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Town of
Acworth
New Hampshire

1994
ANNUAL REPORT

REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

TOWN HALL **835-6879**

SELECTMEN: Alternate Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Lyman Young, Chairman

TOWN CLERK:

Mon., Tues, Wed., 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. and
Sat. 9 - 11 a.m. Brenda Longley, Clerk

PLANNING BOARD:

Last Wed., 7:30 p.m.
Susan Metsack, Chairman

MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE:

Third Wed., 7:30 p.m.
Susan Metsack, Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE:

Second Wed., 7:00 p.m.
Sam Stephens, Chairman

RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Second Mon., 7:00 p.m.
Red Longley, Chairman

ZBA:

First Wed., 7:30 p.m.
Paul Colsmann, Chairman

RECYCLING COMMITTEE:

First Mon., 7:00 p.m. Town Hall
Debbie Hinman, Chairman

LIBRARY TRUSTEES:

Second Tues., 9:30 a.m. Library
Nancy Sandoe, Chairman

DUMP HOURS: Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Wed. 12 - 6 p.m.

LIBRARY HOURS: Sun 1 - 4 p.m. Tues & Thurs. Noon - 4 p.m.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS:

FIRE 352-1100

CLAREMONT POLICE: 1-542-7040

Annual Report

of the

Selectmen

and other

Town Officers

of the

Town of Acworth

New Hampshire

For The Year Ending December 31, 1994

*Please bring this Town Report to Town Meeting
on Tuesday, March 14, 1995*



Richard, Clarence, & Faithful Jeffery

Five-year-old Richard and two-year old Clarence Jeffery came to Acworth's Black North Farm with their parents, James and Emily (Snell) Jeffery, and older brother James in 1902. Faithful was born the following year.

James married and moved to Vermont, where he died in 1933, but the other three boys remained in Acworth. After selling the farm, Richard, Clarence, and Faithful built a house on the Charlestown Road, where they lived from about 1947 until the end of their lives.

Doing factory work and odd jobs around town, helping out with fire-fighting or other crises, hunting and walking through the woods, and to the local store, where they exchanged news with their neighbors each day, the Jeffery Brothers led seemingly ordinary lives, but with a way of accepting and making the most of whatever came along. Although short in stature, they were big men around town, well-known and well-liked by everyone. Faithful's gift for recalling the escapades of everyday life and his special way of putting words together made him a favorite storyteller, and in later years, he became known as Acworth's unofficial oral historian.

Although not a direct cause of his death, a cruel attack by three thugs he had let in to use the phone, seemed to leave him with less spirit and put a blight on the whole town.

Memories of the Jeffery Brothers will live on with all who knew them. Their legacy will live on through future generations.

Fay Knicely

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Town Officers & Committees

Moderator	Kenneth Grant - 1996
Board of Selectmen	Lyman A. Young - 1995 Camelia Amell - 1996 Jack Rieck - 1997
Town Clerk	Brenda G. Longley - 1995
Tax Collector	Leon F. Newton
Deputy Tax Collector	Scott Luther-Houghton
Treasurer	Earl F. Luther, Jr.
Supervisors of Check List	Gladys Ring-Bogle - 1996 Roselva Dearden - 1998 Gordon Gowen - 2000
Overseer of Public Welfare	Board of Selectmen
Health Officer	Gladys Ring-Bogle - 1996
Auditor	Joan Whitcomb
Trustees of Trust Fund	Olga Bassinne - 1995 Marguerite Hanson - 1996 Sandra Lord - 1997
Library Trustees	Fay Knicely - 1995 Ruth Balla - 1996 Nancy Sandoe - 1997
Administrative Assistant to Board of Selectmen	Earl F. Luther, Jr.
Budget Committee	Ralph Balla - 1995 Craig Lawler - 1995 Torrey Greene - 1996 Brenda G. Longley - 1996 Susan Metsack - 1997 Waldo Streeter - 1997
Road Agent	Don Porter
Road Committee	Gordon Gowen - 1995 Steve Levin - 1995 James Phinizy - 1996 Ralph Balla - 1997 Roger Butson - 1997
Planning Board	Bruce Bascom - 1995 John W. Balla - 1995 Olga Bassinne - 1996 Susan Metsack - 1996 Marguerite Hanson - 1997 Jack Rieck

Conservation Commission:	Geraldine Rudenfeldt - 1995
	Malcom Beverstock - 1995
	Samuel Stephens - 1996
	Laurie Luther-Houghton - 1996
	Brian Miller - 1997
	Mary Bradley - 1997
Tree Warden	G. Kristian Fenderson
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Jeff Foote - 1995
	Edward Metsack - 1995
	Paul Colsmann - 1996
	Fay Knicely - 1996
	James Phinizy - 1997
Alternates to Zoning Board	John W. Balla
	Patrick LaClair
Recreation Committee	Milton Eley - 1995
	Howell Longley - 1996
	Guy DuBois - 1996
	Michael Gendron - 1996
	Clare Gowen - 1997
	Christopher Noonan - 1997
	Tracy Hanson - 1997
Fall Mt. Reg. School Board Member	Thomas Esslinger, resigned
	Adrian Krieg - appt.'d
	Michael Blake
Town Forester	Deborah Hinman
Recycling Committee	George Hanson
	Earl Luther
	Sam Stephens
	John Tuthill

MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING
MARCH 8, 1994

To the inhabitants of the Town of Acworth in the County of Sullivan in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to bring in your votes for Town Officers and any other questions, to the Town Hall on Tuesday the 8th day of March next between the hours of two of the clock in the afternoon until nine of the clock in the evening to act upon the following:

The moderator Kenneth Grant asked for a silent meditation in honor of Raymond Roy a former selectmen who passed away in October, 1993.

ARTICLE ONE: To vote by one-partisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

Jack Rieck	Selectmen - Three Years
Leon F. Newton	Tax Collector
Earl F. Luther, Jr.	Treasurer
Gordon Gowen	Supervisor of Check List - 6 Year Term
Joan Whitcomb	Auditor
Sandra Lord	Trustees of Trust Fund - 3 Year Term
Nancy Sandoe	Library Trustee - 3 Years
Susan Metsack	Budget Committee - 3 Years
Waldo Streeter	Budget Committee - 3 Years
Ralph Balla	Road Committee - 3 Years
Roger Butson	Road Committee - 3 Years
Marguerite Hanson	Planning Board - 3 Years
John Herpel	Planning Board - 3 Years

ARTICLE TWO: Motion was made by Craig Lawler and seconded by Lou Tallman to accept the minutes of the Town Meeting of March 9, 1993. Motion passed.

ARTICLE THREE: Motion was made by George Hanson and seconded by Patricia Titus to empower the Selectmen to serve as pound keepers, measurers of wood and fence viewers. Motion passed.

ARTICLE FOUR: Motion was made by Earl Luther and seconded by Ralph Balla to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Motion passed.

ARTICLE FIVE: FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Craig Lawler and seconded by Sam Stephens to: This agreement, made this 8th day of March, 1994, between Acworth Volunteer Fire and Rescue Co., Inc. of Acworth, Sullivan County, New Hampshire, (hereinafter referred to as AVF&R) and the Town of Acworth, a municipal corporation having its situs in the said County and State (hereinafter referred to as Town).

Where as the Town is desirous of ensuring that fire and rescue services are available to the residents and visitors of the said Town; and, whereas AVF&R is a non-profit corporation whose principal purpose is to provide

fire and rescue service to the residents and visitors of the Town, excluding brush or forest fire activity; and

Now therefore in consideration of the mutual promises hereinafter contained, AVF&R and the Town agree as follows:

1. AVF&R shall furnish, during the period of this agreement, its equipment and personnel, to provide fire and rescue services to the town, its residents and visitors, for one year commencing on Town Meeting, 1994 and ending on Town Meeting, 1995.

2. The Town Agrees to pay to AVF&R the sum of \$18,000 (in support of the annual operating budget) to be paid in two equal installments - the first payment to be on or before April 1, 1994, and the second on or before October 1, 1994, that before the board of Selectmen pays the second installment the board shall receive from the Company a certificate of Liability Insurance with the Town of Acworth named as additional Insured and a certificate of Workmen's Compensation Insurance. Town will pay money on condition that the AVF&R submit a report to the annual Town Report on yearly activities. Motion passed as amended.

1. Amended after \$18,000 (in support of the annual operating Budget) Motion made by Val Shand and seconded by Claude Bassinne.

2. Amended after October 1, 1994 added That before the Board of Selectmen pays the second installment the board shall receive from the Company a certificate of Liability Insurance with the Town of Acworth named as additional Insured and a certificate of Workmen's Compensation Insurance. Motion was made by Earl Luther and seconded by Ralph Balla.

3. Amended to added Town will pay money on condition that the AVF&R submit a report to the Annual Town Report on yearly activities. Motion was made by Tracey Hanson and seconded by Geraldine Rudenfeldt.

ARTICLE SIX: Motion was made by Craig Lawler and seconded by Mr. Ginter to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same as recommended in the Budget by the budget Committee. Motion passed.

ARTICLE SEVEN: Motion was made by Ralph Balla and seconded by Lorraine Dion to authorize the Selectmen to sell the Deptula Lot, so called, Lot 128 on Map 2. Motion passed.

ARTICLE EIGHT: Motion was made by Geraldine Rudenfeldt and seconded by Lorraine Dion to authorize to sell the Champney Lot, so called, Lot 260 Map 66. Motion lost.

ARTICLE NINE: Motion was made by Ralph Balla and seconded by Paul Turcotte to authorize the Selectmen to sell the St. Michael lot so called, L542 on Map 66. Motion passed as amended.

AMENDMENT: Motion made by Leon Newton and seconded by Kenneth Bascom to deed to the Estate of the previous owner on payment of all taxes interest and cost. Motion passed.

ARTICLE TEN: Motion was made by George Hanson and seconded by Earl Luther "Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 31:95-b providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the Selectmen

to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the Town Meeting, unanticipated money from a State, Federal or other governmental unit, or a private source, which becomes available during the fiscal year?" Motion lost.

ARTICLE ELEVEN: Motion was made by Lorraine Dion and seconded by Geraldine Rudenfeldt to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the Town for any public purpose, on the condition that the Selectmen must hold a public hearing on the action to be taken and on the condition that the Town shall not be required to expend other Town funds, except such funds as may be lawfully appropriated for the same purpose, as provided in RSA 31:95-e, and such authorization shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of another Town Meeting."

ARTICLE TWELVE: Motion was made by Kenneth Bascom and seconded by George Hanson to "Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 202-A4c, providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the public library trustees to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the Town Meeting, unanticipated money from state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source, which becomes available during the fiscal year?" Motion passed.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: Motion was made by Ralph Balla and seconded by Werner Rudenfeldt to shall the Town of Acworth revoke its acceptance of the provisions of Sections 1-10 of Chapter 53-B of New Hampshire Revised Statutes annotated, and withdraw from the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District. (as provided under the terms of said District's Agreement?)

AMENDMENT: Motion made by Claude Bassinne and seconded by John Tuthill to delete (as provided under the terms of said District's Agreement)

Ballot vote	Yes 81	No 2	Blank 1
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Motion passed as amended.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: Under this article Jack Rieck made the motion and Pat Rieck seconded to reconsider Article #10.

ARTICLE TEN: Motion was made by Earl Luther and seconded by Hanford Auten "Shall the Town accept the procedural provisions of RSA 31:95-b excluding the provision for indefinite authorization providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the Town Meeting unanticipated money from a State, Federal or other governmental unit, or a private source, which becomes available during the fiscal year? Motion passed as amended.

AMENDMENT: Added the procedural provisions of RSA 31:95-b excluding the provisions for indefinite authorization.

Under Article Fourteen was also brought up to have the Selectmen and the Conservation Commission get together and have a completed resolution on land to be sold at any other Town Meeting.

Meeting recessed at 10:20 P.M. to count votes.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Longley
Town Clerk

Offices Up for Election and those who filed
for March 14, 1995 Town Meeting

Selectmen - 3 year term

Claude Bassinne

Lyman A. Young

Town Clerk - 3 year term

Brenda G. Longley

Tax Collector

Leon F. Newton

Treasurer

Earl F. Luther, Jr.

Auditor

Joan Whitcomb

Trustee of Trust Funds - 3 year term

Olga Bassinne

Library Trustee - 3 year term

Budget Committee - 3 year term

Ralph Balla

Richard Stewart

Road Committee - 1 year term

Road Committee - 3 year term

Steven Levin

Planning Board - 3 year term

John W. Balla

Bruce Bascom

Planning Board - 2 year term

Steven Levin

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
March 14, 1995

To the inhabitants of the Town of Acworth in the County of Sullivan in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to bring in your votes for Town Officers, and any other questions, to the Town Hall on Tuesday the 14th day of March next, between the hours of two of the clock in the afternoon until nine of the clock in the evening to act upon the following:

ARTICLE ONE: To vote by non-partisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

One Selectman to serve for a term of three years.

One Town Clerk to serve for a term of three years.

Treasurer to serve for a term of one year.

Tax Collector to serve for a term of one year.

Trustee of Silsby Library to serve for a term of three years.

Trustee of Trust funds to serve for a term of three years.

Two members of the Budget Committee to serve for terms of three years.

Two members of the Planning Board to serve for terms of three years.

One member of the Planning Board to serve for term of two years.

Two members of the Road Committee to serve for terms of three years.

One member of the Road Committee to serve for a term of one year.

Auditor to serve for a term of one year.

ARTICLE TWO: To see if the Town will accept the minutes of the Town Meeting of March 8, 1994.

ARTICLE THREE: To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to serve as pound keepers, measurers of wood and fence viewers.

ARTICLE FOUR: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same as recommended in the Budget by the Budget Committee.

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

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell the Johnson Lot, so called Lot 293 Map 24. Lot is located on the North side of Nye Road, .45 miles East from Hill Road, West of Black Residence, comprises 29.61 acres.

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Town will vote to name the road beginning at the intersection in Acworth of Hill Road, Charlestown Road and Cold

Pond Road and ending at the property of Ernest Lanphear: "Turkey Shoot Road." By Petition

ARTICLE NINE: To see if the town will approve the forming of a committee of five to study the application of RSA 154:1: said committee shall prepare a report and recommendation for the 1996 Town Meeting.

(RSA 154:1 pertains to the relationship between Town and Fire Department.)

ARTICLE TEN: To transact any other business that may legally be brought before this town meeting.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Acworth this 24th day of February 1995.

Board of Selectmen
Lyman A. Young
Camelia Amell
Jack Rieck

A True Copy of Warrant Attest:

Lyman A. Young
Camelia Amell
Jack Rieck

Business session will begin at 7:30 p.m.

BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF ACWORTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 JANUARY 1, 1995 - DECEMBER 31, 1995

<u>Purpose of Appropriations</u>	<u>Approp- riations 1994</u>	<u>Expend- itures 1994</u>	<u>Select- men's Budget 1995</u>	<u>Recom- mended 1995</u>	<u>Not Recom- mended</u>
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Executive	7,600	7,600	7,600	7,600	
Elec., Reg., & Vital Stat.	1,000	1,147	500	500	
Revaluation of Property	2,000	1,400	1,500	1,500	
Legal Expense	5,000	648	5,000	5,000	
SS	6,000	5,935	6,500	6,300	200
Planning & Zoning	550	548	750	750	
General Government Bldg.	5,000	4,100	5,000	5,000	
Cemeteries	3,000	2,468	3,000	3,000	
Insurance	16,000	17,477	15,000	15,000	
advertising & Reg. Assoc.	722	722	722	0	722
Other General Government	10,000	9,523	10,000	10,000	
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police	13,600	14,600	17,000	16,000	1,000
Ambulance	2,135	2,135	2,200	2,200	
Fire	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	
Emergency Management	10	0	10	10	
Animal Control	700	677	700	700	
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS					
Highways and Streets	100,000	92,689	115,000	110,000	5,000
Street Lighting	2,000	1,779	2,000	2,000	
General Expenses: Highway	25,000	31,417	30,000	25,000	5,000

SANITATION					
Solid Waste Disposal	65,000	47,851	45,000	45,000	
HEALTH					
Health Agencies and Hospitals	9,000	930	8,500	8,500	
Hospice	250	250	250	250	
SW Community Services			500	500	
WELFARE					
Direct Assistance	4,000	535	4,000	4,000	
CULTURE AND RECREATION					
Parks and Recreation	1,400	1,114	1,600	1,600	
Library	12,450	12,450		14,600	
Patriotic Purposes	150	150	150	150	
CONSERVATION					
Other Conservation	500	583	500	500	
DEBT SERVICE					
Princ. Long Term Bonds & Notes	35,000	35,000	34,200	34,200	
Int. Long Term Bonds & Notes	6,000	7,493	5,000	5,000	
Interest on TAN	3,000	0	3,000	3,000	
CAPITAL OUTLAY					
Land & Improvements Roads		10,638	40,000	40,000	
Mach. Veh. & Equip.			10,000	10,000	
Buildings & Garage Addition	20,000	20,000			
Library	10,000	10,000			
Recreation Building	2,000	1,979			
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	387,067	361,828	393,182	395,860	11,922

Source of Revenue

	Estimated Revenues <u>1994</u>	Actual Revenues <u>1994</u>	Select- men's Budget <u>1995</u>	Estimated Revenues <u>1995</u>
TAXES				
Yield Taxes	9,580	10,530	120,000	10,000
Int. & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	18,000	21,863	20,000	20,000
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES				
Transfer Sta. Fees		3,829	2,000	2,000
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	40,000	47,980	45,000	45,000
Building Permits & Copy Fees		278		
Dog Licenses, Boat Fees	1,200	1,500	1,500	1,500
FROM STATE				
Shared Revenue	8,373	17,250	8,000	8,000
Highway Block Grant	85,788	85,788	85,590	85,590
State & Fed. Forest Land Reimbursement	192	192	200	200
FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT				
Intergovernmental Revenues	10,601	10,601	0	0
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
Income from Departments	500	751	500	500
Other Charges - Langdon	18,000	18,000		
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
Sale of Municipal Property	3,000	5,914	2,000	2,000
Interest on Investments	3,500	4,105	3,000	3,000
Other	4,500	5,415	10,000	10,000
Trust and Agency Funds	2,000	2,356	2,210	2,210
Fund Balance to be Retained: 11,142				
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	10,000			

TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	215,234	236,352	190,000	190,000
Total Appropriations				395,860
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Property Taxes				190,000
Amount of Taxes to be Raised				205,860

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES

<u>Title of Appropriation</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Anticipated Receipts & Reim.</u>	<u>Total Amt. Available</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Unexpended</u>	<u>Overdraft</u>
Town Officers' Salaries	7,600		7,600	7,600		
Town Officers' Expenses	10,000		10,000	9,523	477	
Election & Registration	1,000	255	1,255	1,147	108	
Planning & Zoning	550		550	548	2	
General Government Bldgs.	5,000		5,000	4,100	900	
Police	13,600	100	13,700	14,600		900
Fire	18,000		18,000	18,000		
Civil Defense	10		10	- 0 -	10	
Cemeteries	3,000		3,000	2,468	532	
Legal Expenses	5,000		5,000	648	4,352	
Advertising & Reg. Assoc.	722		722	722		
Hospice	250		250	250		
Highway Maintenance	100,000	50	100,050	92,689	7,361	
General Highway Expense	25,000	239	25,239	31,417		6,178
Street Lighting	2,000		2,000	1,779	221	
Solid Waste Disposal	65,000		65,000	47,851	17,149	
Health	9,000		9,000	930	8,070	
Ambulance	2,135		2,135	2,135		
Animal Control	700		700	677	23	
Welfare	4,000	25	4,025	535	3,490	
Library Operating	12,450		12,450	12,450		
Parks & Recreation	1,400		1,400	1,114	286	
Memorial Day	150		150	150		

Comparative Statement of Appropriations & Expenditures: cont.

Conservation Commission	500	83	583	583
Principal: Long Term Notes	35,000		35,000	35,000
Interest: All	9,000		9,000	7,493
Revaluation of Property	2,000		2,000	1,400
Insurance	16,000	4,490	20,490	17,477
Social Security	6,000		6,000	5,925
Capital Expenditures	32,000		32,000	31,979
	387,067	5,242	392,309	351,190
				48,197
				7,078

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
ACWORTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
YEAR ENDING 12-31-94

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	1994	1993
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		
- BEG. OF YEAR*:		
Property Taxes		113,262.56
Yield Taxes		322.41
 TAXES COMMITTED		
- THIS YEAR:		
Property Taxes	1,154,010.00	
Yield Taxes	10,347.00	
 OVERPAYMENT:		
Property Taxes	1,050.90	817.00
 Interest Collected on Delinquent Tax		
	1,104.25	7,421.02
 TOTAL DEBITS	 \$1,166,512.15	 \$121,822.99

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REMITTED TO TREAS.		
DURING FY:		
Property Taxes	997,325.98	113,290.56
Yield Taxes	10,208.00	322.41
Interest	1,104.25	7,421.02
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	817.50	789.00
 UNCOLLECTED TAXES		
- END OF YEAR:		
Property Taxes	156,917.46	
Yield Taxes	139.00	
 TOTAL CREDITS	 \$1,166,512.99	 \$121,822.99

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	1993	1992	1991	PRIOR
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Yr.		36,705.65	21,503.82	7,234.93
Liens Executed During Fiscal Yr.	63,236.55			
Interest & Costs Coll. After Lien Execution	865.95	3,857.27	6,225.09	2,421.85
TOTAL DEBITS	\$64,102.50	\$40,562.92	\$27,728.91	\$9,656.78

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REMITTANCE TO TREASURER:				
Redemptions	20,305.93	18,015.65	17,320.71	4,563.40
Int./Costs (After Lien Execution)	865.95	3,857.27	6,225.09	2,421.85
Liens <u>Deeded</u> To Municipalities	206.11	194.44	209.76	569.80
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	42,724.51	18,495.61	3,973.35	2,101.73
TOTAL CREDITS	\$64,102.50	\$40,562.97	\$27,728.91	\$9,656.78

TREASURER'S REPORT
GENERAL FUND

From Tax Collector:

Property - 1994	\$997,325.98	
Property-Previous Years'	113,290.56	
Yield(Timber)1994	10,280.00	
Yield-Previous years'	322.41	
Interest	21,862.87	
Redemptions	<u>60,205.69</u>	
		\$1,203,215.51

From Town Clerk:

Motor Vehicle Permits	46,980.90	
Dog Licenses & Penalties	<u>972.00</u>	
		47,952.90

From Sullivan County:

10,601.00

From State of New Hampshire:

Highway Block Grant	85,788.14	
Revenue Sharing	17,250.11	
In Lieu of Taxes: Honey Brook	<u>192.08</u>	
		103,230.33

Miscellaneous Sources:

Langdon: Trans. Sta. Services	18,000.00	
Trans. Station Fees	3,829.00	
Interest on Deposits	4,104.59	
Income From Depts.	751.31	
Boat Fees	527.60	
Reimb. for Cemetery Wages (Trust Funds)	1,962.00	
Sale of Histories	674.00	
Recycling Proceeds	842.39	
Rent of Town Property	135.00	
Roy Mitchell Trust Fund	393.50	
Various Fees	293.00	
Ins. Claim	774.86	
Ins. Premium Refunds	4,490.43	
Sale of St. Michael Lot	1,548.00	
Sale Police Cruiser	<u>2,850.00</u>	
		41,175.68

Total Receipts	1,406,175.42	
Balance 12/31/93	<u>205,811.71</u>	
Grand Total	1,611,987.13	
Less Disbursements	(1,351,361.06)	
Less Bank Charges	(516.60)	
Plus Adj.	<u>21.25</u>	260,130.72

Report of Conservation Commission Account		
Balance 1/18/94	3,100.59	
Deposit	56.66	
Interest	<u>81.10</u>	
Balance 1/17/95		3,238.35

Gravel Bank (Butson) Escrow		
Balance 12/31/93	1,653.15	
Interest	<u>45.30</u>	
Balance 12/31/94		1,698.45

Earl F. Luther, Jr.,
Treasurer

DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED AND RETIRED

Long Term Debt Purpose	Outstanding 1-1-94	Retired This Fiscal Yr.	Outstanding 12-31-94
Tractor	19,200	10,000	9,200
Cold Pond Road	100,000	25,000	75,000

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT 1994

Motor Vehicles	\$46,698.90
Dog Licenses & Penalties	<u>972.00</u>
	\$47,952.90

Brenda Longley, Town Clerk

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the records of the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk and Trustees and have found them to be correctly recorded and properly vouched.

Joan C. Whitcomb, Auditor

TOWN OF ACWORTH
 GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1994

ASSETS

Acc't#		
1010.0	Cash	\$265,068
1080.0	Uncollected Taxes- Current	157,056
1080.9	Allowance For Uncollectible	(3,400)
1110.0	Unredeemed Taxes	<u>67,295</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		\$486,019

LIABILITIES

2020.0	Acc'ts Payable	4,937
2075.0	Due School District	<u>420,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		424,937
2530.0	Unreserved Fund Bal.	<u>61,082</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY		61,082
TOTAL LIABILITY AND EQUITY		486,019

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF VALUATION

LAND	17,440,310	
CURRENT USE	1,146,701	
BUILDINGS	23,516,695	
MOBILE HOMES	463,855	
UTILITIES	1,168,891	
TOTAL VALUATION		43,736,452
LESS EXEMPTIONS	85,000	

650	OWNERS
925	PROPERTIES

1994 TAX RATE CALCULATION
TOWN OF ACWORTH

			Tax Rates
Appropriations	387,067		
Less: Revenues	215,234		
Less: Shared Revenues	3,740		
Add: Overlay	5,531		
War Service Credits	<u>2,450</u>		
Net Town Appropriation	176,074		
Special Adjustment	<u>0</u>		
Approved Town Tax Effort		176,074	
Municipal Tax Rate			4.04
- - - School Portion - - -			
Due to Local School	0		
Due to Reg. School	865,808		
Less: Shared Revenues	<u>8,382</u>		
Net School Appropriation	857,426		
Special Adjustment	<u>0</u>		
Approved School Tax Effort		857,426	
School Tax Rate			19.66
- - - County Portion - - -			
Due to County	123,227		
Less: Shared Revenues	<u>955</u>		
Net County Appropriation	122,272		
Special Adjustment	<u>0</u>		
Approved County Tax Effort		122,272	
County Tax Rate			<u>2.80</u>
Combined Tax Rate			26.50
Total Property Taxes Assessed		1,155,772	
- - - Commitment Analysis - - -			
Total Property Taxes Assessed		1,155,772	
Less: War Service Credits		(2,450)	
Add: Village District Commitment		<u>0</u>	
Total Property Tax Commitment		<u>1,153,322</u>	
- - - Proof of Rate - - -			
Net Assessed Valuation	43,614,052	Tax Rate 26.50	Assessment 1,155,772
1995 Bond Requirement			
Treasurer:	55,000	Tax Collector:	52,000
Town Clerk:	8,000	Trustees of Trust Funds:	12,000

SUMMARY OF DETAILED PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Lyman Young, Selectman	1,000.00	
Camelia Amell, Selectman	1,000.00	
John Rieck, Selectman	1,000.00	
Leon F. Newton, Tax Collector	2,000.00	
Brenda Longley, Town Clerk	1,400.00	
Earl F. Luther, Treasurer	700.00	
Joan Whitcomb, Auditor	400.00	
Gladys Ring-Bogle, Health Officer	<u>100.00</u>	
		7,600.00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Administrative Ass't Salary	2,500.00	
Computer, Typing Services	2,112.22	
Town Reports	1,353.00	
Supplies	1,065.80	
Postage	840.48	
Associations' Dues	555.00	
Telephone	394.39	
Secretary	250.00	
Public Notices	242.03	
Meeting Fees	70.00	
Misc.	<u>139.70</u>	
		9,522.62

PROPERTY APPRAISAL

1,400.00

ELECTION & REGISTRATION

Salaries	745.00	
Supplies	308.33	
Public Notices	<u>93.55</u>	
		1,146.88

PLANNING

Village District Survey	300.00	
Master Plan Expense	200.00	
Supplies	30.00	
Public Notice	<u>17.50</u>	
		547.50

TOWN HALL & GROUNDS

Fuel Oil	533.92	
Mowing	1,910.00	
Electricity	491.50	
Outside Services	530.50	

TOWN HALL & GROUNDS:cont.

Custodial	415.00	
Flag Duties	120.00	
Supplies	<u>98.91</u>	
		4,099.83

POLICE

Constable Salary	2,000.00	
Secretary Salary	500.00	
Deputy Wages	1,938.75	
Dispatch	2,135.00	
Cruiser Lease	6,522.17	
Gas	294.00	
Radio and Repair	665.00	
Telephone	244.29	
Supplies	<u>300.50</u>	
		14,599.71

INSURANCE

Public Officials' Liability	6,850.00	
Workers' Compensation	2,582.23	
Unemployment Comp.	369.42	
Road Agent's Disability	293.30	
Town Officer's Bonds	525.00	
Boat Agent's Bond	100.00	
Property, Liability, Bonds Combination Package	<u>6,756.72</u>	
		17,476.67

FIRE Co. 18,000.00

HEALTH

HHC and Community Services	929.90	
Ambulance Subsidy	2,135.00	
Hospice	<u>250.00</u>	
		3,314.90

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Association Dues (1994+1995)	200.00	
Meeting Expense	40.00	
Handbook	12.00	
Creseent Lake Testing	274.00	
Approp. Bal. to Savings Acc't	<u>56.66</u>	
		582.66

ANIMAL CONTROL

Dog Officer Salary	200.00	
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Animal Control: cont.		
Dog Tags	36.45	
Dog Fees (To State)	97.00	
Population Control Fees (To State)	<u>344.00</u>	677.45
LIBRARY		
Payroll	6,097.25	
SS	466.44	
Paid to Trustees	<u>5,886.31</u>	12,450.00
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	ACCOUNT	
SCRRDD Tipping FEES	15,501.79	(7 mos. 160T)
HC Gobin	4,671.67	(compactor rent + trucking 7 mos.)
HC Gobin	11,230.08	(comp rent, trucking disposal 5 mos. 138T)
BFI	5,369.75	
Wages	6,760.00	
Net Trucking Costs: recyclables	990.64	
Certification Expenses	228.42	
Electricity	288.01	
Telephone	240.00	
Public Notices	38.00	
Toilet Rental	572.00	
Freon Removal	126.00	
Supplies	179.35	
Shed Overhang	500.00	
Misc.	155.00	
To Highway Dept. Acc't	<u>1,000.00</u>	47,850.71
HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE		
Payroll	51,665.47	
BC/BS	6,833.07	
Materials	7,555.81	
Hired Trucks + Equip.	9,604.75	
Sand Screening	4,860.00	
Roadside Mowing	3,275.00	
Culverts	5,942.31	
Sodium & Calcium Chloride	3,952.51	
Transfer to T-station Acc't	<u>(1,000.00)</u>	92,688.92

STREET LIGHTING		1,779.41
GENERAL EXPENSES: HIGHWAY		
Fuel	2,976.70	
Parts & Repairs	16,847.45	
Tool & Supplies	5,138.73	
Radio Repair	465.00	
Electricity	943.74	
telephone	462.86	
Tires & Repair	3,518.36	
Chain Saw & Parts	678.00	
Misc.	<u>386.55</u>	
		31,417.39
COLD POND ROAD: COMPLETION		10,638.44
WELFARE		534.60
MEMORIAL DAY		150.00
RECREATION		
Electricity	90.51	
Supplies	272.65	
Toilet Rent	586.00	
Mowing	<u>165.00</u>	
		1,114.16
CEMETERIES		2,468.00
LEGAL COUNSEL		648.11
UVLS ASSOCIAITON		722.00
TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN		65,219.78
ABATEMENTS, REFUNDS		5,280.00
SOCIAL SECURITY, MEDICARE		5,924.78
LONG TERM NOTES		35,000.00
INTEREST		7,493.20
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (LIBRARY)		10,000.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (REC. BLDG.)		1,978.77
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (GARAGE ADDITION)		19,999.57
PAYMENT TO COUNTY		123,227.00
PAYMENTS TO FMRSD		<u>795,808.00</u>
<u>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</u>		1,351,361.06

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall and Land	\$109,000.00	
Contents	6,000.00	
Library and Land	113,000.00	
Contents	30,000.00	
Police Dept. Equipment	5,000.00	
Town Garage and Land	96,300.00	
Equipment	169,000.00	
Materials, Supplies	6,000.00	
Grange Hall and Land	56,000.00	
Town Common	28,000.00	
Sand Pit, Transfer Station	<u>30,800.00</u>	
TOTAL		\$649,100.00

Lands Acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds		
Ball Lot 466	6,900.00	
Benware Mobil Home	7,400.00	
Bridgham Lot 391	5,800.00	
Buss Lot 357	8,300.00	
Callum Lot 485	2,000.00	
Champney Lot 260	7,900.00	
Crescent Lake Lot 101B	7,900.00	
Deptula Lot 128	(sold 2/95)	
Farnsworth Lot 279A	41,300.00	
Gove Lots - 207,207A,208,208A	332,700.00	
Hurd Lots - Lots 55C, 59B	33,400.00	
Jennison Lot 623	28,100.00	
Johnson Lot 293	23,800.00	
Morris Lot 871	6,300.00	
Nelson Lot 618A	11,400.00	
Prouty Lot 649	7,100.00	
Shaw Lot 227A	9,900.00	
Turner Lot 68A	<u>13,100.00</u>	
TOTAL		\$553,300.00

Lands Acquired Through Gift or Purchase		
Acworth Wetlands Lot 253	3,600.00	
Peirera Wetlands Lots 263A, 263C	10,500.00	
Diggert Lot 255	1,900.00	
Pierce Brook Woodlot Lot 720	8,700.00	
Mill Pond Acre and Mica Shed	19,300.00	
Five Points School Hse Lot 464	7,000.00	
Prince Lot Lot 515A	<u>1,600.00</u>	
TOTAL		\$52,600.00

TOWN REPORT 1995 - REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUND FOR 1994

NAME OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	NEW FUNDS	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR
Cemetery Fund (Common Tr.)	Income Fund of Am.	\$51,000.00		\$3,036.58	\$3,036.58	\$51,000.00
Cemetery Income Account:	Connecticut River Savings Bank	\$4,301.72	+ \$3,036.58 = \$3,155.49	\$118.91	\$1,608.36	\$5,848.85
Library Fund (Common Trust)	U.S. Gov't. Sec. Tr.	\$3,536.06	\$0.00	\$224.42	\$224.42	\$3,536.06
Roy E. Mitchell -Town Fund	No. Am. Bond Fund	\$5,000.00		\$346.71	\$346.71	\$5,000.00
Roy E. Mitchell-Old Cemetery	No. Am. Bond Fund	\$5,000.00		\$346.71	\$346.71	\$5,000.00
Roy E. Mitchell - Cemetery	No. Am. Bond Fund	\$10,000.00		\$693.37	\$693.37	\$10,000.00
Jeffery Memorial VNA Fund	Cap. Inc. Builder	\$33,420.07		\$721.20	\$721.20	\$33,420.07
Jeffery Memorial Community Aid Fd.	Cap. Inc Builder	\$17,995.42		\$387.74	\$387.74	\$17,995.42
Jeffery Memorial Silsby Library Fund	Cap. Inc Builder	\$43,703.17		\$943.22	\$943.22	\$43,703.17
						\$175,503.57

This is to certify that the information in this report is correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Virginia G. Henam
Algo Barre - 2/9/95

TRANSFER STATION STATISTICS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TONS DISPOSED</u>
1988	488.05
1989	425.10
1990	425.20
1991	436.40
1992	408.30
1993	343.24
1994	299.33

Tons Disposed in 1994 were 29% below the previous 6 year average, a remarkable reduction and a tribute to our recycling efforts.

The figures will be irrelevant in 1995 as Langdon will operate its own station. Henceforth our recycling will reduce our costs in direct proportion to our own efforts. LET'S ALL GET WITH IT!

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD
1994

The Planning Board met 12 times during the year.

Work on the Master Plan update preceeded smoothly. One public hearing was held last May. Attendance was sparse. Another hearing will be scheduled when the work is concluded.

Ben Porter's work, the final definition of the village district line from the Northeast to the Southeast corners, will be completed by surveyor Ron Teney of Bellows Falls.

There was one acquisition-annexation on Crescent Lake.

Dr. John Herpel resigned from the Board in September. The members of the Board would like to extend their special thanks for his donated time over the years. The Board will miss his brilliant grasp of issues.

As this report goes to print, we have received Maggie Hanson's resignation. Maggie has served the town as a member of this board for almost 20 years. She has been tirelessly willing and able: her effervescent presence will be sorely missed.

Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. every last Wednesday of the month. They are open to the public. Your attendance is always welcome.

Susan Metsack, chairman

John Balla

Bruce Bascom

Olga Bassinne

Marguerite Hanson

Jack Rieck, selectman

Selectmen's Report
1994

The transfer station has been an item of concern this year, there is an anticipated cost for Acworth to make final its departure from the articles of agreement with the SCRRD. This our attorney has assured us is clearly permitted, however the cost is another question. An additon, overhang, was constructed at the transfer station this year also.

One town truck was lost in a fire this winter, but has been replaced with one of similar vintage with insurance funds. Cold Pond Road has proven once again that it can hold up to an early spring thaw, without the mud problems so many of our roads are plagued with.

At the town garage the addition is finished and the new heating system was installed just in time for the real cold weather.

The Deptula and St. Michael's lots have been sold, monies collected go into the general fund to defray taxes next year.

For the coming year we are looking at; sealing 7.5 miles of Acworth roads, some major bridge repairs, processing and using pug mill on several areas of town roads and offering for bid the Johnson lot (map 24 lot 293) consisting of 29.61 acres on Nye Road., this lot has a current assessed value of \$23,800, and would be sold to the highest bidder.

ACWORTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION
1994 ANNUAL REPORT

The Commission worked again this year with the Unity Conservation Commission and the New Hampshire Volunteer Lake Assessment Program to test water quality of Crescent Lake three times last summer. Some samples again showed elevated levels of E. coli and phosphorus which merit watchful concern. We are also aware of changes in water clarity (turbidity) which almost certainly is contributed to by more powerful and faster running powerboats. We are working to understand better this lake use and its consequences, and would be supportive of public sentiment to reduce this use.

In reponse to the selectmens' request, the Commission investigated two town owned properties for any notable conservation features. We continued our monitoring of four parcels of land in Acworth with conservation easements. These are Pierce Brook Forest (a privately established easement) and the Moody, Roy and Clark parcels (easements established through the Land Conservation Investment Program). We feel the relatively quiet circumstances we enjoy in Acworth do not merit exhaustive monitoring, but we are gaining some familiarity and baseline data for this permanent responsibility of the Commission.

An ongoing interest of ours is the condition of the Town Wetland in East Acworth. We investigated complaints of littering. Any littering is an abuse of a town land set aside for education in habitat and enjoyment of the outdoors.

Hoping to locate an interested student this year to participate in a Community Conservation Camp or a Land Planning Seminar, we mention our eagerness to sponsor someone in grade 10, 11, or 12. We should soon get confirmation that this opportunity will again be offered.

Respectfully submitted,
Sam R. Stephens, Chair
Laurie Luther-Houghton
Brian Miller
Geraldine Rudenfeldt
Kerry Beverstock
Mary Bradley

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT
1994

The snow was deep this year, but we suffered no frozen culverts and much less ice. However, mud season was a different story. In spite of the difficulties encountered, Cold Pond Road handled the season well and that was a first. In order to maintain that status, we will have to add gravel. Heino Road was very bad and we will have to find a solution. The really bad spots could be treated in the same manner as the Cold Pond Road solution.

The department thanks you for the new office, bathroom and storage space in the new town garage addition. It's great. We were, however, sorry to see the demise of the 4WD which caught fire this past December. The town replaced it with a 1967FWD, a nice old truck. Replacement balanced out with the insurance at no further cost to the town and we were able to salvage the sander. There has been talk of a new truck and this may be necessary in the future as the GMC is aging rapidly and our year round maintenance depends on keeping it in service. With a new truck added to the present equipment, we would have two trucks to haul gravel in summer. The GMC has little value as a trade in, so keeping it in service as long as we can seems the best way to go. Buying a new truck would eliminate a road maintenance crisis if it quits mid season.

There has been some in-depth discussion about the deteriorating condition of our roads and the solution. There are no easy answers. Some would tar Cold Pond Road but it is my recommendation that we should shim and seal the tar roads already existing before we take on the creation of another tar road. Our present tar roads would be maintained much better with a little shimming each year. This past year, all roads were graded and graveled.

Culverts were put in as follows: 7 on Black North, 3 on Turkey Shoot, 1 on Labars, 2 on Lynn Hill, 3 on Gates Mt., 1 on Quinns, 2 on Harvey Putnams, 1 on Ingoldsby. 1000 feet of underdrain was put on Heino and we screened our own sand for a supply of stone. All roads were mowed.

There would be additional relief to the department if we could add a part time helper to operate the one ton. This would give us three trucks in operation allowing us to get the plowing and sanding completed faster.

I wish to thank everyone for their patience and understanding during our equipment and weather difficulties and I would also like to thank everyone who helped and worked with me this past year.

Don Porter,
Road Agent

ACWORTH POLICE DEPARTMENT
REPORT 1994

The Acworth Police Department is now considered a part-time/full-time department, consisting of Sargent David Webber and myself. Both of us are also part-time Deputy Sheriffs for Sullivan County. Since one officer works for the County mornings and the other afternoons, we have, in effect, twenty-four hour coverage for the town. Each year we must be recertified by Police Standards and Training. The Police Standards and Training Council establishes the protocol for the operation and guides for all police departments within the State.

In August, the new Acworth Police cruiser arrived and to minimize costs, some basic equipment was installed by the Department. The old cruiser was subsequently sold. The Department is pursuing all State and Federal grants for needed equipment.

Our 1994 budget was based on fifty reported calls per year. The Department has seen a dramatic increase in documented calls which have far exceeded our projections as evidenced by the following list:

Abandoned Property, 2: Accidents, 11: Alarms, 6: Animal Complaints, 25: Assaults, 3: Asst. Other Depts. 5: Background Checks, 56: Burglary, 8: Civil Matters, 15:Community Service, 15: Criminal Mischief, 7: Criminal Trespass, 2: Disabled Vehicles, 2: Domestic, 22: FBI checks, 3: Fire Calls, 6: Highway Matters, 4: House checks, 115: Intoxicated Subject, 5: Illegal Dumping, 3:Juvenile Problems, 3: Keep the Peace, 11:Lookout (FBI), 4: Motor Vehicle w/o Summons, 46: Medical Emergencies, 3: Mental Subjects, 2: Message Delivery, 10:Missing Persons, 3: CHRV, 11: Neighborhood Problems, 4: Offenses Against Family, 2: Open Doors, 1:Permits, 26: Phone Calls, 269: Police Information, 74: Requesting Officer, 10: Restraining Orders, 11: Served Paperwork, 11: Suspicious Activity, 8: Thefts, 3:Traffic Problems, 10:

Sargent Webber and I appreciate the support and written/verbal comments we have received from citizens of Acworth, the surrounding towns' Police Departments, the State Police and Sheriffs' Departments.

William P. Raymond, Jr.

ACWORTH SILSBY LIBRARY
REPORT FOR 1994

Beginning Balance Operation Funds		3,111.28
Beginning Balance Savings Funds		7,319.48
Town Appropriation		
Received From Treasurer	5,886.31	
Salaries Paid by Treasurer	6,097.25	
Soc. Sec. Paid by Treasurer	466.44	
Received From Treas. Capital Fund	10,000.00	22,450.00
Income From Trust Funds	1,194.10	
Interest On Savings Acct.	205.74	
Book Sales & Misc.	438.20	
Misc Copy Fee & Services	343.00	2,181.04
Donations Designated	221.20	
Donations Building Fund	1,905.00	2,126.20
	Total Available	37,188.00
	Total Spent Operating	12,408.69
	Total Spent Capital	244.89
	Balance	24,534.42
	Balance in Operating Funds 5,098.16	
	Balance in Savings Funds 19,436.26	
	TOTAL	24,534.42

ACWORTH SILSBY LIBRARY BUDGET
1995

	Budget 1994	Spent 1994	Proposed 1995
Salaries	6,100	6,563.69	8,500.00
Books	2,200	2,599.66	2,200.00
Periodicals	450	413.66	425.00
Other Materials	100	184.63	200.00
Electricity	400	355.86	400.00
Heat	900	737.60	800.00
Telephone	350	358.59	375.00
Services	700	336.99	350.00
Supplies & Equipment	550	503.01	550.00
Tuition, Travel, Fees	300	190.00	500.00
Programs, Misc.	100	165.00	100.00
Contingency Fund OP BGT	300	00.00	200.00
TOTALS	12,450	12,408.69	14,600.00
CAPITAL	10,000	244.89	00.00

ACWORTH SILSBY LIBRARY
TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR 1994

Library trustees and staff held twelve regular meetings plus several work sessions this year. Individual trustees also met with library consultants, the Friends Of The Acworth Silsby Library, the Library Development Committee, The Acworth Historical Society, the State Historical Association, the New Hampshire Trustees' Association, and other regional library associations throughout the state. Keeping up with changes in technology, federal and state laws, library standards, and allsorts of new information requires many hours of reading and research as well.

Revised State Library Standards and anticipated State budget cuts will place even greater demands on local libraries. We will be expected to be open more hours, for instance, and to perform some of the services now provided by the State Library, which will require having our own computer.

This year's budget includes increases for the extra hours and necessary education, as well as slight raises for our administrators. Librarians have been underpaid for many years, while the demands on them keep increasing. The raises still leave them underpaid, but we realize that many taxpayers are in the same position. We're very fortunate to have dedicated staff, who are willing to accept this compromise. We also appreciate the volunteers who contribute so many hours, both at the library and helping with special events.

Several gifts have helped stretch an otherwise static materials budget. Guy and Michelle DuBois donated a good collection of children's books. Dr. Paul Lundstrom donated \$500.00 worth of classics, reference, and other non-fiction books and tapes, in memory of his grandfather, George W. Collins. Everett Walsh donated several boxes of fiction. The Friends donated a collection of children's video tapes. And scores of people donated used books for the annual August book sale, which provides income for purchasing other materials.

Marion Neff gave a handmade banner that promoted National Library Week. The Friends of the Library gave a new VCR, a computerized thermostat, updated phone directories, a coffee pot and server and other supplies, and have established a fund to help pay for a computer. They also continue publishing the Acworth Newsletter. Several people loaned handmade rugs for a special Old Home Day exhibit, and local musicians provided entertainment. The Historical Society has reorganized and expanded their genealogy collection, which attracts many out-of-town visitors, as well as local researchers.

Donations established a memorial fund in honor of former trustee and long-time patron, Scott Farley. Local civic groups continued their long-time support.

The Friends of the Library and the Library Development Committee conducted several fund-raising and library promotional activities, as well

as helping with library programs. Several businesses and individuals responded to those efforts by sending donations to the library building fund.

The final layer of Stonedust was added to the front path and the handicapped parking space. This provides a natural, water-permeable surface approved for handicapped access. Routine maintenance included repairs and tightening of doors and windows. Otherwise capital income was added to the building fund as decided last year. This year we will be looking at ways to double the accumulated funds to accomplish a major project.

Other usual business, such as self-evaluation, policy updates and amendments, and long-range planning are ongoing. The challenge of meeting today's library needs seems to grow more complex each year, but the wide support from so many inspires us in our efforts.

TRUSTEES

Nancy Sandoe, Chairman

Ruth Balla, Treasurer

Fay Knicely, Secretary

STAFF

Barbara Davis - Administrator, Program Director, Desk Attendant

Devik Hemmings - Assistant Administrator, Desk Attendant

Sue Willoughby - Volunteer Aide & Substitute Desk Attendant

Jessica Foote - Volunteer Aide

Scott Sanches - General Maintenance

Herman Barth - Lawn Maintenance

Timothy Amell - Winter path and entry maintenance

LIBRARY HOURS

Sundays 1 - 4 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays Noon - 4 p.m.

Board Meetings - Second Tuesday each month, 9 a.m.

(Call to verify dates & times)

Phone: (603) 835-2150

ACWORTH SILSBY LIBRARY
ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - 1994

I'd like to start this year's report by explaining some of the duties involved in running our library. There is more than meets the eye.

As a member of the Statewide Library Development System, we are expected to comply with certain standards. These are the rules by which all libraries must abide, if they are to receive services through the State Library, including inter-library loans. I don't have room to list them all, but a few of the behind-the-scenes requirements include attending regional meetings, earning library certification through college courses, and attending all library board meetings, in addition to managing the library. All of which takes time and energy. Luckily Devik and I enjoy being librarians.

We must keep library collections current and in good condition. By reading reviews in newspapers and book journals, we are able to provide Acworth patrons what they need and want -- most of the time. We always encourage people to make suggestions.

We would also like to encourage people to volunteer. We have several volunteers who do many important tasks. If you come in on a Tuesday, you'll probably see Sue Willoughby hard at work covering books, filing cards, or shelving. If you come on a Sunday, you'll probably see Jessica Foote - a senior at Fall Mt. High -- doing the same kinds of things. she has been with the library for over four years, and we appreciate her hard work and continued support.

The Friends of the Library also are a big help. They have helped with various fund raisers through the year and served many refreshments and pots of coffee at the monthly programs. Our community is lucky to have such an enthusiastic group.

This year we registered 40 NEW patrons. That is a record in the eight years that I've been library administrator.

The free monthly programs also keep gaining attendance. Some of this year's programs included an herbal workshop, a family concert, a craft fair, a talk about regional archeology, and a children's film festival. Programs scheduled for 1995 include speakers, a family photograph workshop, an April 22 celebration of the 25th Earthday, and a May mother/daughter pot luck supper. Please watch the Acworth Newsletter and area newspapers for further information about these and other programs.

The Acworth Community School students visit our library almost every Tuesday and Thursday of the school year, and junior and senior high school students are usually here on Sundays working on school reports or just looking for a good book.

The video tape collection now includes two Ken Burns series, The Civil War and Baseball, purchased with funds from the Jeffery Memorial. We have a varied and growing audio tape section as well. These are very popular with people who have to drive frequently to Boston or New York, but you don't have to leave town to borrow them.

Please bring your out-of-town guests in to see our wonderful bird collection too. If you don't have any guests, come anyway.

1994 Donors To The
Acworth Library Building Fund

Ladies Community Aid
Real to Real Video
Mike Nevelsan
Marianne Wierenza
Walpole IGA
Ann & William Russell
Jim & Mary Sullivan
Adrien Krieg
Acworth Woman's Club
C & L Petroleum
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John & Stella Herpel
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Sandra Putnam Davis

Richard & Joan Whitcomb
The Homestead Inn
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Helen Sirkin
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Bob Potter
Timothy & Greta Perry
Elizabeth Snider
David & Nancy Norman
Priscilla Hodges
Scott Luther-Houghton
Walpole Pharmacy
Females Charitable Society
Olga Bassine
Also a number of anonymous
cash donations.

THE FAITHFUL, RICHARD, AND CLARENCE
JEFFERY MEMORIAL LIBRARY FUND

The Acworth Silsby Library benefits from income derived from several trust funds and memorial gifts of one sort or another. As individuals, we are often saddened by this, because these gifts so often come as a result of losing a good friend or neighbor. As trustees and staff, we feel honored that our institution has been chosen and feel an extra responsibility to spend these funds wisely and in a way that reflects honorably upon the person we knew. All of these trust funds and memorial gifts are equally important to us.

This year we learned that the Silsby Free Public Library of Acworth is the beneficiary of "The Faithful, Richard, and Clarence Jeffery Memorial" trust fund, which has the significance of being the largest such gift received since the original Silsby bequest. The bequest of more than \$43,000 provides perpetual income "to be used for the purchase of books, periodicals, and other materials conducive to intellectual and cultural enjoyment of the inhabitants of Acworth and others who may utilize the library facilities." The will further stipulates that this income is not to be used to reduce the town appropriation but to "enlarge the supply of cultural materials" which might not otherwise be affordable.

This fund will be a tremendous boost to our materials budget at a time when it is desperately needed. With constantly rising costs and new types of materials required to get up to date, we have a long list of items that have been out of reach during the past few years.

The first payment has been used toward items already on that list. During the coming months, library trustees will be working with the staff to develop a general policy for use of this money, but, for now, we are well occupied with catching up.

The Jeffery will designated several other benevolent associations that benefit many of us or our neighbors as well. We are very fortunate to have enjoyed the Jefferys during their lifetime, and many generations will benefit from their thoughtful bequests.

RECREATION ANNUAL REPORT 1994

This year we are proud to announce the completion of the renovations to the old Turkey Shoot building. Work was done by recreational committee members and their families. The building was dedicated by Jack Rieck last spring at the town's baseball picnic. It was also the site of the Sunday Old Home Day Picnic. The building is free to any resident for family reunions, birthday parties, weddings, etc. If you would like to use the building, please give Brenda Longley a call up at the Town Office and she will be happy to reserve a date for you. Please make sure to book through Brenda in advance so we can be sure the building will be free. All we ask is that you make sure the area is left clean and that you take away your own trash.

Baseball was very successful again this year. There were two Pee Wee Teams and one Minor League as well as having a number of Acworth children on the Tri-Town Little League. We had a tough time trying to find enough coaches to satisfy the demand so if you are interested in helping us for the upcoming season please contact us. We would hate to see children lose out on the opportunity to play because we don't have enough coaches. Through the Friends of The Recreation Committee, members of the baseball teams helped to raise over \$1,000 to help pay for recreational supplies and activities. An awards picnic was held for them at the end of the season.

The town had two teams while the Pee Wees played on Alstead teams (due to no available coach). The older team played in the Putney and Fall Mountain tournaments. They received an award for their good sportsmanship. That is something we can all feel proud about!

It may seem impossible to believe but over 50 man hours have been put in to make the beautiful skating rink down on the Mill Pond Lot. It would still be there if it weren't for Mother Nature taking off with her. Maybe by the town meeting it will be back - who knows. If you see those guys out there working away, don't think your help wouldn't be welcomed. The hours that they spend for you are all volunteered. Involvement by the community would be greatly appreciated.

The committee once again donated to the school's annual Halloween party. They sold refreshments at last year's Town Meeting (and will be doing the same this year). We are always looking for ways to develop and support recreational activities for our town. There has been talk of making some nature trails, having a winter carnival, making a volleyball court, having some recreational clubs for our youth. If any of these things appeal to you or if you have ideas of skills you'd like to share, please give one of the members a call or join us at our meetings. They are held at the Town Hall at 7:00 the second Monday of each month.

Respectfully submitted,
Red Longley, Chairman

ACWORTH VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE COMPANY, INC.
REPORT FOR 1994

The Acworth Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company responded to 45 emergency calls this year. Expenditures totaled \$25,181.76. The Town provided \$18,000 of this. The balance came from donations, voluntary payments for services, and earned income.

After 25 years, David Lyle retired from firefighting, but our newest members, Firefighter Edward Grant and Firefighter/Emt Tim Kirby are proving to be a great asset.

Our five-year plan, as presented in 1990, will be completed this year. The addition to the station provides our first real meeting and office area, as well as additional space for equipment. Landscaping included driveway paving and regrading of parking areas. Donated shrubs and volunteer laborers have improved the grounds, with special attention from Nancy Acheson who donated, planted, and weeded the flower garden in front of the post office. New and updated monitors have improved communications. Some of our breathing apparatus has also been updated to current standards. Renovation extended the life of the 1973 Ford pumper truck.

During the coming year, we will develop plans for new apparatus. The 1972 tanker truck, for instance, is being held together with corn meal and chewing gum. While our 1978 four-wheel-drive M2 truck is still servicable for as a rescue vehicle, its 45-year-old pump is exhausted, and we simply can't depend on it as a firetruck. Today most of our equipment is inadequate, outdated, or worn out.

As members of Southwestern Mutual Aid, the town is fortunate to have help from surrounding communities, when it's needed, but we are also expected to do our share in return. Paying dues is the easy part. We are also required to maintain apparatus and equipment according to minimum standards and to provide educated and otherwise qualified people. It takes a special person to accept the responsibility, to give up the many hours needed for training, and to be willing to drop everything, no matter what, whenever the alarm calls. Just keeping the equipment up to date, keeping up with regulations, managing the business, training, and responding to emergencies whenever the call comes, requires that these few volunteers give a great part of themselves to their neighbors and community. This personal and financial sacrifice is something few are willing to make.

State legislation that take effect next year, further clarifies independent fire companies versus municipal fire departments. We hope this will promote greater understanding of our situation.

The political bickering and backbiting endured during the past few years has seriously undermined the morale of this volunteer group. Attendance at meetings and non-essential functions has fallen off. Some good members have been lost, and new ones willing to endure the current atmosphere are hard to find

We are very grateful to those who have sent donations and otherwise offered their support.

Respectfully submitted,
Elbert Knicely, Chief

Chief - Elbert Knicely
Assistant Chief - James Phinzy
Secretary/Treasurer - Kenneth Grant
Captain - Doug Bays
Captain - Kenneth Christie
Lieutenant - Michael Knicely

Directors:
Kenneth Grant, Craig Lawler, Peter Haas, Michael Blake

LEFEVRE AMBULANCE SERVICE

Another year has passed since we last had the opportunity to address you directly.

We continue to try to provide the highest level of prehospital care to all we serve. In the past year many of our personnel have, in order to continue to provide the highest level of care, upgraded their levels of training. Early in the year one of our Paramedics directed an Emergency Medical Attendant Intermediate class and currently two are engaged in conducting this years Emergency Medical Technician class sponsored by EMS District 11. These classes are held at Springfield Hospital, a central location of the district. This class is well attended by area people. Personnel from our service have been assisting. We continue to be active in community education in providing Emergency Care Attendant/First Responder courses, Basic First Aid and CPR courses to both lay persons and professionals in our communities. Our personnel have just completed an Emergency Care Attendant course and we saw eight graduates joining our local Rescue Squads. We shall continue to provide this service as needed.

During the year 1994 LeFevre Ambulance Service responded to the following calls in Acworth:

Emergency	16
Standby	1
No Transport or Transport Refused	5
Total	22

We currently have the following State of Vermont certified personnel:

EMT-P (Paramedic)	5
EMT-I & D Intermediate/Defibrillator	5
EMT-A	18
ECA	6

We want to continue to work with our First Response Squad. In 1994-95 we again want to continue to provide the highest level of care possible to you and your families. This means working closely with the Fire and Rescue Squads, our schools, and encouraging citizens to participate in emergency medical trainings, continually improving the training of our staff and purchasing the most cost-effective equipment available.

Once again, we wish to take a moment to clarify a point in reference to how to call for an ambulance. If a call is received by our dispatcher, we will respond an ambulance and notify Keene Mutual Aid to tone the Rescue Squad, when appropriate. If Keene Mutual Aid receives the call, they will tone the Rescue Squad and LeFevre Ambulance automatically responds an ambulance. Therefore, either method will result in the dispatching of both Rescue and ambulance. Residents of Bellows Falls need only to dial 911 to request an ambulance in an emergency. Our prime concern is the patient

Our special thanks go to the Acworth Rescue Squad for their assistance during the past year. Also, we would like to take this opportunity to again invite members of your squad to participate in our monthly training sessions.

Our **EMERGENCY** telephone number is 463-4223.

Our **NON-emergency** telephone number is 463-3636.

Residents living in the 463 exchange area may call 911.

Respectfully submitted,
LEFEVRE AMBULANCE SERVICE
Gerald R. LeFevre, President

“WE CARE ABOUT PEOPLE”

HOME HEALTH CARE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
 REPORT TO THE TOWN OF ACWORTH
 JANUARY 1, 1994 TO DECEMBER 31, 1994

ANNUAL REPORT

In 1994, Home health Care and Community Services (HCS) continued to provide home care and community services to the residents of Acworth. The following information represents a projection of HCS's activities in your community in 1994. The projection is based on actual services provided from January 1994 through September 1994 and an estimate of usage during October, November and December.

SERVICE REPORT

<u>Services Offered</u>	<u>Services Provided</u>	<u>Services Supported Partially or Totally By The Town</u>
Nursing	96 visits	0 visits
Child Health Nursing	0 visits	0 visits
Physical Therapy	20 visits	0 visits
Speech Pathology	0 visits	0 visits
Occupational Therapy	0 visits	0 visits
Medical Social Work	2 visits	0 visits
Nutritionist	0 visits	0 visits
Home Health Aide	242 visits	0 visits
Continuous Care Aide	15.5 hours	0 hours
Homemaker	946 hours	67 hours
Outreach	4 visits	0 visits

Total Unduplicated Residents Served: 47

Regularly scheduled wellness clinics, child health clinics, prenatal and hospice care are also available to residents. Town funding partially supports these services.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The actual cost of all services provided in 1994 with all funding sources is projected to be \$32,498.75.

The total cost of services provided for a partial fee, or at no charge to residents in 1994 is projected to be \$903.40 for home care.

For 1995, we recommend an appropriation of \$9,000.00 to continue home care services at the current level.

Thank you for your consideration.

SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY SERVICES
TOWN OF ACWORTH 1994

ECONOMIC IMPACT:	\$55,725.78
DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO RESIDENTS :	22,290.31
2% OF DIRECT ASSISTANCE:	445.81
WOMEN, INFANTS, & CHILDREN	7,470.00
COMMODITY FOODS	327.22
FUEL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	12,024.41
WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM	2,354.80
ELDERCARE PROGRAM	113.88
OCS JOB TRAINING PROGRAM	3,120.79
TOTAL NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS SERVED:	59
TOTAL NUMBER OF RESIDENTS SERVED:	105
AVERAGE COST PER HOUSEHOLD:	434.53
AVERAGE COST PER RESIDENTS:	244.16

LINE ITEM BREAKDOWN

<u>Women, Infants, & Children (WIC)</u>	7,470.00
a. number of households enrolled	9
b. number of women enrolled	2
c. number of children enrolled	13
d. monthly cost of food-all recipients	\$622.50
Commodity Supplemental Foods	327.22
<u>Distribution Program:</u>	
a. Number of households enrolled	7
b. number of participants enrolled	18
c. number elderly participants enrolled	9
d. number of children enrolled	6
<u>Fuel Assistance Program (FAP)</u>	12,024.41
a. number of households applying	34
b. number households eligible/enrolled	24
c, number elderly households enrolled	9
d. number of participants enrolled	54
e. number elderly participants enrolled	12
f. average benefit per household	\$501.02
<u>Weatherization Program</u>	2,354.80
a. number of households enrolled	2
b. number of participants enrolled	8
c. number households on waiting list	8
d. average benefit per household	\$1,177.00
<u>Eldercare Program</u>	113.88
a. number of households enrolled	7
b. number of participants enrolled	11
Office of Community Services/ <u>Job Training Program</u>	3,120.79
a. number of house;holds enrolled	0
b. number of trainees enrolled	1

BIRTHS RECORDED IN TOWN OR ACWORTH
1994

DATE	NAME	PARENTS
1-12-94	Anette Faith Andrews	Deanna Jana Andrews - NH
3-18-94	Mollie Lorraine Gendron	Vickie Lynn Gendron Brian Gendron - NH
3-28-94	Matthew Peter Bascom	Lorna Bascom - NH David Bascom
9-26-94	Caleb Aaron Loiselle	Melinda Loiselle -NH Alfred Loiselle III
10-3-94	Lydia Deborah Ballantine	Mary Ballantine - NH Tim Ballantine
10-28-94	Sara Elizabeth DeValk	Lisa DeValk - NH Robert DeValk

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF ACWORTH
1994

DATE	NAME	AGE	PLACE
12-16-94	Scott P. Farley	98	Franklin, NH
12-17-93	Ethel Grace Rumrill Brodka		New Haven, CT
3-8-94	Eugenie Landry	71	Rutland, VT
4-25-94	Lloyd Albert David	90	Acworth, NH
7-2-94	Robert H. Royce	55	Springfield, VT
7-94	Myrle Reed		
9-9-94	Roberta Wolfe	70	Claremont, NH
9-18-94	William Mikelonis	68	
9-18-94	Mabel Randall	88	Springfield, VT
12-2-94	Corinne Lois Simpson	96	Keene, NH

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