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1994 Annual Reports



BENNINGTON

New Hampshire

*... a good neighbor salute
to Monadnock Paper Mills*

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Town Of
BENNINGTON
New Hampshire
Inc. 1842

March, 1995

Residents,

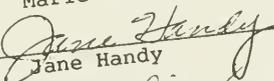
We are happy and proud to be devoting a portion of Bennington's 1994 Town Report to recognition of the Monadnock Paper Mills' 175th Anniversary. More importantly, it gives all of us an opportunity to recognize and salute the close relationship which has existed between the Town and its principal industry for all those years.

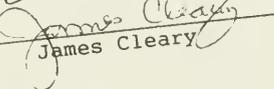
It is not only the Mills' role as a source of jobs to many of our people, nor their monetary contribution as the community's largest taxpayer we recognize here. We have been able, in times of need, to call on the ownership and management of the Mill for assistance, and in the quiet and unassuming manner of a good neighbor, the help has been provided.

We are happy, Monadnock Paper Mills, to count you among Bennington's good citizens.

Board of Selectmen,


Marie Magoon, Chairman


Jane Handy


James Cleary



RICHARD G. VERNEY
CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

February 9, 1995

Dear Neighbors:

1994 marked Monadnock's 175th anniversary. This tremendous achievement was made possible by the efforts of many dedicated, loyal and capable employees, many of whom were and are Bennington residents. Throughout its long history, Monadnock has always been a locally owned and operated company which employs primarily local people. This long standing association with residents of Bennington and surrounding communities early on led to a philosophy that it simply makes good business sense to be a good neighbor. Those of us who own and operate Monadnock today are committed to abiding by that philosophy and providing a workplace that both our employees and the town of Bennington can be proud of.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Verney

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. . . Decades of Good Will

Typical of most communities, Bennington has its distinct neighborhoods – The Village, North Bennington and Greek Alley. Since the rebuilding of Route 202, however, the first – and often the lasting impression a visitor has of our Town is the Monadnock Paper Mill.

On a grassy, landscaped plain, with the wandering Contoocook River in the foreground and Crotched Mountain as backdrop, the Mill and its surroundings are a pleasing introduction to the Town of Bennington. This rural industrial scene epitomizes the pride of ownership and pride in community which has characterized the Mill's – and the Verney family's relationship with the Town and its people since 1948.

A Town Report provides only a limited opportunity to record the contributions of Monadnock to Bennington's well-being over the decades! Below, for the sake of history, are a few of these:

The Environment – The Ecology flag you see flying from the mast atop the water treatment headworks building was presented by the members of the local United Paper Workers International Union upon completion of Monadnock's water treatment facility. The Union recognized the Mill's concern for the environment as a positive, necessary and costly investment in the preservation of jobs and the river which flows through our community.



People – No written policy exists, but it's no secret that the Verney family has encouraged its employees to give of their and company time in voluntary, civic endeavor. Although Erving LeCain's years of service to the town may be most widely recognized, scores of MPM employees have made contributions to the Town of Bennington over the years.

Landfill – While it's true that MPM placed its share of waste products in the former Tri-Town Landfill, it's equally true, that, as a taxpayer, the Mill had no special obligation toward its closing. The Mill's voluntary \$80,000 per year contributions in 1994, 1995 and 1996 have taken, and will continue to take, a big chunk out of closure bond issue payments.

Community Projects – The Verneys needed only to be asked, in 1990 to arrange for a land swap that made property between Route 202 and the Contoocook River available as a possible school site. In 1994, Richard Verney moved to donate Mill property in the same area for park/museum purposes, if the taxpayers voted their approval.

The Little Things – Donating technical services to the water/sewer department, assisting in the designation of the Bennington portion of the Contoocook River for protection and management, helping the Town celebrate its own 150th Birthday, and supplying the Town offices with paper and the paper on which the Town Report is printed;

In these and dozens of other ways, "The Mill" has not only contributed to Bennington's progress, but it has earned itself the significant but unspoken label of "good neighbor".

... HIGHLIGHTS IN MONADNOCK PAPER MILLS' HISTORY ...

- 1819 The Butler family makes handmade papers from flax on the banks of the Contoocook River in Southern New Hampshire.
- 1835 The introduction of wood pulp to the paper manufacturing process. Fourdrinier papermaking machines installed at the Bennington Paper Mills where writing and blank book papers are produced.
- 1870 The railroad extends its routes to Bennington and new machinery is purchased, considerably increasing the capacity of the Mills.
- 1880 The Bennington Paper Mills becomes known as Monadnock Paper Mills, primarily manufacturing woodpulp papers, such as bond, ledger, and book papers.
- 1904 Colonel Arthur J. Pierce purchases Monadnock Paper Mills, constructs a new brick mill building and greatly expands production capacity.
- 1948 Gilbert Verney purchases Monadnock Paper Mills and begins specialization of the product mix.
- 1974 The Mills' wastewater treatment facility begins operation improving the water quality of the Contoocook River.
- 1975 Microcomputer weight and moisture control systems are installed improving quality and increasing production.
- 1989 No. 1 paper machine capacity is increased via installation of a sectional electric drive.
- 1994 Monadnock Paper mills celebrates 175th anniversary.

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

Town Officers

of

BENNINGTON, N.H.

for the Year Ending December 31, 1994

T O W N O F F I C E R S

MODERATOR

James G. Dodge Term Expires March, 1996

SELECTMEN

James Cleary Term Expires March, 1995
Marie Magoon Term Expires March, 1996
Jane Handy Term Expires March, 1997

TOWN CLERK

Lisa Logan Term Expires March, 1995

TOWN TREASURER

Joyce L. Miner Term Expires March, 1995

TAX COLLECTOR

Denise P. French Appointed

ROAD AGENT

David Blanchard Appointed

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Elaine Barrett Term Expires March, 1995
Joseph MacGregor Term Expires March, 1996
Virginia Young Term Expires March, 1997

FOREST FIRE WARDENS
Appointed by Selectmen

Robert Horn, Warden Mark Chase, Deputy
Dominic Collemacine, Deputy Allan Wilson, Deputy

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

Mark Tazelaar Term Expires March, 1997

BUDGET COMMITTEE
Appointed by Moderator

Joseph Cuddemi Dennis McKenney
Terry Schnare Susan Seneschal
Richard Reed

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE
Appointed by the Selectmen

Stephen Chase Walter Reasa Joseph Cuddemi

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Bonnie Skerry Term Expires March, 1995
Elizabeth Chase Term Expires March, 1996
Russell Young Term Expires March, 1998

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Roy Johnson Term Expires March, 1995
Francesco Carrara Term Expires March, 1996
Mae Lizotte Term Expires March, 1995

OFFICER OF HEALTH/WELFARE

Barbara Huntley Appointed

CHIEF OF POLICE

Cameron M. C. Brown Appointed

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

William B. Reid Appointed

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Selectmen

PLANNING BOARD
Appointed by Selectmen

Elaine Barrett	Term Expires March, 1996
Frank Cordelle	Term Expires March, 1995
Peter Eppig	Term Expires March, 1995
Marie Magoon, ex officio	Term Expires March, 1995
Bill Horton, Chairman	Term Expires March, 1996
David Beck, Alternate	Term Expires March, 1995

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Appointed by Selectmen

John J. Cronin, III, Chairman	Term Expires March, 1996
David Barrett, Alternate	Term Expires March, 1995
Russell Young	Term Expires March, 1995
Elizabeth Chase	Term Expires March, 1996
Thomas Cochran	Term Expires March, 1996
Harry Sewall	Term Expires March, 1995
Walter Reasa, Alternate	Term Expires March, 1997

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Chester D. Heinzman, Jr. Appointed

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Appointed by Selectmen

David Barrett, Chairman	Term Expires March, 1995
Dennis McKenney	Term Expires March, 1995
Bruce Edes	Term Expires March, 1995
Terry Schnare	Term Expires March, 1997
Jonathan Manley	Term Expires March, 1997
Peter Eppig	Term Expires March, 1997

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE
Appointed by Selectmen

John J. Cronin, III	Joseph Cuddemi
Leslie MacGregor	Peter Eppig
William Reid, ex-officio	Selectmen

WATER & SEWER COMMISSIONERS

John French	Term Expires March, 1995
David Rochford	Term Expires March, 1995
Roy Johnson	Term Expires March, 1997

NEWHALL PARK BOARD
Appointed by Selectmen

Peter Martel	Term Expires March, 1996
Jo Mercier, Alternate	Term Expires March, 1995
David Parker	Term Expires March, 1997

POLICE CHIEF SEARCH COMMITTEE
Appointed by Selectmen

Ronald McClure	Drusilla Cox	Denise French
Brian Brown, Antrim Police Chief		Raymond Lyons
David Parenteau, State Police Officer		David Beck
	Selectmen	

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mark Chase, Chief	Term Expires March, 1995
Allen Wilson, First Deputy	Term Expires March, 1995
Glenn Wilson, Second Deputy	Term Expires March, 1995

RECREATION COMMITTEE
Appointed by Selectmen

Susan Seneschal, Chairperson	Penny Durgin, Secretary
Sfa Whittemore, Vice Chairperson	Kevin Cheever
Joyce Desaulniers, Treasurer	Scott Liljeberg
Marie Magoon, ex-officio	

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Appointed by Selectmen

Richard Verney	Terry Schnare	Steve Skubik
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CONVAL COMMITTEE
Appointed by Selectmen

Joseph MacGregor, Co-Chairman		
David Beck, Co-Chairman		
Frank Cordelle	Harvey Goodwin	Leslie MacGregor
Jean Smith	Lee Smith	Debbie Wilk
David Barrett	Elaine Barrett	Jim Curran-Hancock
Phil Dwight-Antrim		Jim Cleary, ex-officio
Jane Handy, ex-officio		

1994 TOWN REPORT

Selectmen's Message

Bennington's biggest day of 1994 may have been a blustery, showery, July 31st when fifty or more businessmen, agents, media and the curious stood outside the abandoned Lodge at Crotched Mountain and watched the auction/repurchase of the Ski Area property. It was a moment long-awaited by a lot of Bennington citizens. Although no skiers may touch a trail there until 1996, the promise of the Area's rehabilitation is itself welcomed.

The first payment of back taxes on the Crotched Mountain property was made in July. Payments are due twice each year until 1999. Coupled with the revenue from the regular assessment on the Area, it will help to keep our annual tax bills in check.

We also have seen the first signs of life in the commercial sites across the street from the Mountain and can only hope that the spin-off effect widens in the months ahead.

The past year also saw a clarification of much of Bennington's legal problems, some civil cases, most of them brought against the Town by a single individual, and all covered by our insurance carrier, are still pending; those which have been tried, we have won. The two pollution cases emanating from the Tri-Town Landfill have been resolved. The major legal question, a concern shared with Antrim and Frankestown, is the eminent domain proceeding on the Davy property. The State of New Hampshire mandated the taking of that land in order to fulfill the State's closure criteria. The Hillsborough County Superior Court will hear the question this summer.

There were many other significant developments in 1994, too numerous to write about here. We certainly want to note the retirement of Chief David Mancini, after nearly ten years as Police Chief, and the installation of Cam Brown, after a lengthy but carefully planned selection process, as his successor. We look forward to working with him.

We share a sense of community pride in the work of the Historical Society and the opening of the Museum this summer, the culmination of several years of effort by many good people.

We would like to report progress on this page in the long struggle to attain a more equitable decision of costs of the Conval School District. We can only report that the effort goes on with new people carrying the banner. Our hats are off to those who put so much into the 1994 campaign. Thank you.

At this point, (January 1995), the future site of grammar school education in Bennington is a matter of conjecture. Those who have persisted in being a part of and influencing that decision deserve our respect.

In closing, we extend our gratitude to the scores of citizens who serve on the Town's Boards, Committees and Commissions; to those who staff the Election and Voting process; to the Town's small but devoted band of employees and to all those other residents, never mentioned, who just make Bennington a better place to live.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Marie Magoon, Chairman
Jane Handy
James Cleary

Town Warrant

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote: you are hereby notified to meet at the Fire Station on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March, next at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To chose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Note: The casting of absentee ballots will begin at 7:00 p.m.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Great Brook School Gymnasium in said Town of Antrim on Saturday, the eighteenth day of March 1995, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

2. Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 31:39-a and adopt an ordinance defining and regulating conflict of interest for local officials and employees, whether elected or appointed. (Full text of the Ordinance is printed elsewhere in this Report.)
3. To see if the Town will vote to modify its plan for extending to employees of the Town the benefits of federal social security and medicare by exluding service performed after December 31, 1994 by election officials and election workers if the remuneration paid in a calendar year for such service is less than \$1,000.00.
4. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Study Committee charged with the responsibility of assessing the Town's short-range and long-range needs for public buildings, exclusive of schools, and providing recommendations on the same by September 15, 1995.
5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to "elect" to have the employees of the Town become eligible to participate in the New Hampshire Retirement System (Group 1) pursuant to the provisions of RSA 100-A.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500.00) for the purpose of cross-connecting the water supply systems of the Town of Antrim and the Town of Bennington, providing both communities with a second water supply as required under State of New Hampshire, Department of Environmental Services Administrative Rule Env-WS 373; the costs to be shared equally between the Towns; and (2) to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the Town of Antrim pursuant to the provisions of RSA 53-A providing for the construction, use, maintenance, and operation of the cross-connection system. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty three hundred dollars (\$8,300.00) for the purchase of computer software and hardware enabling the Town to maintain its own Property Assessment records and the upgrading of its current hardware required to accommodate this change. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
8. To see if the Town will vote (1) to participate in the Community Oriented Policing Services program (COPS) (a three year program); and (2) in order to fund the position of a full-time police officer for one year, to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty four thousand eight hundred twenty-five dollars (\$24,825.00) of which the sum of \$18,525.00 is to be received from COPS, and the balance of sixty three hundred dollars (\$6,300.00) is to come from general taxation. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty three hundred dollars (\$6,300.00) for the purchase and installation of a new heating system in the Fire Station. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand six hundred seventy-two dollars (\$1,672.00) for the purpose of providing Street Signage at the termini or last major intersection of the Town's roads and streets. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand nine hundred ninety-five dollars (\$1,995.00) for the repair of the slate roof of the Town Hall. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate its share, the sum of six thousand two hundred twenty-five dollars (\$6,225.00) to perform water testing, gas survey monitoring, topography testing and the mowing of grass at the former Tri-Town Landfill, all as required by the post-closure agreement with the State of New Hampshire; the costs of which are to be shared by Antrim, Bennington and Francestown. Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee.
13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Water Pump Capital Reserve Fund, such funds as necessary for the replacement of the existing pump. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) to be placed in the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in the Used Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to be placed in the Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) to be placed in the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund and (2) to authorize the withdrawal from that fund such funds as necessary for the purchase of a new Police Cruiser. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to be placed in the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund and (2) to authorize the withdrawal from that fund such funds as necessary for the purchase of a new Highway Plow/Sander. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

19. To see if the Town will vote to (1) raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000.00) for the Capital Reserve Legal Contingency Fund; (2) to authorize the Selectmen to make such withdrawals from that fund as are necessary to meet emergency legal cost needs for which it was created. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) to be added to the Library Capital Reserve Fund, and (2) to authorize the Board of Library Trustees to make withdrawal of these funds for the repair or replacement of Library equipment in accordance with the purpose for which the Fund was intended. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
21. To see if the Town will vote (1) to establish a conservation fund pursuant to the provisions of RSA 36-A:5, and (2) to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to be placed in the Conservation Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.
22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to purchase for the Bennington Fire Department one (1) MSA self-contained breathing apparatus at a cost of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800.00); complete turn-out gear at a cost of one thousand one hundred dollars (\$1,100.00); and various other items of equipment at a cost of twenty-one hundred dollars (\$2,100.00). Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee.
23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred thirty-five thousand two hundred seventy-two dollars (\$835,272) which represent the 1995 operating budget, said sum exclusive of all special articles addressed (7-23).
24. To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

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

Marie Magoon
Marie Magoon, Chairman

Jane Handy
Jane Handy

James Cleary
James Cleary

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
BENNINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

A true copy of Warrant - Attest

Marie Magoon
Marie Magoon, Chairman

Jane Handy
Jane Handy

James Cleary
James Cleary

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
61 So. Spring St., P.O. Box 457
Concord, NH 03302-0457
(603) 271-3397

Form MS-6



BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF _____ BENNINGTON _____ N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 19 95 to December 31, 19 95 or for Fiscal Year

From _____ 19 ____ to _____ 19 ____

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

It requires this budget be prepared on a "gross" basis, showing all revenues and appropriations. At least one public hearing must be held on this budget.

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 February 15, 1995

Mary Mason
James M. Healy
James W. Cleary
SELECTMEN (PLEASE SIGN IN INK)

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Acc't. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4) GENERAL GOVERNMENT	W.A. No.	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Recommended)
4130	Executive		54153	58222	56059
4140	Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics		6952	6681	6590
4150	Financial Administration		34123	36914	39440
4152	Revaluation of Property				
4153	Legal Expense		26000	28964	22500
4155	Personnel Administration		65318	60870	57695
4191	Planning and Zoning		3833	2809	3910
4194	General Government Building		10250	11035	12175
4195	Cemeteries		2505	2026	2505
4196	Insurance		24600	14832	17000
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations				
4199	Other General Government Contingency		3000	1250	3000
	PUBLIC SAFETY				
4210	Police		71181	89372	85004
4215	Ambulance		3000	3000	3000
4220	Fire		32889	38086	29307
4240	Bldg. Inspection		750	750	750
4290	Emergency Mgt.				
4299	Other Public Safety (including Communications)				
	HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
4312	Highways and Streets		116974	118604	115656
4313	Bridges				
4316	Street Lighting		10700	11300	11300
	SANITATION				
4323	Solid Waste Collection		46397	37694	47269
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		18600	15448	17600
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal				
	WATER DISTRIBUTION AND TREATMENT				
4332	Water Services		41800	40183	42800
4335	Water Treatment				
	HEALTH				
4414	Pest Control (Animal Control)		450	544	800
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals		5237	5229	5237
	Adm.		738	538	800
	WELFARE				
4442	Direct Assistance		10200	7262	7855
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments				
4445	Vendor Payments				
	Adm.		1076	1234	1353
	Sub-Totals (carry to top of page 3)		590726	587447	589605

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)	W.A. No.	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Recommended)
	Sub-Totals (from page 2)		590726	587447	589605
	CULTURE AND RECREATION				
4520	Parks and Recreation		10000	8969	10000
4550	Library		23880	20749	29000
4583	Patriotic Purposes		1600	718	1800
4589	Other Culture and Recreation				
	CONSERVATION				
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources				
4619	Other Conservation				
	Adm.		300	267	500
	REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING				
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				
	Monadnock Business Ventures		618	618	-0-
	DEBT SERVICE				
4711	Princ.-Long Term Bonds & Notes		43050	43050	43050
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		34135	33152	30137
4723	Interest on TAN		10000	8959	10000
	Closure Bond (Prin. & Int.)		57370	139544	121180
	CAPITAL OUTLAY				
4901	Land and Improvements				
4902	Mach., Veh., & Equip.				
4903	Buildings				
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings (See List)		27640	24566	66817
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT				
4912	To Special Revenue Fund				
4913	To Capital Projects Fund				
4914	To Enterprise Fund				
	Sewer —				
	Water —				
	Electric —				
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		65000	65000	78000
4916	To Trust and Agency Funds				
	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		864319	933039	980089

HELP! We ask your assistance in the following: If you have a line item of appropriation which is made up of appropriations from more than one (1) warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total. We hope this will expedite the tax rate process by reducing the number of inquiries from this office.

Acct.	W.A.	Amt.	Acct.	W.A.	Amt.

**** Amounts Not Recommended by Selectmen ****
 These amounts are not included in the recommended column.

Warrant Article #	\$ Amount	Warrant Article #	\$ Amount

SOURCE OF REVENUE		W.A. No.	ESTIMATED REVENUE Prior Year (omit cents)	ACTUAL REVENUE Prior Year (omit cents)	ESTIMATED REVENUE Ensuing Fiscal Year (omit cents)
Acct. No.	TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Yield Taxes		3009	3381	3000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes Crotched Mtn.		20000	20000	36200
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		80000	66109	70000
	Inventory Penalties				
	LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES				
3210	Business Licenses and Permits		500	506	500
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		80000	94378	90000
3230	Building Permits		400	455	400
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		3500	3702	3500
	Onset Rd.		10000	11752	10000
3319	Other				
	FROM STATE				
3351	Shared Revenue		33570	117161	117000
3353	Highway Block Grant		24560	24560	24560
3354	Water Pollution Grants		26199	26199	26199
3355	Housing and Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		52	52	50
	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT				
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues Conval		1500	1180	-0-
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401	Income from Departments		4000	1560	2000
3409	Other Charges (Landfill Closure)		9000	9713	-0-
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Ins. Dividends		3750	5632	5600
3502	Interest on Investments		4000	4512	4500
3509	Other Donation		80000	81180	82000
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
3912	Special Revenue Fund				
3913	Capital Projects Fund			51180	-0-
3914	Enterprise Fund				
	Sewer —		20000	18481	18500
	Water —		35000	35428	35500
	Electric —				
3915	Capital Reserve Fund				
3916	Trust and Agency Funds			1990	2000
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			6312	7000
3934	Proc. from Long Term Notes & Bonds				
General Fund Balance	For Municipal Use				
Unreserved Fund Balance	< \$ >		xxx	xxx	xxx
Fund Balance Voted From Surplus	< \$ >				
Fund Balance to be Retained	\$		xxx	xxx	xxx
Fund Balance Remaining to Reduce Taxes	\$				
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			439040	585423	538509

*Enter in this column the numbers which were revised and approved by DRA and which appear on the MS-4 form.

Total Appropriations _____

Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Property Taxes _____

Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes) _____

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF _____, N.H.

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Board of Selectmen
Town of Bennington, New Hampshire

We have compiled the financial statements of the Town of Bennington, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 1994 included in the accompanying Form F-65 (MS-5), in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Our compilation was limited to presenting in the form prescribed by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, information that is the representation of Town Officials. We have not audited or reviewed the financial statements referred to above and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them.

The financial report, Form F-65 (MS-5), is presented in accordance with the requirements of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration which differ from generally accepted accounting principles. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such differences.

Vachon, Clukay & Co., PC

January 18, 1995

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION



ANNUAL CITY/TOWN
FINANCIAL REPORT
R.S.A. CHAPTER 21-J

TOWN OF BENNINGTON
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SELECTMEN
BENNINGTON, NH 03442

(Please correct any error in name, address, and ZIP Code)

PLEASE
RETURN
COMPLETED
FORM TO

State of New Hampshire
Department of Revenue Administration
Municipal Services Division
PO Box 1122
Concord, NH 03302-1122
Telephone: (603) 271-3397

Part I GENERAL FUND - Revenues and expenditures for the period - Specify -
January 1, 1994 to December 31, 1994
OR
July 1, 199__ to June 30, 199__

A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual		Account No.	Amount
		(a)	(b)
1. Revenues from taxes			
a. Property taxes (commitment less overlay)		3110	T01 \$ 1,986,178
b. Exhibit - taxes paid to school districts (Total on line 16c, page 7)		4933	1,487,425
c. Land use change taxes		3120	T01
d. Resident taxes		3180	T01
e. Yield taxes		3185	3,381
f. Payments in lieu of taxes		3186	U99
g. Other taxes (Explain on separate schedule)		3189	T01
h. Interest and penalties on delinquent taxes		3190	66,109
i. TOTAL (Excluding line 1b)			\$ 2,055,668
2. TOTAL revenues for education purposes (This entry should be used by the few municipalities which have dependent school districts only)			
3. Revenue from licenses, permits, and fees			
a. Business licenses and permits		3210	T99 506
b. Motor vehicle permit fees		3220	T01 94,378
c. Building permits		3230	T99 455
d. Other licenses, permits, and fees		3290	T99 3,702
e. TOTAL			\$ 99,041

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)

A. REVENUES – Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No.	Amount
	(a)	(b)
4. Revenue from the federal government		
a. Housing and urban renewal (HUD)	3311	B50 \$
b. Environmental protection	3312	B89
c. Other federal grants and reimbursements – Specify –	3319	B89
d. TOTAL		\$
5. Revenue from the State of New Hampshire		
a. Shared revenue block grant	3351	C30 \$ 117,161
b. Highway block grant	3353	C46 24,560
c. Water pollution grants	3354	C91 26,199
d. Housing and community development	3355	C50
e. State and federal forest land reimbursement	3356	C89
f. Flood control reimbursement	3357	C89
g. Other state grants and reimbursements – Specify –	3359	C 52
h. TOTAL		\$ 167,972
6. Revenue from other governments		
Intergovernmental revenue – Other	3379	D \$ 9,713
7. Revenue from charges for services		
<i>(Exclude interfund transfers)</i>		
a. Income from departments	3401	A89 \$ 1,560
b. Water supply system charges	3402	A91 35,428
c. Sewer user charges	3403	A80 18,481
d. Garbage–refuse charges	3404	A81
e. Other Charges – Landfill/Recycling fees	3409	A89 80,000
f. TOTAL		\$ 135,469

Remarks

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)		
A. REVENUES — Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Amount (b)
8. Revenue from miscellaneous sources		
a. Special assessments	3500	U01 \$ 11,752
b. Sale of municipal property	3501	U11 450
c. Interest on investments	3502	U20 4,512
d. Rents of property	3503	U40
e. Fines and forfeits	3504	U99
f. Insurance dividends and reimbursements	3506	U99 5,632
g. Contributions and donations	3508	U99 1,180
h. Other miscellaneous sources not otherwise classified	3509	U99 5,862
i. TOTAL		\$ 29,388
9. Interfund operating transfers in		
a. Transfers from special revenue fund	3912	\$
b. Transfers from capital projects fund	3913	51,180
c. Transfers from proprietary funds	3914	
d. Transfers from capital reserve fund	3915	
e. Transfers from trust and agency funds	3916	1,990
f. TOTAL		\$ 53,170
10. Other financial sources		
a. Proceeds from long-term notes and general obligation bonds	3934	\$
b. Proceeds from all other bonds	3935	
c. Other long-term financial sources	3939	
d. TOTAL		\$
11. TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES		\$ 2,550,421
12. TOTAL FUND EQUITY (Beginning of year)		\$
(Should equal line B.2d, column b, page 8)		\$ 138,233
13. TOTAL OF LINES 11 AND 12		\$
(Should equal line 19, page 7)		\$ 2,688,654
Remarks		

PLEASE CONTINUE WITH PART I, SECTION B, ITEM 1, ON PAGE 4

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)

A. EXPENDITURES – Modified Accrual				
	Account No. (a)	Total expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
1. General government				
a. Executive	4130	E29 \$ 58,222	G29 \$	F29 \$
		E89	G89	F89
b. Election, registration and vital statistics	4140	6,682		
c. Financial administration	4150	E23 38,653	G23 1,740	F23
d. Revaluation of property	4152	E23	G23	F23
e. Legal expense	4153	E25 31,582	G25	F25
f. Personnel administration	4155	E29 60,869	G29	F29
g. Planning and zoning	4191	E29 2,809	G29	F29
h. General government building	4194	E31 18,834	G31 1,500	F31 6,298
i. Cemeteries	4195	E89 4,335	G89 2,310	F89
j. Insurance not otherwise allocated	4196	E89 14,832	G89	F89
k. Advertising and regional association	4197	E89	G89	F89
l. Other general government	4199	E89 3,000	G89	F89
m. TOTAL		\$ 239,818	\$ 5,550	\$ 6,298
2. Public safety				
a. Police	4210	E62 \$ 91,582	G62 \$	F62 \$
		E32	G32	F32
b. Ambulance	4215	3,000		
c. Fire	4220	E24 39,545	G24	F24
d. Building inspection	4240	E66 750	G66	F66
e. Emergency management	4290	E89	G89	F89
f. Other public safety (including communications)	4299	E89	G89	F89
g. TOTAL		\$ 134,877	\$	\$
3. Highways and streets				
a. Administration	4311	\$	\$	\$
b. Highways and streets	4312	118,605		
c. Bridges	4313			
d. Street lighting	4316	9,871		
e. Other highway, streets, and bridges	4319			
f. TOTAL		E44 \$ 128,476	G44 \$	F44 \$

PLEASE CONTINUE WITH PART I, SECTION B, ITEM 4, ON PAGE 5

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)

A. EXPENDITURES – Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Total expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
4. Sanitation				
a. Administration	4321	E80 \$ 18,675	G80 \$	F80 \$
		E81	G81	F81
b. Solid waste collection	4323			
c. Solid waste disposal	4324	E81 20,183	G81	F81
d. Solid waste clean-up	4325	E81 8,934	G81	F81
e. Sewage collection and disposal	4326	E80 15,478	G80	F80
f. Other sanitation	4329	E80	G80	F80
g. TOTAL		\$ 63,270	\$	\$
5. Water distribution and treatment				
a. Administration	4331	\$ 16,598	\$	\$
b. Water services	4332	21,570		
c. Water treatment	4335	2,252		
d. Water conservation	4338			
e. Other water	4339			
f. TOTAL		E91 \$ 40,420	G91 \$	F91 \$
6. Health				
a. Administration	4411	\$ 538	\$	\$
b. Pest control	4414	544		
c. Health agencies and hospitals	4415	5,229		
d. Other health	4419			
e. TOTAL		E32 \$ 6,311	G32 \$	F32 \$
7. TOTAL expenditures for education purposes (This entry should be used by the few municipalities which have dependent school districts only)		\$	\$	\$
8. Welfare				
a. Administration	4441	E79 \$ 1,234	G79 \$	F79 \$
		E67		
b. Direct assistance	4442	4,857		
		M79		
c. Intergovernmental welfare payments	4444	260		
		E75		
d. Vendor payments	4445	2,094		
		E79	G79	F79
e. Other welfare	4449	52		
f. TOTAL		\$ 8,497	\$	\$

PLEASE CONTINUE WITH PART I, SECTION B, ITEM 9, ON PAGE 6

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)

A. EXPENDITURES – Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Total expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
9. Culture and recreation				
a. Parks and recreation	4520	E61 \$ 8,969	G61 \$	F61 \$
b. Library	4550	E62 15,248	G62	F62
c. Patriotic purposes	4583	E61 718	G61	F61
d. Other culture and recreation	4589	E61 618	G61	F61
e. TOTAL		\$ 25,553	\$	\$
10. Conservation				
a. Administration	4611	\$ 267	\$	\$
b. Purchase of natural resources	4612			
c. Other conservation	4619			
b. TOTAL		\$ 267	G59 \$	F59 \$
11. Redevelopment and housing				
a. Administration	4631	\$	\$	\$
b. Redevelopment and housing	4632			
c. TOTAL		\$	G50 \$	F50 \$
12. Economic development				
a. Administration	4651	\$	\$	\$
b. Economic development	4652			
c. Other economic development	4659			
d. TOTAL		E89 \$	G89 \$	F89 \$
13. Debt service				
a. Principal long term bonds and notes	4711	\$ 163,641	\$	\$
b. Interest on long term bonds and notes	4721	I89 52,105		
c. Interest on tax and revenue anticipation notes	4723	I89 8,959		
d. Other debt service charges	4790	E23		
e. TOTAL		\$ 224,705	\$	\$
14. Capital outlay				
a. Land and improvements	4901	G \$	\$	\$
b. Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	4902	G		
c. Buildings	4903	F		
d. Improvements other than buildings	4909	F		
e. TOTAL		\$	\$	\$

PLEASE CONTINUE WITH PART I, SECTION B, ITEM 15, ON PAGE 7

Part III GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET -- Please specify the period --

As of December 31, 1994 OR June 30, 199__

A. ASSETS	Account number (a)	Beginning of year (b)	End of year (c)
1. Current assets			
a. Cash and equivalents	1010	\$ 269,909	\$ 291,225
b. Investments	1030		
c. Taxes receivable, net (See worksheet, page 11)	1080	291,945	238,642
d. Tax liens receivable, net (See worksheet, page 11)	1110	332,646	210,710
e. Accounts receivable	1150	9,074	158,472
f. Due from other governments	1260	1,472	8,623
g. Due from other funds	1310		
h. Other current assets	1400	7,592	
i. TOTAL ASSETS (Should equal line B3)		\$ 912,638	\$ 907,672
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
1. Current liabilities			
a. Warrants and accounts payable	2020	\$ 22,381	\$ 15,240
b. Compensated absences payable	2030		
c. Contracts payable	2050		
d. Due to other governments	2070	1,271	155
e. Due to school districts	2075	549,672	583,132
f. Due to other funds	2080	44,811	
g. Deferred revenue	2220	156,270	166,803
h. Notes payable -- Current	2230		
i. Bonds payable -- Current	2250		
j. Other payables	2270		
k. TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$ 774,405	\$ 765,330
2. Fund equity			
a. Reserve for encumbrances (Please detail on page 12)	2440	\$	\$
b. Reserve for special purposes (Please detail on page 12)	2490	1,640	1,684
c. Unreserved fund balance	2530	136,593	140,658
d. TOTAL FUND EQUITY		\$ 138,233	\$ 142,342
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY (Should equal line A1)		\$ 912,638	\$ 907,672

GENERAL FUND

		Beginning of year		End of year	
		Debit (b)	Credit (c)	Debit (d)	Credit (e)
Account number (a)					
A. FIXED ASSET GROUP OF ACCOUNTS (Please specify date)					
As of December 31, 1994 OR June 30, 1999					
1.	Land and improvements	1610	\$	As with the majority of New Hampshire communities, the Town has not maintained historical cost records of its investment in General Fixed Assets.	\$
2.	Buildings	1620			
3.	Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	1640			
4.	Construction in progress	1650			
5.	Improvements other than buildings	1660			
6.	Tax deeded property	1670			
7.	Investment in general fixed assets	2800			
8.	TOTAL		\$	\$	\$
B. LONG-TERM DEBT GROUP OF ACCOUNTS (Please specify date)					
As of December 31, 1994 OR June 30, 1999					
1.	Bond proceeds not used	1810	\$		\$
2.	Amount to be provided for the retirement of long-term debt	1820	866,930	732,419	
3.	Notes and bonds payable -- Long-term	2310		864,541	700,900
4.	Other long-term liabilities	2390		22,989	31,519
5.	TOTAL		\$ 866,930	\$ 732,419	\$ 732,419

GENERAL FUND (Continued)

C. AMORTIZATION OF LONG-TERM DEBT (Please specify date)

Purpose (a)	Annual installment (b)	Interest rate (c)	Date of last payment (d)	Bonds o/s at beginning of year (e)	Bonds issued this year (f)	Bonds retired this year (g)	Bonds o/s at end of year (h)
As of December 31, 1994 OR June 30, 199__							
Description of general obligation bonds (Please also list total original obligation)							
1. \$352,400 - 1981	\$Variable	5.00%	Nov, 2010	\$ 248,400	\$	\$ 12,000	\$ 236,400
2. \$28,254 - 1984	1,300 10,000 -	5.00%	Oct, 2004	15,600		1,300	14,300
3. \$260,680 - 1985	15,000 4,740 -	7.6 - 8.8%	Feb, 2005	140,000		15,000	125,000
4. \$128,200 - 1986	4,750	6.625%	Feb, 2013	94,950		4,750	90,200
5. \$110,000 - 1986	10,000	6.6 - 7.75%	Jul, 1996	30,000		10,000	20,000
6. \$335,591 - 1993	Variable	5.20%	Aug, 1996	335,591		120,591	215,000
7.							
8. TOTAL				\$ 864,541	\$	\$ 163,641	\$ 700,900

D. PLEASE LIST THE ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS TO AMORTIZE ALL GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT AS OF (Enter date) December 31, 1994 FOR THE ENSUING FIVE YEARS

Year (a)	Principal (b)	Interest (c)	Total (d)	Remarks
1995	\$ 153,050	\$ 41,317	\$ 194,367	General Obligation Bonds
1996	148,050	32,464	180,514	Capital Leases
1997	33,050	23,926	56,976	Claims and judgments
1998	28,050	21,898	49,948	Total Long-Term Obligations
1999	28,050	19,985	48,035	
6. SUBTOTAL (Sum of lines 1-5)	390,250	139,590	529,840	
7. Remaining periods of debt:	310,650	102,014	412,664	
8. TOTAL (Sum of lines 6 and 7)	\$ 700,900	\$ 241,604	\$ 942,504	

Part V RECONCILIATIONS

A. RECONCILIATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY		Amount
1. School district liability at beginning of year <i>(Account number 2075, column b, on page 8)</i>	\$	549,672
2. ADD: School district assessment for current year <i>(Should equal line B16c, Account number 4933, on page 7)</i>		1,487,425
3. TOTAL LIABILITY WITHIN CURRENT YEAR <i>(Sum of lines 1 and 2)</i>		2,037,097
4. SUBTRACT: Payments made to school district	(1,453,965
5. School district liability at end of year (lines 3 less line 4) <i>(Account number 2075, column c, on page 8)</i>		583,132
B. RECONCILIATION OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES		Amount
1. Short-term (TANS) debt at beginning of year	61V \$	- 0 -
2. ADD: New issues during current year		300,000
3. SUBTRACT: Issues retired during current year	(300,000
4. Short-term (TANS) debt outstanding at end of year (Lines 1 + 2 - 3) <i>(Be sure to include (TANS) in Account number 2230, column c, page 8)</i>	64V	- 0 -

PLEASE REFER TO THE INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE SECTIONS C AND D

C. ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS WORKSHEET	Current year (a)	Prior year (b)	2 years past (c)	3 or more years (d)	TOTAL (e)
1. Overlay/Allowance for Abatements (Beginning of year)*	49,199			24,303	73,502
2. SUBTRACT: Abatements made	(3,393)	(8,167)	()	()	(11,560)
3. SUBTRACT: Discounts	()	()	()	()	()
4. SUBTRACT: Refunds	()	(26,485)	()	()	(26,485)
5. ESTIMATED ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS AT END OF YEAR**				11,329	11,329
6. Excess of estimate - Closed to fund balance	45,806	(34,652)		12,974	24,128

*Overlay amount for current year column and last year's balance of line 5, Allowance for Abatements for other columns.

**This amount will go into line 1 for next year's worksheet.

D. TAXES RECEIVABLE WORKSHEET, Account number 1080 and TAX LIENS RECEIVABLE, Account number 1110	Current year levy (a)	Prior years' levies (b)	TOTALS (c)
1. Uncollectible taxes, end of year	\$ 238,642	\$ 222,039	\$ 460,681
2. SUBTRACT: "Overlay" carried forward as Allowance for Abatements (from Worksheet C, line 5)	()	(11,329)	(11,329)
3. Taxes receivable, end of year	238,642	210,710	449,352

(TOTAL amount is entered on page 8, account number 1080, column c)



SUMMARY OF REVENUES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS - Please specify the period -

January 1, 1994 to December 31, 1994 OR July 1, 199__ to June 30, 199__

	Capital projects			Special revenue		Proprietary funds	
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	Enterprise	Internal service	
REVENUE (BY SOURCE)	T01	T01	T01	T01			
1. Revenue from taxes	\$	\$	\$	\$			
2. Revenue from licenses, permits, and fees	T99	T99	T99	T99			
3. Revenue from the federal government	B89	B89	B89	B89			
4. Revenue from the State of New Hampshire	C89	C89	C89	C89			
5. Revenue from other governments	D89	D89	D89	D89			
6. Revenue from charges for services	14,640				A91		
(a) Water supply system charges					A80		
(b) Sewer user charges					A81		
(c) Garbage/refuse collection charges							
(d) Other - Specify -							
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
7. Revenue from miscellaneous sources	U20	U20	U20	U20	U20	U20	
(a) Interest on investments	561	29					
(b) Other miscellaneous sources		6,872					
8. Interfund operating transfers in		5,500					
9. Other financial sources							
10. TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER SOURCES	\$ 15,201	\$ 12,401	\$	\$	\$	\$	

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS - Please specify the period -

January 1, 1994 to December 31, 1994 OR July 1, 199__ to June 30, 199__

	Capital projects			Special revenue		Proprietary funds	
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	
EXPENDITURES (BY FUNCTIONS)							
1. General government	F89 \$	E89 \$	E89 \$				
2. Public safety	F89	E89	E89				
3. Sanitation	F80	E80	E80				
4. Water distribution and treatment	F51		E91				
5. Health	F32	E32	E32				
6. Welfare	F79	E79	E79				
7. Culture and recreation	F61	E61	E61				
8. Conservation	F59	E59	11,924				
9. Redevelopment and housing	F50	E50	E50				
10. Economic development	F89	E89	E89				
11. Debt service							
12. Capital outlay	F89	F89	F89				
13. Interfund operating transfers out		51,180					
14. Payments to other governments							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	51,180	\$	11,924	\$		\$

Remarks

BALANCE SHEET FOR SUMMARY OF ALL OTHER FUNDS - Please specify the period -

As of December 31, 1994 OR June 30, 199__

	Account No. (a)	Capital projects (b)	Special revenue (c)	Proprietary funds	
				Enterprise (d)	Internal service (e)
A. ASSETS					
1. Current assets					
(a) Cash and equivalents	1010 \$		\$ 3,995	\$	\$
(b) Investments	1030	The Capital Projects Fund			
(c) Accounts receivable	1150	was closed in 1994.			
(d) Due from other governments	1260				
(e) Due from other funds	1310				
(f) Other -Specify -					
2. Fixed assets					
(a) Land and improvements	1610 \$		\$	\$	\$
(b) Buildings	1620				
(c) Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	1640				
(d) Construction in progress	1650				
(e) Improvements other than buildings	1660				
(f) Other -Specify -					
3. TOTAL ASSETS		\$	\$ 3,995	\$	\$

BALANCE SHEET FOR SUMMARY OF ALL OTHER FUNDS (Continued) - Please specify the period -

As of December 31, 1994 OR June 30, 199__

	Account No. (a)	Capital projects (b)	Special revenue (c)	Proprietary funds	
				Enterprise (d)	Internal service (e)
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
1. Liabilities					
(a) Warrants and accounts payable	2020	\$	\$	\$	\$
(b) Compensated absences payable	2030	The Capital Projects Fund was closed in 1994.			
(c) Contracts payable	2050				
(d) Due to other governments	2070				
(e) Due to other funds	2080				
(f) Deferred revenue	2220				
(g) Notes and bonds payable					
(h) Other Specify -					
(i) TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$	\$	\$	\$
2. Fund equity/Capital					
(a) Reserve for encumbrances	2440	\$	\$		
(b) Reserve for special purposes	2490		2,329		
(c) Unreserved fund balance	2530		1,666		
(d) Municipal contributed capital	2610				
(e) Other contributed capital	2620				
(f) Retained earnings	2790				
(g) TOTAL FUND EQUITY			3,995		
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		\$	\$ 3,995	\$	\$

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION WORKSHEET

The data requested below should be included in parts I-IV. By supplying this information you will not be asked to complete Census Bureau forms F21 or F22.

A. ALL FUNDS (ADDITIONAL)		Account No. (a)	TOTAL (d)	Equipment and land (c)	Construction (d)
Revenue					
Parks and recreation	3409	A61	\$		
Parking	3409	A60			
Electric power system		A92			
Transit or bus system		A94			
Expenditure					
Parking	3409	E60	\$	G60	F60
Vital statistics	4140	E32		G32	F32
Other hospitals - payments to hospitals operated privately	4415	E38	5,229	G38	F38
Money paid DIRECTLY to needy persons NOT covered by Federal programs (general relief, home relief, poor relief, etc.)	4442	E68	4,857		
Electric power system		E92		G92	F92
Transit or bus system		E94		G94	F94

B. INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Report payments made to the State or other local governments ON REIMBURSEMENT OR COST-SHARING BASIS. Do not include these expenditures in part VI.

Purpose (a)	Account No. (b)	Amount paid to other local governments (c)
Schools		M12 \$
Sewers		M80
All other - County	4931	M89
All other - Towns	4199	M89
Purpose (a)	Account No. (b)	Amount paid to the State (c)
Highways	4319	L44
All other purposes	4199	L89

C. DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED, AND RETIRED

Long-term debt Purpose (a)	Bonds outstanding at the beginning of this fiscal year (b)	Bonds during this fiscal year		Outstanding at the end of this fiscal year	
		Issued (c)	Retired (d)	General obligation (e)	Revenue bonds (f)
Water-sewer utility	19A 498,950	29A	39A 33,050	41A 465,900	44A
Industrial revenue	19T	29T	34T		44T
All other debt	19X 365,591	29X	39X 130,591	41X 235,000	44X
Education	19H	29F	39F	41F	44F
Interest on water debt	19I				

Part IX SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION WORKSHEET (Continued)

D. SALARIES AND WAGES	Total wages paid
Report here the total salaries and wages paid to all employees of your city before deductions for social security, retirement, etc. Include also salaries and wages paid to employees of any utility owned and operated by your government, as well as salaries and wages of city employees charged to construction projects. These amounts may be taken from the W3 form filed by your government for the year ended December 31.	200
	\$219,714

E. CASH AND INVESTMENTS HELD AT END OF FISCAL YEAR
 Report separately for each of the three types of funds listed below, the total amount of cash on hand and on deposit and investments in Federal Government, Federal agency, State and local government, and non-governmental securities. Report all investments at par value. Include in the sinking fund total any mortgages and notes receivable held as offsets to housing and industrial financing loans. Exclude accounts receivable, value of real property, and all non-security assets.

Type of fund (a)	Amount at end of fiscal year Omit cents (b)
Bond funds — Unexpended proceeds from sale of bond issues held pending disbursement	W31
All other funds except employee retirement funds	W61
	\$611,168
CENSUS USE ONLY	W01

Part X CERTIFICATION

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.

Signatures of a majority of the governing body:

James M. Hendry
James W. Cleary
 177 Main St. 11/12/02

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Three copies of this report are sent to each municipality. Selectmen, treasurer and tax collector are expected to cooperate in making out this report. When completed, one copy should be returned to the Department of Revenue Administration and one copy should be placed in your municipal records. The third copy is for use in preparing the annual printed report for the voters.

Please be sure you have completed Part IX, items A-E.

WHEN TO FILE: (R.S.A. 21-J)

- * For cities/towns reporting on a calendar year basis, this report must be filed on or before April 1.
- * For cities/towns reporting on an optional fiscal year basis (year ending June 30), this report must be filed on or before September 1.

WHERE TO FILE

Department of Revenue Administration
 State of New Hampshire
 Municipal Services Division
 PO Box 1122
 Concord, NH 03302-1122

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Department of Revenue Administration
Municipal Services Division
P.O. Box 457
Concord, N.H. 03302-0457
(603) 271-3397



STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION

VOTED BY THE

CITY/TOWN OF Bennington IN Hillsborough COUNTY

Mailing Address: 7 School Street Unit 101
Bennington, New Hampshire 03442

March 12, 1994

(Date of Meeting)

Date March 23, 1994

Heck Llandau
Gene M. Hendry
Mavis E. Mayhew

(Please Sign in Ink)

Selectmen of Bennington
(Governing Body)

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

PENALTY: FAILURE TO FILE WITHIN 20 DAYS AFTER EACH MEETING AT WHICH APPROPRIATIONS WERE VOTED MAY RESULT IN \$5.00 PER DAY PENALTY FOR EACH DAY'S DELAY. RSA 21-J:36.

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)	W.A. No.	For Use By Municipality (omit cents)	Reserved For Use By Dept. Of Revenue
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:				
4130	Executive		54,153	
4140	Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics		6,952	
4150	Financial Administration		34,123	
4152	Revaluation of Property		-0-	
4153	Legal Expense		26,000	
4155	Personnel Administration		65,318	
4191	Planning and Zoning		3,833	
4194	General Government Building		10,250	
4195	Cemeteries		2,505	
4196	Insurance		24,600	
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations		-0-	
4199	Other General Government Contingency		3,000	
PUBLIC SAFETY				
4210	Police		71,181	
4215	Ambulance		3,000	
4220	Fire		32,889	
4240	Bldg. Inspection		750	
4290	Emergency Management		-0-	
4299	Other Public Safety (Including Communications)		-0-	
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
4312	Highways and Streets		116,974	
4313	Bridges		-0-	
4316	Street Lighting		10,700	
SANITATION				
4323	Solid Waste Collection		46,397	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		18,600	
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal		-0-	
WATER DISTRIBUTION AND TREATMENT				
4332	Water Services		41,800	
4335	Water Treatment		-0-	
HEALTH				
4414	Pest Control		450	
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals Administration		5,237 738	
WELFARE				
4442	Direct Assistance		10,200	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		-0-	
4445	Vendor Payments Administration		-0- 1,076	
Sub-Totals (carry to top of page 3)			590,726	

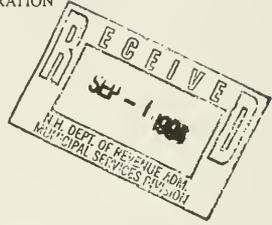
Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)	W.A. No.	For Use By Municipality (omit cents)	Reserved For Use By Dept. Of Revenue
	Sub-Totals (from page 2)		590,726	
	CULTURE AND RECREATION			
4520	Parks and Recreation		10,000	
4550	Library		23,880	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		1,600	
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		-0-	
	CONSERVATION		-0-	
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources		-0-	
4619	Other Conservation		-0-	
	Administration		300	
4632	REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING			
4652	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
	Monadnock Business Ventures		618	
	DEBT SERVICE			
4711	Princ-Long Term Bonds & Notes		43,050	
4721	Int.-Long Term Bonds & Notes		34,135	
4723	Interest on TAN		10,000	
	Closure Bond (Prin. and Interest)		57,370	
	CAPITAL OUTLAY			
4901	Land and Improvements			
4902	Mach. Veh. & Equip.			
4903	Buildings			
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings (see list below)		27,640	
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Enterprise Fund			
	Sewer --			
	Water --			
	Electric --			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund W.A.'s 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13		65,000	
4916	To Trust and Agency Funds			
	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		864,319	

HELP! We ask your assistance in the following: If you have a line item of appropriation which is made up of appropriations from more than one (1) warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total. We hope this will expedite the tax rate process by reducing the number of inquiries from this office.

Acct.	W.A.	Amt.	Acct.	W.A.	Amt.
4909	6	3,000	4915	4	4,000
	14	1,800		8	15,000
	16	5,000		9	5,000
	18	12,000		10	15,000
	19	600		11	12,000
	20	2,000		12	6,000
	21	1,740		13	8,000
	22	1,500			
		27,640			65,000

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	W.A. No.	For Use By Municipality (omit cents)	Reserved For Use By Dept. Of Revenue
TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes			-0-
3180	Resident Taxes			-0-
3185	Yield Taxes			2,000
3186	Payments in Lieu of Taxes			-0-
3189	Other Taxes (Specify Bank Stock Tax Amt.)\$			-0-
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes			60,000
	Inventory Penalties			
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES				
3210	Business Licenses and Permits			500
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees			75,000
3230	Building Permits			-0-
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees			200
	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT Onset Rd. Bet.			10,000
3319	Other			
FROM STATE				
3351	Shared Revenue			40,000
3353	Highway Block Grant			24,760
3354	Water Pollution Grants			27,438
3355	Housing and Community Development			
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement			
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement			
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)			
FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT				
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues			
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401	Income from Departments Solid Waste			4,000
3409	Other Charges Pre-Closure			9,000 (1)
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES Other				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property			500
3502	Interest on Investments			3,000
3509	Other			
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
3912	Special Revenue Fund			
3913	Capital Projects Fund			
3914	Enterprise Fund			
	Sewer —			20,000
	Water —			35,000
	Electric —			-0-
3915	Capital Reserve Fund			15,500 (2)
3916	Trust and Agency Funds Landfill Closure M.P.M.			80,000 (3)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES L.T.N. & B's.				
3934	Proc. from Long Term Notes & Bonds			1,500
				25,000 (4)
General Fund Balance		For Municipal Use		
Unreserved Fund Balance		\$	XXXXX	XXXXX
Fund Balance Voted From Surplus		< \$	>	60,000
Fund Balance to be Retained		< \$	> XXXXX	XXXXX
Fund Balance Remaining to be Used to Reduce Taxes		\$		
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS				513,398

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 1122
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TAX YEAR 1994

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

CITY/TOWN OF Bennington IN Hillsborough COUNTY

CERTIFICATE

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

Marie Emayson
James M. Handy
James W. Cleary
(Please Sign in Ink)

Selectmen of Bennington
Date Aug. 31, 1994

REPORTS REQUIRED. RSA 21-J:34, as amended provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Dept. of Revenue Administration may require upon blanks prescribed for that purpose.

Return this completed Summary Inventory form to the Dept. of Revenue Administration, P.O. Box 1122, Concord, NH 03302-1122 By September 1st.

PENALTY: FAILURE TO FILE BY SEPTEMBER 1st MAY RESULT IN \$5.00 PER DAY PENALTY FOR EACH DAY'S DELAY. (RSA 21-J:36)

NOTE: PLEASE REMEMBER TO COMPLETE INFORMATION OF PAGE 4 OF THIS REPORT.

I T E M	LAND (Item 1A, B, C, & D) - List all improved and unimproved land (include wells, septic and paving) BUILDING (Items 2A, B, & C) - List all the buildings	A C R E S	19 94
			ASSESSED VALUATION
1.	VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Items 3, 4, 5, & 6		
	A. Current Use (At Current Use Values) (RSA 79-A)	4131	\$ 310,851
	B. Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) (RSA 79:b, Eff. 5/12/90)		\$
	C. Residential	4303	\$ 14,956,599
	D. Commercial/Industrial	144	\$ 3,837,400
	E. Total of Taxable Land (A, B, C & D)	8578	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
	F. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable (\$ 1,126,300)		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
2.	VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Items 3, 4, 5 & 6		
	A. Residential		\$ 29,706,000
	B. Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$ 6,300,540
	C. Commercial/Industrial		\$ 9,280,300
	D. Total of Taxable Buildings (A, B & C)		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
	E. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable (\$)		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
3.	PUBLIC WATER UTILITY - Privately owned water co. serving public (RSA 72:11 & 72:12)		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
4.	PUBLIC UTILITIES - Value of all property used in production, transmission, and distribution including production machinery, land landrights, easements, etc. Furnish breakdown by individual company in space provided on page 4. (RSA 72:12)	Gas	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
5.		Electric	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
6.		Oil Pipeline	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
7.	Malure Wood and Timber (RSA 79:5)		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
8.	VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS. (Total of 1E, 2D, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7)		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
9.	Blind Exemption RSA 72:37 (Number)	\$	\$
10.	Elderly Exemp. RSA 72:39, 72:43-I, & 72:43-h (Number 34)	\$ 1,180,000	\$
11.	Physically Handicapped Exemp. RSA 72:37-a (Number)	\$	\$
12.	Totally & Permanently Disabled Exemp. RSA 72:37-b (Number)	\$	\$
13.	Solar/Windpower Exemp. RSA 72:62 & 72:66 (Number)	\$	\$
14.	School Din./Dormitory/Kitchen Exemp. RSA 72:23 (Number)	\$	\$
15.	Water/Air Pollution Control Exemp. RSA 72:12-a (Number 1)	\$ 2,519,830	\$
16.	Wood Heating Energy System Exemp. RSA 72:69 (Number)	\$	\$
17.	TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Items 9 to 16)		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
18.	NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE IS COMPUTED (Item 8 minus 17)		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX

19.	LIST REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES The amounts listed in this section should not be included in assessed valuation column above.	MUNICIPALITY	PER RSA 362-A:5 111
			Amount Apportion To SCHOOL
	State and Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land (MS-4, accl. 3356 & 3357)		\$ XXXXXXXXXXXXX
20.	Other - From (MS-4, accl. 3186): Town of Antrim	\$ 500	\$
21.	Other - From (MS-4, accl. 3186):	\$	\$
22.	Other - From (MS-4, accl. 3186):	\$	\$

TOTALS	For Use By Dept. of Revenues (Prior Year) (Valuation)	VILLAGE DISTRICT, SERVICE AREAS AND SCHOOL DISTRICT VALUATION				I T E M
		Where valuation of Village Districts and/or School Districts is not identical with the town or city, identify the unit of government and/or the service areas in the columnar headings and list valuations and exemptions in the same manner as on Page 2.				
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						1A
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						1B
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						1C
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						1D
\$ 19,104,850						1E
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						1F
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						2A
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						2B
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						2C
\$ 45,286,840						2D
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						2E
\$						3
\$						4
\$ 1,183,100						5
\$						6
\$						7
\$ 65,574,790						8
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						9
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						10
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						11
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						12
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						13
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						14
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						15
XXXXXXXXXXXXXX						16
\$ 3,699,830						17
\$ 61,874,960						18

	TAX CREDIT	Limits	Number	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS
		23. Paraplegic, double amputees owning specially adapted homesteads with V.A. assistance	Unlimited	
24. Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty	\$700/\$1,400			
25. Other war service credits	\$80/4100	72		7,150
26. Other credits (wood, solar, etc.)	XXXX			
27. TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT	XXXX	72		\$ 7,150

UTILITY SUMMARY

ELECTRIC, GAS, & PIPELINE COMPANY

Insert valuation of plant used in production, distribution and transmission. The total in each column should agree with the totals listed under the corresponding items on Page 2 of this report. (RSA 72-8)

NAME OF COMPANY	GAS Item 4, Page 2	ELECTRIC Item 5, Page 2	OIL PIPELINE Item 6, Page 2
Public Service of N.H.		1,183,100	
TOTAL		1,183,100	

TYPES OF ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS BEING GRANTED

Check One	Year Adopted	Check One	Year Adopted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Optional Adjusted Elderly Exemption	1992	<input type="checkbox"/> Expanded Elderly Exemptions	19
<input type="checkbox"/> Optional Adjusted Elderly Exemption	19	<input type="checkbox"/> Expanded Elderly Exemptions	19

(See Instructions)

ELDERLY EXEMPTION COUNT

Number of	at	5,000	Total Number of	at	5,000	=	
Individuals	at	10,000	Individuals	at	10,000	=	
Applying for	at	15,000	Applying for	at	15,000	=	
an Elderly	at	20,000	an Elderly	17	at	20,000	= 340,000
Exemption for	at		Exemption for	9	at	40,000	= 360,000
Current year	at		Current year	8	at	50,000	= 400,000
	at				at		=
			TOTAL	34			= 1,180,000

(Item 10, page 2 may not exceed this amount)

CURRENT USE REPORT

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORTS

Section A Granted in Prior Years	Section B Granted for Current Year	Section C Totals of Sections A & B		Section D Granted in Prior Years	Section E Granted for Current Year	Section F Totals of Sections D & E
No. of Acres	No. of Acres	No. of Acres		No. of Acres	No. of Acres	No. of Acres
150.96	-0-	150.96	FARM LAND			
3682.64	95.71	3778.35	FOREST LAND			
40.52	52.4	92.92	UNPRODUCTIVE LAND			
101.95	6.7	108.65	WET LAND			
			DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS			

3,976.07	Total Number of Acres Exempted under Current Use	4,130.68
	Total Number of Acres Taken Out of Current Use During Year	-0-
	Total Number of Acres Exempted under Conservation Restriction Assessment	
	Total Number of Acres Receiving the 20% Recreational Assessment	
	Total Number of Owners Granted Current Use Assessment	59
	Total Number of Owners Granted Conservation Restriction Assessment	

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division
Concord, N.H. 03302-1122
1994 Tax Rate Calculation

Town/City of: BENNINGTON	Tax Rates
Appropriations	864,319
Less: Revenues	439,040
Less: Shared Revenues	19,978
Add: Overlay	49,199
War Service Credits	7,150

Net Town Appropriation	461,650
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	461,650
Municipal Tax Rate	7.47

-- School Portion --	
Due to Local School	0
Due to Regional School	1,487,425
Less: Shared Revenues	59,099

Net School Appropriation	1,428,326
Special Adjustment	0

Approved School(s) Tax Effort	1,428,326
School(s) Tax Rate	23.08

-- County Portion --	
Due to County	116,193
Less: Shared Revenues	4,514

Net County Appropriation	111,679
Special Adjustment	0

Approved County Tax Effort	111,679
County Tax Rate	1.80

Combined Tax Rate	32.35
Total Property Taxes Assessed	2,001,655
-- Commitment Analysis --	
Total Property Taxes Assessed	2,001,655
Less: War Service Credits	(7,150)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0

Total Property Tax Commitment	1,994,505
	=====

Net Assessed Valuation	Assessment
-- Proof of Rate --	
Tax Rate	
61,874,960	32.35
	2,001,655 ✓

Treasurer:	1995 Bond Requirement
Town Clerk:	71,000 Tax Collector: 62,000
	12,000 Trustees of Trust Funds: 37,000

Handwritten signature

TREASURER'S REPORTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1994

.General Account.

Beginning Balance January 1, 1994	\$ 265,183.41
Receipts	\$3,105,964.78
Less Transfer From MM	- 34,000.00

	+3,071,964.78
Disbursements	-3,048,488.05

Ending Balance December 31, 1994	\$ 288,660.14

.Landfill Account.

Beginning Balance January 1, 1994	\$ 41,892.61
Receipts	+ 30,613.40
Disbursements	- 72,506.01

Ending Balance December 31, 1994	\$ - 0 -

Respectfully submitted,

TREASURER
Joyce L. Miner

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1994

Motor Vehicle Registrations		\$93,884.00
Motor Vehicle Titles		494.00
U.C.C. Filings		506.04
Marriage Licenses:	Town	91.00
	State	494.00
Certified Copies:	Town	84.00
	State	105.00
Dog Licenses:	Town	1,369.50
	State	547.50
Dog License Fines		424.00
Election Filing Fees		12.00

Total Revenue Collected By Town Clerk		\$98,011.04

I hereby certify that the above report is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN CLERK
Lisa M. Logan

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1994

	1994	1993	PRIOR

UNCOLLECTED TAXES 01/01/94			
Property Taxes		\$296,618.66	\$18,737.00
Yield Taxes		623.18	269.14
Annual Onset Assessment		4,465.88	3,126.29
Deferred Onset Assessment		23,481.00	
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR			
Property Taxes	\$1,996,257.00		
Yield Taxes	3,381.31		
Annual Onset Assessment	9,062.34		
Deferred Onset Assessment	16,146.00		
OVERPAYMENT			
Property Taxes	2,780.85	7,107.72	
INTEREST - DELINQUENT TAXES	2,820.51	23,355.32	
	-----	-----	-----
TOTAL DEBITS	\$2,030,448.01	\$355,651.76	\$22,132.43

REMITTED TO TREASURER 1994			
Property Taxes	\$1,746,889.59	\$295,841.74	\$14,976.89
Yield Taxes	3,009.34	623.18	269.14
Interest	2,820.51	23,073.32	
Onset Road Assessment	9,418.62	4,465.88	2,508.76
ABATEMENTS			
Property Taxes	3,393.00	8,166.64	
UNCOLLECTED TAXES 12/31/94			
Property Taxes	248,755.26		3,760.11
Yield Taxes	371.97		
Annual Onset Assessment	1,119.72		617.53
Deferred Onset Assessment	14,670.00	23,481.00	
	-----	-----	-----
TOTAL CREDITS	\$2,030,448.01	\$355,651.76	\$22,132.43

Respectfully submitted,

TAX COLLECTOR
Denise P. French

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1994

	TAX LIEN ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES:			
	1993	1992	1991	Prior
Unredeemed Liens January 1, 1994		\$171,323.28	\$109,796.98	\$51,526.09
Liens Executed 1994	\$197,318.87			
Tax Lien Overpaid		237.51		
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	3,477.49	12,927.87	21,395.98	0
Total Debits	\$200,796.36	\$184,488.66	\$131,192.96	\$51,526.09

REMITTANCE TO TREASURER

Redemptions	\$ 39,029.66	\$ 48,125.96	\$ 65,276.79	\$20,490.68
Interest & Costs After Lien Execution	3,477.49	12,927.87	21,395.98	0
Unredeemed Tax Liens December 31, 1994	158,289.21	123,434.83	44,520.19	31,035.41
Total Credits	\$200,796.36	\$184,488.66	\$131,192.96	\$51,526.09

Relative to the lists of all unpaid tax accounts, the lists are available for public inspection, at Town Hall, during regular office hours.

Respectfully submitted,

TAX COLLECTOR
Denise P. French

WATER & SEWER FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1994

Unpaid Balance January 1, 1994		\$ 4,136.39
Charges:		
Water Usage	\$33,426.71	
Water Interest	66.72	
Shut-off Notice Fees	114.00	
Sewer Usage	18,460.94	
Sewer Interest	20.36	

Total Charges		+52,088.73

		56,225.12
Overpayments:		
Water	7.59	
Sewer	7.88	

Total Overpayments		+ 15.47
Abatements Granted:		
Water	227.69	
Sewer	30.73	

Total Abatements		- 258.42

		55,982.17
Receipts To Treasurer		-51,131.73

Unpaid Water/Sewer At December 31, 1994		\$ 4,850.44

A list of unpaid accounts is available for public inspection, at Town Hall, during regular office hours.

Respectfully submitted,

TAX COLLECTOR
Denise P. French

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1994

LOCAL TAXES FOR CURRENT YEAR		
Property	\$1,746,890	
Interest & Penalties	2,815	
Yield	3,009	
Onset Road Assessment	9,419	
Onset Road Interest	5	
	-----	\$1,762,138
LOCAL TAXES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS		
Property	\$ 310,819	
Interest & Penalties	22,647	
Onset Road Assessment	6,975	
Onset Road Interest	323	
Tax Liens Redeemed	172,923	
Tax Lien Interest & Penalties	37,801	
Yield Tax	892	
Yield Tax Interest	104	
	-----	\$ 552,484
WATER DEPARTMENT		\$ 33,025
SEWER DEPARTMENT		\$ 18,107
TOWN CLERK REVENUE		\$ 98,011
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE		
Shared Revenue	\$ 110,270	
Highway Block	24,560	
Railroad Tax	52	
Rooms & Meals Tax	6,891	
Water Pollution Grant	26,199	
	-----	\$ 167,972
INTERFUND TRANSFER		\$ 26,679
INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS		
Water	\$ 1,385	
Police	175	
Recreation	795	
Planning Board	342	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	248	
Administration	91	
Election & Registration	25	
Cemeteries	2,740	
	-----	\$ 5,801

MONADNOCK PAPER MILL CLOSURE GIFT		\$	80,000
COMP FUNDS DIVIDEND & REFUND		\$	2,640
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			
Demolition Permit	\$		10
Building Permits			455
Pistol Permits			50
SWD Disposal Fees			307
Cable Franchise Fees			1,174
Bad Check Fees			130
CUV Filing Fees			60

		\$	2,186
RECYCLING REVENUES			
Scrap Metal	\$		604
Newspaper			36
Glass			101
Plastic			45
Aluminum Cans			885
Cardboard			92

		\$	1,763
DEPARTMENTAL REIMBURSEMENTS			
Insurance	\$		2,992
Highway			653
Welfare			539
Fire			119
Administration			25
Police			814

		\$	5,142
OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS			
Conval School District	\$		1,461
Town of Antrim			16,494
Town of Francestown			6,397

		\$	24,352
COURT SETTLEMENT		\$	3,800
INTEREST ON ACCOUNTS		\$	2,165
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES			300,000

TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$	3,086,265

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1994

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Selectmen Salaries	\$ 2,237	
Administrative Assistant	27,688	
Part-Time Office Support	11,892	
Moderator Salary	80	
Telephone	2,865	
Computer	2,136	
Copier Lease	1,721	
Dues & Subscriptions	535	
Advertising	712	
General Supplies	1,178	
Office Supplies	1,811	
Postage	2,534	
Miscellaneous Expenses	374	
Mileage	235	
Town Meeting Police Coverage	182	
Town Meeting PA System	350	
Printing 1993 Town Report	1,692	

Total Executive Office		\$58,222

ELECTION & REGISTRATION

Town Clerk	\$ 3,704	
Deputy Town Clerk	766	
Clerk Dues & Subscriptions	113	
Clerk Office Supplies	227	
Supervisor of Checklist Salaries	450	
Supervisor Salaries - Conval	150	
Election Advertising	162	
Supervisor Office Supplies	33	
Voters Ballot Clerks	368	
Election Printing	258	
Election Day Meals	450	

Total Election & Registration		\$ 6,681

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Auditing Services	\$ 5,788	
Assessing	5,792	
Tax Collector	23,474	
Tax Collector Dues	15	
Tax Collector Fees	1,065	
Treasurer's Salary	750	
1993 Overlay	9,944	
Town Clerk Refunds	30	

Total Financial Administration		\$46,858

JUDICIAL & LEGAL EXPENSES		
General Legal Support	\$11,774	
Defense Proceedings	9,570	
Claims, Judgments, Settlements	7,620	

Total Judicial & Legal		\$28,964
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION		
Group Health Insurance	\$35,204	
Group Dental Insurance	1,737	
Social Security	10,396	
Medicare	2,829	
Unemployment Compensation	444	
Workers Compensation	10,260	

Total Personnel Administration		\$60,870
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT		
Recording Secretary	\$ 560	
SW Planning Commission Dues	1,237	
Planning Board - Miscellaneous	765	
Zoning Board - Miscellaneous	247	

Total Planning & Development		\$ 2,809
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS		
Custodial/Groundskeeping	\$ 2,908	
Security/Fire System Maint.	1,098	
Electricity	2,410	
Heat & Oil	1,734	
Repairs & Maintenance	1,684	
Security System Lease	995	
Supplies	206	

Total General Govern. Buildings		\$11,035
CEMETERIES		
Evergreen Cemetery Maintenance	\$ 929	
Sunnyside Cemetery Maintenance	1,097	

Total Cemeteries		\$ 2,026
PROPERTY/LIABILITY INSURANCE		
PLIT Annual Premium	\$14,832	\$14,832
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
General Contingency Fund	\$ 1,250	\$ 1,250

ABATEMENT INTEREST	\$ 232	\$ 232
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Officers Salaries	\$67,148	
Part-Time Officers	2,112	
Retirement	1,741	
Administrative Telephone	2,358	
Cellular Telephone	509	
Medical Services	52	
Dispatch Services	3,123	
Equipment/Training Supplies	1,291	
Office Supplies	446	
Maintenance/Repair of Equip.	809	
Gasoline	1,531	
Vehicle Repairs	1,226	
Books/Periodicals	132	
Uniforms	971	
Miscellaneous	325	
Education/Safety	198	

Total Police Department		\$83,972
ANTRIM AMBULANCE	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Fire Chiefs Salaries	\$ 500	
Telephone	436	
Dispatch	1,677	
General Supplies	2,016	
Emergency Call Reimbursement	3,686	
Medical	1,180	
Training	3,361	
Lease of Radios	6,658	
Radio Repairs	247	
Equipment Replacement	5,636	
Gasoline	471	
Vehicle Repairs	8,704	
Electricity	1,474	
Heating Oil	1,189	
Building Repairs/Maintenance	851	

Total Fire Department		\$38,086
BUILDING INSPECTION	\$ 750	\$ 750

GENERAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Road Agent Salary	\$24,436	
Highway Laborers Salaries	25,793	
Telephone	556	
Lease of Pager	163	
Electricity	950	
Heat	809	
Building Repairs/Maintenance	227	
General Supplies	3,896	
Equipment Repairs/Maintenance	3,045	
Gasoline/Oil	3,636	
Vehicle Repairs/Maintenance	8,599	
Miscellaneous	85	

Total General Highway Dept.		\$72,195

HIGHWAYS & STREETS

Paving/Reconstruction/Patching	\$24,522	
Paving/Reconstruction Equipment	6,267	
Road Maintenance Supplies	731	
Road Drainage Supplies	1,173	
Snow/Ice Supplies	11,409	
Hired Plowing/Sanding	2,307	

Total Highways & Streets		\$46,409

STREET LIGHTING	\$ 9,871	\$ 9,871
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HOUSEHOLD HAZARD WASTE DAY	\$ 1,854	\$ 1,854
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TRANSFER STATION

Manager Salary	\$10,768	
Attendant Salary	7,907	
Telephone	459	
Hauling & Disposal	10,313	
Electricity	1,436	
Shed Heat	78	
General Supplies	986	
Equipment Maintenance	241	
Certification	150	
Chemical Toilet	845	
Miscellaneous	38	
Recyclables Removal	564	
Container Lease	1,980	
NHRRR Annual Dues	75	

Total Transfer Station		\$35,840

WATER DEPARTMENT

Commissioners Salaries	\$ 350
Labor Wages	681
Town of Antrim	14,918
NE Rural Water Assn. Dues	50
Postage	92
Miscellaneous	270
Telephone	588
Electricity	10,166
Pumphouse Heat	1,049
Line Repairs/Maintenance	9,767
Corrosion Control Chemicals	2,252

Total Water Department		\$40,183
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SEWER DEPARTMENT

Groundskeeping	\$ 60
Sewage Treatment Plant-Antrim	11,630
Electricity	3,070
Propane	49
Repairs/Maintenance	639

Total Sewer Department		\$15,448
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HEALTH OFFICER

\$ 538	\$ 538
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ANIMAL CONTROL

Veterinary Services	\$ 270
Equipment/Supplies	274

Total Animal Control		\$ 544
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HEALTH AGENCIES

Home Health Care	\$ 4,000
Monadnock Family Mental Health	1,229

Total Health Agencies		\$ 5,229
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WELFARE

Welfare Officer Salary	\$ 1,076
Telephone Reimbursement	123
Dues & Subscriptions	35
Rent Assistance	4,857
Meals On Wheels	260
Medical Assistance	416
Grocery Assistance	670
Electric/Heat Assistance	997
Gasoline Assistance	10
Miscellaneous	52

Total Welfare		\$ 8,496
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RECREATION

Christmas Celebration	\$ 389	
Fishing Derby	200	
Little League	1,000	
Soccer	839	
Miscellaneous	507	
Telephone	359	
Field Groundskeeping	1,740	
Electricity Newhall Field	446	
Chemical Toilets	1,056	
Lifeguard Salary	2,144	
Beach Groundskeeping	245	
Beach Water Tests	16	
Red Cross Swimming Supplies	28	

Total Recreation		\$ 8,969

GEP DODGE LIBRARY

Librarian Salary	\$ 11,198	
Librarian Assistants	2,260	
Book Collection	5,500	
Telephone	431	
Electricity	515	
Heating Oil	760	
Groundskeeping	38	
Building Maintenance	47	

Total GEP Dodge Library		\$ 20,749

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION	\$ 718	\$ 718
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EDWARD E. FRENCH SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 500	\$ 500
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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 250	
Office Supplies	17	

Total Conservation Commission		\$ 267

MONADNOCK BUSINESS VENTURES	\$ 618	\$ 618
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PRINCIPAL - LONG TERM NOTES

Principal Note Repayments	\$ 1,300	
General Obligation Debt	41,750	
Landfill Closure Bond	120,591	

Total Principal-Long Term Notes		\$163,641

INTEREST - LONG TERM NOTES/BONDS		
Interest on Notes	\$	764
General Obligation Debt		32,388
Landfill Closure Bond		18,953

Total Interest-Long Term Notes	\$	52,105
 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES		
Principal-Tax Anticipation	\$	300,000
Interest-Tax Anticipation		8,959

Total Tax Anticipation Notes	\$	308,959
 CAPITAL RESERVE FUND PAYMENTS		
Fire Truck	\$	15,000
Highway Equipment		15,000
Rescue Vehicle		8,000
Police Cruiser		6,000
Used Fire Truck		5,000
Water Pump		12,000
Library Renovations		4,000

Total Capital Reserve Funds	\$	65,000
 1994 WARRANT ARTICLES		
Evergreen Water System	\$	2,310
Disposal of Hazardous Waste		1,165
Roof Over Entrance Ramp		6,298
Tri-Town Landfill Water Tests		8,935
Newhall Annexation Legal Fees		590
Bryer Estate Legal Fees		2,028
Payroll Software		1,740
Office Security		1,500

Total 1994 Warrant Articles	\$	24,566
 PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS		
Hillsborough County	\$	116,193
Conval School District		1,487,666

Total Payments to Governments	\$	1,603,859

TOTAL EXPENSES		\$2,846,145

GROSS WAGES PAID JANUARY 1, 1994 TO DECEMBER 31, 1994

Dawn Baybutt	\$ 15.00
Debra Belcher	1,014.00
David Blanchard	24,357.65
Cameron Brown	596.16
Josephine Carrara	92.00
Elizabeth Chase	200.00
Mark Chase	200.00
Arnold Clark	112.50
James Cleary	462.40
Gail Clow	1,914.43
Dominic Collemacine	512.00
George Cote	50.00
James Dodge	80.00
Jane Ellsworth	650.00
Herb Flanders	274.55
Lester Foote, Sr.	7,795.09
Wyatt Fox, II	23,954.05
Denise French	23,462.88
John French	180.00
Jane Handy	750.00
Alan Harding	10,734.28
Chester Heinzman, Jr.	750.00
Timothy Hogue	138.00
Robert Horn	128.00
Athlon Huntley	88.00
Barbara Huntley	1,614.00
Roy Johnson	236.00
Sheila Liljeberg	77.00
Lisa Logan	3,634.53
Leslie MacGregor	11,193.00
Marie Magoon	750.00
David Mancini	24,529.82
Joyce Miner	750.00
Lisa Olson	440.00
Velma Pope	42.00
William Reid	27,674.92
Meredith Reynells	2,144.00
David Rochford	20.00
Amy Seneschal	732.70
Ann Sisson	25.00
Bonnie Skerry	2,031.92
David Skerry	26,918.26
Herman Skinner	150.00
Christine Tarrio	1,245.36
David Tripp	528.75

Carroll Warren	612.50
Barry Whittemore	3,612.25
Deborah Wilk	67.00
Allan Wilson	150.00
Glenn Wilson	150.00
Andrew Wood	1,672.00
Cheryl Woods	10,002.13
Russell Young	200.00

Total Wages Paid Calendar Year 1994	\$219,714.13

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OPERATING ACCT.

Cash on hand 1-1-94	2,636.25
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RECEIPTS

Trust Funds	3,962.00	
NOW acct. interest	28.53	
Book Sales/Donations	1,175.52	
Reimbursement/Misc.	95.90	
Copy Machine	192.25	
Town Book Allocation	<u>5,500.00</u>	
		<u>10,954.20</u>
		<u>13,590.45</u>

EXPENSES

Building Maintenance	802.35	
Office/Administration	581.85	
Book Collection	7,036.04	
Periodicals	402.99	
Book Rental Program	559.20	
Education/Memberships	154.95	
Petty Cash	800.00	
Special Programs	256.25	
Donations/Pub.Relations	255.00	
Copy Machine	<u>1,075.42</u>	
		<u>11,924.05</u>
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Cash in Oper. Acct. 1-1-95	1,666.40
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Bal. Special Computer Acct. 1-1-95	2,328.77
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DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND <small>List first three funds invested in a common trust fund</small>	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED <small>Whether bank deposits, mutual funds, common trust, etc.</small>	PRINCIPAL			INCOME DURING YEAR			Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year
				Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or (Losses) on Securities	Withdrawals	Percent	Amount		
	Cemetery Funds	Perpetual and General Care	Milford Co-Op Bank Deposits	775.00	705.68			33.38		739.06	1,314.06
Various	Total Mt. Calvary	Perpetual and General Care	Milford Co-Op Bank Deposits	11,661.73	2,643.79			555.20		2,643.79	14,305.52
Various	Total Sunnyside	Perpetual and General Care	Milford Co-Op Bank Deposits	11,639.75	1,415.06			1,134.37		1,415.06	13,054.81
Various	Total Evergreen	Perpetual and General Care	Milford Co-Op Putnam Funds	11,039.75	600.00			1,722.95		1,689.57	28,874.34
Various	Total Cemetery Library	General Expense and Books		23,476.48	80,241.40			3,962.00			80,244.40
1940	Community Fund	Christmas Tree Community Betterment		327.85	725.35			23.95		749.30	1,077.15
1988	Erving A. LeCain Fund	Scholarship		400.00	90.56			11.15		101.71	501.71
1994	Scholarship Fund	Scholarship		1,855.47				45.14		45.14	1,900.61
1970	Capital Reserve Funds				1,855.47						
1992	New Fire Truck			60,000.00	15,000.00			7,825.49		3,226.04	86,051.53
1992	Rescue Truck			14,000.00	8,000.00			743.14		1,326.15	23,326.15
1993	Water Department Pump Replacement			6,890.26	12,000.00			533.98		671.94	19,564.20
1993	Recycling Building			15,000.00				304.72			
1994	Legal Reserve				15,304.72			663.25		663.25	15,967.97
1993	Used Fire Truck			5,000.00	5,000.00			316.62		418.19	10,418.19
1993	Highway Dept Truck			15,000.00	15,000.00			845.04		1,077.58	31,077.58
1993	Police Cruiser			6,000.00	6,000.00			379.97		501.84	12,501.84
1994	Library				4,000.00			76.43		76.43	4,076.43
				226,335.99	82,760.19			15,000.00		16,849.40	315,579.15

G.E.P. DODGE LIBRARY

This year our activities were aimed at raising money for our future computer. To remain accredited and connected with the NH State Library and all of their benefits, we put our efforts toward raising the money necessary to purchase the recommended hardware and software. As a part of our fund raising efforts, we applied for and received an LSCA matching funds grant from the State Library. This grant helped us to finish and meet our goal. Our fund raisers included two Hallowe'en Read-a-Thons, two Book, Bake and Yard sales, one raffle, two collection boxes, and many donations from private citizens and out of town and Bennington businesses.

Our final fund raiser was a raffle, made possible by donations from the following businesses and citizens: Mr. and Mrs. Russell Young, Mon Ami Hair Salon, Bennington Country Store, Plants Alive, Alberto's Restaurant, Katherine Cronin, Cronin's Law Office, Bruce Edes/Monadnock Paper Mills, Tory Pines Restaurant, and Bennington Garage, Inc.

This was our second year to be part of Project LIFT. Project LIFT is organized out of the Hillsboro Library, and includes the Antrim Library. There are materials in our library available through LIFT for people preparing for their G.E.D.s and for adults learning to read. Bennington has literacy volunteers and students participating in this program.

Our children's programs this year included our summer reading program entitled: "Go Undercover with Books". This program was sponsored by CHILLIS (Children's Librarians of NH) and the NH Bank. Materials and program ideas are supplied to member libraries. We are fortunate to have good Friends of the Library at the Bennington Country Store. They donated popsicles to the 67 children who participated in the summer reading program, one for each hundred pages read.

We have had many new patrons sign on this year. This makes our patron/population ratio very high. Bennington has excellent library patron participation, and to accommodate their wide range of interests and needs, we have extensively used the NH State inter-library loan system and reference librarians. Happily we have had materials in demand at other libraries, and have been able to reciprocate with loans to them.

In April we closed the library for a week, and with an efficient team of volunteers we completely re-shelved the library. While re-shelving, we took advantage of the bare shelves and no traffic and cleaned all the wood work, shelves, walls and floors. This was a tremendous job, and required a lot of stamina and dust masks. The re-shelving has made the library materials easier to locate, and more compatible with our catalog file. A great help in making this possible was a new book shelf in the Youth section, custom built by Ron McClure.

Everything we did this year went smoothly and was successful because of our wonderful network of library volunteers. All libraries rely on these generous armies to provide its patrons with flawless service. Our library in Bennington is no exception. Thank you to:

Tom and Debi Belcher and family
Linda Osienski and children
Jean and Lee Smith
Patricia and Hie-young Oh and family
David and Catriona Beck and family
Seth and Kyle Smith
Frances and Melissa Clough
Robin Gregg
Eleanor Amidon
Chris and Rich Tarrio
Lisa Logan
Jerry Waller
Judith Klien-Dial
Dave Barrett
Russell Young
Janet Archer
Mary Courtemanche and children
Katherine Cronin
Dana and Ryan MacGregor
Peeker and Jessica Brown
Laura Calkins
Tim Hogue
Cheryl Wood
Barbara Varnum
Phil and Val Germain

and of course, our tireless Trustees:

Elaine Barrett
Joseph MacGregor
Virginia Young

Respectfully submitted,

G.E.P. DODGE LIBRARY
Leslie MacGregor, Librarian

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

With the approval of the voters on March 18th, the Town's Capital Reserve fund program will provide funding for three purchases in 1995.

The Water Pump, for which the final appropriation was made in 1994, is expected to be purchased within the next few months. It replaces a piece of equipment which is more than twenty-five years old. Residents will be hearing more about the actual replacement schedule and procedures shortly.

This is also the year in which a new Police Cruiser is traditionally purchased, and the funding plan is in place to make this possible.

As the Road Agent has reported elsewhere in this Report, 1995 is also the year in which the Highway Department is slated to end its long and stormy association with the F700 plower and sander - and its replacement with a new vehicle. The Department request is for a two-wheel drive truck, a decision based on an analysis needs and capabilities balanced against the sharply increased cost of a four-wheel drive vehicle.

The request has been submitted again for an appropriation to the Legal Contingency Reserve Fund. Created a year ago, it will provide funding for any emergency demands which the Town might confront, such as those related to the former Landfill.

The only new request in 1995 is that of the Conservation Commission. Their request for \$2,000 is for the purchase of land, easements, etc. in furtherance of their mission of promoting proper utilization and protection of natural resources.

Respectfully submitted,

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
William B. Reid

PLANNING BOARD

Most of our meetings this year seem to have been taken up by rather ordinary business. We were, of course, quite pleased last March to have two zoning amendments approved by the town voters. One of those amendments, having to do with Flood Plain Management, was necessary to ensure continued federal flood insurance coverage. The other, having to do with backlot development, made it somewhat easier for town property owners to develop backlots under certain limited circumstances.

Other items of business included such things as follow-up on property bequests to the Town, a request for special exception to zoning requirements in the Village District, a petition from property owners in the Birches of Bennington Condominium Association, a building addition at Monadnock Paper Mills, and review of longstanding issues associated with the Durgin Road subdivision subsequent to foreclosure by Peterborough Savings Bank. One ongoing project - wellhead protection - has still not been brought to completion, due to shortages of staff and staff time at Southwest Regional Planning Commission.

The many preliminary inquiries that have come to us should also be acknowledged. Such inquiries help all of us save time and effort by avoiding unnecessary review in some cases and speeding it up in others. They also indicate a positive working relationship between the Planning Board and town property owners.

Respectfully submitted,

PLANNING BOARD
Bill Horton, Chairman
Elaine Barrett
Frank Cordelle
Peter Eppig
Marie Magoon, ex-officio

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

After a two-year period of limited activity, the Conservation Commission reconvened in September to outline a series of new initiatives toward helping to achieve the mandate of our charter and enhancing the quality of life in our community. The projects under way include:

- 1) The development and implementation of a system for local permitting and monitoring of small scale land use operations (less than 3000 square feet) that impact designated wetland areas.
- 2) The reconnaissance and mapping of the official Town boundaries which has not been done in recent memory and is essential for effective cooperation with neighboring towns.
- 3) The establishment of an effective process for permitting and monitoring local logging and woodlot management operations to guide compliance with the requisite state regulations.
- 4) The creation of a scholarship program to support local youth in participating in regional conservation programs which would prepare them for work in community conservation projects.
- 5) The participation of Bennington in the Contoocook River Project, a consortium of all the towns bordering the river, to help set guidelines for river use policy and critique the impact of proposed state regulations regarding private and municipal river usage before they become law.
- 6) The updating and expansion of the town land use maps to support the policy making decisions of the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board, and the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

These are all long-term, multi-year initiatives on which we will provide yearly progress reports. Our thanks to all of our neighbors who have inspired or contributed to the work of the Conservation Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

BENNINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

David Barrett, Chairman

Peter Eppig

Bruce Edes

John Manley

Dennis McKenney

Terry Schnare

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment heard two cases in 1994. Ironically, even though the number of cases heard by the Board was significantly less than in past years, the amount of time required by each Board Member in the fulfillment of his or her responsibilities was exceedingly greater than in years past as both cases were appealed in the Superior Court.

I personally want to thank Betsy Chase, Russ Young, Harry Sewall, Tom Cochran, Walter "Terry" Reasa and Dave Barrett for their service and dedication during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
John J. Cronin, III, Chairman

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

In 1994 the Highway Department, after surviving the winter, proceeded to rebuild Mountain Road, a portion of Old Greenfield Road, (Bartlett Road), and the hill on Old Stagecoach Road. This entailed the removal of the existing surface and its base which consisted of clay, rocks and other unsuitable road-base materials, then the installation of under-drainage gravel, recycled asphalt and new pavement.

Also accomplished was widening, regravelling, ditching and culvert work on Pierce Road, Gillis Hill Road and Bible Hill Road. On schedule for 1995 work is shimming and sealing on Bible Hill Road, North Bennington Road and Deering Road, repaving on Pierce Road and ditchwork on Old Greenfield Road.

Also this spring we would like your support in the replacement of the F-7. With the expense of maintaining this vehicle rising constantly, we feel it is time for its replacement.

Respectfully submitted,

ROAD AGENT
David Blanchard

POLICE DEPARTMENT

On December 8, 1994 I was pleased and proud to have been chosen to lead the Bennington Police Department. The Search Committee was comprised of a group of our own citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and outside law enforcement advisors. Their procedures were methodical, professional and comprehensive and it was gratifying to have been chosen.

I succeed a veteran police chief, David Mancini, who was honored by a host of friends and supporters on leaving office this fall. I wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

Every change of management brings with it changes in practices, procedures, appearances, styles and attitudes. Law enforcement is no exception, and Bennington residents can expect all of these from their new police administration. My goal is to create a professional police department, with an "open door" policy for the community and a continuing assessment of our progress towards helping solve community problems.

It is my intention to appear before you one year from now, the leader of a professional, stable police department that is respected by the community, and one that taxpayers will be proud to call their police department.

Respectfully submitted,

POLICE CHIEF
Cameron Brown

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Bennington Fire Department responded to 99 calls in 1994; 50 Rescue Calls, 11 false alarms, 15 motor vehicle accidents, 9 still alarms, and 15 mutual aid calls.

In 1994 we saw some changes in the Department. Rob Horn replaced Donald Taylor as Forest Fire Warden. His Deputies are Nick Collemancine and Mark Chase. We also had members take a Hazardous Materials course in Frankestown earlier in this year. All the Members had physicals, which are an annual occurrence.

In 1995 the remaining personnel will take a Hazardous Materials course. We also have set up a Committee to replace the Rescue Vehicle, which is due for replacement in 1996.

The Chiefs and Members would like to extend a hearty THANK YOU to all the Townspeople who have helped support us in our fund raising efforts and by encouragement all year.

Respectfully submitted,

BENNINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
Mark S. Chase, Fire Chief
Allen P. Wilson, 1st Assistant
Glenn P. Wilson, 2nd Assistant

WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

With the exception of an unusual number of "freeze-ups", in both our lines and in our customer's lines, early in the year, 1994 was relatively uneventful. Continued emphasis was directed to the timely collection of monies due the Town. Some of the corrosion control monitoring equipment proved unequal to the tasks and had to be replaced.

This is the year that the well pump, responsible for delivery of all water in the system, must be replaced. You will find an article authorizing the withdrawal of those funds in our Capital Reserve for that purpose in the Warrant. Notice of the time that the pump will be out of service will be published and strict conservation of water during that period of time must be practiced by all users, as we will have no way to refill this water tank until the new pump is functioning.

For many years the State has been demanding that we develop an alternate source of water. The options are to drill another well, complete with pump and well house, or to cross connect the Bennington and Antrim Systems. If the State will permit us to use the abandoned railroad right-of-way, the latter is the most economical plan. The paper work for written permission has been started and you will find a warrant article requesting and raising an appropriation of \$12,500.00 for Bennington's portion of the cost of that project. The Town is liable for penalties if it does not comply with the demands of the State for the development of an alternate source of water.

Respectfully submitted,

WATER & SEWER COMMISSIONERS
Roy Johnson
John French
David Rochford

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

The year of 1995 may well prove to be one of positive and substantial change for the Town of Bennington and the ConVal School District.

As of this writing, two important issues have yet to be voted on that will have great impact on Bennington. The one that seems to be on most people's minds is the change in the funding formula. Once again, as of this writing, representatives from all nine District Towns have met and come to a consensus to support a compromise position of a change to a 60/40 formula vs. the current 25/75.

I'd like to again offer a brief explanation: The current formula is based on 25% property values of each town and 75% on student populations from those towns (also known as Average Daily Membership...ADMs). This has adversely affected our Town's property taxes for several years now. The proposed switch to 60% valuation and 40% ADMs should give all of us some much needed relief in our tax bills for some time to come. Enthusiasm for the change seems to be running high throughout the District, and I'm truly hopeful this change will come to pass.

The second issue involving many Townspeople is determining the future of Pierce School. The District sponsored three meetings, and by the last one, a clear consensus was reached to replace the current school with a new structure on a new site. Even though many of us regretted having to give up this beautiful building with its sentimental attachments, most of us realized that even renovated, the current site would still hold many limitations, its small site being perhaps most crucial. A few new sites have been investigated, and the one known as "Edwards Acres" (in back of the former Powder Mill Pond Restaurant) seems to be generating the most interest.

The only thing standing in our way of getting this new school is the passage of the Elementary Schools Bond at District Meeting (held on March 25th this year). It has been made clear time and time again that if the Bond passes, Bennington will be at the very top of the list of towns slated for new schools. A multi-purpose room which could be used for town groups is part of the plan (yes, maybe we could even have Town Meeting in our own Town again!). So you can see, not only would our children benefit from this new school, but the entire Town would as well. I urge you to attend District Meeting this year and support this motion.

Perhaps for the first time in a few years, I'm optimistic about the possible changes we see before us. Others throughout the District have recognized the needs we have here in Bennington, and have responded in positive ways. It's my hope all of us within the District and in each Town may be able to put aside differences we may have had in the past, and work together in the future toward common goals with mutual respect.

Respectfully submitted,

BENNINGTON REPRESENTATIVE
CONVAL SCHOOL BOARD
Mark Tazelaar

HEALTH AND WELFARE

I am proud to report that budget-wise, these departments were able to keep within the funding allowed for 1994.

Rent assistance was the big item, but fuel requests were down, probably due to the mild weather early in the winter. "Fuel Assistance" went into effect in December. We are having problems with sub-standard rental housing and I have asked the Selectmen to look into occupancy permits and/or some other kind of control of these situations. The concerns being fire, health and safety.

Meals-on-Wheels and Home Health are doing a fine job with our ill and elderly citizens. Our thanks and appreciation go to the donors of Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets, also "Operation Santa Claus" for the children.

Septic problems continue and we are asking landlords' and homeowners' cooperation in dealing with them.

Respectfully Submitted,

OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE
HEALTH OFFICER
Barbara Huntley

RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee has had a few changes over the year, with a newly formed committee and new faces. We are always looking for new ideas and volunteers to help. At this time, we would like to thank Sharon Hall for her years of dedications.

The annual Fishing Derby under the guidance of Bruce Edes, started our year with many young fishermen eager to drop their lines and be the first to catch their limit.

The soccer program has gone very well with high attendance and very dedicated coaches.

Bennington Little League won the championship this year and once again the support from parents and townspeople has been great.

The annual Haunted Hayride went very well with the proceeds benefiting the expansion at Newhall Field.

Last, but not least, Christmas. This was a very difficult decision to make, but it was decided to "break tradition" and have a community Christmas program held in the center of Town. The response and support was overwhelming. Youngsters and adults enjoyed the day, starting with horse-drawn hayrides, and ending with the tree lighting ceremony, caroling and arrival of Santa. The refreshments served throughout the day by "Santa's Elves" were greatly appreciated. A special thank you to Santa and to a very artistic person, Linda Osienki, who made the sign for the center of town.

Again, thank you to all the volunteers of Bennington who make this community a very special one.

Respectfully submitted,

BENNINGTON RECREATION COMMITTEE
Sue Seneschal
Sfa Whittemore
Joyce Desaulniers
Penny Durgin
Kevin Cheevers

RECYCLING TRANSFER STATION

We would like to thank everyone for taking advantage of your new Recycling Center.

It's been a quiet year which has let us make some adjustments in the recycling line. We hope it hasn't been an inconvenience for anyone and we look forward to serving you in 1995.

The Swap Shop is still there for your availability. Feel free to bring in new or used items that you don't use or no longer need.

Also, we would like to let you know we are changing the hours on Wednesday only from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. We hope this will be more convenient for you.

We would like to thank Al Harding and Lester Foote for keeping the center clean and neat. Keep up the good work.

If you have any suggestions, let us know.

HOURS:	Wednesday	1:00 p.m. to	5:00 p.m.
	Saturday	9:00 a.m. to	5:00 p.m.
	Sunday	1:00 p.m. to	5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE
Joseph Cuddemi
Stephen Chase
Walter Reasa

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Members and Friends:

The winter of 1994 was a very severe one in the Northeast, in fact the worst in over 100 years. There were many snow and ice storms and lots of below zero weather.

In May, senior selectman and chairman, Herb Flanders resigned. James Cleary was appointed by selectpersons Marie Magoon and Jane Handy.

The Historical Society was a beehive of activity; we sorted through our treasurers and "furnished" our little museum. The grand opening was August 15th, we had a good turnout for the Ham Dinner and Dedication Program. Marie Magoon represented the selectmen, Fire Chief Mark Chase represented the Fire Department, and the Police Department was represented by Chief David Mancini and Sergeant David Skerry. The Bennington Economic Development Group was represented by Steve Skubik and the VFW was represented by Donald Taylor and Peter Martel. The State Historical Society also sent a representative. Entertainment for the evening was provided by Nora Lee Sysyn, David Sysyn and Raymond Holland.

David Sysyn, Peggy Sysyn, Michael Dionne, Ellen Hill and David Glynn set-up the displays and made signs and labels. Verna Paige kept the museum open on each Saturday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Our project for the town this year was to beautify the town common. The Bennington Highway Department removed the dead maple tree and stump. The society planted a 15 year old crimson maple tree and many shrubs and plants, totaling over \$500. A Hawthorne tree was purchased and donated by Mr. and Mrs. Coffin of Bennington and Massachusetts. Three special hybrid lilacs were donated by Pearl Walker and David Glynn; they were planted behind the civil war monument. One variety of lilac was appropriately named "President Lincoln Blue". We plan to plant more trees and shrubs this year to add beauty to the down town area.

The society received a cash donation from Ostram-Sylvania on behalf of Arnold Cernota and from Waste Management on behalf of Sandy Cleary. A donation was also received from Pearl Walker of St. Petersburg, Florida.

In August, Police Chief David Mancini resigned and the County Sheriff, Walter Morse, was acting Chief. In December, Cameron Brown of Bennington was appointed Chief of Police. A group of Bennington people formed an organization called "Bennington Concerned Citizens;;, their purpose was to attend selectmen meetings and help bring town concerns to the forefront.

The ConVal School District has also been busy in rallying support to either renovate/add to Pierce School or to build a new building to accommodate our growing kindergarten and elementary population.

A committee was formed to try and change the ConVal School Funding formula. They will submit a proposed Warrant Article to the School Board.

The biggest news was the sale of the Crotched Mountain Ski Area; a complex transaction involving the Monadnock Paper Mills, Monadnock Business Ventures of Peterborough and EaStar. A 1995 opening is planned.

In 1994 we celebrated the 175th Birthday of the Monadnock Paper Mills, the oldest continuously operating Paper Mill in the United States. The Mill is owned and operated by brothers Richard Verney and Geoffrey Verney of Bennington.

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Poling, Jr. of the Bennington Congregational Church observed their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Reverend Robert Carty retired from St. Patrick's Catholic Church; Reverend Andre Bedard is the new priest.

The national economy is improving and the Northeast is also improving at a slower pace. We are hoping 1995 will be the year that the Town will improve its image and once again make Bennington a great place in which to live. Painting, clean-up and tree/shrub planting will enhance our own property and will raise property values.

Respectfully submitted,

BENNINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY
David A. Glynn, President

CONTOOCCOOK & NORTH BRANCH RIVERS LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Following enactment of legislation including the Contoocook and North Branch Rivers in the State Rivers Management and Protection Program, the Contoocook and North Branch Rivers Local Advisory Committee (LAC) was formed. The LAC is made up of individuals from the fourteen communities fronting on the two rivers who were nominated by the selectmen or city council from their municipalities and appointed by the DES Commissioner.

The focus of the Committee's work has been to develop a Corridor Management Plan for the designated rivers. Responsibilities of the Committee also include the review and comment (in an advisory capacity) on state permits for major developments within the corridor area. The Committee has been meeting on a regular basis since the Spring of 1992, and an Advisory Plan was adopted in September, 1994.

The Advisory Plan contains goals and objectives, results of a 1993 survey of property owners along the rivers, an inventory and assessment of natural and managed resources within the corridors, and a resources management section which outlines recommendations for current and future actions by citizens, private, local, state, and federal agencies and organizations to maintain the rivers' outstanding values.

Copies of the Advisory Management Plan are available for view at the corridor communities' town and city halls. Additional copies are available from the Central NH Regional Planning Commission; 329 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscowen, New Hampshire, 03303, (603) 796-2129 or the Southwest Regional Planning Commission; 20 Central Square, Keene, New Hampshire, 03431, (603) 357-0557.

Respectfully submitted,

LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

David Barrett
Phil Germain
Muriel Lajoie
Geoff Verney

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

Minutes of March 12, 1994 Annual Town Meeting

To the inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the County of Hillsborough in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote: you are hereby notified to meet at the Fire Station on Tuesday the eighth day of March next, at ten of the o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendments to the existing Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board relative to:
 - a. Revised Flood Plan Protective Zone regulations (three)

Amendment #1	YES - 355	NO - 50
Amendment #2	YES - 343	NO - 51
Amendment #3	YES - 342	NO - 47

- b. Revised Zoning and Land Use Regulations to permit limited development of large lots lacking current frontage requirements.

Amendment #4	YES - 357	NO - 66
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There were 89 registered voters present at the Great Brook School Gymnasium in said Town of Antrim on Saturday, the 12th of March 1994 at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

Moderator James Dodge began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and then outlined the rules of conduct for the meeting. By unanimous voice vote the rules were approved as outlined. Moderator Dodge then read the results of the previous Tuesday's elections (see above).

Bruce Hall presented Don Taylor with a plaque honoring 28 years of service to the Fire Department (standing ovation).

Selectman Chairman Herb Flanders thanked all those who worked on the school board ballot.

Moderator James Dodge introduced the Selectmen Herb Flanders, Jane Handy and Marie Magoon; Administrative Assistant William Reid; and the Town Clerk, Lisa Logan.

Article 3. Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 674:40-a providing that any town at an annual or special meeting may adopt an article delegating indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, to the selectmen the authority to accept dedicated streets?

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Commission pursuant to the provisions of RSA 35-B:4 consisting of seven (7) members to be appointed by the Selectmen, (and a Selectman who shall serve as ex-officio member).

Article 4 was passed by voice vote.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote (1) to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provision of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of making renovations and improvements to the Dodge Memorial Library: (2) to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to be placed in this fund: and (3) to designate the Dodge Library Trustees as agents to carry out the object of this article.

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for the purpose of replacing the current water system which services the Evergreen Cemetery, the work to be done by the Antrim Water Department and the Bennington Highway Department.

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote (1) to change the purpose of Article #6 of the 1993 Town Meeting, a Capital Reserve Fund which was established to fund construction of a recycling building at the Transfer Station, to a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying extraordinary legal fees and expenses of current and foreseeable litigation; (2) to designate the Selectmen as agents to carry out the object to this article. (2/3 vote required).

An amendment to Article 7 was submitted by Victoria Turner.

Amendment A. To see if (1) the Town will resolve to make every attempt to settle all pending law suits out of court in the most expedient fashion possible so as to save the taxpayers the expense of extraordinary legal fees and expenses of current and foreseeable litigation.

This amendment was rejected by the Moderator because it completely changes the effect or intent of the original article.

Another amendment to Article 7 was submitted by Victoria Turner.

Amendment B. To see if the Town will vote to use the monies remaining in the Recycling Building Capital Reserve Fund (approx. \$15,300) for the alleviation of property taxes and the reduction of the 1994 budget.

This amendment did not pass by voice vote.

The voice vote taken on the original Article #7 was inconclusive. A standing vote was taken resulting as follows: 69-YES 20-NO

Article 7 was passed by a 2/3 majority vote.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund.

This article was passed by a voice vote.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Used Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund.

This article was passed by a voice vote.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

This article was passed as written.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) to be placed in the Water Pump Replacement Capital Reserve Fund.

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) to be placed in the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund.

This article was passed by a voice vote.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) to be placed in the Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund.

This article was passed by a voice vote.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800) to remove and dispose of hazardous chemical waste currently located outside the Town Barn.

This article was passed by a voice vote.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) to compensate Harold Ellis and Jean Ellis for the replacement of certain improvements that are to be removed from the right of way of Durgin Road

The voice vote taken on Article 15 was inconclusive.

A standing vote was taken that resulted as follows:
23-YES 48-NO

Article 15 did not pass.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the construction of roofing over the handicapped ramp located on the north side of the Town Hall.

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 17 as read by the Moderator. To see if the Town will vote to approve, in principle, participation with other appropriate area communities in a study to determine the feasibility of the withdrawing from the current ConVal School District.

The voice vote taken on this article was inconclusive.
A vote was taken by the raising of hands.

This article was not passed by a hand vote.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for continued monitoring of water supply at the former Tri-Town landfill and homes of abutting property owners, as required by the N.H. Department of Environmental Service, the Town will be reimbursed by Antrim and Frankestown for their respective portions of such costs.

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 19 as read by the Moderator. To see if the Town will vote (1) to accept as a gift from Gladys Newhall a three (3) acre (+/- one [1] acre) tract of land to the rear of the current Newhall Field for the use as a recreation area, under the same conditions as attached to the current Newhall Field (it is understood that the exact boundaries of the tract have not been fully determined): and (2) to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) to defray the legal costs associated with transfer of said property.

This article was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

* A standing ovation was given to Gladys as a thank you from the Town.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote (1) to accept as a gift from the estate of the late Georgietta Bryer a tract of land situated on Old Greenfield Road, consisting of ten (10) acres for use as a cemetery: and (2) to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to defray the costs associated with the transfer of said property.

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand seven hundred forty dollars (\$1,740) for the purpose of purchasing software and services needed to computerize the payroll records and accounts of the Town.

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) for the material and service to improve security at the Town Hall.

This article was passed by a voice vote.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred eighty-one thousand three hundred nineteen dollars (\$881,319) which represents the 1994 operating budget, said sum is inclusive of all special articles addressed (5-23).

The amount of eight hundred sixty-four thousand three hundred nineteen dollars (\$864,319) was given to reflect the previous articles that did not pass.

An Amendment to Article 23 was submitted by Victoria Turner.

Amendment to Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred thirty three thousand ninety-five dollars (\$733,095) for the 1994 operating budget. This would be a 5% overall cut or thirty eight thousand five hundred eighty-four dollars (\$38,584). The resulting budget of \$733,095 is exclusive of all special articles addressed (5-22).

The proposed amendment was not seconded.

The original article was passed by a voice vote.

Article 24. Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 31:95-b providing that any Town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by a town meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year?

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 25. Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 33:7 providing that any Town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the Selectmen to issue tax anticipation notes?

This article was passed by a voice vote.

Article 26. Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-c providing that any Town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the public library trustees to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the Town meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year?

This article was passed by a voice vote.

Article 27. Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 80:80IV, providing that any Town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the Selectmen to transfer tax liens, or to sell real estate acquired in default of redemption by public auction or advertised sealed bid, or in such other manner as justice may require?

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 28. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to dispose of used equipment and unneeded supplies as they determine to be in the best interest of the Town.

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 29. To see if the voters will authorize the establishment of an Economic Development Authority for the purpose of promoting economic development within the Town and entering into possible agreements with other towns in the area.

This article was passed by voice vote.

Article 30. To hear reports of Committees and act thereon.

There were no reports of committees to be heard.

Motion submitted by Richard Reed.

To form a committee, appointed by the Selectmen, of interested citizens to meet with local officials and townspeople of the area towns comprising the ConVal School District as well as appropriate state officials to accomplish the following:

1. Change the current funding formula from 25/75 to 75/25
2. Create legislation to more equitably fund public education.

This motion was passed by a voice vote.

A motion was then made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

A true copy of the minutes attest:

Respectfully submitted Lisa M. Logan, Town Clerk.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF BENNINGTON

Conflicts Of Interest Described And Regulated

The Town of Bennington, New Hampshire, pursuant to RSA 31:39-a, ordains as follows:

I. DECLARATION OF POLICY: Where government is based on the consent of the governed, every citizen is entitled to have complete confidence in the integrity of that government. All persons performing a public trust, engaged in the Town's business or in their duties as Town Officers or Employees, whether elected or appointed, including paid or unpaid members of municipal boards, commissions and committees, must earn and honor that trust by their conduct in all official actions. It is the purpose of this ordinance to ensure fair consideration of any application or matter to be voted upon, and also to ensure the appearance of fairness so as to maintain public confidence in the integrity of Town government.

II. DISCLOSURE OF POSSIBLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Whenever any Officer has a possible or potential conflict of interest as described in Section V, with respect to any matter upon which that Officer is to make a decision, either legislative or quasi-judicial, that Officer shall disclose the facts constituting the possible conflict of interest at a public meeting of the Board of which he or she is a member, or in some other effective public forum; provided, however, that any Officer who steps down pursuant to Section III need not disclose reasons for doing so.

III. DISQUALIFICATION IN QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS: Whenever any Officer has a conflict of interest, as described in Section V, with respect to a matter upon which that Officer is to make a decision in a quasi-judicial capacity, and that conflict of interest is definite, direct, and capable of demonstration, rather than remote, uncertain, or so speculative that reasonable persons would not be influenced by it, that Officer shall be disqualified and shall step down. Officers who are to make legislative decisions shall neither be required to, or prohibited from, stepping down under this ordinance.

An Officer required to step down under this section shall not decide or vote on the matter under consideration, shall not participate in any Board deliberation or discussion of the matter, except as a member of the public at a public hearing, and shall not sit with the remainder of the Board during its consideration of the matter.

IV. RESOLUTION OF UNCERTAINTY; PROCEDURE: Whenever uncertainty arises as to the application of Section III to an Officer acting as a member of a Board, the Board shall, upon request of that member or another member of the Board, vote on the question of whether that member should step down. Any such request shall be made prior to the commencement of any public hearing, or immediately following a disclosure under Section II, whichever is later. The Officer shall step down if the Board so determines by majority vote.

V. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DESCRIBED: The following circumstances shall constitute possible conflicts of interest under this ordinance:

1. PECUNIARY INTEREST: A personal and pecuniary interest by the Officer in the outcome of the decision. Such interest includes, but is not limited to, an ownership interest in property affected, a mortgage interest, a creditor or debtor relationship with a party in the matter, or a business relationship with a party in the matter.

2. KINSHIP: A relationship by blood or marriage with a party in the matter, including the relationship of spouse, parent, child, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, niece, nephew, grandparent, grandchild.

3. EMPLOYMENT: Employment of or by a party in the matter under consideration.

4. ABUTTER: Ownership of land abutting land under consideration in the matter.

5. PREJUDGMENT: A prior public statement or position indicative of bias for or against the matter under consideration. Prejudgment does not include statements or votes made during prior official action concerning the same subject matter (Example: ZBA vote on a variance request does not constitute prejudgment of a request for reconsideration of that same vote).

6. COMBINATION: Any combination of the above factors. (Example: relationship by blood or marriage to an abutter.)

VI. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISTINGUISHED FROM INELIGIBILITY Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to render any person ineligible to hold any office or position.

Births Registered In The Town of Bennington For The Year Ending December 31, 1994

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Child's Name	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
01/15/94	Peterborough, NH	Nickelle Marie Laviolette	Gary Laviolette	Regina E. Tucci
02/21/94	Peterborough, NH	Sofia Karen Thornblad	Vernon C. Thornblad	Heidi C. Schwieger
03/01/94	Peterborough, NH	Amanda Britney Davie	Bruce D. Davie, Jr.	Rhonda L. Liljeberg
03/11/94	Peterborough, NH	Dominique de La Ruffie	Vincent de La Ruffie	Sandra L. Gebauer
03/18/94	Peterborough, NH	Holly Marie Tardif		Sharon Tardif
04/07/94	Peterborough, NH	Lucas Alexander Sewall	Harold D. Sewall	Kimberly A. Sanders
06/10/94	Nashua, NH	Haley Maureen Cook	Glenn C. Cook	Janice E. Arey
06/14/94	Peterborough, NH	Sarah Elizabeth Logan	Jeffrey A. Logan	Lisa M. Mazzola
06/15/94	Concord, NH	Toni Nicole Brown	Wayne L. Brown	Chris U. Laviolette
07/14/94	Manchester, NH	Daniel Michael Lee	Michael J. Lee	Allison F. Stearn
08/02/94	Manchester, NH	Matthew Clayton Foote	Michael R. Foote	Lisa A. Sargent
08/06/94	Peterborough, NH	Shauna Michelle Whittemore	Brian Whittemore	Carrie B. Warren
08/26/94	Concord, NH	Mariah Louise McKenney	Dennis D. McKenney	Darlene L. Rodeschin
11/01/94	Peterborough, NH	Claire Streeter Cochran	Thomas S. Cochran	Elizabeth C. Goodhue
11/08/94	Adopted	Olivia Beatrice Horton-Gregg	Billy D. Horton	Robin Gregg
12/23/94	Peterborough, NH	Glenn James Loucks, Jr.	Glenn J. Loucks, Sr.	Donna Lee Greenleaf

12/27/94 Peterborough, NH Rebekah Anne Chamberlin Amos J. Chamberlin Priscilla A. Beaufort
 I hereby certify that the above report is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Lisa M. Logan, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered In The Town Of Bennington For Year Ending December 31, 1994

<u>Date of Ceremony</u>	<u>Name of Bride & Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>
03/17/94	Susan Green James Douglas Smart	Bennington, NH Concord, NH
05/07/94	Lauren Elaine Treen Robert Alexander Gurskis	Bradenton Beach, FL Bradenton Beach, FL
05/21/94	Tina Elayne Oliver William Arthur Steadman	Bennington, NH Freeport, ME
05/29/94	Edith Irene Phelps Scott William Sleeper	Peterborough, NH Peterborough, NH
06/18/94	Cheryl Marie Delay George Gerald Glanton, Jr.	Ashland, OH Ashland, OH
06/24/94	Constance Blackburn Walling Larry Leon Ledlow, Jr.	San Antonio, TX Bennington, NH
07/04/94	Laurie Elizabeth Byrne Frank Warren Austin	Bennington, NH Wilton, NH
07/15/94	Karen King Lyons Richard Alfred Lyons, Jr.	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
09/03/94	Rhonda Elaine Miner Brent Richard D. Bliss	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH

10/08/94	Paula Anne Brissette Dale Justin Trow	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
10/15/94	Nancy A. Burbee William McNeal Stacy, Jr.	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
10/15/94	Carole Lynn Bryer Guy Mark Pugliese	So. Lake Tahoe, CA So. Lake Tahoe, CA
10/16/94	Debra Ann Regan Philip Scot Odom	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
10/29/94	Karen Adriana Breukhoven Joseph Paul Sugar	W. Newton, MA W. Newton, MA
11/05/94	Dawn A. Swanburg William W. Mahany	Bennington, NH North Conway, NH
12/31/94	Kristy Lynn Coombs Fred Barry Clough, Jr.	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH

I hereby certify that the above report is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Logan
Town Clerk

Deaths Registered In The Town Of Bennington For The Year Ending December 31, 1994

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Name & Surname of Deceased</u>	<u>Name of Father</u>	<u>Maiden Name of Mother</u>
01/05/94	Peterborough, NH	Mary Ellen Hewitt	Wayne C. Roy	Alice M. Finlay
01/05/94	Peterborough, NH	Christie Lynn Hewitt	Larry J. Hewitt	Mary Ellen Roy
01/13/94	Manchester, NH	Edward Cleveland Wilson	George Wilson	Vaughn Nickerson
06/28/94	Peterborough, NH	Mildred Evelyn Armstrong	Stephen Chase	Mary Abbie Smith
07/13/94	Hillsboro, NH	Harry Joseph Stewart, Sr.	Frederick Pfrinder	Cecelia Thul
08/25/94	Bennington, NH	Ann Jeanette Madeja	Albert Hill	Jeanette Robbins
09/08/94	Bennington, NH	Frederick Minot Wetherbee	Fred M. Wetherbee	Emma Louise Goldsmith

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TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Town Hall	Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Tax Collector	Available during Town Hall office hours.
Town Clerk	Monday - Wednesday - Saturday 9:00 - Noon, all three days.

MEETING SCHEDULES

Selectmen	Every Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.
Planning Board	Second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
Library Trustees	Third Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m. in the Library.
Recreation Committee	Third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Water & Sewer Commissioners	First Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Conservation Commission	Second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	Noon - 8:00 p.m.
Friday	Noon - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (staffed by volunteers)

RECYCLING/TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Wednesday	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Emergency telephone number stickers are available at the Town Office or from the Police Department.

Transfer Station permits are available at the Transfer Station. Applications for permits are available at the Transfer Station. Tickets for the disposal of tires and white goods are only available at the Town Hall.

CROTCHED MOUNTAIN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

1994

YES I CAN!!!

												
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL	
VISITORS												
HOME												



Left to right: Front Row; Justin Wilk, Marc McKenney, Rory Whittemore, Matthew Hall. Second Row; Ben Cheever, Kenny Desaulniers, Jason Perry, Adam Morris, Mark Cheever. Third Row; Nathan Schroeder, Daniel Schroeder, Donald Clough, Patrick Higgins, Kenneth Seymour, Aimee Lemieux. Coaches; David Parker, Gary Graham. Not Photographed; Scott Liljeberg.

