

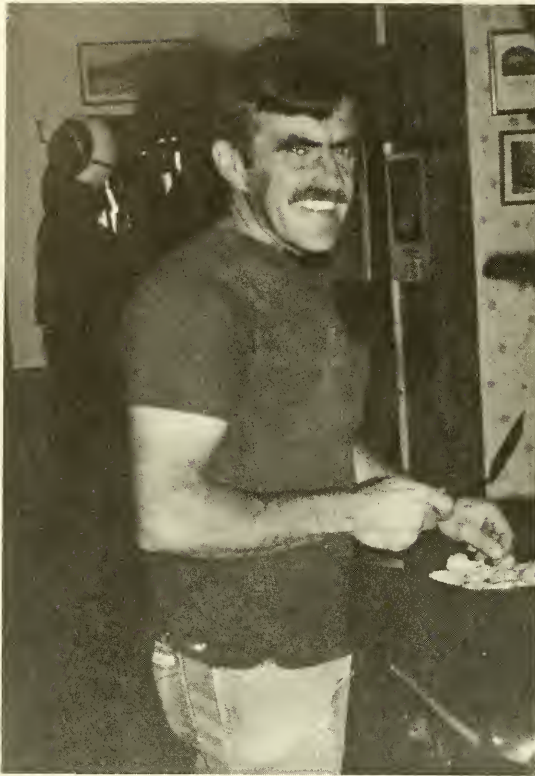
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TOWN OF STARK

NEW HAMPSHIRE



ANNUAL REPORT
1996



VICTOR BUTLER SPAULDING

June 15, 1950 - November 7, 1996

The entire town was shocked and saddened by the untimely death of Victor Spaulding last November. Surely no one ever became a more valued member of our community in as short a time as Victor did. Though he lived here only ten years, his contributions and achievements will be remembered well beyond our own lifetimes. He was unique and very special.

In addition to being Transfer Station Manager, the School Janitor and Town Moderator, he had previously also served the town as Selectman and Planning Board Chairman. The house he remodeled into a stunning home and bed 'n' breakfast appears in nearly all the pictures of Stark taken by photographers from throughout the United States. The Transfer Station is just one ongoing reminder of the dedication Victor brought to any project he undertook. And each of us has our own special memories of him and his long list of accomplishments.

Victor's time with us was all too brief, but it was our privilege to have known him for even so short a time. It is in his memory that we dedicate the 1996 Town Report.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

**STARK
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Photos by : Dennis A. Croteau

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TOWN OFFICERS

OFFICE	NAME	TERM EXPIRES
SELECTMEN	JAMES EICH	1997
	ALBERT CLOUTIER, JR.	1998
	EVERETT R. FRIZZELL	1999
OFFICE MANAGER	LISE COULOMBE	APPT
TOWN CLERK	JANETTE CLANG	1999
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK	LISE COULOMBE	APPT
TAX COLLECTOR	JO ANN PLATT	APPT
DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR	JANETTE CLANG	APPT
TREASURER	SUSAN H. CROTEAU	1997
DEPUTY TREASURER	NANCY K. SPAULDING	APPT
MODERATOR	VICTOR SPAULDING, DECEASED	APPT
AUDITORS	FRANCIS DINEEN & COMPANY	APPT
LIBRARY TRUSTEE	VALARIE GAUTHIER	1997
	VACANT	1998
	VACANT	1999
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS	VACANT	1997
	JOHN PEAU, JR.	1998
	DONALD CROTEAU	1999
SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST	JUDITH WENTWORTH	1997
	NANCY K. SPAULDING	1998
	MARY BETH GIBSON	1999

CONSTABLE	FRANCIS HOPPS, JR.	1997
SEXTON	CARL COULOMBE	APPT
ROAD AGENT	BARRY GLENN WENTWORTH	1997
TRANSFER STATION MGR.	VICTOR SPAULDING, DECEASED	APPT
	DEAN PEEL	APPT
FIRE CHIEF	RONALD LUNN	APPT
CEMETERY TRUSTEE	JOHN PEPAU, SR.	1997
	RAYMOND PRATT	1998
	DEAN DEMERS	1999
PLANNING BOARD	RAY PRATT	1997
	CARL COULOMBE	1997
	RICHARD GARRIS	1997
	VACANT	1998
	VACANT	1998
	JAMES GIBSON, SR.	1999
	JOHN M. TILTON	1999
AVRRDD REPRESENTATIVE	DEAN PEAL	APPT
AVRRDD ALTERNATE	ALBERT CLOUTIER, JR.	APPT
AVRRDD ALTERNATE	JAMES EICH	APPT

TOWN GOVERNMENT

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE: (636-2118)

MON., TUES., THURS. 8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P. M.

WED. 8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

TOWN CLERK/MUNICIPAL AGENT: (636-2118)

TUES. & THURS. 12:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

TAX COLLECTOR: (636-2118)

WED. 3:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

SELECTMEN'S MEETING: (636-2118)

WED. 6:00 P.M.

PLANNING BOARD: (636-2118)

4 TH THURS. 7:30 P.M.

SCHOOL BOARD: (636-1437)

1 ST MON. 6:00 P.M.

TRANSFER STATION: (636-2880)

WED., & SAT. 12:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

TOWN GARAGE: (636-2561)

FIRE DEPARTMENT: (636-2848)

TUES. 6:30 P.M.

TOWN ACTIVITIES

STARK FIDDLER'S CONTEST: (636-1325)

LAST SUNDAY IN JUNE 12:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK:

1 ST WEEK OF OCTOBER

SOUTH POND RECREATION:

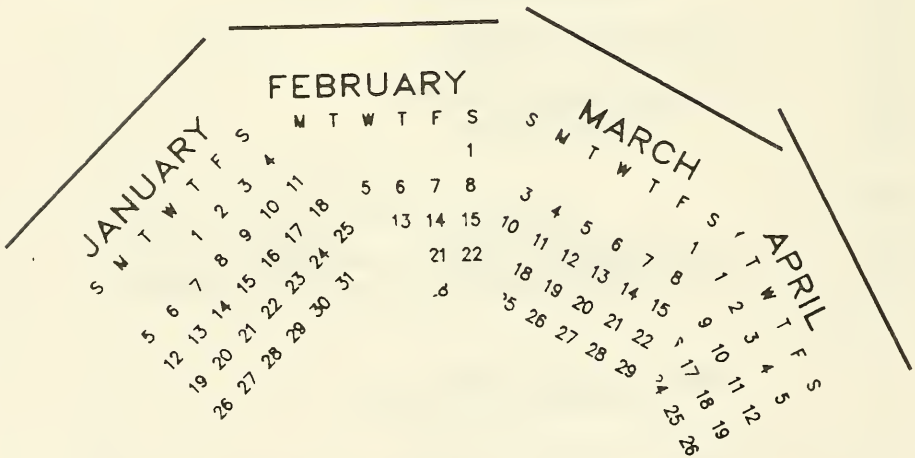
LAST WEEKEND OF JUNE-10:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.

CHRISTINE LAKE:

BEACH CURFEW 9:00 P.M.

IMPORTANT DATES
TO REMEMBER

Abatement applications	March 1st
Blind Exemptions	March 1st
Current Use Applications	April 15th
Dog Licenses	April 30th
Elderly Exemptions	March 1st
Inventory of Taxable Property	April 15th
Veteran's Exemptions	March 1st



Did you know that 100 years ago there were three surveyors of woodbark and five constables. The Town Warrant was only \$3,782.02.

LETTER FROM THE SELECTMEN

Citizens:

1996 was a busy year in the Selectmen's Office. We had four washouts on Sullivan and Leighton Meadow Roads. This required both temporary and permanent solutions to the age old problem. We hauled in gravel and temporarily repaired both roads so that emergency services could be provided to residents on those roads. For a permanent fix we changed the angle of the Roberts Brook into Phillips Brook and installed a larger culvert, raising Sullivan Road. On the Leighton Meadow Road we installed larger culverts and added two more larger culverts.

Dewey Hill Bridge over Crystal Falls was replaced and the hill was reconstructed with riprap to stop erosion and guard rails for added safety. The entire hill will be paved in the spring.

The Stark welcome signs were repainted by Cheryl Cloutier. She did a nice job!! This project was cost shared with Stark Improvement Fund. Dennis Croteau designed and installed signs at each of our cemeteries. This was another job well done and much needed.

We would like to thank Stark Improvement Fund for the excellent job they did organising the 10th reunion of "German-American Friendship Day". It was gratifying to see so many townspeople in a cooperative effort of volunteerism. This civic effort made September 28, 1996 very special.

The Enhanced 911 System was finished during 1996. This was quite an undertaking. We were the first town in the North Country to have completed this task. This was accomplished for the most part by Lise Coulombe, our Office Manager - just one of the many tasks she is responsible for.

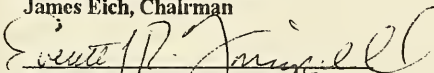
The upstairs portion of the town hall was painted and looks much better. We plan to refinish the hardwood floor in the near future.

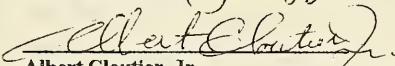
Flood Plain mapping was completed. Households in or near the flood plain were sent notices regarding construction and remodeling rules that are governed by federal guidelines. Anyone with questions regarding guidelines, insurance, etc. should call or stop by the Town Hall for an information packet.

On a sadder note, we lost Victor Spaulding this past year. He did so much for our community. All we had to do was ask and whatever the chore, it was done. The Christmas lights and wreaths were just part of his signature. His boys, Josh & Jared, have assumed this role and we are beholden to them for taking on this responsibility. Our best wishes go out to Nancy and the boys.

Sincerely,


James Eich, Chairman


Everett R. Frizzell

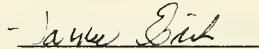

Albert Cloutier, Jr.

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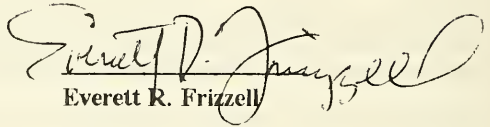
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1997

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

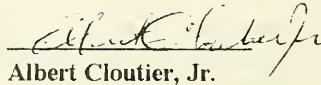
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James Eich, Chairman

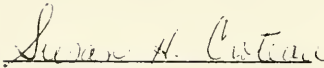


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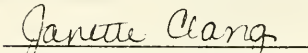


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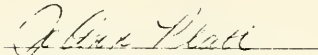
Selectmen, Town of Stark, NH



Susan H. Croteau, Treasurer



Janette Clang, Town Clerk



Jo Ann Platt, Tax Collector

1997 TOWN WARRANT
TOWN OF STARK
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stark, in the County of Coos, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs;

You are hereby notified to meet in the Stark Village School in said Town on Tuesday the 11th day of March next, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. (To be voted on by ballot while the polls are open)

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$620,000 for the replacement of the Paris Road Bridge #103/162, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$100,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of \$24,000 from the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose; additionally to accept bridge aid from the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation in the amount of \$496,000. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (2/3 ballot vote required)

Article 3. To see if the Town will modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Stark, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, (\$10,000); for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, (\$15,000); for a person 80 years of age or older (\$20,000). To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$13,400 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$20,400; and own net assets not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. Under no circumstances shall the amounts of the exemption for any age category be less than \$5,000. The Selectmen recommend this Article. (Majority ballot vote required)

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,610 for General Government.

4130-EXECUTIVE: \$25,000

Payroll 17300
 Expenses 1500
 Office Expenses 6200

4140-ELECTION, REGISTRATION, VITALS: \$9,680

Payroll 7730
 Expenses 300
 Office Expenses 150
 Town Report 1500

4150-FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION: \$11,880

Payroll 6880
 Expenses 1000
 Office Expenses 500
 Auditors 3500

4152-APPRAISAL: \$3,800

New Construction 1000
 Pickups 1000
 Software support 1800

4153-LEGAL: \$3,000

4155-PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION: \$8,500

Unemployment 500
 W/T, SS, MEDI 8000

4191-PLANNING & ZONING: \$200

4194-GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS: \$12,500

Payroll	1000
Expenses	100
Electric/Heat	3400
Fire Code	1000
Interior/Exterior	6000
Maintenance	1000

4195-CEMETERIES: \$3,000

Payroll	2300
Expenses	200
Maintenance	500

4196-INSURANCE: \$18,500

Liability/Bonding	14000
Workers Comp.	4500

4197-ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOC.: \$1,450

Advertising	1100
Sta-North	350

4199-OTHER GOVERNMENT: \$3,100

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,900 for Public Safety.

4210-POLICE: \$7,900

Payroll	6400
Expenses	1250
Office Expenses	250

4215-AMBULANCE: \$2,000

4220-FIRE DEPARTMENT: \$8,000

Payroll	200
Expenses	100
Elec./Heat/Phone	3500
Mutual Aid	400
Fire Calls	3800

4290-FEMA: \$200

4299-OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY: \$800

Lancaster/Juvenile/Div.	300
Safety Program	500

Article 6. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$110,700 for Highways and Streets.

4312-HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES: \$110,700

Payroll	17600
Expenses	200
Chloride	3000
Cold patch	1500
Grading	4500
Elec./Heat/Phone	4500
Maintenance/Fuel	11500
Mowing	3600
Construction/Resurf.	58000
Road Signs	300
Winter Sand & Salt	6000

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,300 for Sanitation.

4324-SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL: \$16,300

Payroll	5400
Expenses	400
Maintenance	1500
Elec./Phone	1000
District Expenses	8000

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,950 for Health.

4415-HEALTH AGENCIES: \$2,200

Upper Connecticut Valley	125
Weeks Home Health	2000
Health Officer	75

4419-OTHER HEALTH: \$1,750

Meals on Wheels	700
Community Action Prog.	600
Red Cross	200
Big Brother/Sister	250

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for Direct Assistance.

4442-WELFARE: \$4,000

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800 for Culture and Recreation.

4550-LIBRARY: \$500

4583-PATRIOTIC PURPOSES: \$300

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for Debt Service.

4723-INTEREST ON T.A.N. : \$10,000

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,500 for Interfund Operating Transfers Out.

4915-TRANSFERS TO CAP. RES. FUNDS \$25,500

Closure of Dump	1000
Bridge	4000
Fire Dept. Building	10000
Fire Dept. Equipment	1500
Town Truck	5000
Back Hoe	3000
Compactor	1000

4916-TRANSFERS TO TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS: \$1,000

Discount 1000

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the discontinuance of the Nash Stream Bridge Account, there by transferring \$7,673 plus interest of \$115 to the General Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen. (Majority vote)

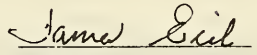
Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,788 to be deposited into the Capital Reserve Bridge Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen. (Majority vote)

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to give a 5% discount on property taxes if paid within 14 days after tax bills have been presented.

Article 16. To transact all other business that may lawfully come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals the 12th day of February, 1997

True Copy Attest


James Eich, Chairman


Everett R. Fizzell


Albert Cloutier, Jr.



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

MS-6

61 So. Spring St., P.O. Box 1122
Concord, NH 03302-1122
(603) 271-3397



BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF Stark N.H.

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

_____ to _____

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

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

Date Feb 5, 1997

James Earl
Edward P. Jamieson
Albert E. Fisher Jr.

SELECTMEN (PLEASE SIGN IN INK)

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

(Revised 1996)

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (NOT RECOMMENDED)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	4	24750	26274	25000	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	4	9380	9929	9680	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	4	11880	10602	11880	
4152	Revaluation of Property	4	3300	2814	3800	
4153	Legal Expense	4	3000	1872	3000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	4	8000	4931	8500	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	4	500	156	200	
4194	General Government Buildings	4	9600	6027	12500	
4195	Cemeteries	4	3000	5148	3000	
4196	Insurance	4	21000	15547	18500	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	4	1000	957	1450	
4199	Other General Government	4	1000	-0-	3100	
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	5	8200	7476	7900	
4215-4219	Ambulance	5	2000	2000	2000	
4220-4229	Fire	5	7500	6861	8000	
4240-4249	Building Inspection					
4290-4298	Emergency Management	5			200	
4299	Other Public Safety (including Communications)	5			800	
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311-4312	Administration & Highways & Streets	6	94000	93372	110700	
4313	Bridges	2			62000	
4316-4319	Street Lighting & Other					
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321-4323	Administration & Solid Waste Collection					
4324-4325	Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup	7	18200	14862	16300	
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other					
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331-4332	Administration & Water Services					

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conservation & Other					
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Administration & Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4355-4359	Other Electric Costs					
	HEALTH					
4411-4414	Administration & Pest Control					
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	8	3870	3892	3950	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assistance	9	4000	1661	4000	
4444	Intergov. Welfare Payments					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation					
4550-4559	Library	10	500	500	500	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	10	300	272	300	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation					
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources					
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-2	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-9	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		350	350		
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4712	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	11	12000	5086	10000	
4723	Interest on TANs					
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land & Improvements					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr. Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Recommended)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Not Recommended)
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improv. Other Than Buildings					
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sever-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	12	31500	31500	33288	
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maint. Trust Fund)	12	3000	3000	1000	
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Agency Funds					
	SUBTOTAL 1		281830	255089	919548	

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

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr. Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Recommended)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Not Recommended)
	INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES					
	SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended		XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXXXX

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

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr. Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Recommended)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Not Recommended)
	SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES					
	SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended					

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
TAXES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		-0-	300	100
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Yield Taxes		6000	10146	7000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		8000	7391	7000
	Inventory Penalties				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		250	247	250
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		30000	39859	35000
3230	Building Permits				
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		1200	1008	1000
3311-3319 FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT					
FROM STATE					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		14000	13574	13000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution			4221	4000
3353	Highway Block Grant		38000	43015	47600
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		26000	34496	28000
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement			2813	
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		4000	4438	50000
3379 FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS					
			1000	150	200
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		3500	1352	2000
3409	Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property			9639	
3502	Interest on Investments		4000	2562	2500
3503-3509	Other		2000	2400	2000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	Special Revenue Funds				

3912 Special Revenue Funds					
Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
3913 Capital Projects Fund					
3914 Enterprise Fund					
	Sever - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
3915 Capital Reserve Fund				55000	31788
3916 Trust & Agency Funds					
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934 Proc.from Long Term Bonds & Notes					
					100000
Amounts Voted From "Surplus"			XXXXXXXXXX		
"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
TOTAL REVENUES			137950	232611	781438

BUDGET SUMMARY

SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 3)	919548
SUBTOTAL 2 "Individual" warrant articles (from page 3)	
SUBTOTAL 3 Special warrant articles as defined by law (from page 3)	
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	919548
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes) (from above)	781438
Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	138110

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

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

STARK TOWN MEETING
MARCH 12, 1996

John Pepau and Jane Hopps, as Ballot Clerks and Janette Sharp, as Temporary Moderator, were sworn in by Victor Spaulding, Moderator.

Victor Spaulding declared the meeting open at 9:00 a.m. Polls to be open from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Victor spoke on the rules and regulations to be followed by this meeting.

Victor read the School Meeting Warrant and the Town Meeting Warrant.

Jim Eich made a motion to dispense with the reading of the entire warrant. Seconded by Everett Frizzell. Motion carries by voice vote.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ARTICLE #1

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. (To be voted on by ballot while the polls are open)

Moved by Everett Frizzell. Seconded by Jim Eich.

ARTICLE #1 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$96410 for General Government.

4130-EXECUTIVE	\$	24,750
4140-ELECTION, REGISTRATION, VITALS		9,380
4150-FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION		11,880
4152-APPRAISAL		3,300
4153-LEGAL		3,000
4155-PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION		8,000
4191-PLANNING & ZONING		500
4194-GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS		9,600
4195-CEMETERIES		3,000
4196-INSURANCE		21,000
4197-ADVERTISING		1,000
4199-OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT		1,000

Moved by Jim Eich. Seconded by Everett Frizzell.

Jim explained that there is a raise of 3.75% for all Town employees, except Constable and Treasurer, who received raises last year. It is a long over due cost of living increase as it is the first raise in at least 10 years.

ARTICLE #2 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17700 for Public Safety.

4210-POLICE	\$	8,200
4215-AMBULANCE		2,000
4220-FIRE DEPARTMENT		7,500

Moved by Jim Eich. Seconded by Albert Cloutier, Jr.

Jim reminded everyone to make sure that they have their house numbers prominently displayed for the new 911 system.

ARTICLE #3 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$94000 for Highways & Streets.

4312-HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES	\$	94,000
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Moved by Jim Eich. Seconded by Albert Cloutier, Jr.

Ada Ball would like the "85 MPH" sign on Percy Road removed. The Board agrees and will see that it gets taken down.

Don Arsenault questions Road Agents hours, and wondered if we might be better off to combine more duties for him, and make the Road Agent job a full time position.

ARTICLE #4 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17000 for Sanitation.

4324-SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL \$ 17,000

Moved by Albert Cloutier, Jr. Seconded by Jim Eich.

Janette Sharp stepped up as Temporary Moderator. Victor stepped down to speak on the Article. Everett commended Victor on how clean and well kept the Transfer Station is.

Harold Hazzard made a motion to amend Article #5 to read:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17780 for Sanitation

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL \$ 17,780

Seconded by Joshua Spaulding.

Harold felt Victor should get a raise to equal the rate of pay of the other Town Employees.

AMENDMENT FAILS BY VOICE VOTE.

JoAnn Platt made a motion to amend Article #5 to read:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,200 for Sanitation.

4324-SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL \$ 18,200

The purpose of this amendment is to raise Transfer Station Manager's salary to \$8.00 an hour.

Seconded by Harold Hazzard.

AMENDMENT CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

AMENDED ARTICLE #5 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3870 for Health.

4415-HEALTH AGENCIES \$ 2,120
4419-OTHER HEALTH 1,750

Moved by Jim Eich. Seconded by Everett Frizzell.

ARTICLE #6 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3500. for Welfare.

Moved by Everett Frizzell. Seconded by Jim Eich.

Jim Eich made a motion to amend Article #7 to read:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4000 for Welfare.

Seconded by Harold Hazzard.

AMENDMENT CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

AMENDED ARTICLE #7 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

Harold Hazzard made a motion to take a 15 minute break. Seconded by Donald Croteau.

MOTION TO BREAK CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

VICTOR DECLARED MEETING REOPEN AT 10:35 AM.

ARTICLE #8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800 for Culture and Recreation.

4550-LIBRARY	\$	500
4583-PATRIOTIC PURPOSES		300

Moved by Jim Eich. Seconded by Albert Cloutier, Jr.

ARTICLE #8 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350 for Economic Development.

4620-STA-NORTH	\$	350
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Moved by Everett Frizzell. Seconded by Albert Cloutier, Jr.

Madeliene Croteau explained the purpose of this Organization is to keep our dollars local.

ARTICLE #9 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12000 for Debt Service.

4723-INTEREST ON TAN	\$	12,000
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Moved by Jim Eich. Seconded by Albert Cloutier, Jr.

ARTICLE #10 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29500 for Operating Transfers Out. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

4915-CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	\$	26,500
4916-EXPENDABLE GENERAL FUND TRUST		3,000

Moved by Everett Frizzell. Seconded by Albert Cloutier, Jr.

ARTICLE #11 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #12

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Highway Back Hoe and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4000 to be placed in this fund and to designate the Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moved by Albert Cloutier, Jr. Seconded by Jim Eich.

ARTICLE #5 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #13

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Compactor and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000 to be placed in this fund and to designate the Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moved by Albert Cloutier, Jr. Seconded by Jim Eich.

Harold Hazzard made a motion to amend Article #13 to read:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Compactor and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4000 to be placed in this fund and to designate the Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

No Second to Amend. Amendment fails.

ARTICLE #13 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #14

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the Nash Stream Bridge Account to the Capital Reserve Bridge Account. (Approved by the Selectmen)

Moved by Everett Frizzell. Seconded by Jim Eich.

There is \$7673.23 in a Nash Stream Bridge Account that was unknown to the Selectmen. DRA recommended that they transfer it into the General Fund, but the Selectmen prefer to put it in the Capital Reserve Bridge account simply because we have so many bridges in town, and at some point all of them will need some work.

ARTICLE #14 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #15

We, the undersigned, being duly registered voters in the Town of Stark, hereby request that the Town take the following action: To see if the Town will change

the name of a section of Northside Road, starting at the easterly intersection of Route 110 (Stark Highway), by the Stark Union Church thru the Covered Bridge to the westerly end intersection of said road with Percy Road. This section of Northside Road to be henceforth known as Covered Bridge Road. (Petition Warrant Article) (Not recommended by the Selectmen)

Moved by Victor Spaulding. Seconded by Joshua Spaulding.

Janette Sharp stepped up as Temporary Moderator. Victor stepped down to speak on this Article.

After much discussion, a voice vote was taken. Janette declared the opposed have it. Victor questioned vote, asked for a show of hands.

Hand vote indicated Article #15 did not carry.
Yes - 16 No- 19

ARTICLE #16

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue Daley Road, there by changing it from a Class V to a Class VI highway. (Approved by Selectmen)

Moved by Jim Eich. Seconded by Albert Cloutier, Jr.

ARTICLE #16 DEFEATED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #17

To see if the Town will vote to give a 5% discount on property taxex if paid within 14 days after tax bills have been presented.

Moved by John Pepau, Sr. Seconded by Donald Croteau.

ARTICLE #17 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #18

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to administer and dispose of any real estate, aquired by Tax Collector's deed, at public or private sale, as the Selectmen, in their sole discretion, deem equitable and just, without further Town Meeting authorization, unil recinded.

Moved by Everett Frizzell. Seconded by Jim Eich.

Victor made a motion to amend Article #18 to read:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to administer and dispose of any real estate, acquired by Tax Collector's deed, at public sale, as the Selectmen, in their sole discretion, deem equitable and just, without further Town Meeting authorization, until rescinded.

Seconded by Harold Hazzard.

AMENDMENT FAILED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #18 CARRIES BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #19

To see if the Town will vote to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents for the Town in dealing with Capital Reserve Funds, and further to authorize the Selectmen to expend monies from Capital Reserve Funds that have been established, without further Town Meeting authorization, until rescinded.

Moved by Jim Eich. Seconded by Albert Cloutier, Jr.

ARTICLE #19 CARRIEDS BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #20

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and spend, without further action by the Town Meeting, money from the State, Federal or other Governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year, without further Town Meeting authorization, until rescinded.

Moved by Jim Eich. Seconded by Everett Frizzell.

ARTICLE #20 CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE #21

To transact all other business that may lawfully come before this meeting.

Ron Clang asked Selectmen why they can't sand Pat an Jerry Hanson's hill that leads to their driveway? Selectmen state that it is not a Town Road and the liability is too great.

Everett said "Thank You" to all Townspeople who too the time to attend today's meeting.

James Gibson, Sr. made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Don Arsenault.

MOTION TO ADJOURN CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.

MODERATOR VICTOR SPAULDING DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSE AT 11:55 AM.

VOTING CONTINUES UNTIL 7:00 P.M.

5:00 p.m. - Absentee Ballots opened and placed in ballot b

7:00 p.m. - Polls Closed.

EMPTY BALLOT BOX - VOTES COUNTED.

RESULTS

TOWN

SELECTMAN - 3 YEAR
Everett Frizzell

ROAD AGENT - 1 YEAR
Barry Wentworth

TOWN CLERK - 3 YEAR
Janette Sharp

PLANNING BOARD - 3 YEAR
James R. Gibson, Sr.
John M. Tilton

CONSTABLE - 1 YEAR
Francis Hopps, Jr.

PLANNING BOARD - 2 YEAR
Dennis Croteau
Carl Coulombe

LIBRARY TRUSTEE - 3 YEAR
Madeliene Croteau

CEMETERY TRUSTEE - 3 YEA
Dean Demers

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS -3 YEAR
Donald Croteau

CEMETERY TRUSTEE - 2 YEA
Raymond Pratt

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS - 2 YEAR
Jack Pepau

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS - 1 YEAR
Raymond Pratt

SUPER. OF CHECKLIST-3 YR
Mary Beth Gibson

SEXTON - 1 YEAR
Anthony Haney

SCHOOL

SCHOOL BOARD - 3 YEAR
Terry Andritz

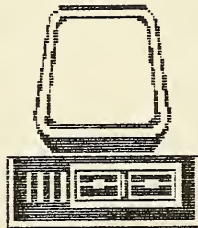
SCHOOL CLERK - 1 YEAR
Janette Sharp

SCHOOL TREASURER - 1 YEAR
Susan Croteau

A TRUE ATTEST:

Janette Sharp

JANETTE SHARP, TOWN CLERK



COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>BUDGET 96</u>	<u>EXPENDED 96</u>	<u>VARIANCE 96</u>
4130-EXECUTIVE	24750	26274	<1524>
4140-ELECTION	9380	9929	<549>
4150-FIN. ADMIN.	11880	10602	1278
4152-APPRAISAL	3300	2814	486
4153-LEGAL	3000	1872	1128
4155-PERSONNEL	8000	4931	3069
4191-PLANNING	500	156	344
4194-GEN. BLDG.	9600	6027	3573
4195-CEMETERIES	3000	5148	<2148>
4196-INSURANCE	21000	15547	5453
4197-ADVERTISING	1000	957	43
4199-OTHER GOV.	1000	-0-	1000
4210-POLICE	8200	7476	724
4215-AMBULANCE	2000	2000	-0-
4220-FIRE DEPT.	7500	6861	639
4312-HIGHWAYS	94000	93372	628
4324-SOLID WASTE	18200	14862	3338
4415-HEALTH AGENCY	2120	2192	<72>
4419-OTHER HEALTH	1750	1700	50
4442-DIRECT ASSIS.	4000	1661	2339
4520-PARKS & REC.	350	350	-0-
4550-LIBRARY	500	500	-0-
4583-PATRIOTIC	300	272	28
4723-INT. ON T.A.N.	12000	5086	6914
4915-CAP. RESERVE	34500	34500	-0-
TOTAL	281830	255089	26741

BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

ASSETS:

CASH	BERLIN CITY BANK		\$324,896.33
	NHPIDP		\$54,515.87
	HOUSING		\$6,696.16
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND			
	CEMETERIES		\$11,789.60
	BRIDGE	\$22,291.59	
	DUMP	\$21,447.59	
	REVALUATION	\$3,372.50	
	BACK HOE	\$4,011.75	
	COMPACTOR	\$1,002.95	
	FIRE DEPT. BLDG.	\$5,056.84	
	FIRE DEPT. BLDG.	\$3,722.82	
	FIRE DEPT. EQUIP.	\$14,013.42	
	DISCOUNT	\$10,668.70	
	SCHOOL-HANDICAP	\$55,583.20	
	TOWN TRUCK	<u>\$10,411.70</u>	
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVES			\$151,583.06
LIBRARY FUNDS			\$778.23
TOTAL DUE TO TOWN			
UNREDEEMED			
	LEVY 95	\$53,490.12	
	LEVY 94	\$24,356.26	
	LEVY 87	<u>\$2374.48</u>	
TOTAL UNREDEEMED			\$80,220.86
UNCOLLECTED TAXES			
	PROPERTY 96	\$91,499.27	
	LAND USE	<u>\$100.00</u>	
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED TAXES			\$91,599.27

TOWN PROPERTY

LAND & BUILDINGS	\$603,500.00	
EQUIP. & SUPPLIES	<u>\$662,612.00</u>	
TOTAL TOWN PROPERTY		<u>\$1,266,112.00</u>

TOTAL ASSETS		\$1,988,191.38
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LIABILITIES

SCHOOL DISTRICT		\$368,228.00
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NET WORTH		\$1,593,222.38
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SURPLUS		\$26,741.00
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TOTAL LIABILITES & NET WORTH		\$1,988,524.38
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BALANCE SHEET

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

ASSETS:

CASH		\$324,896.33
UNCOLLECTED		<u>\$171,820.13</u>
TOTAL		\$496,716.46

LIABILITIES:

SCHOOL		<u>\$368,228.00</u>
TOTAL		\$368,228.00

FUNDS EQUITY:

UNDESIGNATED FUNDS BALANCE		<u>\$128,488.46</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY		\$128,488.46

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY		\$496,716.46
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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION
AND TAXES ASSESSED

APPROPRIATION

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

EXECUTIVE	\$24,750
ELECTION, REG. & VITALS	9,380
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	11,880
REVALUATION	3,300
LEGAL EXPENSES	3,000
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	8,000
PLANNING & ZONING	500
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BLDG.	9,600
CEMETERIES	3,000
INSURANCE	21,000
ADVERTISING	1,000
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,000

PUBLIC SAFETY:

POLICE	8,200
AMBULANCE	2,000
FIRE DEPARTMENT	7,500

HIGHWAYS & STREETS:

HIGHWAYS	94,000
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SANITATION:

SOLID WASTE COLLECTION	18,200
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HEALTH:

HEALTH AGENCIES	2,120
OTHER HEALTH	1,750

WELFARE:

DIRECT ASSISTANCE \$4,000

CULTURE & RECREATION:

LIBRARY 500
PATRIOTIC 300

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

STA-NORTH 350

DEBT SERVICE:

INTEREST ON T.A.N. 12,000

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT:

CLOSURE OF DUMP 1,000
BRIDGE 10,000
FIRE DEPT. BLDG. 4,000
TOWN TRUCK 5,000
FIRE DEPT. EQUIP. 6,500
EXPENDABLE GEN. FUND 3,000
BACKHOE 4,000
COMPACTOR 1,000

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$281,830

REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES

TAXES:

LAND USE CHANGE TAX	300
YIELD TAX	8000
INTEREST & PENALTIES	8000
INVENTORY PENALTIES	250

LICENSE, PERMITS & FEES:

BUSINESS LICENSE & PERMITS	100
MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT FEES	30000
OTHER LICENSES & PERMITS	1000

FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:

OTHER (WMNF)	10767
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FROM STATE:

SHARED REVENUE	7505
HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT	43015
STATE & FED. REIMBURSEMENT	22636
OTHER (RAILROAD TAX)	3100

OTHER GOVERNMENT:

INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	1000
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CHARGES FOR SERVICES

INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS	1000
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MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:

SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY	5000
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	5000
TOTAL	146673

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY VALUATION

1. VALUE OF LAND ONLY

A. CURRENT USE	639722	
B. RESIDENTIAL	5484500	
C. COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	242000	
TOTAL TAXABLE LAND		6366222

2. VALUE OF BUILDINGS

A. RESIDENTIAL	11933500	
B. MANUFACTURED	873000	
C. COMMERCIAL	526600	
TOTAL TAXABLE BUILDINGS		13333100

3. UTILITIES

A. N. E. POWER	400	
B. ELECTRIC	636200	
TOTAL UTILITIES		636600

4. VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS 20335922

5. EXEMPTIONS

A. BLIND	15000	
B. ELDERLY	175000	
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS		190000

6. NET VALUATION 20145922

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

TOWN:

APPROPRIATIONS	281830		
REVENUES	-169873		
SHARED REVENUES	-1307		
OVERLAY	30948		
WAR SERVICE CREDIT	<u>2150</u>		
NET TOWN APPROPRIATION		143748	7.14

SCHOOL:

DUE TO SCHOOL	453228		
SHARED REVENUE	<u>-8119</u>		
NET SCHOOL APPROPRIATION		445109	22.09

COUNTY:

DUE TO COUNTY	75412		
SHARED REVENUE	<u>-864</u>		
NET COUNTY APPROPRIATION		74548	3.70

TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES ASSESSED	663405		
WAR SERVICE CREDITS	<u>-2150</u>		

TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT	<u>661255</u>		
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NET ASSESSED VALUATION:

20145.922

PROPERTY TAXES ASSESSED

663405

TAX RATE

\$32.93

STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED & ACTUAL REVENUE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	ESTIMATED REVENUES	ACTUAL REVENUES
TAXES:		
LAND USE CHANGE TAX	\$0.00	\$300.00
YIELD TAXES	\$6,000.00	\$10,146.00
INTEREST & PENALTIES	\$8,000.00	\$7,391.00
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES:		
BUSINESS LICENSE & PERMITS	\$250.00	\$247.00
MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS	\$30,000.00	\$39,859.00
OTHER LICENSE, PERMITS & FEES	\$1,200.00	\$1,008.00
FROM STATE:		
SHARED REVENUE	\$14,000.00	\$13,574.00
MEALS & ROOMS TAX DISTRIBUTION	\$0.00	\$4,221.00
HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT	\$38,000.00	\$43,015.00
STATE & FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT	\$26,000.00	\$34,496.00
FLOOD CONTROL REIMBURSEMENT	\$0.00	\$2,813.00
OTHER	\$4,000.00	\$4,438.00
FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	\$1,000.00	\$150.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICE:		
INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS	\$3,500.00	\$1,352.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE:		
SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY	\$0.00	\$9,639.00

INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	\$4,000.00	\$2,562.00
OTHER	\$2,000.00	\$2,400.00

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN:

CAPITAL RESERVE	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$55,000.00</u>
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TOTAL REVENUES	\$137,950.00	\$232,611.00
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

TOWN HALL	
LAND & BUILDINGS	\$75,100.00
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	\$20,000.00
LIBRARY	
BUILDING	\$16,000.00
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	\$3,500.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT	
EQUIPMENT	\$4,000.00
TOWN GARAGE	
LAND & BUILDINGS	\$32,100.00
MATERIAL, SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT	\$173,372.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT	
LAND & BUILDINGS	\$12,600.00
EQUIPMENT	\$111,840.00
TRANSFER STATION	
LAND & BUILDINGS	\$19,200.00
EQUIPMENT	\$47,000.00
SCHOOL	
LAND & BUILDINGS	\$243,100.00
EQUIPMENT	\$306,900.00
LANDFILL	\$8,100.00

CEMETERIES

VILLAGE	\$10,000.00
EMERSON	\$7,200.00
PERCY	\$6,900.00
BLAKE	\$3,200.00

TAX DEEDED PROPERTY \$41,000.00

COVERED BRIDGE \$125,000.00

TOTAL \$1,266,112.00



SUMMARY OF REVENUES

REVENUES FROM TAX COLLECTOR	\$744,404.27
REVENUES FROM TOWN CLERK	\$42,541.50
REVENUES FROM STATE & FEDERAL	\$228,225.51
REVENUES FROM LOCAL SOURCES	\$16,322.36
MISCELLANEOUS	<u>\$512,603.18</u>
TOTAL	\$1,544,096.82

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$84,256.91
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$16,337.08
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	\$312,373.03
SANITATION	\$14,861.83
HEALTH	\$3,892.24
WELFARE	\$1,660.98
CULTURE & RECREATION	\$1,121.76
DEBT SERVICE	\$5,085.62
TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	\$21,571.00
TRANSFERS	\$250,000.00
PAYMENTS TO CAPITAL RESERVE	\$34,500.00
PAYMENTS TO COUNTY	\$75,412.00
PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL	\$398,633.00
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE	\$125,000.00
TAX LIEN	\$76,289.66
MISCELLANEOUS	<u>\$9,524.61</u>
TOTAL	\$1,430,519.72

DETAILED STATEMENT OF REVENUES

3109	PROPERTY TAX 1996	\$546,686.09
3110	PROPERTY TAX 1995	\$103,048.76
3120	LAND USE CHANGE TAX	\$300.00
3185	YIELD TAX	\$10,145.80
3189	PROPERTY TAX INTEREST 1996	\$719.95
3190	PROPERTY TAX INTEREST 1995	\$1,396.03
	PROPERTY TAX LIEN 1995	\$5,275.51
3193	YIELD TAX INTEREST	\$175.74
3194	REDEMPTIONS	\$80,306.95
3195	REDEMPTION INTEREST	\$15,717.68
3210	BUSINESS LICENSES	\$247.00
3196	OVERPAYMENTS	\$631.76
3220	MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT FEES	\$39,859.00
3221	MUNICIPAL CLERK FEES	\$1,051.00
3290	OTHER LICENSES	\$1,008.00
3291	MARRAIGE LICENSES	\$225.00
3293	INSUFFICIENT FUND	\$151.50
3351	SHARED REVENUE BLOCK GRANT	\$13,573.94
3352	MEALS & ROOM TAX	\$4,220.69
3353	HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT	\$43,015.15
3356	STATE & FED. FOREST REIMBURSEMENT	\$34,602.46
3357	FLOOD CONTROL REIMBURSEMENT	\$2,813.00
3359	OTHER STATE GRANTS	\$4,437.67
3379	REVENUES-OTHER GOVERNMENT	\$125,562.60
3401	INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS	\$1,352.49
3404	REFUSE	\$238.46
3501	SALE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY	\$9,639.00
3502	INTEREST ON INVESTMENT	\$2,562.31
3503	RENT OF TOWN PROPERTY	\$2,168.12
3504	POLICE	\$361.98
3506	INSURANCE DIVIDENDS	\$6,258.83
3509	TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE	\$225,000.00
3911	TRANSFERS FROM GENERAL FUND	\$21,571.00
3916	TRANSFERS FROM TRUST	\$255,000.00
	VOIDS	\$4,773.35

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

4130 EXECUTIVE

ALBERT CLOUTIER, JR - PAYROLL	\$1,250.00
EXPENSES	\$143.55
A T & T	\$104.05
AVITAR & ASSOCIATES	\$225.00
CARTOGRAPHICS	\$935.00
COLEBROOK OFFICE SUPPLY	\$15.00
DEAN DEMERS	\$6.00
EMERSON & SON	\$3.00
EVERETT R. FRIZZELL - PAYROLL	\$1,250.00
EXPENSES	\$296.87
FRANKLIN PLATT	\$348.29
GROVETON POSTMASTER	\$1,606.00
INTUIT	\$196.90
JAMES EICH - PAYROLL	\$1,250.00
EXPENSES	\$245.73
JAMES GIBSON, SR.	\$42.72
JANETTE SHARP - PAYROLL	\$24.90
JARED SARGENT	\$72.00
LISE COULOMBE - PAYROLL	\$12,858.96
EXPENSES	\$832.16
LYNDONVILLE OFFICE SUPPLY	\$447.14
MCBEE SYSTEMS	\$105.78
MCI	\$256.72
MICHIE	\$712.47
NHAA0	\$20.00
NHMBB	\$150.00
NHGFOA	\$185.00
NHMA	\$665.00
NCC	\$25.00
NYNEX	\$543.22
OFFICE PRODUCTS	\$88.08
PRESCOTT FARMS	\$12.30
QUILL CORP	\$773.10
SUBTOTAL	\$25,689.94

REGISTRY OF DEEDS	\$423.47
RIFF FLOWER SHOP	\$114.00
STARK GENERAL STORE	\$1.59
SUSAN CROTEAU	<u>\$45.00</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$584.06
SUBTOTAL	<u>\$25,689.94</u>
TOTAL	\$26,274.00

4140 ELECTION

ALBERT CLOUTIER, JR.	\$50.00
BONNIE LUNN	\$153.20
CPI PRINTING	\$67.03
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	\$286.00
EVERETT R. FRIZZELL	\$50.00
FRANCES PEAU	\$50.00
FRANCIS HOPPS, JR.	\$50.00
HENRY ADKINS	\$25.62
JAMES EICH	\$100.00
JANE HOPPS	\$200.00
JANETTE CLANG - PAYROLL	\$5,138.50
EXPENSES	\$288.26
JOHN PEAU, SR.	\$200.00
JOHN PEAU, JR.	\$50.00
LISE COULOMBE	\$50.00
JUDITH WENTWORTH	\$375.00
EXPENSES	\$0.96
NANCY SPAULDING	\$250.00
MARY BETH GIBSON	\$150.00
NATIONAL MARKET	\$192.50
NH CITY & TOWN CLERK'S ASSOCIATION	\$20.00
SMITH & TOWN PRINTERS	\$1,641.00
TREASURER, STATE OF NH	\$266.00
TREND BUSINESS FORMS	\$74.85
VICTOR SPAULDING	<u>\$200.00</u>
TOTAL	\$9,928.92

4150 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

DONALD CROTEAU	\$80.17
EMERSON & SON	\$3.68
FRANCIS DINEEN & COMPANY	\$3,200.00
HYDRO DYNAMICS	\$20.00
JO ANN PLATT - PAYROLL	\$4,980.00
EXPENSES	\$291.06
NH TAX COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION	\$60.00
NHGFOA	\$25.00
SUSAN CROTEAU - PAYROLL	\$1,000.00
EXPENSES	\$280.43
THE BALSAMS	\$460.00
TOWN HALL PRESS	<u>\$201.76</u>
TOTAL	\$10,602.10

4152 APPRAISAL

AVITAR & ASSOCIATES OF NE	<u>\$2,814.30</u>
TOTAL	\$2,814.30

4153 LEGAL

RANSMEIER & PARISH	<u>\$1,871.62</u>
TOTAL	\$1,871.62

4155 PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

BERLIN CITY BANK	\$12,505.86
STATE OF NH - UC	\$408.16
WITHHOLDING TAX	(\$3,461.00)
SOCIAL SECURITY	(\$3,664.56)
MEDICARE	<u>(\$857.87)</u>
TOTAL EXPENDED	\$4,930.59

4191 PLANNING & ZONING

MICHIE	<u>\$156.40</u>
TOTAL	\$156.40

4194 GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

ANTHONY HANEY	\$686.71
AUBUCHON HARDWARE	\$372.39
CARROLL CONCRETE	\$315.50
COMMUNITY CO-OP	\$1,214.18
EDMOND BELANGER	\$650.00
EMERSON & SON	\$459.20
JOHNSON'S FUEL	\$392.12
LINDA WENTWORTH	\$100.00
MORNEAU MOVERS	\$225.00
PRESCOTT FARMS	\$17.28
PSNH	\$1,311.04
QUILL CORP.	\$33.39
RON'S ELECTRIC	\$91.00
WARREN TIPPITT	\$41.00
WHITE'S SEPTIC	<u>\$118.00</u>
TOTAL	\$6,026.81

4195 CEMETERIES

CARL COULOMBE	\$57.40
EMERSON & SON	\$21.83
FRANCIS MCMILLEON	\$213.00
GRANITE CORP	\$3,098.00
JARED SPAULDING	\$1,251.00
MARTIN'S AGWAY	\$364.21
MICHAEL ANDERSON	\$64.12
PERRAS ACE	\$10.58
STARK GENERAL STORE	<u>\$67.73</u>
TOTAL	\$5,147.87

4196 INSURANCE

NHMA	\$10,310.00
LIBERTY MUTUAL	\$1,551.00
CFNH	<u>\$3,686.00</u>
TOTAL	\$15,547.00

4197 ADVERTISING

N.C. PUBLISHING	<u>\$957.29</u>
TOTAL	\$957.29

4210 POLICE

COURT DIVERSION PROGRAM	\$300.00
DONALD CROTEAU - PAYROLL	\$305.00
EXPENSES	\$51.62
EMERSON & SON	\$37.85
FRANCIS HOPPS, JR. - PAYROLL	\$5,000.00
EXPENSES	\$1,249.85
GALL'S INC.	\$345.74
SIMON'S UNIFORM	\$56.00
THE RADIO NORTH	<u>\$130.00</u>
TOTAL	\$7,476.06

4215 AMBULANCE

TOWN OF NORTHUMBERLAND	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$2,000.00

4220 FIRE DEPARTMENT

PSNH	<u>\$681.01</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$681.01

ALBERT CLOUTIER, JR. - PAYROLL	\$16.10
EXPENSES	\$13.00
JAMES GIBSON, SR. - PAYROLL	\$16.10
EXPENSES	\$48.50
JAMES HICKEY - PAYROLL	\$43.61
EXPENSES	\$38.20
JOHN PEPAU, JR. - PAYROLL	\$43.61
EXPENSES	\$25.20
RONALD LUNN - PAYROLL	\$51.03
EXPENSES	\$41.50
STARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$3,460.00
TRAVIS WENTWORTH - PAYROLL	\$16.10
COMMUNITY CO-OP	\$1,414.19
NORTHERN NH FIRE MUTUAL AID	\$100.00
A T & T	\$5.20
MCI	\$6.59
NYNEX	<u>\$841.08</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$6,180.01
SUBTOTAL	<u>\$681.01</u>
TOTAL	\$6,861.02

4312 HIGHWAY

A. D. SANEL	\$196.93
ALBERT CLOUTIER, JR.	\$40.50
ARTHUR WHITCOMB	\$763.44
A T & T	\$17.34
ATCO INTERNATIONAL	\$196.25
BARRY WENTWORTH	\$15,651.37
BERLIN INSULATION	\$1,800.00
BERLIN SPRING	\$196.27
CARGIL SALT	\$1,297.14
CITGO PETROLEUM	\$1,538.31
CLOUTIER SAND & GRAVEL	\$41,744.40
CONTECH CONSTRUCTION	\$8,586.15
COOS FARM	\$1,365.00
DON VINYARD	<u>\$26.53</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$73,419.63

F. B. SPAULDING	\$36.75
GREEN'S AUTO BODY	\$400.00
HOWARD FAIRFIELD	\$722.00
INLAND DIVERS	\$18.00
IROQUOIS	\$3,623.28
JAMES BERONEY - PAYROLL	\$148.00
JAMES GIBSON, SR. - PAYROLL	\$45.00
PLOWING	\$496.00
JAMES LOWE COMPANY	\$3,020.00
KELLEY'S AUTO PARTS	\$187.43
LARRY GRAY TRUCKING	\$2,638.00
MCI	\$29.69
MERRIAM GRAVES	\$106.60
MICHAEL ANDERSON - PAYROLL	\$462.00
MOUNTAIN HEALTH SERVICES	\$70.00
NATIONAL LABORATORY	\$55.00
NH WETLANDS	\$50.00
NHOHA CONSORTIUM	\$56.65
NYNEX	\$388.24
PORTLAND GLASS	\$231.00
PSNH	\$1,080.51
ROBERTS BROOK FARM	\$730.00
RON'S ELECTRIC	\$8.45
STARK GENERAL STORE	\$977.56
STARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$250.00
SUMNER TIRE	\$854.70
THE COUNTRY AUTO	\$172.35
THE OILMAN INC.	\$1,583.64
TRANSIT TRUCK	\$970.44
TRAVIS WENTWORTH	\$36.00
TREASURER, STATE OF NH	\$254.92
WHITE MOUNTAIN MACK	\$37.82
EMERSON & SON	<u>\$212.00</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$19,952.03
SUBTOTAL	<u>\$73,419.63</u>
TOTAL	\$93,371.66

4313 BRIDGES

CLOUTIER SAND & GRAVEL	\$9,521.50
DOPP & DOPP	\$38,820.00
GORDON T. BURKE	\$121,472.00
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$700.00
PROVAN & LOBER	\$48,161.12
THE BERLIN REPORTER	\$71.66
TREASURER, STATE OF NH	\$81.09
N. C. PUBLISHING	<u>\$174.00</u>
TOTAL	\$219,001.37

4324 SOLID WASTE

ANTHONY HANEY	\$25.20
AVRRDD	\$3,856.21
BARRY WENTWORTH	\$497.31
CITY OF BERLIN	\$439.20
DEAN PEEL	\$107.24
DONALD CROTEAU	\$632.77
EMERSON & SON	\$14.67
JAMES GIBSON, SR.	\$419.00
JOSHUA SPAULDING	\$25.20
MCI	\$0.17
NORMANDEAU TRUCKING	\$2,308.55
NYNEX	\$449.19
PSNH	\$602.97
RON'S ELECTRIC	\$104.00
TREASURER, STATE OF NH	\$50.00
TST MANAGEMENT	\$1,294.15
VICTOR SPAULDING - PAYROLL	<u>\$4,036.00</u>
TOTAL	\$14,861.83

4415 HEALTH AGENCY

ROBERT HINKLEY	\$150.00
UPPER CONNECTICUT VALLEY	\$125.00
WEEKS HOME HEALTH	<u>\$1,917.24</u>
TOTAL	\$2,192.24

4419 OTHER HEALTH

BIG BROTHER/SISTER	\$200.00
COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM	\$600.00
SENIOR FELLOWSHIP	\$700.00
AMERICAN RED CROSS	<u>\$200.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,700.00

4442 DIRECT ASSISTANCE

WELFARE	<u>\$1,660.98</u>
TOTAL	\$1,660.98

4520 PARKS & RECREATION

STA-NORTH	<u>\$350.00</u>
TOTAL	\$350.00

4550 LIBRARY

STARK LIBRARY	<u>\$500.00</u>
TOTAL	\$500.00

4583 PATRIOTIC

EMERSON & SON	\$22.87
GREEN EARTH NURSERY	\$12.95
PERRAS ACE, INC	\$35.94
STARK IMPROVEMENT FUND	<u>\$200.00</u>
TOTAL	\$271.76

4711 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE

BERLIN CITY BANK	<u>\$125,000.00</u>
	\$125,000.00

4723 INTEREST ON TAN

BERLIN CITY BANK	<u>\$5,085.62</u>
TOTAL	\$5,085.62

4911 TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND

NHPDIP	<u>\$21,571.00</u>
TOTAL	\$21,571.00

4915 CAPITAL RESERVE TRANSFERS

NHPDIP	<u>\$34,500.00</u>
TOTAL	\$34,500.00

4916 TRANSFERS

NHPDIP	<u>\$250,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$250,000.00

4931 COUNTY TAX

COOS COUNTY TREASURER	<u>\$75,412.00</u>
TOTAL	\$75,412.00

4933 SCHOOL TAX

TREASURER, STARK SCHOOL	<u>\$398,633.00</u>
TOTAL	\$398,633.00

4960 MISCELLANEOUS

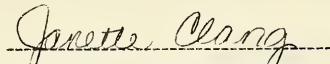
TAX LIEN	\$76,289.66
ABATEMENTS	\$1,452.00
REFUNDS	\$881.76
BOND - TIMBER	\$1,577.50
BANK CHARGES	\$840.00
VOIDS (155.00 FROM 1995)	<u>\$4,773.35</u>
TOTAL	\$85,814.27

**REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996**

Over the past 3 years the Town Clerk's office has acquired added responsibilities. Since May of 1994 residents have been able to renew their vehicle registrations without leaving town. Also, since June of 1995 I have been able to issue Passenger, Motorcycle and Trailer plates. These added responsibilities have also added approximately one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) on average per year to the Town's finances due to the Municipal Clerk fees collected on each transaction.

Dog licenses also make up a big part of the income generated by the Town Clerk's office. Since enforcing the twenty five dollar (\$25.00) civil forfeiture most residents have their dogs licensed by the April 30th deadline. On average, the Town gains another one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) for licensing of dogs. There is a law that all cats have to have rabie shots, but at this time the State has not come up with an efficient system for enforcing that law.

Last but not least, if you have an extreme circumstance and are unable to take care of business during the designated Town Clerk's hours, give me a call at home and if at all possible arrangements will be made to take care of your business at a time convenient to all of us.



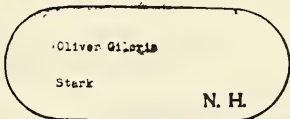
Janette Clang, Town Clerk

1930 State of New Hampshire 1930

Automobile Registration Certificate

Plates No. 9 10 7 7

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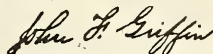
Did you own Clerk

This registration is accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire and Motor Vehicle Classification Act.

DESCRIPTION

Make and Type	Ford 40	
Make's No.	3406108	Color: Dark
Tires: pneumatic	solid rubber	hard
Gross weight of vehicle and load	2070	
Date	May 22	1988

registered 149 dogs, in 1996.


Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

By: AC

This Registration Expires Dec. 31, 1988.

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**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

Auto Permits Issued	\$ 39,694.00
Title Fees	165.00
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	39,859.00
Vital Statistics	235.00
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	40,094.00
Dog Licenses	973.00
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	41,067.00
Dog Penalties	232.00
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	41,299.00
Filing Fees	82.00
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	41,381.00
Uniform Commercial Code (UCC)	165.00
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	41,546.00
Municipal Clerk Fees	1,051.00
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	42,597.00
Other - NSF Checks	151.50
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Total To Treasurer	\$ 42,748.50

I certify the above figures are correct to the best of my knowledge.


Janette S. Clang
Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STARK, STATE OF NH, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

DATE: 1996	NAME OF CHILD	PARENT'S NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH
MAY 13	JESSICA MISHELLE BEATON	JOYA & RANDY (GOULD) BEATON	LITTLETON NH
MAY 30	REBECCA MAE ROGERS	MICHELLE & SHANE (HALE) ROGERS	LITTLETON NH
DEC. 31	IAN GRANT SARGENT	MELODY & JARED (SNELLING) SARGENT	LANCASTER NH

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STARK, STATE OF NH, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF PARENTS
MAY 05	Hubert E. Woods	Canada	Edwin B. Woods M. Blanche (Rol)
JULY 02	Joseph Paul Theodore Leger	Springfield MA	Fernand Leger Helen (Brough)
SEPT. 27	Gloria Colleen Fournier	Northumberland NH	Ralph Hopps Edith (Hartshorn)
NOV. 07	Victor Butler Spaulding	Lowell MA	Chester W. Spaulding Helen (Ducharme)
OCT. 01, 1995	Elvina Mary Fuller	Bartlett NH	William McKearny Marion (Scott)

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF STARK, STATE OF NH,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996**

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	RESIDENCE	BRIDES NAME	RESIDENCE
MAY 25	Ronald Ernest Clang	Stark NH	Janette Sharp	Stark NH
JUL. 30	Dean Alan Demers	Stark NH	Debra Marie Villeneuve	Stark NH
AUG. 13	Ronald Claude Botvin	Stark NH	Beverly Jeanne Martin	Stark NH
SEPT. 28	John Edward Brooks, Jr.	Stark NH	Kelley Marie Gonyer	Stark NH
OCT. 03	Paul Nathan Toogood	Hayden Lake ID	Leetta Ann Sprenger	Hayden Lake ID
OCT. 12	David Charles Dowland	New Ipswich NH	Lara Kristen Frizzell	Stark NH



CAMP STARK
28 SEPTEMBER 1996
SELECTMAN COMMEMORATIVE ADDRESS

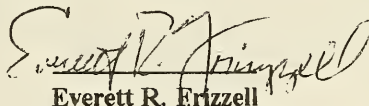
On behalf of the Town of Stark Board of Selectmen and the citizens of Stark, it is a pleasure to welcome all our friends here today for this German-American Friendship Day.

Over a half century ago, our countries were at war with each other. Today a united Germany and America are joined together in charting new and different roads for Americans and Europeans to follow.

Since our last meeting here, a decade ago, the geo-political map of Europe has changed dramatically. Why has this change happened? First, I believe it is because of people in that part of the world have a strong desire to be free. Second, it is because of the constant social/political influence the U.S. and the F.R.G. have exerted during the past five decades. Lastly, although it may seem minor and unimportant, there were the "islands of decency" during World War II. I believe Camp Stark became an "island of decency" in a world filled with turmoil and hate.

How and why is it possible for a POW camp to become an "island of decency"? I think it is due to individuals - like Francis and Albert Lang, Tom Gadwah, Warren Hoyt, Donald Beattie, Harold Hager, and Winston Hart - who worked as guards and foremen at Camp Stark. I think it is due to individuals - like John Wenzel, George Zeller, Willie Volz, Klaus Wiemann, Hermann Uelsmann, Gerhard Clauss, and Albert Petermann - who worked as a POW at Camp Stark. These men had respect for humanity, they had respect for each other and they knew the value of being part of a living family. These men reached into the space between the strands of wire to foster friendship...not animosity.

So today, like ten years ago, let this day be one in which we promote friendship, remember the past, live the present, and look forward to our future.


Everett R. Frizzell

Selectman, Town of Stark



German-American Friendship Day Reunion, September 28, 1996.



Allen Koop, author of "Stark Decency," greets former Camp Stark guard, Philip Walton, now living in Connecticut.

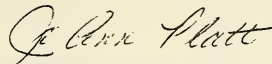
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1996 was an excellent year for tax collection - by far the best in the three years I have been Tax Collector. Out of a total warrant of \$662,920.00, we had collected \$546,008.00 (82%) by the end of the year.

I have noticed that many people seem to be confused about how tax liens and deeding work, so perhaps this brief explanation will provide some clarification.

Current taxes for any year which remain unpaid by March of the following year are taken to lien in mid-March. When a lien has been in place for at least two years, the town is entitled to take the property by tax deed. In Stark, this happens in May. For example: Unpaid 1994 taxes went to lien on March 15, 1995. These liens will have been in effect two years on March 15, 1997. If a lien is still not paid by May, 1997, the town can take the property.

I hope this explanation is helpful. And please, if anyone ever has a question regarding tax collection procedures, don't hesitate to contact me. I am always glad to help in any way I can.



Jo Ann Platt,
Tax Collector

Did you know that Chistine Lake was also known as Potter's Pond and North Pond, the name was officially changed in honor of Mrs. Anna Christine (CHRIS TĪN) Coates, first woman visitor to the Percy Summer Club.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF STARK, NH YEAR ENDING 12/31/96

DR.	Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES (Please specify years)	
	1996	1995	PRIOR
UNCOLLECTED TAXES -BEG. OF YEAR*:			
Property Taxes		110,363.03	
Resident Taxes	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Land Use Change	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Yield Taxes	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Utilities	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
TAXES COMMITTED -THIS YEAR:			
Property Taxes	662,920.00		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Resident Taxes			XXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Land Use Change	400.00		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Yield Taxes	10,170.31		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Utilities			XXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
			XXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
OVERPAYMENT:			
Property Taxes	5.72	11.53	
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change			
Yield Taxes			
Interest Collected on Delinquent Tax	907.22	6,660.01	
Collected Resident Tax Penalties			
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 674,403.25	\$ 117,034.57	\$ \$

*This amount should be the same as last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

MS-61

FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF

STARK, NH

YEAR ENDING 12/31/96

CR.	Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES (Please specify years)		
	1996	1995	PRIOR	
REMITTED TO TREAS. DURING FY:				
Property Taxes	546,008.09	103,048.76		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	300.00			
Yield Taxes	10,145.80			
Utilities				
Interest				
Penalties	907.22	6,660.01		
Conversion to Lien				
Discounts Allowed:	Included in abatement figures.			
Abatements Made:				
Property Taxes	25,412.64	7,314.27		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	24.51			
Utilities				
Curr. Levy Deeded				
Overpayments	5.72	11.53		
UNCOLLECTED TAXES -END OF YEAR:				
Property Taxes	91,499.27			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	100.00			
Yield Taxes				
Utilities				
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 674,403.25	\$ 117,034.57	\$	\$

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

MS-61

FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF STARK, NH

YEAR ENDING 12/31/96

DR.	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (Please specify years)	
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Yr.	1995	'92, '93, '94	
		67,821.10	
Liens Executed During Fiscal Yr.	76,289.66		
Interest & Costs Coll. After Lien Execution	1,728.16	13,989.52	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 78,017.82	\$ 81,810.62	\$

CR. REMITTANCE TO TREASURER:			
Redemptions	21,283.94	39,023.01	
Int./Costs(After Lien Execution)	1,728.16	13,989.52	
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	22.30		
Liens <u>Deeded</u> To Municipalities	1,493.30	2,067.35	
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	53,490.12	26,730.74	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 78,017.82	\$ 81,810.62	\$

If you are a tax sale municipality, please use the alternate page 3.

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a)? yes

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE *Jerry Platt*

DATE: 1/22/97

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OWNER	WRNT	PG	LN	PARCEL ID	DUE DT	UNPAID BAL	01/08/97 AMOUNT DUE
ADAM, BRENDA M.	96P2	1	1	0202-0007-0000	12/24/96	436.02	438.17
ALCANTARA, GAIL	94L1	0	2	0415-0013-0000	03/15/95	1,300.17	1,726.55
	95L1	0	1	0415-0013-0000	03/20/96	1,452.45	1,663.04
	96P1	1	4	0415-0013-0000	06/30/96	659.00	700.60
	96P2	1	4	0415-0013-0000	12/18/96	651.00	655.49
						(4,062.62)	(4,745.68)
ALLEN, CECILIA ANN B	96P2	1	5	0205-0026-0000	12/18/96	397.00	424.74
BAKER, KELLY & ANTHO	96P1	4	3	0407-0021-0000	06/30/96	1,028.00	1,092.89
	96P2	4	3	0407-0021-0000	12/18/96	1,014.00	1,021.00
						(2,042.00)	(2,113.89)
BELANGER, EDMUND	87L1	0	1	0406-0012-0000	03/15/94	246.22	371.29
	94L1	0	3	0406-0012-0000	03/15/95	1,555.85	2,089.08
						(1,802.07)	(2,460.37)
BELANGER, EDMUND & D	95L1	0	4	0406-0012-0000	03/20/96	1,670.01	1,935.14
	96P1	6	6	0406-0012-0000	06/30/96	777.00	826.05
	96P2	6	6	0406-0012-0000	12/18/96	751.00	756.18
						(3,198.01)	(3,517.37)
BENNETT, GEORGE S &	95L1	0	5	0408-0086-0000	03/20/96	1,718.59	1,967.76
	96P1	7	1	0408-0086-0000	06/30/96	800.00	850.50
	96P2	7	1	0408-0086-0000	12/18/96	774.00	779.34
						(3,292.59)	(3,597.60)
BERONEY, JAMES & GAI	96P1	8	4	0204-0004-0000	06/30/96	75.00	79.73
	96P2	8	3	0204-0003-0000	12/18/96	769.00	774.31
	96P2	8	4	0204-0004-0000	12/18/96	73.00	73.50
	96P2	8	5	0204-0029-0000	12/18/96	5.00	5.03
	96P2	8	6	0204-0030-0000	12/18/96	4.00	4.03
						(926.00)	(936.60)
BLAKE, GEORGE	94L1	0	7	0409-0010-0000	03/15/95	125.70	166.92
	95L1	0	6	0409-0010-0000	03/20/96	148.25	169.74
	96P1	9	2	0409-0010-0000	06/30/96	420.00	446.51
	96U1	0	3	0409-0010-0000	06/22/96	100.00	109.86
	96P2	9	2	0409-0010-0000	12/18/96	406.00	408.80
						(1,199.95)	(1,301.83)
BOIVIN, DENNIS & CIN	95L1	0	7	0202-0038-0000	03/20/96	1,739.70	2,037.93
	95L1	0	8	0202-0054-0000	03/20/96	395.41	498.74
	96P1	9	4	0202-0038-0000	06/30/96	810.00	861.13
	96P1	9	5	0202-0054-0000	06/30/96	658.00	699.54
	96P2	9	4	0202-0038-0000	12/18/96	784.00	789.41
	96P2	9	5	0202-0054-0000	12/18/96	636.00	640.39
						(5,023.11)	(5,527.14)
BOIVIN, DORIS & ALBE	96P2	9	7	0202-0030-0000	12/18/96	896.20	902.39
BOIVIN, RONALD	96P2	10	1	0202-0031-0000	12/18/96	136.00	136.94
	96P2	10	2	0202-0031-000A	12/18/96	368.00	370.54
						(504.00)	(507.48)
CALABRO, DEBORAH	96P2	13	1	0407-0012-0000	12/18/96	38.00	38.26
CAMARA, DONA	96P1	13	1	0407-0002-0000	06/30/96	129.00	137.14
	96P2	13	2	0407-0002-0000	12/18/96	125.00	125.86
						(254.00)	(263.00)
COTE, ESTATE OF	96P2	19	8	0405-0016-0000	12/18/96	486.00	489.36
COTE, RICHARD	96P1	20	3	0202-0043-0000	06/30/96	609.00	647.44
	96P2	20	3	0202-0043-0000	12/18/96	590.00	594.07
						(1,199.00)	(1,241.51)
COVILL, RICHARD R &	95L1	0	13	0412-0023-0000	04/09/96	0.00	0.79

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CROSBY, BRADFORD	96P1	21 6	0419-0001-0005	06/30/96	119.00	126.51
	96P2	21 7	0419-0001-0005	12/18/96	115.00	115.79
					(234.00)	(242.30)
CROTEAU, DENNIS & SU	95L1	0 14	0203-0027-0000	10/21/96	402.43	418.11
	96P1	21 7	0203-0027-0000	06/30/96	382.00	406.11
	96P2	21 8	0203-0027-0000	12/18/96	418.00	420.89
					(1,202.43)	(1,245.11)
DALEY, RICHARD F.	96P2	24 1	0408-0055-0000	12/18/96	1,792.00	1,804.37
DALEY, RICHARD JR. &	96P2	24 2	0408-0017-0000	12/18/96	1,344.00	1,353.28
DEMERS, BRUCE & LEON	96P2	24 4	0202-0013-0000	12/18/96	1,049.00	1,056.24
DROUIN, BRENTON W. &	96P2	27 8	0408-0019-0000	12/18/96	1,483.00	1,493.24
	96P2	28 1	0408-0020-0000	12/18/96	110.00	110.76
					(1,593.00)	(1,604.00)
DUBE, JEAN-PAUL	94L1	0 19	0412-0018-0000	03/15/95	56.70	75.29
DUBE, JEAN-PAUL & PR	96P1	28 1	0412-0018-0000	06/30/96	8.00	8.50
	96P2	28 2	0412-0018-0000	12/18/96	18.00	18.12
					(26.00)	(26.62)
DUMONT, RONALD	96P2	28 5	0412-0020-0000	12/18/96	664.00	668.58
EMERSON, JAMES & BRI	96P2	29 7	0416-0004-0000	12/18/96	62.00	62.43
EVANS, CURTIS	96P1	30 5	0412-0019-0000	06/30/96	395.00	419.93
	96P2	30 5	0412-0019-0000	12/18/96	382.00	384.64
					(777.00)	(804.57)
FARRELL, ROBERT	94L1	0 20	0405-0028-0000	05/22/96	909.77	1,207.46
FARRELL, ROBERT & LE	95L1	0 17	0405-0028-0000	03/20/96	983.34	1,125.91
	96P1	31 2	0405-0028-0000	06/30/96	447.00	475.22
	96P2	31 2	0405-0028-0000	12/18/96	442.00	445.05
					(1,872.34)	(2,046.18)
FORBUSH, DANIEL	94L1	0 22	0205-0042-0000	03/15/95	839.56	1,137.89
	95L1	0 18	0205-0042-0000	03/20/96	1,578.13	1,806.94
	96P1	33 3	0205-0042-0000	06/30/96	760.00	807.97
	96P2	33 3	0205-0042-0000	12/18/96	735.00	740.07
					(3,912.69)	(4,492.87)
FRIZZELL, MARGARET	95L1	0 19	0204-0020-0000	03/20/96	996.07	1,140.49
	95L1	0 20	0204-0020-000A	03/20/96	94.50	108.20
	96P1	34 1	0204-0020-0000	06/30/96	507.00	539.00
	96P1	34 2	0204-0020-000A	06/30/96	40.00	42.52
	96P2	34 1	0204-0020-0000	12/18/96	491.00	494.39
	96P2	34 2	0204-0020-000A	12/18/96	39.00	39.27
					(2,167.57)	(2,363.87)
GAGNE, JEANETTE & BR	96P1	35 1	0412-0044-0000	06/30/96	765.00	813.29
	96P2	35 1	0412-0044-0000	12/18/96	740.00	745.11
					(1,505.00)	(1,558.40)
GAUTHIER, ARTHUR W.	94L1	0 25	0203-0010-0000	09/25/96	2,585.80	2,719.69
	95L1	0 22	0203-0010-0000	03/20/96	3,852.83	4,457.44
	96P1	35 5	0203-0010-0000	06/30/96	1,811.00	1,925.32
	96P2	35 4	0203-0010-0000	12/18/96	1,752.00	1,764.10
					(10,001.63)	(10,866.55)
GIBSON, DIANA	96P2	36 2	0407-0028-0000	12/18/96	127.00	127.88
	96P2	36 3	0407-0029-0000	12/18/96	414.00	416.86
					(541.00)	(544.74)
GONYER, HAROLD & MEL	96P1	38 3	0407-0013-0000	11/18/96	283.42	288.17
	96P2	38 2	0407-0013-0000	12/18/96	447.00	450.09
					(730.42)	(738.26)
HANEY, ANTHONY & MAR	96P2	40 5	0202-0029-0000	12/18/96	462.00	465.19

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HIGGINS, KERRY	94L1	0 32	0204-0013-0000	03/15/95	1,024.46	1,383.43
	95L1	0 25	0204-0013-0000	03/20/96	1,134.89	1,322.43
	96P1	42 6	0204-0013-0000	06/30/96	494.00	525.18
	96P2	42 7	0204-0013-0000	12/18/96	537.00	540.71
					(3,190.35)	(3,771.75)
HODGDON, FREDERICK J	94L1	0 33	0409-0017-0000	03/15/95	89.60	118.98
HODGDON, FREDERICK J	96P1	42 8	0409-0017-0000	06/30/96	32.00	34.02
	96P2	43 1	0409-0017-0000	12/18/96	41.00	41.28
					(73.00)	(75.30)
HOPPS, HARRY	94L1	0 34	0201-0011-0000	05/22/96	1,322.49	1,733.43
HOPPS, HARRY & MAXIN	95L1	0 26	0201-0011-0000	03/20/96	1,418.69	1,624.38
	96P1	43 6	0201-0011-0000	06/30/96	658.00	699.54
	96P2	43 7	0201-0011-0000	12/18/96	649.00	653.48
					(2,725.69)	(2,977.40)
JAMES RIVER CORPORAT	96P2	45 2	0409-0002-0000	12/18/96	30.00	30.21
	96P2	45 3	0409-0005-0000	12/18/96	400.00	402.76
	96P2	45 4	0409-0005-000A	12/18/96	603.00	607.16
					(1,033.00)	(1,040.13)
JOHNSON, PETER & PAU	96P1	46 2	0405-0039-0000	07/19/96	281.98	298.02
KEISER, STEVE	94L1	0 38	0201-0027-0000	03/15/95	172.54	229.12
	95L1	0 32	0201-0027-0000	03/20/96	386.70	442.77
	96P1	48 4	0201-0027-0000	06/30/96	164.00	174.35
	96P2	48 4	0201-0027-0000	12/18/96	169.00	170.17
					(892.24)	(1,016.41)
KELLEY, BARRY	96P1	48 5	0205-0027-0000	06/30/96	424.00	450.76
	96P2	48 5	0205-0027-0000	12/18/96	409.00	411.82
					(833.00)	(862.58)
KING, RAYMOND & JEAN	96P1	49 2	0405-0012-0000	06/30/96	425.00	451.83
	96P2	49 3	0405-0012-0000	12/18/96	411.00	413.84
					(836.00)	(865.67)
KNAPP, MAYNARD & BON	96P1	49 3	0408-0106-0000	06/30/96	1,382.00	1,469.24
	96P2	49 4	0408-0106-0000	12/18/96	1,337.00	1,346.23
					(2,719.00)	(2,815.47)
LACHANCE, JOHN & JIL	96P2	50 2	0411-0021-0000	12/18/96	1,287.00	1,295.89
LAMBERT, RICHARD LEE	96P2	50 5	0203-0001-0000	12/18/96	1,114.00	1,121.69
LINDEN, BRUCE & LAUR	96P2	53 1	0401-0006-0000	12/18/96	20.00	20.14
MASON, HARLEY & DEBO	95L1	0 34	0203-0021-0000	03/20/96	3,419.98	3,938.83
	96P1	55 4	0203-0021-0000	06/30/96	1,600.00	1,701.00
	96P2	56 4	0203-0021-0000	12/18/96	1,579.00	1,589.90
					(6,598.98)	(7,229.73)
MAYHEW, ROBERT & JOS	96P2	56 7	0203-0005-0000	12/18/96	123.00	123.85
	96P2	56 8	0203-0012-0000	12/18/96	2,772.00	2,791.14
	96P2	57 1	0205-0050-0000	12/18/96	272.00	273.88
	96P2	57 2	0205-0051-0000	12/18/96	466.00	469.22
					(3,633.00)	(3,658.09)
MCGRAVEY, WILLIAM	96P2	57 5	0408-0014-0000	12/18/96	225.00	226.55
MINICHELLO, ROBERT	94L1	0 42	0408-0114-0000	10/21/96	1,712.98	1,779.72
MINICHELLO, ROBERT	95L1	0 35	0408-0114-0000	03/20/96	3,147.68	3,627.05
	96P1	57 6	0408-0114-0000	06/30/96	1,463.00	1,555.35
	96P2	58 5	0408-0114-0000	12/18/96	1,444.00	1,453.97
					(6,054.68)	(6,636.37)
NASON, LARRY D	96P2	61 2	0408-0087-0000	12/18/96	766.00	771.29
NOLIN, LLOYD D. & RO	96P2	63 1	0406-0005-0000	12/18/96	3.00	3.02
PARKS, NEAL ARTHUR	96P2	65 7	0407-0005-0000	12/18/96	540.00	543.73

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	96P2	65 8	0407-0006-0000	12/18/96	15.00	15.10
					(555.00)	(558.83)
PEEL, DAVID	96P1	66 3	0407-0016-0000	06/30/96	8.00	8.50
PEEL, DAVID F. II	96P2	66 4	0202-0049-0000	12/18/96	1,109.00	1,116.66
	96P2	66 5	0407-0016-0000	12/18/96	8.00	8.06
					(1,117.00)	(1,124.72)
PEEL, DAVID II	95L1	0 37	0202-0049-0000	03/20/96	2,413.47	2,763.39
	96P1	66 4	0202-0049-0000	06/30/96	1,123.00	1,193.89
					(3,536.47)	(3,957.28)
PEPPER, BRUCE	94L1	0 44	0419-0001-0004	03/15/95	376.11	499.45
	95L1	0 38	0419-0001-0004	03/20/96	404.60	463.26
	96P1	67 1	0419-0001-0004	06/30/96	172.00	182.86
	96P2	67 2	0419-0001-0004	12/18/96	177.00	178.22
					(1,129.71)	(1,323.79)
PERRAS, PAUL & LISA	95L1	0 39	0408-0034-0000	03/20/96	1,726.63	1,999.97
	96P1	67 4	0408-0034-0000	06/30/96	1,507.00	1,602.13
	96P2	67 5	0408-0034-0000	12/18/96	1,487.00	1,497.27
					(4,720.63)	(5,099.37)
POLAND, MARK A. & GE	96P2	68 6	0201-0009-0000	12/18/96	590.00	594.07
RIFF, SHANE M	94L1	0 49	0203-0016-0000	03/27/96	1,070.39	1,221.89
RIFF, SHANE M & WAND	95L1	0 42	0203-0016-0000	03/20/96	2,235.48	2,582.59
	96P1	72 1	0203-0016-0000	06/30/96	1,035.00	1,100.33
	96P2	72 2	0203-0016-0000	12/18/96	1,020.00	1,027.04
					(4,290.48)	(4,709.96)
ROGERS, MURRAY	94L1	0 50	0411-0009-0000	10/21/96	393.64	408.98
ROGERS, MURRAY JR &	95L1	0 43	0411-0009-0000	03/20/96	2,542.28	2,933.88
	96P1	72 4	0411-0009-0000	06/30/96	1,190.00	1,265.12
	96P2	72 5	0411-0009-0000	12/18/96	1,174.00	1,182.11
					(4,906.28)	(5,381.11)
ROLFE, ROBERT	95L1	0 44	0409-0001-0000	03/20/96	50.88	58.26
	95L1	0 45	0409-0006-0000	03/20/96	395.19	452.49
	96P1	72 7	0409-0001-0000	06/30/96	5.00	5.32
	96P1	72 8	0409-0006-0000	06/30/96	177.00	188.17
	96P2	72 8	0409-0001-0000	12/18/96	15.00	15.10
	96P2	73 1	0409-0006-0000	12/18/96	182.00	183.26
					(825.07)	(902.60)
ROLFE, THOMAS	95L1	0 46	0409-0007-0000	05/16/96	245.21	273.87
	96P1	73 1	0409-0007-0000	06/30/96	218.00	231.76
	96P2	73 2	0409-0007-0000	12/18/96	220.00	221.52
					(683.21)	(727.15)
SARGENT, BRADLEY & D	95L1	0 47	0203-0017-0000	05/15/96	1,080.14	1,206.92
	96P1	74 5	0203-0017-0000	06/30/96	903.00	960.00
	96P2	74 5	0203-0017-0000	12/18/96	921.00	927.36
					(2,904.14)	(3,094.28)
SHANNON, JOE	87L1	0 2	0201-0040-0000	03/15/94	2,128.26	3,209.30
	96P1	75 2	0415-0010-000A	06/30/96	268.00	284.92
	96P2	75 2	0415-0010-000A	12/18/96	259.00	260.79
					(2,655.26)	(3,755.01)
SHANNON, JOE &	95L1	0 48	0201-0042-00MH	03/20/96	167.30	191.56
	96P1	75 3	0201-0042-00MH	06/30/96	65.00	69.10
					(232.30)	(260.66)
SHANNON, JOE & SYLVI	95L1	0 49	0201-0040-0000	03/20/96	54.31	85.18
	95L1	0 50	0201-0042-0000	03/20/96	1,461.52	1,696.42
	95L1	0 51	0415-0010-0000	03/20/96	986.85	1,152.93

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	96P1	75 4	0201-0040-0000	06/30/96	12.00	12.76
	96P1	75 5	0201-0042-0000	06/30/96	663.00	704.85
	96P1	75 6	0415-0010-0000	06/30/96	463.00	492.23
	96P2	75 3	0201-0040-0000	12/18/96	11.00	11.08
	96P2	75 4	0201-0042-0000	12/18/96	690.00	694.76
	96P2	75 5	0201-0042-00MH	12/18/96	63.00	63.43
	96P2	75 6	0415-0010-0000	12/18/96	447.00	450.09
					(4,851.68)	(5,363.73)
SHANNON, JOSEPH &	94L1	0 58	0201-0042-00MH	03/15/95	168.08	223.20
SHANNON, MARALYN	95L1	0 52	0203-0001-0000	03/20/96	2,484.68	2,844.92
	96P1	75 7	0203-0001-0000	06/30/96	1,152.00	1,224.72
					(3,636.68)	(4,069.64)
SMITH, DIANNE	94L1	0 59	0202-0010-0000	03/27/96	837.97	1,123.06
	95L1	0 53	0202-0010-0000	03/20/96	906.50	1,037.93
	96P1	76 5	0202-0010-0000	06/30/96	415.00	441.20
	96P2	76 4	0202-0010-0000	12/18/96	402.00	404.78
					(2,561.47)	(3,006.97)
SNIHUROWYCH, BOHDAN	96P2	76 5	0205-0044-0000	12/18/96	701.00	705.84
SPRAGUE, ANDREA	96P1	78 8	0204-0015-0000	06/30/96	159.00	169.04
	96P2	78 6	0204-0015-0000	12/18/96	164.00	165.13
					(323.00)	(334.17)
SPURRELL, ROGER JR	94L1	0 60	0404-0004-0000	03/15/95	1,007.43	1,360.81
SPURRELL, ROGER JR &	95L1	0 54	0404-0004-0000	03/20/96	607.14	718.17
	96P1	79 2	0404-0004-0000	06/30/96	497.00	528.37
	96P2	78 8	0404-0004-0000	12/18/96	491.00	494.39
					(1,595.14)	(1,740.93)
ST. ONGE, RICHARD	94L1	0 62	0411-0038-0000	03/15/95	1,662.38	2,207.55
	95L1	0 55	0411-0038-0000	03/20/96	1,846.39	2,114.09
	96P1	79 5	0411-0038-0000	06/30/96	860.00	914.29
	96P2	79 4	0411-0038-0000	12/18/96	833.00	838.75
					(5,201.77)	(6,074.68)
ST. PIERRE, ROBERT &	96P1	79 6	0412-0054-0000	06/30/96	137.00	145.65
	96P2	79 5	0412-0054-0000	12/18/96	133.00	133.92
					(270.00)	(279.57)
STEARNS, PHILIP JR.	95L1	0 56	0411-0013-0000	10/21/96	77.42	80.44
	96P1	81 7	0411-0013-0000	06/30/96	835.00	887.71
	96P2	81 6	0411-0013-0000	12/18/96	808.00	813.58
					(1,720.42)	(1,781.73)
STEVENS, ROBERT & DE	96P2	81 7	0419-0001-0006	12/18/96	138.00	138.95
SWALLOW, JEFFREY	94L1	0 64	0412-0053-0000	02/20/96	340.81	395.10
	95L1	0 57	0412-0053-0000	03/20/96	1,410.92	1,615.48
	96P1	82 7	0412-0053-0000	06/30/96	648.00	688.90
	96P2	82 6	0412-0053-0000	12/18/96	639.00	643.41
					(3,038.73)	(3,342.89)
SWIFT, MILLARD	96P1	82 8	0419-0001-0007	06/30/96	216.00	229.63
	96P2	82 7	0419-0001-0007	12/18/96	219.00	220.51
					(435.00)	(450.14)
TIERNEY, DAVID & VER	94L1	0 65	0202-0027-0000	03/15/95	1,259.90	1,719.08
	95L1	0 58	0202-0027-0000	03/20/96	1,364.46	1,608.29
	96P1	84 5	0202-0027-0000	06/30/96	626.00	665.52
	96P2	83 5	0202-0027-0000	12/18/96	618.00	622.27
					(3,868.36)	(4,615.16)
TIPPITT, ROBERT	94L1	0 67	0409-0019-0000	10/30/96	554.01	597.05
TIPPITT, ROBERT G.,	95L1	0 59	0205-0030-0000	03/20/96	1,321.22	1,512.78

FY96STARK COLLECTOR RECEIVABLES
 REQUESTED BY: JO ANN 01/08/97 11:01:08

OWNER	WRNT	PG LN	PARCEL ID	DUE DT	UNPAID BAL	01/08/97 AMOUNT DUE
	95L1	0 60	0409-0019-0000	03/20/96	600.05	687.05
	96P1	85 1	0205-0030-0000	06/30/96	606.00	644.25
	96P1	85 2	0409-0019-0000	06/30/96	275.00	292.36
	96P2	83 8	0205-0030-0000	12/18/96	598.00	602.13
	96P2	84 1	0409-0019-0000	12/18/96	275.00	276.90
					(3,675.27)	(4,015.47)
TRANT, JOSEPH &	94L1	0 68	0407-0003-0000	03/15/95	2,235.48	2,968.59
TRANT, JOSEPH & BARB	95L1	0 61	0407-0003-0000	03/20/96	1,570.41	1,798.10
	96P1	85 3	0407-0003-0000	06/30/96	723.00	768.64
	96P2	84 2	0407-0003-0000	12/18/96	714.00	718.93
					(3,007.41)	(3,285.67)
VAN BUSKIRK, KEITH	96P1	87 6	0407-0014-0000	06/30/96	41.00	43.59
	96P1	87 7	0407-0017-0000	06/30/96	42.00	44.65
	96P2	87 5	0407-0014-0000	12/18/96	50.00	50.35
	96P2	87 6	0407-0017-0000	12/18/96	50.00	50.35
					(183.00)	(188.94)
VEINOTTE, EVERETT &	96P2	87 8	0412-0032-0000	12/18/96	908.00	914.27
VEINOTTE, EVERETT &	96P2	88 1	0412-0010-0000	12/18/96	6.00	6.04
VINYARD, DON	96P1	88 4	0412-0015-0000	06/30/96	660.00	701.66
	96P2	88 3	0412-0015-0000	12/18/96	637.00	641.40
					(1,297.00)	(1,343.06)
WARNER, SHIRLEY ANN	94L1	0 70	0411-0037-0000	05/31/95	306.79	395.75
WARNER, SHIRLY ANN	95L1	0 62	0411-0037-0000	03/20/96	344.43	417.37
	96P1	89 3	0411-0037-0000	06/30/96	144.00	153.09
	96P2	89 3	0411-0037-0000	12/18/96	149.00	150.03
					(637.43)	(720.49)
WENTWORTH, BARRY	94L1	0 71	0412-0028-0000	05/01/96	23.09	49.14
	94L1	0 72	0412-0029-0000	03/15/95	635.92	867.47
					(659.01)	(916.61)
WENTWORTH, BARRY & L	95L1	0 63	0412-0028-0000	03/20/96	37.38	65.80
	95L1	0 64	0412-0029-0000	03/20/96	677.40	798.61
	96P1	89 7	0412-0028-0000	06/30/96	3.00	3.19
	96P1	89 8	0412-0029-0000	06/30/96	316.00	335.95
	96P2	89 7	0412-0028-0000	12/18/96	4.00	4.03
	96P2	89 8	0412-0029-0000	12/18/96	306.00	308.11
					(1,343.78)	(1,515.69)
WENTWORTH, LUCILLE	94L1	0 73	0412-0012-0000	03/15/95	1,788.64	2,398.22
	95L1	0 65	0412-0012-0000	03/20/96	1,938.21	2,242.22
	96P1	90 3	0412-0012-0000	06/30/96	820.00	871.76
	96P2	90 3	0412-0012-0000	12/18/96	794.00	799.48
					(5,340.85)	(6,311.68)
YORK, ARTHUR M. & KA	96P1	92 1	0412-0059-0000	06/30/96	127.00	135.02
YOUNG, HELEN	96P2	92 2	0405-0020-0000	12/18/96	309.00	311.13
					171,794.48	190,292.19

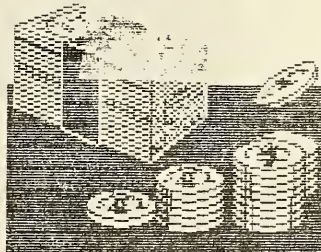
**TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996**

GENERAL FUND:

Balance on hand 12-31-95	\$	211,164.22
Total Receipts to Treasurer	+	1,536,761.16
		\$ 1,747,925.38
ACCRUED INTEREST 1996	+	2,562.31
		\$ 1,750,487.69
LESS PAYMENTS	-	1,429,524.71
		\$ 320,962.98
BANK CHARGES	-	840.00
		\$ 320,122.98
VOIDED CHECKS	+	4,773.35
		\$ 324,896.33
		\$ 324,896.33
Balance on Statement 12-31-96	\$	339,728.87
Outstanding Checks	-	14,832.54
		\$ 324,896.33
		\$ 324,896.33

I certify that the above figures are correct to the best of my knowledge.

Susan H. Croteau
Susan H. Croteau, Treasurer





Town of Stark

Account Number: **NH-01-0333-0001**

Account Name: **STARK**

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
\$154,255.05	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$260.82	\$60,852.20	\$54,515.87

Total

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
\$154,255.05	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$260.82	\$60,852.20	\$54,515.87

Town of Stark

Account Number: **NH-01-0333-0001**

Account Name: **STARK**

Summary

	December 1996	Fiscal YTD Ending (06/30/97)
Beginning Balance		\$51,209.76
Contributions	\$154,255.05	\$150,000.00
Withdrawals	\$0.00	\$150,000.00
Income Earned	\$100,000.00	\$3,306.11
Month End Balance	\$260.82	\$54,515.87
Average Interest Rate	\$54,515.87	4.96%
Average Annualized Yield	5.06%	5.09%

CDBG HOUSING PROGRAM
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

BALANCE ON HAND DEC. 31, 1995	\$6,273.85	
TOTAL RECEIPTS TO TREASURER	<u>\$343.23</u>	\$6,616.13
ACCRUED INTEREST	<u>\$80.03</u>	\$6,696.16
BALANCE ON STATEMENT 12-31-96		\$6,696.16
BEGINNING BALANCE 01-01-96		\$6,696.16



Trivia: What does the Abnaki name for the Ammonoosuc River mean?

(River of many fish)

TOWN OF STARK

STARK TRUST FUNDS

Town of Stark, Trustee of Trust Funds

Account Number: ALL ACCOUNTS

Account Name: CEMETERY TRUST ACCTS.

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
\$ 6620.88	\$ 4770.05		\$ 398.67		\$ 11,789.60



Town of Stark, Trustees of Trust Funds

Account Number: NH-01-0334-0001

Account Name: BRIDGE ACCT.

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
\$67,187.00	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$104.59	\$24,342.63	\$22,291.59

Account Number: NH-01-0334-0002

Account Name: DUMP ACCT.

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
\$20,357.27	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$90.32	\$21,080.04	\$21,447.59

Account Number: NH-01-0334-0003

Account Name: REVALUATION ACCT.

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
\$3,358.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14.42	\$3,365.41	\$3,372.50

Account Number: NH-01-0334-0004

Account Name: BACKHOE ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance	\$0.00	Contributions	\$4,000.00	Withdrawals	\$0.00	Income Earned	\$11.75	Average Daily Balance	\$3,823.93	Month End Balance	\$4,011.75
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Account Number: NH-01-0334-0005

Account Name: COMPACTOR ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance	\$0.00	Contributions	\$1,000.00	Withdrawals	\$0.00	Income Earned	\$2.95	Average Daily Balance	\$955.98	Month End Balance	\$1,002.95
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Account Number: NH-01-0334-0006

Account Name: DISCOUNT

Beginning Balance	\$0.00	Contributions	\$10,647.55	Withdrawals	\$0.00	Income Earned	\$21.15	Average Daily Balance	\$9,948.02	Month End Balance	\$10,668.70
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Account Number: NH-01-0334-0007

Account Name: TOWN TRUCK

Beginning Balance	\$0.00	Contributions	\$10,391.05	Withdrawals	\$0.00	Income Earned	\$20.65	Average Daily Balance	\$9,708.38	Month End Balance	\$10,411.70
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Account Number: NH-01-0334-0008

Account Name: FIRE DEPT EQUIPMENT

Beginning Balance	\$0.00	Contributions	\$13,985.59	Withdrawals	\$0.00	Income Earned	\$27.83	Average Daily Balance	\$13,066.79	Month End Balance	\$14,013.42
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Account Number: NH-01-0334-0009

Account Name: FIRE DEPT BUILDING

Beginning Balance	\$0.00	Contributions	\$5,046.81	Withdrawals	\$0.00	Income Earned	\$10.03	Average Daily Balance	\$4,715.23	Month End Balance	\$5,056.84
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ACCOUNTS IN: BERLIN CITY BANK
SIWOOGANOCK GUARANTY BANK

Account Number: CD #200731346

Account Name: Fire Department-Building

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
3,487.64			235.18		3,722.82

Account Number: CD #2101051

Account Name: Stark School- Handicap Education

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
40,341.40			2,137.51		42,478.91

Account Number: CD #211557-8

Account Name: Stark School-Handicap Education

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
3,230.33			191.34		3,421.67

Account Number: SA #0240636

Account Name: Stark School-Handicap Education

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
9,432.50			250.12		9,682.62

Total

Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Income Earned	Average Daily Balance	Month End Balance
147,394.22	56,071.00	55,000.00	3,117.84		151,583.06

STARK VILLAGE LIBRARY
TRUSTEE REPORT

1996 was a quiet year at the Stark Village Library.

Longtime librarian Judith Gibson retired from her position this spring. Judy was very active in library affairs and very instrumental in planning library events. She was always at the library doing extra work, and helping people find the books or information they were seeking. The board would like to express their gratitude for her service.

Looking into 1997, the library is looking to start fresh with new librarian Cecile Eich. A new book purchase should broaden our selection a bit, with new books of local lore as well as a score of new children's books. This year our aim is to either purchase a new encyclopedia set or to get our donated computer on-line.

The summer reading program will be held late summer. Also we will be looking for volunteers to open the library on Saturday afternoons.



Valarie Gauthier

Cash on hand December 31, 1995	\$341.17	
Deposits:		
Annual Appropriation	500.00	
Void Check	<u>12.06</u>	
Total Income		\$853.23
Expense:		
Librarian Salary	<u>\$75.00</u>	
Less Total Expense		<u>\$75.00</u>
Balance on Hand December 31, 1996		\$778.23

Did you know that the Covered Bridge is being replicated in Alaska.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of
the Board of Selectmen
Town of Stark
Stark, New Hampshire 03582

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund financial statements of the Town of Stark, New Hampshire as of, and for the year ended December 31, 1995, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

As is the practice with many New Hampshire municipalities, the Town of Stark, New Hampshire has not maintained a record of its general fixed assets and, accordingly, a statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial report.

In our opinion, except that the omission of the general fixed asset account group results in an incomplete presentation as explained in the above paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Stark, New Hampshire as of December 31, 1995, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its similar trust fund types for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Also, in our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of each of the individual funds of the Town of Stark, New Hampshire as of December 31, 1995, and the results of operations of such funds and the cash flows of nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

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

Very truly yours,

Francis J. Dineen & Co.
Francis J. Dineen & Co. CPA's

June 28, 1996

EXHIBIT A

TOWN OF STARK
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>	
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash	\$ 211,164.22	\$ 6,615.02
Investments	0.00	0.00
Taxes Receivable (Net of Allowances for Uncollectables)	170,851.23	0.00
Accounts Receivable	0.00	0.00
Due from Other Governments	0.00	0.00
Due from Other Funds	0.00	7,788.42
Tax Deeded Property	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 382,015.45</u>	<u>\$14,403.44</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</u>		
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Accrued Payroll and Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Due to Other Governments	0.00	0.00
Due to School District	313,633.00	0.00
Due to Other Funds	0.00	0.00
Tax Anticipation Notes Payable	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>313,633.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
 <u>Fund Equity</u>		
Reserved for Endowments	0.00	0.00
Reserved for Tax Deeded Property	0.00	0.00
Designated for Capital Acquisitions	0.00	0.00
Designated for Specific Purposes	0.00	14,403.44
Designated by Trust Instruments	0.00	0.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>68,382.45</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Fund Equity	<u>68,382.45</u>	<u>14,403.44</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	<u>\$ 382,015.45</u>	<u>\$14,403.44</u>

EXHIBIT A

<u>Fiduciary</u> <u>Fund Type</u> Trust Funds	Totals <u>(Memorandum Only)</u> December 31, 1995
\$ 20,823.43 154,525.98 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 <hr/> <u>\$175,349.41</u>	\$ 238,602.67 154,525.98 170,851.23 0.00 0.00 7,788.42 0.00 <hr/> <u>\$ 571,768.30</u>
\$ 0.00 53,004.23 0.00 7,788.42 0.00 <hr/> <u>60,792.65</u>	\$ 0.00 53,004.23 313,633.00 7,788.42 0.00 <hr/> <u>374,425.65</u>
6,620.88 0.00 95,864.53 0.00 12,071.35 0.00 <hr/> <u>114,556.76</u>	6,620.88 0.00 95,864.53 14,403.44 12,071.35 68,382.45 <hr/> <u>197,342.65</u>
<u>\$175,349.41</u>	<u>\$ 571,768.30</u>

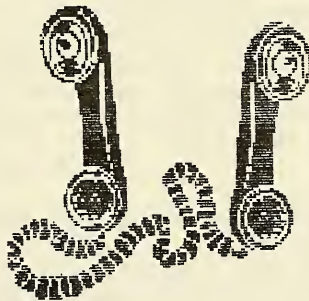
OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT

The past year presented the Town with several challenges, from welfare policies to the Dewey Hill bridge project, and the coming year will certainly challenge us even more. The Selectmen's office is always a busy place with new and often surprising situations constantly arising.

There have been several changes over the past few years and I would like to keep you, the taxpayers, informed of such policy changes. For that reason, I've discussed with Town officials the possibility of a quarterly Town Bulletin apprising you about what's new, changing or obsolete.

I would like to thank the citizens of Stark for their volunteer efforts, which make our Town a special place to live and frequently aid me in fulfilling a challenging job.

Lise Coulombe
Lise Coulombe, Office Manager



Did you know that Stark has a total land mass of 35,920 acres and 23,586 acres is tax exempt.

**REPORT OF STARK POLICE DEPARTMENT
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996**

CHIEF FRANCIS W. HOPPS, JR

COMPLAINTS

BAD CHECKS	07	MOTOR VEHICLE	12
BREAKING & ENTERING	05	PROWLER	03
CHRISTINE LAKE	03	SNOW MACHINES	15
CRUELTY TO ANIMALS	01	SPEEDING	07
DOGS	04	STOLEN PROPERTY	04
DOMESTIC	08	TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	07
FIRE CALLS	05	VANDALISM	06
MISCELLANEOUS	60	VEHICLE COLLISIONS	
MOTOR BIKE	05	W/DEER OR MOOSE	05

The department had six court cases in Lancaster court.

The department covered the Fiddlers Contest, two weddings, German-American Friendship Day, a political train that stopped for lunch, and a funeral on the covered bridge.

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS:

Donald Croteau, William Joyce, Jr., Frederick Benway



REPORT OF THE STARK FIRE DEPARTMENT

STARK FIRE LOG

4 Chimney fires 1 Car fire

6 Auto accidents 1 Tree on powerline

3 Mutual Aid calls

Groveton Ambulance responded to five out of six auto accidents and transported one or more people to the hospital each time. We help the ambulance attendants load the injured persons into the ambulance. We help the police with traffic control and we are there in case of sparks igniting spilled fuel.

The Fire Department responded to Mutual Aid fire calls, two of which were in Groveton and one was to the devastating fire on Lancaster's Main Street on June 10th.

This year we started billing the insurance companies for auto accidents so the Town wouldn't have to pick up the expense.

TRAINING

This year the State of New Hampshire, Department of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Forests and Lands (DRED) held a two-part Annual Warden & Deputy Warden training. The first part was held in Berlin and consisted of how to locate a fire on a Topographical Map using information that we would receive from DRED, by way of a Fire Spotter Pilot or Ranger who keeps watch on a Fire Tower. Then we had to find the quickest and safest way to get to the fire and determine how we would initially fight the fire. The second part of the training was held at the Wilderness Ski Area in Dixville Notch and included pump relay. Here we pumped water from a water source to another pump that was carried out into the woods, and from that pump to the fire. We had training on how to create a fire break by clearing a path down to the soil about 1 1/2' to 2' wide, to keep ground fires from spreading.

We also had six to seven men attend a Hazardous Materials Awareness Course in Whitefield, aboard a railroad car that the Dupont Corp. dropped off for use as a classroom. We learned what some of the numbers and letters on a rail car stand for, which helps us with information about the car itself and about the material in it. This class was intended to make us aware of the dangers of chemical spills and how to handle a situation to keep people from getting hurt, as well as who to contact for more information and for clean up of a spill.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

This year we entered a fire truck in Lancaster's Fire Truck Parade. For those of you who are not familiar with this parade, Lancaster Fire Department invites all the North Country Fire Departments to bring some or all of their vehicles to the parade, which is held at 7:00 p.m. (after dark). The trucks parade down Main Street along with a band or two with lights flashing and sirens blowing and candy being thrown from some of the vehicles.. This is a fun time for the young children.

Every year we order Fire Prevention Materials to hand out to the Elementary School children, then we go into the school dressed up in our fire department apparatus so the children would know

what to expect if we had to go into a building to rescue them. In 1995, we had a Representative from 911 give a talk to the children about the 911 system and what to expect if they call 911. This past year the children were taken to the Fire Station to see all our equipment.

CLEANING BRIDGES

Every spring we wash down all the bridges and get the salt and winter sand off them to help make them last longer. We also hose down the school yard to get the sand off the tar.

MACK PUMPER

Back in October, four members went to Cornish, which is just above Claremont, to look at some of the work Larry Dingee does on restoring or building new fire trucks, as he will be the one to do the body work and paint job on our Mack Pumper this spring. His company does an excellent job and as his shop is next door to the Cornish Fire Station, he took us over to show us the pumper he built for them.

FIRE STATION

We are in need of a new Fire Station in the near future so while we were in Cornish, we took a ride over to Canaan and looked at their fire station, which is similar to what we want.

FIRE PERMITS

Burning may be done before 9 a.m. or after 5 p.m. It is also possible to burn during the day if it is raining. However, a written permit is still required. If individuals want to burn in an incinerator, a seasonal permit may be issued, but the burning must still be done before 9 a.m. or after 5 p. m.

FIRE PERMITS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM:

Ronald Lunn, Fire Chief
James Gibson, Assistant Fire Chief

637-1137
636-2106 or 636-1763

Did you know that the Mill Brook Trail use to be a road that went to the fish hatchery, on York Pond Road, in Milan.



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
 DEPARTMENT of RESOURCES and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
 DIVISION of FORESTS and LANDS

172 Pembroke Road P.O. Box 1856 Concord, New Hampshire 03302-1856

ROBB R. THOMSON
 Commissioner

603-271-2214
 FAX: 603-271-2629

JOHN E. SARGENT
 Director

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

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

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

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

1996 FIRE STATISTICS

(Cost Shared)

FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Belknap	06	Smoking	05
Carroll	07	Debris Burning	34
Cheshire	13	Campfire	16
Coos	10	Power Line	04
Grafton	12	Railroad	02
Hillsborough	19	Equipment Use	01
Merrimack	14	Lightning	02
Rockingham	15	Children	22
Strafford	05	OHRV	01
Sullivan	06	Miscellaneous	20

TOTAL FIRES 107

"REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!"


Albert S. von Dohrmann
 Forest Ranger

Ronald A. Lunn
 Forest Fire Warden

Forest Protection (603) 271-2217
 Forest Management (603) 271-3456



Land Management (603) 271-3456
 Information & Planning (603) 271-3457

TDD ACCESS: RELAY NH 1-800-735-2964  recycled paper
 DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS 603-271-2214

Emergency Management Report

The duties of the town's Emergency Management Director are to understand what emergency situations or disasters might occur here then help the town plan and prepare effectively. The duties also include knowing what outside resources might be available to us, and in the case of a serious disaster, helping seek federal and state funds and assistance that may become available.

To better understand situations that might occur here I've attended several courses. Among these:

An indoctrination to the radiation measurement equipment provided free to Stark and every other town in New Hampshire. A radiation release could happen here if an accident occurred as radioactive materials are transported through town by car, van, truck or rail. Such materials probably come through here quite often. The actual danger is small, however, as most radioactive shipments are properly packaged to withstand even a severe accident. Nonetheless, it is well to have radiation measurement equipment at hand to protect anyone injured, firemen, police, medical responders, hospital personnel and possibly bystanders at the scene.

A course in railroad safety to better understand what to do should a derailment occur. Many freight cars coming through Stark carry large amounts of very hazardous materials so a derailment here could be dangerous. The course explained how to know quickly what each freight car is carrying and how to cope with it or stay clear if something is hazardous.

The same course also stressed the danger of railroad grade crossings. It pointed out that a diesel locomotive hitting a car is the same relative force as a car running over a soda can. There is also the danger of a vehicle hitting the side of a train and being crushed and dragged by the train. There are grade crossings in Stark and we've already had accidents and several near misses. Please be aware of the danger and be careful crossing any tracks. Stop, Look & Listen is good advice well worth observing.

The planning and preparation role of the Emergency Management Director is already well covered by our Emergency Management Plan developed by the prior director, Lloyd Nolan, together with the New Hampshire Office of Emergency Management. Now, as we learn more about our risks, we will update the plan.

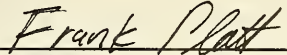
Stark's Emergency Management Plan and every other New Hampshire town's are readily available at the state's Emergency Operations Control Center in Concord. The Center is activated at the threat of or any actual emergency, even by a severe storm or flood warning. The Center taps into many emergency communications systems and can generate its own electrical power. So if real trouble threatens us, the Center knows our plan and can be quickly deploy many resources to help us.

Another important role of the Emergency Management Director is to seek funds and assistance to help us with restoration should serious trouble occur. This past year we were lucky.

The floods in October and November of 1995 qualified us for federal and state aid. Both Sullivan and Meadow Roads had washed out. When FEMA inspected the damage they suggested we upgrade the drainage systems instead of simply replacing the culverts which was about all the town could afford. Their money allowed us to significantly improve the drainage without burdening an already stretched road budget.

What To Do in case something serious occurs or threatens to:

- **Call 911.** If you can't get through, try CB radio to someone who can. If you're nearby or can call a fireman or policeman, they can use their radios for you. But calling 911 is best because this system alerts all state, federal and private agencies.
- In an emergency, don't use the telephone unnecessarily and be brief when you do. The phone system can't handle many calls at once and unnecessary calls will only delay emergency traffic. Remember also that during a power outage the whole system is running on battery, so keep all calls brief and necessary.
- Listen to local radio stations and to CB radio (if you can) for news and announcements.
- And, finally, plan to be as self-sufficient as possible. Make plans with your family, friends and neighbors to be prepared and help each other. And be sure to review your plans at least annually.


Franklin Platt January 14, 1997

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

We had two major washouts this year -- one on the Gertrude Leighton Meadow and one on Sullivan Road. We put in one large 6' culvert on Sullivan Road and 4', 3' and 2' culverts on the Meadow. We hauled in bankrun gravel and crushed gravel and ditched Sullivan Road at a cost of \$21,807.00.

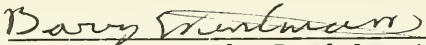
Kim Lambert cut brush for one week on the west end of town. He'll be back next year.

We rebuilt Plain Road from Crystal to the Dummer town line and Paris Road from Crystal north to the power line. Both of these roads will be paved in the coming year. The old bridge at Crystal Falls was removed and replaced with a new one. During this project, Dewey Hill Road was rebuilt and new guard rails were installed.

We hope to rebuild and pave Emerson Road to the Northside Deli in the next year and resurface the road from Francis Hopp's house to Nash Stream Road.

Our one-ton truck was painted and is scheduled for a new body.

We had a very good year with some great improvement made to our roads. Thank you for your support.


Barry Wentworth, Road Agent

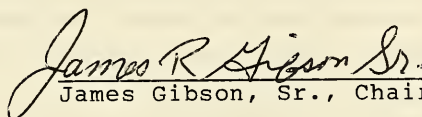


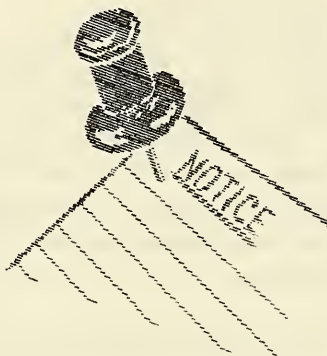
Did you know that the average snow fall for Stark is 80", and the average winter temperature is 15 to 25 degrees. (Mt. Washington Observatory)

STARK PLANNING BOARD

It was a very slow year for the Planning Board. Robert Kidder inquired about regulations for ledge mining, extending Phase One so he can remove the gravel more efficiently.

Everett Frizzell applied for a minor subdivision.


James Gibson, Sr., Chairman



Did you know that a private citizen donated 1000 acres to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests.

TRANSFER STATION REPORT

I would like to thank all of you for assisting me with the abrupt transition as your new Transfer Station Manager. I received numerous ideas on how to operate YOUR Transfer Station, and will give these and any others that come to mind in the future full consideration. Please feel free to give me your ideas on how to improve the best Transfer Station in the State.

There are several ideas that are being considered, and I hope, a couple of these will be implemented by midsummer. These ideas will affect the method(s) by which the recyclables are delivered for reprocessing only, but not how or where they are dropped off at the Transfer Station.

The monthly total of solid waste (in tons) that was delivered to landfills is shown below:

<i>JANUARY</i>	<i>9.74</i>	<i>APR</i>	<i>10.83</i>	<i>JULY</i>	<i>12.01</i>	<i>OCTOBER</i>	<i>12.01</i>
<i>FEBRUARY</i>	<i>10.14</i>	<i>MAY</i>	<i>11.4</i>	<i>AUG.</i>	<i>12.75</i>	<i>NOVEMBER</i>	<i>0.0</i>
<i>MARCH</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>JUNE</i>	<i>9.72</i>	<i>SEPT.</i>	<i>11.66</i>	<i>DECEMBER</i>	<i>9.69</i>

We are charged a "tipping " fee currently set at \$18.79/ton. This figure is based on a number of things, one of which is the number of residents (per capita) that are in the town, and last years figures. So, if there is a large increase in the amount of non-recyclables taken to the landfills this year over last, there will be a corresponding increase in our tipping fees next year.

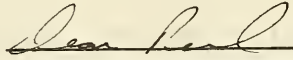
If everyone was to recycle 5 lbs/mo or more each month, we would be sending 1.28 tons less each month at a savings of \$24.05/mo to the landfill, as well as perhaps receiving a "refund" to help reduce the taxes raised to pay for the Municipal Recycling Facility (MRF).

The good news is that, depending on the price of the recyclable, the more recyclables that are taken to the MRF, the more the town receives as its share in reducing the cost of the MRF. That facility belongs to the towns who are members (we are one) of the Androscoggin Valley Regional Refuse Disposal District (AVRRDD). This is money that we do not have to raise by taxes.

I would like to remind everyone that you can take those items that we can not handle at the Transfer Station at this time (construction debris for example) to the Mt. Carberry Landfill as long as you have a valid Stark Transfer Station Sticker. There is a fee for this service.

As a final note, items that are now acceptable at your Transfer Station without a fee include stoves, washers, and dryers. Items for a fee include refrigerators, freezers, TV s, computer monitors, or VCR s because each of these have internal components that are considered hazardous to the environment and are not recyclable at this time.

Remember the MORE we recycle, the LESS we have to pay in taxes for trash.


Dean Peel, Transfer Station Manager



Did you know that the bobbin mill located at Joe Donovan's was removed and transported to Percy Village.

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

Annual Report of the School District

for the

Town of Stark, NH

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1996

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF STARK

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1996

ORGANIZATION/ADMINISTRATION

SCHOOL BOARD

TERM EXPIRES

Bradley Sargent, Chairman
Daniel Fogg
Terry Andritz

1997
1998
1999

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Robert C. Mills - Tel. 636-1437
Sandra Call, Secretary
Janet Bennett, Data Processing

BUSINESS MANAGER

Peggy L. Goodale

STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL

Charles R. Witters - Principal/Grades 5 & 6
Nancy Spaulding - Grades 3 & 4
Annetta McGinnis - Grades 1 & 2
Kathleen Chandler - Kindergarten/Special Education

TREASURER

Susan Croteau

CLERK

Janette Sharp

MODERATOR

Victor Spaulding

**SCHOOL WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Stark, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Stark Village School in said district on Tuesday, March 11, 1997, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. The polls will be opened at said place and date from 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon for the reception of your ballots under the non-partisan ballot system. Polls will not close before 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

1. To choose by non-partisan ballot the following district officers for the ensuing year: a district clerk, a district treasurer, a district moderator for the ensuing two years, and one member of the school board for the ensuing three years.

Given under our hands at Stark this 19th day of February, 1997.

SCHOOL
BOARD

Bradley Sargent
Daniel Fogg
Terry Andritz

A True Copy of Warrant - Attest:

Bradley Sargent

Daniel Fogg

Terry Andritz

SCHOOL
BOARD

**SCHOOL WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Stark, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Stark Village School in said district on Tuesday, March 11, 1997, at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. The matters of appropriations and such other business properly coming before said meeting will be taken up for your consideration and action.

1. To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen and any vote relating thereto.
2. To see if the district will vote to accept the provisions of the Federal and State School Lunch Program and to appropriate such funds as may be available to the district under said program. Further, to see if the district will authorize the school board to make application for such funds and to expend the same for such programs.
3. To see if the district will authorize the school board to make application for, to receive and expend in the name of the district such advances, grants-in-aid, or other funds for the educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State, Federal or other governmental unit or from private sources which become available during the fiscal year.
4. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund for Education of the Handicapped, this sum will be taken from surplus in the 1996-97 operating budget; furthermore, to authorize the school board as agents to determine when such funds may be expended (pursuant to the provisions of RSA 35:1-b). The school board recommends this appropriation.

5. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district.
6. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Stark this 19th day of February, 1997.

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SCHOOL
BOARD

BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 1996

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Food Service</u>	<u>Capital Reserve</u>
Cash	\$13,077.36			54,386.00
Interfund Rec.	1,198.00			
Int'gvt. Rec.	<u>3,633.00</u>	<u>398.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$17,908.36	\$398.00	\$800.00	\$54,386.00
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Interfund Payables		398.00	800.00	
Other Payables	64.05			
Deferred Rev.	<u>12,478.85</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Liabilities	\$12,542.90	\$398.00	\$800.00	-0-
 Unreserved Fund Balance	 <u>5,365.46</u>	 <u> </u>	 <u> </u>	 <u>54,386.00</u>
Total Fund Equity	\$5,365.46	-0-	-0-	\$54,386.00
 TOTAL LIABIL- ITIES & FUND EQUITY	 \$17,908.36	 \$398.00	 \$800.00	 \$54,386.00

STATEMENT OF REVENUES
For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1996

LOCAL	<u>General</u>	<u>Special</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>Food</u> <u>Service</u>	<u>Capital</u> <u>Reserve</u>
<u>REVENUE</u>				
Current				
Appropriation	\$423,633.00			
Earnings on				
Investments	584.29			2,402.00
Food Service			4,738.55	
Other Local				
Revenue	<u>1,046.77</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Local				
Revenue	\$425,264.06	-0-	\$4,738.55	\$2,402.00
<u>REVENUE FROM</u> <u>STATE SOURCES</u>				
Foundation Aid	102,021.79			
Building Aid	<u>16,661.26</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Revenue				
from State				
Sources	\$118,683.05	-0-	-0-	-0-
<u>REVENUE FROM</u> <u>FEDERAL SOURCES</u>				
Chapter II		1,498.00		
Child Nutr/Prog			5,945.00	
Elem./Second.		1,000.00		
Fed. Forest Fund	12,377.68			
Medicaid	<u>814.67</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Revenue				
from Federal				
Sources	\$ 13,192.35	\$2,498.00	\$5,945.00	-0-
Trans. from				
General Fund	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>12,690.16</u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL REVENUE	\$557,139.46	\$2,498.00	\$23,373.71	\$2,402.00

**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
ESTIMATED REVENUES**

<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>Current 1996-1997</u>	<u>Estimated 1997-1998</u>
<u>STATE REVENUES</u>		
Foundation Aid	129,123	99,698
Building Aid	16,661	16,661
<u>FEDERAL REVENUES</u>		
EICA Chapter II/Other	2,500	2,700
Child Nutrition	6,000	7,000
Federal Forest Land	12,479	10,000
<u>LOCAL REVENUES</u>		
Unreserved Fund Balance	5,365	5,000
Lunch Sales	5,000	5,000
District Assessment	<u>453,228</u>	<u>525,909</u>
TOTAL REVENUES AND DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	\$630,356	\$671,968

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Robert C. Mills 1995-96

Northumberland School District's Share	\$30,845.48
Stratford School District's Share	10,055.68
Stark School District's Share	<u>7,559.93</u>
TOTAL	\$48,461.09

Francis W. Bruni 1995-96

Northumberland School District's Share	\$ 4,175.44
Stratford School District's Share	1,361.20
Stark School District's Share	<u>1,023.36</u>
TOTAL	\$ 6,560.00

BUSINESS MANAGER'S SALARY

Peggy L. Goodale 1995-96

Northumberland School District's Share	\$18,620.81
Stratford School District's Share	6,070.41
Stark School District's Share	<u>4,563.78</u>
TOTAL	\$29,255.00

**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMPARATIVE BUDGETS**

<u>1000 Instruction</u>		<u>1996-1997</u>	<u>1997-1998</u>
<u>1100 Regular Programs</u>			
110	Salaries	\$ 91,975	\$ 99,845
111	Aide's Salary	3,504	7,841
120	Substitute Salary	1,224	1,440
210	Health Insurance	14,879	18,560
213	Life & Disability	1,000	1,100
214	Workmens' Comp.	1,380	1,450
222	Teachers' Retirement	2,760	2,600
230	FICA	8,080	8,402
260	Unemployment Comp.	250	250
270	Tuition Reimbursement	600	600
310	Art & Music	6,380	300
320	Instructional Improv.	2,000	2,000
440	Repairs & Maintenance	1,100	1,100
561	Public Tuition	80,750	78,128
	High School	182,582	218,485
610	Supplies	4,238	4,263
630	Textbooks	2,314	1,967
640	Periodicals	<u>75</u>	<u>71</u>
	Total	\$405,091	\$448,402
 <u>1200 Special Program</u>			
110	Salaries	\$ 10,100	\$ 9,800
111	Aides' Salaries	3,504	6,685
210	Health Insurance	866	1,079
214	Workmens' Comp.	600	710
222	Teachers' Retirement	303	270
230	FICA	1,041	1,263
390	Professional Technical	19,746	18,081
519	Transportation	2,000	1,000
569	Private Tuition	2,400	1,600
610	Supplies	<u>333</u>	<u>402</u>
	Total	\$ 40,893	\$ 40,890
 <u>1400 Co-Curricular</u>			
610	Supplies	\$ 312	220
810	Dues/Fees	<u>950</u>	<u>950</u>
	Total	\$ 1,262	\$ 1,170

2000 Support Services2120 Guidance

390	Other Prof. & Tech.	\$ 7,000	\$ 6,500
610	Supplies	182	00
630	Books	00	165
640	Periodicals	<u>00</u>	<u>17</u>
	Total	\$ 7,182	\$ 6,682

2130 Health Services

390	Professional/Technical	\$ 1,460	\$ 1,525
610	Supplies	<u>125</u>	<u>162</u>
	Total	\$ 1,585	\$ 1,687

2210 Improvement of Instruction

320	Improvement of Inst.	\$ 360	360
580	Expense/Travel	<u>150</u>	<u>150</u>
	Total	\$ 510	\$ 510

2220 Educational Media

440	Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 372	\$ 372
450	Rentals	320	330
610	Supplies	25	100
630	Textbooks	682	726
640	Periodicals	<u>80</u>	<u>90</u>
	Total	\$ 1,479	\$ 1,618

2310 School Board Services

110	Salaries	\$ 2,205	\$ 2,270
230	FICA	169	175
390	Professional/Technical	2,400	2,400
522	Insurance	2,000	2,000
532	Postage/Petty Cash	200	200
540	Ads	350	350
810	Dues/Fees	<u>1,028</u>	<u>1,028</u>
	Total	\$ 8,352	\$ 8,423

2320 SAU Services

351	SAU Services	\$ 33,440	\$ 33,424
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2400 School Administration

110	Salary	\$ 3,215	\$ 3,315
222	Retirement	97	90

230	FICA	246	254
532	Postage/Petty Cash	175	175
580	Expense/Travel	150	150
610	Supplies	175	175
810	Dues/Fees	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>

Total		\$ 4,558	\$ 4,659
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2540 Operation & Maintenance

110	Salary	\$ 4,116	\$ 4,225
116	Salary (summer)	160	160
214	Workmens' Comp.	290	290
230	FICA	328	336
260	Unemployment Comp.	15	15
440	Repairs	1,800	1,800
521	Insurance	2,339	2,150
531	Telephone	1,100	1,100
610	Supplies	2,210	2,000
652	Electricity	4,815	5,060
653	Fuel	3,000	3,000
657	Bottled Gas	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

Total		\$ 21,173	\$ 21,136
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2550 Transportation

110	Salaries	\$ 7,566	\$ 7,752
214	Workmens' Comp.	760	760
230	FICA	580	594
513	Transportation	15,150	16,250
656	Gasoline	<u>2,200</u>	<u>2,400</u>

Total		\$ 26,256	\$ 27,756
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5000 Other Outlays

5100 Debt Service On Bond

830	Principal On Debt	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000
842	Interest On Debt	<u>6,075</u>	<u>2,911</u>

Total		\$ 51,075	\$ 47,911
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5220 Federal Projects

880	Transfer	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,700
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5240 Food Service

880	Transfer	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
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TOTAL BUDGET		<u>\$630,356</u>	<u>\$671,968</u>
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**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
1995-96 DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS**

1000 INSTRUCTION

1100 REGULAR PROGRAMS

393,936.31

110	Teachers' Salaries		91,908.73
111	Aide's Salary		3,134.85
120	Sub. Salaries		1,215.00
210	Health Insurance		12,169.94
213	Life & Disability		1,053.53
214	Workman's Comp.		1,047.00
222	Teachers' Retirement		2,212.79
230	FICA		7,364.07
260	Unemployment Comp.		224.00
270	Tuition Reimbursement		265.00
310	Other Instruction-Art		1,199.00
	Farnsworth, Alan	500.00	
	Gibson, Mary Beth	119.00	
	NH Music Educ. Assoc.	15.00	
	Smith, Spencer	250.00	
	Stark Village School	315.00	
440	Repairs/Maintenance		885.00
	A & B Copiers, Inc.	750.00	
	Porter Office Machines	135.00	
561	Public Tuition		264,686.67
	Northumb.Sch. Dist.	264,686.67	
610	Supplies		4,734.64
	A & B Copiers, Inc.	334.00	
	Atlas Pen & Pencil	72.37	
	BBY Publications	104.23	
	Barclay School Supplies	357.51	
	Blick, Dick	224.60	
	Chandler, Kathy	11.38	
	Colebrook Office Supply	28.06	
	D.C. Heath & Co.	237.37	
	Dale Seymour Publications	30.90	
	Educational Insights	126.17	
	Evan - Moor	44.68	
	Filmic Archives	35.63	
	Highsmith Company	12.19	
	Ideal School Supply	206.53	
	J.C. Whitney & Co.	17.58	
	J.L. Hammett Co.	82.63	
	Lakeshore Learning	19.14	
	Lingui Systems, Inc.	76.67	
	Math Learning Center	99.50	
	Meadow House Pub.	109.61	
	Music is Elementary	110.95	
	Nasco	38.58	
	Newbridge	18.45	
	New England Sch. Sup.	1,845.79	

	The Phonics Game	202.80	
	Porter Office Machines	51.00	
	Positive Promotions	16.57	
	Refund	-254.61	
	Rigby Education	214.92	
	Scholastic Inc.	28.34	
	School Specialty	61.70	
	Summit Learning	28.10	
	Teacher Created Materials	28.35	
	U.S. Map Stencils	112.95	
630	Textbooks		1,359.40
	Ads Adjustments	-168.80	
	D.C. Heath Co.	115.59	
	Educators Pub. Serv.	201.10	
	Harcourt Brace	308.81	
	McGraw Hill, Inc.	182.63	
	Newbridge Educ. Programs	18.45	
	Rigby Education	437.40	
	Scholastic, Inc.	56.68	
	Troll Associates	60.87	
	Village Book Store	21.55	
	Weekly Reader Corp.	42.00	
	Zaner Bloser	83.12	
640	Periodicals		62.65
	Big Book Magazine	17.70	
	National Geographic Soc.	14.95	
	National Wildlife Fed.	30.00	
741	Add'l Equipment		414.04
	A & B Computers, Inc.	28.00	
	A & B Copiers, Inc.	108.00	
	LTD Commodities	37.99	
	McIntire Business Prod.	170.88	
	The Painted House	18.40	
	Refund/chess materials	-144.00	
	School Specialty	41.92	
	U.S. Chess Federation	152.85	

1200 SPECIAL ED. PROGRAMS

41,007.84

110	Teacher's Salary		11,159.92
111	Aide's Salary		7,117.14
210	Health Insurance		749.98
214	Workman's Comp.		460.00
222	Teacher's Retirement		324.39
230	FICA		1,398.07
390	Other Prof. & Tech.		18,670.05
	Church, Donna	9,000.00	
	Eddy, Patricia	26.57	
	Fysh, Robert C.	6.00	
	NHASEA	20.00	
	No. Country Educ. Found.	3,349.71	
	Northumberland Sch. Dis.	4,265.27	

	Refund/94-142 Grant	-999.00	
	Refund/Preschool Grant	-186.00	
	Weeks Hospital Assoc.	3,187.50	
519	Other Transportation		808.29
	Burt, Rene P.	638.09	
	Eddy, Patricia	131.90	
	Northumberland Sch. Dis.	38.30	
569	Tuition/Private		320.00
	Northumberland Sch. Dis.	720.00	
	Refund/Preschool Grant	-400.00	
<u>1400 CO-CURRICULAR</u>			772.70
610	Supplies		133.11
	Ames Dept. Store #46	82.37	
	Prescott Farms	50.74	
741	Additional Equipment		274.39
	Gopher Sports Eq.	184.49	
	Hearth Song	89.90	
810	Dues/Fees		365.20
	Icefire Perf. Group	277.20	
	NH Historical Soc.	32.00	
	Polar Caves	56.00	
<u>2120 GUIDANCE</u>			5,748.53
390	Professional/Technical		5,618.52
	Northumberland Sch. Dis.	5,618.52	
610	Supplies		130.01
	Comm. Intervention	34.00	
	Soc. Stud. School Serv.	96.01	
<u>2130 HEALTH SERVICES</u>			1,443.99
390	Other Prof. & Tech.		1,369.90
	Meunier, Dorothy	35.00	
	Northumberland Sch. Dis.	1,334.90	
610	Supplies		74.09
	Conney Safety Prod.	74.09	
<u>2210 IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION</u>			292.25
320	Improvement/Instruction		245.00
	Borsodi, Albert	90.00	
	No. Country Educ. Found.	155.00	
580	Expense/Travel		47.25
	Spaulding, Nancy	47.25	
<u>2220 EDUCATIONAL MEDIA</u>			818.17
440	Repairs/Maintenance		359.60
	No. Country Educ. Found.	359.60	
450	Rentals		319.00
	No. Country Educ. Found.	319.00	
610	Supplies		26.57
	Highsmith Company	26.57	

630	Textbooks/Workbooks		87.00
	Story House Corp.	87.00	
640	Periodicals		26.00
	National Wildlife Fed.	26.00	
<u>2310 SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES</u>			7,459.70
110	Salaries		2,155.00
230	FICA		164.87
390	Other Prof. & Tech.		2,083.23
	Colebrook Office Sup.	33.83	
	Grzelak & Co.	1,000.00	
	SAU #58	95.40	
	State of NH, Treasurer	195.00	
	Town of Stark	749.00	
	Vermont Dept. of Taxes	10.00	
522	Insurance Liability		1,626.00
	NH School Boards	1,626.00	
532	Postage/Petty Cash		200.00
	SAU #58	200.00	
540	Ads		202.74
	Berlin Reporter	50.93	
	SAU #58	151.81	
810	Dues & Fees		1,027.86
	NH School Boards	1,027.86	
<u>2320 SAU SERVICES</u>			32,015.00
351	Management Services		32,015.00
	SAU #58	32,015.00	
<u>2400 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION</u>			4,295.09
110	Salary/Administration		3,539.89
230	FICA		270.70
532	Postage/Petty Cash		50.00
	Witters, Charles Jr.	50.00	
610	Supplies		144.50
	Durdan, Ray C.	144.50	
810	Dues & Fees		290.00
	NHASP	290.00	
<u>2540 OPERATION/MAINTENANCE</u>			17,940.97
110	Salaries		4,031.25
214	Workman's Comp.		210.00
230	FICA		308.32
440	Repairs/Maintenance		1,739.60
	Inland Divers	52.00	
	Interstate Fire	78.50	
	Kipp Alarm	300.00	
	Ken's Locksmith	83.40	
	Lancaster Plumb/Heating	141.25	
	Munce's Superior, Inc.	57.45	
	NH State Treasurer	25.00	

	R & J Refrig/Heating	134.00	
	Rexford Construction	300.00	
	Scott Lawson Group, LTD	400.00	
	Spaulding, Jared	120.00	
	State of NH, Treasurer	48.00	
521	Property Insurance		2,227.00
	NHSBIT-PC Group	1,751.00	
	NH School Board Ins.	476.00	
531	Telephone		994.41
	AT&T	114.73	
	Furst Group/ATT	177.20	
	Nynex	635.79	
	Refund/Telephone Calls	-8.84	
	Stratford School Dist.	75.53	
610	Supplies-Operations/Maint.		909.18
	Ames Dept. Store #46	10.99	
	Central Paper Prod. Co.	182.20	
	Emerson & Son	237.46	
	Kenco, Inc.	384.00	
	Shiffler's Equip. Sales	94.53	
652	Electricity		4,598.50
	PSNH	4,598.50	
653	Fuel		2,062.00
	Munce's Superior, Inc.	2,062.00	
657	Bottled Gas		860.71
	Amerigas	860.71	
	<u>2550 TRANSPORTATION SERVICES</u>		26,019.53
110	Salaries		7,783.90
214	Workman's Comp.		630.00
230	FICA		595.48
513	Transportation		15,010.12
	Bruce Transportation	14,400.00	
	Fysh, Robert C.	6.00	
	Normandeau Trucking Co.	222.76	
	Northumberland Sch. Dis.	265.36	
	Spaulding, Victor B.	116.00	
656	Gasoline/Diesel		2,000.03
	Northumberland Sch. Dis.	1,925.03	
	Stark Village School	75.00	
	<u>5100 DEBT SERVICE</u>		54,112.50
830	Principal On Debt		45,000.00
	Shawmut Bank, Conn.	45,000.00	
842	Interest on Debt		9,112.50
	Shawmut Bank, Conn.	9,112.50	
	<u>5240 TRANSFER FOOD SERVICE</u>		12,690.16
880	Transfer To Food Service		12,690.16
	Stark School District	12,690.16	

STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND: STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1996

	Salaries	Employee Benefits	Purchased Services	Supplies	Property	Other	Total
Instruction							
Regular Programs	\$ 96,258.58	\$24,336.33	\$266,770.67	\$ 6,156.69	\$414.04		\$393,936.31
Spec. Ed. Prog.	18,277.06	2,932.44	19,798.34				41,007.84
Other Instr. Prog.				133.11	274.39	365.20	772.70
Support Services							
Pupils							
Guidance			5,618.52	130.01			5,748.53
Health			1,369.90	74.09			1,443.99
Instructional Improvement of Instruction							
Educ'l Media			292.25				292.25
General Admin.			678.60	139.57			818.17
School Board	2,155.00	164.87	4,111.97			1,027.86	7,459.70
Office of Supt.			32,015.00				32,015.00
School Admin.	3,539.89	270.70	50.00	144.50		290.00	4,295.09
Business							
Operation/Maint.	4,031.25	518.32	4,961.01	8,430.39			17,940.97
Pupil Transport.	7,783.90	1,225.48	15,010.12	2,000.03			26,019.53
Debt Service						54,112.50	54,112.50
Transfer to							
Food Service						12,690.16	12,690.16
TOTAL							
GENERAL FUND	\$132,045.68	\$29,448.14	\$350,676.38	\$17,208.39	\$688.43	\$68,485.72	\$598,552.74

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To the Board
Stark School District
Stark, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Stark School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Stark School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

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

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the General Fixed Assets Account Group, which should be included to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amounts that should be recorded in the General Fixed Assets Account Group are not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the general-purpose financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Stark School District as of June 30, 1996, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

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

Grzelak and Company, P.C., CPA's
Laconia, New Hampshire

September 6, 1996

RIGHTS OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

As the parent or guardian of a child who may require or who is receiving special education and/or related services, you have the following rights:

- *You have the right to have access to and examine all records relating to your child's education.
- *You have a right to receive prior written notice whenever the local education agency proposes to begin or change the special educational referral, evaluation and/or education placement of your child. You also have a right to give your written consent before initial special education placement and before any individual evaluation of your child.
- *You have a right to question any matter, decision, or recommendation relating to your child's referral, evaluation or educational placement.
- *You have a right to request an independent educational evaluation obtained by the local educational agency. If your request is accepted, the evaluation will be conducted by a certified or licensed professional examiner who is independent of the local educational agency and will be performed at no cost to you. Should your request be denied, you have a right to appeal this decision as described below.
- *If you have any complaints regarding the referral, evaluation or educational placement of your child, you have a right to meet with the school board. If any agreement is unable to be reached, you have the right to an impartial hearing conducted by a state appointed due process hearing officer.
- *At this hearing, you have the right to be assisted by person(s) with special knowledge or training, or by an attorney, and the right to present evidence and confront, cross-examine and compel the attendance of witnesses.
- *After this hearing, you have the right to a written or electronic verbatim recording of such hearing. You have the right to obtain written findings of fact and decisions of the hearing at no cost.
- *If the decision of the impartial hearings at the local level is not acceptable to you, you have the right to appeal this decision to the State Board of Education or Civil Court.
- *During any of the hearing or appeal procedures, your child shall remain in the current education program, or if applying for initial admission to the public school, shall be placed in a regular program until all proceedings have been completed, unless you and the school officials agree otherwise.

**Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972
Public Law 92-318**

Subpart A, Section 86.8 of Title IX requires public notification that the Stark School District does not discriminate in their educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, language, sex, age or handicapping condition under the provisions of Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and the Education of All Handicapped Children Act of 1975. The Stark School District hereby notifies students, parents, employees, and residents that complaints and grievances for noncompliance with any of the provisions of Title IX are to be referred to:

Robert C. Mills
Title IX Hearing Officer
SAU #58
8 Preble Street
Groveton, NH 03582
Tel. 1-603-636-1437

**NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY
SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION
ACT OF 1973**

Applicants for admission and employment, students, parents, employees, sources of referral, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with School Administrative Unit No. 58 are hereby notified that the districts of SAU #58 do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, their programs and activities.

Any person having inquiries regarding the compliance of School Administrative Unit No. 58 with the regulations of implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act is directed to contact:

Kathleen Marshall
Section 504 Coordinator
SAU #58
8 Preble Street
Groveton, NH 03582
Tel. 1-603-636-1437

**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Last year, a committee of staff members and community volunteers developed Stark's District Education Improvement Plan. Utilizing information gathered from questionnaires, input from teachers and parents, and previous student assessments, the committee developed a plan for improving and sustaining the educational process at the Stark Village School. The plan includes a philosophy and goals for the school, as well as standards for the pupils and an assessment process to determine if those standards are being met.

One of the first steps in changing the curriculum is to align the local curriculum with the New Hampshire Curriculum Frameworks. The frameworks contain student proficiency standards in English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. The New Hampshire Educational Improvement and Assessment Program evaluates how well students are achieving those standards. Pupils are tested at the end of grades three, six, and ten.

The end-of-grade three test has now been given for three years, and the end-of-grade six and ten tests have been given for one year. The staff is evaluating the Stark curriculum to determine if we need to make changes to align with the state frameworks. Obviously, there is more information available from the test results for grades three and below. Additional years of test results will help in evaluating the alignment of our curriculum with the state frameworks.

I am impressed with the amount of work done by the "Volunteers for Kids" program. Many hours are donated by parents for activities that would not otherwise be possible. The involvement of volunteers gives a sense of closeness between school and community that is not experienced in most towns.

The one bad experience we had in Stark this year was the passing of Victor Spaulding. Victor was not only the custodian, school moderator, water tester, and whatever else needed to be done; he was also the friend of staff and students, and he has been greatly missed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert C. Mills
Superintendent of Schools

**STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
1996-97**

The 1996-97 school year is moving very rapidly. As it has been in the past years, our major goal is to improve the quality of instruction while making the educational experience a wholesome and pleasant one for all our students in a safe and caring atmosphere.

The returning faculty/staff are Annetta McGinnis, grades one/two; Nancy Spaulding, grades three/four; Charles Witters, principal and grades five/six; Elizabeth Shulman, music; Cheryl Cloutier, art; Jeannine Astle, Title I tutor; Cinda Wentworth, classroom aide; Pamala Knauss, individual student aide; Michael Axelrod, guidance counselor; Donna Church, speech pathologist; Bob Fysh, bus driver; and Mary Beth Gibson, volunteer library aide.

We have three new staff members this year. Judy Fortier is our new cook, Bob Fysh is our new custodian, and Laura Devenger is our new kindergarten/special education teacher.

If I may, I would like to pause in my report to pay tribute to our former custodian, Victor Spaulding. His untimely death left a big hole--in our hearts, in his family, in the school, in the community. God bless you, Victor, and thanks for your example.

It continues to be a real pleasure and privilege working with the teachers, staff, students, parents, superintendent, school board, and the wonderful community members of Stark. My goal is to have the Stark Village School continue to be a safe, caring place, where students will learn the academics as well as the skills necessary to live in our society. The entire staff is marvelous, and each individual member is certainly striving to see this goal fulfilled.

The "Volunteers for Kids" program is in its fourth year and continues to do an excellent job supporting the teachers throughout the year. This group, once again, took on the traditional Thanksgiving dinner under the leadership of Sue Fogg, chairperson. She was again aided by students, faculty, staff, community members, and businesses. The individual volunteers help out in many other ways--party moms, pizza-run moms, typing, doing arts/crafts, copying papers, etc. THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH!

The students and faculty gathered food for food boxes for the residents at Millbrook Inn to share at Thanksgiving and for

Project Homebound at Christmas. We participated in the Readstreet Book Fair. With our share/profit, we will be able to increase our library collection. We will also be participating in the St. Jude's Math-a-thon.

In the fall, Debbie Boivin headed up a major fundraiser for the school, which paid for six weeks of ice skating at the Notre Dame Arena in Berlin. Ice skating enhances the physical education program. There were enough funds at the end of the program for a meal from Kentucky Fried Chicken. Also in the fall, the fifth and sixth grade classes went to the Craft Fair at the Fairbanks Museum.

We are looking forward to an excellent second semester at the Stark Village School. Many neat things are happening. Please come and visit the school.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles R. Witters, Jr.
Principal

**STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL
VOLUNTEERS FOR KIDS REPORT**

The "Volunteers for Kids" group is now in its fourth year at the Stark Village School. At the beginning of each school year, parents are asked to complete a form indicating if they are able to volunteer in assisting teachers with a variety of projects and activities. These range from photocopying, making crafts, typing, fundraising, putting up bulletin boards, baking pies, chaperoning trips, and much more. In previous years, volunteers have collectively donated hundreds of hours to support the projects and activities which are coordinated by the teachers. We are fortunate in that we have such a dedicated staff that is willing to do many extra-curricular activities and encourage any help offered.

Our major fundraising activity is a raffle which is conducted in March. Every March, all families with students in the Stark Village School are asked to sell ten raffle tickets. Tickets are \$5.00 each for a chance to win one of three prizes. First prize is a \$500.00 gift certificate at Prescott Farms grocery store, second prize is a \$250.00 gift certificate at Emerson & Son, Inc. in Groveton, and third prize is a gift certificate from the distributor of your choice for 100 gallons of #2 fuel oil. The first year, a total of 483 tickets were sold, and last year 588 tickets were sold. At the time of the 1997 town meeting, our Third Annual Raffle will be under way. We sincerely appreciate any help you may be able to give, whether it's purchasing a ticket, helping to sell them, or a positive word of encouragement. The purpose of this raffle is to raise funds for programs and activities which will directly benefit our school children. There are no expenses other than the cost of the gift certificates. Once that goal has been reached, \$300.00 is set aside in a scholarship account for three \$100.00 scholarships awarded to students based on volunteerism and grades. To date, we have awarded four scholarships. A donation is made to the Stark sixth grade class to help cover costs associated with their graduation ceremony. In addition, for the past two years, the teachers have been asked to submit their ideas for items which could be purchased to either enhance their curriculum or the school as a whole. Some of those items include a soccer net, a microscope, and materials designed to encourage learning about places around the world.

One important aspect of our organization is the fiscal committee, which was formed in 1995. This committee is comprised of three residents from Stark--namely Jane Hopps, Margaret

Frizzell, and Susan Fogg. This committee oversees disbursement of funds associated with the raffle.

Everyone is welcome to volunteer at the school. Our goal is to support our school children. We are particularly proud of the Stark Village School. If you are interested in lending a helping hand, please don't hesitate to contact the school and find out what's going on. You will be amazed!

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Y. Fogg
Chairperson

GRADE PLACEMENT CHART
(As of September 1996)

<u>Grade</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Total</u>
Laura Devenger	8							8
Annetta McGinnis		11	8					19
Nancy Spaulding				6	8			14
Charles Witters						9	10	19
	8	11	8	6	8	9	10	60

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Daniel Boivin	Bryan Mason
Gabrielle Brown	Jill Normand
Shane Cloutier	David Pelchat
Christina Coulombe	Chris Pepau
Jamie Croteau	Danelis Rastonis
Dennis Faulkenham, Jr.	Carissa Rogers
Bobbi-Jo Fysh	Sarah Savage
Mike Hoyt	Crystal Vinyard
Joshua Judson	

HIGH SCHOOL

Jeff Adam	Jennie Judson
Hillary Andritz	Ryan Labrecque
D. J. Boivin	Catrina Lachance
Paul Brown	Jennifer Lunn
Glen Caron	Matt Maclean
Ricky Cloutier	Stefanie Minichello
Wesley Cookson	Laura Pelchat
Anne Cote	Angelique Rogers
Mary Kate Daley	Jarod Rogers
Maranda Demers	Jessica Sargent
Matthew Eich	Shauna Sargent
Rebecca Fogg	Bradley Shedd
Clifton Fysh	Michael Simino, Jr.
Kristina Hickey	Tamsen Smithers
Kimberly Hoyt	Matt Stanton
	Angela Veinotte

STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL
HEALTH SERVICES
1995-96 YEAR-END REPORT

SCREENINGS 52 - Students screened for height, weight,
B/P, vision, and hearing
11 - Students screened for scoliosis

REFERRALS 6 - Vision and hearing
3 - Scoliosis

PHYSICALS 8 - Grade 4 physicals (1 referral)

PEDICULOSIS 292 - Head lice checks conducted

IMMUNIZATIONS 5 - Measles, Mumps, & Rubella - Grade 6

PRE-SCHOOL REGISTRATION - 7

EVALUATED FOR HEALTH/INJURIES - 100
5 - Called to evaluate
50 - First aid at school
50 - Other complaints

PROGRAMS

Growing Up Series - Grades 5 & 6
Wellness/AIDS - Grades K-6
Staff health screenings provided by NHMA
Peak flow evaluation - 4 students

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Meunier, R.N.

