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Annual Report

FOR THE TOWN OF

WHITEFIELD

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Year Ending December 31
1996



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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE SELECTMEN OF
WHITEFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1996

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PLEASE BRING IT WITH YOU TO TOWN MEETING.

**TOWN VOTING AND TOWN MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE
AUDITORIUM OF THE C.D. MCINTYRE BUILDING.**

**BUSINESS MEETING, TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 1997
7:30 PM**

POLLS OPEN: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

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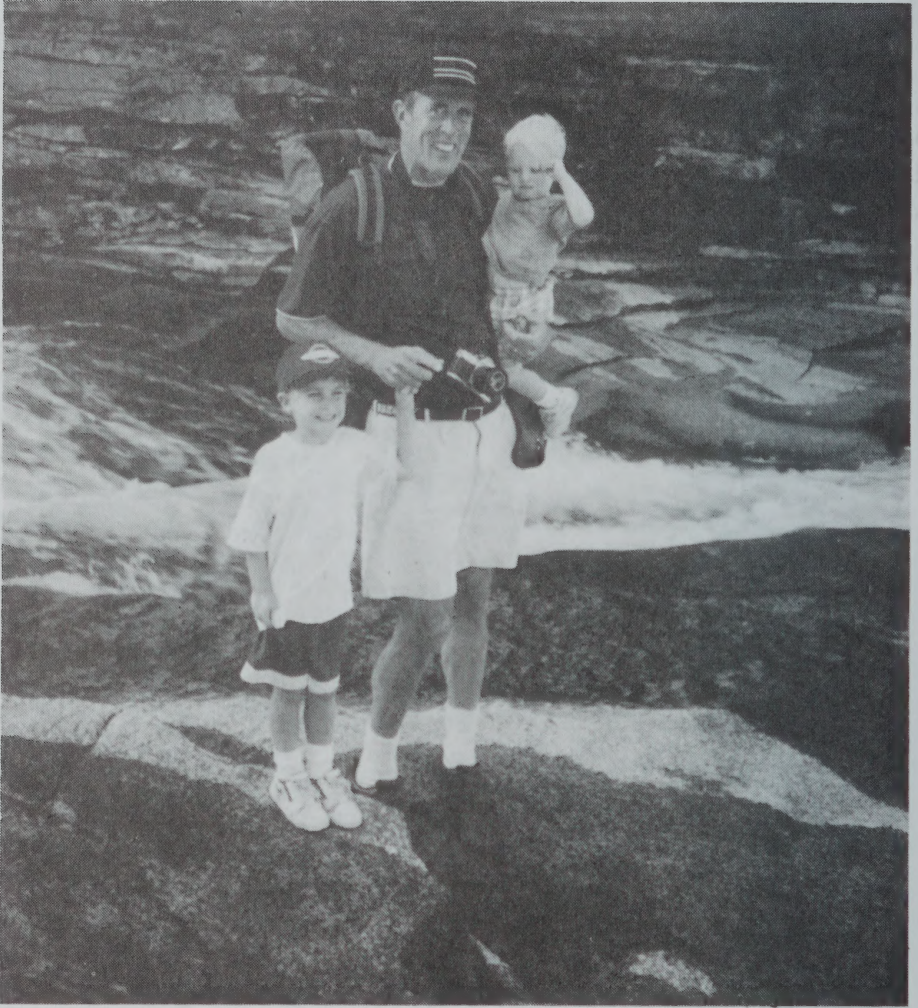
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The Town of Whitefield dedicates the 1996 Annual Report to Sam Chase, President of the Whitefield Economic Development Corporation. Sam volunteers many hours of his time and knowledge in promoting the economic development of Whitefield.

Sam, we thank you, and appreciate your hard work and dedication to the Town.

TOWN OFFICERS

		TERM EXPIRES
MODERATOR:	Kenneth Russell, Jr.	1998
TREASURER:	Linda Mai	1998
TOWN CLERK:	Jonna Robinson (Also Appointed Tax Collector)	1997
SELECTMEN:	Reginald Willey	1997
	Martha Hardiman	1998
	Alan McIntyre	1999
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST:		
	Colleen Malone	1997
	Gary Roy	1999
	Dawn Giroux	2001
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS:		
	Jean Bennion	1997
	Catherine Burns	1998
	Francis Matott	1999
LIBRARY TRUSTEES:		
	Kathleen Dunlap	1997
	Eileen Alexander	1998
	Frederick Vashaw	1998
	Sherrill Harris	1999
	Wendy Joseffy	1999
CEMETERY TRUSTEES:		
	Bernard Bean	1997
	Albert Morancie, Sr.	1998
	Joseph Elgosin	1999

Selectmen meet the second, fourth, and fifth Mondays at 5:30 pm at the Town Office.

PUBLIC WELFARE SUPERVISORS: Board of Selectmen

PLANNING BOARD:

Stanley Holz, Chairman, Larry Rexford, John Tholl, William Robinson, Raymond Belanger, and Alan McIntyre, Selectmen's Representative

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

Frank Mai, Robert Stiles, Virgil Hammon

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Joseph C. Ciccarelli, Chief
Stephen Cox, Patrolman
Paul Ingersoll, Jr., Patrolman
Jason Henry, Patrolman

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Raymond Belanger, Road Agent

SEWER DEPARTMENT: William Robinson

WATER DEPARTMENT: John Severance

Planning Board meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm at the Town Office.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Town Clerk/

Tax Collector M-F 9am-4pm 837-9871
Thursdays till 6pm

Selectmen's Office 837-2551

Police Department EMERGENCY NUMBER 911

Ambulance EMERGENCY NUMBER 911

Fire Department TO REPORT A FIRE 911

Police Department NON-EMERGENCY 837-9086

Fire Department NON-EMERGENCY 837-2655

Town Garage 837-2202

Sewer Treatment Plant 837-9571

Water Department 837-9237

Public Library Hrs: Mon 9am-Noon 837-2030

T&TH 2-8pm
Sat 10am-5pm

INVENTORY

Land	\$28,232,375
Buildings	51,137,800
Utilities	<u>10,593,800</u>
Total Valuation Before Exemptions	89,963,975
Less: Elderly Exemptions	<u>-1,460,000</u>
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed	88,503,975

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

Total Town Appropriations	1,498,929
Less: Revenues	-1,070,669
Less: Shared Revenues	-17,188
Add: Overlay	124,335
Add: War Service Credits	<u>17,400</u>
Net Town Appropriation	552,807

Due to Regional School	1,832,435
Less: Shared Revenues	<u>-34,705</u>
Net School Appropriation	1,797,730

Due to County	288,132
Less: Shared Revenues	<u>-3,020</u>
Net County Appropriation	285,112

Total Property Tax Commitment \$2,618,249

Tax Rate is Computed As Follows:

Property Taxes To Be Raised:	\$2,618,249	
	Divided By Valuation	= \$29.78
	88,503,975	

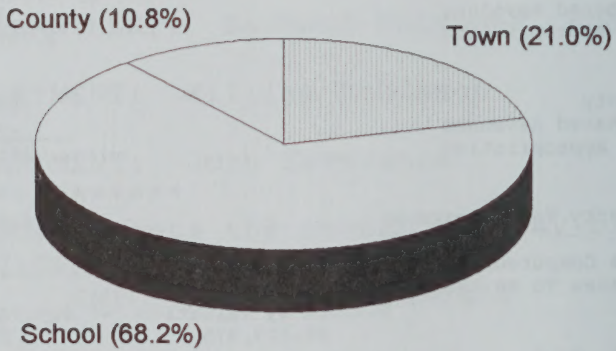
COMPARISON OF TAX RATE

	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	1990	1989
Town	6.25	8.03	8.18	6.77	14.12	9.22	9.64	6.90
County	3.22	3.14	3.15	3.48	6.94	5.67	6.29	6.64
School	<u>20.31</u>	<u>18.44</u>	<u>19.12</u>	<u>17.72</u>	<u>34.89</u>	<u>38.59</u>	<u>35.81</u>	<u>27.73</u>
	29.78	29.61	30.45	27.97	55.95	53.48	51.74	41.27

NOTE: TAX RATE IS DETERMINED BY THE N.H. DEPT. OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION BASED ON ESTIMATED REVENUES AND CREDITS AS OF OCTOBER 1ST.

TOWN OF WHITEFIELD 1996 TAX RATE

TOTAL TAX RATE - \$29.78 PER THOUSAND



TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1996 \$540,370.00

Plus 1996 Receipts:

Tax Collector	\$2,949,379
Town Clerk	192,639
Selectmen	<u>527,981</u>

\$3,669,999.00

\$4,210,369.00

Less:

By Paid Order Selectmen	-3,468,172.00
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Balance, December 31, 1996 742,197.00



Front Row (left to right): Dana Flumerfelt, Molly Harris, Katie Glidden, Melissa Clark, Caitlin Vecchio, Casey Dupont. Second Row: Olivia Whitcomb, Tracy Davis, Chelsea Vecchio, Sasha Whitcomb, Nichole Garneau, Jenna Munroe. Third Row: Erin Mc Nerney, Jill Munroe.

SEWER DEPARTMENT
12/31/96

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	1996 APPROP	1996 ACTUAL	1997 PROPOSED
Operator Wage	\$ 17,760	\$ 18,102	\$ 18,293
Asst Op Wage	1,000	800	1,000
Collector Wage	2,500	2,070	2,500
Labor	1,625	2,092	2,500
FICA/Medicare	1,800	1,735	1,800
W/C-U/C	1,400	1,181	1,400
Telephone	800	762	800
Electricity	20,000	20,672	16,000
Heat	---	103	---
Water Rents	550	619	550
Repairs/Supplies	10,000	9,290	10,000
Office Supplies	500	381	500
Fuel/Gas/Oil	500	12	500
Chemicals	500	309	250
Miscellaneous	1,200	1,609	1,200
Ref/Reim/Overpay	500	---	500
Equipment	---	---	2,000
Outside Labor	---	131	---
Aeration System	30,000	33,493	---
Submersible Pump	---	3,690	---
Rte 3 Sewer Line	---	---	15,000
	<u>\$90,635</u>	<u>\$97,051</u>	<u>\$74,793</u>

INCOME

Sewer Usage	\$56,000	\$66,790	\$55,250
Sewer Hook-up	500	500	500
Reimb. Uncollect	3,635	3,038	3,543
Int. Income	500	421	500
Invest Acct	30,000	30,000	---
	<u>---</u>	<u>---</u>	<u>15,000</u>
	<u>\$90,635</u>	<u>\$100,749</u>	<u>\$74,793</u>

SEWER DEPARTMENT
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash on hand 1/1/96 \$ 17,257.51

INCOME:

Sewer Usage Fees	\$	66,790.14	
Sewer Hook-up		500.00	
Reimburse Uncollect		3,038.46	
Interest Income		420.89	
Invest. Acct.		<u>30,000.00</u>	
			\$ 100,749.49

EXPENSES:

Operator Wages	\$	18,101.62	
Asst. Op. Wages		800.00	
Collector Wages		2,070.39	
Labor		2,092.20	
FICA/Medicare		1,734.73	
W/C-U/C		1,180.46	
Telephone		761.87	
Electricity		20,671.93	
Heat		103.21	
Water Rents		618.75	
Repairs/Supplies		9,289.59	
Office Supplies		380.62	
Fuel/Gas/Oil		12.43	
Chemicals		308.58	
Miscellaneous		1,609.40	
Ref/Reimb/Overpay		---	
Equipment		---	
Outside Labor		131.10	
Aeration System		33,492.66	
Submersible Pump		<u>3,689.94</u>	
			\$ 97,049.48

Cash on hand 12/31/96 \$ 20,957.52

WATER DEPARTMENT
12/31/96

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	1996 APPROP	1996 ACTUAL	1997 PROPOSED
Superintendent	\$ 24,000	\$ 23,887	\$ 26,000
Collector	2,825	2,289	2,825
Labor	12,000	8,126	12,000
FICA/Medicare	3,000	2,624	3,000
W/C-U/C	2,050	2,316	2,050
Telephone	3,600	3,665	3,700
Equipment Hire	2,000	605	2,000
Outside Labor	2,000	1,938	2,000
Electricity	35,000	29,540	35,000
Heat	1,000	887	1,000
Repairs/Supplies	11,000	12,462	22,000
Office Supplies	1,000	758	1,000
Gas/Oil/Tires	1,000	1,333	1,400
Mile/Travel/Meals	1,000	606	1,000
Ref/Reimb/Overpay	700	3,228	700
Taxes	3,500	2,528	3,500
Water Testing	3,000	971	3,000
Corrosion Control	4,000	3,844	4,000
Water Main	11,000	7,853	---
Miscellaneous	1,000	1,460	1,000
Truck	8,000	600	8,000
Computer	2,000	2,128	1,000
Trench Box	1,500	1,505	---
Rte #3 Sewer Line	<u>---</u>	<u>---</u>	<u>15,000</u>
	\$136,175	\$115,153	\$151,175

INCOME

Water Rents	\$128,755	\$141,337	\$125,675
Job Works	2,000	5,233	4,000
Reimbursements	5,000	11,246	8,000
Int Income	420	646	500
Stumpage	---	---	12,000
Hook-ups	<u>---</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	\$136,175	\$159,462	\$151,175

WATER DEPARTMENT
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash on hand 1/1/96 \$ 32,882.71

INCOME:

Water Rents	\$ 141,336.80	
Job Works	5,233.26	
Reimbursements	11,246.44	
Int Income	645.67	
Hook-ups	<u>1,000.00</u>	
		\$ 159,462.17

EXPENSES:

Superintendent	\$ 23,886.75	
Collector Wage	2,289.27	
Labor	8,126.26	
FICA/Medicare	2,624.13	
W/C,U/C	2,315.96	
Telephone	3,665.31	
Equipment Hire	605.00	
Outside labor	1,938.05	
Electricity	29,539.86	
Heat	886.64	
Repairs/Supplies	12,460.54	
Office Supplies	757.96	
Gas/Oil/Tires	1,333.37	
Mile/Travel/Meals	605.85	
Ref/Reimb/Overpay	3,228.37	
Taxes	2,528.18	
Water Testing	971.00	
Corrosion Control	3,843.75	
Water Main Replace	7,852.66	
Miscellaneous	1,460.35	
Truck	600.00	
Computer	2,127.99	
Trench Box	<u>1,505.34</u>	
		\$ 115,152.59

Cash on hand 12/31/96 \$ 77,192.29

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996**

CREDITS

REMITTANCES TO TREASURER:

	1996	1995	1993 & PRIOR
Property Taxes	\$2,282,428.26	\$ 308,326.49	\$
Land Use Change	3,950.00	500.00	
Yield Taxes	28,275.19	50,021.34	
Utilities	197,916.05	20,904.81	775.98
Interest	4,369.85	26,465.95	463.64

ABATEMENTS MADE:

Property Taxes	141,255.40	138,516.57
Utilities	5,003.48	158.84
Current Levy Deeded	1,179.71	

UNCOLLECTED TAXES END OF YEAR:

Property Taxes	341,874.09	
Yield Taxes	4,254.99	
Utilities	31,251.56	20.77

TOTAL CREDITS	\$3,041,758.58	\$544,894.00	\$1,260.39
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Mary Fairweather.

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES:

	1996	1995	1993 & PRIOR
Property Taxes		\$446,678.76	
Land Use Change		500.00	
Yield Taxes		50,021.34	
Utilities		21,063.65	796.75

TAXES COMMITTED:

Property Taxes	\$2,766,403.38		
Land Use Change	3,950.00		
Yield Taxes	32,530.18		
Utilities	234,130.43		

OVERPAYMENTS:

Property Taxes	334.08		
Utilities	40.66	164.30	

INTEREST COLLECTED ON
DELINQUENT TAXES

	4,369.85	26,465.95	463.64
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$3,041,758.58	\$544,894.00	\$1,260.39
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SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

DEBITS	1995	1994	1993 & PRIOR
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes/Beg. of F.Y.	\$ 23,474.44	\$130,519.49	\$ 62,124.17
Liens Executed During F.Y.	233,672.26		
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	2,940.41	14,982.15	19,342.60
Costs	2,088.00	1,334.00	1,010.00

TOTAL DEBITS	\$262,175.11	\$146,835.64	\$ 82,476.77
CREDITS			
Remittances to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	\$ 79,734.61	\$ 66,725.07	\$ 61,045.85
Int.&Costs After Lien Execution	2,940.41	14,982.15	19,342.60
Costs	822.00	805.00	975.50
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	79.00	23.00	34.50
Liens Deed to Town	1,179.71	1,196.79	1,078.32
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	177,419.38	63,103.63	

TOTAL CREDITS	\$262,175.11	\$146,835.64	\$ 82,476.77

TOWN CLERK

DEBITS:

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued		\$181,661.00
Dog Licenses Issued:		
Town of Whitefield	\$2,254.50	
State of NH (Fees)	\$ 751.00	3,005.50
Filing Fees		8.00
Fees		6,525.13
Marriage Licenses & V.S. State Fees		1,439.00
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		\$192,638.63

CREDITS:

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Motor Vehicle Permits		\$181,661.00
Dog Licenses		3,005.50
Filing Fees		8.00
Fees		6,525.13
Marriage Licenses & V.S. State Fees		1,439.00
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		\$192,638.63

FEES - 1996

Permits	2431	\$181,661.00
Marriages	17	810.00
Dogs	405	2,580.50
UCC	77	1,296.13
Filing Fees	6	8.00
MVSF	1965	3,930.00
VS	200	1,378.00
TF	399	538.00
Misc.	1	12.00
Dogs Civil Forf.	17	425.00
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		\$192,638.63

RECEIPTS

<u>Town Clerk</u>	
Motor Vehicle Fees	\$181,661.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees (Dog/Marriage/V.S./Filings)	<u>10,978.00</u>
	192,639.00

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Shared Revenue	72,439.00
Highway Block Grant	45,787.00
State Sewer Bond Reimbursement	71,454.00
Railroad Tax Credit	3,504.00
Rooms & Meals Tax	<u>15,588.00</u>
	208,772.00

INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS

Police Department	9,078.00
Ambulance	9,784.00
Town Officer's Income	395.00
Highway Department	563.00
Fire Department	706.00
Planning Board	726.00
Transfer Station:	
Sale of Recyclables	4,507.00
Fees	5,770.00
Recreation Department	<u>735.00</u>
	32,264.00

OTHER RECEIPTS & REIMBURSEMENTS

Unemployment	1,640.00
Worker's Compensation	32,881.00
Property/Liability	<u>5,060.00</u>
	\$39,581.00

RECEIPTS - CONTINUED

OTHER:

Tax Collector	\$2,949,379.00
Interest on Deposits	17,136.00
Sale of Town Property:	
Grader	1,000.00
Steamer	50.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes:	
Highland House	22,000.00
Whitefield Power & Light	200,000.00
Weeks Hospital	1,247.00
Rental of Town Property	20.00
Postage Reimbursement	580.00
Gas Tax Refund	1,497.00
Miscellaneous	1,838.00
Welfare Reimbursements	1,996.00
	\$3,196,743.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS **\$3,669,999.00**



Julie Howe.

DISBURSEMENTS

General Government	\$292,274.00
Public Safety - Police	121,776.00
Public Safety - Fire	32,219.00
Public Safety - Ambulance	22,065.00
Hepatitis B Vaccine	204.00
Civil Defense	100.00
Safety Supplies/Training	902.00
Rabies Immunization	1,200.00
Highways/Streets/Bridges	265,194.00
Street Lights	18,048.00
Transfer Station	72,073.00
Sewer	3,455.00
Health & Welfare	9,627.00
Culture & Recreation	13,636.00
Economic Development	3,966.00
Principal/Long Term Notes	76,501.00
Interest/Long Term Notes	72,420.00
Special Revenue Funds:	
--Library	21,000.00
--Airport	5,200.00
--Cemetery	15,168.00
--Band Concerts	3,800.00
Capital Reserve	48,000.00
Warrant Articles	91,971.00
Tax Lien - Offset by Receipts	233,672.00
Refunds	30,865.00
School District Assessment	1,724,704.00
Coos County Assessment	288,132.00
Miscellaneous	2,236.00

TOTAL GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS \$3,470,408.00

PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENSES

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Selectmen's Salaries:

Reginald Willey, Chairman	\$ 1,000.00
Martha Hardiman	1,000.00
Alan McIntyre	1,000.00
Telephone	1,584.00
Tax Map Update	850.00
Registry of Deeds	588.00
Training	695.00
Service Contracts	1,612.00
Advertising & Public Notices	1,005.00
Dues & Subscriptions	297.00
Office Supplies	1,950.00
Postage	3,295.00
Rentals & Repairs	728.00
Books & Forms	1,042.00
Mileage/Travel/Misc.	1,116.00
Equipment	3,433.00
Salaries/Selectmen's Office:	
Judith Ramsdell	23,452.00
Kathy Dunlap	4,101.00
Moderator	233.00
Sound System Rental	200.00
Town Report	1,275.00

50,456.00

Less Reimbursements

-311.00

Net Expenditure

50,145.00

Appropriation

51,437.00

Balance of Appropriation

\$ 1,292.00

ELECTION, REGISTRATION & VITAL STATISTICS

Jonna Robinson, Town Clerk	\$11,842.00
Kathy Dunlap, Deputy Town Clerk	5,370.00
Audit	4,849.00
Dog Tags & Licenses	53.00
Supervisor's Salaries	743.00
Advertising & Public Notices	242.00
Printing & Supplies	442.00
Ballot Clerks	1,278.00
Postage	6.00
Meals	551.00
	<u>25,376.00</u>
Less Reimbursements	<u>-8,846.00</u>
Net Expenditure	16,530.00
Appropriation	<u>25,836.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	9,306.00

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Assessing	10,082.00
Jonna Robinson, Tax Collector	11,842.00
Kathy Dunlap, Deputy Tax Collector	4,341.00
Tax Bills	451.00
Treasurer's Salary (Linda Mai)	500.00
Inf. Sys. Data Proc. (Bus. Mgmt.)	<u>2,355.00</u>
	29,571.00
Appropriation	<u>31,379.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	1,808.00

JUDICIAL/LEGAL/CONSULTING

Defense Proceedings	6,783.00
Other Legal/Consulting Expenses	2,359.00
Consultant Forester	<u>450.00</u>
	9,592.00
Appropriation	<u>18,500.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	\$8,908.00

PLANNING & ZONING

Registry of Deeds	\$ 150.00
Clerical	332.00
Advertising & Public Notices	251.00
Postage	212.00
Ordinance Preparation	<u>855.00</u>
	1,800.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-726.00</u>
Net Expenditure	1,074.00
Appropriation	<u>2,750.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	1,676.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

Town Hall/Cleaning Labor	1,449.00
Town Hall/Electricity	2,254.00
Town Hall/Fuel	1,886.00
Water/Town Buildings	954.00
Sewer/Town Buildings	344.00
Town Hall/Mnt. & Repairs	1,549.00
Town Hall/Eqpt. & Supplies	2,350.00
Fire Station/Cleaning Labor	667.00
Fire Station/Mnt. & Repairs	5,082.00
Fire Station/Electricity	1,621.00
Fire Station/Fuel	3,237.00
Highway Garage/Mnt. & Repairs	718.00
Highway Garage/Electricity	1,217.00
Highway Garage/Fuel	1,872.00
Library/Mnt. & Repairs	<u>41.00</u>
	25,241.00
Appropriation	<u>29,040.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	\$3,799.00

INSURANCE

Property/Liability

Geo. M. Stevens	\$ 100.00
NHMA-PLIT, Inc.	<u>30,897.00</u>
	30,997.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-5,060.00</u>
Net Expenditure	25,937.00
Appropriation	<u>32,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	6,063.00

Health Insurance

NHMA Health Trust	55,115.00
Appropriation	<u>57,500.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	2,385.00

Life/Disability Insurance

NHMA Health Trust	1,499.00
Appropriation	<u>1,600.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	101.00

Wellness Stipend

	1,000.00
Appropriation	<u>1,625.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	625.00

FICA

	15,263.00
Appropriation	<u>18,500.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	3,237.00

Medicare

	5,180.00
Appropriation	<u>6,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	820.00

Police Retirement/NH Rtmt. Sys.

	2,909.00
Appropriation	<u>4,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	1,091.00

Employee Retirement/NH Rtmt. Sys.

	7,317.00
Appropriation	<u>7,000.00</u>
Overdraft	\$-317.00

TOWN OF WHITEFIELD

Warrant

Budget

Revenues



Front Row (left to right: James Sherwood, Jr., Adam Rodger, Doug Willey. Second Row: Dennis Willey, Ben Vendt.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Whitefield in the County of Coos and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs. You are hereby notified to meet in the auditorium of the C.D. McIntyre Building on Highland Street in said town on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at half past seven o'clock in the evening to act on the following subjects. The polls shall be open for voting at ten o'clock in the forenoon and shall not close before six o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles by written ballot: Articles 1 and 2.

1. To choose One Town Clerk for three years, one Selectman for Three years, one Supervisor of the Checklist for six years, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, one Cemetery Trustee for three years, and all other necessary Town Officers.

2. Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Whitefield, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows:

For a person 65 up to 75 years of age: \$10,000

For a person 75 up to 80 years of age: \$20,000

For a person 80 years of age or older: \$40,000

Note: These amounts are deducted from the property valuation before computing taxes.

To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$18,400, or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$26,400; and

own net assets not in excess of \$50,000. The Selectmen recommend this article.

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 for a fuel farm at the Mt. Washington Regional Airport and installation of a beacon light, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$60,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (2/3 ballot vote required.)

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment and implementation of a mandatory Pay-By-Bag System with the revenue generated to be used to off-set the cost of solid waste disposal and reduce the tax rate accordingly.

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

6. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for:

a. General Government

- 1) Executive Office
- 2) Election & Registration

- 3) Assessing Services
- 4) Tax Collection
- 5) Treasurer
- 6) Data Processing Support
- 7) Ambulance Billing Software
- 8) Judicial & Legal
- 9) Planning & Zoning
- 10) General Government Buildings
- 11) Insurance
 - a) Property/Liability
 - b) Health Insurance
 - c) Life/Disability
 - d) SS/FICA
 - e) Medicare
 - f) Police Retirement
 - g) Retirement Program
 - h) Unemployment
 - i) Worker's Compensation
 - j) Wellness Stipend
- 12) Other General Government
 - a) North Country Council
 - b) Community Action Program
 - c) Information Booth
 - d) NHMA Dues

b. Public Safety

- 1) Police Department
- 2) Ambulance
- 3) Fire Department
- 4) Civil Defense
- 5) Hepatitis B Vaccine
- 6) Safety Supplies/Training

c. Highways, Streets, Bridges and Sanitation

- 1) Highway/Streets/Bridges
- 2) Street Lights
- 3) Transfer Station
- 4) Sewer Maintenance & Repair

- d. Health & Welfare
 - 1) Health Officer
 - 2) Vet Service
 - 3) Welfare/Direct Assistance

- e. Culture & Recreation
 - 1) Recreation
 - 2) Parks & Playgrounds Mnt./Rep.
 - 3) Memorial Day

- f. Economic Development
 - 1) Administration

- g. Principal Long Term Notes
 - 1) Industrial Park Bond
 - 2) State Sewer Bond
 - 3) FmHA Water Bond
 - 4) Transfer Station Bond

- h. Interest Long Term Notes
 - 1) Industrial Park Bond
 - 2) State Sewer Bond
 - 3) FmHA Water Bond
 - 4) Transfer Station Bond

- i. Tax Anticipation Notes
 - 1) Interest

- j. Special Revenue Funds
 - 1) Library
 - 2) Band Concerts
 - 3) Cemetery
 - 4) Airport
 - 5) Airport Insurance
 - 6) Airport Regionalization

- k. Municipal Water Department
 - 1) Operation & Maintenance Expenses

1. Municipal Sewer Department

1) Operation & Maintenance Expenses

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a payment of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Ambulance Capital Reserve account previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a payment of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve account previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a payment of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Geographic Information System (G.I.S.) Equipment Capital Reserve account previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a payment of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve account previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-two Thousand Dollars (\$32,000) to purchase a new Fire Rescue Vehicle and authorize the withdrawal of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) plus interest from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance to come from general taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) for the Town's share of the Mt. Carberry Landfill Closure costs and authorize the withdrawal of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) for a road paving program of town roads. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the Expendable General Trust Fund known as the Water Department Repair and Replacement Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Ten Dollars and 27/100 (\$7,210.27) for the Weeks Home Health Center. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (By Petition)

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-Two Dollars and 00/100 (\$2,862.00) as Whitefield's contribution to the White Mountain Mental Health & Developmental Services, a non-profit mental health and developmental service center. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (By Petition)

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) in support of the Caleb Group Community Services Partnership. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (By Petition)

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000) in support of the Tri-County Cap/North Country Elderly Programs for town funding in the amounts of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000) for senior meals and One Thousand Dollars (\$1000) for transportation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (By Petition)

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500) in support of Littleton Regional Hospital to help defray the hospital costs associated with providing free hospital services to the citizens of the Town of Whitefield. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (By Petition)

20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$3,600) to assist or fund in whole or part, the Whitefield Historical Society. The funds are to supplement the Society's quarters, which are rented at the present time, and their various programs, which are directly related to Whitefield. The Society's quarters, located on the lower level of the Fleet Bank on King Square in Whitefield, are for the use of all citizens of Whitefield. The museum/library has regular hours every Thursday throughout the year. The quarters are also open by special appointment at other times. The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation. (By Petition)

Unemployment/Comp. Funds	\$ 1,935.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-1,640.00</u>
	295.00
Appropriation	<u>2,500.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	2,205.00
NHMA Dues	649.00
Appropriation	<u>650.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	1.00
Worker's Comp/Comp. Funds of NH	20,817.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-32,881.00</u>
Net Expenditures	-12,064.00
Appropriation	<u>27,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	39,064.00
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
Airport Insurance	2,425.00
Appropriation	<u>2,668.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	243.00
North Country Council	1,641.00
Appropriation	<u>1,641.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00
Community Action Program	1,550.00
Appropriation	<u>1,550.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00
Information Booth	1,940.00
Appropriation	<u>2,250.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	\$ 310.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

POLICE DEPARTMENT	
Salaries	\$108,127.00
Telephone	2,757.00
Film/Developing	39.00
Dues/Subscriptions	225.00
Office Supplies	530.00
Postage	134.00
Repairs/Supplies/Equipment	1,170.00
Gasoline	3,147.00
Cruiser Maintenance	1,135.00
Firearms & Ammunition	655.00
Mileage & Meals	1,237.00
Uniforms	1,412.00
Equipment	278.00
Training/Seminars	100.00
Books & Periodicals	<u>830.00</u>
	121,776.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-9,078.00</u>
	112,698.00
Appropriation	<u>127,621.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	14,923.00
AMBULANCE	
Payroll	8,846.00
Training	2,867.00
Phone	1,037.00
Gasoline	905.00
Equipment	3,348.00
Supplies	3,149.00
Maintenance	<u>1,913.00</u>
	22,065.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-9,784.00</u>
Net Expenditures	12,281.00
Appropriation	<u>22,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	\$9,719.00

CIVIL DEFENSE	
Appropriation	\$ 100.00
Expenditure	<u>100.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00

SAFETY SUPPLIES/TRAINING	
Appropriation	1,000.00
Expenditure	<u>902.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	98.00

RABIES IMMUNIZATION	
Appropriation	1,200.00
Expenditure	<u>1,200.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00

HEPATITIS B VACCINE	
Appropriation	500.00
Expenditure	<u>204.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	296.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT	
Salaries: Warden & Asst. Wardens	400.00
Fire Chief	1,000.00
Clerk	100.00
Firemen's Salaries	15,112.00
Telephone	1,067.00
Dues & Subscriptions	377.00
Supplies	3,167.00
Repairs & Maintenance	1,909.00
Gas & Oil	1,390.00
Equipment	5,937.00
Training	1,666.00
Employee Physicals	<u>94.00</u>
	32,219.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-706.00</u>
Net Expenditures	31,513.00
Appropriations	<u>24,300.00</u>
Overdraft	-7,213.00

HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES & SANITATION

HIGHWAYS/STREETS/BRIDGES

Highway Salaries	\$109,758.00
Training	175.00
Physicals & Drug Testing	416.00
Telephone	631.00
Contract Services	30.00
Shop Supplies	3,362.00
Gas & Grader Fuel	10,188.00
Lubricants/Motor Oil	1,243.00
Vehicle Repairs/Mnt.	22,115.00
Chloride	3,216.00
Street Signs	3,503.00
Oxygen/Acetylene	178.00
Asphalt/Hot Mix/Cold Patch	27,356.00
Mileage/Travel/Meals	187.00
Uniforms	3,482.00
Culverts	478.00
Sidewalk Mnt. & Repairs	3,673.00
Salt	15,758.00
Sand & Gravel	43,957.00
Roadside Mowing	975.00
Capital Equipment	7,161.00
Water St. Bridge Repairs	<u>7,352.00</u>
	265,194.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>563.00</u>
Net Expenditures	264,631.00
Appropriation	<u>268,246.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	3,615.00

STREET LIGHTS

Expenditures	18,048.00
Appropriation	<u>19,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	\$ 952.00

TRANSFER STATION	
Transfer Station Salaries	\$15,870.00
Contract Services	1,880.00
Supplies	920.00
Diesel Fuel & Oil	345.00
Mnt. & Repairs	2,610.00
Tipping Fees	17,655.00
Testing Fees	3,633.00
Phone	372.00
Electricity	1,884.00
Propane	78.00
Transportation	10,764.00
Hazardous Waste Collection	1,984.00
Paving	6,596.00
Engineering	<u>7,482.00</u>
	72,073.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-10,277.00</u>
Net Expenditure	61,796.00
Appropriation	<u>83,109.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	21,313.00

SEWER MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS	
Sewer Mnt. Labor	690.00
Repairs & Supplies	<u>2,765.00</u>
	3,455.00
Appropriation	<u>4,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	545.00

HEALTH & WELFARE

HEALTH OFFICER	
J. F. Ciccarelli	1,000.00
Appropriation	<u>1,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	\$ 0.00

PUBLIC WELFARE	
Expenditures	\$ 8,247.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-1,996.00</u>
Net Expenditure	6,251.00
Appropriation	<u>13,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	6,749.00

VET SERVICE	
Expenditures	380.00
Appropriation	<u>500.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	120.00

CULTURE & RECREATION

MEMORIAL DAY	
Ingerson-Smith Post	500.00
Appropriation	<u>500.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00

PARKS & RECREATION	
Recreation Payroll	5,546.00
Rec. Eqpt./Supplies	893.00
Bus/Mileage Expenses	2,080.00
Electricity Common/Rink	1,795.00
P&P Repair Mnt. & Supplies	2,022.00
Pool Rental	<u>800.00</u>
	13,136.00
Appropriation	<u>12,400.00</u>
Overdraft	-736.00

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development	3,966.00
Appropriation	<u>7,250.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	\$3,284.00

DEBT SERVICE

PRINCIPAL - LONG TERM NOTES

Ct. Nat. Bank-Sewer Bond	\$40,000.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-40,000.00</u>
Net Expenditure	0.00
Appropriation	<u>40,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	40,000.00

Farmers Home Administration/ Industrial Park Bond	3,364.00
Appropriation	<u>6,326.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	2,962.00

Farmers Home Administration/ Water Bond	18,137.00
Appropriation	<u>12,262.00</u>
Overdraft	-5,875.00

Connecticut National Bank/ Transfer Station Bond	15,000.00
Appropriation	<u>15,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00

INTEREST/LONG TERM NOTES

Connecticut National Bank/ Sewer Bond	30,710.00
Less Reimbursements	<u>-31,454.00</u>
Net Expenditure	-744.00
Appropriation	<u>32,227.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	32,971.00

Farmers Home Admin./ Industrial Park Bond	2,014.00
Appropriation	<u>4,430.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	\$ 2,416.00

Farmers Home Administration/ Water Bond	\$37,311.00
Appropriation	<u>37,808.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	497.00

Connecticut National Bank/ Transfer Station	2,385.00
Appropriation	<u>2,385.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00

INTEREST/TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

Tax Anticipation Notes	0.00
Appropriation	<u>15,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	15,000.00

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Ambulance	15,000.00
Mt. Carberry Landfill Closure	1,000.00
Fire Truck	10,000.00
Highway Eqpt. Replacement	10,000.00
G.I.S.	5,000.00
Police Cruiser	<u>7,000.00</u>
	48,000.00
Appropriation	<u>48,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Library	21,000.00
Appropriation	<u>21,000.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00
Band Concerts	3,800.00
Appropriation	<u>3,600.00</u>
Overdraft	-200.00

CEMETERY

Expansion	2,263.00
Flowers	50.00
Advertising	37.00
Repairs/Supplies/Mnt.	631.00
PSNH	81.00
Payroll	11,522.00
Mower	354.00
Gas	191.00
Deed Printing	<u>39.00</u>
	15,168.00
Appropriation	<u>15,000.00</u>
Overdraft	-168.00

Mt. Washington Regional Airport	5,200.00
Appropriation	<u>5,200.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	0.00

WARRANT ARTICLES

Ambulance Safety Gear - Article#11	11,242.00
Road Paving Program - Article #10	50,000.00
Airport Oil Tank Removal*-Article#12	0.00
White Mt. Mental Health-Article#15	2,862.00
Expendable Trust/Water Dept-Art.#13	10,000.00
Weeks Home Health-Article #14	6,867.00
North Country Elderly-Article #17	3,000.00
Caleb Group-Article #16	3,000.00
Littleton Regional Hospital-Art.#18	<u>5,000.00</u>
	91,971.00
Appropriation	<u>102,729.00</u>
Balance of Appropriation	\$ 10,758.00

*Encumbered - 1997

SALARIES

TOWN OFFICE

Judith Ramsdell, Admin. Asst.	\$23,451.94
Jonna Robinson, Town Clerk/Tax Collector	23,683.55
Kathleen Dunlap, Deputy Town Clerk/ Tax Collector, Water & Sewer Coll.	<u>18,172.18</u>
	\$65,307.67

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Adrianna Champney, Director	\$ 1,575.00
Jacqueline Scott	475.00
Kevin Hoverman	770.70
Clark Lombardi	731.26
Elsbeth Richardson	648.12
David Rode	662.50
Kiera Russell	<u>683.19</u>
	\$ 5,545.77

INFORMATION BOOTH

Erica Joseffy	\$ 726.75
Elsbeth Richardson	473.88
Kelly Smith	<u>737.38</u>
	\$ 1,938.01

HEALTH OFFICER

Joseph Ciccarelli	\$ 1,000.00
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SEWER DEPARTMENT

William Robinson, Superintendent	\$18,101.62
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WATER DEPARTMENT

John Severance, Superintendent	\$23,886.75
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SALARIES - CONTINUED

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Joseph, Ciccarelli, Chief	\$30,217.18
Stephen Cox, Patrolman	24,012.77
Jason Henry, Patrolman	19,590.67
Paul Ingersoll, Jr., Patrolman	24,777.67
Donna Pallaria, Clerk/Special	7,236.44

SPECIALS

Paul Ingersoll, Sr.	1,240.00
Todd Jordan	864.75
Robert Roesch	60.00
Wilford Tompkins	127.50
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	108,126.98

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Raymond Belanger	31,153.56
Steve Gouveia	1,604.00
Chester Hall, Jr.	18,406.42
Corey Hall	18,438.34
Gregory Hatfield	22,607.88
Philip Morris	26,461.39
Peggy Cormier	1,344.00
Cathleen Dalton	273.01
William Desjardins	1,029.00
Gary George	5,091.38
Chris Gray	3,786.67
James Gunnip	4,142.38
Patricia Howland	4,553.63
Curt Huntoon	1,165.00
Thomas Lally	1,845.00
Roger Maykut	1,907.50
Sean Monahan	63.00
Nicholas Pilotte	1,197.00
Marcia Placey	1,548.00
Scott Weeks	351.75
Beverly Whelan	335.25
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	\$147,304.16

Public Works Department Allocation:

Highway Department	\$109,757.71
Cemetery	10,767.52
Landfill	15,869.97
Treatment Plant	2,092.20
Sewer Dept.	690.50
Water Dept.	<u>8,126.26</u>
	\$147,304.16



Jason Caron directing the weekly band concerts.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
For Year Ending December 31, 1996

Purpose	-----PRINCIPAL-----				-----INCOME-----			
	Balance Beg. Yr.	Funds Created	With-Drawals	Balance End. Yr.	Balance Beg. Yr.	Income Dur. Yr.	Amount Expended	Balance End Yr.
COMMON TRUST FUNDS:								
Cemetery Funds:								
Pine Street	39,479			39,479	14,159	2,734		16,893
Park Street	29,889	2,850		32,739	1,516	1,578	1,624	1,470
Walker-Gove/Lib.	1,500			1,500	495	101		596
E.H.Jordan/Lib.	500			500	165	34		199
M.Hamilton/Lib.	2,000			2,000	291	117		408
Weeks Family/Cem.Lot Mt.	5,000			5,000	1,305	320	39	1,586
Whitefield Police								
Scholarship	1,688	260		1,948	198	102		300
Whitefield Cem. Assoc.								
A.B. White Post	833			833	61	43		104
	100			100	467	15		482
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:								
Sewer Dept./Mt. Eqpt. Rplcmt.	110,000		15,402	94,598	12,061	5,598	14,598	3,061
Fire Rescue Vehicle	10,000	10,000		20,000	803	552		1,355
Revaluation	21,900			21,900	2,122	1,224		3,346
Landfill Closure	3,318			3,318	317	185		502
Police Cruiser	0	7,000		7,000	0	1		1
Ambulance	30,000	15,000		45,000	1,545	1,610		3,155
Water Dept. R&R	12,172	10,000		22,172	961	671		1,632
Highway Grader	3,295			3,295	2	168		170
Mt. Carberry Closure	2,000	1,000		3,000	58	105		163
Highway Eqpt. Rplcmt.	0	10,000		10,000	0	2		2
G.I.S.	0	5,000		5,000	0	1		1

DOG LICENSING REMINDER

REQUIREMENTS

Each dog over three months old must be registered by its owner or keeper prior to April 30th each year. The Town Clerk shall provide to the registrant a tag which shall be worn by the registered dog. The tag shall carry the name of the town, the year issued for the license, and the registered number of the dog. These tags shall be furnished by the Town Clerk at the expense of the City or Town. No license shall be issued by the Town Clerk until a certificate of rabies is produced by the person registering the dog.

FEEES

- 1) For each altered dog, the fee will be \$6.50 (beginning in 1994)
- 2) The fee for each regular dog will be \$9.00 (beginning in 1994)
- 3) The Town Clerk must be satisfied with the certificate presented by the person registering the dog which attests that the dog has been altered.

EXEMPTIONS

- 1) For dog owners 65 or over, the fee shall be \$2 for the first dog, but the regular fees shall apply to any additional dog.
- 2) No fee shall be required for the registration and licensing of a seeing eye dog used by a blind person, or a hearing dog used by a deaf person.

GROUP LICENSES

- 1) Any person who keeps five or more dogs shall by April 30th each year pay the required fee and obtain a license authorizing him or her to keep the dogs on the premises described in the license. The Town Clerk may not deny a group license to any person who complies with the requirement.
- 2) Group License Fees are \$20 for five or more dogs.

There will be a rabies clinic on Saturday, March 22, 1997 at the Whitefield Fire Department from 10:00 am to 11:30 am.



Holly Ingerson and Tyler Ramsdell.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

This year the town meeting and day-long voting will be held in the auditorium of the newly renovated C.D. McIntyre building. The date of Town Meeting is Tuesday, March 11 at 7:30 pm with the polls open for voting from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

Completion of the McIntyre elderly apartments, Littleton Hospital Clinic, and Dartmouth Hitchcock Regional Dialysis Center is imminent. These facilities should be of substantial benefit to the Town in the years to come.

Roger Martin of Sam's Supermarket is looking to expand his store in the near future. In order to accomplish his endeavor, he needs more room. We have an article on the town warrant to give up a portion of North Street to assist him in his expansion efforts.

Efforts this past year were focused on a true regionalization of the airport. We are receiving a lot of positive enthusiasm from the area towns and hope to have the airport fully regionalized by the end of the year. We ask the voters support for a loan to fund a fully-automated fuel farm for the airport. This would generate more usage of the airport as well as increased revenues from the fuel sales.

The expansion of the Park Street Cemetery was completed this past year. Special thanks to John Severance for all his work and expertise on this project.

We would like to welcome two new businesses to Town, the Ross Funeral Home and a consignment

shop operated by Paula Dupont in the Laundromat building. We would also like to welcome Chet & Shaun Thomas and their family. They purchased the Woodburn Funeral home this past year.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and gratitude to the volunteers who give unselfishly of their time and energy to the Town's boards, committees, and departments. We also give special thanks to the employees, and most importantly, the citizens who have contributed so much to the operation of the Town during the past year.

Board of Selectmen
Martha Hardiman
Alan McIntyre
Reginald Willey



Front Row (left to right): Cassie Thomas, James Thomas, Kayla Thomas.
Second Row: Alicia Woodburn, Shaun Thomas, Chet Thomas.

WHITEFIELD AMBULANCE SERVICE

The Whitefield Ambulance would like to thank the towns people for their support this past year. We have purchased Personal Safety Equipment for each active licensed member of the squad. The support we have received from individual donations has allowed us to target a purchase of a second defibrillation unit in 1997. This piece of lifesaving equipment, with a cost of approximately \$4,000, will be made without any impact on the tax dollars that the squad received.

The membership of the squad has stabilized this past year with five new members joining the squad. We have two people enrolled in an EMT-Basic program who should be licensed members in April of 1997. The squad has two members licensed at the EMT-Intermediate level and other members are planning to achieve this level of training this coming year.

The squad responded to 337 calls this year. The breakdown is as follows:

Accident w/bike	1	Accident w/boat	1
Accident w/plane	1	MVA	19
Allergic Reactions	2	Burns	4
Cardiac	26	Choking	2
Diabetic	11	Diff. Breathing	47
Fire/Med. Support	18	Fractures	16
Injuries from Falls	29	Inj. to the Eye	2
Head Injuries	5	Int./Bleed/Pain	8
Labor	1	Lacerations	3
Med. Emergencies	48	Parades/Det.	25
Patient Transfers	42	Poisoning/O.D.	3
Seizures	4	Smoke Inhal.	3

I would like to welcome the officers and members for 1997: Marcel Deveau, President; Rick Brown, Vice President; John St. Martin, Treasurer; Kathy Barden, Training; Tom Ladd, Infection Control; Judy Deveau, Secretary; Dan Milligan, Paul Ingersoll, Chuck Lockhart, Suzanne Nile, Jay Watkins, Alan Smith, Gretchen Harvey, Rick Vashaw, and Doug Allen.

Anyone interested in joining the squad and helping the community need only talk to any member of the squad. We will gladly assist you in obtaining the training needed to become a state licensed attendant.

Respectfully submitted,
Chuck Lockhart
1996 President



Coram Bond being interviewed for "Chronicles".

WHITEFIELD CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Expenses for Operation of
Whitefield Cemeteries - 1996

Balance Forward \$ 449.59

RECEIPTS:

Paro Lot Reimbursement 39.00

Total \$ 488.59

EXPENSES:

PSNH Electric Bills \$ 35.33

Labor 275.75

Paro Lot Expenses (Reimbursed) 39.00

Account Charges 63.27

Repairs 7.99

Closed Account to General Fund 67.25

TOTAL EXPENSES 488.59

Account Balance as of 12/31/96 0.00

This account was closed in 1996. All activity will be run through general fund.

WHITEFIELD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP.
ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

The efforts of the Whitefield Economic Development Corporation over the past two years are coming to fruition as the medical clinic nears completion. The Dartmouth-Hitchcock Dialysis Center is to open in February, 1997, and the Medical Clinic is to open in the spring. Unfortunately, we were unable to bring a pharmacy with the project.

The Municipal Parking Lot has been graded and is ready to be used to alleviate parking around the common.

We have worked with the Mt. Washington Regional Airport commissioners as they attempt to establish a regional commission with participation of all the surrounding towns. The airport is important to the economic well-being of the North Country, and we are committed to seeing that the airport remains a viable entity. Hopefully, airport usage will increase through the installation of a new refueling system which will allow pilots to obtain fuel at any time without having to have a person there to pump the fuel. Also, promotions by the region's hotels and businesses to attract pilots will increase the activity at the airport.

We have also established a spot on the Internet for the Town of Whitefield. We are now developing our "home page" which will make Whitefield known to people everywhere.

Our emphasis in 1997, besides the airport, will be the area around the "common", and the Industrial Park. We have applied for the Plan NH program. If accepted, experts in a number of

fields will come to the Town to assess our situation and make suggestions as to ways we can improve our situation. We feel that this is the time to promote the Town as the medical facilities are opened and the new senior housing facilities at the McIntyre School are opened.

We need the input of everyone in the Town as we move ahead. We meet monthly, generally on the third Wednesday. Please join us at the Town Offices.

Respectfully submitted,
Sam Chase, President



Culinary Arts Students David Fuller and Jake Styles.

WHITEFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

1996 Breakdown of Calls

12 Auto Alarms	3 Gasoline Spills
8 Jaws of Life	3 Assistance Calls
8 Reports of Smoke	3 Carbon Monoxide
7 Chimney Fires	2 Grass Fires
4 Vehicle Accidents	2 Brush Fires
4 Structure Fires	2 Rescue Calls
4 Trees on Power Lines	1 Airplane Down
4 Vehicle Fires	
Mutual Aid Requested:	23
Mutual Aid Received:	21

1996 proved to be a very challenging year for the Fire Department answering a record number of calls and adjusting to the retirement of long time firefighter and Fire Chief "Tiny" Miller.

With over 20 years of dedicated service with the Whitefield Fire Department, Chief Miller retired in June but promised to be no more than a phone call away. Most people will remember Tiny for his mechanical abilities and the endless hours he put into building a fleet of firetrucks that any Town would be proud of. Those of us who worked with him will remember him for making our department one of the most professional and well trained in the state. His years of dedication and hard work are very much appreciated, and we wish him the best.

The year ended with a total of 90 calls. Although this is double the number of runs in 1995, the amount of major structure fires remained the same numbering two. Fire prevention, smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, and other early warning devices help keep the severity of an incident in check. Please change the batteries in your alarms

yearly, practice fire drills in your homes, and do a home safety check. Should you want help installing detectors, doing a home safety check or help with a fire drill in the home, contact any member of the department.

There is an article in the warrant asking for funds for a rescue truck. This truck will replace our rescue van which is now 26 years old. We would like to replace it with a truck that would be able to carry more equipment and also a full five man crew. Our van is now loaded to capacity and will only seat a driver and one person. The department hopes the voters will support this project at town meeting.

The department greatly appreciates the help and support given to us by the Life Squad, Police Department, Highway Department, North Pac Mutual Aid, and the citizens of Whitefield.

Respectfully submitted,
Alan Smith, Chief

John Ross, Jr. Dept. Chief	
Marcel Deveau, Captain	
Ron Sheltry, Captain	
Ed Tibbets, Lieutenant	
Robert Cormier, Lieutenant	
Donnie Hatfield	Charlie Hatfield
Adam White	Mike Stevens
John St. Martin	Charles Crawford
Terry Schmidt	Jay Watkins
George Harris	John Severance
Kevin Smith	Lee Brownell
Rick Brown	Larrie Bratko
Justin Carter	Tony Stiles
Jonathan "Tiny" Miller-Honorary Lifetime Member	

NOTICE
TOWN OF WHITEFIELD

All outdoor open fires require a written permit. This includes all outdoor incinerators and any type of barrel burning. Permits may be obtained from Chief Alan Smith (837-9645) or Adam White (837-9303).



Members of the Whitefield Fire Department
Front Row: Sparky the Fire Dog. Second Row (left to right): John St. Martin, Larry Bratko, Terry Schmidt, Don Hatfield, Jay Watkins, Ron Brown, Charlie Crawford, Lee Brownell. Third Row: Ed Tibbets, Charlie Hatfield, Ron Sheltry, bob Cormier, Justin Carter, John Ross Jr., John Severance, Kevin Smith, Adam White, Chief Alan Smith.

**REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN
AND STATE FOREST RANGER**

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

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

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

1996 FIRE STATISTICS
(COST SHARED)

FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY

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

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

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

"REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!"

Richard C. Belmore
Forest Ranger

Alan Smith
Forest Fire Warden



Tiny Miller and Ron Costa.

JOINT LOSS PREVENTION SAFETY PROGRAM

The second year of existence of the Whitefield Safety Program has seen significant growth and expansion. All departments participate in this program and many good suggestions have been acted upon to better the Town of Whitefield as a work place.

I wish to thank Judy Ramsdell for Chairing this Committee in 1996 and congratulate Greg Hatfield in accepting the nomination for Chair in 1997. This transfer of the Chair position is required to alternate between Management and Employee from year to year and should strengthen the Safety Program with active involvement.

A process of acting on Safety Suggestions has proven to be very beneficial for the Town of Whitefield. This has provided the Highway Department with emergency garage door openers and a parts washer, the Water/Sewer Departments with a trench box, and all Public Town buildings with up-to-date tested fire extinguishers. The Police and Fire Departments have played a very large role in on-going safety and have excellent training procedures that are a true asset to the Town.

Safety seminars were held in 1996 for Lockout/Tagout, Confined Space Entry, Back Injury Prevention, Trenching and Shoring, and Workstation Ergonomics. These were provided by Dave Whitham of CFNH, our insurance provider,

free of charge. Also, Paul Ingersoll, Sr. and Tom Smith held an excellent air brakes seminar for all interested people. A very good hands-on fire extinguisher program was provided by Steve Galipeau of Inland Divers of Lancaster this spring. The public is welcome to attend these seminars and many residents took advantage of them.

It is very encouraging to see the level of safety awareness continue to rise for the Town of Whitefield employees. It is important to note that the employees themselves are the catalyst behind this program, and it is to their credit that the program is successful. This trend should continue and should save the Town money.

Respectfully submitted,

John Severance



Brian Glidden.

Librarian's Report
Whitefield Public Library

	1995	1996
Circulation	14,806	14,321
Accessions	637	709
Adult Fiction by Gift	83	97
Adult Fiction by Purchase	216	246
Juvenile Fiction by Gift	55	34
Juvenile Fiction by Purchase	134	112
Adult Non-Fiction by Gift	19	9
Adult Non-Fiction by Purchase	75	91
Juvenile Non-Fiction by Gift	1	10
Juv. Non-Fiction by Purchase	54	39
Records/Cassettes	21	5
Video Cassettes	47	66

In February, 1996, the library sustained a break-in. Money and equipment were stolen and were later recovered by the Whitefield Police Department. Security has been up-graded substantially, and we hope never to experience anything like that again.

Collection of fines and donations has enabled the library board to purchase a brand new computer system. We will now be able to access the Internet as an additional reference resource. We will continue to be a part of the NH Automated Information System for inter-library loans and for communication between libraries.

A successful Story Hour was organized this summer by Linda Bennion. Many children participated weekly and enjoyed hearing stories and borrowing books. Our Summer Reading Program, "Reading...the best game around" was completed by 48 children in grades 1 through 6. A total of 796 books were read!

Community groups such as the Coos Quilters, North Country League of Women Voters, North Country Writers Group, AARP Tax Assistance, and Adult Tutorial, regularly take advantage of our meeting room downstairs.

Fund-raising by the Coos Quilters in the form of their annual quilt raffle has benefitted the library greatly once again. Other gifts included memorials to Robert Root and Charles Casgrain, donations from the NH Masons, and League of Women Voters. The annual Book Sale was very profitable and could not have taken place without our numerous volunteers.

The Library Board meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. Valuable assistance continues to be provided by Margaret O'Donnell and Karen Murray.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Holz, Librarian



Lillian Burns celebrating her 96th Birthday!!!

**WHITEFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY
1996 REVENUES & EXPENDITURES**

Balance, January 1, 1996 \$6824.58

Revenues:

Town Appropriation	\$21,000.00
Interest	57.16
Fines	1,020.45
Copies	251.00
Gifts & Donations	1,000.00
Book Sale	<u>502.75</u>

Total Income: 23,831.36

30,655.94

Expenses:

Salaries	\$ 7,711.84
Payroll Taxes	588.89
Books	7,017.47
Magazines	802.16
Videos	726.97
Utilities	1,947.22
Repairs & Mnt.	1,073.01
Library Programs	270.29
Supplies	522.07
Cleaning	360.00
Petty Cash	125.00
Treasurer	500.00
Misc. Dues & Exp.	108.70
Window Boxes	144.00
1996 Deposit to CD	4,000.00
World Book Encycl.	644.00
Computer/Monitor/ Printer	<u>2,093.00</u>

Total Expenditures: \$28,634.62

Balance: December 31, 1996 \$ 2,021.32

Other Accounts:

Women's Study Club Account: Balance - \$3276.00

Certificate of Deposit (for future handicapped accessibility) Fleet Bank

Principal	\$13,071.16
Deposit (1996)	4,000.00
Interest	<u>572.37</u>
Balance	\$17,643.53

Respectfully submitted,
Eileen Alexander
Treasurer



Mary-Lynn Garey-Mayhew with Patrick Mayhew and Ryan Gooden at the Children's Garden.

WHITEFIELD PLANNING BOARD

This past year saw two major changes in downtown Whitefield. The Crotched Mountain renovation and conversion of the old elementary school to a senior citizen residential development has been completed and should be in full operation by the time this report is read. The former "Whitefield Station" and "Frank's" buildings were partially demolished and rebuilt. They will be the new home of a Mary Hitchcock Hospital Regional Dialysis Center, and a Littleton Hospital outpatient clinic. Early plans to put in a local pharmacy did not turn out to be practical. Many thanks to our volunteer Economic Development Corporation, and the Board of Selectmen for the many hours spent on helping these projects become a reality.

The town's new municipal parking lot should be finished sometime this spring and will help provide needed additional parking for the downtown area. This will tie in very well with the increased activity expected from the new medical facilities.

Other planning activity was fairly light most of the year. We've dealt with several home occupation requests, some business expansion proposals, and numerous "voluntary mergers". A "voluntary merger" is an easy way of undoing a previous subdivision of one's own property. There were very few applications for new subdivisions.

Respectfully submitted,
Stanley A. Holz, Chairman

**WHITEFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT**

Because we live in a small town in a rural part of our state, many people believe geography alone affords us special protection against crime and the problems faced by our cities. That this is not the case became very apparent in 1996. National studies and projections over the past year have advised law enforcement to prepare for a drastic increase in juvenile crime over the next few years. The studies indicate that nation-wide we will experience a major increase not only in the volume but also the seriousness of juvenile crime.

During 1996 we were faced with a 10% increase in the number of juvenile cases handled by this department. From 1995 to 1996, the percent of juvenile cases rose from 19% of our total caseload in 1995 to 29% of our total caseload in 1996. This means that approximately one-third of all cases handled by this department involved juveniles (children under the age of 17 and many with ages as low as 10 and 11).

Dealing with juveniles and the juvenile justice system is a very taxing process for any police department. Juvenile cases involve a far greater expenditure of manpower and hours and often fail to achieve the results that the general public feel should be achieved mainly because the priorities of the juvenile and adult court systems are totally different. Solutions to the problems generated by this increase in juvenile crime do not come easy and are usually best resolved at the local level with each community finding and implementing a program which suits their needs. As in past years, I still feel that our best approach to this dilemma is through a

pro-active program aimed at early intervention and based in the schools.

Toward these efforts, in addition to the already successful DARE Program in our elementary school, we will offer a national based safety program called Officer Phil to be scheduled in the spring of 1997. In a less formal approach, officers of the police department have become involved with the youth sports programs at the elementary school and will be assisting in coaching in such areas as skiing, basketball, and soccer.

At the high school level, in a cooperative effort with the Towns of Lancaster and Twin Mountain, we have filed for a State Grant to implement a program known as the School Resource Officer. This program would provide an officer from each of the participating departments on a rotating basis to be available at the high school one day a week to present programs, provide information and services to school faculty, staff, and student body and in general become a recognized and easily approachable law enforcement presence.

It is my hope that through these efforts as well as when necessary, the continued use of our district court and related juvenile services that we will be able to make a significant impact on disturbing rises in juvenile crime.

DEPARTMENTAL STATISTICAL COMPARISONS
1995/1996

	1995	1996
Arrests	170	122
Summonses	461	278
Warnings	390	258
Accidents	91	102
Criminal	259	225
Domestic	40	61
General Cps.	1219	1214
Motor Veh. Cps.	913	650
General Assists	374	312
Emergency Med.Assts.	67	87
Fire Assists	16	23
Police Assists	87	138

1996 reflected an overall reduction in our major caseload from the 1995 record high of 327 cases to a more normal and manageable level of 261 cases. Of these 261 cases, 238 were cleared usually by arrest or court action leaving only 23 open cases for 1996. These figures continue to reflect as they have over the last several years a clearance rate in excess of 90%.



A partial breakdown of criminal complaints handled in 1996 follows:

Theft/Burglary	53
Sexual Assaults/Abuse	6
Simple Assaults	38
Bad Checks	9
Drug/Alcohol Related	26
DWI Arrests	10
Mischief/Trespass	25
Use/Possession Firearms	3
Protective Custody	24

Total Calls Logged 1995=3317 1996=3145

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph F. Ciccarelli
Chief of Police



Members of the Technology Student Association at the Whitefield
Front Row (left to right): Margaret LaFasciano, Advisor, Kristen Moody, Martha Harris, Erica Joseffy, Jaelyn Comeau, Cate Doucette, Justin Kay. Second Row: Bryan Rexford. Third Row: Tanya Mosha, Stephanie Hicks, Matthew Holland, Eileen Savoy, Emily Jacobs, Ken Bowles, Anson Harris, Christina Mroczko, Joe Cormier, Tyler Wright, Jim Rode.

WHITEFIELD RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Committee would like to thank Wendy Joseffy, who served many years on the Committee. We would like to welcome Judy Santy as a new member of the Committee.

The summer staff consisted of Adrianna Champney, Director, David Rode, Kevin Hoverman, Clark Lombardi, Elspeth Richardson, and Kierra Russell. Swimming lessons were again held at Spalding Inn under the direction of Jacki Scott. This year we were able to take two trips, one to the Bretton Woods Sports Park and another to Whale's Tale.

This fall the Recreation Department sponsored a boy's and girl's traveling soccer team for students in fourth and fifth grades. We played our home games at the recreation field and played in Littleton, Lancaster, Groveton, and Gilman. We would like to thank our volunteer coaches: Cliff and Judy Santy, Jason Henry, and Lisa Maxwell. We would also like to thank all the people who volunteered as referees for our games. We plan to offer the program again this fall.

The ski programs are being offered again this year at Cannon and Bretton Woods. We have over 100 students who participate in the programs.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Whitcomb
Catherine DiBlasi
Dennis Streeter

Steve Cox
Mark Lufkin
Larry Rexford

Judy Santy

WHITEFIELD WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

The year of 1996 has been a very successful one for the Town of Whitefield and the Water Department. EPA Standards and requirements are currently being met and the Town is in compliance of the Safe Drinking Water Act. With the passage of the Reauthorization of the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Town of Whitefield should be eligible for numerous grants and loans through the NH-DES and may once again be able to continue upgrading some of the 50+ year old watermains.

The Water Department was plagued with 14 major water breaks this past year. I thank all people involved and especially the patience of the consumers that had to endure unannounced water outages for extended periods of time during repairs. Most of these breaks were on the "old" sections of our Water System and indicate the need for some watermain replacement. The Town of Whitefield is very fortunate to have departments that will work together and help in these emergency situations.

There were five new water installations in 1996 which is very encouraging and indicates some growth for the Town. Credit is due to the Whitefield Economic Development Corporation for their volunteer time and efforts in successfully bringing in new business. The Town is fortunate to have a water system that can accommodate growth and let's hope that this trend continues.

The Water Department was able to replace three old Ludlow fire hydrants and install one additional new fire hydrant at the end of Cherry Street. This steady replacement progress is very encouraging, and the Town will eventually reach the goal of having all "new type" fire hydrants

with independent valves for flushing and maintenance. There were also repairs and/or extensions on five of the existing fire hydrants, all of which had independent valves allowing repairs without shutting down sections of watermain and water outages.

Maintenance and minor repairs were performed on the Bray Hill and School water storage tanks. This necessary work caused some water outages and a very good test for the capacities of the Whitefield Water System. I apologize for any inconvenience this caused consumers and thank people for their cooperation during this time.

The Water Department was able to purchase a used T-16 Theodolite which gives the Town surveying and accurate project layout capabilities. Coupled with computer software, the Town has an excellent start for developing very useable maps and records for existing and future infrastructure. This will also greatly aid in the development of a G.I.S. for the entire Town. Thanks are due to the Selectpeople for having this kind of foresight to the future needs of Whitefield.

Respectfully submitted,
John Severance

**REPORT TO THE CITIZENS OF DISTRICT ONE
BY RAYMOND S. BURTON
COUNCILOR - DISTRICT ONE**

It is an honor to report to you as a member of the New Hampshire Executive Council. The Executive Council is five in number and serves much like a Board of Directors at the top of your Executive Branch of State Government in Concord. We vote on most contracts over \$2,500 to outside agencies, individuals and municipalities, also major permits to use state waters. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, votes on 267 unclassified positions as Commissioners and Directors within the Executive Branch of State Government and the entire judicial branch of NH State Government. We also vote on gubernatorial nominations of hundreds of citizens to various boards and commissions as prescribed by NH law.

Anyone desiring further information should write or call our State Office.

Citizens in this region should be attentive to several projects:

- 1) The statewide Health Care Council's eighteen month planning project will be coming to conclusion in December of 1997. There are three very active Councils in this District. Information can be obtained by calling Commissioner Terry Morton, Department of Health and Human Services at 1-800-852-3345.
- 2) The ten year highway planning process will be underway this coming summer and fall. I will be conducting at least three hearings in this district to ascertain regional needs.

Information on this project can be obtained by calling Commissioner Leon Kenison, Department of Transportation, at 271-3735.

3) The NH Joint Tourist Promotional Program will, I expect, be funded at least with \$500,000 to be matched by the local Chamber of Commerce and tourists groups to promote your region. Information on this program is available from Commissioner Robb Thompson, Department of Resources and Economic Development at 271-2411.

4) There is approximately \$172,000 waiting to be matched by local economic development promotion dollars from local groups. Information can be obtained on this program from Director Norman Storrs, Economic Development at 271-2341.

5) There is about \$10 million waiting for applications from local governments for Community Development Block Grants to improve your local town and area. Information on how to apply can be obtained by calling Director Jeff Taylor at the Office of State Planning at 271-2155.

6) Local towns, cities, counties, and eligible organizations should be aware of the large Federal and State Surplus Distribution Programs. The State Surplus Distribution Center is open to the public at White Farm on Clinton Street in Concord on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Further information may be obtained by calling Supervisor, Art Haeussler, Surplus Distribution, at 271-2602.

7) Citizens and groups concerned with disabilities should be aware of the large number of services available from the Developmental Disabilities Council by calling Director Alan Robichaud at 271-3236.

8) The Department of Environmental Services covering water, sewer, air, lakes, and rivers has available information and financial resources by calling Commissioner Robert Varney or Assistant Commissioner Dana Bisbee at 271-3503.

9) The Department of Health and Human Services including elderly, mental health, human services, public health, drug and alcohol abuse are all under Commissioner Terry Morton at 1-800-852-3345.

Our state government is small, effective, and efficient. It is amazing how many services, both technical information and financial assistance, are available to eligible applicants and for proposals.

Please call my office at any time. I am at your service!

Raymond S. Burton
State House - Room 207
Concord, NH 03301
Tel. (603)271-3632

The Caleb Group
Community Services Partnership
30 Highland Street, Whitefield, NH 03598

1996 has been a year of growth for The Caleb Group. Much of the growth can be credited to the 120 volunteers who have been assisting elders in maintaining their independence. Because of this growth we were able to bring additional services and programs.

Currently, The Caleb Group assists more than 44 Whitefield seniors in receiving the Commodity Supplemental Food Program every other month. Caleb Volunteer Caregivers deliver food to elders who are totally homebound. Through service coordination, we have helped to link 40+ in-need individuals with existing services and benefits. Volunteer caregivers provide rides to medical appointments and shopping when the local senior van is unavailable. They also help to reduce isolation of elders by bringing library books to the homebound, providing telephone reassurance, friendly visiting, business help, and chore or handy person services.

Last Fall, Caleb Volunteer Caregivers and Whitefield Firemen were trained to perform home injury prevention checks. These checks are free of charge to any person over the age of 60. The Whitefield Lions Club has donated money for the volunteers to replace smoke detector batteries or install alarms when one is needed. Please call our office to request a Home Injury Prevention check.

I am sure that most people are aware that the Caleb Group office is in Highland House. We are excited to announce that Highland House has provided space for a senior computer lab (opening

in February) and will be doubling its current community room space. These new spaces make Highland House a place for seniors to grow and learn new skills. We hope you will stop in to see and use our new spaces.

There are no fees for the volunteer caregiver services or the service coordination provided by The Caleb Group. We are thankful for the Town's support last year of \$3,000 and hope that the Town will continue to support our non-profit program in 1997.

If you would like to be a volunteer caregiver, request a volunteer, or know someone who would benefit from our services, please call the Caleb Office at 837-9179.

Respectfully submitted,
Roxie A. Severance
Program Director



Roxie Severance, Ernestine Blanchard, and Chuck Lockhart.

WHITEFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 21
WHITEFIELD, NH 03598

The Whitefield Historical Society is a non-profit organization founded in 1982. Less than two years ago the Historical Society moved into rented quarters that were sufficient for its present needs on the lower level of the Fleet Bank located on the Common in Whitefield. The overall purpose of the Society is the dissemination and display of historical materials on the village of Whitefield and its environs. The Society maintains alphabetical information files by subject and surname of early families in the area. It also maintains picture files, magazine files, and is building a library of historical reference books and journals on the related history of the area.

One of the major collections displayed is of clothing worn by local individuals in Whitefield. Materials on the early industries of the area are also on display in the society's museum. The Society has a very complete collection of early postcards of Whitefield in its boom days. Additional cases exhibit information on the early citizens of Whitefield, its schools, and its churches.

The Historical Society has regular hours every Thursday afternoon from 2 to 4 pm. These hours are maintained all year long. As usage of the collection increases, consideration will be given for expanding these hours possibly to an additional afternoon during the summer months. The collection is also available by appointment at other times.

In its present location, the Society has space for meetings which are held several times a year. The public as well as the Society membership is invited to all meetings which are announced in the local newspapers in advance. Last year a large retractable screen was donated for slides or movie presentations. The museum has a rich slide collection given to the Society from the estate of the late Elizabeth Foley.

Special committees were established by the Historical Society in 1996. One committee will investigate the possibility of reprinting A History of Whitefield, New Hampshire, 1774-1974, which is now in very short supply. The 80-page illustrated book is the only separate history available on Whitefield. Another committee is the Cemetery Inventory Committee which will create records for the seven cemeteries in Whitefield. No complete inventory has ever been taken of the cemeteries and existing records are very few. The Society is frequently asked for information on burials in Whitefield by those who do not reside in Whitefield, but who have relatives here. It is hoped that some kind of workable agreement can be reached between the Society, the town government, the cemetery trustees, and the people of Whitefield so that the inventory may be finally completed.

The Historical Society would like everyone in Whitefield aware of the Society and its goals; and that they will make full use of its facilities. It is further hoped that local individuals will trust the Society with their memorabilia either by gift or temporary loan.

Submitted for the Society
and its Board of Directors by,
Donald E. Roy

21. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue, absolutely and completely, a portion of North Street described as approximately 222.0' running in a northerly direction from the existing sidewalk to the southern property line of the house currently owned by Ted Brierly. A yes vote on this article shall mean that ownership of the part of said road discontinued will be equally owned by the abutting landowners. Actually discontinuing said portion of said road will be conditional upon final approval of all plans, permits, approvals and financing related to the planned expansion of Sam's Market. If these conditions have not been met within a period of two years from March 11, 1997, then a yes vote to discontinue shall be deemed revoked.

22. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Boutwell Road, Beaulieu Drive, Lunn Drive, and a portion of Varney Road described as approximately 480 feet from the intersection of the Frank Cormier driveway running in a southerly direction.

23. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town this 10th day of February, 1997.

A TRUE COPY
ATTEST

Martha M. Hardiman

Alan D. McIntyre

Reginald Willey

MARTHA HARDIMAN

ALAN MCINTYRE

REGINALD WILLEY

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF WHITEFIELD

Estimated Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1997
to December 31, 1997 with Estimated and Actual Appropriations and
Expenditures of the Previous Year, January 1, 1996-Dec. 31, 1996

PURPOSE	APPR.	EXPEND.	EST.
	1996	1996	1997
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Executive Office	51,437	50,456	47,497
Election & Registration	25,836	25,376	23,568
Assessing Services	11,500	10,082	11,500
Tax Collection	16,762	16,634	17,843
Treasurer	500	500	500
Data Proc. Support	2,617	2,355	2,355
Ambulance Billing Software	0	0	5,000
Judicial & Legal	18,500	9,593	56,000
Planning & Zoning	2,750	1,800	2,750
General Govt. Bldgs.	29,040	25,241	46,240
Insurance			
Property/Liability	32,000	30,997	32,000
Health Insurance	57,500	55,115	46,500
Life/Disability	1,600	1,499	2,500
SS/FICA	18,500	15,263	19,500
Medicare	6,000	5,180	6,000
Police Retirement	4,000	2,909	4,500
NH Retirement	7,000	7,317	9,000
Unemployment	2,500	1,935	2,500
Worker's Comp.	27,000	20,817	27,000
Wellness Stipend	1,625	1,000	1,625
Other General Government			
North Country Council	1,641	1,641	1,641
Community Action Program	1,550	1,550	1,550
Information Booth	2,250	1,940	1,500
NHMA Dues	650	649	731
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Department	127,621	121,776	130,859
Ambulance	22,000	22,065	22,500
Fire Department	24,300	32,219	29,750
Civil Defense	100	100	100
Hepatitis B Vaccine	500	204	500
Safety Supplies/Training	1,000	902	1,000
Rabies Immunization	1,200	1,200	0

HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES & SANITATION			
Highways/Streets/Bridges	268,246	265,194	264,250
Street Lights	19,000	18,048	19,000
Transfer Station	83,109	72,073	86,800
Sewer Mnt. & Repair	4,000	3,455	5,000
HEALTH & WELFARE			
Health Officer	1,000	1,000	1,000
Vet Service	500	380	500
Welfare Assistance	13,000	8,247	13,000
CULTURE & RECREATION			
Recreation	9,200	9,319	9,350
P&P Mnt./Rep.	3,200	3,817	4,800
Memorial Day	500	500	500
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
Administration	7,250	3,966	7,250
PRINCIPAL LONG TERM NOTES			
Ind. Park Bond	6,326	3,364	6,646
Sewer Bond State	40,000	40,000	40,000
FmHA Water Bond	12,262	18,137	12,262
Transfer Station Bond	15,000	15,000	15,000
INTEREST LONG TERM NOTES			
Ind. Park Bond	4,430	2,014	4,110
Sewer Bond State	32,227	30,710	27,810
FmHA Water Bond	37,808	37,311	37,808
Transfer Station Bond	2,385	2,385	1,590
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES			
Interest	15,000	0	7,500

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Library	21,000	21,000	21,000
Band Concerts	3,600	3,800	3,800
Cemetery	15,000	15,168	15,000
Airport	5,200	5,200	5,200
Airport Insurance	2,668	2,425	2,425
Airport Regional Development	0	0	5,000

Sub-Total	1,121,390	1,050,828	1,171,110
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WATER DEPT. O&M	136,175	115,153	151,175
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SEWER DEPT. O&M	90,635	97,049	74,793
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WARRANT ARTICLES

Airport Fuel Farm/Beacon Light	0	0	60,000*
Capital Reserve:			
Ambulance	15,000	15,000	15,000*
Mt. Carberry Closure	1,000	1,000	0
Highway Equipment	10,000	10,000	10,000*
G.I.S.	5,000	5,000	5,000*
Police Cruiser	7,000	7,000	7,000*
Fire Truck/Resc. Veh.	10,000	10,000	0
Ambulance Safety Gear	12,000	11,242	0
Airport Oil Tank Removal	10,000	0	0
Fire Truck/Rescue Vehicle	0	0	32,000*
Mt. Carberry Closure	0	0	3,000*
Road Paving Program	50,000	50,000	50,000*
Water Dept. Rep.&Rplcmt.	10,000	10,000	10,000*
Weeks Home Health	6,867	6,867	7,210*
White Mt. Mental Health	2,862	2,862	2,862*
Caleb Group	3,000	3,000	3,000*
No. Co. Elderly Pgms.	3,000	3,000	3,000*
Littleton Regional Hospital	5,000	5,000	5,500*
Whitefield Historical Society	0	0	3,600**

Subtotal	150,729	139,971	217,172
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TOTAL ALL ITEMS	1,498,929	1,403,001	1,614,250
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* - SELECTMEN RECOMMEND THIS APPROPRIATION

**SELECTMEN DO NOT RECOMMEND THIS APPROPRIATION

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF WHITEFIELD

Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1997 to
December 31, 1997 compared with Estimated and Actual
Revenue of the Previous Year, January 1, 1996-December 31, 1996

SOURCES OF REVENUE	EST. REV. 1996	ACT. REV. 1996	EST. REV. 1997
TAXES:			
Land Use Change Taxes	500	3,950	
Yield Taxes	20,000	26,115	20,000
Pymt. in Lieu of Taxes	95,000	223,250	259,600
Int. & Penalties on			
Delinquent Taxes	40,000	55,213	50,000
Inventory Penalties	1,200	1,500	1,200
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES:			
Town Clerk & Filing Fees	6,000	8,846	7,000
Motor Veh. Permit Fees	160,000	181,661	170,000
FROM STATE:			
Shared Revenue	70,000	33,114	35,000
Highway Block Grant	45,787	45,787	50,043
Water Pollution Grants	71,454	71,454	67,810
Railroad Tax	3,504	3,504	3,500
CHARGES FOR SERVICES:			
Income from Departments	30,000	32,200	41,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:			
Sale of Town Property	2,000	1,050	1,000
Int. on Investments	10,000	17,136	17,000
Ins. Ref. & Reimb.	40,000	39,581	30,000
Miscellaneous Income	5,000	5,931	10,000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS FROM PROPRIETARY FUNDS			
Sewer	90,635	70,749	74,793
Water	136,175	159,462	151,175
Capital Reserve Fund	0	0	23,000
Trust Funds	1,500	0	1,000

PROCEEDS FROM LONG TERM
BONDS & NOTES

Airport Fuel Farm/Beacon Light	0	0	60000
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FUND BALANCE

From Surplus	100,000	109,400	125,000
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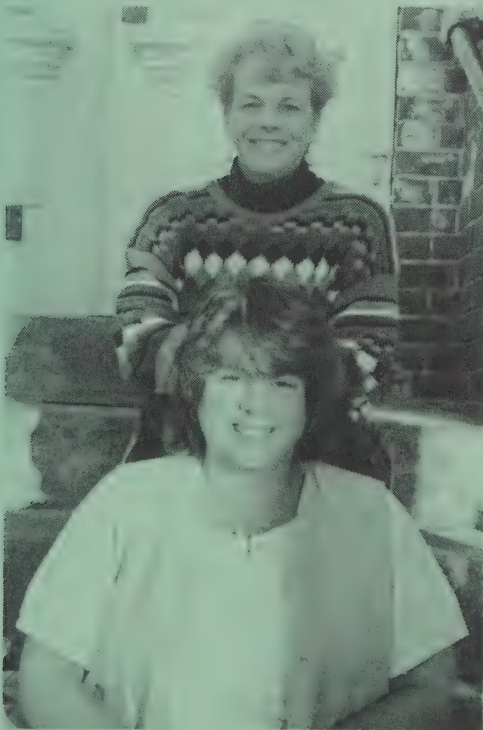
Fund Balance Voted

From Surplus	10,000	10,000	0
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TOTAL REVENUES	938,755	1,099,903	1,198,121
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Martha Hardiman with students from the Whitefield School Halloween window painting.



Jackie Scott and Sandy Morton.

**NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL
ANNUAL REPORT -1996**

This has been a very busy year at the Council. We completed 53 local and regional projects and were directly responsible for the investment of \$7.0 million in local infrastructure projects by federal or state funding sources. In cooperation with the NH Department of Transportation, the Council was involved in the development and implementation of \$16.5 million of transportation projects on the Ten Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). NCC was called upon many times each day to provide local technical advice, be "on call" for our members, respond to questions or provide guidance to land use boards, development corporations, boards of selectmen, chambers of commerce, and civic groups. There are over 300 of these local bodies in the region and this last year saw us interacting with most of them at least once and many of them on numerous occasions. In addition, we convened numerous meetings, hearings and informational sessions on regional environmental, regulatory, development, permitting and public policy issues. Similarly, we provided advice, technical assistance, and guidance on a weekly basis to businesses, public agencies, and non-profit corporations. This last year, we responded to more than 200 requests for data, direction, and advice from a very diverse mix of businesses, agencies, and organizations. Beyond these requests, we have continued to maintain a regular dialogue with those state agencies that depend on us for a "linkage" to the communities of the North Country.

A new beginning for the Council was the opening of the North Country Council Development Center, located at the historic Rocks Estate in

Bethlehem. The Center is the site of NCC's offices, the offices of the NH State Library, and the North Country Arts Alliance. This next year will see the addition of another four tenants in spaces that will be ready for occupancy in the summer of 1997. Equally important to its function as a home for all these and other important regional resources, the Center will function as a research/demonstration site, partnership facilitator, conference center, source of market information, and communication vehicle for the North Country of New Hampshire.

During 1996, the Center hosted teams of planners from the Netherlands, Central America, the Caribbean, and Eastern Europe. Through these meetings we have gained a mutual understanding of the planning and development challenges we face as a world community. More specifically, these visits have provided us with an opportunity to learn new approaches to conserve resources and foster appropriate development, as well as make many new friends.

This year has been a watershed year for the Council. We have enhanced our staff capacity; we have undergone significant internal strengthening and we have restructured and reorganized, all in an effort to respond to regional need. Our goal, however, remains the same: to provide support and leadership to the region, its governments, businesses, and citizens.

Sincerely,

Preston S. Gilbert
Executive Director

NORTH COUNTRY ELDERLY PROGRAMS

North Country Elderly Programs will be requesting the same amount of funding as last year. We are requesting financial support for the Senior Meals and Transportation programs.

Our agency provides hot nutritious meals to older citizens in your community at a congregate site located at 30 Jefferson Road as well as to homebound clients through our Meals-On-Wheels system.

The Transportation programs provide service to the elderly folks of the area and to the general public with a demand/responsive transit service.

Our services are provided on a suggested donation basis for individuals age 60 and over. There is a very minimal charge for those under the age of 60.

We are available to answer any questions that you may have. Please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,
Kathryn Campbell-McKenna
Assistant Director

**NORTH COUNTRY HOME HEALTH AGENCY
REPORT OF 1996 SERVICES**

North Country Home Health Agency celebrated **25 YEARS OF QUALITY HOME CARE** in 1996 by providing 40,411 home visits to 638 North Country residents. An additional 700 individuals took advantage of the care available at NCHHA community clinics offering influenza immunization, blood pressure and blood sugar monitoring and foot care.

Quality, consumer orientated health care is vital to the physical and economic health of the North Country. In collaboration with other area health care providers, North Country Home Health Agency applied for and was granted funding from the State of New Hampshire Health Care Transition Fund to develop a Community Health Management Organization (CHMO). NCHHA has partnered with Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, Lafayette Center, Littleton Regional Hospital, and White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services in the CHMO Grant Program. The goals of the CHMO are to improve ease of access to care and sharing of information among area health care providers; to develop a model of local community input into health care; and reduce administrative duplication among members.

NCHHA is acutely aware of the changes in the health care system and is constantly working to transition services and programs to meet the needs of the consumer, which in health care means the client and family as well as the insurance company, the physician and managed care. NCHHA is in the midst of implementing a Plan for Sensible Operation to insure that NCHHA remains able, in the face of increasingly limited local,

state, and national resources, to provide quality home care to those in need.

North Country Home Health Agency remains an independent, community based, not-for-profit provider of care. We are pleased to be able to provide quality home care services to residents of your community and NCHHA looks forward to meeting the home health care needs of the North Country far into the next century.

The following home services were provided to 14 individuals and families in Whitefield during 1996:

Discipline	Number of Home Visits
Nursing	1
Home Health Aide	4
Homemaker	847
Companion	883

Respectfully submitted,
Mary E. Ruppert
Executive Director



Kerstin and Dana Corey.

**Tri-County Community
Action Program**

This year, Tri-County Community Action Program, a not for profit agency, requests funding in the amount of \$1550, the same amount as 1996.

The following monies were expended to assist Whitefield residents:

- Fuel Assistance (95-96)
125 households/240 individuals
\$35,038.87
- Weatherization
\$9,298.00
- Homeless Grant
\$2,196.80
- Emergency Fund
\$82.77
- Salvation Army
\$96.96
- FEMA
\$250.00

for a total of \$46,963.40.

In addition, 335 duplicated households shared in \$3,631.33 purchased food and \$23,422.26 in donated food.

Due to poor health, I no longer represent CAP. The new local intake worker is Amy Fogg. She can be reached at 788-4477. Her Supervisor is Debbie Harwell (752-3248). The new Outreach Director, Phil Guiser, can be reached at 752-7105. CAP's Executive Director is Lawrence Kelly, and he can be reached at 752-7001.

I truly appreciate the cooperation in working together to help the low-income, elderly, and handicapped residents of Whitefield for the past 16 years.

Thank you all so much. It has been a pleasure to work with you, not only to save taxpayer dollars, but to expend wisely the dollars needed to help those in crisis. You are all to be commended for your part in helping our elderly, handicapped, and low-income to retain their dignity.

Sincerely,
Harriet E. Forbush



Selectpeople Alan McIntyre and Martha Hardiman touring the C.D. McIntyre building renovations.

WEEKS HOME HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Weeks Home Health Services, Inc. is a not for profit subsidiary of Weeks Memorial Hospital serving seven towns: Dalton, Groveton, Jefferson, Lancaster, Randolph, Stark, and Whitefield.

The services provided are skilled nursing, home health aide, homemaking, physical and occupational therapy, and speech pathology within a person's home.

Other services provided are community screening and influenza vaccine clinics.

Our commitment to quality is evidenced in obtaining accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations and continued Medicare and State recertification.

No one is denied service because of their inability to pay.

Services provided to the Town of Whitefield for Fiscal Year October 1, 1995 to September 30, 1996 are as follows:

	Visits 1996	Visits 1995
Skilled Nursing	1,353	1,393
Physical Therapy	214	284
Speech Therapy	12	25
Occupational Therapy	11	12
Home Health Aide	2,212	2,062
Homemaker (1/2 hr units)	1,285	2,451

It has been several years since the agency has requested an increase in town funding, and the needs of individuals continue to escalate. Therefore, this year we are requesting an increase of 5% for town support.

Requested Support: \$7,210.27

Thank you for your continued support which enables Weeks Home Health to continue providing community health care.

Sincerely,

Roxanna White, RN



Tony Pinard, Marion LaDuke, Wannetta Hannux, and Roy Birard of The Grange.

**WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH
AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES
Director's Report**

All Persons Have the Right to Meaningfully
Participate in the Life of Their Community

This is the mission statement of White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services. For more than a quarter of a century, our staff has worked to assure that individuals with mental illness or developmental disability receive the supports to allow this mission to be a reality.

Many Whitefield residents have been able to remain living and working productively in their community due to the intervention of WMMH&DS. Psychiatric hospitalizations, residential treatment of children, and institutionalization of persons with a developmental disability are now exceedingly rare due to the availability of community based supports. Whitefield residents also have access to high quality, professional counseling for family problems, depression, and substance abuse offered through White Mountain Mental Health. Not only the recipients benefit from these services, but also the community. The cost of unaddressed emotional problems are felt in many different forms, including the quality of family life, the productivity of our work force and the safety of our streets.

During 1996, White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services provided the following to Whitefield residents:

**893 hours of outpatient counseling services to 79 Whitefield residents who are either uninsured or partially insured. The full cost of these services are \$58,045.

**Extensive supports, including house, vocational services and family support to five persons with serious developmental disabilities. These supports helped make it possible for these individuals to live and work in their community.

**Developmental assessments, case management, in-home support, speech therapy, physical therapy, and occupational therapy to eight families with infants or toddlers diagnosed with some form of developmental delay. These services are provided regardless of ability to pay.

**Perhaps most importantly, emergency services are available 24 hours a day, seven days per week, to assist individuals, families, hospitals, and law enforcement in managing psychiatric emergencies.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the residents of Whitefield for their history of support to White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services. We look to you, our community partners, to help us continue to provide excellent services in this era of abundant problems and scarce resources.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane C. MacKay, CCSW
Area Director

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Whitefield, N.H.
Year Ending December 31, 1996

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	FATHER	MOTHER	BIRTHPLACE
Feb 1	Abigail Carol Towne	Sheldon Towne	Rebecca Pederson	Littleton
May 16	Ryan James Skinner	Michael Skinner	Corinne Hanks	Littleton
June 24	Cody Michael Skinner	Bruce MacDonald	Suzanne Unangst	Berlin
July 12	Benjamin James MacDonald	David Dresser	Lisa Leonard	Littleton
Sept 3	Mitchell David Dresser	John St.Martin	Marie Mooney	Lancaster
Sept 6	Sarah Elizabeth St.Martin	Scott Burns	Catherine Baird	Lancaster
Sept 18	Jennifer Ann Burns	Kenneth Mitton	Debra Bryant	Littleton
Oct 1	Brandon Lee Mitton	Anthony Bray	Heather Agaciewski	Littleton
Oct 5	Nicholas Grant Bray	William Smith	Tammy Doyle	Littleton
Nov 12	Zachary Michael Smith	Alan Greenwalt	Laura Mason	Whitefield
Dec 21	Alli Anne Mason	Daniel Greenwood	Margaret McGee	Littleton
	Joshua Reed Greenwood			

DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Whitefield, N.H.
Year Ending December 31, 1996

DATE	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE OF DEATH
Jan 20	Arthur A. Lambert	Lancaster
Jan 27	Phyllis S. Frantz	Whitefield
Feb 1	Norris Davis	Littleton
Feb 2	Nicole M. Barden	Whitefield
Feb 15	Stanton Gessner	Whitefield
Feb 20	Clayton B. Bishop, Sr.	Lancaster
Feb 26	Evelyn B. Ingersoll	Whitefield
Mar 13	Cora M. Sargent	Littleton
Apr 1	Maynard C. Demers	Whitefield
Apr 13	John P. Sullivan	Whitefield
Apr 19	Willard A. Stoughton	Lancaster
Apr 28	Helen E. Canton	Whitefield
Apr 28	David A. Johnson	Harrisville
May 6	Villa B. Bresnahan	Whitefield
May 14	Leona P. Boushey	Littleton
June 17	Fred W. Gould	Lancaster
July 19	Elizabeth L. Charbonneau	Whitefield
July 25	Charles A. Coy, Jr.	Portsmouth
July 27	Helen M. Placey	Whitefield
Aug 7	Gertrude R. Magoon	Whitefield
Aug 8	Dorothy E. Gilbert	Whitefield
Aug 20	Wallace S. Clough	Whitefield
Aug 20	Douglas S. Clough	Whitefield
Aug 20	Mary S. Clough	Whitefield
Aug 20	Joseph E. Parker	Whitefield
Sept 5	Bradley J. Gooden, Sr.	Littleton
Sept 8	Lucy O. Robertson	Whitefield
Oct 1	Lloyd F. Gordon	Nashua
Oct 2	Eunice R. Coulter	Littleton
Oct 3	Grace N. Friedmann	Littleton
Oct 7	Grace A. Fogg	Whitefield
Oct 23	Gordon M. Bingham	Littleton
Oct 26	Annie F. Holden	Whitefield

Deaths - Continued

DATE	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE OF DEATH
Nov 1	Dorothy S. Brewer	Lancaster
Nov 6	Geraldine M. Bronson	Lebanon
Nov 9	Henry Boissoneault	Whitefield
Nov 10	Elizabeth M. Orr	Lancaster
Dec 8	Margaret K. Prickett	Whitefield
Dec 10	Alfred S. Willey, Sr.	Lancaster
Dec 11	Lillian C. Koczur	Littleton
Dec 20	Elaine N. Couturier	Whitefield
Dec 23	Phyllis H. Martinez	Whitefield
Dec 24	Helen G. Leary	Lancaster
Dec 30	Marie Sumner	Whitefield



Preston Gilbert of North Country Council presenting the Dwight Taylor Award to Stanley Holz, Chairman of the Planning Board.

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Whitefield, N.H.
Year Ending December 31, 1996

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE
Jan 20	David M. Glidden, II Andrea J. Gonyer	Whitefield Whitefield
April 20	Timothy V. Macomber Kerry L. Bush	Raymond, ME Raymond, ME
May 4	Shon L. Grant Cinnamon L. Cota	Whitefield Whitefield
June 29	Arnold L. Gooden Christina L. Kinne	Whitefield Whitefield
June 29	Mark R. Yourison Gail A. Donaldson	Whitefield Whitefield
July 3	Philip M. Stinson, Sr. Sharlene M. Sephton	Bryn Mawr, PA Bryn Mawr, PA
July 6	John J. Hagan Jessica L. Douse	Whitefield Whitefield
July 11	Wayne W. Skillin Nancy S. Ingerson	Dalton Dalton
July 13	Dennis G. Walter, II Chrystie L. Willey	Dalton Whitefield
July 19	Philip E. Francoeur Janet A. Murray	Beverly, MA Beverly, MA
Aug. 31	Edward A. Wilson Charlotte E. Gray	E. Hartford, CT E. Hartford, CT
Sept. 28	Bruce T. Hicks Sheila Morin	Lancaster Whitefield
Sept. 28	David O. Falkenham Johanna Brothers	Lancaster Whitefield
Oct. 5	Joseph E. Jackson, II Debra L. Mackenzie	Whitefield Stratford
Oct. 6	Gary P. Cote Jacqueline S. Lambert	Whitefield Whitefield
Oct. 18	James M. Tavernese Suzann G. Eposito	Huntington, NY King Park, NY

MARRIAGES-CONTINUED

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE
Oct. 19	Barry A. Huntoon, Sr. Mary Watson	Whitefield Whitefield
Oct. 30	Jason A. Meisenheimer Lisa M. Davenport	Whitefield Whitefield
Dec. 31	Charles M. Deyulus Tracy A. Smith	Braintree, MA Braintree, MA



Iris and George Glidden celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1996.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

March 19, 1996

Board of Selectmen
Town of Whitefield
Whitefield, New Hampshire

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

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

The Town has not maintained a complete record of its Water or Sewer Fund fixed assets as required by generally accepted accounting principles. Accordingly, statements of Water and Sewer Fund fixed assets are not included in the financial statements. The amounts that should be recorded as Water and Sewer Fund fixed assets are not known.

As described more fully in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Town does not accrue the current portion of accumulated vacation pay in the General Fund in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The effect on the general purpose financial statements of this departure from generally accepted accounting principles cannot be determined.

As explained in Note 9, the Water and Sewer Funds are reported as Special Revenue Funds, whereas generally accepted accounting principles require that they be reported as Enterprise Funds.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group, which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amounts that should be recorded as general fixed assets are not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omissions described in the third and sixth paragraphs and except for the effects of the matters discussed in the fourth and fifth paragraphs and except for the effects of such adjustments, the general purpose financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Whitefield, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 1995 and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary and similar trust fund types for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mason + Rich, P.A.

MASON + RICH PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION
Accountants and Auditors



Front Row: (left to right): Joseph Corey, Danna Hatfield, Cole Hatfield.
Back Row: Margaret Corey and Meg Hatfield.

TOWN OF WHITEFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
 DECEMBER 31, 1995

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Types		Account Group		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust and Agency	General	Long-Term Debt		
ASSETS								
Cash	\$269,378	\$74,117	-	\$3,791	-	-	\$347,286	
Temporary Investments	310,738	13,071	-	311,780	-	-	635,589	
Investments	-	-	-	380	-	-	380	
Taxes Receivable	565,251	-	-	-	-	-	565,251	
Accounts Receivable	-	27,812	-	-	-	-	27,812	
Due From Other Governments (Note 3)	-	-	16,196	-	-	367,747	383,943	
Due from Other Funds (Note 4)	3,176	-	2,072	122	-	-	5,370	
Inventories	-	3,266	-	-	-	-	3,266	
Amount to be Provided for Sick Pay	-	-	-	-	-	8,742	8,742	
Amount to be Provided in Future Years for Retirement of Long-Term Debt	-	-	-	-	-	934,143	934,143	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,148,543	\$118,266	\$18,268	\$316,073	\$1,310,632	\$2,911,782		

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TOWN OF WHITEFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
 DECEMBER 31, 1995

Exhibit A
 (Continued)

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group	Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects			
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</u>						
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Accounts Payable	\$30,971	\$ -	\$10,240	\$ -	\$ -	\$41,211
Accrued Liabilities	4,375	766	-	-	-	5,141
Retainage Payable	-	-	7,245	-	-	7,245
Due to Other Governments (Note 3)	588,904	-	-	-	-	588,904
Due to Other Funds (Note 4)	2,194	3,176	-	-	-	5,370
Deferred Revenue	4,000	-	-	-	-	4,000
Accrued Sick Pay	-	-	-	-	8,742	8,742
Due to Specific Individuals	-	-	-	3,793	-	3,793
Landfill Closure Costs Payable (Note 12)	-	-	-	-	89,072	89,072
Bonds Payable (Note 5)	-	-	-	-	1,212,818	1,212,818
Total Liabilities	630,444	3,942	17,485	3,793	1,310,632	1,966,296
<u>Fund Equity</u>						
Reserved for Encumbrances	13,126	-	-	-	-	13,126
Reserved by Trust Instrument	-	-	-	81,317	-	81,317
Reserved for Contingencies	156,060	-	-	-	-	156,060
Unreserved:						
Designated for Capital Acquisition	-	-	783	210,554	-	211,337
Designated by Trust Instruments	-	-	-	20,409	-	20,409
Designated for Specific Projects/Purposes	348,913	114,324	-	-	-	463,237
Undesignated	518,099	-	783	312,280	-	831,162
Total Fund Equity	1,148,543	114,324	783	312,280	-	1,575,930
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$1,148,543	\$118,266	\$18,268	\$316,073	\$1,310,632	\$2,911,782



March 19, 1996

Board of Selectmen
Town of Whitefield
Whitefield, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Whitefield for the year ended December 31, 1995 we considered the Town's internal control structure to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

However, during our audit we became aware of several matters that are opportunities for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency. The material that accompanies this letter summarizes our comments and suggestions regarding those matters. This letter does not affect our report dated March 19, 1996, on the financial statements of the Town of Whitefield.

We will review the status of these comments during our next audit engagement. We have already discussed many of these comments and suggestions with various Town personnel and we will be pleased to discuss them in further detail at your convenience, to perform any additional study of these matters or to assist you in implementing the recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

Mason + Rich P.A.

MASON + RICH PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION
Accountants and Auditors

PRIOR YEAR'S FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS -

1) Library

Finding: The Library did not reconcile their bank statement on a monthly basis. The Library should reconcile their checking account to the bank statement on a monthly basis to ensure all activity is entered into the check register.

Status - The Library has been reconciling the account to the bank monthly.

2) Tax Collector

Finding: We noted that the Tax Collector made deposits on a weekly basis. We noted that cash on hand usually was in excess of \$500. Per RSA 45:35I the Tax Collector must make deposits weekly or whenever cash on hand exceeds \$500. This would also maximize the amount of interest earned on deposits.

Status - The Tax Collector deposits every two weeks for tax collections, and every week for Town Clerk collections.

3) Trust Funds

Finding: The Trustees of Trust Funds have custody of stock certificates and also have an investment in a mutual fund which are not included in the annual report. The source of these funds are unknown. There is also an indication that a bank may be holding additional shares. The Trustees of Trust Funds need to review their records and determine where these funds originated from and report them on their annual report. They should also contact the bank to determine the status of the additional stock certificates.

Status - The stock was included in the report in the current year.



Mike Lalumiere of
"Silent Pond".

1997 DATES TO REMEMBER

January 1	Fiscal year begins
January 22	First day for candidates to declare for town election
January 31	Last day for candidates to declare for town election
February 4	Last day for submission of Petition Warrant Articles
March 1	Deadline to file for an exemption or abatement from your property taxes
March 11	Annual Town Meeting at C.D. McIntyre Building
March 21	Annual School Meeting at H.S.
March 22	Rabies Clinic at the Whitefield Fire Station 10:00 am - 11:30 am
April 1	All property, both real and personal, assessed to owner
April 15	Last day to file for Current Use Land Assessment
April 15	Last day to file Property Tax Inventories
April 30	Last day to license dogs
December 31	Fiscal Year Ends

