo, Devin Bolduc, Calvin Johnson, & myself. *Salt Shed (20'x48' - my plan & design) Sept 24th Frost walls dug- Concrete Footings in place by Hugh, John, Tony, & myself. Concrete walls by Baybutt Foundation Inc. Building construction done by Devin, Hugh, Tony, Calvin, myself, & John Krebs filling in a day. We were ready for salt delivery Nov 10th.
- Fuel Storage System Facility—Dec 23rd a 6000 gal double wall / 2 compartment steel tank was delivered. (A Special Thank You to Tony DiFonzo for his expertise in the construction of the concrete work.) The diesel portion will be operational on Feb 10th. Note: H. E. Bergeron, Civil Engineering Firm, designed & submitted blue prints to the State of NH / D.E.S. After their 6 wk review D.E.S. stated in a letter that 10 additional items were to be added to the Fuel System, resulting a second design to be submitted & went under another 6 wk review. This Design was finally approved by D.E.S.

I expect my planning & work performance to support my crew & with them giving their best, of their abilities, to support me, and so, I accept all compliments reminding me, of the fact, "YOU, my crew, are so important to me". Our progress was the result of not giving up, exercising our wisdom, always moving forward to reach our goals, working so closely together thru the many obstacles we tackled head on, with our many ideas & talents never to allow for anything to get bogged down.—and so I take this opportunity to THANK each & ALL men that accomplished all those unforgettable tasks without injury. My deep appreciation and gratitude to Brian Perry, John Nason, Brian Streeter, Chris Szatynski, Robert Libby, Paul Ellis, John A. Stuart, Jason Ferry, John Krebs, Wendell Brooks, Dwight Johnson, Freedom Fire & Rescue Members, Freedom Police Dept., & my highway personnel— Hugh Priebe, Anthony DiFonzo, Calvin Johnson, Devin Bolduc, . Working very close together we helped achieve each others goals as well as our own.

THANK YOU, to our Town Officials, Dept. Heads, & Citizens for all your support. Respectfully submitted, Scott N. Brooks, Sr. Road Agent

Please Note: The following copy of the letter which our Selectmen & I received from the well known retired State of NH Highway Patrol Foreman, Arnold Hurd and his thoughtful wife Helen.

Respectfully submitted, Scott N. Brooks, Sr. Road Agent

To the Selectmen of Freedom:

We would like to bring your attention to the new section of road at Youngs Hill.

The work and effort that went into this piece of road is very much appreciated.

The Road Agent (Scott Brooks), and his town crew built a road that the town can be proud of. It now has an excellent base and surface.

It was not an easy project to complete, there seemed to be many obstacles that detained the completion of the construction on a timely manner, but with everyone's knowledge, and determination it finally came together.

Having worked for the State of New Hampshire for 24 years, I can appreciate a job well done.

Many thanks to all concerned.

Sincerely yours, Arnold & Helen Hurd

TOWN AUDITOR'S REPORT

I certify that I have examined the financial records and accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Library Trustees and the Trustees of the Trust Funds for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1998 and have found that the receipts and disbursements are in agreement with the respective entries for all accounts.

Respectfully Submitted, Ernest F. Day Town Auditor REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH December 31, 1998

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	Date	COMN	1040	1050	1952	1953	1957	1957	1958	1958	1958	1958	1959	1960	1963	1963	1963	1965	1965	1965	1966	1966	1968	1968	1968	1969	1969	1972	1973	1976

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	Total Principal & Income										300.00			100.00	40.00	\$13,312.00	1,000.00	100.00	\$1,100.00	\$14,412.00
	Balance End of Year		0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	0.00.	\$ 0.00	. 00.0	0.00.	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
INCOME	Expended During Year		5.26		5.26	5.26	10.51			5.26		5.26	5.26	5.26	2.10	\$ 699.85		5 26 .	\$ 57.83	\$ 757.68
INC	Current Year Income															\$ 699.85			\$ 57.83	\$ 757.68
-	Balance Start of Year		. 0.00	. 0.00	. 0.00	. 0.00	0.00 .	0.00 .	. 0.00	0.00 .	0.00 .	0.00 .	. 0.00	. 0.00	. 0.00	\$ 0.00	. 0.00	. 00.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	Balance End of Year		100.00 .		100.00 .	100.00				100.00 .		100.00 .	100.00	100.00 .	40.00 .	\$13,312.00	. 1,000.00	100.00 .	\$1,100.00	\$14,412.00
PRINCIPAL	Expended During Year							:							0.00		. 00.0	0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
PRI	New Funds		. 0.00.	. 0.00	. 0.00	. 0.00	. 0.00.	. 0.00	. 0.00	. 0.00	. 00.00	. 0.00	. 0.00.	. 00.00	. 00.00	\$ 0.00	. 0.00.	. 00.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	Balance Start of Year		100.00	200.00	100.00	100.00	200.00	300.00	200.00	100.00	300.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	40.00	13,312.00	" 1,000.00	100.00	1,100.00	14,412.00
	How Invested		Bank CD.	3		3	3	3	3				3				=		63	69
	Purpose		Cemetery P/C.	3		3	2	3	3				=					а 		SOND
	Date Name of Trust Fund	COMMON TRUST	th Lot	Albion & Alonzo Pease Lot	Winston V & Margaret Morro	Stephen & Elmira Danforth	Ernest & Rachel Mulvery	Gordon D Stokes	Pauline Sargent Rounds	Abe Sargent	Frederick & Elisabeth Towle	Mary S Morrison	Charles & Mary H Stewart .	William A & Sally Stoops .	David Sargent	TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS	Belinda C. Wood	Ernest Myrick	TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS	TOTAL COMMON TRUST P
	Date	COMN	1977	1977	1982	1982	1987	1988	1988	1988			1989	1989	1989		1938	1985		

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Total	& Income	3,036.76	4,908.96		826.53 114.608.97 894.49 133,929.93	
Transfer	Principal		67.96			
xpended	rear Duinig Income Year		0.00	0.00. 480.26 0.00 0.00 0.00 1,616.27	0.00 2,096.53 757.68 2,096.53	
Current E	Income	0.00	0.00			
	Start of Year		67.96) .1,164.69) .1,164.69) .1,616.27	0.00 2,923.06 0.00 3,748.70	
		. 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	End of Year	. 3,000.00.	4,841.00		0.00 113,782.44 0.00 2,923.05 0.00 133,035.44 0.00 3,748.70	
Expended	During Year	0.00	0.00 4,841.00	0.00.	0.00 13	
	New During Funds Year 3,000.00 0.00		4,841.00		67,096.53 71.937.53	
Balance	Start of Year	1,841.00	0.00	15,913.52 0.00 30,772.39		
	How Invested	Bank CD		Bank CD 15,913.52 . Bank CD 0.00 . Bank CD 30,772.39 .	4	5
INCOME	Purpose	.Spec Ed E		: : :		0
PRINCIPAL	Date Name of Trust Fund	AL FUNDS School District	(per Terry Knowles) Total General Funds	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS: 1996 School DistrictBus 1998 SelectmenProperty Reappraisal 1006 Hichwav Denartment	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVES	INIAL ALL INUSI LUNDS
	Date	GENER/ 1998 1998		CAPI 1996 1998		

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BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1998

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Place of Birth
01-05-98	Andrews, Tyler James	Andrews, Dennis R.	Andrews, Cynthia L.	Portsmouth
03-02-98	Farinella, Nicholas James	Farinella, James	Farinella, Linda	Rochester
03-14-98	Gray, Julia Ann	Gray, Jason S.	Gray, Kelly L.	N. Conway
03-29-98	Welch, Thomas Michael	Welch, Matthew T.	Welch, Mary M.	N. Conway
04-07-98	Niiler, Emma Kristine	Niiler, Craig J.	Niiler, Kristine M.	Laconia
04-15-98	Barnickel, Carter William	Barnickel, Christian O.	Barnickel, Stacie M.	N. Conway
06-28-98	Devine, Nora Elenn	Devine, William T. III	Devine, Mary P.	N. Conway
09-14-98	Clancy, Marcus David	Clancy, David A.	Clancy, Cynthia J.	N. Conway

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DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1998

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
01-20-98	Wolfeboro	McKinley Francis Wilmot	McKinley Francis Wilmot Jr.	Brooks Valona
02-03-98	Wolfeboro	Martin Samuel Coleman	Martin Charles	Oney Maude
02-19-98	Freedom	Perreault Andre Joseph	Perreault Isadore	Boucher Adrian
03-29-98	Freedom	Murray Marilyn Patricia	Whittemore John K.	Nicholson Doris E.
07-07-98	N. Conway	Sargent Alton Erwin	Sargent Erwin Walter	Eldridge Edna Stella
09-24-98	Wolfeboro	Douglass Dorothea Gross	Gross Edwin B.	Nettleton Marion
09-24-98	Lebanon	Barnickel Horst	Barnickel Otto	Benkenstein Elsa
10-24-98	Wolfeboro	Kolinek Frank Joseph	Kolinek Frank	Oslislo Anna
10-29-98	N. Conway	Clancy Reginald Edward	Williams Perley	Merrow Verna
11-25-98	Wolfeboro	Hobbs Thelma J.	Dodge Arthur W.	Baldwin Florence J.
12-21-98	N. Conway	Williams Elsie Virginia	DeWolfe Walter W.	Kolstead Edith Marie

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MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

Date	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence at Time of Marriage
03-07-98	Scully, Thomas Matthew Uchiyama, Masayo	Freedom, N.H. Sanjo, Japan
05-09-98	Dacey, Richard Lund Kinney, Anne Elizabeth	Cheshire, CT Cheshire, CT
05-16-98	Turner, Clarence A. III LaBonte, Karen R.	Wells, ME Salem, MA
06-03-98	Kucera, Edward James Williams, Judith Mae	Freedom, NH Madbury, NH
06-27-98	Bushey, Jeramie Dexter Fortin, Linda Jean	Freedom, NH Freedom, NH
07-25-98	Grigorian, Paul Joseph Phelan, Tina Marie	Newton, MA Newton, Ma
08-02-98	Tafuto, Robert John Mayhew, Mary Ruth	Freedom, NH Freedom, NH
08-29-98	Olds, Nicholas Michael Morin, Ailene Adriane	Conway, NH Freedom, NH
09-05-98	Kondo, Erik Phillip Venzke, Katherine Mary	Arlington, MA Arlington, MA
09-12-98	Price, Rodney Lee Gray, Bernadette Marie	Freedom, NH Freedom, NH
09-12-98	Seamans, Robert Michael Crapo, Stacy Lee	Ossipee, NH Freedom, NH
10-09-98	Moore, Kim Randal Johansson, Anne	Freedom, NH W. Roxbury, MA
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SELECTMEN John D. Krebs, Chairman Patricia E. McCoy Eric Bossidy

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TAX COLLECTOR Thomas Kondrat

Office Hours: First Tuesday 7 to 9pm Telephone: 539-5572

CODES OFFICER Paul Dorian

Office Hours: Monday 7 to 9pm Home Telephone: 539-5195

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday 8am to 1pm Telephone: 539-6323 SELECTMEN'S HOLIDAY CLOSING Memorial Day 5/31/99 Independence Day 7/5/99 Labor Day 9/6/99 Columbus Day 10/11/99 Veteran's Day 11/11/99 Thanksgiving Day 11/25/99 Christmas 12/25/98 New Years Day 1/01/2000 Civil Rights Day 1/17/2000 President's Day 2/14/2000

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TRANSFER/RECYCLING FACILITY

Winter Hours: Wed. 12 noon to 4pm Sat. 9am to 4pm Sun. 12 noon to 4pm

Summer Hours:

Sun. 12 noon to 5pm Tues. 12 noon to 5pm Thurs. 12 noon to 5pm Sat. 8am to 5pm

