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1998 ANNUAL REPORT



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OF THE
TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN
NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEDICATION



Photo courtesy of St. Pierre Family

The 1998 Town Report is dedicated to the memory of Paul St. Pierre

Paul was a resident of Charlestown for many years.

In 1959, he founded St. Pierre, Inc., which is still a family owned business.

Paul was very active in the community, having served as a Volunteer Police Officer, as a member of the Solid Waste Committee for Alternative Plans, Charlestown Highway Advisory Board and the Charlestown Planning Board.

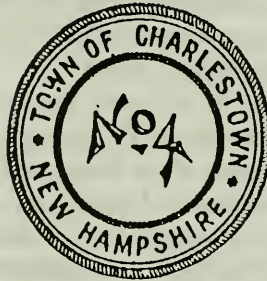
He was a firm believer in the youth of the community. St Pierre Inc. created the ice rink in North Charlestown and gave many hours of work on the athletic fields at North Charlestown and Patch Park. Many in-kind services were donated for the addition to the Farwell School in North Charlestown.

At Town Meetings, which Paul was rarely absent from, all in attendance always knew where he stood on an issue - no one had to guess how he felt!!

Paul will be greatly missed by the community for many years to come.

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ANNUAL REPORTS
of the Selectmen
and
Other Town Officers
CHARLESTOWN, N.H.



For the Year Ending
December 31, 1998

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

"Change" is the word which best describes the year of 1998 for the Town of Charlestown . Many of those variations from the routine were recommended by our Public Works director, Nabil Atiya, now serving the town on a part-time basis. In the short time he has been on board, Nabil has nearly completed the landfill closure. Water and wastewater departments have merged and now operate more efficiently out of one location. Mapping of the entire town infrastructure will begin in 1999.

It's anticipated that safety renovations in the municipal offices will be completed in the spring. Although Charlestown has always prided itself with its small town, informal, neighborly office atmosphere, the threat of violence makes this type of change necessary. Rest assured, the same friendly faces will greet you in the same manner when you come to our door in June.

At Town Meeting 1998, taxpayers voted money to replace the furnace and roof of the Bakery Building, currently housing our Planning and Public Works. The new heating system has been installed. The type of roof was not as simple as we had hoped. Because the quote to replace in kind (with slate) far surpassed the \$10,000 appropriated, we opted to carry-over that money and let the taxpayers make the decision as to the type of roof that building will have. Either way, the project will be completed in 1999.

An exciting new idea in economic development was introduced to Charlestown in 1998 by CEDA and its affiliate on the county level. It was our intention to include the adoption of tax increment financing, TIF, to the 1999 Town Warrant, however, deadlines for hearings and notices were not met. The lack of an administrative staff member has, without a doubt, caused some shortcomings on the part of the Board. Try again, we will!

The Board of Selectmen has worked diligently over the past year to deal fairly with the day to day issues arising within the town and to spearhead efforts to accomplish the community's long-range goals. We thank the many volunteers who spend countless hours providing services and/or programs for all of us. We also acknowledge the steadfastness of those individuals who attend our weekly meetings offering their advice and comments. Our common goal is to stretch the taxpayers' dollars as much as possible. Once again, you are asked to raise money for a revaluation of property which is long overdue and definitely needed to assure each taxpayer pays only his fair share.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlestown Board of Selectmen

OFFICIAL OFFICE HOURS/MEETING DATES

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

Weekdays: 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., except holidays Tel. 826-4400

MEETINGS: first and second Wednesdays, 7:00 P.M. Fax 826-5181

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Monday: 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and 1:30 to 6:00 P.M. Tel. 826-5821

Tuesday through Friday: 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and

1:30 to 4:00 P.M., except holidays

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Monday and Wednesday: 4:30 to 6:00 PM Tel. 826-4400

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Tel. 826-5266

Other days on-call: 1-800-894-8400

PLANNING BOARD OFFICE (Bakery Building, downstairs)

Tuesday through Thursday - 8:30-2:30 Tel. 826-5368

MEETINGS: first and third Tuesdays, 7:00 P.M. Fax 826-5181

TRANSFER STATION

Tuesday & Friday: 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Tel. 826-3201

Wednesday: 7 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Saturday: 7:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Third Mondays of each month: 7:00 P.M.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

First Tuesday of each month: 7:00 P.M., Town Hall

All meetings are held in the Community Room, unless otherwise stated.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Police, Ambulance and Fire - 911

(Police Department - non-emergency - 826-5747)

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen	Robert T. Frizzell - Chair	1999
	Robert N. Beaudry	2000
	James Sauchuk	2001
Health & Human Services	Community Alliance	
Chief of Police	Michael S. Burnham	Appointed
Animal Control Officer	Vacant	
Treasurer	Joan Kuncik	2000
Town Clerk	Debra J. Clark	1999
Tax Collector	Debra J. Clark	1999
Health Officer	Michael Kemp	1999
Moderator	Robert Stone	2000
Supervisors of Checklist	Joan Kuncik	2000
	Cathy Boivin - Resigned	2002
	Doris Blodgett	2004
Planning Administrator	Marianne S. Marsha	Appointed
Trustees of Trust Funds	Barbara Jones	1999
	Lovell E. Comstock	2000
	David T. Henry	2001
Cemetery Trustees	Dona Mates	1999
	Mary R. Gray	2000
	Victoria Sargent	2001
Librarian	Elisabeth Wilterdink	Appointed

Assistant Librarian	Holly Shaw	Appointed
Library Trustees	Antoinette Howard	1999
	Jeffrey Lessels - Chair	1999
	Marianne Peterson	1999
	Katherine Moore	2000
	Dona Mates	2000
	Robert Esdon	2001
	Richard Rumrill	2001
Trustees-Medical Assoc.	Kenneth Place	1999
	Steven Neill	2000
	Brenda Ferland	2001
Fire Chief	Gary Wallace	1999
Ambulance Director	Jon Bailey	
Emergency Mgt. Dir.	Gary Wallace	
Conservation Commission		
	Dean Bascom, Chair	1999
	Robert Frizzell, Ex-officio	1999
	Barbara Brown	2000
	Dick Holmes	2000
	Gary Bascom	2001
	Alternates:	
	Edna Farrell	1999
	Ann Tarmey	2001
	Jim Fowler	2001

TOWN COMMITTEES

Finance Committee

Joyce Higgins	1999
Oscar Makinen	1999
Omer Ahern Jr - Resigned	1999
Jon LeClair - Resigned	2000
Kennith Champney	2000
Steve Neill	2000
Elaine VanVelsor	2001
Morris Putnam Jr	2001
Richard St. Pierre	2001

Recreation Committee

Barry Kinne	1999
Kerry Johnson	1999
Cheryl Ravlin	1999
George Baker	1999
Dan Patria	1999
Shaun Chase	2000
David Weigel - Resigned	2000
Susan B. Ahern - Resigned	2000
Dan Champney - Chair	2001
Marcia West	2001
Richard Paskerta, Jr.	2001

Recreation Director Laurie St. Pierre - Appointed

Highway Advisory Board

Steve Neill	1999
Frank McKane	1999
Michael Beaudry	2000
Robert Davis	2000
Bruce Putnam	2001
Robert Stone	2001

Planning Board

Sharon Francis, Chair	1999
Francis McKane Sr.	1999
Roger Thibodeau	2000
Gail Fellows	2000
David Sussman	2001
Kennith Champney	2001
James Sauchuk, Ex-officio	

Alternates:

James McClammer	2001
Anah Szklennik	2001
Robert Greenough	2001
Kenneth Arkell	2001

Zoning Bd of Adjustment

William Brys	1999
Kenneth Place	2000
Terri Fisk	2000
Barbara Jones	2001
Eric Lindblade	2001

Alternates:

Oscar Makinen	1999
Jeff Lessels	2000
James Bushway - Resigned	2001

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN
1999 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

**TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN,
NEW HAMPSHIRE, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs,**

TAKE NOTICE AND BE WARNED that the First and Second Sessions of the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Charlestown, New Hampshire, will be held in the Charlestown Middle School gymnasium, on Tuesday, February 2, 1999, commencing at 7:00 P.M., and Tuesday, March 9, 1999, commencing at 8:00 A.M., respectively. At the second session, voting, on all warrant articles, will be by Official Ballot, commencing at 8:00 A.M. and concluding at 7:00 P.M., unless the Town Meeting votes to keep the polls open to a later time.

ARTICLE 1. To elect the necessary Town Officers, for their respective terms.

ARTICLE 2. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 1, as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?

Amendment No. 1 would add words, in section 8.2, to refer to Section 2 of the Charlestown Book of Ordinances for definitions of words used in the Zoning Ordinance.

ARTICLE 3. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 2, as proposed by the planning board for the town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?

Amendment No. 2 would, in Section 8.3, correct the Zone A and B boundary descriptions.

ARTICLE 4. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 3, as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?

Amendment No. 3 would add a section, 8.4.10, to the General Provisions, applicable to all zones, limiting the number of residential structures on a lot to one.

ARTICLE 5. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 4, as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?

Amendment No. 4 would add, to section 8.5.6, a list of permitted uses to Zone E.

ARTICLE 6. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 5, as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?

Amendment No. 5 would, in section 8.5.6, set minimum lot sizes and set-backs from lot-lines, in Zone E, for lots served by municipal water and sewer; lots served by on-site water and sewer; and lots served by municipal or off-site water and on-site sewer.

ARTICLE 7. Are you in favor of the amendment No 1 to the existing Town of Charlestown Building Code, as proposed by the planning board?

Amendment No 1 would undertake a comprehensive revision of the entire building code, in order to accommodate the necessary changes to adopt by reference, in accordance with RSA 674:51 and 52, the 1996 BOCA National Building Code; the 1996 BOCA National Fire Protection Code; the 1994 Life Safety Code; the 1996 National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70; the 1993 National Plumbing Code and the 1993 National Mechanical Code, all as amended/supplemented/updated thereafter.

ARTICLE 8. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 2 to the existing Town of Charlestown Building Code, as proposed by the planning board?

Amendment No.2 would further amend the building code to allow for the use of native lumber and to allow the Building Inspector to exempt ordinary repairs and replacements in kind from building code requirements.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the various Town Officers and to take proper action thereon.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property acquired by the Town Tax Collector's deed, either at a public auction or by advertised, sealed bids, as provided by RSA 80:42-II, and authorize the Selectmen to dispose of such property "as justice may require", in accordance with RSA 80:42-IV and V.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the Town Meeting, money from the state, Federal or other governmental unit or private source, which becomes available during the fiscal year, to be used for any purposes for which the Town may legally appropriate money and in accordance with and pursuant to the requirements of RSA 31:95-b.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the receipt of taxes, to pay current maintenance and operational expenses, as provided in RSA 33:7 of the Municipal Finance Act.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by special warrant article the sum of \$10,000 for the repair and maintenance of the rip-rap at Patch Park to prevent erosion by the Connecticut River.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 14. Are you in favor of increasing the Board of Selectmen to (5) five members?

Petitioned Article

ARTICLE 15. Are you in favor of the Selectmen placing an article on the warrant of a future annual or special town meeting to raise money by bond or note, along with any grants available, to repair the Old Claremont Road from Main Street to the intersection at Red Robin Motel. The money would be paid back over a period of years.

This would allow the town to rebuild the road, including infrastructure, all at one time instead of doing the project piecemeal.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate by special warrant article a sum not to exceed \$125,000, for an addition to and improved handicap accessibility of the municipal/library building, or in the alternative, to see if the town will vote \$25,000 for a handicap ramp?

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept donations of land and or buildings to be used for municipal purposes pursuant to RSA 31:3.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by Special Warrant Article, the sum of \$13,200 for removal and replacement of the slate roof at the Bakery Building. This amount to be added to the \$10,000 carryover from the 1998 operating budget. If this article does not pass, the roof will be replaced with asphalt shingles.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will raise and appropriate by special warrant article the sum of \$8,000 to be used by the Charlestown Education Committee appointed by the selectmen for the purpose of preparing detail analysis, hiring consultants, creating budgets and any other information necessary to determine if it is feasible to withdraw from the Fall Mt. Regional School District.

Furthermore passage of this article requests the Fall Mt. Regional School Board to propose article to district voters on or before the year 2000 annual meeting to:

1. Restructure our school funding formula; or
2. Restructure expenditures for elementary school centers;

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to reserve in escrow, all monies in excess of the true mathematical percentage required by the town of Charlestown to fulfill its Fall Mountain Regional School District operational expenses.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate by special warrant article, the sum of \$250 for partial reimbursement of the cost of meals provided to residents of the Town of Charlestown by the Community Kitchen Inc.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to establish, pursuant to RSA 31:19-a, a trust fund to be known as the Library Technology Trust Fund; and to appropriate \$7,000 to be paid into such trust and to appoint the Library Trustees, as Agents of the Town, to expend any funds in the Trust for the purposes of the Trust. The purpose of the Library Technology Trust fund will be for purchasing computers, computer equipment and computer software for administration, cataloging and networking all systems.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to raise and appropriate by special warrant article the sum of \$18,500 for regrading and resurfacing the entire roadway system at Hope Hill Cemetery.

(If this article passes a donor will provide funds for completing fencing of the Hope Hill Cemetery).

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,482,199, which represents \$1,982,706 for the Town operating budget, \$327,983, for the Water Fund budget and \$171,510, for the Sewer Fund budget?

Should this article be defeated, the default operating budget shall be \$2,544,126,* which is the same as last year's budget,* with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law. The governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

***which represents \$2,049,840 for the Town operating budget,
\$287,448 for the Water Fund Budget, and \$206,838 for the Sewer
Fund budget**

This warrant article does not include any other article.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 25. Shall the provisions for voting by official ballot on all issues before the Town of Charlestown under RSA 40:13 be limited to election of officers and certain other questions?

Passing this article will mean reverting to traditional Town Meeting from the year 2000 until rescinded.

3/5 vote required.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, by Special Warrant Article, the sum of \$500 for the reimbursement of a portion of the cost of outreach services, provided to residents of Charlestown by Southwestern Community Services Inc.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, by special warrant article, the sum of \$125,000.00 for the purpose of undertaking the reappraisal of all real property in the Town for tax assessment purposes and authorize the Selectmen to hire appraisers, negotiate and sign a contract for such reappraisal and take all other action as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Article.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the town will vote to transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 25th day of January, 1999.

Robert T. Frizzell, Chairman
Robert N. Beaudry
James Sauchuk

CHARLESTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

true copy attest:

Robert T. Frizzell, Chairman
Robert N. Beaudry
James Sauchuk

CHARLESTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TOWN DELIBERATIVE MEETING

CHARLESTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

February 3, 1999

To the inhabitants of the Town of Charlestown, New Hampshire, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs.

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The First Session was cancelled by the Moderator, Robert Stone, and rescheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 1999, at the aforementioned time and place. This was done according to RSA 40:4 II.

Moderator, Robert Stone opened the meeting at 7:02 PM and made several announcements at this time .

Sharon Francis, Chairman of the Planning Board was presenting Articles 2 thru 8, which were Planning & Zoning Articles, by reading each article and giving a brief description. This was not necessary, however the Moderator felt it would help people understand the articles better.

At this point the Moderator recognized Jeff Lessels, who along with Earl French and Cliff Stark, as fellow members of the Faithful Lodge #12 Free and Accepted Masons presented a plaque to Robert Davis for his outstanding community service.

Selectman, Robert Beaudry presented a plaque to outgoing Selectmen Robert Frizzell for his years of service as Selectman and member of other Charlestown Boards.

Selectman Robert Frizzell, presented a plaque to Robert Davis for his 25 years of involvement with the Ambulance Service.

Robert Stone, Moderator stated that Articles 19 and 27 would be discussed first as they had speakers from elsewhere and also, they were being paid by the hour.

The following is a synopsis of the remainder of the meeting concerning the Warrant Articles:

The Moderator asked for a motion in the form of a question before each article was presented. Each presenter made a motion to have the article placed on the Official Ballot as read with each motion being seconded.

ARTICLE 1. thru Article 8. Automatically on Official Ballot

ARTICLE 9. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 10. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 11. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 12. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 13. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 14. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 15. AMENDED as follows: "Are you in favor of the Selectmen placing an article on the warrant of a future annual or special town meeting to raise by bond or note, along with any grants available, to repair the Old Claremont Road from Main Street to the intersection at Red Robin Motel. The money would be paid back over a period of years. No money will be raised by this article."

This would allow the town to rebuild the road, including infrastructure, all at one time, instead of doing the project piecemeal.

ARTICLE 16. An amendment was made and seconded. However the amendment was defeated by hand vote. Original article will be on the Official ballot as read.

ARTICLE 17. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 18. AMENDED as follows: "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate by Special Warrant Article, the sum of \$13,200 for removal and replacement of the slate roof at the Bakery Building. This amount to be added to the \$10,000 carryover from the 1998 operating budget.

ARTICLE 19. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 20. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 21. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 22. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 23. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 24. An amendment was made and seconded. However, there had been a motion to move the question. The Moderator chose to let the amendment stand for discussion. At this point, he was overruled by the meeting body with a show of hands. The amendment was withdrawn and the article will be on the Official Ballot as presented.

ARTICLE 25. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 26. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 27. Presented and seconded as read.

ARTICLE 28. According to Article 18, from the Town Balloting of 1998's Town Meeting, discussion of the Public Works Director's position was held. This position is also discussed in the 1998 Town Report.

The Deliberative Meeting was adjourned by Robert Stone, Moderator, at 11:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Debra J. Clark
Charlestown Town Clerk

BUDGET FOR 1999

	1998 BUDGET	1998 ACTUAL	1999 BUDGET
<u>General Gov't</u>			
Executive	39,438	46,359	63,015
Election & Reg. & Vital	6,450	4,296	3,553
Financial Administration	132,507	127,965	136,635
Legal Expense	10,000	43,156	25,000
Personnel Admin	10,000	10,611	14,000
Planning & Zoning	25,360	23,675	25,639
General Government Bldgs	96,877	93,869	73,185
Cemeteries	56,080	55,318	55,514
Prop/Liab Insurance	46,000	47,903	40,000
Advert & Reg. Planning	<u>13,663</u>	<u>13,662</u>	<u>14,857</u>
Total General Gov't	436,375	466,814	451,398
<u>Public Safety</u>			
Police Department	336,233	340,047	351,506
Ambulance	27,112	24,194	28,885
Fire Department	51,350	55,233	56,000
Code Enforcement	3,500	8,204	10,325
EMT	<u>12,156</u>	<u>13,990</u>	<u>30,700</u>
Total Public Safety	430,351	441,668	477,416
<u>Public Works</u>			
Total Highway Dept	525,559	486,124	526,066
Street Lighting	21,000	20,289	20,000
Transfer Station	<u>291,614</u>	<u>283,581</u>	<u>236,333</u>
Total Public Works	838,173	789,994	782,399
<u>Health & Welfare</u>			
Animal Control	4,000	4,570	4,000
Health Agencies	32,714	32,937	32,739
General Assistance	<u>28,210</u>	<u>38,411</u>	<u>30,710</u>
Total Hlth & Welfare	64,924	75,918	67,449

BUDGET FOR 1999

	1998 BUDGET	1998 ACTUAL	1999 BUDGET
<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>			
Parks & Recreation	32,899	34,470	33,510
Library	<u>65,190</u>	<u>70,404</u>	<u>67,548</u>
Total Culture & Recreation	98,089	104,874	101,058
<u>Conservation Commission</u>	600	574	600
<u>Total Debt Service</u>	41,586	29,023	31,586
<u>Capital Expenditures</u>	62,362	46,958	70,800
<u>Budget</u>	1,972,460	1,955,823	1,982,706
<u>Articles</u>	123,500	123,500	307,450
<u>TOTAL</u>	2,095,960	2,079,323	2,290,156
<u>Sewage Coll/Disp</u>	199,845	199,392	171,510
<u>Water Distrib & TRT</u>	329,623	297,133	327,983

SOURCE OF REVENUE

TAXES

Land Use Change Taxes	7,500	5,922	5,000
Timber Taxes	24,000	23,884	22,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	3,500	2,142	2,100
Interest & Penalties			
on Delinquent Taxes	200,000	197,084	197,000
Excavation Tax	3,600	0	3,000
Excavation Activity Tax	12,000	12,355	12,000

LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES

Business Licenses & Permits	3,000	3,892	3,800
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	400,000	414,937	420,000
Building Permits	3,000	5,049	7,000
Other Lic. Per. & Fees	14,000	14,424	14,000

BUDGET FOR 1999

	1998 BUDGET	1998 ACTUAL	1999 BUDGET
<u>FROM STATE</u>			
Shared Revenues	49,351	49,351	49,351
Meals & Rooms Tax Dist	70,579	70,579	70,579
Highway Block Grant	109,332	109,332	106,212
Water Pollution Grant	20,660	20,660	18,718
State & Federal Forest	1,976	1,976	1,976
Other (inc Railroad Tax)	17,374	17,374	17,374
<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>			
Income from Departments	40,000	76,605	75,000
<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>			
Sale of Municipal Property	500	501	500
Interest on Investments	22,000	19,333	19,000
Other	81,000	87,214	25,000
<u>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</u>			
From Special Revenue Funds	9,500	14,857	15,000
From Enterprise Funds			
Sewer	154,185	199,392	180,674
Water	329,623	297,133	297,133
From Trust & Agency Funds	20,000	23,500	20,000
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</u>			
Fund Balance ("surplus")			
to Reduce Taxes		155,000	
<u>TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS</u>			
	<u>1,596,680</u>	<u>1,822,496</u>	<u>1,582,417</u>

1998 SUMMARY INVENTORY (MS-1)

<u>LAND</u> <u>BUILDINGS</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>ASSESSED</u> <u>VALUATION</u>
1. Value of land only		
A. Current Use	13,453.40	\$1,478,000
B. Cons. Restriction Assessment		
C. Residential	5,567.70	27,936,650
D. Commercial/Industrial	331.30	<u>3,734,900</u>
E. Total of Taxable Land	19,352.50	33,149,550
F. Tax Exempt & Non-taxable(2,468,650)		
2. Value of Buildings only		
A. Residential		76,249,590
B. Manufactured Housing		15,727,600
C. Commercial/Industrial		<u>19,266,050</u>
D. Total of Taxable Buildings		111,243,240
E. Tax Exempt & Non-taxable(\$12,955.050)		
3. Public Water Utility		0
4. Public Utilities - Gas		0
5. Public Utilities - Electric		4,653,400
6. Public Utilities - Oil		0
7. Mature Wood and Timber		0
8. Valuation before exemptions		149,046,190
9. Blind Exemption 7 at \$15,000 each		105,000
10. Elderly Exemption (41)		640,000
11. Physically Handicapped Exemption		0
12. Totally & Permanently Disabled Exemption		50,000
13. Solar/Wind-power Exemption		0
14. School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption		0
15. Water/Air Pollution Control Exemption		0
16. Wood Heating Energy System Exemption		<u>0</u>
17. Total dollar amount of exemptions 86,950 unappl.		708,050
18. Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate Is Computed		\$148,338,140

RESULTS OF ANNUAL MEETING 1998

Article 1. Selectman for three years		
	Frederick J. Domini	199
	Robert C. Metcalf	386
	James R. Sauchuk	* 451
Fire Chief for one year		
	Gary Wallace	* 965
Moderator for two years		
	Robert W. Stone	*909
Supervisor of Checklist for six years		
	Doris Blodgett	* 879
Trustee of Trust Funds for three years		
	David T. Henry	* 963
Cemetery Trustee for three years		
	Victoria Sargent	* 955
Library Trustee for one year		
	Antoinette Lee Howard	* 916
Library Trustee for two years		
	Katherine A. Moore	* 922
Library Trustee for three years		
	Richard Rumrill	* 14
	Robert Esdon	* 10
Planning Board for three years		
	Kenneth Arkell	206
	Kennith Champney	* 473
	James U. McClammer Jr.	384
	Fred Poisson	220
	David Sussman	* 401
	Jeff Towle	249
Highway Advisory Committee for three years		
	Thomas L. Minickiello	452
	Bruce A. Putnam	* 704
	Robert W. Stone	* 526
Finance Committee for one year		
	Joyce A. Higgins	* 511
	Fred Poisson	184

	Carolyn Greenslet Towle	314
Finance Committee	for two years	
	Jon B. LeClair	* 831
Finance Committee	for three years	
	Thomas L. Minickiello	477
	Morris Putnam Jr.	* 671
	Richard St. Pierre	* 719
	Elaine B. VanVelsor	* 729
Recreation Committee	for one year	
	Kerry L. Johnson	* 829
	Barry Kinne	* 798
Recreation Committee	for two years	
	Shaun Chase	* 866
	David Weigel	* 796
Recreation Committee	for three years	
	Dan Champney	* 824
	Richard Paskerta Jr.	* 820
	Marcia West	* 806

***Elected**

Article 2. "Are you in favor of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Charlestown Zoning Ordinance?"

Amendment #1 will add Section 9, a Drinking Water Protection District Ordinance, as an overlay zone to the Zoning Ordinance, and will stipulate certain prohibited and conditional uses for the protection of the Bull Run, Clay Brook and North Charlestown drinking water wells"

YES 743

NO 303

Article 3. "Are you in favor of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Charlestown Zoning Ordinance?"

Amendment #2 will adopt by reference the most recently published BOCA/National/International Building(1996), Fire(1996), Life Safety(1994), Electrical(1996), Mechanical(1996) and Plumbing Codes(1997), and as updated thereafter."

YES 580

NO 444

Article 4. "Are you in favor of the Zoning Amendment as submitted by Petition to the Charlestown Board of Selectmen for amending the Charlestown Zoning Ordinance as follows:

The petition asks that the section of the Town of Charlestown, commonly referred to as the Southwest Street area, be changed in the Zoning Regulations,

from Zone E, to a new zone called G-1 Southwest Street Area. The petition defines the zone and specifies the uses permitted therein, allowing a mix of residential, commercial, business and industrial uses.”

YES 672

NO 306

Article 5. "Are you in favor of the Zoning Amendment as submitted to the Charlestown Board of Selectmen, by residents of Scenic Hill Road, for amending the Charlestown Zoning Ordinance as follows:

We, the undersigned, petition the voters in the Town of Charlestown to approve the change in zoning of Scenic Hill Road from Zone E to Zone A-1 Rural Residential.”

YES 686

NO 335

Article 6. "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$776,250, for the renovation of, additions to and improved handicap accessibility of the Municipal/Library Building and so-called Bakery Building adjacent, on the condition* that the Town shall obtain a grant in an amount not less than \$300,000 and, further, that the balance of the appropriation shall be obtained by the issuance of bonds or notes in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and, further, to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend such grant, to sign any and all documents and take any and all action as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote?" (*being that there will be no appropriation or construction unless the Town receives the grant.)

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES 368

NO 675

Article 7. Shall the Town vote to establish a capital reserve fund, pursuant to RSA 35:1, to be designated the Town of Charlestown Landfill Closure Fund, for the purpose of officially closing and capping the former Town landfill?"

YES 609

NO 416

Article 8. "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer any unexpended appropriation, as of December 31, 1998, for the Town of Charlestown Transfer Station, to the capital reserve fund established by Article 7, for the purpose of officially closing and capping the former Town landfill?"

YES 637

NO 388

Article 9. "Shall the Town, by Special Warrant Article, vote to raise and appropriate up to \$120,000, for the purchase of a new fire truck, \$60,000 of which is to be raised by taxes, with the balance to be paid by private donations?"

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES 624

NO 425

Article 10. "Shall the Town, by Special Warrant Article, vote to raise and

appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to investigate a CAMA system and purchase the accepted system to begin a re-valuation of real property in the Town of Charlestown?"

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES 429

NO 580

Article 11. "Shall the Town vote to accept the reports of the various Town Officers and to take proper action thereon?"

YES 848

NO 161

Article 12. "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, by Special Warrant Article, the sum of \$.00, for the reimbursement of a portion of the cost of outreach services, provided to residents of Charlestown by Southwestern Communiity Services, Inc.?"

The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation.

YES 291

NO 684

Article 13. "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, by Special Warrant Article, the sum of \$2,500 toward the operating expenses for a twice-daily Monday bus route to Claremont, provided by Community Transportation Services, Inc.?"

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES 607

NO 418

Article 14. "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, by special Warrant Article, the sum of \$.00, for partial reimbursement of the cost of meals provided to residents of the Town of Charlestown by The Community Kitchen, Inc.?"

The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation.

YES 326

No 654

Article 15. "Shall the town vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property acquired by the Town Tax Collector's Deed, either at public auction or by advertised, sealed bids, as provided by RSA 80:42-II, and authorize the Selectmen to dispose of such property "as justice may require", in accordance with RSA 80:42-IV and V?"

YES 747

NO 263

Article 16. "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the Town Meeting, money from the State, Federal or other governmental unit or private source, which becomes available during the fiscal year, to be used for any purposes for which the Town may legally appropriate money and in accordance with and pursuant to the requirements of RSA 31:95b?"

YES 704

NO 302

Article 17. "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money

expenses, as provided in RSA 33:7 of the Municipal Finance Act?"

YES 679 NO 324

Article 18. "Shall the Town vote to continue the position of Public Works Director and review the position at Town Meeting 1999?"

YES 652 NO 389

Article 19. "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,537,862, which represents \$1,991,527 for the Town operating budget, \$362,931 for the Water Fund Budget and \$183,404 for the Sewer Fund budget?" Should this article be defeated the default operating budget shall be \$2,476,928* which is the same as last year's budget with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law. The governing body may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (*which represents \$1,972,460 for the Town operating budget, \$329,623 for the Water Fund Budget and \$174,845 for Sewer Fund Budget.

Warrant Article #19 does not include special warrant articles 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, and individual warrant article 21.

YES 492 NO 501

Article 20. "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept donations of land and/or buildings to be used for municipal purposes pursuant to RSA 31:3?"

YES 804 NO 203

Article 21. "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for Old Home Day 2000?"

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES 789 NO 235

Article 22. "Shall the Town vote to require the Board of Selectmen to adopt a Code of Ethics for all elected and appointed officials?"

YES 819 NO 198

Article 23. "Shall the Town vote to adopt a Conflict of Interest Ordinance for all elected and appointed officials?"

YES 819 NO 189

Article 24. "Shall the Town vote to discontinue Bible Hill Road, from the south end of property of Harvey D. and Christina R. Hill, formerly known as the Esersky Estate, north to the Claremont City line, as a Class VI road, pursuant to RSA 231:43? Said road has not been maintained by the Town for a period in excess of twenty-five years and is, in effect, no longer a public road."

YES 625 NO 361

Article 25. "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept private

donations for a study of the Fall Mountain School District education funding formula and, further, to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend such funds, to sign any and all documents and take any and all action as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote?"

YES 828

NO 189

Article 26. "Shall The Town vote to transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting?"

YES 795

NO 194

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
1998 Tax Rate Calculation**

		<u>Tax Rates</u>
Appropriations	2,600,428	
Less: Revenues	1,742,180	
Less: Shared Revenues	28,297	
Add: Overlay	59,666	
War Service Credits	42,900	
Net Town Appropriation	<u>932,517</u>	
Approved Town Tax Effort		932,517
Municipal Tax Rate		

6.29

-- School Portion --

Due to Regional School	4,248,384
Less: Shared Revenues	<u>117,209</u>
Net School Appropriation	<u>4,131,175</u>

Approved School(s) Tax Effort	4,131,175
School(s) Tax Rate	

27.85

-- County Portion --

Due to County	387,957
Less: Shared Revenues	<u>9,123</u>
Net County Appropriation	<u>378,834</u>

Approved County Tax Effort	378,834
County Tax Rate	

2.55

36.69

Total Property Taxes Assessed	5,442,526
Less: War Service Credits	<u>(42,900)</u>

5,399,626

-- Proof of Rate --

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
148,338,140	36.69	5,442,526

1998 Bond Requirement

Treasurer:	113,000	Tax Collector:	97,000
Town Clerk:	40,000	Trustees of Trust Funds:	201,000

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1998

Appropriation Title	Appropriation Amount	Receipts & Reimbs.	Total Amt. Available	Expenditures	Unexp'n'd Balance	Overdraft
Executive	\$39,438		\$39,438	\$46,359		6921
Elect/Regis/Vital Recs.	\$6,450	\$1,525	\$7,975	\$5,821	\$2,154	
Financial Admin	\$132,507		\$132,507	\$127,965	\$4,542	
Legal	\$10,000		\$10,000	\$43,156		33,156
Personnel Admin.	\$10,000	\$10,475	\$20,475	\$10,611	\$9,864	
Planning & Zoning	\$25,360		\$25,360	\$23,675	\$1,685	
General Gov't. Bldgs	\$96,877	42	\$96,919	\$93,991	\$2,928	
Cemeteries	\$56,080		\$56,080	\$55,245	835	
Insurance	\$46,000		\$46,000	\$47,903		\$1,903
Regional Associations	\$13,663		\$13,663	\$13,662	1	
Police	\$336,233	\$13,980	\$350,213	\$340,047	\$10,166	
Ambulance	\$27,112		\$27,112	\$24,194	\$2,918	
Fire	\$51,350		\$51,350	\$55,233		\$3,883
Code Enforcement	\$3,500		\$3,500	\$8,204		\$4,704
EMT	\$12,156		\$12,156	\$13,990		\$1,834
Highway	\$525,559	\$111,338	\$636,897	\$487,127	\$149,770	
Street Lights	\$21,000		\$21,000	\$20,289	\$711	
Transfer Station	\$291,614		\$291,614	\$283,581	\$8,033	
Pest Control	\$4,000	\$300	\$4,300	\$4,570		\$270
Health Agencies	\$32,714		\$32,714	\$32,937		\$223

General Assistance	\$28,210	\$281	\$28,491	\$38,692	\$10,201
Parks & Recreation	\$32,899	\$20	\$32,919	\$34,490	\$1,571
Library	\$65,190	\$15,045	\$80,235	\$67,063	\$13,172
Conservation Comm.	\$600		\$600	\$574	\$26
Debt/Principal/Interest	\$41,586	\$175	\$41,761	\$29,198	\$12,563
Capital	\$62,362		\$62,362	\$46,958	\$15,404
Sub-total	\$1,972,460	\$153,181	\$2,125,641	\$1,955,535	\$234,772
Articles	\$123,500	\$60,000	\$183,500	\$123,500	\$60,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$2,095,960	\$213,181	\$2,309,141	\$2,079,035	\$294,772
Net Unexpended					\$230,106

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

as of December 31, 1998

	<u>Beginning of year</u>	<u>*End of year</u>
<u>Current assets</u>		
Cash and equivalents	536,691	1,234,470
Investments	501,050	10,095
Taxes receivable	1,386,921	1,135,066
Accounts receivable	12,409	67,951
Intergovernmental	6,695	13,758
Interfund Rec.	100,430	130,034
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,544,196	\$ 2,591,374
<u>Current liabilities</u>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 21,164	\$ 89,011
Accrued Payroll & Benefits	8,803	0
Contracts Payable	25,000	66,065
Intergovernmental	2,138,632	2,124,192
Interfund Payable	31,182	0
Other current liabilities	3,300	0
Total Liabilities	\$ 2,228,081	\$ 2,279,268
<u>Fund Equity</u>		
Unreserved fund balance	316,115	312,106
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 2,544,196	\$ 2,591,374

*These figures have not been audited and may vary slightly by amounts reserved for uncollectible.

BALANCE SHEET - SEWER & WATER FUND

	Beginning of Year Water	End of Year* Water	Beginning of Year Sewer	End of Year* Sewer
<u>Assets</u>				
Cash & Equivalents	80,971	211,689	74,239	119,640
Investments	181,797	157,448	100,964	106,261
Receivables rents	48,935	39,503	25,523	24,291
Interfund Receivable	9,583	0	0	0
Total Assets	<u>321,286</u>	<u>408,640</u>	<u>200,726</u>	<u>250,192</u>
<u>Liabilities and Fund Balance</u>				
Accounts Payable	715	30,399	1,531	2,889
Interfund Payable	55,603	50,518	2,330	46,228
Total Liabilities	<u>56,318</u>	<u>80,917</u>	<u>3,861</u>	<u>49,117</u>
Fund Balance	264,968	327,723	196,865	201,075
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	<u>321,286</u>	<u>408,640</u>	<u>200,726</u>	<u>250,192</u>

*Unaudited

STATEMENT OF DEBT
December 31, 1998
Showing Annual Maturities of Outstanding and
Long-Term Notes

Water Improvement	Sewer Department Bond
NH Municipal Bond Bank	Farmers Home Administration
4.75%	5.0%

<u>Year</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>
	<u>\$ 650,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 490,000.00</u>
1999 - 2005 \$ 30,000.00 each year		\$ 24,500.00 each year
Total	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 24,500.00

WATER-WELLS PROJECT

Claremont Savings Bank

5.5%

Original Amount: \$300,000.00

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Payment</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Payment</u>
1999	33,792.62	929.30	34,721.92

FIRE TRUCK

Farmers Home Administration

5.875%

Original Amount: \$159,800.00

<u>Year</u>	<u>Begin Balance</u>	<u>Princ. Paymt.</u>	<u>Int. Paymt.</u>	<u>Total</u>
1999	57,811.91	18,188.55	3,396.45	21,585.00
2000	39,623.36	19,257.13	2,327.87	21,585.00
2001	20,366.23	20,366.23	1,196.52	21,562.75

SCHEDULE OF TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY

	<u>Description</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value</u>
L/B	Bakery Building	.12	\$154,450
L/B	Well Lovers Lane	16.56	31,250
Land	Beaudry Development	3.10	1,550
Land	Birch Drive	.11	1,550
L/B	Borough Rd.	.25	21,800
L/B	Borough Rd.	18.00	9,000
L/B	Forest Hill Cemetery	9.00	103,450
Land	Pinecrest Cemetery	9.00	45,000
Land	Hubbard Hill Cemetery	.80	12,000
L/B	Hope Hill Cemetery	10.00	54,000
L/B	No. Charlestown Well	.23	14,300
Land	Hall's Pond Rd.	100.00	30,000
Land	No. Hemlock Rd. Well	5.00	10,000
Land	No. Hemlock Rd. Reservoir	164.00	86,100
Land	No. Hemlock Rd Reservoir	25.00	26,000
L/B	Wastewater Treatment Facility	23.00	3,234,000
Land	Unity Stage Rd	1.00	5,000
L/B	Swim Pool	13.35	261,900
Land	East St. Tennis Court	.43	48,800
Land	South of Transfer Station	29.20	8,750
L/B	Fire Station	.48	313,500
L/B	Town Hall & Water Dept	.27	131,800
Land	Briggs Hill	.50	8,500
L/B	Highway Garage	.70	7,700
L/B	Library/Municipal Building	.72	483,200
L/B	Medical Center	.32	164,500
Land	off So. Hemlock Rd	62.00	18,600
L/B	Transfer Station	5.17	92,500
Land	Chase Circle	2.48	4,950
L/B	Patch Park	16.00	57,650
Land	Egypt Rd.	.07	150
Land	Borough Rd.	2.00	12,500
L/B	Springfield Rd Pump Station	.35	473,250
Land	Almar St.	.70	1,400
Land	Hall's Pond Rd.	50.00	31,150

Town Owned Property, Cont'd.

Land	Claremont Rd.	12.56	102,800
Land	Claremont Rd.	.50	500
Land	Off Hall's Pond Rd.	48.00	14,400
Land	Off No. Hemlock Rd.	2.03	4,050
L/B	Springfield Rd.	<u>.35</u>	<u>112,000</u>
Total		631.35	\$6,264,000

VEHICLES

1999 International	\$130,000.00	
1951 American LaFrance	\$ 75,000.00	
1976 International Tanker	\$ 75,000.00	
1987 Ford F350	\$ 40,000.00	
1922 Ford Fire Truck	\$ 7,900.00	
1980 American LaFrance	\$260,000.00	
1996 Ford	\$100,000.00	
1991 American LaFrance	\$260,000.00	
1996 Car-Mate Trailer	<u>\$ 1,300.00</u>	
Total Fire Dept. Vehicles		\$949,200.00
1992 Ford F150 PU	\$ 9,284.00	
1993 Ford PU Dump Truck	<u>\$ 20,698.00</u>	
Total Water & Sewer Dept. Vehicles		\$ 29,982.00
1997 John Deere Tractor	\$ 24,000.00	
1997 Ford F360 PU	\$ 29,200.00	
1983 International Dump Truck	\$ 36,399.00	
1994 Ford F350 Dump Truck	\$ 17,900.00	
1991 Ford 1T Dump Truck	\$ 24,800.00	
1997 International Dump Truck	\$ 52,000.00	
1987 International Truck	\$ 36,877.00	
1989 International Dump Truck	<u>\$ 27,674.00</u>	
Total Highway Dept. Vehicles		\$248,850.00
1987 Chevrolet PU Truck	<u>\$ 16,358.00</u>	
Total Cemetery Dept Vehicles		\$ 16,358.00
1987 Ford Ambulance	\$ 60,000.00	
1994 Ford Ambulance	<u>\$ 67,045.00</u>	
Total Ambulance Dept. Vehicles		\$127,045.00
1998 Ford Crown Victoria	\$ 19,699.00	
1997 Ford Crown Victoria	\$ 18,200.00	
1977 Dodge PU (Animal Control)	NV	
Total Police Dept. Vehicles		<u>\$ 37,899.00</u>
1994 Chevrolet S-10 Truck	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>	
Total Public Works Vehicles		<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>
TOTAL ALL TOWN VEHICLES		\$1,419,334.00

EQUIPMENT

John Deere Snowblower/Sander	\$3,000.00	
Chipper	\$7,000.00	
Economizer Sander	\$3,500.00	
Motorola Mobile Radio Unit	\$1,500.00	
1989 Tractor/Loader/Backhoe	\$67,938.00	
1992 John Deere Loader	\$116,500.00	
1985 Fiat-Allis Model FG85 Grader	\$93,745.00	
1988 Gardner Denver Air Compressor	\$12,000.00	
3 Chainsaws @ \$400	\$ 1,200.00	
2 Brush Saws @ \$350	\$700.00	
Line Striper	\$1,600.00	
Plate Compactor	\$1,600.00	
Roller	\$ 16,000.00	
Stanles Sander (Small)	\$4,600.00	
Misc. Tools & Equip	\$17,325.00	
Total: Highway Dept. Equipment		\$348,208.00
1979 Clark Michigan Loader	\$55,000.00	
1993 Clark GPS 17 Forklift	<u>\$34,300.00</u>	
Total Transfer Station Equipment		\$89,300.00
1983 John Deere 410	<u>\$28,000.00</u>	
Total Water & Sewer Dept Equip (Shared)		\$28,000.00
O'Brien Power Sewer Rodder	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	
Total Sewer Dept. Equipment		\$15,000.00
Scag Mower	<u>\$7,000.00</u>	
Total Recreation Dept. Equipment		\$7,000.00
Stone Mud Sucker	\$2,000.00	
Hydromatic Trash Pump Ser.	\$3,500.00	
Rescue Tri-Pod	\$2,000.00	
Trench Box	\$2,500.00	
Misc. Tools & Equip.	<u>\$10,000.00</u>	
Total Water Dept. Equipment		\$20,000.00
JD Model 318 Tractor	\$8,500.00	

Misc. Tools & Equip.	<u>\$1,907.00</u>	
Total Cemetery Equipment		\$10,407.00
The Old Block House (Painting)	\$10,000.00	
Civil War Cannon: Model 1841-44	\$40,000.00	
Civil War Soldier	\$60,000.00	
WWII Stone	\$ 10,000.00	
Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Persian Gulf	\$9,000.00	
Fireman Memorial Stone	<u>\$2,000.00</u>	
Total Fine Arts		\$131,000.00
POW-MIA Monument	\$6,000.00	
Electronic Data Processing	\$27,410.00	
Misc.	<u>\$2,500.00</u>	
Total General Government Equipment		\$35,910.00
Misc. Tools & Equip.	<u>\$11,293.00</u>	
Total Police Dept. Equipment		\$11,293.00
Misc Tools & Equip.	<u>\$56,692.00</u>	
Total Fire Dept. Equipment		<u>\$56,692.00</u>
TOTAL ALL TOWN EQUIPMENT		\$752,810.00

Values of vehicles & equipment furnished by Mortenson Insurance

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION-1997

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Charlestown as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997. 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 financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Charlestown has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Charlestown, as of December 31, 1997, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Charlestown taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as 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 Charlestown. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Plodzik & Sanderson, Professional Association

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK 1998

Debra J. Clark

MOTOR VEHICLES:

Permits Issued: 6110

Amount of fees received	\$ 453,442.00
Bad Check Charges	<u>200.00</u>
	\$ 453,642.00

DOGS:

Licenses Issued: 936

Amount of fees received	\$ 6,281.50
Amount of fines received	<u>1,307.00</u>
	\$ 7,588.50

MARRIAGES:

Licenses Issued: 33

Amount received	\$ 1,485.00
Bad Check Charge	<u>25.00</u>
	\$ 1,510.00

FILING FEES:

Motor Vehicle Titles	\$ 1,381.00
Universal Commercial Codes	3,954.31
Federal Tax Liens	165.00
Vital Records	769.00
Miscellaneous Fees	<u>122.96</u>
	\$ 6,392.27

ELECTIONS:

Candidate Filings	\$ 10.00
Sale of Checklists	<u>275.00</u>
	\$ 285.00

PAID TO TREASURER \$ 469,417.77

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Year Ending December 31, 1998

<u>DEBITS</u>	<u>Levy for Year of this Report</u> 1998	<u>Prior Years' Levies</u> 1997 1996
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		
BEGINNING OF YEAR* :		
Property Taxes		877,794.38
Land Use Change		1,712.82
Yield Taxes		73,066.57
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR :		
Property Taxes	5,407,835.70	
Excavation Activity Tax	12,355.38	
Land Use Change	10,127.00	
Yield Taxes	25,225.68	
Utilities	478,725.65	
Bad Check Charges - w/s	25.00	
OVERPAYMENT :		
Property Taxes	293.47	1,786.55
Property 1999 Prepaids	212.38	
Interest & Cost on Delinquent Taxes	9,773.93	61,504.46
		266.60
TOTAL DEBITS	\$5,944,549.19	\$1,014,176.96
		\$1,979.42

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 1998

<u>CREDITS</u>	<u>Levy for Year of this Report</u>	<u>Prior Years' Levies</u>
	1998	1997 1996
REMITTED TO TREASURER		
Property Taxes	4,642,363.96	434,924.23
Excavation Activity Tax	11,254.68	
Land Use Change	7,917.00	
Yield Taxes	17,869.63	2.57
Utilities	419,520.02	
Interest & Penalties	9,773.93	15.41
Conversion to Lien		1,961.44
ABATEMENTS MADE :		
Property Taxes	2,327.11	3.16
Land Use Change	650.00	
Yield Taxes	4,394.18	
Utilities	366.36	
1997 w/s error corrected in 1998		61.47
UNCOLLECTED TAXES END OF YEAR :		
Property Taxes	* 763,438.10	
Land Use Change	1,560.00	
Yield Taxes	2,961.87	
Utilities	59,051.65	
Excavation Activity Tax	1,100.70	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$5,944,549.19	\$1,014,176.96
* Bankruptcy & Court Settlement	15,582.52	\$1,979.42

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Year Ending December 31, 1998

	<u>Last Yr's Levy</u>		<u>Prior Years' Levies</u>	
	1997	1996	1995	94, 93
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year		Int 100.61	Int 3,411.33	Int 1,433.32
Liens Executed During Fiscal Yr.	487,464.60	339,887.06	217,282.74	17,015.60
Interest & Costs Coll. After Lien Execution	16,938.18	40,993.23	66,201.68	847.03
Bad Check Charge			25.00	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$504,402.78	\$380,980.90	\$286,920.75	\$19,295.95
<u>REMITTED TO TREASURER:</u>				
Redemptions	214,989.26	166,562.67	207,602.92	5,719.65
Int./Costs (After Lien Execution)	16,915.18	40,972.47	69,613.01	2,280.35
Bad Check Charge			25.00	
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	5,512.17		903.56	
Unredeemed Liens	Cost 23.00	Int 121.37		Int 113.41
Balance End of Year	*266,963.17	*173,324.39	*8,776.26	*11,182.54
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 504,402.78	\$380,980.90	\$286,920.75	\$19,295.95
*Bankruptcy & Court Settlement	9,868.75	10,130.20	8,776.26	11,295.95

ABATEMENTS

Tax Collector

January 1, 1998 thru December 31, 1998

REAL ESTATE

Poisson, Frederick	\$ 903.56
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Total abatements on 1995 property tax	\$ 903.56
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Beaudry, Normand R	156.41
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Bombria, Tracy & Christine	284.56
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Collier, Murphy & Elaine	433.44
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Harvey, Noreen (formerly Couitt)	3.16
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Malcolm, Bradley & Kathleen	552.16
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St. Pierre, Albert & Carol	4085.60
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Total abatements on 1997 Property tax	\$5515.33
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Babbitt, Lynwood & Lillian	11.31
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Cirone, Truman & Glennia	282.68
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DeRosia, Alexander & Norma	188.45
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Ford, Willard & Suzanne	366.90
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French, Earl & Eleanor	282.67
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Pebbles, Lavina	376.90
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Lique, Clifton & Norma	456.80
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Poellet, Helen	361.40
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Total abatements on 1998 property tax	\$2327.11
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LAND USE CHANGE

Beaudry, Normand R	650.00
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Total abatements on 1998 land use change tax	\$ 650.00
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ABATEMENTS
Tax Collector

January 1, 1998 thru December 31, 1998

YIELD TAX

Frizzell, Robert & Apolonia	\$1629.20
St. Pierre, Victor & Nancy	2075.64
Sweet, Scott & Lisa	92.21
Weaver Jr. Kenneth & Diane	597.13

Total abatements on 1998 yield tax	\$ 4394.18
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WATER

Scott, Douglas & Milinda	\$148.73
St. Laurence, Norman & Brenda	39.78
VanVelsor, Edward & Elaine	12.50

Total abatements on 1998 water tax	\$ 201.01
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SEWER

Scott, Douglas & Milinda	\$ 120.60
St. Laurence, Norman & Brenda	32.25
VanVelsor, Edward & Elaine	12.50

Total abatements on 1998 sewer	\$ 165.35
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TREASURER'S REPORT
Detailed Statement of Receipts
January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998

State of New Hampshire

Shared Revenue Grant	\$274,559.45
Reimb. State & Federal Forest Land	1,975.56
Railroad Tax	17,373.54
Fire Cost of Sharing-97 Grant	600.00
Animal Control	<u>299.62</u>
	\$294,808.17

Highway Department

State of New Hampshire-Highway Block Grant	\$109,331.97
Reimbursement	<u>2,980.44</u>
	\$112,312.41

Transfer Station

Permits	\$ 28,965.00
Demolition-due from 1997	910.00
Tires-due from 1997	63.00
Recycle-due from 1997	957.89
Trash-due from 1997	<u>2,843.50</u>
	\$ 33,739.39

Police Department

Reimbursement-Guard Duty	\$ 1,302.00
Reports	842.00
Insurance Reimbursement on Damaged Vehicle	<u>222.16</u>
	\$ 2,366.16

Ambulance Department

Insurance Payments	\$ 7,672.59
Payments by Individuals	<u>4,027.50</u>
	\$ 11,700.09

Fire Department

Reimbursement for Cleanup	\$1,430.00
Reports	<u>30.00</u>
	\$1,460.00

Planning Board

Building Permits	\$ 5,048.74
Application Fees	1,470.00
Reimbursements-Ads, Certified Letters, Expenses	<u>939.41</u>
	\$ 7,458.15

Selectmen's Office

Town Histories	\$ 900.00
Copies	944.50
Miscellaneous-Bad Check Fees and Postage	152.39
Sale of Coca-Cola Machine	<u>501.01</u>
	\$ 2,497.90

Health & Human Services

Reimbursement by Individuals	\$ <u>634.55</u>
	\$ 634.55

Cemetery Department

Cemetery Lots	\$ 1,800.00
Recording Fees For Deeds	45.00
Fees for Opening Graves	5,750.00
Trustee of Trust Fund/Cemetery Care	20,898.05
Perpetual Care & Gen. Maintenance Funds	
Received & Remitted to Trustee of Trust Funds	<u>3,375.00</u>
	\$ 31,868.05

Recreation Department

Swimming Pool - Admission Fees & Lessons	\$ <u>6,428.00</u>
	\$ 6,428.00

Miscellaneous

Boat Fees	\$ 6,014.70
Junk Yard Permits	210.00
Fireworks Permit	250.00
Peddler's License	5.00
Overpayment from FMRHS and interest	11,543.00
Donation-Hubbard Farms-Use of Park	200.00
Election & Registration Reimb-FMRHS	1,525.25
Receipts Due Water and Sewer	500.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	2,142.37
Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	750,000.00
Interest Earned-Checking Account	10,288.13

Water & Sewer Depts. -Reimb. To General Fund	424,145.75
Library Reimbursement	188.00
Miscellaneous	<u>302.58</u>
	\$ 1,207,314.78

NH Public Deposit Investment Pool

Beginning Balance as of January 1, 1998	\$501,050.46
Interest	9,008.81
Transfers to General Fund	<u>-500,000.00</u>
Ending Balance as of December 31, 1998	\$ 10,059.27

Balance as of January 1, 1998	\$ 536,391.28
Receipts	9,066,974.40
Less Disbursements	<u>-8,368,895.93</u>
Balance as of December 31, 1998	\$1,234,469.75

Accounts Held by the Treasurer

General Fund Checking Account	\$1, 234,469.75
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>10,059.27</u>
Total Funds Available for the General Fund	\$ 1,244,529.02

Town Hall Savings Account	7,091.81
Conservation Commission-Money Market Account	9,339.88
Conservation Commission-Certificate of Deposit	34,844.22
Recreation Department-Special Fund Checking Account	4,803.00
In Memory of Bruce Royce Savings Account	926.00

Town of Charlestown Water Dept-Money Market Acct.	\$211,688.90
Water Dept-NH Public Dept. Investment Pool Account	<u>157,448.44</u>
Total Funds Available for Water Dept	\$ 369,137.34

Town of Charlestown Sewer Dept-Money Market Acct.	\$119,640.47
Sewer Dept-NH Public Dept. Investment Pool Account	<u>106,260.94</u>
Total Funds Available for Sewer Dept.	\$ 225,901.41

CDBG Grant Checking Account	\$ 531.24
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Rental of Property

Town Hall	\$ 1,250.00
Municipal Building	<u>440.00</u>
	\$ 1,690.00

Town Clerk

Registrations	\$ 453,442.00
Motor Vehicles Titles & Registration Fees	1,381.00
UCC, Election & Miscellaneous Fees	4,252.27
Vital Statistics-Fees (Town)	352.00
Vital Statistics-Fees received & remitted to State	417.00
Marriage License Fees (Town)	231.00
Marriage License-Fees received & remitted to State	1,254.00
Dog Licenses & Fines	5,328.00
Dog Licenses - Fees received & remitted to State	2,260.50
Bad Check Fee	225.00
Checklist Fee	<u>275.00</u>
	\$ 469,417.77

Tax Collector

1998 Property Taxes & Interest	\$ 4,655,169.45
1997 Property Taxes & Interest	928,625.08
1999 Property Taxes	1,720.06
Redeemed Property Taxes, Interest & Costs	724,655.51
Yield Taxes & Interest	19,916.62
Overpayment/Property Taxes, Received & Returned	2,080.02
Jeopardy Assessments	2,447.02
Current Use	7,933.16
Excavation Activity Tax & Interest	11,258.05
Due to Water Dept	102.20
Water/Sewer Dept Lien	<u>542.50</u>
	\$ 6,354,449.67

Insurance

Reimb. - Return of 1996 Contribution	\$ 14,108.05
Reimb. - Return of Wages	1,402.64
Refund of Worker's Comp Premium	2,843.07
Reimbursement from Individuals	<u>10,475.55</u>
	\$ 28,829.31

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive Office

Clerk/Receptionist	\$ 9,351
Secretary	15,161
Selectmen	5,400
Health Insurance	4,564
Life/Disability Ins.	219
FICA/Medicare	2,265
Retirement	959
Unemployment	32
Workers Comp	-14
Telephone	1,125
Printing	312
Office Supplies	2,558
Newspaper Ads	1,498
Law Books	340
Computer Course	239
Miscellaneous	-367
Highway Dept. - moving eqmt.	50
Administrative Assistant	1,733
Life/Disability	-6
FICA/Medicare	132
Retirement	<u>74</u>
<u>Total Executive</u>	<u>\$46,359</u>

Election, Registration & Vital Statistics

Moderator	\$ 336
Ballot Clerks	1,379
Supervisors	353
FICA/Medicare	85
Printing & Supplies	1,885
Postage	<u>90</u>
	4,128
Vital Statistics	<u>168</u>
<u>Total E & R + Vital</u>	<u>\$ 4,296</u>

Financial Administration

Bookkeeper	\$ 32,012
Health Insurance	4,213
Life/Disability	233
FICA/Medicare	2,433
Retirement	1,357
Unemployment/WC	498
Auditors	5,850
Printing Town Report	2,147
Internal Revenue Service	398
Postage	4,894
Dues NHGFOA	25
Trustee Trust Fund Salary	1,000
FICA/Medicare	77
New London Trust	109
Postage for Trustees	46
Reimbursement Mileage	35
Assessing	3,653
Town Clerk/Tax Coll.	26,928
Town Clerk/Tax Coll. P/T	19,364
Health Insurance	5,687
Life/Disability	381
FICA/Medicare	3,406
Unemployment/WC	225
Telephone	524
Dues & Subscriptions	131
Sullivan County Registry	1,187
Printing Bills	288
National Market Reports	225
Miscellaneous	38
Office Supplies	853
Mortgagee Search	2,440
Treasurer - Salary	4,075
FICA/Medicare	285
Bank Fees	712
Software Support	2,236

Total Financial Administration \$127,965

Legal Expense	
Gardner & Fulton	\$ 43,156
<u>Total Legal Expense</u>	<u>\$ 43,156</u>

Personnel Administration	
Health Insurance - Reimbursed	10,611
<u>Total Personnel Administration</u>	<u>\$ 10,611</u>

Planning & Zoning	
Director	15,017
Secretary	125
Life/Disability	110
FICA/Medicare	1,149
Retirement	74
Unemployment/WC	81
Telephone	441
Publication Expense	2,870
Education, Mileage Reimb.	406
Dues, Resource Material	1,188
Copier Expense	949
Postage	892
Recording Fees	97
Zoning Board Expense	276
<u>Total Planning & Zoning</u>	<u>\$ 23,675</u>

General Government Buildings	
Custodian	10,810
FICA/Medicare	366
Unemployment/WC	1,110
Municipal Building - Electrician	6,341
Municipal Building - Heating Oil	1,250
Municipal Building - Bulletin Board	244
Municipal Building - Vacuum	459
Municipal Building - Floor & Carpet	7,603
Municipal Building - Cleaning Supplies	434
Municipal Building - Roof Repair	350
Municipal Building - Ads	166
Municipal Building - Propane Gas	203
Municipal Building - Electrical Suppl&Maint	859

Municipal Building - Town Clerk Maint	\$ 165
Mun Bldg - Safety Ren. Carryover	10,388
Mun Bldg - Paper Supplies, Flag, Gen.	940
Town Hall - Electricity	1,063
Town Hall - Heating Oil	1,059
Town Hall - Maintenance	843
Ambulance - Electricity	716
Ambulance - Heating Oil	660
Ambulance - Maintenance	92
Fire Station - Electricity	1,683
Fire Station - Heating Oil	954
Fire Station - Overhead Door	650
Fire Station - Rewiring for Computer	367
Fire Station - Generator	814
Fire Station - Painting	1,200
Fire Station - Flooring	200
Fire Station - Blinds	832
Fire Station - Maintenance	541
Highway - Electricity	1,956
Highway - Heating Oil	1,068
Highway - Signs for Building	1,001
Highway - Meters from Water Dept.	460
Highway - Maintenance	649
Transfer Station - Electricity	1,594
Transfer Station - Electrical Repair	177
Transfer Station - Entrance Sign	451
Transfer Station - Waste Oil Heater	161
Transfer Station - Maintenance	301
Recreation Facilities - Groundskeeper	8,294
Recreation - FICA/Medicare	624
Recreation - Unemployment/WC	311
Recreation - Patch Park - Electricity	679
Recreation - Maintenance	2,102
Recreation - Pool Electricity	1,396
Recreation - Paper Supply, Etc.	1,300
Bakery Building - Electricity	572
Bakery Building - Heating Oil	1,100
Bakery Building - Furnace	5,983
Bakery Building - Maintenance	191

Bakery Building - Carryover - Roof	\$ 10,000
Comm Bulletin Board - Electricity	130
Cemetery - Electricity	<u>87</u>
<u>Total Gen Government Buildings</u>	<u>\$93,949</u>

Cemeteries

Sexton	\$ 16,751
Wages - Parttime	21,612
Health Insurance	2,282
Life/Disability	131
FICA/Medicare	2,864
Retirement	736
Unemployment/WC	1,155
Equipment Maintenance	2,185
Vehicle Repair	1,023
Gasoline	494
Uniforms	437
Refund of Lot Sold in Previous Year	200
St. Pierre Inc - Loam	651
Fence Replacement	1,573
Opening Gates	210
C & I Construction - Peastone	1,479
Water Department - Repair Leaks	93
Highway Department - Surepac	550
Supplies and Miscellaneous	<u>812</u>
<u>Total Cemeteries</u>	<u>\$ 55,238</u>

Insurance - Property, Liability, Vehicle

Koson Insurance	\$ 1,706
Mortenson Agency	<u>46,197</u>
<u>Total Ins - Prop, Liab, Veh</u>	<u>\$ 47,903</u>

Advertising & Regional Planning

Charlestown Senior Citizens	\$ 3,600
NH Municipal Assoc - Dues	1,556
Meeting Waters YMCA	1,000
Sullivan County Econ Dev	3,200
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee	<u>4,306</u>
<u>Total Ad & Regional Planning</u>	<u>\$ 13,662</u>

<u>Total General Government</u>	<u>\$466,814</u>
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Public Safety

Police Department	
Salaries - Fulltime	\$194,989
Salaries - Parttime	51,156
Overtime	6,255
Health Insurance	33,492
Life/Disability	1,556
FICA/Medicare	9,745
Retirement	7,847
Unemployment/WC	5,989
Telephone	5,217
Alarm Monitoring	393
Office Supplies	914
Copier - Rental	1,319
RSA Updates	157
File Cabinets	225
Office Chair	100
Postage	114
Vehicle Repair	5,210
Gasoline	3,483
SPOTS Support	3,600
Radio Communications	608
Uniforms	1,625
Special Detail	1,731
Ammunition	1,265
Lexis Law Publ	431
Charlestown Family Med - Phys	123
Competitive Computers - Consulting	228
Oscar Makinen	250
Roman Company - Emblems	304
Symquest - Copier	222
Ralphs - Turkeys	269
Petty Cash	100
Film, Pager, Ads, Misc	<u>1,130</u>
<u>Total Police</u>	<u>\$340,047</u>

Ambulance

Director	\$ 1,200
Salaries - Parttime	11,037
FICA/Medicare	936
Unemployment/WC	2,138
Telephone	788
Medical Supplies	3,113
Dues, Courses	805
Office Supplies	209
Postage	102
Vehicle Repair	1,065
Gasoline	467
Uniforms	565
Charlestown Family Med	121
Northeast Mtn Radio	198
Skywave Safety Inc	1,417
Miscellaneous	<u>33</u>
<u>Total Ambulance</u>	<u>\$24,194</u>

Fire Department

Chief	\$ 1,200
Assistant Chief	600
Salaries - Parttime	17,752
FICA/Medicare	1,484
Unemployment/WC	799
Telephone	1,304
Dispatching Services	4,594
Fire Tech & Safety	342
Competitive Computers	3,926
Information Management	2,700
National Safety Equipment	77
Wildfire Pacific	232
Dues & Subscriptions	741
Training	1,464
Vehicle Repair	5,974
Gasoline/Diesel	561
Radio Communications	1,837
Uniforms	1,569
Personal Equipment	2,934

SCBA Maintenance	\$ 2,028
Anton Enterprises	932
Fire Barn	197
Gall's Inc.	129
Gen Exp. Nat'l Safety	329
Water Department - Shoveling Hydrants	825
Miscellaneous	<u>703</u>
<u>Total Fire Department</u>	<u>\$55,233</u>

Code Enforcement

Building Inspector	\$ 6,100
FICA/Medicare	466
Robert Rivard - Mileage	989
BOCA - Books & Dues	431
Ads, Badge, Cards	<u>218</u>
<u>Total code Enforcement</u>	<u>\$ 8,204</u>

EMT

Salary	\$ 10,164
Health Insurance	1,931
Life/Disability	106
FICA/Medicare	777
Retirement	495
Unemployment/WC	455
Miscellaneous	<u>62</u>
<u>Total EMT</u>	<u>\$13,990</u>
<u>Total Public Safety</u>	<u>\$441,668</u>

Highway

Special Road Projects	
Hidden Valley Road	\$ 11,938
Perry, Main, East Street	38,935
Taylor, Breakneck Hill	20,312
River Street - Drainage	1,714
East Street Extension, So Hemlock	19,774
Carryover - Lane Construction	<u>55,677</u>
	<u>\$148,350</u>

Public Works Director	\$ 6,893
Salaries - Fulltime	116,838
Salaries - Parttime	7,608
Overtime	13,258
Health Insurance	22,381
Life/Disability	1,169
FICA/Medicare	11,646
Retirement	6,154
Unemployment/WC	10,868
Telephone	665
Education	214
Reference Material	109
Office Equipment	734
Reconstruction	41,464
Gravel Crushing	9,550
Vehicle Maintenance	26,145
Gasoline/Diesel	6,871
Uniforms	2,636
Culverts	1,715
Sand & Gravel	8,365
Equipment	5,097
Snow & Ice Supplies	14,920
Atlantic - Signs, Blades	2,381
Maynard Auto - Oil, Fluids	2,078
BDM Sweeper	7,215
Merriam Graves	620
Depot Homecenter	460
General Expense	1,160
State of NH - Guard Rails	725
United Construc - Repainting Lines	1,936
Newspaper Ads - Bids	1,416
Health Service - Drug Tests	238
Miscellaneous	857
Carryover - Carte Graph	<u>3,388</u>
<u>Total Highway Department</u>	<u>\$486,124</u>
Street Lights	<u>\$ 20,289</u>
<u>Total Street Lights</u>	<u>\$ 20,289</u>

Transfer Station

Public Works Director		\$ 6,893
Salaries - Fulltime		26,586
Salaries - Parttime		589
Overtime		333
Health Insurance		3,598
Life/Disability		289
FICA/Medicare		2,630
Retirement		1,223
Unemployment/WC		1,931
Telephone		410
Equipment		1,685
Grounds Maintenance		205
Dues, Education		495
Reference Material		353
Office Equipment		733
Vehicle Maintenance		767
Diesel		381
Uniforms		472
Trash Removal		151,139
Landfill Closure		78,775
Newspaper Ads - Bids	232	
Beaudry Ent.	494	
Carroll Conc. - Blocks	2,800	
Burtco - Culvert	347	
RN Johnson - Mower	2,799	
Walter Piletz Bulldz.	27,470	
United Construction	41,687	
Highway - Gravel	2,946	
Newspaper Ads - Schedule		128
Eastern Analytical - Well Sampling		3,055
Rydin Decal		610
Office Supplies		60
Pagers, Miscellaneous		241
<u>Total Transfer Station</u>		<u>\$ 283,581</u>

Animal Control

Gasoline	\$ 11
Ads, Postage, Printing	656

Claremont Animal Hospital	\$ 626
Staples Veterinary Clinic	118
Upper Valley Humane Society	<u>3,159</u>
<u>Total Animal Control</u>	<u>\$ 4,570</u>

Health Agencies

Health Officer	500
FICA/Medicare	38
Water Tests	200
Ads, Dues, Reim	199
Community Youth Adv	2500
Home Health Care	24,500
Sullivan County Hospice	1,500
Sullivan Nutrition	<u>3,500</u>
<u>Total Health Agencies</u>	<u>\$ 32,937</u>

General Assistance

Community Alliance	\$ 8,160
Telephone	547
Clients - Electricity	6,051
Clients - Food	803
Clients - Fuel	1,151
Clients - Medical	1,439
Clients - Rent	19,917
Clients - Other Expenses	<u>343</u>
<u>Total General Assistance</u>	<u>\$ 38,411</u>

Parks & Recreation

Director	\$ 3,919
FICA/Medicare	300
Unemployment/WC	94
Program Supplies	748
Patch Park - Chemical Toilets	480
Water Department - Meter	230
Miscellaneous	39
Swim Pool Lifeguards	19,342
Swim Pool - FICA/Medicare	1,479
Swim Pool - Unempl/WC	672
Swim Pool - Telephone	235

Swim Pool - Chemicals	\$ 664
Swim Pool - Courses, Cert	500
Swim Pool - Opening, Closing	4,049
Swim Pool - Supplies & Misc	719
Swim Team	<u>1,000</u>
<u>Total Parks & Recreation</u>	<u>\$ 34,470</u>

Library

Librarian	\$ 18,799
Assistant Librarian	12,313
Salaries - Parttime	11,330
Health Insurance	1,778
Life/Disability	234
FICA/Medicare	3,232
Unemployment/WC	217
Telephone	1,776
Supplies	1,106
Computer Expenses	124
Postage	100
Dues, Subscriptions	223
Workshops	35
Travel Reimbursement	216
Miscellaneous	64
Books (Trust Funds Reimb)	11,326
Carryover for Copier & Computer	<u>4,000</u>
<u>Total Library</u>	<u>\$ 66,872</u>

Conservation

Dues, Workshops	\$ 343
Silsby Library - Books	150
Ralph's - Green Up Day	<u>81</u>
<u>Total Conservation</u>	<u>\$ 574</u>

Debt Service

Claremont Savings - TAN	\$ 7,438
USDA - Firetruck	<u>\$ 21,585</u>
<u>Total Debt Service</u>	<u>\$ 29,023</u>

Capital Outlay

Computer for State Motor Vehicle	\$ 6,379
Sharp Copier	2,820
Police Cruiser	16,407
Police - Computers - Grant	5,150
Police - Northeast Mtn. Radio	3,436
Police Vests - Gall's	2,902
Cemetery Mower	3,390
Cemetery Backhoe Attmt	<u>6,474</u>
	<u>\$ 46,958</u>

Total Operating Expenditures \$1,952,290

Warrant Articles

Community Transportation	\$ 2,500
Old Home Day	1,000
Firetruck - S.G. Reed	49,350
Firetruck - Carryover	<u>\$ 70,650</u>
	<u>\$123,500</u>

GRAND TOTAL 1998 EXPENDITURES \$2,075,790

WATER DEPARTMENT 1998

Balance on hand January 1, 1998	\$262,768
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Deposits:

Rents - current	\$ 283,859
Rents - prior years	48,195
Interest on delinquent accounts	2,786
Connections - current	750
Meters - current	693
Meters - prior	306
Jobs billed - current	1,816
Jobs billed - prior	174
State grant	19,166
Interest on investments	11,411
Comp Funds of NH - dividend	52
Sale of recyclables	66
Bad check fee	25
Town of Charlestown - 97 grant	<u>9,583</u>
	\$ 378,882

TOTAL

\$641,650

Disbursements:

Water Commissioners	\$ 1,800
Salaries - employees	53,508
FICA/Medicare	6,780
Retirement	3,261
Health	14,446
Life/Disability	669
Unempl/Workers Comp.	2,092
Telephone	1,409
Contract management	1,300
Electricity	22,612
Heating Oil/Propane	1,574
Building Maintenance	840
Property, Vehicle insurance	1,219
Office Supplies & Equipment	1,366
Postage	450
Water tests	2,582

Dues, courses, fees	290
Engineering	4,975
Equipment	1,915
Vehicle repair/gasoline	1,630
Uniforms	1,230
Meter inst/repair	5,500
Line inst/repair	4,127
Alarm monitoring	716
Plant maint/repair	2,292
Chemicals	4,836
Booster station maint/repair	514
Debt - principal & interest	120,153
Pipe lease	150
State of NH - dams	200
Newspaper ads	335
Audit	1,000
Miscellaneous supplies	963
Carryover Carte Graph	2,889
Carryover Layne (wells)	<u>27,510</u>
	\$ 297,133

1997 Expenses paid in 1998	\$56,297
1998 Expenses due to general fund	<u>- 80,917</u>
	\$ 369,137

Money Market - December 31, 1998	\$ 211,688.90
NH Public Investment Pool	157,448.44

Total rents billed out in 1998	\$ 321,786
Total connections, jobs, etc.	\$ 6,725

SEWER DEPARTMENT - 1998

Balance on hand January 1, 1998		\$175,203
<u>Deposits:</u>		
Rents - current	\$135,661	
Rents - prior years	24,750	
Interest on delinquent accounts	1,464	
Connections - current	1,500	
Dumping fees - current	9,404	
Dumping fees - prior years	120	
Jobs billed - current	310	
Jobs billed - prior	247	
State grant	20,660	
Reimbursement Matheson Gas	369	
Interest on investments	<u>7,827</u>	
	\$202,312	
Total		\$377,515
<u>Disbursements</u>		
Sewer Commissioners	\$ 1,800	
Salaries - employees	70,688	
FICA/Medicare	3,419	
Retirement	1,381	
Health	6,460	
Life/Disability	254	
Unempl/Workers' Comp	716	
Telephone	1,222	
Lab fees	4,197	
Contract management	6,641	
Electricity	18,650	
Heating Oil	2,580	
Building Maintenance	21,189	
Property, vehicle insurance	3,664	
Line inst/repair	8,270	
Alarm monitoring	871	
Office supplies & equipment	1,147	
Postage	300	
Sewer rods & equipment	687	
Vehicle expense/gas	1,092	
Lagoon maintenance	4,291	

Uniforms	394
Audit	1,000
Pipe lease	100
State of NH - dams	300
Advertisements	251
Damage - Baldwin Court	617
Refund - line extension	488
Pagers, courses, misc.	314
Debt - principal & interest	26,338
Tests	3,722
Chemicals	3,190
Backup operator	270
Carry-over- Carte Graph	<u>2,889</u>
	\$ 199,392

1997 expenses paid in 1998	1,338
1998 expenses due to Gen. Fund	<u>49,117</u>
	\$225,902

Money Market December 31, 1998	\$119,640.47
NH Public Investment Pool - Dec. 31, 98	106,260.94

Total rents billed in 1998	156,887.02
Total connection, jobs, etc.	14,115.79

TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN MS-9
DECEMBER 31, 1998

	PRINCIPAL				INCOME				TOTAL PRINCIPAL & INCOME
	BALANCE 1/01/98	%/%%/%%	NEW FUNDS/ TRANSFERS	BROKER CHGS REIMB	GAINS OR LOSSES SALES YTD	BALANCE 12/31/98	BALANCE INCOME 1/01/98	ADD'N TO RET INCOME	
COMMON FUND									
SILSBY PUBLIC LIBRARY	110,402.17	0.1889	0.00	0.00	0.00	110,402.17	0.00	7,309.35	110,402.17
MAUDE E. PROUTY-LIBRARY	23,380.55	0.0400	0.00	0.00	0.00	23,380.55	0.00	(1,547.95)	23,380.55
MAUDE E. PROUTY-WORTHY POOR	15,589.04	0.0267	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,589.04	21,029.46	912.88	36,687.59
SWAN FUND	2,153.81	0.0037	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,153.81	0.00	142.59	2,153.81
PORTER WIDOW FUND	42,855.49	0.0733	0.00	0.00	0.00	42,855.49	5,655.36	3,255.62	51,976.04
CHARLES H. HOYT - STREETS	33,969.05	0.0581	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,969.05	14,866.24	1,989.19	53,936.96
CHARLES H. HOYT - MAUSOLEUM	10,981.36	0.0188	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,981.36	6,728.22	643.06	19,416.28
MARY A. SHERWOOD	1,943.73	0.0033	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,943.73	912.02	113.82	2,798.72
PERPETUAL CARE 1881-1995	225,407.45	0.3852	(215.05)	0.00	0.00	225,192.40	14,842.87	0.00	332,576.28
GENERAL MAINTENANCE	5,861.03	0.0177	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	10,361.03	95.00	528.30	10,361.03
HORACE METCALF FOUNTAIN TR	68.82	0.0005	0.00	0.00	0.00	68.82	1,511.86	96.06	1,892.48
CARE/NORTH CHARLESTOWN CEM	6,529.24	0.0112	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,529.24	652.16	384.34	8,051.11
ERNEST A. BIXBY-SCHOLARSHIP	67,660.55	0.1161	200.00	0.00	0.00	67,860.55	721.26	3,952.08	72,811.92
MATES - SCHOLARSHIPS	9,302.46	0.0281	7,152.50	0.00	0.00	16,454.96	697.61	417.90	18,313.15
PRIDE IN CHARLESTOWN-SCHOLAR	5,005.38	0.0095	576.70	0.00	0.00	5,582.08	41.99	275.58	6,022.02
DOROTHY SAYCE - TREES	2,735.83	0.0047	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,735.83	808.80	160.21	3,709.99
JAMES HEARNE TOWN HALL FD	1,499.23	0.0026	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,499.23	942.22	87.79	2,681.27
EMMA HUNT - CONSERVATION COM	3,340.09	0.0057	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,340.09	505.59	195.59	4,298.32
SAYCE FUND - LIBRARY	1,157.79	0.0020	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,157.79	0.00	76.65	1,157.79
DOROTHY SAYCE-SWIMMING POOL	1,157.79	0.0020	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,157.79	302.28	67.80	1,623.48
SAYCE FUND - STUDENT LOAN	1,157.79	0.0020	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,157.79	0.00	76.65	1,234.44
TOTAL COMMON FUND	572,358.65	1.0000	12,214.15	0.00	0.00	584,572.80	70,112.93	11,734.83	668,545.41
							42,212.46	(40,087.61)	83,972.61
RECREATIONAL FACILITY	MONEY MKT	25,044.00	6,000.00	0.00	0.00	31,044.00	2,175.83	1,176.61	34,396.44
	25,044.00	6,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,044.00	2,175.83	1,176.61	34,396.44

TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN COMMON TRUST FUND
MS-10 DECEMBER 31, 1986

NO. OF SHARES	DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENTS	GIFTS		PURCHASES		PROCEEDS		ADJ TO BKVAL	BOND AMORTI- ZATION	BALANCE		NEW FUNDS		INCOME		EXPENSE		BALANCE
		1/01/86				SALES				1/01/86	12/31/86	10/1/86	TRANSFERS	DURING YEAR	DURING YEAR	DURING YEAR	DURING YEAR	
506	AT&T	4,692.32									4,692.32				667.92			
300+300=600	# AMERITECH	2,358.84									2,358.84				720.00			
1,200	BALTIMORE GAS & ELECTRIC	10,517.76									10,517.76				1,992.00			
660+60=720	# BANK ONE CORP	20,488.02									20,488.02				1,078.44			
200+200=400	# BELL ATLANTIC	2,830.73									2,830.73				616.00			
450+450=900	# BELL SOUTH	3,066.62									3,066.62				648.00			
750	DOMINION RESOURCES, INC.	11,093.80									11,093.80				1,935.00			
600	DU PONT DE NEMOURS CO	20,202.42									20,202.42				819.00			
1,050	DOE INC	15,348.49									15,348.49				1,512.00			
500	EXXON	3,173.28									3,173.28				820.00			
400	GENERAL MILLS	21,468.06									21,468.06				848.00			
20+20=40	# INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES	2,065.00	2,152.50								4,217.50				26.00			
164+164=328	# LUCENT TECHNOLOGIES	1,915.40									1,915.40				51.66			
50	MC GRAW HILL COMPANIES INC	1,906.25									1,906.25				78.25			
250	PFIZER INC	14,963.38									14,963.38				190.00			
1756.8+2=1757	# SBC COMMUNICATIONS INC	9.53						4,672.78			4,682.31							
1,000	# SOUTHERN N.E. TELEPHONE	4,672.78						(4,672.78)			0.00				1,760.00			
50,000	US TREASURY NOTES 5.075% 4/30/86	50,000.00				50,000.00					50,000.00				1,468.75			
50,000	US TREASURY NOTES 6.375% 5/15/89	50,304.70							304.68		50,000.02				2,862.82			
25,000	US TREASURY NOTES 5.075% 2/15/2000	24,878.91									24,878.91				1,468.74			
50,000	US TREASURY NOTES 6.50% 6/31/2001	50,697.27							198.22		50,498.05				3,050.78			
25,000	US TREASURY NOTES 6% 7/31/2002	24,765.63									24,765.63				1,500.00			
50,000	US TREASURY NOTES 6.25% 2/15/2003	49,546.88									49,546.88				3,125.00			
25,000	US TREASURY NOTES 5.875% 2/15/2004	24,820.31									24,820.31				1,468.74			
50,000	US TREASURY NOTES 6.50% 5/15/2005	50,396.49							56.64		50,339.85				3,193.36			
50,000	US TREASURY NOTES 6.5% 10/15/2006	50,307.57							36.18		50,271.39				3,213.82			
50,000	US TREASURY NOTES 6.625% 5/15/2007	49,750.00									49,750.00				3,312.50			
	TEMP INVESTMENT FUND	6,117.62									6,117.62				6,345.23			
	FEES PAID TO NEW LONDON TRUST	0.00									0.00				(3,717.07)			
	RETAINED INVESTMENTS																	
10,000	US TREASURY NOTES 5.5% 2/28/1999														550.00			
10,000	US TREASURY NOTES 5.075% 2/15/2000														567.50			
		572,358.63	2,152.50	9.53	50,000.00	0.00	586.72	584,572.78			70,112.93	11,734.83	42,212.44	(40,871.61)	83,972.59			

Banc One Corp - rec'd 66 shs as 10% stock dividend and rec'd name change to Bank One Corp
Ameritech - rec'd 300 shs as 100% stock split
Bell Atlantic Corp - rec'd 200 shs as 100% stock split
BellSouth Corp - rec'd 450 shs as 100% stock split
Lucent Technologies - rec'd 164 shs as 100% stock split
So NE Telecommunications merged with SBC Communications
at rate of 1.7568 per share

NEW CEMETERY ACCOUNTS - 1998

FH (Forest Hill) HH (Hope Hill)
PC (Pinecrest) StC (St. Catherine) G (Graves)

DATE	NAME	AMOUNT	CEM	SECT/LOT	G
Jan. 31	Royce, E/M	\$200	St.C	L-4	2
Mar. 19	Fenderson, E/M	100	PC	1-1267-A	1
Mar. 25	Benjamin, W/J	100	PC	1-1267-B	1
May 5	Berquist, G/R	200	PC	5-251-CD	2
May 5	Smith, L	100	PC	5-252-A	1
May 13	Jenkins, J	100	PC	4-219-C	1
May 27	Batchelder, E	100	PC	0-1251-D	1
June 12	Smith, P/P NonR.	200	HH	8-47-B	1
June 15	Ferland, R	100	HH	9-336	1
June 30	Parkhurst, L/M	100	PC	0-1251-D	1
July 10	Mack, C/N	200	PC	4-227-AB	2
Aug. 3	Mack, C/N	200	PC	4-227-CD	2
July 31	Brown, C/K	400	PC	4-224-ABCD	4
Sept. 17	Ilves, A/J	400	PC	6-360	4
Sept 28	St. Pierre, F/K	300	HH	11/12-397-ABC	3
Oct. 7	Bailey, F/C	200	PC	5-244-AB	2
Oct. 23	Kennett, W/S	100	PC	4-216-B	1
Nov. 10	Royce, B/J	200	PC	2-1277-AB	2
Nov. 16	Kennett, W/B	<u>200</u>	PC	4-216-CD	<u>2</u>
		\$3,500			34

Barbara M. Jones, Treasurer
Trustees of Trust Funds
10 January 1999

SILSBY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

CHECKING ACCOUNT(To be used for general purposes)

12/31/97	Balance on hand	\$3,509.38
12/31/98	Total from Hunt/Bailey Trust	214.18
01/22/98	Prouty Trust	1,369.14
02/06/98	Refund from AT&T	15.72
05/20/98	Total transfer from savings	738.00
06/19/98	KB&A Grant State of NH	200.00
12/28/98	State of NH Automated Sys Grant	129.00
08/04/98	Yard Sale	<u>60.00</u>
	TOTAL INCOME	\$6,235.42

Expended from Checking Account in 1998

	Xerox for copier	\$738.00
	Colonial Florist	35.00
	Jeff Lessels (repair chairs and bookcase)	640.55
	Summer reading program CHILIS	32.00
	Katherine Moore (Reimbursement)	25.00
	P&G Inc.	179.95
	Jean McCoy (caning chairs)	40.00
	B&P Electric	372.50
	Michael Caduto (Sum Read Program)	274.00
	Illuminations, Inc	11.56
	A.L. Tyler & Sons Inc.	484.86
	Elisabeth Wilterdink (Reimbursement)	50.00
	Rent an Event (Hetty Green)	<u>155.00</u>
	Total expense	3,038.42
12/31/98	Balance on hand	\$3,197.00

SAVINGS ACCOUNT FOR COPIER/ FAX SUPPLIES AND MAINT

12/31/97	BALANCE ON HAND	\$635.46
	Income for use of copier/fax	910.55
	Interest income for the year	<u>15.03</u>
	Balance on hand	\$ 1,561.04
	Transferred to checking	\$738.00
12/31/98	Balance on hand	\$ 823.04

TRUST FUND ACCOUNT (to be used for books and magazines only)

12/31/97	Balance on hand	\$ 3,062.30
1998 total	Silsby Trust	9,359.28
1998 total	Sayce Trust	67.80
1998 total	Int. from Blish CD	171.10
1998 total	Int. from Kinson CD	125.37
1998 total	taken from Kelleher CD	300.00
	Cash from overdue book fines	645.80
	Gifts	595.00
	Book sale	186.00
	Misc. income	344.84
	Total income	\$14,857.49

Book and magazine expense	\$11,325.79
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12/31/98	Balance on hand	\$3,531.70
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CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

Ed Kelleher	\$1,611.03 given to the Library to purchase mystery books
Eloise A. Kinson	\$2,197.90 to be used for books
Britta Blish	\$3,000.00 to be used for books
Centennial CD	\$1,374.15 to be used for programs
Hunt/Bailey Trust	\$4,108.93 for acquisition of library resources

The Hunt/Bailey Trust is managed by the Vanguard/Wellesley Income Fund. Dividends are paid quarterly, capital gains are added to the beginning amount. The December quarterly amount has not been received yet.

Robert E. Esdon, Treasurer
December 31, 1998

SILSBY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT 1998

Circulation

Adult books	9,230
Juvenile books	10,064
Magazines	1,301
Cassettes, videos, miscellaneous	408
Total circulation	21,003
Current registered patrons	1,681
Current book stock	21,895
Books added in 1998	1,209

Our goal is to continue to strive to meet the informational and recreational reading needs of the community. In 1998, through participation in the LUV (Librarians of the Upper Valley) cooperative, we have been able to offer a rotating selection of videotapes, which have been much enjoyed. In 1999, also through participation in the LUV coop, we plan to offer books on tape as well. Through the state interlibrary loan program, we borrowed 174 books for our patrons, and lent 368 volumes to other libraries. A major book purchase was a new edition of the World Book Encyclopedia.

The Charlestown Primary School program continues to be successful. Volunteer Mary Currie checks out books to the children weekly. In 1998, 158 children participated, reading 1950 books.

“Live Free and Read” was the theme of our summer reading program. The children enjoyed crafts, stories, and refreshments. Thanks to Jan MacDonald, our storyreader. A closing program was presented by Michael Caduto on Abenaki tales and culture.

Other special events were a Cat-in-the Hat birthday party for Dr. Seuss; an investment seminar by Merrill Lynch, and The Witch of Wall Street presentation by Hetty Green impersonator, Edith Nichols. Special holiday craft and story hours were given at Halloween and Christmas as well. The book discussion group continues to meet and new members are always welcome.

The library shared in Town Yard Sale day, with a book sale and yard sale. We were also included in the annual Christmas house tour. Kathi Moore’s Dickens display was outstanding.

We are grateful to Kay Young for arranging our “Artist of the Month” display. In addition to Kay’s paintings, we have been pleased to exhibit works by Paul Lewis, Jim Furman, Margery Albright, Cristina Casanas, and Lee Howard. The Garden Club continues to provide plants and flowers on a regular basis, which brightens our spirits!

We rely on the people and organizations who volunteer time, money, and materials to the library. Many thanks to the Charlestown Grange, the Conservation Committee, and the Women's Club for their donations. In addition to the volunteers mentioned above, we are indebted to Antonette Backman, Vanessa Neilsen, Laurie Thompson, Gary Freeman, and Susan Coleman. And a special thank you to the dedicated staff: Holly Shaw, Karen Raudonis, Alma Hurlburt, Edna Farrell, and Ro Metcalf.

TO THE RESIDENTS OF CHARLESTOWN

The Board of Trustees of the Silsby Free Public Library wish to thank you for all your support over the years. The Board of Trustees continually sets goals for the improvement of the library, both the physical setting and in services offered. Over the past five years we have attained our goals through hard work and contributions from local people and organizations, as well as use of budget funds in a way that would allow us to make improvements.

Our next goals are to prepare for the 21st Century by improving and adding to our current computer system. This will enable us to utilize all the services offered by the NH State Library, and other reference sources, and allow better service to you, our patrons.

Thank you.

Katherine A. Moore, Chairperson
Silsby Library Board of Trustees

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The Cemetery Trustees are pleased to report the 1998 work done in your cemeteries. There were 27 burials. In addition to equipment maintenance, rubbish removal, plowing, and raking, the Sexton and his two workers, Frank McKane and Edgar Benjamin, were able to mow and trim all of the cemeteries eight times during the summer.

In the Forest Hill Cemetery three large trees were removed (one pine, one oak, one locust) to avoid damage to gravestones. The hearse-house was primed and painted. It is now in very good condition. The lovely old cemetery fountain was repaired and is functional again - a joy to everyone.

Five large pine trees were removed from the Pine Crest Cemetery. About 1600 feet of fencing was replaced and 900 feet of water line with four spigots was installed. The roadway had 1350 tons of #2 peastone placed on it with 25 tons of topsoil against the roadway for finish.

Trees and brush were cut down along the entryway of Hope Hill Cemetery. Brush was also cut along the entire fence line and in the SE corner of the property. The roadway was patched, and for those of you who have asked, we hope the fencing will be repaired and painted in 1999.

The Hubbard Hill Cemetery had fence repairs on the backside.

The Trustees would like to extend special thanks to Harold Blodgett and Alice Davis who open and close gates daily at Forest Hill and Pine Crest Cemeteries respectively.

The Trustees and Sexton have projects for the cemeteries for each upcoming year into the year 2002. This includes rejuvenation of the Horace Metcalf fountain in Hope Hill.

We have beautiful cemeteries and we must keep them dignified and worthy of our respect.

Respectfully submitted by Trustees,

Victoria Sargent Dona A. Mates Mary Gray

POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

The calls for Police service went down in 1998 to 5,300; a drop from the 6000 in 1997.

This in-turn lowered the amount of criminal investigations from 450 in 1997 to 376 in 1998.

The Police dispatched the Charlestown Ambulance to 385 calls. This is down from the year before by 40 calls.

The Police were dispatched to 98 motor vehicle accidents, a drop from the 110 in 1997.

The total amount of arrests dropped to 137, a decrease of 23 from the 160 in 1997.

Overall, the decreases gave us more time for other problems, such as following up on the bad check increase to local businesses and residents; also more school programs involving crime prevention and education dealing with three classes.

Kids and Cops Interaction, funding by the Police Association. Program schedule for 1998-1999:

- Back to School Safety
- Police Officers as Friends
- Self Esteem
- Winter Safety
- Theft Class
- Drug Prevention - Drug Poster Contest
- Soccer Games Involvement
- Good Touch - Bad Touch
- First Aid
- Bike Safety
- 1998 Bike Rodeo
- Tour of Police Station and Pizza Party

Income from the Police Department - Revenue developed from the following:

- Grant Income
- Drug Forfeitures

Power Company Details Income
Requested Police Reports

Total Income - \$15,060.47

Animal Control:

In 1998 the Town Clerk registered 936 dogs, with an income to Town of

Fees - \$6,281.50

Fines - \$1,307.00

Total Income - \$7,588.50

The cost to the Town was \$4,570.00.

The Police Officers are asking all residents to please check with our dispatch if your pet is lost. We are now photographing all found animals and then transporting them to Staples Veterinary Clinic until they are claimed or adopted. Also, please vaccinate and register your pets so we know who they belong to.

Again, we thank you for your continued support and we will continue to serve you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael S. Burnham
Chief-of-Police

CHARLESTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Dean Bascom, Chairperson

The Conservation Commission met monthly each month during 1998 except for July. In September the meeting time for our regular monthly meetings was changed from the fourth Thursday to the third Monday of each month. The Conservation Commission has the responsibility of overseeing the open space and public lands in town, of reviewing and commenting on applications to the NH Wetlands Bureau, and of monitoring the land within town to see that wetland permits are obtained for activities in wetland areas and that those activities are carried out as permitted. These responsibilities are carried out in a number of different ways. During the year several wetland applications were reviewed and comments sent to the Wetlands Bureau. Site visits were made to the areas involved in the applications by one or more members of the Conservation Commission.

The Conservation Commission coordinates a town wide Green-Up Day on the first Saturday of May each year. This effort has received strong support from many town businesses, organizations, and citizens. Each year almost all of the roadsides in town are cleared of trash in about four hours. This participation is greatly appreciated.

In January the Conservation Commission and the North Charlestown Land Use Committee sponsored an informational meeting for all interested townspeople on the value of open space to a town. This program was titled The Dollars and Sense of Open Space and was presented by Dorothy Taylor of the New Hampshire Wildlife Federation.

During the last quarter of the year a high school student, Emily Pierce, worked with the Commission on an independent study coordinated by SERVE (Students for Environmental Resource Volunteerism and Education). Emily researched the old mill sites along Clay Brook, sites of Charlestown's oldest mills. Emily presented her project to the Conservation Commission in December.

In looking ahead to 1999, the Conservation Commission is planning to update the Forest Management Plan for the Hall's Pond Town Forest. The last management plan was written in 1986. We are working with the County Forester on this project and will be seeking input from Charlestown residents as we develop the new plan.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

During the past year, the Planning Board held a total of thirty-three meetings, of which, twenty four were scheduled for hearings on applications. During those meetings, sixty-six hearings were held for review of site plans, forty-eight on subdivision applications, eight hearings were held for review of lot-line adjustments, three to review excavation applications, one for the review of a sign and two for informal discussions. Additionally, the Board held seven work sessions on amendments to the building code, zoning ordinance and site plan regulations and, thereafter three public hearings on each of those documents. The site plan regulation amendments were adopted by the Board on January 5, 1999. The proposed amendments to the building code and the zoning ordinance will be presented for voter approval at Town Meeting, in March. Hearings on applications were generally well attended. Participation by the public in work sessions on codes and ordinances was very helpful to the Planning Board.

In addition to meetings scheduled by the Board, members met with the Selectmen, to discuss job descriptions and staffing. Members also attended three sessions of the Finance Committee, to request the level of funding needed to adequately staff the Board's office. The Board, in conjunction with the Selectmen, have determined that both boards will again be served by a single staff person next year. Other changes to the Board in the past year include a vote to increase the number of alternates on the Board. We have a vital membership and these new alternates have brought valuable new perspectives to our decision-making.

Members look forward to returning to the work of completing much needed revisions to the Master Plan during 1999 and to the administration of our new, improved site plan regulations that will be friendlier to neighborhoods as well as easier for applicants to follow.

The Planning Board meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month, in the Community Room of the Municipal Building, meetings commencing at 7:00 P.M. Citizen participation is encouraged. Residents may call 826-5368 for information on office hours and scheduling of applications.

Sharon Francis, Chairperson
for the Planning Board

CHARLESTOWN BUILDING INSPECTOR

As the Building Inspector since April 1998, it has been a pleasure to work with the citizens of Charlestown, who have complied with the rules and regulations of BOCA and have cooperated in coming into the Selectmen's Office to get permits. A list of rules and permit fees have been set up and is available to anyone.

The Selectmen's Office and the library have the BOCA Books from the state for review by interested party.

On November 9, 1998, a small group of contractors and local townspeople attended a presentation by me, hosted by the Charlestown Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen. I gave an overview of my job as building inspector, now in my seventh month, then I introduced Bill Bernard, state representative of the NH Board of Electricians.

I plan to have another Building Permit Seminar on building, plumbing and electrical codes sometime in March. The Health Officer will also be present. Please keep watch in the "Our Town" paper for the date and time.

Many junkyards have been cleaned up and many new septic tanks have been installed and/or repaired. The Town received over \$5,000 in 1998 as revenue from building permits.

I am also a Deputy Health Officer and work closely with Michael Kemp, our Charlestown Health Officer.

Respectfully Submitted
Robert R. Rivard
Building Inspector

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The Community Alliance of Human Services is pleased to have become a part of the Charlestown community. We appreciate the many opportunities we have in assisting families through the Town Assistance Program. We view Town Assistance as a platform to educate and empower families in becoming more self-sufficient. The Alliance is able to provide Charlestown residents easy access to our many services such as; the Family Support program, Information and Assistance, Family Centered Early Supports and Services, Family Empowerment, Transportation and Dental Assistance. We believe in exhausting all resources in assisting families so that Town Assistance is provided as the last resort.

Fifty families have applied and been determined eligible for assistance with rent, medication, electric and fuel and other basic needs. Charlestown Town Assistance staff is flexible and available not only for the two scheduled weekly days, but throughout the week by accessing the 800-894-8400 that we advertise.

We enjoy close contact with Fred and Sarah Barth, who work so diligently at the Charlestown Food Shelf. The Food Shelf is a vital part of the community and provides a service that sustains families in need. Fred and Sarah report that 524 families with a total of 812 individuals have been served 54,380 meals! 74 holiday baskets were delivered at Thanksgiving. The kindness and generosity of the Food Shelf is appreciated by Alliance staff who refer families and can be assured that their basic need for food will be met.

The hours of the Health and Human Services office are as follows: Tuesday and Thursday's from 8:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m. We are on-call for emergency needs at 800-894-8400, Monday through Friday. We would like to thank the residents of Charlestown and the Town Office staff for working so closely with us in our effort to provide services to families.

Respectfully Submitted
Regina R. DeBoer
Coordinator, Community Services
Community Alliance of Human Services

CHARLESTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

1998 has been a busy and progressive year for the Charlestown Fire Department. Calls have continued to increase, auto accidents and carbon dioxide detector calls have made up a large portion of these responses. Fortunately we had only one major fire during the year.

Our chassis for the new tanker has arrived and is at the manufacturers being built. We hope to have it in service by the end of March.

Due to a generous donation we were also able to update our portable radio system. This was a big help and greatly appreciated.

Our major project this year was the installation of a state of the art computer system that allows us to update our fire reporting system, map the town hydrant and residential streets and other important information.

We have also done extensive painting and other building repair projects.

We have continued our school fire prevention program as well as extensive fire inspections of businesses, day care and private homes.

Last, but not least, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to a great bunch of firefighters whom the town is very lucky to have. Again thanks to all the department heads, town employees, firefighters' wives and families and you, the residents of Charlestown, who support us.

Looking forward to another great year.

Respectfully submitted
Gary R. Wallace
Fire Chief

1998 AMBULANCE REPORT

As of December 31, 1998 Robert Davis retired from the Charlestown Ambulance Service. We would like to thank him for his dedication and service as the full time attendant. We wish him the best in all his endeavors. At the same time we are looking forward to working with Reuben Ouellette our new full time EMT, who will begin on February 15, 1999.

We are still running at about 400 calls for the year. It has been my pleasure to work with Ambulance Services from the surrounding towns. They help our town when needed and we help theirs. Thanks Mutual Aid.

Thanks to all the people of Charlestown and the surrounding area for all the donations that were given in the memory of loved ones. Donations are used to purchase new and updated equipment. We would like to thank the Police and Fire Departments for their help through the year.

We have been in our new station for two years now and have enjoyed working out of this modernized home. So, once again, we would like to thank Stanley and Helen Patch for their generous donation of this building we call home for our ambulances and equipment.

At this time I would like to thank all of the volunteer attendants of the Ambulance for their dedication and service over this past year. Many thanks to the families of the attendants for their support, patience and understanding. After all it is not only the volunteers who jump out of their skin at 2 or 3 AM when the tone goes off. Or when their child is having a 5th birthday party and in the middle of "Happy Birthday to You" **the tone joins in with Charlestown Ambulance please respond to.**

To the First Responders who plan to attend the EMT-Basic class in the near future, Best of Luck.

Respectfully Submitted
Jon Bailey
Director

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Many thanks go out to all the people who have volunteered throughout our Charlestown Recreation Programs. Volunteers make our programs run. Our programs stand as an example of what can be done when people pull together with a common reason. Many thanks also go to the children in the programs, parents, residents and the many area businesses who make all the programs possible.

Charlestown Recreation offers youth sports programs in baseball, softball, soccer (summer and fall), and swimming. There are from 100-200 children, and volunteers too numerous to mention, involved during each program. Charlestown is represented throughout the programs in our town and in places from Alstead to Walpole and from Chester to Weathersfield. We are especially proud to share our Patch Park facility and we thank all those who have made its continued use possible.

Winter Carnival is our "other" event. It has become a major community event for many people of many ages. There are people who have moved from Charlestown who mark the first weekend in February each year so that they may come back to Charlestown to participate and join us for a great time. The Rotary, Lions Club, North Charlestown Mother's Club and the Knights of Columbus have joined the Recreation Committee to make the Winter Carnival a true community event. 1999 heralds the 16th Annual Winter Carnival, and we hope that with continued community involvement we'll have many more.

The money budgeted by the Town of Charlestown for recreation pays for maintenance, supplies, running the Town Pool, and the part-time Recreation Director. The Recreation Committee runs most of its programs with the costs covered by users fees.

In 1995 a capital reserve fund was set up with the money to go for a Recreation Facility for the Town of Charlestown. The goal set is to be able to raise the money, and build the facility, over a ten year period. The amount of \$16,022 (sixteen thousand and twenty-two dollars) has been deposited in the account as a direct result of fundraising efforts by the Recreation Committee and many volunteers. The addition of town allocated funds and interest bring the total available in the recreation capital reserve fund to just over \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars). Thanks to all who have helped. We hope that with continued support we will be successful in reaching our goal together.

In 1998 we decided that we wanted to offer a certification program for our volunteer coaches. We wanted to offer some "tools" for volunteers to use in working with our children. The National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) certification

program was adopted. It offers basic certification with coaching tips, information on children's physical and psychological needs and desires in sports, sport specific practice organization, first aid and safety. There is a Coaches', Parent's and Player's Code of Ethics. The NYSCA motto is "Better sports for kids....Better kids for life.

We currently have 28 coaches certified in soccer and basketball. We are looking forward to additional coaches when we move to baseball and softball. We could not have offered the certification program to our volunteers without the sponsorship of the following businesses: Blanc & Bailey Construction; Bomar; Charlestown House of Pizza; Claremont Savings Bank; Dan's Maxsaver; Design Standards Corporation; Dezi's country Store; Fall Mt Internet Services; George Grabe, DMD; JSP Fabrications, Inc; Koson Insurance; The Mortenson Agency; St Pierre Inc; Tom's Septic Service; Valley Family Physicians; Village Video; and Wee Haven Daycare. Thank you all very much.

Last but not least, 1998 saw the passing of three friends of recreation: Jim Allen, Bruce Royce, and Ralph LaPlante. Our best wishes go out to the families and friends of these three gentlemen. Also, a note of gratitude for donations made in their names, thank you for thinking of Charlestown Recreation.

CHARLESTOWN PUBLIC WORKS

1998 was a challenging year to our newly formed PWD. It was necessary at the beginning of the year to revise the PWD agenda by adopting changes slowly and gently. At the end of 1998, with the full support of the **Board of Selectmen**, the PWD has achieved its objectives including the reduction of operational costs of its departments by \$300,000.00.

The Transfer Station was the first department to experience the introduction of a private contractor to join our management team in the improvement of our disposal system. Ron Leclair represented the Town's interest and managed the contractor with exceptional dedication and honesty. We managed to close the land fill at a cost of **\$75,000.00**, much less than the estimated closing cost of **\$754,000.00**. We have also managed to remove our Town's Landfill from the federal government's Landfill Closure List. Our Transfer Station has increased the recycling process by 30%, which meets the Federal Requirements of year 2000. The budget for 1999 was **\$100,000.00 less** than previous years. We have proposed \$50,000.00 for capital improvement of the transfer station as part of our final effort to improve the facility before submitting our plans for final closure. We are also negotiating with the current contractor the possibility of expanding the use of our facilities to accommodate other areas for a fee to be paid to the town. This fee may reduce the cost of the operation by at least 50%.

Water and Sewer Departments were the second departments to have a private contractor to operate and manage the departments with one of our employees. The two departments were merged while continuing to have two separate budgets. The merge of the two departments were necessary, since most of the work of the departments was interrelated. The reorganization of the two departments reduced the cost of their operations by three workers (\$100,000.00). The final budget for 1999, was **\$180,000.00 less** than previous years. We have allocated the savings in the 1999 budget to capital improvement, replacing old equipment and damaged water and sewer pipes, including but not limited to:

West Street sewer line, Bridge Street sewer pipes, Cummings Avenue sewer and water lines, repair/replacement of Booster Stations at Michael Avenue and Stevens Street. Evaluate the supply of water for North Charlestown Storage facilities, and the replacement of water meters. Our effort is to replace high maintenance equipment, and to document and map all existing facilities.

Highway Department was the last department to have a touch of needed changes. All 1999 purchases and proposed capital improvements were identified and put to bid. The 1999 budget was reduced by **\$34,000.00 less** than the previous year. The savings was added to the capital improvement budget increasing its amount to \$184,000.00. Our effort for 1999 is to document all roads and facilities as part of a better management system as well as to upgrade the condition of several roads. Snow removal and treatment is expected to be treated with less winter sand and more salt/sand mixture.

Although, the Public Works Department Office is operating on part-time basis, the services are always available when needed.

Without the support of the Board of Selectmen, the accomplishments of the department would never have been achieved.

Respectfully submitted,
Nabil A. Atiya, PE
Director of Public Works

BIRTHS 1998

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME OF CHILD</u>	<u>NAME OF PARENTS</u>
Jan 6	Claremont, NH	Brent Charles Church Jr.	Brent & Sherrie Church Sr.
Feb 4	Claremont, NH	Bryon Robert Eugene Vaughn	Timothy & Brenda Vaughn
17	Springfield, Vt	Zackery Charles Baker	Bradley & Tammy Baker
25	Springfield, Vt	Avery Brooks McAllister	Wade & Meredith McAllister
Mar 13	Brattleboro, Vt	Tanner Joseph Walker	William & Susan Walker
24	Claremont, NH	Tamara Lynn Grillone	Francis & Valerie Grillone
Apr 18	Keene, NH	Kellie Aileen Walker	Steven & Karen Walker
25	Claremont, NH	Kyle Edward Walch	Michael & Brenda Walch
May 28	Charlestown, NH	Sarah Emily Chaffee	David & Karla Chaffee
June 6	Claremont, NH	Gabriella Marie Collier	Murphy & Elaine Collier
9	Lebanon, NH	Finbar James Curtin	James & Jennifer Curtin
10	Claremont, NH	Brenden Timothy Parillo	James & Jennifer Parillo
20	Claremont, NH	Cody Douglas Matthews	Corey & Darcy Matthews
July 7	Springfield, Vt	Olivia Ann Tarney	Patrick & Ann Tarney
10	Charlestown, NH	Michael Edward Haynes	Thomas & Stacey Haynes
18	Keene, NH	Emmalee Elizabeth Limoges	Stephen & Michelle Limoges
18	Keene, NH	Erinn Ashleigh Limoges	Stephen & Michelle Limoges
Aug 1	Lebanon, NH	Leah Jean Shaw	Justin & Jean Shaw
8	Lebanon, NH	Christian Robert Edwards	Lyle & Michelle Edwards
21	Claremont, NH	Lauren Mae Lumbra	Peter & Katherine Lumbra
26	Springfield, Vt	Jordan Elizabeth Hewes	Nathan & Barbara Hewes
29	Claremont, NH	Jasmyn Renae Lacasse	Paul & Stacie Lacasse Jr.

Paul & Stacie Lacasse Jr.	29	Claremont, NH	Jasmyn Renae Lacasse
Bruce & Patricia Robinson	Sept 16	Springfield, Vt	Kelsey Jordan Robinson
Sean & Dawn Foisy	16	Claremont, NH	Scott Tyler Foisy
Erik & Leah Esslinger	17	Claremont, NH	Ashley Mae Esslinger
Ricks & Abby Tenney	25	Springfield, Vt	Jacob Douglas Tenney
Mark & Christine George	28	Springfield, Vt	Hannah Maria George
Donald & Tracy Spaulding	Oct 2	Springfield, Vt	Jon Cooper Spaulding
Craig & Kimberly Fairbank	5	Claremont, NH	Connor James Fairbank
Gene & Christine Perkins	21	Claremont, NH	Brandon Philip Perkins
Willard & Kimberly Metcalfe	Dec 16	Lebanon, NH	Jacob Tien Metcalfe

DEATHS ---- 1998

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME OF DECEASED</u>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH</u>
Jan 8	Preston Edward Howard	Springfield, Vt
13	Richard Ernest Ferland	Unity, NH
24	Rolla Hurdis Smith	Unity, NH
25	June A. Lique	Claremont, NH
Feb 15	Ida G. Shepard	Claremont, NH
18	Donald Joseph Smith	Lebanon, NH
27	Eveline Lula Davis	Springfield, Vt
27	Merrill Ralph Kinney	Springfield, Vt
Mar 1	Barbara Williams	Claremont, NH
8	Mildred F. Zielonko	Unity, NH
12	Maydene E. Utton	Unity, NH
18	James William Batchelder	Springfield Vt
19	Edward Nelson	Charlestown, NH
Apr 4	John H. Ahern	Unity, NH
5	Thelma M. Sturgis	Unity, NH
10	Margaret Eunice Jones	Charlestown, NH
14	Martin M. Downing	Claremont, NH
28	George Cuvier Harlan	Charlestown, NH
May 4	Henry Eli Kinney	Charlestown, NH
7	James Edgar Allen Jr.	Claremont, NH
28	Joseph H. Lique	Unity, NH
31	Justin Glen Roberts	Charlestown, NH
June 5	William J. Kitto	Meredith, NH
5	Charles Burton Spalding	Springfield, Vt
July 3	Agnes Golda Smith	Charlestown, NH
Aug 2	Carl E. Fischer	Charlestown, NH
14	Madelyn A. Bruno	Claremont, NH
26	Harold William Haley Jr.	Lebanon, NH
Sept 6	Yolande M. Underwood	Claremont, NH
13	Bruce Edgar Royce	Charlestown, NH
Oct 2	Beverly Ruth Bascom	Springfield, Vt
8	Evelyn Mary Prescott	Springfield, Vt
9	Ralph J. Laplante Jr.	Lebanon, NH
Nov 7	James M. Ittem	Springfield, Vt
14	Doris Muller	Springfield, Vt

DEATHS ----1998

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME OF DECEASED</u>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH</u>
Dec 1	Madolin R. Wolcott	Charlestown, NH
12	Frank Anderson Harris	Charlestown, NH
23	Paul E. St. Pierre	Charlestown, NH
28	Robert Gerald Hayes	Newport, NH

MARRIAGES ----- 1998

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME OF GROOM/BRIDE</u>	<u>RESIDENCE OF EACH</u>	<u>PLACE OF MARRIAGE</u>
Jan 16	Robert Edward Hynes Gail Elizabeth Patrick	Charlestown, NH Bellows Falls, Vt	Charlestown, NH
Feb 7	Brian Ross Antonivich Stephanie Sue Glynn	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Claremont, NH
Feb 14	Andrew A. Nutting Heather Elizabeth Kolok	Charlestown, NH Newport, NH	Claremont, NH
Feb 14	William James Morway Veronica Marie Almeida	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Mar 1	Robert Oscar Baker Patricia Ann Prescott	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Mar 8	Daryl Lee Osgood Jean Brienne Crowell	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Mar 14	Leroy Harry Hurlburt Alma Elizabeth Marcleay	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH

Mar 27	Erik Nathan Esslinger Leah Dawn Fowler	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Keene, NH
Mar 28	Bruce Earl Batchelder, Sr. Sherry Lynn Hankins	Springfield, Vt Springfield, Vt	Charlestown, NH
Apr 18	Tony Ross Andrew Gertrude Mary Andrew	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Apr 25	Jesse Raymond McNamara Shanna Holly Twitchell	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Newport, NH
May 2	Alan Christopher Nash Diane Elizabeth Spaulding	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
May 2	Kenneth Andrew Howard Sheri Jean Hamel	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Goshen, NH
June 14	Michael Hugh Henley Bridget Dawn Whitaker	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
June 26	Edward Allen Ricker Veronica June Larnie	Charlestown, NH Springfield, Vt	Springfield, Vt
June 27	Justin Orra Putnam Mary Rebecca Lambert	Alstead, NH Alstead, NH	Charlestown, NH

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME OF GROOM/BRIDE</u>	<u>RESIDENCE OF EACH</u>	<u>PLACE OF MARRIAGE</u>
June 27	Justin John Parrott Rachel Sping St. Pierre	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
July 3	Ernest Alfred Scott Rose Ella Tardiff	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
July 6	Lester William Anderson Lisa Ann Ayotte	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
July 11	Bradley Fay Regan Jr. Shannon Theresa Vick	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Springfield, Vt
July 11	James Lawrence Lanou Diana Lynn Vaine	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Claremont, NH
July 18	George Francis Pecor Shirley Ann Norton	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
July 25	Christopher Mark Lawrence Robin Lee Valcourt	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Claremont, NH
Aug 1	William Mark Lambert Terry Lynn Stevens	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Claremont, NH

Aug 1	Richard Arthur Hoskison Patricia Lee Terrill	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Aug 7	Robert Bruce Martel Nicole Elizabeth Wentworth	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Aug 8	Thomas John Minkler Heather Jane McIntosh	Claremont, NH Claremont, NH	Charlestown, NH
Aug 8	Stephen Alan Kimball Darlene V. McKenna	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Claremont, NH
Aug 8	Kurt David Willis Kristy Elen Testa	Sunapee, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Aug 15	Robert C. Naples Jennifer J. Clark	Detroit, Mi Charlestown, NH	Rockingham, Vt
Aug 21	David Lee Webster Tracy Marie Snide	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Aug 29	David Wayne Weaver Barbara Ann Bedi	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Springfield, Vt
Sept 17	Gordon Elector Blair Helen Florence Wolfe	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME OF GROOM/BRIDE</u>	<u>RESIDENCE OF EACH</u>	<u>PLACE OF MARRIAGE</u>
Sept 27	Jason Andrew Foster Michelle Andrea Kolok	Charlestown, NH Newport, NH	Charlestown, NH
Oct 3	Clayton Todd Stark Amy Lynn Willis	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Oct 31	David Alfred Coull Sr. Dawn Lynette Richmond	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Nov 7	Keith Allen LeDrew Brenda Ann Melius	Charlestown, NH Charlestown, NH	Charlestown, NH
Dec 12	Keith Palmer O'Hara Heather Lynn Mullane	Surprise, AZ Surprise, AZ	Charlestown, NH

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ARTICLE 2. "Are you in favor of Amendment No. 1, as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?"

Amendment No. 1 would add words, in section 8.2, to refer to Section 2 of the Charlestown Book of Ordinances for definitions of words used in the Zoning Ordinance.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 3. "Are you in favor of Amendment No. 2, as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?"

Amendment No. 2 would, in Section 8.3, correct the Zone A and B boundary descriptions.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 4. "Are you in favor of Amendment No. 3, as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?"

Amendment No. 3 would add a section, 8.4.10, to the General Provisions applicable to all zones, limiting the number of residential structures on a lot to one.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 5. "Are you in favor of Amendment No. 4, as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?"

Amendment No. 4 would add, to section 8.5.6, a list of permitted uses to Zone E.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 6. "Are you in favor of Amendment No. 5, as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Charlestown Zoning Ordinance, as follows?"

Amendment No. 5 would, in section 8.5.6, set minimum lot sizes and set-backs from lot-lines, in Zone E, for lots served by municipal water and sewer; lots served by on-site water and sewer; and lots served by municipal or off-site water and on-site sewer.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 7. "Are you in favor of the amendment No 1 to the existing Town of Charlestown Building Code, as proposed by the planning board?"

Amendment No 1 would undertake a comprehensive revision of the entire building code, in order to accommodate the necessary changes to adopt by reference, in accordance with RSA 674:51 and 52, the 1996 BOCA National Building Code; the 1996 BOCA National Fire Protection Code; the 1994 Life Safety Code; the 1996 National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70; the 1993 National Plumbing Code and the 1993 National Mechanical Code, all as amended/supplemented/updated after.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 8. "Are you in favor of Amendment No. 2 to the existing Town of Charlestown Building Code, as proposed by the planning board?"

Amendment No.2 would further amend the building code to allow for the use of native lumber and to allow the Building Inspector to exempt ordinary repairs and replacements in kind from building code requirements.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 9. "Shall the Town vote to accept the reports of the various Town Officers and to take proper action thereon?"

YES

NO

ARTICLE 10."Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property acquired by the Town Tax Collector's deed, either at a public auction or by advertised, sealed bids, as provided by RSA 80:42-II, and authorize the Selectmen to dispose of such property "as justice may require", in accordance with RSA 80:42-IV and V?"

YES

NO

ARTICLE 11. "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend, without further action by the Town Meeting, money from the State, Federal or other governmental unit or private source, which becomes available during the fiscal year, to be used for any purposes for which the Town may legally appropriate money and in accordance with and pursuant to the requirements of RSA 31:95-b?"

YES

NO

ARTICLE 12. "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the receipt of taxes, to pay current maintenance and operational expenses, as provided in RSA 33:7 of the Municipal Finance Act?"

YES

NO

ARTICLE 13. "Shall the Town vote to appropriate by special warrant article the sum of \$10,000 for the repair and maintenance of the rip-rap at Patch Park to prevent erosion by the Connecticut River?"

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 14. "Are you in favor of increasing the Board of Selectmen to (5) five members?"

YES

NO

ARTICLE 15. "Are you in favor of the Selectmen placing an article on the warrant of a future annual or special town meeting to raise money by bond or note, along with any grants available, to repair the Old Claremont Road from Main Street to the intersection at Red Robin Motel?" The money would be paid back over a period of years. No money will be raised by this article.

This would allow the town to rebuild the road, including infrastructure, all at one time instead of doing the project piecemeal.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 16. "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate by special warrant article a sum not to exceed \$25,000, to replace and improve handicap accessibility of the municipal/library building?"

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 17. "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept donations of land and or buildings to be used for municipal purposes pursuant to RSA 31:3?"

YES

NO

ARTICLE 18. "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate by special warrant article, the sum of \$13,200 for removal and replacement of the slate roof at the Bakery Building?" This amount to be added to the \$10,000 carryover from the 1998 operating budget.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 19. "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate by special warrant article the sum of \$8,000 to be used by the Charlestown Education Committee appointed by the selectmen for the purpose of preparing detail analysis, hiring consultants, creating budgets and any other information necessary to determine if it is feasible to withdraw from the Fall Mt. Regional School District?"

Furthermore passage of this article requests the Fall Mt. Regional School Board to propose article to district voters on or before the year 2000 annual meeting to:

1. Restructure our school funding formula; or
2. Restructure expenditures for elementary school centers;

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 20. "Shall the Town vote to reserve in escrow, all monies in excess of the true mathematical percentage required by the town of Charlestown to fulfill its Fall Mountain Regional School District operational expenses?"

YES

NO

ARTICLE 21."Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate by special warrant article, the sum of \$250 for partial reimbursement of the cost of meals provided to residents of the Town of Charlestown by the Community Kitchen Inc?"
Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 22."Shall the Town vote to establish, pursuant to RSA 31:19-a, a trust fund to be known as the Library Technology Trust Fund; and to appropriate \$7,000 to be paid into such trust and to appoint the Library Trustees, as Agents of the Town, to expend any funds in the Trust for the purposes of the Trust?" The purpose of the Library Technology Trust fund will be for purchasing computers, computer equipment and computer software for administration, cataloging and networking all systems.
Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 23."Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to raise and appropriate by special warrant article the sum of \$18,500 for regrading and resurfacing the entire roadway system at Hope Hill Cemetery?"
(If this article passes a donor will provide funds for completing fencing of the Hope Hill Cemetery).
Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 24."Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,482,199, which represents \$1,982,706 for the Town operating budget, \$327,983, for the Water Fund budget and \$171,510, for the Sewer Fund budget?"
Should this article be defeated, the default operating budget shall be \$2,544,126,* which is the same as last year's budget,* with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law. The governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.
*which represents \$2,049,840 for the Town operating budget, \$287,448 for the Water Fund Budget, and \$206,838 for the Sewer Fund budget
This warrant article does not include any other article.
Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 25."Shall the provisions for voting by official ballot on all issues before the Town of Charlestown under RSA 40:13 be limited to election of officers and certain other questions?"
Passing this article will mean reverting to traditional Town Meeting from the year 2000 until rescinded.
3/5 vote required.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 26."Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, by Special Warrant Article, the sum of \$500 for the reimbursement of a portion of the cost of outreach services, provided to residents of Charlestown by Southwestern Community Services Inc?"
Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 27."Shall theTown vote to raise and appropriate, by special warrant article, the sum of \$125,000.00 for the purpose of undertaking the reappraisal of all real property in the Town for tax assessment purposes and authorize the Selectmen to hire appraisers, negotiate and sign a contract for such reappraisal and take all other action as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Article?"
Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 28."Shall the Town vote to transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting?"

YES

NO

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