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## CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

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City Manager  
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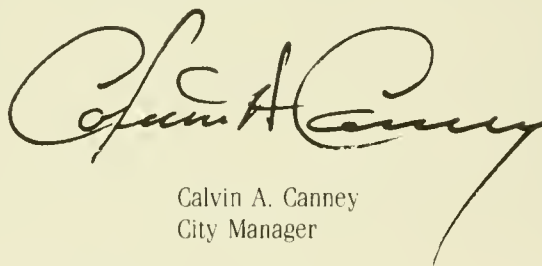
To: The Honorable City Council and the Citizens of the City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire

It is my pleasure to offer to you the 1980-81 Annual Report of the City of Portsmouth. I trust that you will find it to be a concise but comprehensive review of the City's activities during this period. I hope that it will provide you with a better understanding of the workings of your local public government.

During the period covered by this report, the City has seen the completion of the new courthouse, the completion of the new indoor swimming pool and the beginning of the Portsmouth Resource Recovery Facility at Pease Air Force Base.

Portsmouth's future belongs to those who actively participate in the many decisions that must be made, and I would encourage you to become actively involved in the affairs of your City.

Respectfully,



Calvin A. Canney  
City Manager



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# PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL



City Council seated from left to right: Councilman William Scott, Councilman Charles Griffin, Councilman Mary Keenan, Assistant Mayor Peter G. Weeks, City Attorney David Connell, City Manager Calvin A. Canney, Mayor John J. Wholey, City Clerk Evelyn Hanscom, Councilman William Keefe, Councilman William St. Laurent, Councilman John Foley, Councilman Stephen Tober.

## CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

### JULY, 1980

Held Public Hearing on Ordinance requiring Blasting Notice and passed same.

Passed Resolution re: Three Year Community Development Housing Assistance Plan.

Voted that the Mayor appoint a Committee to work with the Committee for the upcoming 75th Anniversary of the signing of the Russo-Japanese Peace Treaty in Portsmouth.

Voted on a roll call vote 6-3 to authorize the hiring of an additional inspector for the Community Development Rehabilitation Code Enforcement Specialist position.

Voted to hire Ross Hoffman Associates as Consultant for the construction of the Refuse to Energy Plant.

Passed a motion on a roll call vote to increase the water rates 10%-Option #2.

Voted to adopt the Emergency Management Contingency Plan relative to the Bellamy Dam Reservoir as part of the Civil Defense Plan.

Voted to authorize \$1,500 from the Contingency Fund for the erection of two basketball courts under the high level bridge at Atlantic Heights.

Passed a resolution to petition the Portsmouth District Court for appointment of not more than five additional commissioners to fix and receive bail.

Voted to pass a Resolution adopting provisions of RSA 156 3a-Building Permits to be withheld in certain cases.

Voted on a roll call vote 6-1 to adopt a Resolution authorizing borrowing in anticipation of federal aid an amount not to exceed \$650,000 for a municipal swimming pool.

Voted to send a letter of thanks to Colonel Harrop for bringing about the change of using the Pease Air Force Base main gate rather than the Sherburne Gate for incinerator traffic.

### AUGUST, 1980

Voted to adopt Resolution authorizing Bond Issue of up to \$6,000,000 for construction of a Refuse to Energy Incinerator at Pease Air Force Base.

Set polling hours for the September 9 Primary from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M.

Voted to accept the cancellation of the Strawberry Banke Lease of the South Meeting House.

Voted to close McDonough St. Park at 7:30 P.M. during the summer and 6 P.M. the rest of the year.

Voted to accept and open the UDAG Street that runs between Lafayette Road and Banfield Road.

### SEPTEMBER, 1980

Voted to pass Resolutions adopting amendment of Year 11.



III & V Community Development Applications for use of funds from the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

Voted to instruct the City Manager to proceed with the final design of the North Mill Pond Tide Gates.

Voted to have the Chairman of the Site Review Committee and the Gasahol Committee and City Engineer visit a gasahol plant.

## OCTOBER, 1980

Voted to authorize the City Manager to prepare cost estimates for 400-500 spaces for a multi-level parking garage for the High-Hanover lot.

Voted to authorize the City Manager to advertise and put out the RFP for 60 days to solicit private developer proposals for downtown parking lot.

Voted to create a new Capital Account in the amount of \$28,039.42 for Sagamore Bridge.

Voted to authorize the City Manager to make a Grant Application for \$10,000 Historic Conservation Recreation Service funds for Pine St. playground.

Voted to set polling hours for November 4 election from 8 AM to 8 PM.

Held Public Hearing and voted to approve request for additional 64 mobile home sites at Hillcrest Estates.

Voted to pass Ordinance rezoning 65 acres on Lang Road from SR I to Garden Apartment District.

Held Public Hearing on proposal by Eastern Grain Resources Corp. to construct a gasahol plant and on a roll call vote voted **not** to approve a water & sewer agreement for EGRC.

Voted to authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with State Properties re: Woodberry Avenue Improvements and Market St. Extension.

Voted to have the City Manager write letters to the local fire department and those of surrounding communities commending them for the excellent job they did in containing the recent fire in the McIntosh building.

Voted to pass Resolution re: Woodberry Avenue and Market St. Extension and forward same to State.

Voted to grant request of Portsmouth Advocates to conduct a feasibility analysis at no cost to the city and report on reuse potential of South Meeting House.

Voted unanimously to authorize the signing of lease with the Air Force for the Refuse to Energy facility to be done on the same day (November 14) as the signing of the contract with Consumat.

Voted unanimously that the City Manager be authorized to sign a Consultant Contract with Ross Hoffman.

## NOVEMBER, 1980

Defeated a motion to form a Rent Control Committee.

Voted to name the UDAG funded road in the Industrial Park Constitution Avenue.

Held Public Hearing on Ordinance re: Curfew Law Ordinance and voted to table same until April.

Voted to authorize the City Manager to sign the Contract with Coakley for the landfill area use.

## DECEMBER, 1980

Voted to accept and place on file the new subdivision recommendations.

Voted to authorize the City Manager to give Ross Hoffman a letter of introduction as the city's negotiator for the design of the contract with the Air Force for the sale of steam in the Refuse to Energy matter.

Voted to authorize the Sewer Program-Group I and part of Group II with appropriated funds of \$565,000.

Voted to transfer the contents of the Piscataqua History Club and the Wilson Collection to the Portsmouth Athanaeum.

Voted that the City Manager write a letter to the State indicating the city's displeasure with their purchase of a parcel of land on the northwest corner of Market St. and Kearsarge Way intersection to be used for a commuter parking lot and that they sit down with the city and negotiate for other land for this use.

Voted to take \$135,000 out of the Sewer Bond Issue in the Spring to take care of surface water problem on Aldrich Road.

Signed a contract with Dufresne & Henry to do a feasibility study of the Stokel property.

Peat, Marwick and Mitchell were awarded audit duties for 1981 & 1982.

Appointed a Curfew Committee.

Voted to authorize an option to purchase, subject to BOR approval, 23½ acres of Little Harbor Chapel property.

## JANUARY, 1981

Voted to hire an architect to look at space requirements for police station for next ten to twenty years and look at structural and mechanical capability of present facility and possibility for renovation and expansion of present facility.

Voted to accept a thank you letter from Takeo Iguchi, Consul General of Japan for arranging for him to receive a copy of the film "Peace of Portsmouth" which he saw at the 75th anniversary of the signing of the 1905 Treaty of Portsmouth.

## FEBRUARY, 1981

Voted to apply for a 100% Formula Grant of \$50,000 to design and construct two piers for approximately forty small boats.

Held Public Hearing on North Mill Pond Tide Gates.

A motion to request the Berkshire Builders to rename the Farragut Apartments the Keefe Apartments lost on a roll call vote 6-3.

Passed a Resolution to the Governor, State Senate, State House of Representatives, local legislative delegation re: Revenue Sources.

Granted permission to the City Attorney to take the District Court Funding Suit to the Supreme Court.

Voted to combine the Daniel St. Power Station Study for alternative uses and the Tidal Power Electrical Generator in the amount of \$40,000 to be soft-matched by \$10,000 Planning Department staff time and that the \$40,000 Grant proposal for Prescott Park Recreational Boating Facility be modified by the addition of two dolphins that can be used to moor tall ships.

## MARCH, 1981

Voted to appropriate \$1,000 from the Contingency Fund for expenses re: Tall Ships.

Passed a Resolution **not** to turn over the new courthouse to the judicial system of the State except on specific provisions that said court shall handle and process cases originating in Portsmouth only until the towns of Newington, New Castle, Greenland and the State contribute their fair share for bonded debt and operating expenses.

A committee was appointed to study the High-Hanover parking lot proposals and make recommendations.

Passed Resolution re: application for Atlantic Heights-Small Cities-Community Development Grant.

Held Public Hearing on Capital Budget 1982-1987 and adopted same.

Held presentation by Dick Aliotti and Russell Davis from the State Highway Department re: Marcy Street Bridge Project.

Authorized the City Manager to prepare the final contract with Pease Air Force Base for the Refuse to Energy facility.

Authorized the City Manager to sign contract for Public Officials Liability Insurance.

Voted to refer the request from Pro Portsmouth for Market Square Day to the City Manager with power.

Voted to grant the boiler permit to Eastern Grain Resource Corporation.

Voted to authorize the City Manager to sign disposal contracts for the Refuse to Energy facility with PAFB and the City of Dover.

## APRIL, 1981

Voted to accept the Seacrest Park property from Ribblesdale, Inc. for \$1.00.

Welcomed students from Portsmouth High School re: Student Council Day.

Voted to hold a work session with the City Delegation re: Special Assessment District Legislation- High-Hanover parking lot.

Voted 6-2 on a roll call vote to pass a Resolution opposed to the Coastal Zone Management Bill.

Voted to authorize the Police Station Study Committee to take \$2,000 from the 1980-1981 Police Facility Budget to use for engineering and architectural costs.

Voted to send a report from Governor Councillor Dudley Dudley re: evacuation in event of Seabrook Nuclear accident to Civil Defense Director Herald Good.

Voted that the Mayor appoint member of Council or community to serve on the Board of Directors of COAST (Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation).

## MAY, 1981

Voted to adopt a Resolution re: allocations of General Revenue funds each year for police facility.

Voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to sign the option for Parcels I & II with the propped developer-Halloran Equities Company.

Voted to authorize the contract for self-insurance by the City for Health Insurance to Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Voted to pass Resolution re: opening of the new District Court in Portsmouth.

Voted to grant the request of the Japanese National TV re: shooting film "Flags over Portsmouth" which deals with the Russo-Japanese Treaty.

## JUNE, 1981

Voted to adopt a Resolution declaring June 22 as "Tom McIntyre Day" in honor of the Post Office Federal Building in Portsmouth being named for the former U.S. Senator.

Passed a Prohibitive Public Conduct Ordinance.

Voted to authorize Strawberry Banke to conduct an archaeological dig in Parcel I.

Voted that the City Manager be authorized to notify HUD that the City endorses the concept of the application submitted by "Betty's Dream-a Foundation for the Physically Handicapped, Inc." for 24 housing units for handicapped adults.

Passed 1981-1982 Budget.

Voted to make August 10 the target date for the opening of the new indoor swimming pool.



# CITY CLERK

Evelyn L. Hanscom  
City Clerk  
Daphne L. Savramis  
Deputy City Clerk  
Anne Marie Bouthot  
Clerk Typist

Evelyn Hanscom, City Clerk

## Causes of Death

July 1, 1980  
to June 30, 1981

Heart Disease	148
Bronchopneumonia	26
Cerebral Deterioration	3
Hepatic Coma	4
Shock	7
Stroke	4
Cancer	34
Asphyxiation	4
Gram Negative Sepsis	2
Generalized Arteriosclerosis	4
Uraemia	10
Cirrhosis	2
Cerebral Vascular Accident	14
Hemorrhage	4
Exsanguination	2
Respiratory Insufficiency	12
Aneurysm	1
Accident	4
Cachexia	2
Inanition	3
Murder	1
Acute Renal Failure	6
Liver Failure	3
Nephrosclerosis	1
Suicide	2
Toxemia	1
Asbestosis	1
Hypertension	1
Sudden Infant Death Syndrome	1
Pulmonary Embolism	7
Mesentery Infarction	1
Coronary Thrombosis	11
Ruptured Abdominal Aneurysm	1
Peritonitis	1
G.I. Bleeding	1
Acute Pancreatitis	1
Lymphoma	1

## Vital Statistics Recorded

Births	Deaths	Marriages
1,062	323	329

## License and Permits Issued

July 1, 1980 to June 30, 1980

Vital Statistics (Births, Deaths Marriages)	\$9,162.00
UCC Filings and Terminations	3,393.50
Marriage Intentions	1,885.00
Miscellaneous Items	1,187.25
Dogs	6,893.40
Bikes	9.75
Taxi	985.00
Theatre	315.00
Pinball	8,100.00
Miscellaneous Licenses	2,602.00
Tokens	44.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$34,576.90</b>

Marshal Remick  
Deputy Marshal Patrikus  
Deputy Marshal Labrie  
Captain Mortimer  
Captain Ferguson  
Captain Plaisted  
Captain Larose  
Captain Fracher  
Lieutenant Krook  
Sergeant Stuart  
Sergeant Seavey  
Sergeant Cilley  
Sergeant Hinton  
Sergeant Moore  
Patrolman Mella  
Patrolman Capeland  
Patrolman Grivois  
Patrolman Tibbetts  
Patrolman Sargent  
Patrolman A. Pace  
Patrolman Miller  
Patrolman Succi  
Patrolman Connors  
Patrolman Smith  
Patrolman Lightizer  
Patrolman J. Plaisted  
Patrolman Bussiere  
Patrolman Williams  
Patrolman D. Pace  
Patrolman Hersey  
Patrolman Price  
Patrolman Prendergast  
Patrolman Clark  
Patrolman Ronchi

# POLICE

Stanton G. Remick, City Marshal

### Department Budget

Personnel Services	\$ 1,013,578.00
Contractual Services	\$ 238,444.00
Commodities	\$ 119,220.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,371,352.00</b>

### Capital Equipment

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 50,198.00</b>
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### New Police Officers

T.J. Orfe	07/05/80
P.A. Famulari	08/09/80
R. J. Sica	08/09/80
D.M. Young	10/25/80
B.S. Newcomer	10/25/80
C.T. Burton	11/01/80
F.M. Rubino	05/02/81
J.E. Diehl	05/02/81

Deaths	Date
Patrolman Edwin Capone	07/17/80
Promotions	Date of Promotion
R. Labrie to Deputy Marshal	11/17/80
J. Hinton to Detective Sergeant	02/07/81
N. Moore to Sergeant	06/04/81
M. Fracher to Captain	01/31/81
Retirements	Date
R. Roth, Captain	12/31/80
Resignations	
J. Trueman, Patrolman	04/13/81
Reported Crimes During the Time Period of July 01, 1980 to June 30, 1981	
Offense	Number Reported
Homicide	1
Burglary	481
Agg. Felonious Sexual Assault (Rape)	7
Theft	1186
Motor Vehicle Theft	133
Assault	
Robbery	19
Arson	22

## Calls For Service During the Time Period of July 01, 1980 to June 30, 1981

Type of Call	Number Dispatched
Escorts (security)	783
Alarms/Bldg (actual)	30
Alarms/Bldg (false)	2,059
Warnings (motor vehicle)	258
Arrests (motor vehicle)	1,961
Arrests (other)	490
Accidents (personal injury)	120
Accidents (property damage)	901
Dispatched Complaints	15,383

Patrolman Schwartzmiller  
Patrolman Miles  
Patrolman Hartzel  
Patrolman Russ  
Patrolman Ahlin  
Patrolman Centola  
Patrolman Magnani  
Patrolman Semprini  
Patrolman Truax  
Patrolman Orfe  
Patrolman Famulari  
Patrolman Young  
Patrolman Newcomer  
Patrolman Rubino  
Patrolman Diehl  
  
Ronald Brigham  
Administrative Assistant  
  
Moreen Goldsmith  
Clerk Typist II  
  
Susan Gordon  
Youth Services Secretary  
  
Martha Hartnett  
Clerk  
  
Claire Moore  
Clerk Typist II  
  
William Shelton  
Auto Maintenance  
  
Robert Mahan  
Custodian, Asst. Auto Maint  
  
Evelyn Sirrell  
Meterperson  
  
Elizabeth Bisognani  
Meterperson  
  
Jacquelyne Davis  
Meterperson

# FIRE

## Paul G. Long, Chief

During the past year, the fire department has experienced an increase in activity in all areas of our service.

A report of the Insurance Service Officers, which completed a survey of fire protection capabilities for the City in October 1981 has revealed that the efficiency of the department in the areas of management, fire training, fire prevention, and suppression have shown continued improvement since the previous 1971 survey, and was awarded a Class 5 from a previous 6th classification for cities and towns of similar population. This higher classification assures the community that fire insurance rate of residential property will not be increased because of deficiencies in our fire service.

We will continue to provide the highest level of service possible to our community, commensurate with the resources which are available.

## Fire Statistics

The following statistics are reported during the fiscal year 1980/81 for the Portsmouth Fire Department:

### Fire Alarms

Total number of alarms (all causes)	1,230
Total number of fire responses	776
Structural	332
Non Structural	252
Transportation	177
Mutual Aid given	15
Ambulance calls (Emergency)	1,122
Non Emergency Ambulance Calls (transfers)	451
Medical Aid Response Calls	196
False Alarms (Malicious)	146
Faulty Alarms (due to weather, malfunction or accidental)	112

Paul G. Long  
Chief  
Leonard P. Goyette  
Deputy Chief, Training Division  
George Pierce  
Deputy Chief, Fire Prev./Control  
Frank Ott  
Fire Alarm Superintendent  
Edward Tully  
Maintenance Officer  
Donald Gindlesperger  
Safety Officer  
Al Weare  
Call Department Officer

DiBernardo  
Captain  
Orr  
Firefighter  
Leonard  
Firefighter  
Sullivan  
Firefighter  
Whitney  
Firefighter  
Dipietro  
Firefighter  
Francois  
Firefighter  
McKenna  
Firefighter  
Morris  
Firefighter  
Nelson  
Firefighter  
Kelley  
Firefighter  
Cormier  
Firefighter  
Hughes  
Lieutenant  
Sullivan  
Firefighter  
Morris  
Firefighter

The value of buildings and contents endangered by fire amounted to \$1,916,760.00, and insurance on the same was \$4,383,500.00. Damage by fire was \$2,054,474.00, and insurance paid was \$2,011,206.22.

Personnel injuries during this reporting period was thirty-one (31).

## Personnel Data

### Retirements - Terminations

8/31/80	Maj. Jack Ryans (Salvation Army) resigned as Vol. Chaplain for Dept.
9/1/80	Captain John Downs retired
10/1/80	Firefighter & Fire Alarm Supt. John Gailey retired
1/17/81	Firefighter Emery York resigned.

## Fire Department Training

Leonard P. Goyette, Deputy Chief, Training Division

During this fiscal year much of our time and effort has been devoted toward reorganizing training activities. Tactical skill proficiency training was assigned and delegated be given to members by shift officers. The following subjects were covered: Ropes & Knots; Forcible Entry; Rule of Thumb Hydraulics; Power Equipment & Tools; and Fire Fighting Streams.

Courses were presented in Building Construction, Fire Hazards and Causes, and How to Conduct a Pre-Fire Survey. These courses prepared line personnel to conduct in service pre-fire surveys of target hazard properties. On a monthly basis surveys are conducted and each shift is assigned from a master list of target hazards. The entire department then receives a formal presentation and reviews each completed survey. All surveys are filed in a binder for future reference.

Instruction in emergency medical services was provided to enable personnel to qualify for the National E.M.T. Registry. This registry requires 48 hours of educational credit. The following is a list of those courses offered: Air Crash Rescue; Stress Management; Protective Breathing Apparatus; and Defensive Driving. In addition, a 24 hour E.M.T. Refresher Course was given. Thirty-nine firefighters and officers were certified as National Registry Emergency Medical Technicians.

Minimum pump and aerial ladder operator requirements were established. Personnel were given related training courses and individual practical instruction was provided for personnel to meet these new requirements. All permanent firefighters have been qualified as pump operators and about one-third have been qualified as aerial operators.

During the summer months the following tactical drills were conducted: Master Streams; Hand Line Streams; Pumping Operations; and Ground Ladders.

### Appointments

2/9/80	Firefighter Clifton Boone, Jr. appointed as Dept. Mechanic
10/15/80	Lt. David W. Childs (Salvation Army Dir.) appointed Vol Chaplain for Dept.

### Promotions

6/29/81	Firefighters Edward Tully and Everett A. Weare promoted to the rank of Fire Lieutenant.
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### New Firefighters hired

10/21/80	Vassilios Pamboukes
12/22/80	Charles Waldron
1/19/81	Arthur Fortin
2/2/81	Theodore M. Blood, III
2/9/81	Charles Jones

Officer level personnel have been instructed in "Leadership In The Fire Service."

Nine members of the department have enrolled in the New Hampshire Minimum Standards Certified Firefighter Course. This course is scheduled to be completed in March of 1982.

The following special courses were attended personnel at State Fire Schools, Colleges, and Seminars: Protective Clothing and Breathing Apparatus; Behavior of Fire; Ventilation; Inspection of Wood Stoves; The Managerial Role; Leadership Effectiveness; Handling LPG and LNG Emergencies; C.P.R. Instructor Course; Sprinkler & Water Supply; and Rescue from Below Grade Structures.

The Call Department training paralleled the instruction which has been provided to the permanent force in all the basic tactical subject areas.

I feel the members of the Portsmouth Fire Department have attained and are maintaining a reasonable level of readiness for the efficient handling of most anticipated fire and medical emergencies.



# Bureau of Fire Prevention and Control

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George Pierce, Deputy Chief, Fire Prev./Control

The FY 80/81 has been the fourth year of operation as the Bureau of Fire Prevention & Control of the Portsmouth Fire Department. To meet the Fire Prevention Bureau's goal of "Providing a reasonable degree of safety to life and property from fire by limiting and eventually reducing the number and servity of fires occuring in this City" during the fiscal year, the Bureau continued to provide Portsmouth with informational, Educational inspection, and investigative services.

The Bureau conducterd some 450 inspections in places of assembly, schools, health care facilities, industrial buildings, and dwellings. Fire Prevention lectures were offered to over 500 people with over 1,000 pamphlets distributed concerning baby sitter information, portable fire extinguishers, home smoke dectors, emergency phone numbers, wood stove safety, fire inspection checklists, and home escape planning. A year long career development program was conducted at the Portsmouth Junior High School.

## Fire Alarm Division

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Frank Ott, Fire Alarm Superintendent

During FY 1981, seven master boxes were installed. Six emergency repairs to the system were performed, five were caused by storms, one by an excavation.

The street siren, fire alarm plant, and electrical entrance to the Lafayette Road Station were moved at N.E. Telephone Company request. Twelve other pole transfers were accomplished for the Telephone Company.

Fire Alarm wires and a city owned telephone cable were moved and reinstalled to facilitate the Fernald House move from Court St. to Atkinson St.

The new figure eight cable to the Sub-Station was spliced in and attached. In-station repairs to the Form 4 Console and emergency generator were performed. The last electric overhead door at the Central Station was wired into the console.

During this quarter, approximately 3000 feet of C wire was installed.

## Apparatus Maintenance

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Edward Tully, Maintenance Officer

The following maintenance statistics are for the period July 1, 1980, to June 30, 1981. The inventory includes six pumpers, two aerals, one ambulance, one fire alarm service truck (aerial), and two utility vehicles. Included in "Miscellaneous Equipment", are such items as: portable generators, stationary generators, rescue saws, outboard motor, and various small tools and equipment.

Two of the pumpers did not see a full year's service during

this fiscal year. The new 1980 Maxim acquired and added to the inventory in September. The 1956 Ford Farrar, was removed from service and sold for salvage in April, 1981.

Apparatus maintenance is directed by the Chief of Department, supervised by the Maintenance Officer, and carried out by the Department Mechanic or commercial facility.

Gindlesperger  
Captain

Grimbilas  
Firefighter

Horvath  
Firefighter

Franzoso  
Firefighter

Winn  
Firefighter

Farnham  
Firefighter

Boone  
Firefighter

Cox  
Firefighter

Blais  
Firefighter

McComb  
Firefighter

Pamboukes  
Firefighter

Tully  
Lieutenant

Grimbilas  
Firefighter

Pickering  
Firefighter

Good  
Captain

Connors  
Firefighter

Lalancette  
Firefighter

Fernald  
Firefighter

Daneault  
Firefighter

Mills  
Firefighter

Ireland  
Firefighter

Hammer  
Firefighter

Goyette  
Firefighter

Hovey  
Firefighter

Boisvert  
Firefighter

Rivals  
Firefighter

Dow  
Lieutenant

Daneault  
Firefighter

Hammer  
Firefighter

# Safety Committee

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Captain Donald Gindlesperger, Safety Officer

The following is a report submitted by Captain Donald Gindlesperger, Fire Department Safety Officer:

During the period of July 1980 June 1981, there were 12 City Safety meetings attended by Captain Gindlesperger in addition to investigating 35 incidents relating to Personnel or Property damage which occurred in the Fire Department. During the investigation of these incidents, the department took the following safety measures in an attempt to lessen the re-occurrence of the accidents which were brought before the Fire Department Accident Review Board:

Safety rules were revised and updated.

New bench grinder was purchased with proper safeguards.

Non safe fuel containers were replaced with approved safety cans.

Safety bumpers were placed on apparatus ladders which extended beyond the rear of apparatus.

Skid-proof material was applied to walk areas on apparatus.

All self contained breathing apparatus were converted to positive pressure in accordance with new Federal regulations.

Grab handles were installed on apparatus for better safety.

Ground Fault interrupters were installed on receptacles in rest rooms and shower area.

Improved electric lighting was installed in stairway areas.

Drive-through bays were constructed at the Sub Station to eliminate backing apparatus into building.

Smoke Detectors were installed in ceilings at Central and Sub Station.

Fire helmets approved by Federal standards have replaced old metal helmets.

Periodic training courses are being accomplished on emergency driving, electrical hazards in addition to group safety discussions.

## Call Department

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Lt. Al Weare

The Portsmouth Fire Department Call Firefighter force is a vital part of the Fire Department Table of Organization. Thier responsibilities are to supplement permanent firefighter personnel with trained manpower during fire or in other emergencies.

Following are statistics during the period FY 80/81:

Table of Organization	20
Number of men assigned as of Jul 1, 1980	18
Number of men assigned as of Jun 30, 1981	17
Number of Fires requiring Call Dept.	27

Attendance at Fires 71.81%

Number of Training Sessions 13

Number of men attending training session on the FB-111 13

### Personnel Data:

Call Firefighter Arthur Fortin resigned when he became a member of the permanent department. Mr. Fogg resigned and was later appointed to the Dover Fire Dept.

## LEGAL

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David Connell, City Attorney

David Connell  
City Attorney  
Elizabeth A. Hollick  
Secretary

The Legal Department of the City of Portsmouth is comprised of one attorney and one secretary.

Legal service is provided to the City Council and to all City Departments as well as to Boards and Commissions.

At various times during the year there were 48 lawsuits pending; 17 brought by the City; 31 against the City. Of the 48 actions, 12 were disposed of during the fiscal year.



# DISTRICT COURT

Thomas E. Flynn, Jr., Justice

The following is the activity report for fiscal year 1980-81:

## Cases Entered:

Motor Vehicle violations	4799
Other violations	144
Misdemeanor crimes	406
Felony crimes	77

**Total Criminal Cases 5296**

Juvenile neglect/abuse cases	9
Delinquency cases	58
Children in need of supervision (CHINS)	20

**Total Juvenile Cases 87**

Civil writs	326
Landlord - tenant writs	233
Small claim actions	540
Domestic Violence actions	50

**Total Civil Entries 1149**

**Total Cases Entered 6532**

Thomas E. Flynn, Jr.  
Justice

Robert F. Roth  
Clerk of Court

Bunny Clark  
Asst. Clerk of Court  
Lois Vanbubar  
Clerk

Betty Riordan  
Clerk

Ralph Rose  
Custodian

# HEALTH

Odyssias Athanasiou, Health Officer

Odyssias Athanasiou  
Health Officer

The Board of Health was an active body during the calendar year of 1981.

P.M. Stewart was appointed to the Board on April 1, 1981 by the City Council to fill an existing vacancy.

Mrs. Catherine Athanasiou, Chairman, resigned from the Board in July, 1981. The Board appointed P.M. Stewart, Chairman at its July meeting.

Four Board meetings were held during the calendar year.

Members of the Board attended the Board of Health Budget session in Council Chambers on June 8, 1981 and spoke to its merits.

The Board attended a public hearing relative to two (2) new ordinances, one "Board of Health" and the other "Department of Health". These ordinances were enacted by City Council in June after much work by the Board, the City Attorney and the City Manager.

The Health Department budget contained the position of Environment Health Officer for the City. This was approved.

The Board worked with the Personnel Director to formulate a job description for the newly established position of

Environment Health Officer for the City of Portsmouth which was approved. The Personnel Director then advertised, as required, for the position and received numerous applications.

In September, 1981, the Board sat with the City Manager and the Personnel Director during oral interviews of all candidates after which the selection of Mr. Odyssias Athanasiou was made to fill the position as Environmental Health Officer. Mr. Athanasiou reported to the City Manager on November 1, 1981 to begin his work. It should be noted here that this is the first full time Environmental Health Officer to serve the City for the protection of their Public Health. It is apparent from conversations with the Environmental Health Officer that this is a much needed service in the Sanitation Food Code. Given sufficient time, however, it is felt by the Board that the Environmental Health Officer will cause all food establishments to meet the Code. He is working diligently toward this goal.

Two (2) Reburial Permits were signed by the Chairman of the Board for the Farrell Funeral Home during the year.

It is expected that in the coming year, the Board will be quite active and work together with all concerned to make the City of Portsmouth a better place to live.

# WELFARE

William A. Scott  
Director of Welfare  
Verna F. Marchisio  
Secretary

## William Scott, Director

### Direct Relief

Average number of monthly cases	53.42
Average number of persons	153.33
Average monthly expenditures	5,665.60
Average monthly medical payments	436.63
Average monthly temporary/emergency	4,011.58

### Board and Care Children

Average monthly cases	11.42
Average monthly expenditures	3,638.70

### Board and Care Adults

Average Monthly Cases	4.08
Average monthly expenditures	3,055.39

### Old Age Assistance

Monthly Expenditure	7,101.12
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### Other Expenses

Miscellaneous - monthly	228.25
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### Administrative

Salaries, supplies, insurance, phone, postage, dues, conference, printing, transportation, cash allowance - monthly	6,074.97
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# PUBLIC EDUCATION

Timothy Monahan  
Superintendent

## Timothy Monahan, Superintendent

School Administrative Unit (SAU) #52 is comprised of nine schools in the City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

As of the opening day, September 1980, school enrollment was as follows:

High School	1862
Junior High	700
Brackett	612
Dondero	442
Jones	365
Little Harbour	505
New Franklin	255
Sherburne	118
Wentworth	304
<b>Total</b>	<b>5163</b>

The High School is completely comprehensive and offers four foreign languages and twenty-two elective vocational educational courses which are open to both male and female students.

SAT (Scholastic Achievement Test) scores for 1980-81 are:

Portsmouth	Verbal	433	Math	457
New England		425		463
United States		424		466
New Hampshire		439		479

A follow-up study of the Class of 1981 by the Guidance Department of the High School is as follows:

Students going into four-year education	32%
Students to other schools	13%
Students to the armed services	5%
Students into work, travel, marriage	39%
No definite plans	11%

### Members of the Board of Education:

'85 T. Russell Brightman	'83 Frederick J. Sullivan
'85 Eileen Foley	'85 John F. Sullivan
'83 Bernard Pelech	'83 Harold Whitehouse
'83 Diane Share	'83 Sanford Roberts (as of 9/1)
'85 Franklin Slover	'85 Frank Yeaw
'83 Jim Splaine	'85 Joyce Weeks

# LIBRARY

## Sherman Pridham, Director

The 1980-81 fiscal year was very busy at the Portsmouth Public Library. The information and Reference staff fielded over 17,000 reference and research questions. Several bibliographies were produced such as "Business Books," "Women Working" and "Sailing Books." Also provided an updated Elected Officials brochure.

There were several new additions to the Information and Reference collection. Magazine Index is a microfilm index of 380 magazines which covers the last 5 years in one alphabetical listing. The New England Historical and Genealogical Register was purchased on microfilm. Also added were telephone directories from across the United States, on microfiche.

The New Hampshire Video Network was formed and funded under Title I of Library Services and Construction Act. The grant was awarded by the New Hampshire State Library Commission to the public libraries in Portsmouth, Concord, Nashua, Salem and Manchester. The video equipment has been used by the library to record local history such as the moving of the Fernald House, and the transfer of old news films about Portsmouth to video tape. Local events, such as Market Square Day, the arrival of the "Roseway" and "Libertad" and the City Council and School Board pre-election debates were taped. The equipment has been used by local groups and by the library to tape such things as children participating in library programs and workshops at the New Hampshire Library Association Conference.

The library again cooperatively sponsored with Strawberry Banke, the Brown Bag lunch series. Such topics as "Research and Restoration at Strawberry Banke," "The Portsmouth Athenium" and "Milk Bottle Collecting in Portsmouth" were attended. A film and lecture program entitled "New Hampshire Writers and the Small Town" was co-sponsored by the Library and Umbra Arts.

Film series were again provided at the library. PPL and Theatre-By-The-Sea furnished films at Prescott Park. In December 3 films were shown in the Vaughan Room. Starting in February the Bullfinch Film Society held a film festival at the library, which ran 2 nights each weekend for 10 weeks.

The friends of Portsmouth Public Library again sponsored the annual Valentines Dance. The proceeds enabled the library to purchase 2 additional double sided index tables, 2 chairs and rental books, which provide additional popular books for reserves.

In 1980's Summer Reading Program called "Summer Safari, with a jungle theme, attracted a record number of children, over 200. The children's librarian had visited every class in Portsmouth with a slide show promoting the program and the Library. The library showed films and lent books weekly at the Community Day Care Center and had a weekly program at Dondero School of stories, games, songs and book lending. At the library there were also successful story and crafts programs, puppet workshops and special entertainers.

In the fall, highlights were a storytelling workshop for adults, which many teachers attended, a party for local author Michelle Dionetti in cooperation with the Umbra Arts group, and Whim Whams an after school program. Whim Wham programs included a bird bander who brought in live birds; a folksinger; Mr. and Mrs. Fish from the Gulf of Maine Aquarium; computers; and 80th birthday party for Dr. Seuss, and a beekeeper.

Through the fall and winter, three preschool storyhour programs were carried on, including one for 2 and 3 year olds. There also was a film series; an adult storytelling group; Books by Your Own Hand, and 8 week bookmaking project partially funded by the N.H. Commission on the Arts; puppet shows; and an April Fool's Day program. Activity kits for gifted children were added that parents and teachers can use as supplement to their children's regular studies. A program was done through the Community Health Center to encourage teenage mothers to use the library.

## Library Statistics

### Library Resources

Adult books	61,002
Children's books	13,672
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,674</b>
Paperbacks	over 3,000
Magazine subscriptions	303
Newspaper subscriptions	18
Other materials (records, cassettes, toys, films, art prints)	1,187

### Circulation of Library Materials

Adult	134,578
Children's	50,596
<b>Total</b>	<b>185,174</b>

### Adult Services

New borrowers registered	3121
Overdue notices processed	16,843
Reserve notices processed	2228
Book request processed	315

440 pieces of AV equipment loaned	547% inc/1 yr.
603 meetings	41% inc/1 yr.
14,484 attended the meetings	122% inc/1 yr.
over 800 used Science, Fine Arts & Children's Museum passes	
2,850 attended 31 film showings	

### Information and Reference Services

17,108 reference and research questions answered	33% inc/3 yrs.
1,146 business reference questions answered	231% inc/1 yr.
1,501 used the historical rooms	79% inc/3 yrs.
900 interlibrary loans processed	57% inc/1 yr.

Sherman Pridham  
Library Director  
Karen Burke  
Library Assistant  
Elizabeth Crawford  
Librarian I  
Christine Deford  
Account Clerk  
Arlene Frost  
Library Assistant  
Shelley Graffam  
Library Assistant  
Mary Ingham  
Library Assistant  
Charles LeBlanc  
Librarian I  
Susan McCann  
Deputy Library Director  
Almond Meeks  
Custodian  
Diane Taylor  
Librarian I  
Priscilla Barnette  
Library Assistant  
Claire Boyd  
Library Assistant  
Nancy Callahan  
Library Assistant  
Helen Moore  
Library Assistant

## Children's Services

297 children's programs (story-hours, films, special programs tours)	4% inc/1 yr.
9,012 attended the programs	24% inc/1 yr.
16 exhibits	45% inc/1 yr.
1,479 toys loaned	38% inc/1 yr.

## Catalog and Technical Processing Services

4,510 hardcover books cataloged and processed
2,588 paperbacks processed
294 other library materials processed

## Services & Programs

### A to Z

AV equipment  
Art exhibits  
Art prints to loan  
Bibliographies  
Books  
Bulletin boards  
Business reference  
Career information  
Cassettes  
College catalogs  
Community calendar  
Community information  
Consumer aid & information  
Copy machine  
Data base searching through State Library  
Directories  
Displays  
Encyclopedias  
Energy information  
Facilities to aid the handicapped patron  
Films to loan to groups & organizations  
Financial information  
Genealogy information  
Government information  
Indexes  
Information referral  
Interlibrary loan  
Large print materials  
Library instruction  
Local History  
Magazine index on microfilm  
Magazines  
Magazines on microfiche  
Meetings rooms  
Microfilm/Microfiche  
Movies for kids & adults  
Museum passes  
Newspapers  
Pamphlet file  
Paperbacks  
Pleasure reading  
Portsmouth Herald index  
Puppet shows  
Records  
Records  
Reference-your questions answered  
Restaurant menus-Portsmouth area  
School visits & tours  
Special events & programs for children of all ages

State information  
Storyhours for children ages 2-8  
Summer reading program for children  
Tax information  
Telephone reference  
Telephone directories  
Tourist information  
Toys & games for children  
Video equipment  
Wide Screen TV  
Zip code information







# PLANNING

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Norman B. Axler, Director

## Planning Board

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Warren Clark, chairman

During 1980-81, the Planning Board held eleven regular meetings and two special meetings. It acted on fourteen requests for subdivision of land, one request for rezoning, five requests for lot line changes, and one review of a decision by the Site Review Committee.

One of the most difficult and important cases to come before the Board this year was the proposal by Eastern Grain Resources Corporation to build an alcohol fuel plant on land behind the K-Mart plaza on Woodbury Avenue. The proposal had been turned down by the Site Review Committee due to possible hazards and uncertain environmental effects. The Planning Board initially turned down the proposed plant; however, following the filing of a law suit, on advice of counsel, worked out a settlement giving approval subject to nineteen conditions.

Another major proposal was for a high technology industrial park to be developed by the Druker Company on land off the Route 1 Bypass, I-95 and Borthwick Avenue. A

first proposal that would have extended Borthwick Avenue in two phases was denied. A second version that brought traffic in off the Route 1 Bypass was given preliminary approval.

Among residential development proposals a rezoning of land on Lang Road to the Garden Apartment district was recommended favorably, an application for a Planned Unit Development of 133 units off Sagamore Avenue was withdrawn after traffic flow problems were raised, a Planned Unit Development of 47 units off Maplewood Avenue was denied, a Planned Unit Development of 28 units on Ocean Road was given a preliminary approval and an expansion of a mobile home park on Lafayette Road was recommended favorably to the City Council.

The Planning Board adopted new subdivision regulations in October and developed a new Site Review Ordinance that was sent to the City Council. The Board also began working on drafts of a new Zoning Ordinance and zoning map.

## Board of Adjustment

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Richard Gamester Chairman

The Board of Adjustment provides a "relief valve" for situations where a literal enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance would result in unnecessary hardship to a property owner. The Board of Adjustment has several responsibilities. It hears petitions for variances, request for special exceptions are allowed by the Zoning Ordinance and hears appeals of an administrative decision. The Board of Adjustment also hears appeals from the Historic District Commission.

In 1980-1981, the Board held 17 meetings with a 160 public hearings. Of the 115 petitions for variances, 69 were granted (many with conditions attached) and 46 were denied, tabled or withdrawn, for an approval rate of 60%. Of the 36 petitions for a special exception, 19 were granted (many with conditions attached) and 17 were denied, tabled or withdrawn, for an approval rate of 53%. Of the 5 administrative appeals, two were denied and three were withdrawn.

## Community Development

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Samual Cioffi, Director

During this fiscal year the City of Portsmouth Community Development Department administered and planned several programs and projects.

The most extensive undertaking this period was the Bartlett Street Neighborhood Improvements project which has three basic components. Street improvements in the form

of new storm drains, new granite curbing and the resurfacing of several area streets; the reconditioning and expansion of Pine Street Park, and a housing rehabilitation program. The housing rehabilitation program is designed to provide target area residents with financial and technical assistance in performing health and safety as well as energy related improvements to their homes.

Plans are underway for a similar housing rehabilitation program in the Atlantic Heights area of the City. As in other previous target areas, residents will be able to apply for financial and technical assistance. The program is projected to commence sometime late 1981 and remain active for approximately one year, or until all the appropriated money has been expended.

This office is also currently engaged in preparing contract drawings and specifications for the construction of Daniel/Bow Streets Park and the Seacrest Park located in

Mariners Village. These plans also include the reconditioning of the grounds and equipment at Cater Park. Actual construction is anticipated for the fall of 1981.

As you know the future accomplishments of this office are contingent upon the acquisition of federal funds. It is our hope that federal budget limitations do not eliminate those agencies which allow us to provide the residents of Portsmouth with the type of improvement programs that make the City a healthier and safer place to live.

# PUBLIC WORKS

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Daniel W. Ayer, P.E., Director

The Public Works Department under the direction of Daniel W. Ayer, P.E., is responsible for the administration and direction of the highway, water/sewer, and engineering divisions. The mentioned divisions with the support of the supervisory and staff personnel are responsible for the budgeting, allocation, and reformance of services in the following divisions:

Highway  
Water/Sewer  
Engineering

## Highway Division

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Russell Pratt, General Foreman

General Foreman, Russell Pratt coordinates and is responsible for the operation of the following subdivisions:

1. Rubbish Collection and Disposal  
Parks & Cemeteries  
Street Cleaning  
Tree Program
2. Street Maintenance  
Building Maintenance  
Sidewalk Maintenance  
Bridge Maintenance  
Mosquito Control
3. Equipment Maintenance

The rubbish collection and disposal subdivision collects and disposes of 90% of the city residential and commercial refuse. The remaining percentage is handled by private contractors. Also this subdivision is responsible for general maintenance of 7 parks, 5 cemeteries and the street cleaning operation of city owned streets.

The street maintenance subdivision maintains approximately 113 miles of city owned roads together with 100 plus miles of sidewalks. Repairs and maintains 9 city owned bridges which includes design, design review and actual construction. Also this subdivision is responsible for all city yard maintenance and major repairs to city owned building with the exception of school property. This subdivision also handles the city wide mosquito abatement program.

The equipment maintenance subdivision maintains and occasionally rebuilds 130 pieces of city owned equipment.

### Street and Sidewalk Maintenance

Stone Chip Sealed:

Ash Street  
Wibird Street  
Marston Avenue  
Hawthorne Street  
Union Street  
Highland Street  
Merrimac Street  
Broad Street  
Rockland Street  
Spring Street  
Willow Lane  
Bersum Lane  
Orchard Street  
Willard Avenue  
Chauncy Street  
Country Club Road  
Cutts Avenue  
Dodge Avenue  
Jewell Court  
Oxford Avenue  
Marthas Terrace  
Myrtle Avenue

Daniel W. Ayer, P.E.  
Public Works Director

Russell Pratt  
General Foreman

Keith Noyes  
Engineering Technician

Dorothea Burr  
Secretary

Duncan O'Brien  
Foreman

Daniel Riciputi  
Foreman

Beverly McCarthy  
Account Clerk

K. Michael Scarks, P.E.  
City Engineer

Dick White  
Contract Construction Inspector

Carl Sampson  
Chief Building Inspector

Dale Burkhart  
Building Inspector

Larry Gratton  
Housing Code Inspector

Cheryl Newton  
Clerk Typist

George Browning  
Plumbing Inspector

Lester Kiehl  
Heavy Equipment Operator

Jim DeRochement  
Heavy Equipment Operator

Jim Spooner  
Heavy Equipment Operator

Arthur Hanscom  
Truck Driver

Frank Kacey  
Truck Driver

Walt Walker  
Truck Driver

Bill Hilliard  
Truck Driver

John Seeley  
Truck Driver

John Reardon  
Truck Driver

Rick Pizz  
Truck Driver

Tim Welch  
Utility Mechanic

Mike Orfe  
Utility Mechanic

Peter Osborn  
Dispatcher

Chet Grant  
Garage Foreman

Arthur Lane  
Garage Laborer

Bentley Jessee  
Laborer

Ed Drobisewski  
Laborer

Lilath Williams  
Laborer

Vinnie Marchese  
Laborer

Greg Donovan  
Laborer

Ben Small  
Laborer

Bob Tierney  
Laborer

Romeo Dube  
Laborer

Dave Wilson  
Laborer

Byron Johnson  
Laborer

Andrew Fleiter  
Laborer

Ed Solomon  
Laborer

Don Williams  
Laborer

Dan Wilson  
Laborer

Bob Dallaire  
Laborer

Bob Springer  
Laborer

Rance G. Collins  
Water Superintendent

Susan Diaz  
Accountant

Janet Bergeron  
Office Manager

Dorothy Reardon  
Secretary

Signe McQuate  
Account Clerk

Thomas Cravens  
Engineering Technician

Virginia Maguire  
Chemist

Weston Loundon  
Water Treatment Plant

William Finenco  
Waste Water Treatment Plant

Woodrow Bunnell  
Water Maintenance

Donald Fredette  
Sewer Maintenance

Sherburne Avenue  
Elwyn Avenue  
Kent Street  
McNabb Court  
Marjorie Street  
Lois Street

Re surfaced:

Sheafe Street  
Middle Street  
South Street  
Richards Avenue  
Cottage Street  
Miller Avenue

Curbing:

Installed 909' of granite curbing  
Reset 1218' of curbing

Reconstructed Sidewalks:

Middle Street  
Market Square  
Miller Avenue  
Alumni Drive  
Bow Street

#### Street and Sidewalk Maintenance (City Forces)

Used the following materials for street and sidewalk maintenance:

Bituminous products	2,783	tons
Gravel	674	tons
Sand	2,283	tons
Cold Patch	86	tons
Stone	21	tons
Loam	134	cubic yards
Concrete	30	cubic yards
Salt	1,555	tons
Mortar Sand	28	cubic yards
Emulsion	229	gals

#### Signs and Safety (Contractual)

Yellow centerlines	257,105	feet
White lane lines	45,760	feet

#### Signs & Safety (City Forces)

Sign Post	111
Speed Limit	6
Yield/Stop	30
Warning	1
Street	100
Pedestrians	8
School/Children	4
Restricted Parking	5
Lane Arrows	4
Route Markers	27
Railroad	32

## Sewer Division

### Rance Collins, Superintendent

The Sewer Division, of the Public Works Department under the supervision of Rance Collins, is responsible for approximately 100 miles of mains, 1628 manholes, and eight lift stations which collect and transport the effluent from residential, commercial, and industrial structures to the Pierce Island Treatment Plant.

The Sewer Division is a self-funding enterprise operating solely on the revenues collected, based upon the volume of water consumed at each structure located along the sewer collection system.

The Sewer Division consists of two sub-divisions:

#### Collection

The sewer collection maintenance group, operating from the Public Works building, are responsible for cleaning and repairing the collection system.

#### Treatment

The waste water treatment group, operating from the Pierce Island Treatment Plant, are responsible for the maintenance of the eight lift stations and two treatment plants.

The administrative, accounting, billing, and laboratory functions are shared with the Water Division for purposes of economy, while avoiding unnecessary duplication.



# Engineering Division

K. Michael Scarks, P.E., City Engineer

City Engineer, Michael Scarks, P.E., is responsible for preparation, review and maintenance of all plans and specifications within the divisions jurisdiction. He also is in charge of the engineering/construction and building inspection subdivisions. Acts in an advisory capacity to the Site Review Committee, as well as other various city departments concerning engineering problems. Performs and or administers as directed, major repairs to city owned buildings.

Review and inspections of the "UDAG" Industrial Road, now Constitution Avenue.

Review and inspection of the Parrot Avenue Portsmouth District Courthouse.

Review and inspection of the Community Swimming Pool Complex on Alumni Drive.

Design and administration of the Junkins Avenue South Mill Pond Causeway.

Design and administration of the South Mill Pond Dredging Project.

Review and inspection of the Middle-Islington Street Improvements Phase II.

Design, administration and inspection of repairs and insulation of the Sagamore Avenue Bride water line.

Review of the Bartlett Street Neighborhood Project Improvements.

Review and inspection of the downtown New England Telephone Project.

Design, administration and inspection of the Daniel Street Force Sewer Maine.

Review and inspection of the Refuse to Energy Facility.

Review and administration of the Aldrich Road Storm Drain Project.

Review and administration of the Lafayette Road Pumping Station Renovations.

Design of the City Hall handicap ramp.

Sewer Survey of the City's sewage system.

The administration and review of the continuing sewer separation program.

Administration, design and inspection of the upgrading of the North Mill Pond Causeway.

Preliminary design of the North Mill Pond tide gate.

## On Going Projects for 81/82

Bartlett Street Neighborhood Improvements

South Mill Pond Causeway (Junkins Avenue)

South Mill Pond Dredging Projects

Refuse to Energy Facility

Aldrich Road Storm Drain Project.

Lafayette Road Pumping Station Renovations

Marcy Street Bridge

Woodbury Avenue Temporary Improvement

Market Street Extension

Improvements to the Sewer System downstream on the Lafayette Road Pump Station.

Pierce Island Bridge Rehabilitation

Edmond Avenue and Maplewood Avenue Intersection

Rehabilitation of the Boston & Maine RR Yard Sewer

Annual Municipal Buildings Inspection

Biennial Bridge Inspection

North Mill Pond Tide Gate

James Linchey  
Water Maintenance  
Michael Sterry  
Sewer Maintenance

Richard Lynch  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Mario Semprini  
Waste Water Plant Operator

Arthur Babula  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Ronald Destefano  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Herbert Finney  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

George Goodwin  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

John Hippern  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Joseph King  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Alan Leathers  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Lionel Martel  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Alfred Richard  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Warren Steeves  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Melvin Whitmyer  
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Robert Arnold  
Waste Water Trmnt. Plant Oper

Ralph Kinch  
Waste Water Trmnt. Plant Oper

Fred Melanson  
Waste Water Trmnt. Plant Oper

Donald Parnham  
Waste Water Trmnt. Plant Oper

Daniel Delisle  
Water Maint. Hwy Equip. Oper

Robert Ripley  
Water Maint. Hwy Equip. Oper

Arthur Lane  
Sewer Maint. Hwy Equip. Oper

Richard Campbell  
Utility Mechanic-Water Maint

William Lalancellette  
Utility Mechanic-Water Maint

Woodbury Argerow  
Utility Mechanic-Water Maint

Wallo Succi  
Utility Mechanic-Sewer Maint

Stephen Cray  
Truck Driver-Water Maint

David Moulton  
Dispatcher

Benjamin Gay  
Meter Reader

Clarence Young  
Meter Reader

# Inspection Division

Carl Sampson, Building Inspector

Dale Burkhart, Electrical Inspector

George Browning, Plumbing Inspector

John Grafton, Housing Code Inspector

The Inspection Subdivision encompasses the following areas: Building Electrical, Plumbing and Housing Code Inspection. The following is a breakdown of the activities of the Inspection Subdivision, July 1, 1980 thru June 30, 1981.

Inspection Breakdown	Number of Inspections
Building	1,709
Electrical	973
Plumbing	365
Sites	56
Complaints received	75
Meetings	61
Junk Cars	29
Zoning	49
Signs	47
Pinball Machines	35
Fire Calls	15

## Permits Issued

Building	433
Electrical	435
Plumbing	436
Signs	53
Excavation	277

## Housing Code

Structures Inspected	268
Dwelling Units Inspected	385
Housing Coded Violations Noted	267
Violations Corrected	250
Inspections Made for PHA	110
Demolitions	3

### Building Permits Issued:

Type of Construction	Estimated Costs	No. of Permits
Swimming Pools	\$ 67,599	14
Homes	880,300	18
Garages	15,700	3
Businesses	2,461,000	6
Apartments	97,950	9
Townhouses	50,000	1
Condominiums	220,000	12
General Repairs	331,257	102
Buildings Remodeled	1,553,404	122
Additions	1,258,429	79
Business Repairs	1,592,900	19
Razed	98,000	14
Miscellaneous	271,140	43
	<hr/> 8,897,679	442

## Water Division

### Rance Collins, Superintendent

The Water Division, of the Public Works Department, is under the supervision of Rance Collins. The Water Division utilizes 128 miles of water mains, containing 1660 valves and 660 hydrants, supplies potable water to, in excess of 6100 residents, commercial, and industrial service connections within the communities of Portsmouth, Madbury, Durham, Rye, Greenland, New Castle, and Newington. Potable water is sold at the wholesale rate to both the Towns of New Castle and Rye, who retail the water through their own distribution systems.

The Water Division is a self-funding enterprise operating solely on the revenues received from the sale of water.

A recently completed system study points out the need for additional storage, and mains which should be replaced with larger pipe. It is optimistically anticipated that the rate of inflation will, in the foreseeable future, return to the point where funds can be set aside for needed improvements. Recent rate increases have only allowed the Water Division to keep pace with inflation while attempting to minimize the impact on the water users.

The Water Division consists of three operational subdivisions:

#### Production

The water production group operating from the Madbury

Treatment Plant are responsible for collecting, treating, and pumping of potable water. A modern laboratory staffed by a Water Chemist and Lab Technician who perform sampling, testing, and the necessary reporting to State and Federal authorities.

#### Distribution

The distribution system group, operating from Sherburne Station are charged with the responsibility of maintaining the water mains, valves, and hydrants located in the distribution system. At Sherburne Satation there exists a well equipped meter maintenance facility where water meters are periodically brought from residences and businesses to be tested, rebuilt and placed back in service.

#### Management

The management and accounting group, located at City Hall and the Public Works building, provide superintendence, accounting, billing, and meter reading.

Major objectives of the Water Division are to supply a sufficient volume of quality water to all users, and to satisfy both demands for domestic consumption and fire protection.

## Statistical Information

	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81
Average daily demand for the year	4,182,950 gal	3,725,156 gal	3,639,908 gal
Peak day for the year	5,674,200 gal	5,397,400 gal	4,895,200 gal
Total gallons pumped during the year	1,526,776,900 gal	1,359,681,800 gal	1,328,566,700 gal



## Summary of Construction & Maintenance

	1978/79	1979/80	1980/81
New Services	44	87	34
Service Renewals	37	60	29
New Hydrants	1	5	9
Hydrants Replaced	19	23	30
Hydrants Relocated		1	3
New Mains	1161'	3550'	4476'
Replaced Meters	32	38	20
New Meter Installations	55	169	33

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## Clotilde M. Straus, Chairman

Clotilde M. Straus  
Conservation Commission Chairman

The activities of the Conservation Commission during the fiscal year 1980-1981 have been centered on City beautification in the business and residential districts, protection of open space and wetlands, which are attempts at maintaining the traditional quality of the environment within the twenty-five square miles encompassed by the City of Portsmouth.

### City Beautification:

#### Shade tree planting:

In the Fall of the year, thirty-five (35) shade trees were planted along sidewalks and front portion of private lawns at a cost of \$4,396. The species selected this year were Norway maple, Schwedler maple, Linden, Marshall ash, Pin oak, Crabapple and Bradford pear.

#### Flower Planting:

The planting of annual ornamental plants (geranium, petunia, alyssum, salvia, ageratum, dusty miller) was carried out in the City's public areas, including six window boxes at City Hall, Market Square flower bed at the flagpole and thirteen concrete urns at the Vaughn Mall parking lot. The plants were purchased with Conservation funds and maintenance (watering, fertilizing and weeding) was accomplished through the care of the Department of Public Works.

### Open Space and Wetlands protection:

Following recommendations of this Commission of the City Council made the important acquisition of 23 acres of forested land on Little Harbor Road, abutting the State-owned property of Wentworth-Coolidge mansion and park. This acquisition is a major step towards the preservation of Little Harbor's pristine environment with high scenic and recreational values.

An acquisition of 16 acres of State surplus land in the Great Bog was also recommended by this Commission and carried out through City Council's action with the goal of wildlife preservation, the Great Bog being a major deer yard, as well as an area of prime importance to the City's water supply.

Several major development proposals were reviewed and recommended to the City Council, the Planning Board and the Site Review Committee were prepared.

Through Council's action the Conservation Commission Chairman was made a voting member of the Site Review Committee.

Members of the Commission during this period were:

Harold Crossman  
Pamela Hall  
Clotilde M. Straus, Chairman  
Charles Vaughn, ex-officio member from the Planning Board

# ANIMAL CONTROL

Robert Reynolds  
Animal Control Officer

## Robert Reynolds, Animal Control Officer

This report covers the period from July 1, 1980 thru June 31 1981.

Calls recorded	3,248
Dog bites reported	54
Animal bites (other than dogs) reported	23
Dogs picked up and impounded	279
Dogs in protective custody (returned home)	185
Total number of dogs handled	464
Lost dogs reported	114
Lost dogs recovered by Animal Control	97
Animals (other than dogs) handled	263
Dead animals picked up and disposal made	162
Dog license issued	1623

### Other Activities (80/81)

#### July 1980

Passed test for New Hampshire Certification as Police Officer. Certified on April 14th, 1981 by Police Standards and Training Council.

Attended N.H. S.P.C.A. meet in Rye.

#### August 1980

Attended N.H. Humane Association meeting in Concord N.H.

#### September 1980

Attended Purina Foods seminar at Wentworth By The Sea, Newcastle N.H.

Attended N.H. Humane Association seminar at Concord N.H.

Attended N.H. Federation of Humane Societies meeting in Concord N.H.

#### October 1980

Appeared in Superior Court on Cruelty to Animal case. Defendant found guilty.

Attended N.E. Federation meeting in Framingham, Mass.

Attended N.H. Animal Control Officers Association meeting in Keene N.H.

Conducted one (1) tour for the Animal Medical Center of their facility.

#### November 1980

Attended N.H. Federation of Humane Societies meeting in Concord N.H.

Attended Mass. S.P.C.A. meeting in Framingham, Mass.

Attended N.H. S.P.C.A. meeting in Rye N.H.

Guest speaker at the Laconia Rotary Club, Laconia N.H.

#### December 1980

Guest speaker at Rockingham County Law enforcement meeting in Kingston, N.H.

Attended meeting of the Mass. S.P.C.A. in Framingham, Mass.

Attended N.H. S.P.C.A. meeting in Exeter N.H.

Attended meeting of D.O.G.S. (Dog Owners of Granite State) in Concord N.H.

#### January 1981

Attended Animal Control Officers meeting in Concord N.H.  
Attended N.H. S.P.C.A. meeting in Stratham N.H. (Annual Meeting)

Conducted three (3) tours for groups thru the Animal Medical Center, Portsmouth N.H.

Attended N.E. Federation of Humane Societies meeting in Framingham, Mass.

#### February 1981

Conducted three (3) tours of the Animal Medical Center, Portsmouth, N.H.

#### March 1981

Attended the Doberman Rescue League meeting in Concord N.H.

Conducted five (5) tours of the Animal Medical Center, Portsmouth N.H.

#### April 1981

Rabies Clinics in Rye, Greenland, and Portsmouth N.H.

Guest of Radio WBBX reference to pets in hot cars, etc.

#### May 1981

Attended three (3) day New England Federation of Humane Societies meeting in Mystic, Connecticut. No expense to the City.

Conducted three (3) groups thru the Animal Medical Center, Portsmouth N.H.

Assisted N.H. S.P.C.A. with the annual pet show at Dondero School.

#### June 1981

Conducted one (1) group thru the Animal Medical Center, Portsmouth N.H.

Completed door to door survey in Mariners Village, Portsmouth N.H.

# RECREATION

Joseph Fate, Director

## Community Center and John F. Kennedy Center Activities

Diet Workshop-held on weekly basis  
 Ballroom dance classes-Beginners & Advanced  
 Disco Dance Classes (10 weeks)  
 Weight Training Classes-3 days a week  
 Aerobic Fitness-3 days a week all winter  
 A Safe Place Staff Clinic-5 weeks  
 St. Pats gym classes every Fri. A.M.  
 Men's Volleyball League  
 Bridge Club-Once a week year round  
 Women's Night-once a week  
 Seacoast Counseling Center-once a week  
 Judo Instruction for youth-2 nights a week  
 Judo Instruction for adults-2 nights a week  
 Portsmouth Dancers-Year Round  
 Wentworth School gym classes-2 days a week  
 Jr. High Boys League plus 2 practices a Week at Jr. High  
 Sr. High Boys League plus 2 practices a week at Jr. High  
 City League Basketball-2 nights a week  
 Pee Wee Basketball-Ages 6 to 10-2 days a week  
 One On One Basketball Tourney  
 Shuffleboard Tourney  
 Elks Foul Shooting Contest  
 Pot Luck Suppers  
 Natural Food Cooking Classes  
 Macrobiotics Classes  
 Shiatsu And Oriental Massage  
 Positivity Training  
 Meditation and Relaxation  
 Support Group Therapy  
 Tai Chi Chuan  
 Philosophy Of The I-Ching  
 Oriental Astrology  
 Wild Plants For Food And Medicine  
 Soap Box Derby Display  
 Jr. High Dance  
 Halloween Party  
 Archery Classes  
 Kinda Gym Classes-Ages 3 to 5  
 Exer Gym Classes-Ages 5-8  
 Tiny Tots Exercises-Ages 1 and 2  
 Modern Dance (Graham Technique)  
 Modern Dance (Evans Technique)  
 Creative Writing  
 4-H Meetings  
 Baby Sitting Classes  
 Growing from Seeds Found At Home  
 Bring The Woods Indoors  
 Alcohol Workshop  
 Conditioning For Skier's  
 Adventures In Nature  
 Centering Thru Movement  
 Zen Yoga  
 Medicinal Cooking  
 Portsmouth Night At UNH-Basketball Game  
 Nutrition And The Vegetarian Diet  
 Drum Lessons

Community Alcohol Information Program  
 Gosling Meadows-Seacrest Basketball  
 Alpine Ridge-Learn To Ski Program (6Wks)  
 Ping Pong Tourney  
 Bumper Pool Tourney  
 Recreation Board Meetings  
 Historic District Commission  
 Fleet Reserve And Auxiliary  
 Planning Board Public Hearings  
 Service Mothers  
 Photography Classes  
 Seacoast Basketball Tournament  
 Recreation High School Basketball  
 Pee Wee Street Hockey  
 PHS Football Boosters  
 PHS Baseball Boosters  
 Hatha Yoga Classes  
 Racketball Lessons  
 Bartending Classes  
 Scottish Folk Dance Classes  
 Runners Clinic  
 PHS GED Classes - September to June  
 Standard First Aid Classes  
 Cross Country Ski Clinic  
 Life Drawing Classes  
 Table Tennis League-Once A Week  
 Easter Egg Hunt-Pre-school thru 1st Grade  
 Letters To Santa

Joseph A. Fate  
 Director, Recreation  
 Paul Desotelle  
 Asst. Director  
 Constance D. Bean  
 Administrative Asst  
 Barry Foley  
 Recreation Supervisor  
 Norman Salisbury  
 Custodian  
 Leslie Fialk  
 Recreation Supervisor  
 Patrick Pope  
 Custodian

## Summer Programs And Activities

### Attendance

Free Popsicles (July 3rd)-4,000 Popsicles All Rec. Areas	
Fourth Of July Fireworks	15,000
Water Polo	250
Pitch, Hit and Run	150
Country Fairs	355
Swim Meet	300
Junior Olympics	375
Pepsi Hot-Shot	130
Bowl-O-Rama Week	50
Music Festival at PHS	527
Dance At Atlantic Heights	134
Dance At Lafayette	100
Car Wash	103
Bake Sale	57
Frisbee Contest	71
Hoola Hoop Contest	102
Duncan Yo-Yo Contest	87

## Summer Trips:

Wallis Sands	113
Gunstock	94
Pawtuckaway (July 23rd)	116
Pawtuckaway (August 27th)	181
Adult Tennis Lessons	20
Childrens Tennis Lessons	143
Informal Adult Volleyball At Tennis Courts	50
Interplayground Baseball	425

Tennis Courts - hours of operation 6:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M.;  
 7 days a week.

## Summer Craft Attendance

Atlantic Heights	44
Dondero	34
Gosling Meadows	69
Lafayette	120
Maple Haven	25
Pannaway	73
Pine Street	49
Ridgewood	72
Seacrest	48
South	162
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Total	696

## Summer Playground Attendance

Atlantic Heights	920
Dondero	670
Gosling Meadows	902
Lafayette	371
Maple Haven	1020
Pannaway	743
Pine Street	645
Ridgewood	602
Seacrest	601
South	847
Cater	18
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Total	7339

## Summer Farm System

Participation		
Minor League	6 teams	84
Major League	4 teams	48

## Summer Girls Softball League

Minor League	4 teams	44
Major League	4 teams	46

## Summer Pee Wee Wiffleball

Ages-5 to 7 years old	10 teams	105
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## Summer Basketball League 75

Each team in these leagues played at least twice a week so attendance figures are only the amount of people signed up.

## Adult Softball

Participating		
Mens League	11 teams	198
Womens League	6 teams	108

## Jr. Legion Baseball

Boys ages 16-19 years old	
Number of games for season 14	
Number of boys participating	18

## Babe Ruth League

Boys ages 14 and 15 years old	
Number of teams 6	
Number of boys participating	90
Boys age 13 years old (new League this year)	
Number of teams 4	
Number of boys participating	60

### Little League

National Little League-4 teams	60
American Little League-4 teams	60
Central Little League	60

All Field Reservations were scheduled out of JFK Adult Center - Field practice time for out own teams 400; field reservations for other teams 2,000.

## Tournaments

Mens Slo-pitch Class A and Class B  
Mens Slo-pitch Majors  
Womens Slo-pitch  
Babe Ruth District  
Babe Ruth State  
Little League District Playoff games

We at the Portsmouth Recreation Department are very proud of the various activities that take place in our facilities as well as the school facilities that we use. It takes a great deal of cooperation with various groups to give Portsmouth its fine programs and we thank all of you for your support. We would like to say a big "Thank you" to all the individuals who volunteer their services as coaches, for without your expertise some of our programs could not exist.

We are here to serve you the citizenry of Portsmouth, so feel free to call at anytime, and let us know if there is an activity we are not offering that you would like to see.







# ASSESSOR

Michael F. Pagano  
Assessor

Barbara F. Leroux  
Deputy Assessor

Beatrice A. Holt  
Clerk Typist II

Michael Pagano, City Assessor

## Itemized Summary of Assessed Valuations

	1980	1981
Land and Buildings	\$185,401,510	\$190,238,710
Factory Buildings	13,569,900	13,777,300
Public Utilities	41,938,500	43,069,900
Mobile Homes & Trls.	1,171,500	1,359,300
	<u>\$242,081,410</u>	<u>\$248,445,210</u>

## Breakdown of Taxes

Description	1980	1981
Gross Valuation	\$2,081,410	\$248,445,210
Assessment Ratio	41%	38%
Veterans Exemptions	118,462	119,770
Elderly Exemptions	2,369,550	2,202,400
Net Taxable Total	239,711,760	246,242,810
Tax Rate (Dollar/\$1000 )	48.50	51.90
Warrant to Tax Collector	11,507,563	12,660,231

## Activities

	1980	1981
Inventory of Taxable Property Forms Distributed	6318	6213
Real Estate Inventories Returned and Processed	5550	5482
Veterans Exemption Forms Distributed	1592	1654
Veterans Ememption Processed	1161	1675
Veterans Exemptions Granted	1549	1623
Building Permits Inves- tigated and Appraised	358	381
Property Transfers (sales) Investigated and Processed	446	469
Elderly Exemptions Granted	245	227

## Tax Rate Itemized

	1980		1981
Schools	29.90	Schools	32.90
County	1.90	County	2.60
City	<u>16.70</u>	City	<u>16.40</u>
	48.50		51.90

# TAX COLLECTOR

Margaret Sullivan, City Tax Collector

## Taxes Collected

Amount of 1980 Real Estate Warrant	\$11,520,583.84
Added Taxes to Real Estate Warrant 1980	5,594.49
Amount Of Real Estate Collected By 6-30-81	10,809,246.74
1979 Real Estate Collected in 1980	668,193.97
Amount of 1980 Resident Tax Warrant	127,050.00
Added Resident Tax Warrant 1980	20,250.00
Resident Taxes Collected for 1980	113,960.00
Resident Taxes Collected for 1979	2,110.00
Resident Taxes Collected for 1981	4,000.00
Tax Sales Redeemed	165,288.04
Interest On All Taxes	55,872.02
Titles On Cars	4,932.00
Total Cash Collected From 7-1-80 to 6-30-81	\$12,423,846.54

## Auto Registrations

Year End 6-30-81 Number 19,901 Income \$599,863.00

## Parking Meter Fines

Income \$54,627.00

The income from the parking meter fines is not reflected in the total cash collected from the tax office. The Parking Meter Fines are collected in the Tax Office, but the income is reported direct to the Treasurer and not entered into the Tax Office Ledger.

Margaret Sullivan  
Tax Collector

Mary C. Merrill  
Deputy Tax Collector

Colleen R. Franzoso  
Clerk Typist I

Phyllis Lundgren  
Clerk Typist I

# ECONOMIC COMMISSION

## Christopher Sheridan, Economic Development Director

The fiscal year 1980-81 saw many changes in Portsmouth's economic profile, as well as the successful completion of several major on-going projects. The major changes that took place over the past year are summarized below:

Christopher Sheridan was appointed as the City's new Economic Development Director, replacing former Director, Robert C. Benson.

The Urban Development Action Grant (UDAG) Road was completed and named by the City as Constitution Avenue. Ground was broken later in the year for the first occupant of Portsmouth Industrial Park (N), McLaughlin Movers.

A new "spec" building was completed at the Portsmouth Industrial Park (S) on Heritage Avenue, and it was subsequently occupied by Meramec Industries.

Plans were completed and preliminary subdivision approval was granted for the development of Technology Park on I-95. The Druker Company of Boston will handle the development of the Park which will continue over a 5 to 8 year period, and is estimated at completion to contain 800,000+ square feet of high technology office/research facilities.

Proposals were received for the development of Disposition Parcels 1 and 2 (Deer and Market Sts.), and the City selected Holloran Equities of New York as the prospective developer of a 120-room hotel, 40 condominiums, and 15,000 square feet of commercial space on these sites. The City will be filing an application with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for UDAG assistance with this project during the next fiscal year.

The City selected the engineering firm of Dufresne-Henry of Manchester to conduct a feasibility study to determine

the estimated net developable acreage on the Stokel property located on Greenland Road (Rte. 101). The firm presented a report to the Economic Commission indicating that approximately 50 acres out of the 185-acre parcel were developable. In light of these findings, the Council authorized the City Manager to reinstitute purchase negotiations with the representatives of the Stokel family.

In January 1981, Commissioner Michael Kenslea was succeeded by Commissioner Peter Lukas. It is also noted with regret that on March 19, 1981 Commission member Ernest Armand passed away. Mr. Armand will always be remembered as a conscientious, insightful and valuable member of the Commission.

The Economic Commission will continue to strive in the next fiscal year for the attainment of their goal of economic betterment for the City.

Commission members over this period included:

Russell VanBilliard, Chairman

Robert Allard, Jr.

Ernest Armand

Michael Kenslea

Peter Lukas

Marshall A. Tebbetts

Edward T. Burnham

Simeon P. Jarvis

Richard Salvat

John J. Mikolajczyk

Peter G. Weeks

John J. Wholey

Calvin A. Canney

Christopher F. Sheridan, Economic Director

Christopher F. Sheridan  
Director, Economic Development  
Deborah Mullins  
Secretary, Switchboard Operator

# PURCHASING

## Robert Sombric, Purchasing Agent

John Trotter  
Purchasing Agent  
Claire D. Brulotte  
Account Clerk

During the fiscal year 1980/81, the Purchasing Department issued 56 formal bid invitations for items or services valued at \$1,000 or more. All items valued over \$200 were purchased through written or telephone quotations (at least three per item). These two types of competitive purchasing practices have proven to be most effective in procuring quality materials, supplies and services at the lowest reasonable cost to the city.

The sales of city-owned land and surplus equipment realized a total of \$6,664.

### 1980/1981 Energy Product Data

Description	Quantity	Average Cost/gal.	Total
*2 Fuel Oil	103,818.50	\$1.0081	\$104,666.25
Blended Diesel	16,381.60	1.0124	16,585.94
Regular Gas	38,461.00	1.0290	39,576.37
Lead Free Gas	56,850.00	1.0592	60,218.43
Hi-Test Gas (No longer being manufactured.)			
Total			<b>\$224,046.99</b>

### 1979/1980 Energy Product Data

Description	Quantity	Average Cost/gal.	Total
*2 Fuel Oil	97,085.02	\$.7764	\$ 75,380.09
Blended Diesel	11,074.70	.7930	8,783.25
Regular Gas	41,750.00	.7858	32,807.15
Lead Free Gas	52,450.00		43,675.45
Hi-Test Gas	2,360.00	.7658	1,807.38
Total			<b>\$162,453.32</b>

Note: This is approximately 36 percent increase over the preceding year.

## Fiscal Year 1980/1981 Statistics

### Purchase Orders Processed during the Year:

	Expended
499 Purchase Orders for the month of July 1980	\$ 1,144,417.80
441 Purchase Orders for the month of August 1980	649,201.05
484 Purchase Orders for the month of September 1980	1,105,561.35
552 Purchase Orders for the month of October 1980	1,391,165.16
474 Purchase Orders for the month of November 1980	1,018,333.69
562 Purchase Orders for the month of December 1980	1,689,742.65
570 Purchase Orders for the month of January 1981	1,059,161.65
458 Purchase Orders for the month of February 1981	765,426.72
509 Purchase Orders for the month of March 1981	980,353.57
432 Purchase Orders for the month of April 1981	933,318.77
433 Purchase Orders for the month of May 1981	1,006,026.62
597 Purchase Orders for the month of June 1981	1,257,073.80

**6,011 total purchase orders processed in the amount of**

**\$12,999,782.83**

Included in the volume of purchases were several capital projects such as neighborhood renovations, the new district courthouse, the new indoor swimming pool and the start of the refuse-to-energy plant.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Kenneth C. Dahl, Finance Director

Kenneth C. Dahl

Finance Director

Arthur D. Arrington

Auditor

Kenneth A. King

Accountant

Dorothy M. Richards

Administrative Assistant

Catherine E. Tuchman

Account Clerk

## City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire

### Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group

Year ended June 30, 1981 with comparative totals for June 30, 1980

Assets and Other Debits	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service
Cash	\$ -	8,617	3,414	-
Investments, at cost (note 5)	451,110	821,183	5,714,000	840,115
Receivable (net of allowances for uncollectibles):				
Taxes	581,050	-	-	-
Accounts	19,683	-	-	-
Due from other funds	311,480	2,363	97,402	-
Due from other governments	388,836	202,668	-	-
Deeded property	40,261	-	-	-
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-
Inventory at cost	-	-	-	-
Property, plant and equipment at cost:				
Land	-	-	-	-
Buildings and improvements	-	-	-	-
Machinery and equipment	-	-	-	-
Accumulated depreciation	-	-	-	-
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt	-	-	-	-
Deferred charges, net of amortization	-	-	-	-
<b>Total assets and other debits</b>	<b>\$ 2,062,420</b>	<b>1,034,831</b>	<b>5,814,816</b>	<b>840,115</b>

**Note:** The following financial schedules have been extracted from the audit reports compiled by Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Company for the City of Portsmouth.



		Fiduciary	Account Group		
Enterprise Funds		Fund	General	Totals	
Water	Sewer	Type	Long-term	June 30,	June 30,
		Trust	Debt	1981	1980
23,867	3,099	63,446	-	102,443	221,963
6,000	-	2,474,593	-	10,307,001	6,357,347
-	-	-	-	851,050	763,795
151,722	105,935	10,988	-	288,328	623,052
22,956	-	-	-	434,201	576,822
-	-	-	-	591,504	428,503
-	-	-	-	40,261	40,261
-	-	46,463	-	46,463	67,454
169,317	9,111	3,136	-	181,564	168,177
8,500	6,000	-	-	14,500	14,500
2,814,731	1,297,442	-	-	4,112,173	4,044,637
8,200,735	5,171,050	-	-	13,371,785	12,909,167
(3,104,502)	(734,504)	-	-	(3,839,006)	(3,495,502)
10,475,000	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	10,475,000	10,475,000	5,655,000
110,177	32,185	-	-	142,362	151,226
8,403,503	5,890,318	2,598,626	10,475,000	37,119,629	28,526,375

# City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire

## Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group

Year ended June 30, 1981 with comparative totals for June 30, 1980

Liabilities and Fund Equity	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Accounts payable	\$ 725,458	15,451	8,236	-
Cash overdraft	98,452	-	-	-
FICA	28,869	-	-	-
Accrued liabilities	91,455	-	-	-
Due to other funds	112,683	102,309	22,712	-
Customer deposits	-	-	-	-
Municipal Escrow	-	-	-	-
Bond anticipation notes payable (note 6)	-	-	-	-
General obligation bonds payable (note 6)	-	-	-	-
Revenue bonds payable	-	-	-	-
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>1,056,907</b>	<b>117,760</b>	<b>30,948</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>				
Contributed capital	-	-	-	-
Retained earnings (deficit)	-	-	-	-
Fund balances:				
Reserved for encumbrances	52,028	-	242	-
Reserved for endowment (note 4)	-	-	-	-
Reserved for specific purposes (note 4)	-	-	5,783,626	-
Unreserved (note 4)	24,340	-	-	-
Designated for self-insurance	-	-	-	-
Designated for subsequent	35,005	631,434	-	840,115
Undesignated	894,140	285,637	-	-
<b>Total fund equity</b>	<b>1,005,513</b>	<b>917,071</b>	<b>5,783,868</b>	<b>840,115</b>
Commitments and contingencies (notes 7 & 8)				
<b>Total liabilities and fund equity</b>	<b>\$ 2,062,420</b>	<b>1,034,831</b>	<b>5,814,816</b>	<b>840,115</b>

Accompanying notes to financial statements are on file in the City clerk's office at City Hall.

Enterprise Funds		Fiduciary	Account	Totals	
Water	Sewer	Fund	Group	June 30,	June 30,
		Type	General	1981	1980
		Trust	Long-term		
			Debt		
18,566	14,714	229	-	782,654	384,685
-	-	-	-	98,452	260,006
-	-	-	-	28,869	-
114,318	41,862	-	-	247,625	489,620
-	196,487	-	-	434,201	576,822
130	(56)	-	-	74	2,860
-	-	-	-	-	28,850
-	-	-	6,000,000	6,000,000	-
-	-	-	4,475,000	4,475,000	5,655,000
270,000	-	-	-	270,000	340,000
403,014	253,017	229	10,475,000	12,336,875	7,737,843
5,946,858	6,307,704	-	-	12,254,562	11,861,138
2,053,631	(670,403)	-	-	1,383,228	1,445,451
-	-	-	-	52,270	184,872
-	-	2,442,341	-	2,442,341	2,435,669
-	-	156,056	-	5,939,682	912,982
-	-	-	-	24,340	70,629
-	-	-	-	1,506,554	2,205,082
-	-	-	-	1,179,777	1,672,709
8,000,489	5,637,301	2,598,397	-	24,782,754	20,788,532
8,403,503	5,890,318	2,589,626	10,475,000	37,119,629	28,526,375

# City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire

## Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

### All Government Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds

Year Ended June 30, 1981 with comparative totals for June 30, 1980

	Government Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Taxes	\$ 11,671,338	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	728,354	-	-	-
Intergovernmental revenues	4,953,554	2,614,632	75,600	-
Fines and costs	161,955	-	-	-
Other revenues	1,072,352	505,446	-	112,280
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>18,587,553</b>	<b>3,120,078</b>	<b>75,600</b>	<b>112,280</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Current:				
General government	2,273,370	42,507	-	-
Public safety	2,614,755	-	-	-
Public works	1,032,363	-	-	-
Sanitation	487,700	-	-	-
Health	11,127	-	-	-
Welfare	370,320	57,660	-	-
Culture and recreation	633,167	790	-	-
Education	9,947,771	1,029,992	1,042,118	-
Capital	249,227	2,525,758	-	-
Other	-	46,434	-	-
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	-	-	-	1,180,000
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	251,900
Prior:				
Encumbrances	169,810	-	-	-
Capital appropriations rebudgeted	265,853	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>18,055,463</b>	<b>3,703,141</b>	<b>1,042,118</b>	<b>1,431,900</b>
Excess (deficiency) revenues over expenditures	532,090	(583,063)	(966,518)	(1,319,620)
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>				
Operating transfers in (out)	(1,306,900)	(125,000)	-	1,431,900
Issuance of bond anticipation notes	-	-	6,000,000	-
	<b>(1,306,900)</b>	<b>(125,000)</b>	<b>6,000,000</b>	<b>1,431,900</b>
Excess (deficiency of revenues and other financing services over expenditures	(774,810)	(708,063)	5,033,482	112,280
Fund balances, June 30, 1980	1,780,323	1,625,134	750,386	727,835
<b>Fund balances, June 30, 1981</b>	<b>\$ 1,005,513</b>	<b>917,071</b>	<b>5,783,868</b>	<b>840,115</b>

Accompanying notes to financial statements are on file in City Clerk's office at City Hall.



Fiduciary Fund Type	Totals	
Expendable Trust Funds	June 30, 1981	June 30, 1980
-	11,671,338	11,105,820
-	728,354	699,987
-	7,643,786	8,197,776
-	161,955	128,239
298,282	1,988,360	1,622,580
<b>298,282</b>	<b>22,193,793</b>	<b>21,754,402</b>

-	2,315,877	2,129,985
-	2,614,755	2,332,257
-	1,032,363	876,618
-	487,700	428,079
-	11,127	10,721
-	427,980	338,103
244,636	878,593	680,550
40,459	12,060,340	10,090,136
-	2,774,985	1,827,426
13,055	59,489	58,885

-	1,180,000	1,510,000
-	251,900	324,041

-	169,810	533,212
-	265,853	154,031

<b>298,150</b>	<b>24,530,772</b>	<b>21,294,044</b>
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132	(2,336,979)	460,358
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132	3,663,021	460,358
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2,598,265	7,481,943	7,021,585
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<b>2,598,397</b>	<b>11,144,964</b>	<b>7,481,943</b>
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**City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire**  
**Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Transfers**  
**Budget and Actual General Fund and Debt Service Fund**  
**Year Ended June 30, 1981 with comparative totals for June 30, 1980**

	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Taxes	\$ 11,647,634	11,671,338	23,704
Licenses and permits	678,000	728,354	50,354
Intergovernmental revenues	5,065,450	4,953,554	(111,896)
Fines and costs	125,000	161,955	36,955
Other revenues	665,000	1,042,352	377,352
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>18,181,084</b>	<b>18,557,553</b>	<b>376,469</b>
Expenditures:			
General government	2,316,505	2,275,519	40,986
Public Safety	2,610,405	2,615,032	(4,627)
Public Works	1,151,599	1,054,835	96,764
Sanitation	505,851	487,700	18,151
Health	11,517	11,127	390
Welfare	317,606	370,325	(52,719)
Culture and Recreation	599,884	640,196	(40,312)
Education	9,966,721	9,947,771	18,950
Capital	279,180	269,324	9,856
Debt Service	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>17,759,268</b>	<b>17,671,829</b>	<b>87,439</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	421,816	885,724	463,908
Transfers in (out)	(1,306,900)	1,306,900	-
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and transfers	<u>\$ (885,084)</u>	<u>(421,176)</u>	<u>463,908</u>
Undesignated fund balance at beginning of year		<u>1,264,508</u>	
		843,332	
Adjustment of:			
Prior year encumbrances	-	808	
Self insurance reserve	-	<u>50,000</u>	
Undesignated fund balance at end of year		<u>\$ 894,140</u>	

Accompanying notes to financial statements are on file in the City Clerk's office at City Hall.

Debt Service Fund			Totals		
Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	June 30, 1980 Actual
-	-	-	11,647,634	11,671,338	11,105,820
-	-	-	678,000	728,354	699,987
-	-	-	5,065,450	4,953,554	5,977,622
-	-	-	125,000	161,955	128,239
-	112,280	112,280	665,000	1,154,632	968,302
-	112,280	112,280	18,181,084	18,669,833	18,879,970
-	-	-	2,316,505	2,275,519	2,076,042
-	-	-	2,610,405	2,615,032	2,330,684
-	-	-	1,151,599	1,054,835	994,425
-	-	-	505,851	487,700	428,079
-	-	-	11,517	11,127	10,721
-	-	-	317,606	370,325	300,349
-	-	-	599,884	640,196	543,555
-	-	-	9,966,721	9,947,771	9,270,625
-	-	-	279,180	269,324	339,834
1,431,900	1,431,900	-	1,431,900	1,431,900	1,834,041
1,431,900	1,431,900	-	19,191,168	19,103,729	18,128,355
(1,431,900)	(1,319,620)	-	(1,010,084)	(433,896)	751,615
1,431,900	1,431,900	-	125,000	125,000	162,500
-	112,280	112,280	(885,084)	(308,896)	914,115

# City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire

## Schedule of Bonds Payable - All funds

Year Ending June 30, 1981

	Bonds				
	Original Issue	Interest Rate %	Fiscal Year Maturity Date	Balance June 30, 1980	Payments
<b>General obligation serial bonds</b>					
<b>School Bonds Outstanding:</b>					
School Construction Issue - 1967	\$ 3,400,000	4.1	1987	1,360,000	170,000
School Construction Issue - 1973	550,000	4.7	1983	165,000	55,000
School Construction Issue - 1975	3,670,000	5.25	1985	1,825,000	365,000
Supplemental School Issue - 1976	290,000	3.9	1981	110,000	55,000
	<u>7,910,000</u>			<u>3,460,000</u>	<u>645,000</u>
<b>Sewer Bonds Outstanding</b>					
Issue 1964	900,000	3.0	1984	135,000	45,000
Issue 1969	1,000,000	5.1	1989	450,000	50,000
Issue 1972	1,250,000	4.7	1992	795,000	65,000
	<u>3,150,000</u>			<u>1,380,000</u>	<u>160,000</u>
<b>Municipal Bonds Outstanding</b>					
Urban Renewal Issue - 1961	200,000	3.25	1981	20,000	10,000
Urban Renewal Issue - 1970	250,000	5.6	1980	25,000	25,000
Urban Renewal Issue - 1973	930,000	4.7	1983	270,000	90,000
Judgement Issue - 1973	2,000,000	4.3	1982	500,000	250,000
	<u>3,380,000</u>			<u>815,000</u>	<u>375,000</u>
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<u>14,440,000</u>			<u>5,655,000</u>	<u>1,180,000</u>
<b>Water Bonds Outstanding</b>					
Issued 1971	300,000	4.4	1986	140,000	20,000
Issued 1976	350,000	3.9	1983	200,000	50,000
<b>Total Water Fund</b>	<u>650,000</u>			<u>340,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<u>\$ 15,090,000</u>			<u>5,995,000</u>	<u>1,250,000</u>



				Interest			
Balance June 30, 1981	Due 1982	Due 1983	Due Subsequent Years	Paid 1981	Due 1982	Due 1983	Due Subsequent Years
1,190,000	170,000	170,000	850,000	52,275	45,305	38,335	87,125
110,000	55,000	55,000	-	7,755	5,170	2,585	-
1,460,000	365,000	365,000	730,000	95,813	76,650	47,085	67,890
55,000	55,000	-	-	3,218	1,072	-	-
2,815,000	645,000	590,000	1,580,000	159,061	128,197	88,005	155,015
90,000	45,000	45,000	-	4,050	2,700	1,350	-
400,000	50,000	50,000	300,000	22,950	20,400	17,850	53,550
730,000	65,000	65,000	600,000	35,838	32,783	29,728	140,999
1,220,000	160,000	160,000	900,000	62,838	55,883	48,928	194,549
10,000	10,000	-	-	488	162	-	-
-	-	-	-	700	-	-	-
180,000	90,000	90,000	-	12,690	8,460	4,230	-
250,000	250,000	-	-	16,125	5,375	-	-
440,000	350,000	90,000	-	30,003	13,997	4,230	-
4,475,000	1,155,000	840,000	2,480,000	251,902	198,077	141,163	349,564
120,000	20,000	20,000	80,000	5,720	4,840	3,960	7,040
150,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	6,825	4,875	2,925	975
270,000	70,000	70,000	130,000	12,545	9,715	6,885	8,015
4,745,000	1,225,000	910,000	2,610,000	264,447	207,792	148,048	357,579

# BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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## Economic Development Commission

John J. Wholey, Mayor, Ex-officio  
Peter Weeks, Council Representative  
Calvin A. Canney, City Manager, Ex-officio  
Christopher F. Sheridan, Economic Director  
Russell VanBilliard, Chairman  
Robert Allard Jr., Vice Chairman  
John Mikolajczyk  
Edward Burnham  
Richard Salvas  
Marshall Tebbetts  
Peter Lukas  
Simeon Jarvis

## Portsmouth Housing Authority

Saverio M. Giambalvo, Chairman  
Eileen Foley  
Kevin Gillis  
Ruth Griffin  
Socrates Sagris

## Taxi Commission

William C. Scott, Chairman  
Marshal Stanton G. Remick  
Roger Chapdelaine  
Barry White  
Robert Tebbetts  
William Poor  
Rick Newman

## Board of Recreation

William St. Laurent, Council Representative  
City Manager, Ex-officio  
Arthur C. Clough, Sr., Ex-officio

Dave Frederick, Chairman  
Marilyn Ecker, Vice Chairman  
Paul Houlares  
Robert D. Stella  
Wayne T. Bowlen  
Barbara Hopley  
Nancy Hobbs  
Russell Grazier  
John Roew  
Barbara Bertrand

## Board of Adjustment

Richard Gamester, Chairman  
Ray Eberle, Vice-Chairman  
Sidney Girardin  
William Devine  
Nathaniel Holloway  
Gynni Neri  
Alfred Ferruolo, Jr.

## Building Commission

Health Department  
Planning Department  
Plumbing Inspector  
Fire Department  
Electrical Inspector

## Continental Cable TV Commission

Richard Wilder, Chairman  
Albert Yeager  
Walter Redden

## Planning Board

Stephen Tober, Council Representative  
City Manager-Ex-officio  
Carl Sampson-Ex-officio

E. Warren Clarke, Chairman  
Charles Vaughn  
William Shea  
Mark Brenner  
Kevin M. Niland  
Kevin MacLeod

## Conservation Commission

Mrs. Agnes Harmon, Honorary Ex-officio member  
Charles Vaughn, Ex-officio representing Planning Board

Mrs. Clotilde M. Straus, Chairman  
Harold Crossman, Jr.  
Pamela Hall  
David Tuttle

## Traffic Safety Commission

Paul Long, Fire Chief	Carl Anania
John Patrikus, Deputy Marshal	Louis Schwartz
Robert Sombric, Public Works	Melvin Alexander
City Manager, Calvin A. Canney	Bruce Fox
	Stanton Remick, Marshal

## Board of Health

Paul M. Stewart  
Joseph Shaw  
Joan Nickell  
Odoysious Athanasiou, Health Officer

## Personnel Advisory Board

Kenneth Richardson, Jr.  
Milton Grant  
William G. Poor  
Arthur Tobey  
Francis Leith

# Historic District Commission

Peter Weeks, Council Representative  
Cindy Harriman, Chairman  
Charles Vaughn  
Sanford Roberts  
Frances Gosselin  
Donald Hayes  
Tom Burnham









# DIRECTORY

City of Portsmouth Control Switchboard Number - 431-2000

Serving the Police Department Business Lines, Fire Department Business Lines, Public Works and the Library

Function	Official/Location	Extension
Administration	Calvin A. Canney, City Manager, City Hall	201
Assessor	Michael Pagano, City Hall	212
City Attorney	David Connell, City Hall	203
City Auditor	A. David Arrington, City Hall	222
City Accountant	Kenneth King, City Hall	223
Auto Licenses	Margaret Sullivan, Tax Collector, City Hall	210
Building Inspector	Carl Sampson, Public Works	240
Clerk of Court	Robert Roth, District Court, Parrott Avenue	255
Community Development	Sam Cioffi, Director City Hall	220
Detective Division	Police Station, 28 Penhallow Street	351
Economic Development Director	Christopher Sheridan, City Hall	230
Electrical Inspector	Dale Burkhart, Public Works	240
Emergency Management	Steve Irving, Director 1 Church Street	258
Environmental Health Officer	Odyssius Athanasiou, 53 Market Street	238
Finance Director	Kenneth Dahl, City Hall	221
Fire Department	Paul Long, Chief, Fire Station	244
City Engineer	K. Michael Scarks, P.E., Public Works	240
Garbage Collection	Public Works	240
Housing Code Inspector	John Gratton, Public Works	240
Library	Sherman Pridham, director 8 Islington Street	252
Licenses, Permits, Records,		
Elections	Evelyn Hanscom, City Clerk, City Hall	207
Ordinances & Resolutions	Evelyn Hanscom, City Clerk, City Hall	207
Personnel Director	William Scott, Market Street	266
Planning Director	Norman Axler, City Hall	216
Plumbing Permits	George Browning, Public Works	240
Police Department	Stanton Remick, City Marshall, Police Station	248
Probation Department	District Court, Parrott Avenue	274
Public Works Director	Daniel Ayer, P.E., Public Works	240
Purchasing Agent	Robert Sombric, City Hall	228
Recreation Director	Joseph Fate, Community Center, JFK	264
Sewer Superintendent	Rance Collins, Public Works	240
Snow Plowing	Public Works	240
Tax Collection & Auto Permits	Margaret Sullivan, Tax Collector, City Hall	210
Water Superintendent	Rance Collins, Public Works	240
Welfare Department	William Scott, director Market Street	266
Zoning Enforcement	Dale Burkhart, Zoning Officer Public Works	240
Chamber of Commerce	David Chote, III, Director	436-1118
Harbor Master	Anthony Casso, New Castle	436-4996
Public Health	Kevin Looser, M.D.	431-5242
Hospital	Junkins Avenue	436-5110
Housing - Public	Housing Authority, Middle Street	436-4310
Municipal Judge	Thomas Flynn, 95 Court Street	436-5630
Public Health Nursing	District Nursing Association	436-0815
Red Cross	Red Cross Chapter	436-2600
Schools	Timothy Monahan, Superintendent	431-5080
School Nurse	Little Harbor School, Clough Drive	436-2601

City of Portsmouth, N.H.



