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2000 Annual Reports



for the town of
FRANCESTOWN
New Hampshire



The Old Meeting House Circa 1884

The building's bicentennial will be
celebrated June 23, 2001.

Congratulations to the many people who have contributed to the management and restoration of this magnificent part of Francestown's unique architectural history; and particularly to Derald Radtke for his tireless efforts and leadership as president of the Board of Trustees.

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ANNUAL REPORT

Of the

Town Officers

of

Francestown, NH

For The Year Ending December 31, 2000

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FRANCESTOWN TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Paul H. Lawrence Term Expires 2002

SELECTMEN

Paul A. St.Cyr Term Expires 2001
David A. Jonas Term Expires 2002
O. Alan Thulander Term Expires 2003

TOWN TREASURER

Janet Munson Term Expires 2002

TOWN CLERK

Elaine T. McCLARY Term Expires 2002

TAX COLLECTOR

Elaine T. McCLARY Term Expires 2002

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Constance C. Varnum Term Expires 2001
Mary Frances Carey Term Expires 2002
"Judy" Danforth Term Expires 2003

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Louis Wiederhold Term Expires 2001
Herbert Fincher Term Expires 2002
David Avery Term Expires 2003

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATOR

Barbara J. Carbee Term Expires 2001

SUPERVISOR OF CHECK LIST

Carol Ireland Term Expires 2002
Helen Johnston Term Expires 2004
Bernice E. Miller, Chairman Term Expires 2006

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Richard F. Leavitt Term Expires 2001
O. Alan Thulander Term Expires 2002
Linda Kelly Term Expires 2003

FIRE WARDS

Donald C. Abbott	Term Expires 2001
Brian Delahanty	Term Expires 2001
David Kullgren	Term Expires 2001
Richard F. Leavitt	Term Expires 2001
Alvin L. VanCleave	Term Expires 2001

PLANNING BOARD

Robert Lindgren	Term Expires 2001
John Soper (Resigned)	Term Expires 2001
O. Alan Thulander, Ex-officio	Term Expires 2001
Benjamin Watson	Term Expires 2001
Mary Frances Carey	Term Expires 2002
Sarah Hibbard Pyle	Term Expires 2002
Sandra L. Ellis	Term Expires 2003
Stewart Brock, Chairman	Term Expires 2003
Alternates Appointed by Planning Board	
Peter M. Zahn	Term Expires 2001
William McAuley	Term Expires 2002
Michael O'Neil	Term Expires 2003

CONVAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

Peter Hopkins, Moderator	Term Expires 2001
Denice Glover, School Board Member	Term Expires 2002

APPOINTMENTS BY Selectmen:

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Carol Ireland	Term Expires 2001
Edward Gagnon	Term Expires 2001
Charles F. Onasch (Resigned)	Term Expires 2001
Richard S. Mikula	Term Expires 2002
Charles Pyle	Term Expires 2002
Richard Kiczek	Term Expires 2003
Gry A. Swenson, Jr., Chairman	Term Expires 2003
Alternates	
Joszeff Nemeth	Term Expires 2003

WASTE DISPOSAL COMMISSION

Gary L. Collins, Chairman	Term Expires 2001
Jeffrey R. Gorton	Term Expires 2002
Raymond Fauchon	Term Expires 2003

BUDGET & ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Charles F. Onasch (Resigned)	Term Expires 2001
Michael J. Petrovick	Term Expires 2001
Charles Pyle	Term Expires 2001
Charles O'Neill	Term Expires 2002
Michael J. Ricci	Term Expires 2003
Nicholas F. Wilder	Term Expires 2003

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Betsy Hardwick, Chairman	Term Expires 2001
Lawrence P. Kullgren	Term Expires 2001
Barbara J. Carbee	Term Expires 2002
Dodie S. Finlayson	Term Expires 2002
Robert C. Lindgren	Term Expires 2002
Don Crooker	Term Expires 2003
Christopher K. Danforth	Term Expires 2003
Alternates	
Taisto T. Holm	Term Expires 2001
Brandon Kernen	Term Expires 2001
Polly Freese	Term Expires 2002

BOARD OF HIGHWAY SAFETY

Paul V. Ellis, Chairman	Term Expires 2001
Scott S. Carbee	Term Expires 2001
Edward F. Gagnon	Term Expires 2001
Betsy Hardwick	Term Expires 2001
Richard Kiczek	Term Expires 2001

RECREATION COMMISSION

Mark Oles	Term Expires 2001
Robert Rokes	Term Expires 2001
Scott Jenkins	Term Expires 2002
Larry Laber	Term Expires 2002
James C. Nealand	Term Expires 2003
Kris N. Stewart	Term Expires 2003
Alternates	
Lisa J. Goodwin (Stewart)	Term Expires 2003

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Lori J. Ricci

DEPUTY TOWN TREASURER

Randall S. Wheeler

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Kathi Kendall

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Kathi Kendall

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

Thomas J. Flourde.

BUILDING & SITE INSPECTOR

Joseph Ludwig

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Donald C. Abbott

HEALTH OFFICER

Louis Wiederhold, MD

POLICE OFFICER

Peter M. Flood, Chief

Phillip J. Woodbury, Lieutenant

Robert F. Camelio, Sergeant

Thomas J. Thibeault, Sergeant

Steven H. Lape, Officer

Kevin P. Tucker, Officer

Matthew Wingren, Officer

Jonathan Alan Nightingale, Officer

DIRECTOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

O. Alan Thulander

HISTORIAN

Kris Holmes

BALLOT CLERKS

Barbara J. Carbee, Shirley Jones, Sarah Hibbard Pyle, Dolores Sanchioni, Karen Anne St.Cyr,
Gordon Sherman, Mary Tempone, Joan VanCleave

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

Pierre Bruno

O. Alan Thulander

STATE SENATOR

Robert B. Flanders

**TOWN WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Francestown, in said County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the “Red School” in said Francestown on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter set forth. The voting on Articles 1 thru 3 will be by official ballot, and the polls shall be open for balloting on said date at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon and shall not close before 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

Article 1.

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
(By Official Ballot)

Article 2. (Impact Fees)

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment Number 1 dealing with imposing impact fees as proposed by the Planning Board for the Francestown Zoning Ordinance?
(By Official Ballot)

The purpose of this proposal is to help the Town minimize some of the negative impacts of development by granting the Planning Board the authority to impose impact fees on developers. The intent of this Amendment is to allow the Board to use its authority to protect the town and its taxpayers from unreasonable costs associated with development. The Planning Board voted unanimously in favor of recommending this proposal.

Article 3. (Outdoor Lighting Ordinance)

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment Number 2 dealing with outdoor lighting as proposed by the Planning Board for the Francestown Zoning Ordinance?
(By Official Ballot)

The Planning Board feels that, due to the recent growth in town, as well as significant growth in the surrounding communities, increases in lighting pollution may impact the rural character of Francestown. The effects of this proposal include: a) reduce the amount of light trespass, glare, and light pollution; b) reduce outdoor lighting after 11 PM; c) promote conservation of energy.

The Planning Board voted unanimously in favor of recommending this proposal.

Pursuant to RSA 39:2a and the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in 1979, you are hereby notified the second session of the annual meeting of the Town of Francestown will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, the Seventeenth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, at which time the town will act on the following subjects.

Article 4 .

To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same.

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand, One Dollar (\$328,001.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Accounts, to be allocated as follows:

Future Replacement of Fire Trucks	\$40,000.00
Future Replacement of Fire Dept. Radios	500.00
Future Replacement or Purchase of Hwy. Equip.	35,000.00
Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	7,500.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	1.00
Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	5,000.00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	25,000.00
Future Town Road Improvements	100,000.00
Future Town Highway Garage	100,000.00
Future Improvement of Cemetery	5,000.00
Future Library Building	10,000.00

or take any other action relating thereto;

A majority of the Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (4-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 6.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-One Thousand, Four Hundred Fifty Dollars, (\$71,450.00) to reappraise all real estate in town for property tax purposes, such funds to be raised by the withdrawal of Fifty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$57,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Revaluation of Property" and the balance of Fourteen Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$14,450.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (4-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote to retain the Crotched Mountain East property designated as Map 7 Lots 3, 3-1, 6 totaling 317.85 acres gifted to the town by United States Cellular Corporation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to raze the buildings situated on the Crotched Mountain East property, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (4-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 9. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00) to remove the concrete side walk, and grade the base material along Main Street for two thousand four hundred (2,400) feet, beginning at the residence of Charles and Helene Harbage, to the Old Meeting House, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$10,900.00) to reconstruct one of the tennis courts located on the Francestown Improvement and Historical Society's property, currently leased by the Town for recreation purposes, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (4-0) do not recommend this appropriation.

Article 11.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to continue the reconstruction, in a northerly direction, of the Second New Hampshire Turnpike South from the Caskie Bridge for a distance of one mile more or less, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Future Town Road Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (4-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00), for the preliminary site plans and building designs for the proposed new highway garage and ancillary structures, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Future Town Highway Garage", or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and a majority of the Budget Advisory Committee (3-1) recommend this appropriation.

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum up to One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to purchase either a used or new front end loader, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Purchase of Road Equipment", or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (4-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 14.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to purchase a government surplus pick-up truck suitable for plowing, to replace the 1985 Chevrolet truck should one become available, such sum to be raised and appropriated by the withdrawal from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled, "Replacement of Highway Equipment", or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and a majority of the Budget Advisory Committee (3-1) recommend this appropriation

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$6,600.00) to purchase two new portable radios for police department use which will be compatible with the soon to be activated state wide digital communication system, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (4-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 16 .

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) to be placed in the Conservation Fund as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend (4-0) this appropriation.

Article 17.

To see if the Town will vote to increase the competitive bidding floor from the current level of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) with all other previously approved requirements remaining unchanged, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (4-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 18.

To see if the Town will vote to retain the 1996 Ford Bronco, (former police cruiser) for use by the Department of Public Works, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 19.

To see if the Town will vote to change the current designation of the class six portions of Candlewood Hill Road and Dennison Pond Road to the Weare town line; the class six portion of Cressey Hill Road from the B. Hardwick driveway to the Lyndeborough town line, and the access road leading from Farrington Road to the Town Forest, such roads to be reclassified Class A trails as allowed by RSA 231-A:1, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 20.

To see if the Town will vote to deposit 50% of revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (The Land Use Change Tax) in the Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5, III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25, II , or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (4-0) do not recommend this appropriation.

Article 21.

To see if the Town will vote to add 16.73 acres (Map 1 Lot 16-1) owned by the town, located off Farrington Road, to the existing Town Forest as allowed by RSA 31:110, and further authorize the Francestown Conservation Commission to manage this property under the provisions of RSA 31:112, II, or take any other action relating thereto;

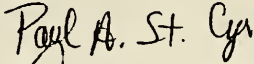
Article 22. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to set aside two hundred (200) acres or more of contiguous and gently sloping land in the current town forest to be held as "wild forest", and thus protected from commercial logging now and in the future, or take any other action relating thereto;

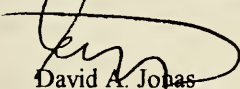
Article 23.

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting;

Given under our hands and seal this Twelve day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand one.



Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman



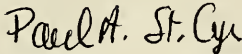
David A. Jonas



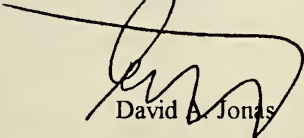
O. Alan Thulander

Selectmen of Francestown

A true copy of Warrant-Attest:



Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman



David A. Jonas



O. Alan Thulander

Selectmen of Francestown

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN
OF FRANCESTOWN**

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the ensuing year January 1,2001 to December 31, 2001.

February 12,2001

Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman Selectmen
David A. Jonas of
O. Alan Thulander Francestown

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)	2000 Approp.	2000 Expended	2001 Request
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Executive	\$30,379	\$29,983	\$31,564
Election/Town Clerk	23,097	26,814	27,047
Financial Administration	21,195	19,914	23,899
Revaluation Updates/Tax Map	4,700	1,807	6,100
Legal Expenses	7,500	4,946	7,500
Medical Expenses	19,827	21,109	26,269
FICA/Medicare	23,617	22,847	29,275
Unemployment Insurance	750	365	750
Workman's Compensation	2,000	0	3,628
Retirement Highway	4,053	3,097	4,829
Short Term Disability	0	858	858
Planning & Zoning	20,629	5,810	15,437
Planning Board Review	2,500	0	2,500
General Bldg Maintenance	25,450	22,383	31,181
Cemeteries	9,175	7,323	10,283
Insurance	25,000	23,627	24,000
Regional Association Dues	821	791	945
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Department	55,588	58,958	58,050
Ambulance	2,500	0	2,500
Fire Department	26,886	40,567	30,436
Building Inspector	1,400	1,664	1,400
Emergency Management	500	73	800

HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES

Town Maintenance	200,129	172,036	220,141
General Expenses Highway	72,925	72,810	69,925
Resealing & Patching	58,500	59,626	44,000
Graveling	20,000	19,925	20,000
Bridges	10,000	6,618	10,000
Street Lighting	4,200	3,911	4,200

SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal	83,357	84,694	127,015
Landfill Well Test	2,497	1,998	2,700

HEALTH

Health Departments	2,632	2,590	2,632
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WELFARE

General Assistance	5,500	4,497	5,500
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CULTURE AND RECREATION

Recreation	22,625	19,724	26,325
Library	48,667	43,787	51,547

CONSERVATION

Conservation Commission	850	526	950
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DEBT SERVICE

Principal-Long Term Notes	0	0	0
Interest-Long Term Notes	0	0	0
Interest on TAN	2,500	0	2,500

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$841,949	\$785,678	\$926,686
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WARRANT ARTICLES 2000

	2000 Appropriated	2000 Expended
Art 5 - Police Cruiser	28,248	28,290
Art 7 - FD Ford 550 Chassis	95,700	32,177
Art 8 - Reconstruct 2 nd NH Tpk. S	100,000	48,242
Art 9 - Main St. Reconstruction	75,000	0
Art 10 - Capital Reserves	286,500	286,500
Art 11 - Paint Town Buildings	22,000	21,935
Art 12 - Renovation Red School	135,000	116,045
Art 13 - Public Works Director	22,000	0
Art 14 - New Highway Garage	10,000	5,075
Art 16 - Library Fire Escape	30,000	28,874
Art 18 - Drainage 2 nd NH Tpk N.	11,000	2,254
Art 20 - Conservation Fund	20,000	20,000

WARRANT ARTICLES 2001

Art 5 - Capital Reserves			328,001
Art 6 - Reappraise Town Real Estate			71,450
Art 7 - Raze Buildings Crotched Mtn. East			50,000
Art 9 - Reconstruct Tennis Court			10,900
Art 10 - Reconstruction 2 nd NH Tpk. South			100,000
Art 11 - Site Plans/Design Highway Garage			6,000
Art 12 - Front End Loader			100,000
Art 13 - Government Surplus Pick Up Truck			5,000
Art 14 - Two Portable Radios PD			6,600
Art 15 - Conservation Fund			40,000

TOTAL WARRANT ARTICLES	\$835,448	\$589,392	\$717,951
TOTAL BUDGET & WARRANT ART	\$1,677,397	\$1,375,070	\$1,644,637
LESS SOURCES OF REVENUE			
	<u>830,550</u>	<u>834,333</u>	<u>645,000</u>
NET TOTALS	\$846,847	\$540,737	\$999,637

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated 2000 Revenue	Actual 2000 Revenue	Estimated 2001 Revenue
TAXES			
Land Use Change Tax	5,000	5,842	5,000
Yield Taxes	15,000	33,897	15,000
Interest & Penalties Taxes	26,000	42,967	26,000
Excavation Tax	0	297	0
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	140,000	208,317	175,000
Building Permits	500	1,649	500
Licenses, Permits & Fees	7,500	12,569	7,500
FROM STATE			
Shared Revenue	20,000	21,333	20,000
Highway Block Grant	65,000	68,763	65,000
Meals & Room Tax Distribution	20,000	28,795	20,000
Emergency Management	0	18,650	0
Other Governmental Revenue	0	10,271	0
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Departments	8,000	13,126	8,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Mt. Crotchet Firefighters	20,000	0	20,000
Other Revenues	20,000	104,707	20,000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER FROM			
Capital Reserve Fund	393,550	143,621	263,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Items From Surplus	90,000	119,529	0
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	\$830,550	\$834,333	\$645,000

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

It's hard to believe that another year has passed and we are quickly approaching another Town Meeting! Over the last year, we have accomplished much, but as always, there are still things to do. As with everyone else, there never seems to be enough time.

The "Red School" renovation project was completed and came in under budget. The Town's Offices are now located on the upper level of the schoolhouse, with meeting space and offices located on the lower level.

Following recommendations from the UNH Advisory Team for a solution to correct the road problems on the 2nd New Hampshire Turnpike South, Phase 1, the drainage portion of the project was completed; Phase 2, reconstruction and paving are scheduled for the Spring of 2001.

The painting of the Town's buildings (Town Annex, Town Hall, Town Sheds and Red School) was completed with minimal financial impact to the Town and comes with a full 5-year warrantee.

The Bixby Library has a new fire escape and fire escape canopy, and the lower level was retrofitted to meet fire codes. The building was also re-roofed.

90% of the "Oil Tank Change Out" project was completed. The Town Annex, Bixby Library and Fire Station all have new above ground tanks. The old under ground tanks have been removed from the Library and the Annex. The removal of the Fire Dept. tank remains to be accomplished.

The Police cruiser was purchased and placed into service early in the year.

We had anticipated the new Fire Dept. Rescue vehicle to be in service before the end of the year; however, production delays made that an impossibility. We are glad to report that the vehicle arrived early in the new year and will be fully functional by Town Meeting.

The drainage project on the 2nd New Hampshire Turnpike Project North was bid and the contract awarded. However, due a number of issues including weather, the project will be complete in the Spring of 2001.

The "Main Street" project is moving forward and we expect to have more definitive answers to all of the questions raised by the residents in early spring.

A Special Thanks to Peter Flood for his 28 years of Police service and especially his 26 years as Police Chief. We also welcome our new DPW Director, Thomas Plourde, and our new Police Chief, Phil Woodbury.

Finally, we again want to express our sincere thanks to all that volunteer their time and expertise to assist in the governance of our unique and special town. Without the support of the community, we could not achieve the results that are expected; nor could we continue to maintain a tax structure that is one of the best in the area. We need your help.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman
David A. Jonas
O. Allan Thulander

Board of Selectmen

**TAX YEAR 2000
SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

CERTIFICATE

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

Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman Selectmen of Francestown
David A. Jonas Date: August 30, 2000
O. Alan Thulander

VALUE OF LAND ONLY

Current Use (13,485.94 acres)	\$ 1,476,109
Residential (3,754.20 acres)	25,613,400
Commercial/Industrial (250.14 acres)	<u>1,189,000</u>
Total of Taxable Land (17,490.28 acres)	\$28,278,509
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable (1,668,900)	

VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY

Residential	\$60,678,500
Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31	180,500
Commercial/Industrial	<u>1,740,200</u>
Total of Taxable Buildings	\$62,599,200
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable (4,138,000)	

PUBLIC WATER UTILITY

\$20,000

PUBLIC UTILITIES - ELECTRIC

\$1,277,900

VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS

\$92,175,609

BLIND EXEMPTION (RSA 72:37)

One @ \$15,000	\$15,000
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ELDERLY EXEMPTION (RSA 72:39a)

Optional Adjustment Elderly Exemption
Year Adopted 1991

Number of Individuals Granted	2@	40,000 =	\$ 80,000
an Elderly Exemption 1999	2@	80,000 =	\$160,000
	1@	38,300 =	<u>\$ 41,700</u>
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$281,700

**NET VALUATION ON WHICH
THE TAX RATE IS COMPUTED**

\$90,581,009

CURRENT USE REPORT

	Applicants Granted in Prior Years Number of Acres	New Applicants Granted in 2000 Number of Acres	Total Number Acres
FARM LAND	772.86	10.19	783.05
FOREST LAND	11,486.39	96.38	11,582.77
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	27.41	2.0	68.72
WET LAND	1,056.08	0	1,048.40
Number of Acres Exempted under Current Use			13,482.94
Total Number of Acres Taken Out of Current Use-2000			3.00
Total Number of Acres Exempted under Conservation Restriction Assessment			0
Total Number of Acres Receiving the 20% Recreational Adjustment			3,169.78
Total Number of Owners granted Current Use Assessment			275
Total Number of Owners Granted Conservation Restriction Assessment			0

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION
TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE TAX YEAR 2000
OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

CERTIFICATE

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

March 18, 2000

Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman
David A. Jonas
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Selectmen of Francestown

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$30,379
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	23,097
Financial Administration	21,195
Revaluation of Property	4,700
Legal Expenses	7,500
Personnel Administration	50,247
Planning & Zoning & Planning Review	23,129
General Government Buildings	25,450
Cemeteries	9,175
Insurance	25,000
Regional Associations	821

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	\$55,588
Ambulance	2,500
Fire Department	26,886
Building Inspector	1,400
Emergency Management	500

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

Administration	200,129
Highways & Streets	151,425
Bridges	10,000
Street Lighting	4,200

SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal	83,357
Landfill Well Test	2,497

HEALTH	
Health Department	2,632
WELFARE	
General Assistance	5,500
CULTURE AND RECREATION	
Recreation	22,625
Library	48,667
CONSERVATION	
Conservation Commission	850
DEBT SERVICE	
Principal Long-Term Notes	0
Interest Expense Long-Term Notes	0
Interest Expense T/A Notes	2,500
CAPITAL OUTLAY	
Land and Improvement	206,000
Mach. Veh. & Equipment	123,948
Building	197,000
Improvements other than buildings	22,000
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS	
Warrant Article 20 Capital Reserves	286,500
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	\$1,677,397

SOURCE OF REVENUE

TAXES	
Yield Taxes	26,000
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	31,000
Excavation Activity Tax	297
Land Use Change Tax	29,000
LICENSES AND PERMITS	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	185,000
Building Permits	1,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	9,000
FROM STATE	
Shared Revenue	10,329
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	28,795
Highway Block Grant	68,763

CHARGES FOR SERVICE

Income From Departments 10,000

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

FEMA 20,000

Mt. Crotchet Firefighters' Association 20,000

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

Withdrawals from Capital Reserve 328,700

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Fund Balance voted from Surplus 135,000

Fund Balance Used to Reduce Taxes 119,529

TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS \$1,022,413

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

TAX RATE

---Town Portion---

Appropriation	1,677,397
Less: Revenues	<1,022,413>
Less: Shared Revenues	<8,544>
Add: Overlay	75,129
War Service Credits	<u>3,900</u>
Net Town Appropriation	\$725,469

Municipal Tax Rate

\$7.89

---School Portion---

Due to Regional School District	2,379,477
Less: Adequate Education Grant	<446,500>
State Education Taxes	<u><642,529></u>
Net School Appropriation	\$1,290,448

\$14.05

---State Education Taxes---

Equalized valuation(no utilities)x	6 60
97,352,855	\$642,529
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation(no utilities)	
90,581,009	

\$7.09

--County Portion--

Due to County	177,546	
Less: Shared Revenues	<u><2,460></u>	
Net County Tax Appropriation	\$175,086	
County Tax Rate		<u>\$1.91</u>
COMBINED TAX RATE		\$30.94

--COMMITMENT ANALYSIS--

Total Property Taxes Assessed		2,833,532
Less: War Service Credits		<u><3,900></u>
Total Property Tax Commitment		2,829,632

--PROOF OF RATE--

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Ed. Tax 90,581,009	7.09	642,529
All Other Taxes 91,878,909	<u>23.85</u>	<u>2,191,003</u>
	30.94	2,833,532

--2001 BOND REQUIREMENT--

Treasurer:	72,000
Tax Collector:	69,000
Town Clerk:	22,000
Trustees of Trust Funds:	99,000

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

Title of Appropriation	Approp	Receipts	Totals	Expended	Unexpended	Overdrafts	Carryover
Executive	30,379		30,379	29,983	396	0	
Electon/ Town Clerk	23,097		23,097	26,814	0	3,717	
Financial Administration	21,195		21,195	19,914	1,281	0	
Revaluation Updates	4,700		4,700	1,807	2,893	0	
Legal Expenses	7,500		7,500	4,946	2,554	0	
Medical Insurance	19,827		19,827	21,109	0	1,282	
FICA/Medicare	23,617		23,617	22,847	770	0	
Workman's Compensation	2,000		2,000	0	2,000	0	
Retirement Highway	4,053		4,053	3,097	956	0	
Unemployment Insurance	750		750	365	385	0	
Short Term Disability	0		0	858	0	858	
Planning & Zoning	20,629		20,629	5,810	14,819	0	
Planning Review Expense	2,500		2,500	0	2,500	0	
General Government Bldg	25,450		25,450	22,383	3,067	0	
Cemeteries	9,175		9,175	7,323	1,852	0	
Insurance	25,000		25,000	23,627	1,373	0	
Regional Association Dues	821		821	791	30	0	
Police Department	55,588		55,588	58,958	0	3,370	
Ambulance	2,500		2,500	0	2,500	0	
Fire Department	26,886		26,886	40,567	0	13,681	
Building Inspector	1,400		1,400	1,664	0	264	
Emergency Management	500		500	73	427	0	
Town Maintenance	200,129		200,129	172,036	28,093	0	
General Expenses Highway	72,925		72,925	72,810	115	0	
Resealing & Patching	58,500		58,500	59,626	0	1,126	
Gravelling	20,000		20,000	19,925	75	0	
Bridges	10,000		10,000	6,618	3,382	0	
Street Lighting	4,200		4,200	3,911	289	0	
Solid Waste Disposal	83,357		83,357	84,694	0	1,337	
Landfill Well Test	2,497		2,497	1,998	499	0	
Health Department	2,632		2,632	2,590	42	0	
General Assistance	5,500		5,500	4,497	1,003	0	
Recreation	22,625		22,625	19,724	2,901	0	
Library	48,667		48,667	43,787	4,880	0	
Conservation Commission	850		850	526	324	0	
Principal Long-Term Notes	0		0	0	0	0	
Interest Long-Term Notes	0		0	0	0	0	
Interest Expense T/A Notes	2,500		2,500	0	2,500	0	
Art 5 - Police Cruiser	28,248		28,248	28,290	0	42	
Art 7 - FD Ford Chassis	95,700		95,700	32,177	63,523	0	
Art 8 - 2nd Nh Tpk South	100,000		100,000	48,242	51,758	0	
Art 9 - Main St. Reconstruction	75,000		75,000	0	75,000	0	
Art 10 - Capital Reserves	286,500		286,500	286,500	0	0	
Art 11 - Paint Town Buildings	22,000		22,000	21,935	65	0	
Art 12 - Renovation Red School	135,000		135,000	116,045	18,955	0	
Art 13 - Public Works Director	22,000		22,000	0	22,000	0	
Art 14 - New Highway Garage	10,000		10,000	5,075	4,925	0	
Art 16 - Library Fire Escape	30,000		30,000	28,874	1,126	0	
Art 18 - Drainage 2nd NH Tpk N	11,000		11,000	2,254	8,748	0	
Art 20 - Conservation Fund 2000	20,000		20,000	20,000	0	0	
Totals	\$1,677,397	\$0	\$1,677,397	\$1,375,070	\$328,004	\$25,677	\$0
						MINUS OVERDRAFT	
						\$25,677	
						NET UNEXPENDED BALANCE OF APPROPRIATIONS	\$302,327

Balance Sheet
December 31, 2000

Assets

Cash	\$866,803
Investments	19,366
Taxes receivable, net	273,987
Tax liens receivable, net	44,181
Due from other governments	4,380
Prepaid expenditures	13,941
Total assets	<u>\$1,222,658</u>

Liabilities and Fund Balance

Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$4,783
Accrued liabilities	988
Due to Conval School District	782,354
Due to other funds	650
Deposits	19,036
Total liabilities	<u>807,811</u>
Fund Balance:	
Reserved for conservation	2,294
Unreserved:	
Undesignated	412,553
Total fund balance	<u>414,847</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$1,222,658</u>

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
(AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000)**

LOCATION	ACRES	VALUE
Map 5 Lot 68 - Land	11.80	\$54,900
Transfer Station Buildings		2,300
Map 12 Lot 5 - Land	6.43	35,000
Fire Station		151,200
Fire Department - Equipment		525,000
Highway Garage		14,300
Highway Department - Equipment		275,000
Map 13 Lot 6 - Land	1.20	49,000
Red School Building		168,900
Map 13 Lot 20 - Land	1.00	32,400
Library		168,400
Furniture & Equipment		106,500
Map 13 Lot 29 - Land	.40	24,500
Town Hall Annex		97,100
Furniture & Equipment		35,000
Police Department Equipment		46,000
Map 13 Lot 41 - Land	1.00	32,400
Town Hall, Carriage Sheds		264,700
Furniture & Equipment		6,500
Map 1 Lot 2-4	5.00	26,300
Map 1 Lot 13	61.00	63,200
Map 1 Lot 16-1	16.73	72,100
Map 2 Lot 20	52.00	33,200
Map 3 Lot 28	16.20	26,000
Map 3 Lot 56	.20	4,300
Map 4 Lot 5	445.24	199,000
Map 4 Lot 6	134.00	97,100
Map 4 Lot 11	1.10	19,500
Map 5 Lot 52	1.00	7,400
Map 5 Lot 67	6.00	4,500
Map 6 Lot 25-1	27.91	78,900
Map 7 Lot 2	1.00	24,300
Map 7 Lot 3	9.35	531,800
Map 7 Lot 3-1	193.00	140,600
Map 7 Lot 6	115.50	78,300
Map 8 Lot 63	39.00	70,400
Map 8 Lot 71	2.00	2,900
Map 8 Lot 76	22.00	43,700
Map 8 Lot 78-1	1.00	27,000
Map 12 Lot 8	.25	18,000
Map 12 Lot 16	1.25	27,400
Map 13 Lot 26	1.00	32,400
Map 14 Lot 19	2.60	35,300
TOTAL ACRES AND VALUES	1,176.16	\$3,752,700

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January 18, 2001

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Francestown, New Hampshire

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Francestown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated January 18, 2001.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement

The management of the Town of Francestown, New Hampshire is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Francestown, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 2000, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a

relatively low level the risk that errors and irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Board of Selectmen. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nicholson, Conway & Co., PC". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the page.

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENSES
FISCAL YEAR 2000**

EXECUTIVE

Appropriation \$30,379.00

Payroll*	\$25,170.44
Postage	288.00
Computer-Supplies/Repairs	288.95
Office Supplies	700.92
Professional Development	25.00
Publications	475.14
Advertising	264.56
Town Reports	1,458.00
Telephone	1,038.54
Travel Reimbursement	61.20
Miscellaneous	<u>212.33</u>
Total	\$29,983.08

ELECTION/REGISTRATION/TOWN CLERK

Appropriation \$23,097.00

Payroll*	\$23,819.29
Postage	0.00
Computer/Supplies	430.47
Printing	0.00
Office Supplies	562.14
Professional Development	340.00
Publications	59.38
Travel Reimbursement	276.60
Advertising	387.90
Telephone	846.02
Miscellaneous	<u>91.93</u>
Total	\$26,813.73

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation \$21,195.00

Payroll*	\$9,624.25
Postage	1,417.40
Computer/Supplies/Repairs	588.40
Printing	18.95
Office Supplies	611.82
Professional Development	574.40
Office Equipment	0.00
Travel Reimbursement	185.82
Recording Fees	895.61
Bank Fee Charges	86.85
Professional Audit	<u>5,911.00</u>
Total	\$19,914.50

REVALUATION UPDATES

Appropriation \$4,700.00

Payroll*	\$132.00
Postage	454.14
Computer Supplies	293.20
Printing	440.00
Appraisal Updates	487.50
Tax Map Updates	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$1,806.84

LEGAL EXPENSES

Appropriation \$7,500.00

Legal/Defense/Claims	<u>\$4,946.60</u>
Total	\$4,946.60

PERSONAL ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation \$50,247.00

Medical Insurance	\$21,109.00
FICA	22,847.00
Unemployment Insurance	365.00
Workmen's Compensation	0.00
Retirement - Highway	3,097.00
Short Term Disability	<u>858.00</u>
Total	\$48,276.00

PLANNING & ZONING

Appropriation \$20,629.00

Payroll*	\$1,908.00
Postage	581.00
Computer/Supplies/Repairs	0.00
Printing	430.00
Office Supplies	346.00
Professional Development	25.00
Publications	258.00
Travel Reimbursement	0.00
Advertising	733.00
Recording Fees	144.00
Professional Plan	0.00
Completeness Review	0.00
Reimburse Telephone	0.00
Regional Dues	1,379.00
Miscellaneous	3.00
Master Plan	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$5,810.00

PLANNING REVIEW & EXPENSES

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Total \$0 00

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BLDG MAINTENANCE

Appropriation \$25,450.00

Payroll*	\$2,075 25
Electricity	3,214 29
Telephone	1,322 39
Heating Fuel	3,375 04
Water	471.00
Buildings Repairs/Service	7,725.51
Bottled Water	98.75
Buildings Alarm Service	180.00
Buildings Furnishings	99.99
Town Clock	0.00
Grounds Keeping	1,879.98
Copier Contracts/Supplies	1,369.71
Supplies	<u>571.13</u>
Total	\$22,383.04

CEMETERIES

Appropriation \$9,175.00

Supplies	\$0.00
Electricity	<u>122.56</u>
Equipment Rental	0.00
Equipment Repairs/Supplies	465.40
Grounds Keeping	6,665.52
Cemetery Repairs #2	70.00
Miscellaneous	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$7,323.48

INSURANCE

Appropriation \$25,000.00

Property & Liability	<u>\$22,383.04</u>
Total	\$22,383.04

REGIONAL ASSOCIATION DUES

Appropriation \$821.00

NHMA	\$771.08
Town Officers' Associations	20.00
Miscellaneous	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$791.08

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation \$55,588.00

Payroll*	\$42,296.08
Postage	91.00
Copier/Supplies/Repairs	0.00
Office Supplies	544.88
Professional Development	75.00
Publications	483.95
Office Equipment	580.05
Advertising	156.16
School Program	327.91
Telephone	1,839.47
Weapon	77.89
Ammunition	908.54
Animal Care	25.00
Professional Prosecutor	0.00
Dispatch Service	2,184.00
Medical Supplies	15.00
Uniforms	2,260.09
Radio Repairs	207.50
Gasoline	1,329.00
Repairs Cruiser	2,399.68
Radio Equipment	58.77
Miscellaneous	326.17
Special Duty Pay	<u>2,772.00</u>
Total	\$58,958.14

AMBULANCE

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Contacted Services	\$0.00
Ambulance Purch/Lease	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$0.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation \$26,886.00

Administrative Expenses	\$750.00
Electricity	1,516.34
Telephone	1,021.84
Heating Fuels	1,234.00
Building Repairs/Service	975.82
Propane	44.17
Professional Development	3,820.00
Dispatch Service	0.00
Fire Equipment	2,934.30
Association Dues	3,713.47
Medical Supplies & Equipment	1,757.10
Protective Clothing	3,347.70

Forest Fires	905.52
Radio Repairs	529.88
Gasoline	343.30
Diesel	349.40
Repairs Fire Apparatus	2,770.03
Dry Hydrant Repair/Installation	0.00
Miscellaneous	174.45
Forestry Grant Money	<u>14,380.16</u>
Total	\$40,567.48

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Appropriation \$1,400.00

Payroll*	\$1,624.00
Office Supplies	<u>40.00</u>
Total	\$1,664.50

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Appropriation \$500.00

Radio Repairs	\$72.80
Miscellaneous	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$72.80

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

Appropriation \$200,129.00

Payroll*	\$113,134.36
Professional Development	200.00
Road Salt/Salt Additive	11,800.21
Sand-Winter	11,275.00
Culvert/Grates/Maintenance	8,713.61
Mowing	2,450.00
Blasting	2,000.00
Equipment Rental	15,484.13
Calcium Chloride-Summer	4,992.80
Road Fabric	849.00
Seeds/Hay	250.00
Tree Cutting	875.00
Miscellaneous	<u>11.92</u>
Total	\$172,036.03

GENERAL EXPENSE HGWY

Appropriation \$72,925.00

Office Supplies	\$448.51
Advertising	421.36
Electricity	2,753.18
Telephone	827.50

Heating Fuel	2,555.00
Water	171.25
Maintenance & Repairs Bldg	530.95
Dues	360.00
Supplies	1,963.52
Medical/Physical	224.00
Drug/Alcohol Testing	0.00
Protective Clothing	494.02
Gasoline/Additives	2,820.70
Diesel/Additives	6,897.82
Repairs Heavy Truck	3,193.92
Truck Parts	10,848.84
Repairs Heavy Equipment	404.84
Parts-Heavy Equipment	7,695.07
Tires	4,483.50
Oil/Lubricants/Anti-Freeze	1,306.06
Welding	2,103.78
Tools	1,376.14
Equipment Purchases	1,285.00
Street Signs	308.66
Traffic Signs	925.85
MV/Reg/Insp	819.19
Miscellaneous	484.95
Cutting Edges	3,892.85
Chains	919.03
Small Equipment/Repairs	167.49
Engineering	0.00
Sanders Repair	694.59
FEMA	<u>11,432.86</u>

Total \$72,810.43

RESEAL/PATCH

Appropriation \$58,500.00

Sand	\$2,045.29
Shimming	<u>57,580.25</u>
Total	\$59,625.54

GRAVEL

Appropriation \$20,000.00

Bennington Site	\$100.00
Gravel/Processing	<u>19,825.00</u>
Total	\$19,925.00

BRIDGES

Appropriation \$10,000.00

Maintenance/Repairs	<u>\$6,618.38</u>
Total	\$6,618.38

STREET LIGHTING

Appropriation \$4,200.00

Utility Charge

\$3,911.06

Total

\$3,911.06

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Appropriation \$83,357.00

Payroll*

\$28,952.29

Printing

365.00

Professional Development

115.00

Publications

0.00

Travel Reimbursement

83.40

Electricity

522.58

Telephone

661.92

Building Repairs

3,089.96

Propane

239.27

Supplies

1,463.64

Compactor Rental

1,800.00

Toilet Rental

880.00

Equipment Rental

112.50

Hauling/Disposal (Compactor)

34,513.64

Disposal Tires

637.25

Container Rental/Bulky (C&D)

1,860.90

Haul/Disposal - Bulky

1,277.48

Haul/Glass

1,162.75

Hauling/Newsprint

550.00

Hauling/Plastic

311.31

Hauling/Aluminum

1,786.89

Hshld. Hazardous Waste Collection

2,567.00

Miscellaneous

1,741.12

Total

\$84,693.90

LANDFILL WELL TEST

Appropriation \$2,497.00

Payment to Town of Bennington

\$1,997.88

Total

\$1,997.88

HEALTH SERVICES

Appropriation \$2,632.00

Family Services

\$1,212.00

Home Health Care

1,212.00

Red Cross

166.00

Total

\$2,590.00

WELFARE GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Appropriation \$5,500.00

Payroll*	\$1,000.00
Publications	18.00
Welfare Eligibility Payments	<u>3,479.33</u>
Total	\$4,497.33

RECREATION

Appropriation \$22,625.00

Payroll*	\$13,530.20
Postage	63.96
Electricity	161.52
Telephone	225.78
Supplies/Beach	97.71
Toilet Rental	615.00
Maintenance Rec Equipment	154.60
Field Maintenance	3,409.98
Little League/Baseball	853.40
Equipment	350.72
Swimming Program	59.96
Halloween	159.86
Miscellaneous	<u>41.00</u>
Total	\$19,723.69

LIBRARY

Appropriation \$48,667.00

Payroll*	\$26,625.15
Postage	313.46
Office Supplies	1,740.88
Professional Development	136.53
Publications	1,341.33
Travel Reimbursement	116.40
Library Books	7,400.14
Electricity	876.66
Telephone	471.96
Heating Fuel	1,928.75
Water	124.00
Building Repairs	220.31
Equipment/Repairs	649.37
Custodial Care	666.25
Miscellaneous	348.75
Summer Reading Program	<u>826.95</u>
Total	\$43,786.89

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Appropriation \$850.00

Postage	\$11.77
Printing	244.90
Office Supplies	0.00
Professional Development	43.00
Advertising	0.00
Professional Service/Legal	0.00
Reimbursement Phone	0.00
Association Dues	150.00
Field Equipment	0.00
Miscellaneous	76.00
Total	\$525.67

DEBT SERVICE

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Prin-Long Term Notes	\$0.00
Interest-Long Term Notes	0.00
Interest on TAN	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$0.00

WARRANT ARTICLES 2000**ARTICLE 5 Police Cruiser**

Appropriation \$28,248.00

Setina Mfg. Co. Inc.	\$441.50
Grappone Chrysler Dodge	27,474.00
Mr. Gee's Tire Corp.	<u>375.00</u>
Total	\$28,290.50

ARTICLE 7 FD Ford 550 Chassis

Appropriation \$32,177.00

Grappone Auto Junction	<u>\$32,177.00</u>
Total	\$32,177.00

ARTICLE 8 Reconstruct 2nd NH Tpk South

Appropriation \$100,000.00

Con-Tec	\$1,092.50
JAF Industries, Inc.	5,795.00

Fracestown Sand & Gravel, Inc.	37,874.25
Sullivan Brothers, Inc.	<u>3,480.00</u>
Total	\$48,241.75

ARTICLE 9 Main Street Reconstruction

Appropriation \$75,000.00

Total	<u>\$0.00</u>
	\$0.00

ARTICLE 10 Capital Reserves

Appropriation \$286,500.00

Trustee of Trust Funds	<u>\$286,500.00</u>
Total	\$286,500.00

ARTICLE 11 Paint Town Buildings

Appropriation \$22,000.00

Preferred Painting Co.	<u>\$22,935.00</u>
Total	\$22,935.00

ARTICLE 12 Renovation Red School

Appropriation \$135,000.00

Mamakating Electric Co., Inc.	\$17,004.71
Miller Plumbing & Heating	225.00
Jeff Wilder Plumbing	11,323.95
Cheshire Sanitation	833.70
Woodbury Construction Co.	65,837.32
Preferred Painting Co.	320.00
Dick Lounder	2,550.00
Jest Carpet	2,237.88
Staples	224.64
Colonial Moving & Storage, Inc.	1,211.75
Paul St. Cyr	38.59
Richard Crossland	12.37
Sullivan Brothers, Inc.	7,240.00
Robert C. Allen	3,140.00
Lori Ricci	119.92
Maesk Ornamental Iron Works	330.00
American Security	3,185.57
O Alan Thulander	<u>210.00</u>
Total	\$116,045.40

ARTICLE 13 Public Works Director

Appropriation \$22,000 00

\$0.00

Total \$0 00

ARTICLE 14 New Highway Garage

Appropriation \$10,000.00

Harry Murray	\$2,000 00
Schauer Environmental	<u>3,075 00</u>
Total	\$5,075.00

ARTICLE 16 Library Fire Escape

Appropriation \$30,000.00

Bragdon Lockshop	\$70.50
Woodbury Construction Co.	<u>28,803.23</u>
Total	\$28,873.73

ARTICLE 18 Drainage 2nd NH Turnpike North

Appropriation \$11,000.00

JAF Industries, Inc.	<u>\$2,253.94</u>
Total	\$2,253.94

ARTICLE 20 Conservation Fund 2000

Appropriation \$20,000.00

Town of Francestown	<u>\$20,000.00</u>
Total	\$20,000.00

***Payroll**

Donald C. Abbott	\$1,000.00
Elizabeth C. Bell	575.00
Richard B. Barker	189.00
Robert F. Camelio	1,044.20
Barbara J. Carbee	1,274.51
Ernest L. Castle	196.97
George C. Cilley	13,295.03
Peter M. Flood	9,100.00
Clayton Foote, Jr.	31,259.60
Richard A. Foote, Sr.	9,480.81
Joan E. Hanchett	15,645.82
Frank Hanchett	1,334.35
Sirkka T. Holm	1,950.79
Nancy L. Houlihan	8,189.18
Hulse, Ashley Kay	2,537.53
Carol W. Ireland	517.50
Phillip W. Ireland	918.00

Bruce L. Jackson	252.00
Jane M. Jackson	241.50
Lorie A. Jenkins	3,500.00
Scott M. Jenkins	135.00
Daniel L. Jewell, Jr.	14,916.56
Helen Johnston	557.50
David A. Jonas	1,400.00
Shirley L. Jones	231.76
Kathi L. Kendall	1,939.50
Peter C. Ketchum	1,020.00
Janet Kiczek	1,732.12
Diane Kilmer	1,908.13
David W. Kullgren	2,666.33
Steven H. Lape	1,107.97
Paul H. Lawrence	330.00
Joseph C. Ludwig	1,624.50
Mary Jane Marsden	208.59
Elaine T. McClary	26,239.19
Bernice E. Miller	567.50
Richard O. Miller	2,698.78
Janet J. Munson	1,000.00
Warren B. Murdough	1,483.96
Pamela A. Nation	905.00
Jonathan A. Nightingale	2,018.25
Gary W. Paige	31,033.88
Clayton O. Philbrick III	25,957.24
Thomas J. Plourde	10,749.96
Lori J. Ricci	19,271.94
Jonathan S. Roth	90.00
Dolores J. Sanchioni	175.11
Patricia L. Schell	406.00
Gordon R. Sherman	244.15
Wayne E. Shields	3,120.51
Joshua B. Sipe	2,693.17
Joel E. Sipe	511.50
Jason C. St. Cyr	458.19
Karen A. St. Cyr	126.18
Paul A. St. Cyr	1,625.00
Thomas J. Thibeault	10,597.33
O. Alan Thulander	1,475.00
Kevin P. Tucker	756.00
Joan L. VanCleave	66.95
Harold A. Varnum	82.50
Donald J. Warner	2,410.77
Jonathan K. Webb	283.50
Katherine W. Wescott	191.00
Kimberly Wheeler	637.50

Randall S. Wheeler	500.00
Matthew E. Wingren	4,734.41
Philip J. Woodbury III	<u>14,693.92</u>
Total	\$300,084.14

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

Balance in Treasury, January 1, 2000	\$ 887,414.55
Tax Collector:	2,958,710.33
Town Clerk:	221,910.99
State of New Hampshire	
Shared Revenue Block Grant	\$21,333.00
Highway Block Grant	68,763.05
Other State Grants & Reimbursements	57,695.29
	147,791.34
Conservation Income:	36,762.38
Unclassified:	
Building Permits	1,530.00
Business Permits	4,476.00
Septic Approvals	388.60
Pistol Permits	180.00
Planning Board Fees	1,037.45
Cemetery Lot Sales/Care	1,275.00
Reimburse Police Expense	2,331.00
Waste Disposal Fees	3,381.00
Recycling Sales	1,508.54
Exercise Programs	1,311.00
Recreation Programs	3,347.00
Sale of Town Owned Property	2,074.50
Interest on Investments	46,788.08
Short Term Rental	450.00
Insurance Dividends & Refunds	1,487.13
Escrow Received	7,000.00
Interfund Transfers	222,202.59
Fines & Forfeits	372.00
Cable TV Commission	2,975.41
Donations & Contributions	580.00
Miscellaneous Revenues	88.05
Sales-Printed Materials/Copies	255.60
Reimbursement of Expenses	3,154.95
	308,193.90
Total	<u>\$4,560,783.49</u>
LESS: Selectmens' Orders Paid	3,539,716.50
Conservation Orders Paid	44,401.55
Balance in Treasury December 31, 2000	<u>976,665.44</u>
Balance in Treasury December 31, 2000	
Cash in Conservation Account	79,218.23
Cash and Other Current Investments	<u>897,447.21</u>
Balance in Treasury December 31, 2000	<u>976,665.44</u>

TOWN CLERK REPORT - 2000

Automobile Permits	2,071	\$217,416.33
** Dog Licenses	378 Tags	2,681.00
Marriage Licenses	12	456.00
Copies of Vital Statistics	36	286.00
Filing Fees	4	4.00
Rebates to Town Clerk		5,986.83

Total **\$226,830.16**

**** A reminder that all dogs should be licensed by April 30th of each year, if dog is over 3 months old. There is a \$25.00 forfeit if your dog is not licensed by June 1st, RSA 466:13. Important please be sure to bring current rabies certificate with you when licensing your dog. Licenses available at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday 8:00 AM to noon, and Monday evening 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine T. McCLARY, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000

LEVIES OF	2000	1999
DEBIT		
UNCOLLECTED TAXES:		
Property Taxes		\$281,032.26
Land Use Change		920.95
Yield Taxes		2,965.17
 TAXES COMMITTED		
-1999:		
Property Taxes	\$2,848,235.00	
Land Use Change	5,842.11	
Timber Yield Taxes	33,896.63	
Gravel Taxes	297.24	
 OVERPAYMENT:		
Property Taxes	4,373.51	
Interest Collected on:		
Delinquent Property Tax	2,537.45	18,398.82
 TOTAL DEBITS	\$2,895,181.94	\$303,317.20
 LEVIES OF	2000	1999
CREDIT		
REMITTED TO TREASURER.		
DURING FISCAL YEAR:		
Property Taxes	\$2,505,595.36	\$281,032.26
Land Use Change	5,842.11	920.95
Yield Taxes	28,657.00	2,965.17
Gravel Taxes	291.36	0
Interest	2,537.45	18,398.82
 Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	67,715.00	
Timber Yield Taxes	2,252.28	
 Deeded:		
Property Taxes	3,931.00	
 OVERPAYMENTS:		
Property Taxes	\$ 4,373.51	\$ 0.00
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		
-END OF YEAR:		
Property Taxes	\$ 270,993.64	
Land Use Change Tax	0.00	
Timber Yield Taxes	2,987.35	
Excavation Taxes	5.88	
 TOTAL CREDITS	\$2,895,181.94	\$ 303,317.20

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

TAX LIENS

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000

	1999	PRIOR LEVIES
Debit		
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year		\$120,979.85
Liens Executed During Fiscal Yr.	\$ 85,548.41	
Interest & Costs Collected after lien execution:	2,105.38	19,925.67
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$ 87,653.79</u>	<u>\$140,905.52</u>
Credit		
REMITTANCE TO TREASURER:		
Redemptions	\$ 24,037.54	\$60,131.98
Interest & Costs (After Lien Execution)	2,105.38	19,925.67
Abatements:	26,954.46	24,959.32
DEEDS ISSUED	8,571.45	12,691.61
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	\$ 25,984.96	23,196.94
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$ 87,653.79</u>	<u>\$140,905.52</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine T. McClary, Tax Collector

UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000

2000 PROPERTY TAX - FIRST BILL

AMES, ROBERT C. & NATION, PAMELA	433.87	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	14,645.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	433.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	13,138.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	1,595.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	790.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	4,019.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	333.00	
BAIRD, ROBERT M.	13.00	*
BAIRD, ROBERT M.	36.00	*
BELL, CHRISTINE R.	251.00	
BELL, CHRISTINE R.	355.00	
BELL, CHRISTINE R.	281.00	
BERRY, STEPHEN H. & PAMELA M.	1,135.72	
BORDEN, RICHARD	2,642.00	
CILLEY, CLYDE E.	1,674.00	
CLARK, THOMAS C. & ANNE	996.54	
COLLINS, STEPHEN J.	907.00	
DEMETRY, ELIZABETH M.	327.00	
EaSTAR VENTURES, LLC	2,372.00	
FARRELL, DOUGLAS	828.32	
FERENCNIK, MICHAEL & MICHELLE	27.00	
FLETCHER, LARAIN A.	2,836.00	
HALSEY, HES & NOAH	1,212.79	
HALSEY, HES & NOAH	313.00	
HARDWICK, CARL H. JR. & VALORIE MAE	1,713.00	
HOYT, SR. WILLIAM F.	1,115.00	
JOHNSON, PETER W.	561.00	
JOY, FRANKLIN III & SARAH L.	894.00	
JOY, THOMAS W.	516.00	
KEOHANE, STEPHEN	5.00	*
KERNEN, BRANDON M.	20.39	
KIBLIN, HOBART D. & HEATHER	1,113.00	
KIBLIN, WARREN	851.00	
KULLGREN, RONALD & KAREN	1,749.00	
LEAVITT, BRIAN S. & DEBORAH W.	1,467.00	*
MCDONNELL, THOMAS & ELIZABETH	384.31	
MCKAIG, KEVIN B. & DEMETRIA	1,441.00	
MILLER, RICHARD & BERNICE	1,633.00	
MILLER, RICHARD O.	1,221.00	
MILLER, RICHARD O.	789.00	
MONKTON, CHRISTINE M.	1,564.66	
MORRIS, ALAN S	577.84	

**UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000**

NAEGELI, SCOTT & PHYLLIS	1,070.57	
O'DONNELL, KENNETH R. & JANICE	2,237.00	
PERKINS III, SPENCER W.	1,242.00	
PITCHARD, PAMELA A.	1,481.00	
RAV REALTY TRUST	1,836.00	
ROBERTS, RICHARD D. & LORI J.	1,041.00	
RODIER, DENNIS P. & EILEEN L.	2,357.05	
RODIER, DENNIS P. & EILEEN L.	12.00	
ROLPH, CHARLES G.	2,734.00	*
SANDERSON III TRUST, NATHAN	1,889.00	
SANDERSON IV, NATHAN & CATHERINE	431.00	
SCHELL, DAVID P. & PATRICIA B.	1,666.00	
SLAMIN, GARY J. & SUE E.	959.00	
SMITH, HUGH O.	1,813.00	
TOPPING, HEIDI E.	1,899.00	
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T. & MAUREEN	33.00	
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T. & MAUREEN	2,392.00	
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T. & MAUREEN	5.00	
YOUNG, JOHN H.	1,386.00	
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2000 PROPERTY TAX-1ST. BILL	695,693.06	

2000 PROPERTY TAX SECOND BILL

ABBOTT, DONALD C. & LINDA	1,620.00	**
AMES, ROBERT C.	1,822.00	**
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	495.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	1,827.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	906.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	31,150.00	
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	381.00	
BAIRD, ROBERT M.	24.00	*
BAIRD, ROBERT M.	51.00	*
BALDWIN, MICHAEL	148.00	
BARRIOS, TOMMY E.	1,634.00	
BELL, CHRISTINE R.	287.00	
BELL, CHRISTINE R.	406.00	
BELL, CHRISTINE R.	322.00	
BENNETT, PATRICIA	5.65	
BERRY, STEPHEN H.	1,390.00	
BIAFORE, CAMILE R.	24.00	*
BIAFORE, CAMILE R.	17.00	*
BIAFORE, CAMILE R.	18.00	*
BLAIS, DANIEL	6.00	*
BLAIS, DANIEL	1,914.00	*
BODNAR, DAVID T.	1,785.00	
BORDEN, RICHARD W.	3,026.00	**
CAMPBELL, KENNETH	2,028.00	
CAMPBELL, KENNETH	40.00	

UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000

CASKIE (ET-AL), BARBARA	560.80	
CILLEY, CLYDE E.	1,918.00	
CLARK, THOMAS C.	2,244.00	
COLLINS, STEPHEN J.	1,058.00	
COTTON, DUDLEY NEALE	1,399.00	*
CREIGHTON, SANDRA A.	25.72	*
CROWLEY, DENNIS D.	848.00	
DAIGNEAULT, ERNESTINE M.	153.00	
DEMETRY, ELIZABETH M.	385.00	
DEPPE, WILLIAM & JUNE.	529.00	
EaSTAR VENTURES, LLC	2,768.00	
FARRELL, DOUGLAS	1,203.00	**
FASANO, MICHAEL & MICHELLE	1,418.00	*
FERENCSEK, MICHAEL & MICHELLE	2,711.00	**
FERENCSEK, MICHAEL & MICHELLE	32.00	
FLETCHER, LARAINE A.	3,250.00	
FOOTE, JR., CLAYTON F.	833.00	**
GARGANO, LISA C.	1,519.00	*
GILMAN, DENNIS	495.00	*
GIRARD, CAROL	1,156.00	**
GLEASON, HERBERT & NANCY	6.82	
GLOVER, DENICE T.	529.00	
GLOVER, DENICE T.	509.00	
GPH REALTY CORP.	505.00	*
GUARINO, JACQUELINE	648.71	
HALE, JESSIE S.	5.44	
HALSEY, HES	1,513.00	
HALSEY, HES	358.00	
HANSEN, WILLIAM F.	1,266.00	
HANSEN, WILLIAM F.	2,572.00	
HARDWICK, CARL H. JR.	1,963.00	
HARDWICK, JOHN RICHARD	1,400.00	**
HARRINGTON, DANIELLE M.	10.00	
HESS, CAROL L.	1,018.00	
HOYT SR., WILLIAM F.	1,277.00	
JACKSON, DANA	833.00	*
JOHNSON, FONDA	152.00	
JOHNSON, PETER W.	655.00	
JONES, CHAMPLIN W.	1,437.00	
JOY, K FRANKLIN III	1,024.00	
JOY, THOMAS W.	592.00	
KEOHANE, STEPHEN	5.00	*
KERNEN, BRANDON M.	49.00	
KIBLIN, HOBART D. & HEATHER	1,276.00	
KIBLIN, WARREN	974.00	
KNIGHT, PAUL B.	1,457.00	**
KULLGREN, RONALD	2,004.00	
KUTY, PAUL & HAZEL C.	1,870.00	*
LEAVITT, BRIAN S.	1,680.00	
LUDWIG, ANTHONY J.	1,302.00	
MACDONALD, THOMSON	332.00	
MAREL, JOSEPH J.	767.00	

UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000

MARTENS, CHRISTOPHER S.	6.69	•
MAYBEE, HARRY THOMAS	988.00	
MAYNARD, DAVID H.	5.10	
MCDONNELL, THOMAS	1,340.00	•
MCKAIG, KEVIN B.	1,650.00	
MCNEIL, WILLIAM F.	322.00	
MCNEIL, WILLIAM F.	243.00	
MCNEIL, WILLIAM F.	243.00	
MCNEIL, WILLIAM F.	1,680.00	
MILLER, BERNICE	1,802.00	
MILLER, BERNICE	65.00	
MILLER, BERNICE	52.00	
MILLER, RICHARD	1,928.00	
MILLER, RICHARD O.	1,400.00	
MILLER, RICHARD O.	904.00	
MONKTON, CHRISTINE M.	1,900.00	
MORRIS, ALAN S.	681.00	
NAEGELI, SCOTT	1,231.00	
NEMETH, JOZSEF & NANCY	2,758.00	*
NEW ENGLAND FORESTRY	6.00	
NEW ENGLAND FORESTRY	2.00	
ODONNELL, KENNETH	2,562.00	
PAIGE, GARY	1,564.00	
PAIGE, JOHN E.	1,269.00	
PALMER, WALDO E.	2,998.00	
PALMER, WALDO E.	41.00	
PASSANANTE, JOSEPH	5.02	
PERKINS III, SPENCER W.	1,422.00	
PETRILLO, ROBERT	12.00	*
PITCHARD, PAMELA A.	1,697.00	
POPE, HAROLD REVOCABLE TRUST	2,021.00	
QUILTY, JANET M.	1,825.00	
ROBERTS, RICHARD D.	1,193.00	
RODIER, DENNIS P.	2,718.00	
RODIER, DENNIS P.	14.00	
ROLPH, CHARLES G.	3,132.00	*
SAMUELSON, PETER E.	1,538.00	
SANDERSON III, NATHAN TRUST	3,582.00	
SANDERSON IV, NATHAN H.	2,163.00	
SANDERSON IV, NATHAN H.	493.00	
SCHELL, DAVID P.	1,908.00	
SLAMIN, GARY J.	1,099.00	
SMALL, DANIEL	2,250.00	**
SMITH, HUGH O.	2,115.00	
STAUB, ROBERT W.	174.93	
TAGEN, ROBERT M.	1,497.00	**
TOPPING, HEIDI E.	2,176.00	
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T.	2,741.00	
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T.	6.00	
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T.	39.00	
WADE (ET-AL, GAYLE	75.00	
WALLACE JR., RAYMOND	2,417.00	*

UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000

WELLS, RONALD L.	249.00
WEST, JOHN B.	753.70 *
WIESNER, ALBERT	322.00 *
WRIGHT, JUDITH C.	613.00
YOUNG, JOHN H.	1,587.00
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2000 PROPERTY TAX-2ND BILL	<hr/> 175,300.58

UNCOLLECTED 2000 TIMBER YIELD TAX

COSTELLO, BARBARA R.	1,403.21 *
PETTEE JR., FRED CRISTY	936.32 *
PRIEST, L. CHARLES	647.82 *
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2000 TIMBER YIELD TAX	<hr/> 2,987.35

2000 GRAVEL TAX

MILLER, RICHARD O.	5.88
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2000 GRAVEL TAX	<hr/> 5.88

* PAID IN FULL AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2000

** PARTIAL PAYMENT AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2000

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine T. McClary, Tax Collector

UNREDEEMED TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000

1998 PROPERTY TAX LIEN

EaSTAR VENTURES, LLC	5,310.68
JOY, FRANKLIN III & SARAH	2,015.68
JOY, THOMAS W.	1,182.98
KIBLIN, WARREN	1,409.47 *
MILLER, RICHARD	3,709.05
SANDERSON IV, NATHAN & CATHERINE	2,243.10
SANDERSON IV, NATHAN & CATHERINE	975.98
SLAMIN, GARY J.	2,159.22
SMITH, HUGH O.	4,091.73

TOTAL 1998 PROPERTY TAX LIEN DUE \$23,198.94

1999 PROPERTY TAX LIEN

EaSTAR VENTURES, LLC	5,080.43
JOHNSON, PETER W.	187.50
JOY, FRANKLIN III	1,945.05
JOY, THOMAS W	1,138.99
KIBLIN, HOBART D. & HEATHER	1,148.03
KIBLIN, WARREN	1,853.11
MILLER, RICHARD	3,578.86
SANDERSON IV, NATHAN H.	4,110.44
SANDERSON IV, NATHAN H	938.54
SLAMIN, GARY J.	2,083.98
SMITH, HUGH O.	3,945.94

TOTAL 1999 PROPERTY TAX LIEN DUE \$25,984.98

- * PAID IN FULL AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2000
- ** PARTIAL PAYMENT AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2000

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine T. McClary, Tax Collector

Franeestown Volunteer Fire Department
Annual Report - 2000

2000 Officers:

Chief	Donald Abbott
1st Deputy	Brian Delahanty
2nd Deputy	Rich Pierson
Forest Fire Warden	Richard Leavitt
Captains	Gary Paige
	Frank Jones
	Larry Kullgren
	David Kullgren
Standing Committee	Richard Leavitt
	Rich Pierson
	Chuck Kendall
Clerk	Mark Pitman
Treasurer	Paul St. Cyr
Training Officers	Frank Jones
	David Kullgren
Fire Prevention Officer	Rich Pierson
Historian	Al Thulander

Breakdown of 2000 calls:

Sunday Radio Check	43
Meetings	12
Training Drills	25
Rescue - Medical	34
Rescue - Accident	17
Rescue - Water	3
Mutual Aid	10
Public Service	8
Structure Fires	1
Vehicle Fires	1
Chimney Fires	2
Brush	1
Appliance	3
Others	15
Automatic Alarms	
CO Detector	
Haz Mat Incidents	
Life Line Calls	

The Franeestown Volunteer Fire Department responded to 95 emergency calls during 2000.

The new rescue truck should be delivered and in service before or by town meeting.

Once we get the new rescue truck in service we are planning on turning the old rescue truck into a forestry truck which will take the place of the older 1960 Army surplus truck. Most of this work will be done by the volunteers on the department.

Over the past year we had three (3) members complete the Fire fighter I course, two (2) who are currently taking EMT class, and one (1) taking EMT I class.

We had two (2) new members join the fire department, one is already current as an EMT. If anyone is interested in joining the department contact me or any other fire officer.

Once again I would like to thank the townspeople for their continuing support of the volunteer fire department.

Remember, to report an emergency - dial 911. Putting your house number at the end of your driveway helps us get to you quicker.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald C. Abbott, Fire Chief

FRANDESTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

AUXILIARY REPORT - 2000

Officers for 2000:

President	Linda Abbott
Vice President	Karen St. Cyr
Secretary	Marie Rechkemmer
Treasurer	Kathi Kendall

Activities for 2000 consisted of selling refreshments during the March Town Meeting; preparing and serving a corned beef dinner at the March Hillsborough Forest Fire Wardens meeting; and serving cookies and cider to the school children during Fire Prevention week in October as well as donating fire/safety related books for each class.

As most people know, this year the fire department lost a valued member. The Auxiliary pulled together to provide refreshments and beverages for his memorial service. Many people from town also brought refreshments and we thank you. Later in the year we also provided refreshments for Police Chief Peter Flood's Retirement Party.

There were a few times this year when we went to the station to provide refreshments and beverages for the fire personnel during fire and/or rescue calls.

Anyone interested in joining the Auxiliary please contact one of the officers.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Abbott
President

TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER REPORT

There are 2,200 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The number of fires reported during the 2000 fire season was below average as referenced in the statistics below. Despite this, our network of fire towers and detection patrols were still quite busy with the fire towers being first to report over 135 fires. These fires were quickly and accurately reported to the local fire department for their prompt and effective suppression efforts. Wildland fires occurring in areas where homes are situated in the woodlands are a serious concern for both landowners and firefighters. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around them and making sure that houses are properly identified with street numbers. Please contact the Forest Protection Bureau to request a brochure to assist you in assessing fire safety around your home and woodlands.

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

There are eleven Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. Forest Rangers have investigated numerous complaints regarding violations of the timber harvest and forest fire laws, and taken enforcement action to ensure compliance. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217, or for general information visit our website at www.dred.state.nh.us.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection system and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. These factors are critical in controlling the size of wildland fires, keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible. Due to permitting and fire safety concerns, please contact your local fire department BEFORE using portable outdoor fire places and vessels, including those constructed of clay, concrete or wire mesh.

Please contact your local fire department before doing ANY outside burning.

REMEMBER ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!!

2000 FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru November 10, 2000)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Hillsborough	118	40
Rockingham	49	24
Merrimack	92	16
Belknap	54	13
Cheshire	41	20
Strafford	58	13
Carroll	46	10
Grafton	16	7
Sullivan	12	2
Coos	30	4
	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2000	516	149
1999	1301	452
1998	798	443

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Debris Burning	263
Miscellaneous *	151
Smoking	30
Children	17
Campfire	16
Arson/Suspicious	14
Equipment Use	9
Lightning	9
Railroad	7

* Miscellaneous (powerlines, fireworks, structures, OHRV, unknown)

Warden
Richard F. Leavitt



GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Francestown, New Hampshire 03043

ANNUAL REPORT 2000

Library Hours	Tuesday		1-5
	Wednesday	10-12	1-5
	Thursday		1-6
	Friday	10-12	1-5

Pre School Storytime at 10:30 an, September to June on Wednesdays
 Friday morning coffee from November until the end of April
 Meetings held at the library throughout the year: Old Meeting House,
 Francestown Academy, Francestown Land Conservation, Francestown Democratic
 Committee, Francestown School Enrichment Program, Girl's Scouts.

Circulation of Materials			
Fiction & Non Fiction		9,863	
Magazines		2,711	
Audio Tapes		1,324	
Inter Library Loan		53	Total 13,951

Books Added to Library Holdings	Gifts	21	
Adult Fiction 344	Non Fiction	71	Children's 360
Discards 271	"	"	22
			" 25

Programs & Exhibits	
Jan-March	School Enrichment Programs, Poetry, Musical Instruments, Historical Rooms, Library Protocol
April	Auditions for Summer FES Play Pam Ames
May	Girls Scout's
June	Plant Exchange & Garden Walkabout
July	Poetry Workshop
	Summer Reading Program (104 Students)
	Book Reports
August	Vesper Committee Workshops
	Puppeteer & Poetry
September	Labor Day Open House and Francestown Artist's Exhibit, Library Welcome Coffee
October	Rock Painting with Kathy Marx FES
November	GBS visits Historical Rooms Veda O'Neill

Nancy Houlihan served as Children's Librarian for six great years. It was with great regret that we accepted her resignation. Helene Voto comes to the library with a strong background in Children's Literature and Drama so we know the great tradition of good reading material will continue at our library.

Thank you to the Trustees for their great support and to Frank and Sirkka for their continued efforts. I am looking forward to working with Helene.

Respectfully Submitted

JOAN E. HANCHETT

THE GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY
LIBRARY TRUSTEE REPORT 2000

The library vigorously continues its commitment to meet the literary pursuits of our patrons of all ages. Hosting Friday morning coffees, art and craft exhibitions, community meetings, and informative health and education sessions throughout the year remain a vital part of the role of the library. We were happy to sponsor the spring enrichment program for the Francestown Elementary School again this year. The fun filled children's summer reading program was enthusiastically attended by 125 readers. We remain grateful for the leadership, dedication and the boundless energy of our Head Librarian, Joan Hanchett and Children's Librarian, Nancy Houilhan.

Several projects have been completed this year: an underground oil storage tank removed, the roof repaired, and the interior and exterior of the building up graded to meet current fire code regulations. A new outdoor display board was constructed by Al VanCleave.

As we work to solve our ever frustrating interior space problems, we have had the structural integrity of the building assessed and the land surveyed and recorded. We look forward to an addition to the library in the near future and are most grateful for the donations received to the building fund.

Thank you to Betsy Weiderhold and others who contributed their time and efforts to help the foundation plantings and tree survive the removal of the underground oil storage tank.

Respectfully submitted,

Trustees
MaryFrances Carey
Connie Varnum
Judy Danforth

CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2000

Implementing the management plan for the Crotched Mountain Town Forest was a major project this year. Two selective harvests have been completed in the 630 acre forest, the first harvest covered 50 acres, and the second one 35 acres. Our consulting forester Dan Cyr and his partner John Ferguson of Bay State Forestry worked with a biologist from the UNH Cooperative Extension Service when marking the timber for a harvest that would encourage the development of wildlife habitat as well as follow sound silvicultural practices. The Commission has been very fortunate to have Dan Cyr as our consulting forester, Cyr is a resident of Francestown, and has been a great help in assisting us and instructing us on forest management practices.

Both harvests were sent out to bid by the foresters, both sales being awarded to the company with the best rates, D.H. Hardwick & Sons, of Francestown. After all expenses, including upgrading the access road, culvert work, and consulting fees, we netted approximately 9,000 dollars. This money goes into the Conservation Fund (per town vote) to be used for the purchase of additional conservation lands and/or for the management of these lands. We will continue with the management of this forest as outlined in our ten year Management Plan.

The commission continues to be concerned with the protection of open space. We continue to look into the potential purchase of land or protective easements to conserve this vital resource. Open space will help maintain our state and our town as we currently know it. It protects our water and air quality, provides wildlife habitat and recreational opportunities, and is important to the economy of New Hampshire. It is the key to preserving the integrity and rural character of our town. Open space makes dollars sense: studies done throughout the state show that on average, open space costs less than developed property, and that income generated from developed property (taxes) is insufficient to support the associated costs to the towns. Studies found that on average, taxes are higher in towns with a greater tax base and more taxable property. Taxes were found to be lower in towns with more undeveloped land per resident, regardless of whether or not property was publicly or privately owned. Your support is appreciated in our goal to protect open space

A dominant issue this year has been to determine our "Resource Protection Priorities". We assisted the Planning Board in coming up with a list of priorities to submit to The Southwest Region Planning Commission. This is in preparation for the Land and Community Investment Program (LCHIP). We are currently working on creating a final proposal for the LCHIP application. The LCHIP provides matching funds for approved projects, including the acquisition of land to protect open space.

A new trail has been completed and existing trails maintained in the Crotched Mt. Town Forest. The new trail has been named the "Big Tree Trail", it leads up the mountain to a very large ancient oak tree adjacent to a lovely little mountain stream. The area surrounding this trail is quite beautiful and contains some very interesting features, we have voted to leave this area untouched by the timber harvesting operations. New maps to the trails have been created, and are available at the library and the town office.

Once again the Francestown Boy Scouts worked on the forest trails, and plan to assist us in the future both in maintaining and creating new trails. Their assistance is greatly appreciated.

A bonus from the timber harvest is that the skid roads left will make wonderful new trails with very little work. It so happens that these roads have been laid out by the forester in a manner that will make for some very interesting trails. As the first area harvested is fairly level, these trails should be ideal for walking and cross country skiing.

A 16.73 acre parcel of land was purchased with conservation funds in the spring of 2000. This property is located at the intersection of Farrington Road and Greenfield Road, and adjoins the existing Crotched Mountain Town Forest. Plans are underway for this new property, and as currently proposed include a trail-head parking area, a main access trail to the 630 acre forest, (already cleared to the stream by the Boy Scouts), interpretive nature trails, a bird viewing shelter, and a picnic area overlooking the meadow. The commission has applied for a grant to assist in the funding of this project.

The commission has participated in many different activities during the last year. We co-sponsored an educational talk and walk on good forestry practices with the Greenfield Conservation Commission. The Elementary School Children were led on several walks through town properties, and a winter walk was held last January with folks from the Harris Center. Seedlings were purchased in the spring from the state tree nursery and passed out to the Elementary School children. Annual inspections were made in October of the Conservation Easement Properties in town and reports were completed. An application for a Fire Pond on Todd Road has been completed in conjunction with the Francestown Volunteer Fire Department and has been sent to the State for approval. Various issues were reviewed for the Planning Board and ZBA. Members have attended several different educational lectures and programs throughout the state.

The commission looks forward to a new year of new projects, and will continue to volunteer time and energy towards many different concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Hardwick
Chairperson

Balance in the Conservation Fund as of Dec. 31, 2000: \$79,218.23

2000 SCHEDULE OF CONSERVATION LANDS

NEW PURCHASE

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| 1) | Farrington Road
(Purchased from Donald & Teresa Hardwick) | 16.73 acres |
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TOWN FORESTS: (718.51 acres)

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|----|--|-------------|
| 1) | Crotched Mountain Town Forest
(King, Merrill, and Schultz purchases and Merrill donation - south side of Crotched Mountain) | 630.0 acres |
| 2) | Driscoll Hill Town Forest
(Bowman Tract - off Driscoll Hill Road) | 53.6 acres |
| 3) | Lord Town Forest
(Ferson Road) | 27.91 acres |
| 4) | Piscataquog River Town Forest
(Behind/beside transfer station) | 6.0 acres |
| 5) | Fire Tower Town Forest
(Former state fire tower site-Crotched Mt. summit) | 1.0 acres |

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS HELD BY TOWN: (238.39 acres)

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| 6) | Pleasant Pond/Piscataquog River
(Off Pleasant Pond Road, donated by Ellen M. Hill) | 144.9 acres |
| 7) | Piscataquog River
(Poor Farm and Todd Roads, donated by Harry & Connie Varnum) | 45.6 acres |
| 8) | Piscataquog River
(South New Boston Road, donated by Karen Dunscombe) | 22.63 acres |
| 9) | Whiting Brook
(Off route 136, donated by Anthony Davis) | 25.26 acres |

ROAD AGENTS REPORT 2000

This will be my last annual report due to a change in the department structure. The town voted at the 2000 town meeting to change to a Department of Public Works, so that all community maintenance and work functions could come under one department head. Transfer station, cemeteries, recreation parks etc., to be phased in over a period of time. In October Thomas Plourde of Mont Vernon took charge. A very good choice in my opinion. I find him open minded, experienced and fair, also easy to work with in an awkward situation. This ends my 13 years as your Road Agent. I will continue on as Foreman of the Highway Department.

Now for the 2000 happenings. A major drainage project was completed to approximately 2000 feet of the 2nd NH Turnpike South. With good luck and your support, we plan to grade, gravel and resurface approximately 1 mile this year. This is all part of the C. I. P. planned program.

The FEMA drainage job on Dennison Pond Road is 99% complete by FS&G, job well done.

Due to early frost, only part of the drainage work on 2nd NH Turnpike North was completed, (ditching on Wilson Hill Road). This work should be complete by early this spring.

Equipment wise, the Selectmen chose not to support the replacement of the 1 ton, so no equipment was replaced. We will be asking for a new pay-loader this year. Although I haven't been as active on the FARMC, the plans for a new highway garage is moving forward.

Roads Graveled in 2000

Portion of County Road North
Champagne
Scoby Road
Journeys End
Cross Road
Udall
Farrington Candlewood Hill
Town Line Clarkville

Planned for 2001

Remainder of County Road North
Russell Station
Poor Farm
Palmer
Birdsall
Juniper Hill
More of Muzzey

Winter came a little early this year, but we were ready. We mounted a plow on the 10-wheeler and a sand truck to make them more versatile. So far we haven't used the new grader this year. We got rid of all the army 10-wheelers.

It's been fun serving the town for more than 30 years, and I hope there are a few more to go. Thanks again for all your support. A special thanks to my crew, full and part-time.

Respectfully submitted,

Clayton Foote, Jr.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

As the new Public Works Director, I would like to thank the towns people and the Selectmen for the support they have given me.

After 12 years in Mont Vernon, it's a big change for me to be here. It will take some time to learn all the ins and outs of Frankestown. You have a great highway department and I would like to thank them for all the help I have gotten from them.

If there are ever any questions or concerns about the roads, please call us at 547-8841.

Respectfully submitted

Thomas Plourde
Public Works Director

Highway Advisory/Safety Committee Report

At Town Meeting 2000, \$10,0000 was appropriated for pre-engineering, land surveying and water testing. Bids were sent out in late March. SEC of Bow, NH was awarded the soil engineering package. Harry Murray of Amherst, NH completed a survey of the Fire Station and Highway Dept. lots. Water quality analyses of the Fire Station drilled well were favorable for a community water system.

Article 13 passed and the Selectmen, Budget Committee, and Highway Advisory Committee awarded the position of Highway Superintendent to Tom Plourde of Mont Vernon. Tom has been on board since October.

The committee had been directed by the Selectmen to develop written job descriptions, pay grade structures, employee evaluation forms and handbook. By November all tasks had been completed and submitted to the Selectmen for future implementation. We look forward to the Selectmen carrying out this body of work that has taken more than five years to research and write.

The T² software program on the Road Surface Management System (RSMS) was initiated by Dick Kiczek and Clayton Foote. All paved surface data has been entered and needs to be run off. The T² software program Municipal Equipment Management System (MEMS), as developed by UNH, has a glitch and it is hoped that soon it will be operational to inventory equipment and materials, with data helpful in determining true costs for budgeting.

Ed Gagnon, our building research engineer, has developed schematics for our future DPW equipment barn and sand/salt storage shed. By Town Meeting we hope to present preliminary topographical maps and building designs. The committee opines that construction may not occur until late 2002-2003. Financing this project most likely would be with a long term bond rather than self-financing. The design of the building will allow for future expansion. The site work considers a projected 50 year use of the site. The building must be built to OSHA specifications.

The committee requests by warrant article to withdraw \$6,000 from the capital reserve for architectural blueprints, DES permits, soil tests and wetland engineering, etc.

We'd like to thank all the volunteer members of the committee for their efforts and years of dedication. Special thanks go to Harry Varnum, who retired from our committee this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Ellis, Co-Chairman
Scott Carbec, Co-Chairman

Cemetery Commission 2000

The Commission in conjunction with the Selectmen, have contracted with a new lawn maintenance company for the coming year. The successor to T.J.'S Yard Service had difficulty in fulfilling our needs and opted not to bid for the coming year.

The Lois MacAdam Memorial Fund dedicated to pay for replacement of the fence at the Turnpike Cemetery is a most fitting remembrance of a long-time resident and a most generous lady who gave endless service to our town in so many ways.

Citizens are reminded that decorations, figurines, flowers, both natural and artificial must adhere to the rules of the cemetery. Copies of the rules are available at the Selectmen's Office.

Your thoughts and suggestions are always welcome.

Richard Leavitt
Linda Kelly
O. Alan Thulander, Chair

Emergency Management 2000

The Dennison Pond Road project was approved for hazard mitigation funding up to \$41,000.00. The project is now 90% complete with final work scheduled for spring 2001.

I continue to seek out grants for the Francestown Academy building AKA Town Hall to renovate/restore to better serve the town as an emergency shelter, should the need arise.

Please contact me with any questions relating to natural disasters, emergency services, etc..

Respectfully submitted

O. Alan Thulander
Director, Emergency Management

Fracestown Police Department
 15 New Boston Road
 Fracestown N.H. 03043

As in the past years our calls for service climb each year. We went from roughly 1150 calls for service last year to over 1400 calls this year. This total doesn't include motor vehicle stops, summons issued, or warnings given. Having had an extremely busy year has caused the payroll part of the budget to again be exceeded. Some of this has to be attributed to officers who are working private details that the town is reimbursed for. The town paid out to the officers 3 times what was budgeted last year. While maintaining a department that works within the allotted budget is a priority this can not always be controlled easily. We have lost several members of the department and have brought on board several new people and are actively looking for at least one more individuals to join our ranks.

The following is a list of the type of calls we respond to.

Abandoned Vehicles	10	Civil Matters	10
Accidents	33	Juvenile Problems	3
Alarms	44	Fire/Rescue Calls	30
Animal Complaints	15	911 Hang-ups	13
Assist motorists,citizens	102	Unsecured Buildings	18
Assaults	4	Wires/Trees Down	20
Assist Other Depts.	88	Motor Vehicle Complaints	44
Annoying Phone Calls	8	Susp. Persons/Cars	38
Burglary	3	Follow up Investigations	243
Domestic Issues	19	Check the Welfare	2
Criminal Mischief	28	Arrests	19
Criminal Trespass	6	Miscellaneous	265
Criminal Threatening	4	Thefts	17
Reported Disturbances	8	Dog Complaints	30
OHRV Complaints	8	Paperwork Served	61

I'm extremely pleased to say that Sgt. Thomas Thibeault who has worked for the town for many years, has decided to stay and carry on with the very important work that he does. He puts on several programs for the kids at our grade school every year and does a good deal of the prosecuting at the Goffstown District Court. He is a pleasure to work with.

We are going to be contacting all of the people in town who have alarm systems to update our lists. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated so that when we respond to a call at your residence we can render whatever service may be necessary.

Chief Philip Woodbury

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER
2000 REPORT

Breakdown of calls for 2000

Missing dogs -	13
Stray dogs -	18
Missing cats -	5
Stray cats -	6
Dogs - nuisance -	17
(concerning barking, chashing, roaming)	
Cat/Dog bites -	2
Miscellaneous -	11
(calls concerning animal's welfare, wild animal sightings)	

Of the dogs reported missing most either returned home on their own or ended up being reported as strays and were united with their owners - mostly due to the fact they were wearing collars which had some sort of identification tags - license, rabies tag, name tag. I cannot stress how important and helpful it is for you to put a collar and tags on your dog. Some of the strays that were picked up this year were actually out of town dogs and were able to be united with their owner because they had identification.

Animals we picked up this year were taken to the Monadnock Human Society in Swanzey.

This April will again bring a rabies clinic to town, watch for signs and notices.

As a reminder, state law requires all dogs be licensed by May 1st each year. Remember - it costs you an additional \$ 1.00 a month after June 1st to license your dog. Proof of rabies vaccination (a rabies certificate) is required to license your dog - make sure you bring the certificate with you when you go to the Town Annex to license your dog.

Cats also need to be vaccinated against rabies.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald C. Abbott
ACO

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - 2000

The New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and the Francestown Zoning Ordinance give the Board of Adjustment the power to do the following: (1) Hear appeals from administrative decisions relating to the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance, (2) grant "Special Exceptions" under the Ordinance, (3) authorize "Variances" from the terms of the Ordinance and (4) grant "Equitable Waivers" from compliance with the dimensional requirements of the Ordinance. In each case the power of the Board is strictly limited by the terms of the Statutes and the Ordinance. Persons wishing to bring a matter before the Board should examine the Ordinance before filing an application. Copies of the Ordinance, forms for applications and information on filing fees and costs are available at the Town Offices.

The 2000 Board consisted of Guy A. Swenson, Jr., Chairman, Charles M. Pyle, Jr., Vice-Chairman, Richard S. Mikula, Richard Kiczek and Carol Ireland, Clerk. Due to a lack of interest, the sole Alternate was Josef Nemeth. Charles Onasch, who had, most recently, been a regular member of the Board since 1992, retired in February due to ill health. His wise counsel and fair-minded judgement were of great assistance to his fellow Board members and his presence is deeply missed. Kira Kilmer served as recording secretary.

During 2000 the Board held six meetings covering a total of three applications. Two applications for Variances were granted as was one request for a Special Exception.

Regular meetings of the Board of Adjustment are scheduled for the second thursday of each month. All meetings are open to the public.

Due to a lack of applications, the Board managed to conduct its business in 2000 with only one Alternate member. We cannot expect to be so fortunate in 2001. The total time required of a Board member in 2000 was probably less than 20 hours. It is hoped that in 2001 there will be more citizens willing to devote this small amount of time to the functioning of this important part of our Town's government.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy A. Swenson, Jr.
Chairman

Francestown Planning Board 2000

During the past year, The Board approved one lot line adjustment for Kunhardt and Janc on Old County Road South

The Board also approved Three subdivisions: One for Michael E. Fritz on Campbell Hill and East Roads, one for Francestown Land Conservation Inc on Russell Station Road, and one for Merrill Milke between Route 47(Bennington Rd) and Second NH Turnpike North

The Board rescinded the previously approved site plan for Sue Neal, at the applicant's request.

The Board Conditionally granted one site plan approval, to operate a school, to Jane Hooper/New Holland Vineyard School, Route 136, opposite Scoby Rd.

Between June and October, Ben Watson and Peter Zahn continued the Town's Traffic Counter Program. Five separate counts were taken. Each count was for approximately two weeks. The data provide the number of cars per hour in each direction, peak traffic information, as well as the average number of vehicles per day. Roads counted were as follows:

1. Feeder roads for Rte. 136 (Greenfield Rd.): Muzzey Rd., Birdsall Rd., Reid Rd., Udall Rd.
2. Old County Road South feeder roads: Birdsall Rd., Stevens Rd.
3. Old County Road South area, from town baseball field to Starrett Farm.
4. Chandler and Ferson Roads, from Rte. 136 (New Boston Rd.) to Bible Hill Rd.
5. Rte. 136 (New Boston Rd.), on either side of Scoby Rd., to measure traffic for proposed New Holland Vineyard School. Data may be corrupted based on physical problems with tubes on busy road with fast-moving, heavy-volume traffic. We plan to redo count in 2001.

The Traffic Counter Program will provide the Planning Board with traffic pattern and usage information which will then be used to assist the Planning Board and Road Safety Committee to develop a prioritized list of roads needing attention. The information will also assist the Planning Board in determining the potential impact of additional use by proposed subdivisions and or changes in use of existing lots. If you would like to assist the Planning Board with this important project, please contact Ben Watson.

Two additions to zoning ordinances, drafted with the cooperation of Town Counsel and the Selectmen, are being proposed for voter consideration on Tuesday, March 13, 2001. The first addition will help the Town minimize some of the negative impacts of development by granting the Planning Board the authority to impose impact fees. The Planning Board will be able to use this authority as a tool to protect the town and its taxpayers from unreasonable increases in the cost of public services in case of a development that meets all zoning regulations, but that might cause a disproportionate increase in town services or facilities. The second addition will allow the Town to continue to maintain its "Rural" character. The goal of this ordinance is to recognize the legitimate uses for outdoor lighting (security, nighttime activities, and illumination of historic buildings), while at the same time balancing these needs with a respect for neighbors, abutters, and other residents of the town. In virtually all cases, appropriate and directed lighting for the use intended can be accommodated within the common-sense guidelines of this proposed ordinance. The ordinance also will strive to preserve an important rural quality of life in Francestown -- the dark night sky. Some nighttime lighting, of course, is appropriate and desirable for public safety.

Amendment 1: This amendment will help the Town minimize some of the negative impacts of development by granting the Planning Board the authority to impose impact fees. This addition will help to promote public health, safety, welfare, prosperity, and to ensure that adequate and appropriate facilities are available to individuals who may come to be located in Francestown. It will also help prevent scattered or premature development of land as that would involve danger or injury to health, safety, or prosperity by reason of the lack of water supply, drainage, transportation, schools, fire protection, or other public services or that would necessitate the excessive expenditure of public funds for the supply of such services. Also, it will provide for the harmonious development of the municipality and it's environs. This amendment will also ensure the proper arrangement and coordination of streets and ensure sufficient width of streets to accommodate existing and prospective traffic. The Planning Board shall have the authority to adopt regulations to implement the provisions of this ordinance. The amount of any impact fee shall be a proportional share of municipal capital improvement costs which is reasonably related to the capital needs created by the development, and to the benefits accruing to the development from the capital improvement financed by the fee. Upgrading of existing facilities and infrastructures, the need for which is not created by the new development, shall not be paid for by the impact fees.

The Planning Board, like other planning boards around the state, has had regulations on the books for a number of years that were intended to give the Board authority to impose impact fees on developers, in those cases where a development would have a major impact in terms of population or need for increased public services (fire, police, schools, road maintenance equipment, and other public facilities). In a recent case, **Simonsen v. Town of Derry**, the NH State Supreme Court ruled that towns may not impose impact fees on developers unless they have in place a specific zoning ordinance that enables them to do so. Therefore, on the advice of Town Counsel and at the urging of the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board reviewed and voted unanimously to place this Impact Fee Ordinance on the ballot for voter approval. The intent of the Board is to:

1. Formally recognize an authority that the Board until recently thought it could already exercise;
2. Use this authority as a tool to protect the town and its taxpayers from unreasonable increases in the cost of public services in case of a development that meets all zoning regulations, but that might cause a disproportionate increase in town services or facilities.

Amendment #2 Currently, Francestown does not have any outdoor lighting ordinance. Although Francestown's population is still small, both private citizens and the Planning Board have recognized the need to set reasonable parameters for outdoor lighting now, rather than waiting until problems occur. The Planning Board feels that in light of recent growth in town, as well as significant growth in the surrounding communities, increases in lighting pollution may impact the rural character of Francestown in the not too distant future. The goal of this ordinance is to provide some guidelines for individuals and businesses regarding the placement, type, and uses of new outdoor lighting fixtures. The ordinance recognizes legitimate uses for outdoor lighting (security, nighttime activities, and illumination of historic buildings), while at the same time balances these needs with a respect for neighbors, abutters, and other residents of the town. In virtually all cases, appropriate and directed lighting for the use intended can be accommodated within the common-sense guidelines of this proposed ordinance. Another very important goal of this ordinance is the preservation of a key factor in the rural quality of life in Francestown -- the dark night sky. Some nighttime lighting, of course, is appropriate and desirable for public safety. However, excessively bright lighting, or lighting that shines upward and outward, causing unnecessary glare and obscuring the heavens, is a hallmark of more populous and poorly planned towns and cities, visible already as a harsh glow on our horizon during certain times of year. Lighting, and the impact of too much light, or improperly placed lighting, can at the minimum be a nuisance to neighbors, or can even prove to be a safety hazard for drivers. Due to these concerns, the Planning Board has proposed this ordinance.

This ordinance is an addition to Section III, General Provisions) of the Francestown Zoning Ordinance, as well as an addition to Section IV, Signs, and several additions to Section VIII, Definitions.

Additions to the ordinance will include:

Section III, 3.15 Outdoor Lighting Regulations would read: All public and private outdoor lighting installed in the town of Francestown shall be in conformance with the following standards. The purpose of these standards is to reduce light trespass, glare, and light pollution, and promote conservation of energy while maintaining nighttime aesthetics, safety, security, productivity and enjoyment for all Francestown residents.

To be added to Section IV, (Signs)

Add the following sentence: Light sources to illuminate signs shall be located above the object to be illuminated and shall be shielded so that the light source is not visible from public ways and adjacent property.

To the existing ordinance under 4.7 so that it reads as follows:

4.7 Signs shall be lighted only by direct light, and the beam of such lighting shall not exceed beyond the boundaries of the lot on which the sign is placed. Light sources to illuminate signs shall be located above the objects to be illuminated and shall be fully shielded so that the light source is not visible from public ways and adjacent property.

Proposed projects for 2001 include an updated application for sub-divisions and site plans, a telecommunications ordinance, and an updated Master Plan.

We encourage all interested persons to attend our meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

Respectfully submitted,

Stewart Brock
Chairman

FRANCESTOWN'S SIX-YEAR (2001-2006)
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The Town's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a valuable planning tool which serves to help the Town anticipate, prioritize, coordinate and manage capital expenditures. The first CIP was prepared 12 years ago, establishing reserves as the Town's preferred method of funding large-ticket items.

The Planning Board believes that the success of the CIP is due to coherent and sensible planning; to interdepartmental support and cooperation in contributing to the plan, prioritizing projects and planned expenditures; to the formal articulation of town policies and goals underlying spending recommendations; and to a sustained effort to keep voters as fully informed as possible.

If in the future, Francestown voters decide to adopt a growth management ordinance, the law requires that the town have a CIP in place. A CIP is also required by law before a town can require impact fees be paid by developers.

2001 Town Warrant and the Capital Improvement Plan:

The Planning Board is recommending a Capital Improvement Plan, net of reserves and other offset revenues, of \$304,001 compared to a recommended plan of \$314,500 in 2000.

The anticipated cost of purchasing a new front end loader and a government surplus pickup, of reappraising town real estate, of continuing work on the 2nd NH Turnpike So. and a site study for the new highway garage, combined with the unanticipated cost of razing the ski lodge on Crotched Mountain (estimated at \$50,000) is projected at \$332,450. The CIP recommends that \$64,450 of that total be funded by taxation, \$205,000 from the Highway Reserves, and the remaining \$63,000 from other reserves.

The most significant difference between the CIP and the actual warrant is that the warrant proposes a more aggressive acceleration of funding reserves for the Highway Garage whereas the CIP, in its 6-year projection, recommends funding the garage at \$50,000 for 2001 – deferring acceleration in order to minimize the tax impact of the unanticipated cost of razing the lodge at Crotched Mountain. While the CIP supports increasing Conservation Fund reserves, but recommends half the increase requested for 2001.

Specifics of the 2001 CIP as recommended by the Planning Board are listed in Column 2 of Exhibit 1 on the next page. Also included in Exhibit 1 are the warrant articles as proposed. Footnotes indicate whether the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend approval of a particular warrant article.

The CIP is prepared, and this summary provided, to assist voters in their decision making at Town Meeting. For additional information and/or a copy of the complete 6-year CIP, please consult the Planning Board Newsletter or contact the Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,
The Planning Board, Board of Selectmen, and Budget Committee
Feb 7th, 2001

EXHIBIT 1
COMPARISON OF 2001 CIP WITH THE 2001 WARRANT ARTICLES

(1) Expense Item	(2) CIP	(3) Warrant Proposal	(4) Note	(5) Est. Tax Impact
CAPITOL RESERVE ITEMS				
Highway Equipment	\$35,000	\$35,000.	2	\$0.37
Fire Equipment	\$40,000.	\$40,000.	2	\$0.43
Fire Radios	\$500.	\$500.	2	\$0.01
Conservation Fund	\$30,000.	\$40,000.	2	\$0.43
Recreation Land	\$6,000.	\$5,000.	2	\$0.05
Road Improvements	\$100,000.	\$100,000.	2	\$1.06
Police Vehicles	\$7,500	\$7,500.	2	\$0.08
Highway Garage	\$50,000.	\$100,000.	2	\$1.06
Town Bldg. Impr.	\$25,000	\$25,000.	2	\$0.27
Library Expansion	\$5,000	\$5,000.	2	\$0.05
Reappraisal	\$1.	\$1.	2	\$0.00
Cemetery	\$5,000.	\$5,000.	2	\$0.05
SUB TOTAL	\$304,001.	\$363,001.		\$3.86
EQUIP/PROJECTS/NON-CAP WARRANTS				
Surplus Truck	\$5,000.R	\$5,000.	2	-
Loader	\$100,000.R	\$100,000.	2	-
Hwy Gar site study	\$6,000.R	\$6,000.	2	-
Road Improvement	\$100,000.R	\$100,000.	2	-
Police Radios	0.	\$6,600.	2	\$0.07
Reappraisal	\$71,450.R ²	\$71,450.	2	\$0.18
Tennis Court	0.	\$10,900.	3	\$0.12
Crotched Raze	\$50,000.	\$50,000.	2	\$0.53
SUB TOTAL	\$332,450.	\$349,950.		\$0.90
Total CIP	\$636,451.			\$4.00
Total Warrant		\$712,951.		\$4.76
Total 200 Warrants				\$3.59

Note 1: Estimated tax impact (per thousand of assessed property valuation) is based on warrant articles, not the CIP proposal.

Note 2: In the Non-Cap Warrants: Reappraisal, only \$57,000 of the \$71,450 is funded from reserves, \$14,450 will need to come from direct taxation – with a tax impact of .18.

Note 3: In column (4) a 2 notation indicated that a majority of the Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend the article. A 3 indicates neither group recommends approval.

Fracestown Planning Board Sub-Committee Report of Road Improvement Program

The Road Improvement Program Sub-Committee was established in May of 1989 by the Planning Board to help develop a long-term road improvement program for inclusion in the Capital Improvement Plan.

Purpose:

1. To recommend an appropriate sum of money to be spent each year to improve the roads of Fracestown.
2. To recommend a 6-year plan of roads to be improved, listing roads and work to be done on each road.

General Considerations:

1. To continue the policy that full cost of all road improvement projects be raised by warrant article stating the location and scope of each project.
2. To continue to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 a year, to be allocated between capital reserves and capital expenditures as needed. At present, it is recommended that funding for the capital reserve established for future road improvements are funded by \$100,000 in 2001, and those specific projects are funded from reserves.
3. Starting in 1998, to have the majority of the work on all CIP reconstruction projects be performed by qualified outside contractors, rather than by the Highway Department.
4. In 2001, to withdraw \$100,000 from reserves to finish the construction of the 2nd NH Turnpike South beginning at the Lyndeborough Town Line and ending at the entrance to the Fracestown Sand and Gravel Co. This distance covers approximately 5280 feet. The project will consist of:
 - a. Placing 160 foot of 36-inch culverts.
 - b. Grinding of the existing paved surface (24 foot X approximately 5280 feet)
 - c. Lowering the grade of the hill near Avery Road.
 - d. Adding approximately 2,500 CU yards of crushed gravel.
 - e. Paving a 3-inch layer approximately 5280 feet.
 - f. Traffic control, clean up, and seeding as needed.

The overall grade and alignment of the road will remain essentially the same. No disturbance of walls or removal of trees is anticipated.

5. To continue the accumulation of traffic data now that the Planning Board has obtained dependable counters which have been used this year.
6. To continue to reserve \$100,000 in anticipation of the main Street project being undertaken in 2002.

Recommended Plan (Subject to annual review and updates):

The 2001-2006 Capital Improvement Program for Roads is based on the results of the 1994 Master Plan. In the future, it will be based on the Master Plan, as well as the recommendation of the Highway Department Supervisor.

2001	Reconstruction of 2 nd NH Turnpike South	\$100,000
2002	Reconstruction of Main Street or continuation of reconstruction of 2 nd NH Turnpike South	\$100,000
2003	Reconstruction of paved roads	\$100,000
2004	Reconstruction of paved roads	\$100,000
2005	Reconstruction of paved roads	\$100,000
2006	Reconstruction of paved roads	\$100,000

Respectfully submitted,

Stewart Brock
Scott Campbell
Clayton Foote, Jr.
David Jonas
Tom Plourde

January 21, 2001

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN-2000

The first measurable snowfall of the winter season occurred on January 25th.

The most recent attempt to purchase Crotched Mt Ski Area fell through in May when the prospective owners withdrew their offer.

The non-profit group, "Francestown Land Conservation", formed by a local group and chaired by Jennifer Byington collected enough funds from local donors to purchase over 240 acres of land. This parcel, known as Rand Brook Forest, will be protected from development and contains open space, woodlands, trails, habitats of many wildlife species and sites of historic structures.

In August, US Cellular gave the town the deed to the 318 acres comprising the former Crotched Mt Ski Area.

The Town Offices moved from the Annex building to the newly renovated 'Red School' building in August.

At the Labor Day weekend Vespers Service, selectman Alan Thulander presented the Boston Post cane (a replica) to Harry Putnam, the oldest resident in town.

The New Holland Vineyard School, a private elementary school was constructed during the year and opened in September.

Police Chief Peter Flood retired December 31st after serving 29 years with the Francestown Police Department, 25 years as Police Chief.

Francestown Improvement and Historical Society sponsored the 83rd Labor Day Weekend festivities. The parade theme was "Heroes and Heroines". Volunteers began preparations to move the Historical Rooms into the Annex building and continued to catalog items, organize photos and information, assist with genealogy research, conduct the "barn survey", and finish up the Walking Tour publication. FIHS supported community projects by donating money to Francestown Community Pre-school, Francestown PTO, Francestown Garden Club, Francestown Recreation Commission, and offered a matching grant donation to Francestown Community Church. Officers were: President-Gordon Sherman, 1st Vice President-W Rogers Hamel, 2nd Vice President-Priscilla Martin, Secretary-Barbara Jean Carbee, Treasurer-Charles Pyle III, Curator-Veda O'Neil, Co-Curator-Kris Holmes, Nominating Committee-Marie Rechkemmer, Len Rechkemmer, Board Members At Large-Richard Cilley, Ellen Neilley, Kim Place Dalley.

The Old Meeting House had 238 lifetime and 74 annual members. Events held at OMH included: in May- Verdant Visions, Noel Coward Musical Revue and music recording by Ron Schenkman; in June- Meeting House Minstrels Concert; in August- Monadnock Chorus Concert; in September- Labor Day Vespers and Labor Day open house; in December- Christmas Concert. There were 7 weddings at OMH. Restoration/Renovation projects included: installing a new 40 year roof, realignment of the front granite steps, hanging the National Register of Historic Places plaque, repairing sill trim on the west wall, repainting the exterior and professional interior cleaning. Officers were: President-Derald Radtke, VP and Treasurer- Bruce Larsen, Restoration/ Renovation- Phil Ireland, Programs- Meredith Allen, Secretary/Publicity- Stacy Borden, Membership/Calendar of Events- Merrill Milke, Calendar of Events- Mit Boyle, Bicentennial- Bill McAuley.

The minister of the Francestown Community Church was Rev Keta Jones. Activities at the Church included; One Great Hour of Sharing in March, the 11th annual Fall Festival in October and the annual Christmas Fair in December. Renovations included; painting the exterior, and beginning work to make the church more handicapped accessible.

Oak Hill Grange #32 had 36members including 7 gold sheaf members. The Master of the Grange was Merle Jones. The Citizen of the Year Award was presented to Joan Hanchett and the staff at the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library in recognition of

their service to adults and children of our community. OHG also hosted Meet the Candidates Night, made and donated 16 capes for handicapped children at Cedercrest (Outside of Keene), and at the Fall Festival prepared and assisted in the sale of pies and helped prepare the dinner.

The Francestown Elementary School had an enrollment of 94 students. In addition, 5 students were home schooled.

Francestown Community Pre-School had an enrollment of 15 students from the towns of Francestown, Lyndeborough and Hancock. Rich Pierson was President of the board. Maria Regan, Vice-President, added that, "In addition to the morning pre-school, they offer an afternoon enrichment program to better serve working parents. The pre-school also offers a summer program for ages 3-6 years. The pre-school hosts a holiday fair each December, and produces an annual holiday card featuring a scene of Francestown created by local artist Mary Ruzicka. In addition, FCP produces a community calendar that features important community dates and phone numbers.

The Food Co-Op, for the 26th year, met twice a month at the Town Hall.

Membership in Scouting declined. There were 8 Brownies, 11 Juniors and 3 Cadette Girl Scouts. In the Cub Scout Pack there were; 1 in Wolves, 3 Bears and 3 Webelos I. There were 2 Boy Scout troops and a total of 15 members; five Tenderfoot, six 1st Class and four at Star level.

There were 1063 registered voters: 391 Republicans, 198 Democrats, 473 Undeclared and 1 Green Party.

There were 52 building permits issued: 17 houses, 6 decks, 12 barns, 5 garages, 6 additions, 1 pool, 1 shed, 3 porches and 1 carport.

To the best of my knowledge, residents who served in the armed forces were: US Army- Specialist Scott A Quilty and Specialist Shannon Miller, USAF- Staff Sgt Richard Kiczek, National Guard- Maj Tim Ainsworth, Air National Guard- Col Sylvia Johnson.

Francestown mourned the loss of several residents in 2000.

March 29, 2000- Harriette E Carapetyan, an accomplished pianist had lived in many different places all over the world during her lifetime.

July 6, 2000- Jeanne Chapman worked many years at Crotched Mt Rehabilitation Center.

July 19, 2000- Arthur S Buzzell, known as "Buzzy", owned Buzz Electric Inc. , was a volunteer firefighter in town and enjoyed running, model trains and the outdoors.

August 26, 2000- Lillian Poor, had served as President and as Treasurer of the Women's Guild of the Community church. She was well known for her candy making and quilts.

October 12, 2000- Lois S MacAdam, was involved in the operation of Crotched Mt Ski area with her husband, taught tennis and was a member of the Women's Guild of the Community Church.

November 9, 2000- Eleanor M Palmer, a resident of town for 48 years, worked for the Red Cross during WWII and then at Murphy Army Hospital in Waltham Mass.

December 4, 2000- Earl R Young, served with the US Navy during WWII and worked as an auditor for the state of New Hampshire.

December 15, 2000- Ernest Poor, had lived in town for 33 years, worked as a facilities manager for Arthur D Little Co. and served on the planning board in town.

December 25, 2000- Roger Thurston Williams, was vice- president of operations at Williams and Hussey Tool Co and was licensed as a guide by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department for over 15 years.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kris Holmes- Historian

RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT 2000

Programs for the Francestown community have continued this past year through the work of the commission.

Through the generous donation of FIHS, the Recreation Commission was able to purchase three pieces of skateboard equipment for the benefit of those who utilize the hard court.

Basketball programs for students from elementary up to middle school were run over the winter months, both at the new elementary school. 32 children from grades one to eight participate in the program.

59 boys and girls from ages 6 to 12 learned to play the sport of baseball from the PeeWee team to the Little League Team on Underhill Field.

Our summer program included camps for track & field, soccer, basketball, tumbling, day camp, baseball, and tennis. Over 77 children participated in multiple camps during the summer. The Red Cross swimming program had 39 children learn various levels of swimming at Scobie Pond.

Adult programs continued to include aerobics, yoga and clogging.

Our own Halloween haunted house and games at the Town Hall continued to be an annual success with the help of the volunteers who organize and run the activities. Many, many children and families shared in the fun.

As always, our goal is to try to expand the availability and variety of our programs. Thank you to all the volunteers coaches and staff who run the recreation commission and programs. Their help has made it possible for many of the youth programs to happen. Input and support from all residents are always welcome and is greatly appreciated.

For any information, we encourage you to contact a recreation commission member or recreation directors.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Jenkins
Recreation Director

TRANSFER STATION

The first year of the new millennium was an exceptionally busy year for the Transfer Station. The total tonnage of ordinary household waste and other disposable items has increased significantly. There are several possible reasons for this,, one being a slight increase in our population.

There were several minor improvements during the year. A concrete slab was installed to provide better support for the heavy newspaper and magazine containers, and prevents damage to the soil beneath it. Improvements were also made to the glass crushing machine to give it added strength and durability.

Several on-going problems in disposing of certain items, such as plastics, aluminum, and steel have been alleviated by public spirited citizens of Francestown. Andrej Kokal, who recently moved to Francestown, is one of those citizens; David Jonas, one of our Selectmen, is another. Mr. Kokal's generous donation of a large containerized trailer has made the disposal of plastic and aluminum recyclables much easier. These materials are now bagged and loaded directly onto the container to await transfer to the recycling center. Don Hardwick & Sons are handling the hauling, so we need no longer depend on outside truckers whose reliability has been poor, at best. Steel products are transferred, at no cost to the town, to a collector who receives payment by selling these items at a certain price per ton; in order to increase the tonnage per load, these products must be compacted. That's where Mr. Jonas comes in. Jonas donates his time and equipment (a large backhoe), to compact these items.

Tom Plourde, the recently appointed Director of Public works, has assumed management of the Transfer Station. Waste Management Committee members will assist Tom in an advisory capacity as he becomes more familiar with day-to-day operations. The most challenging issue affecting the Transfer Station will be reducing the overall cost of doing business, without impacting the quality of services we provide. The newly negotiated contract with Waste Management Services reflects significant cost increases which the town will have to absorb. Other issues requiring attention will be the repair and eventual replacement of the deteriorating building where recyclables are received and sorted.

The year 2000 has been a very productive year as we look forward to the challenges ahead. Comments and suggestions from our citizens on how we can improve operations at the Transfer Station are always welcome and will be given every consideration. Thanks for your support.

Gary L. Collins
Chairman
Waste Management Committee

2000 Public Assistance Administrator's Report

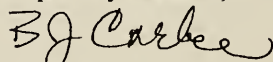
Rather than raising the budget for the coming year, it was decided to hold at the \$5,500 level. The strong economic health of the region kept the need for assistance within the budget. Unemployment certainly is not an issue but the high cost of utilities and medications does impact on some families. Surprisingly calls for fuel assistance were minimal and most calls are referred to state agencies for services. If you find yourself in a situation that some assistance might be necessary, make that phone call early on for a confidential meeting. If the call is not made until a foreclosure notice is received, it may be almost impossible to assist effectively. Often with budget plans in place, families can work out strategies for personal economic recovery. Historically, utility companies cooperatively work with this office to help consumers maintain services. Mortgage companies and banks possibly may be willing to work with you but not if you are several months in arrears. Make that call early to discuss your options.

If you would like to donate to Francestown families on a regular basis, besides calling me directly, everyone can make sure that there are sufficient stores of food staples at the Francestown Community Church. If a family makes an emergency call stating they need food, I immediately phone either the Rev. Keta Jones or Cher Barker to 'raid the pantry', on my way to the Francestown Village Store for milk, bread and eggs. There are also several services that are available and most programs do not directly involve the Town. These programs are in place to supplement your living conditions and have been funded through taxes. If you want to check out available services, please contact the following organizations and ask about their eligibility requirements and programs that may serve you. SOCIAL SECURITY: 1-800-772-1213; FUEL ASSISTANCE: 1-800-322-1073; HOME HEALTH CARE: 1-800-541-4145; NH Div. of ELDERLY & ADULT SERVICES: 1-800-351-1888; FOOD STAMPS: 1-800-852-3383. If one needs additional information or assistance in making application to these programs, I will gladly assist.

A total of 50 residents were recipients of Francestown giving this year. Various groups and citizens were most generous at holiday times. The major holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas were funded by The Mason's Pacific Lodge, The Francestown Food Coop, The Women's Guild, Dodie Finlayson, Susan Jonas, Sarah Cox, the Mayo family, the Delahanty family, The Cookie Club and the Peterborough Rotary Club. Generous anonymous gifts were given to recipient families as the spirit of the holidays was strong in Francestown this year. Holiday visits were made very special with the assistance of the Jr. Girl Scout Troop 557. Scouts Sara Estes, Rachel McKaig and Laura Parker accompanied me on visits to several homes the weekend before Christmas. Bearing gifts and goodies and singing carols, the girls visited with more than a dozen Seniors bringing holiday joy and the well wishes of the Town. It is expected they will expand their program for 2001 to include more girls and home visits.

Anyone needing assistance should call me directly (588-2519) to apply for services. Note that all matters are confidential and are not part of the public record. Please call if you have any questions about eligibility requirements for various assistance programs.

Respectfully submitted,



BJ Carbee

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Francestown on December 31, 2000

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	%	PRINCIPAL		BALANCE		INCOME DURING YEAR		Balance End Year	Total Fund End of Year
					Cash Gains or (Losses) on Securities	(Withdrawals)	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Amount	Percent		
	CEMETERY FUNDS:	CEMETERY CARE	BANK DEPOSITS			\$525.00	(\$1,051.80)	\$3,603.20	\$1,359.36	\$1,949.76	\$1,349.12	\$16,915.12
	LIBRARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS:											
	LIBRARY & EDUCATION FUNDS	LIB & ED	Common Trust			\$5,153.08	(\$20,644)	\$5,132.36	\$7,263.20	\$78.25	7,441.45	\$12,571.81

LIBRARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS:

	LIBRARY & EDUCATION FUNDS	LIB & ED	Common Trust			\$5,153.08	(\$20,644)	\$5,132.36	\$7,263.20	\$78.25	7,441.45	\$12,571.81
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CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

1955	REPLACEMENT OF FIRE TRUCKS	CAPITAL RESERVE				92,776.62	(564.41)	(32,177.00)	99,985.21	8,928.97	5,099.97	114,014.14
1960	PURCHASE OF ROAD EQUIPMENT	CAPITAL RESERVE				92,211.03	(616.83)	122,594.20	17,887.28	5,573.69	31,460.97	146,058.17
1938	IMPROVEMENT OF CEMETERY	CAPITAL RESERVE				12,354.00	(131.44)	17,322.56	11,319.36	1,187.67	12,507.03	39,829.59
1968	FIRE DEPARTMENT RADIOS	CAPITAL RESERVE				5,484.42	500.00	5,946.29	1,387.98	344.53	1,727.51	7,673.80
1975	REPLACEMENT OF POLICE CRUISER	CAPITAL RESERVE				23,200.00	(150.61)	(27,000.00)	2,049.39	3,926.35	1,260.91	7,336.64
1976	FUTURE LIBRARY BUILDING	CAPITAL RESERVE				10,500.00	70,000.00	(122.35)	30,377.65	1,536.93	1,105.57	12,842.50
1986	REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	CAPITAL RESERVE				41,009.25	5,000.00	(3277.78)	45,731.47	9,021.16	2,509.98	43,023.15
1989	FUTURE LANDFILL CLOSING	CAPITAL RESERVE				(2,635.53)		(2,635.53)	2,635.53		2,635.53	
1990	PURCHASE OF RECREATION LANDS	CAPITAL RESERVE				43,239.00	(286.89)	47,952.11	8,432.46	3,592.31	11,024.77	58,976.88
1994	TOWN BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS	CAPITAL RESERVE				40,000.00	(256.15)	(28,873.73)	30,870.12	6,135.91	2,314.60	39,120.63
1994	TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	CAPITAL RESERVE				108,907.50	(670.39)	(50,495.69)	157,741.42	11,837.39	6,057.66	178,885.05
1990	TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	CAPITAL RESERVE				45,000.00	(267.18)	(5,075.00)	94,661.82	2,400.84	2,378.06	99,440.72
	HIGHWAY BUILDING	CAPITAL RESERVE				\$512,996.29	\$286,600.00	(\$143,621.42)	652,596.71	95,445.16	\$10,574.95	\$78,566.83
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS											

MARRIAGES REGISTERED FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000

DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAME & SURNAME OF BRIDE & GROOM	RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE
06/24/2000	BARRY J. WICKLOW LOIS D. RICHARDS	FRANCESTOWN, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH
07/08/2022	KRIS N. STEWART LISA J. GOODWIN	FRANCESTOWN, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH
07/22/2000	STEPHEN G. DREHER TONYA M. BAKEWELL	FRANCESTOWN, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH
08/18/2000	BRANDON M. KERNEN RAEGAN J. JENKINS	FRANCESTOWN, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH
08/28/2000	STEVEN D. ATWOOD CHRISTINE J. KICZEK	NASHUA, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH
09/09/2000	ADAM S. EVANS ANGEL L. BRULE	FRANCESTOWN, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH
09/09/2000	JAMES A. NOBERT JANE L. ASHWORTH	FRANCESTOWN, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH
09/16/2000	NEAL C. CONINOR JANE A. CASSELLMAN	FRANCESTOWN, NH ARLINGTON, MA
09/30/2000	MATTHEW B. WASSERLOOS MELISSA STEVENS	FRANCESTOWN, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH
10/28/2000	RICHARD LAWRENCE WELCH, JR. CLAUDIA ANNE CHASE	FRANCESTOWN, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH
12/31/2000	PAUL BAKER KNIGHT KERRY LYNN JORDAN	FRANCESTOWN, NH FRANCESTOWN, NH

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

Eilaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

BIRTHS REGISTERED FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000

01/02/2000	FRANCESTOWN, NH	AIDAN GWYNEDD HARPER	DAVID HARPER
01/03/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	SAMUEL MCCLELLAND WEST	JOHN WEST
01/10/2000	BEDFORD, NH	SCOTT ALLEN STANLEY	MARK STANLEY
01/14/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	TALIA MEG ROKES	ROBERT ROKES
02/10/2000	KEENE, NH	RACHEL ANN HARDWICK	JOHN HARDWICK
02/23/2000	MANCHESTER, NH	CASEY HALDEN GOODRICH	SCOTT GOODRICH
06/28/2000	NASHUA, NH	LUCAS MICHAEL RUZICKA	MATTHEW RUZICKA
08/02/2000	DERRY, NH	EMMA LYNNE HENDERSON	THEODORE HENDERSON
08/13/2000	MANCHESTER, NH	SEAN DYLAN BOGGIS	DONALD BOGGIS
08/24/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	KAILY NICOLE CURRIER	SCOTT CURRIER
11/18/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	COLEMAN JOSEPH MOMENE	MARK DAVID MOMENE

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000

DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME OF DECEASED	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
03/29/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	HARRIETTE E. CARAPETYAN	JOHN NORRIS	LOUISE KUMMER
07/09/2000	NASHUA, NH	JEANNE CHAPMAN	JOHN CARSON	ELINOR MOCKIER
07/19/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	ARTHUR S. BUZZELL	CHARLES BUZZELL	ALICE GAUDREAU
07/23/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	MURIEL S. GAL	CARLTON SWANSON	MARY SULLIVAN
07/30/2000	FRANCESTOWN, NH	MARY I. McQUAID	EDWARD McQUAID	MARY MARTIN
08/26/2000	FRANCESTOWN, NH	LILLIAN L. POOR	CHARLES LECONTI	EMMA BURBANK
10/12/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	LOIS S. MACADAM	F. WILLIAM SCHNELL	ETHEL BAKER
11/09/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	ELEANOR MAYTAKE PALMER	UNKNOWN DENNISON	VICTORIA UNKNOWN
12/04/2000	MANCHESTER, NH	EARL R. YOUNG	GORDON YOUNG	ISABEL MACDONALD
12/15/2000	NASHUA, NH	ERNEST POOR	PHINEAS POOR	LAURA DERBY
12/25/2000	PETERBOROUGH, NH	ROGER T. WILLIAMS	THURSTON WILLIAMS	MARJORIE HEFFER

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

**TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, NH
MARCH 14, 2000**

Meeting opened by acting Moderator Harold A. Varnum at 10:00 o'clock AM and polls were declared opened.

Moderator read Warrant Articles 1 through 3 and announced that the second session would be at the Town Hall, March 18, 2000 at 10 o'clock AM.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Frankestown of Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March next, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter set forth. The voting on Articles 1 thru 3 will be by official ballot, and the polls shall be open for balloting on said date at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon and shall not close before 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

Elaine T. McClary moved the polls be closed at 7:00PM and that the absentee ballots be cast at 3:00PM. Seconded and carried.

Total vote Town Officers Ballot

Regular Ballots	Absentee Ballots
300	16

Total vote School Ballot

Regular Ballots	Absentee Ballots
300	9

Total number of names on Checklist

1027

Article 1.

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
(By Official Ballot)

OFFICE

For Moderator for Two Years

Vote for One

Paul H. Lawrence	292
Write-in James St. Jean	1

For Selectmen for Three Years

Vote for One

O. Alan Thulander	223
Write-in Abigail Arnold 19, Scott Carbee 4, Charles Pyle 2, Barry Jordan 2, Betsy Hardwick 1, Patrick Hooper 1, Clayton Foote, Jr. 1, Tim Bower 1, John Paige 1, Gary Schnakenberg 1, Ed Jones 1, Louis Wiederhold 1, B. Tarr 1, N. Wilder 1, Randall Wheeler 1, George Morgan 1.	

For Planning Board for Three Years

Vote for Two	
Stewart Brock	248
Sandra L. Ellis	264
Write-in Frank Hanchett 1, Gary Palge 1, Cindy St. Jean 1.	
For Planning Board for One Year	
Vote for One	
John Soper	275
Write-in Richard Cilley 2, Polly Freese 1, Richard Wheeler 1.	
For Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years	
Vote for One	
David C. Avery	269
Write-in Patty McNeil 1.	
For Public Assistance Administrator for One Year	
Vote for One	
Barbara J. Carbee	265
Write-in Nancy Jones 1, Mary Jane Marsden 1, Judith Danforth 1.	
For Supervisor of Checklist for Six Years	
Vote for One	
Bernice E. Miller	291
Write-in Mary Jane Marsden 1.	
For Library Trustee for Three Years	
Judith R. Danforth	288
Vote for One	
Write-in Alan Thulander 2, Scott Carbee 1, Ed Jones 1, Gary Schnakenberg 1.	
For Cemetery Commission for Three Years	
Vote for One	
Write-in Linda Kelly 28, Richard Leavitt 7, Gordon Sherman 5, Alan Thulander 5, Barbara Carbee 2.	
For Fireward for One Year	
Vote for Five	
Donald C. Abbott	289
Brian Delahanty	290
David W. Kullgren	289
Richard F. Leavitt	289
Alvin L. VanCleave	282
Conval School District Officers	
For Moderator for One Year	
Vote for One	
Peter Hopkins	267
Write-in Denise Glover 1.	

Article 2. (Non-Conforming Lots)

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment Number 1 dealing with non-conforming lots as proposed by the Planning Board for the Francestown Zoning Ordinance?
(By Official Ballot)

The purpose of this proposal is to assure that only substandard lots which were assessed by the Town of Francestown as individual lots on April 1, 1999 and/or which are located within a subdivision approved by the Planning Board are built upon and, then, only if the lot can meet zoning requirements - such as septic and water - other than size and acreage.

Yes 240

No 62

Article 3. (Phased Development)

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment Number 2 adding a new section, 3.1.4, Phased Development, as follows:

The Planning Board may require that a development be constructed in phases, according to a schedule which will be consistent with the capacity of public services and facilities, including, but not limited to, schools and transportation, and with the building and capital improvement plans to provide those services as developed by the Town of Francestown and the Contoocook Valley School District. The authority vested under this ordinance is pursuant to RSA 674:21, and the Planning Board shall have exclusive jurisdiction. The Planning Board may adopt such regulations as it deems prudent and necessary to effectuate this ordinance.

(By Official Ballot)

Yes 234

No 66

You are hereby notified to meet at the Contoocook Valley Regional High School at 184 Hancock Rd., (Route 202 North) in Peterborough on the fifth day of February next at 10:00 o'clock in the morning for the first session of the Annual School District Meeting and you are further notified to meet at the Francestown Town Hall from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM on the 14th day of March 2000 next to act upon the following subjects:

Contoocook Valley School District
March 14, 2000
Results of School District Ballot:

See following page for results:

1. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1) raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,250,000 (Gross Budget) for the building, renovating and equipping of Peterborough and Antrim Elementary schools; 2) authorize the issuance of \$4,250,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33); and 3) authorize the school board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon? (3/5 Vote Required) (The ConVal School Board and Municipal Budget Committee designate this article as a SPECIAL warrant article.)

YES NO

2. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District appoint the salaries of the School Board and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District as follows: School Board Chair, \$700; each member, \$500; Treasurer, \$2,000; Moderator, \$100; School Board Clerk, \$70 per meeting?

YES NO

3. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District accept the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, and Officers chosen?

YES NO

4. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District employ an independent auditing firm to audit the financial records of the District for the 1999-2000 school year?

YES NO

5. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$27,926,737? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$27,426,551, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Contoocook Valley School District or by law or 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.

YES NO

6. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1) raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$175,000 for the Elementary Schools Building Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established pursuant to the provisions of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of the Elementary Schools Building Project; and 2) authorize the transfer of that amount from the June 30, 2000 fund balance for this purpose? (This amount is equivalent to the interest earned on bond proceeds transferred to the general fund on or before June 30, 2000.) (The ConVal School Board and Municipal Budget Committee designate this article as a SPECIAL warrant article.)

YES NO

7. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1) raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$300,000 for the Elementary Schools Building Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established pursuant to the provisions of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of the Elementary Schools Building Project, with such amount to be funded from the year and undesignated fund balance available on July 1, 2000? (This amount represents up to \$250,000 from the sale of district owned properties in the towns of Temple and Greenfield and \$50,000 from the June 30, 2000 general fund surplus.) (The ConVal School Board and Municipal Budget Committee designate this article as a SPECIAL warrant article.)

YES NO

8. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1) approve the cost items of the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Contoocook Valley School Board and the Contoocook Valley Education Association - NEA/NH which calls for increases in salaries and benefits of approximately \$613,500 for the fiscal year 2000-2001, and 2) further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$613,500 for the 2000-2001 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation of the current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

YES NO

9. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District, if Article 8 is defeated, authorize the Contoocook Valley School Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 8 cost items only?

YES NO

10. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 for the purchase of computer hardware, software, and networking equipment for the use of students as part of the District Technology Plan? (The ConVal School Board and Municipal Budget Committee designate this article as a SPECIAL warrant article.)

YES NO

11. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District abolish the budget committee established under the provisions of RSA 32:14? (Submitted by Petition)

YES NO

Article 4 .

Motion by O. Alan Thulander to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same. Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN
OF FRANCESTOWN**

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the ensuing
year January 1,2000 to December 31, 2000.
February 9,2000

O. Alan Thulander, Chairman
Paul A. St. Cyr
David A. Jonas

Selectmen
of
Francestown

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)	2000
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
Executive	\$30,379
Election/Town Clerk	23,097
Financial Administration	21,195
Revaluation Updates/Tax Map	4,700
Legal Expenses	7,500
Medical Expenses	19,827
FICA/Medicare	23,617
Unemployment Insurance	750
Workman's Compensation	2,000
Retirement Highway	4,053
Planning & Zoning	20,629
Planning Board Review	2,500
General Bldg Maintenance	25,450
Cemeteries	9,175
Insurance	25,000
Regional Association Dues	821
PUBLIC SAFETY	
Police Department	55,588
Ambulance	2,500
Fire Department	26,886
Building Inspector	1,400
Emergency Management	500
HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES	
Town Maintenance	200,129
General Expenses Highway	72,925
Resealing & Patching	58,500
Graveling	20,000
Bridges	10,000
Street Lighting	4,200
SANITATION	
Solid Waste Disposal	83,357
Landfill Well Test	2,497
HEALTH	
Health Departments	2,632

WELFARE	
General Assistance	5,500
CULTURE AND RECREATION	
Recreation	22,625
Library	48,667
CONSERVATION	
Conservation Commission	850
DEBT SERVICE	
Principal-Long Term Notes	0
Interest-Long Term Notes	0
Interest on TAN	2,500
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$841,949
Article 4 carried.	

Article 5.

Motion by Nicholas Wilder to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Eight Thousand, Two Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars, (\$28,248.00) to purchase a new 2000 Dodge Durango with interior cage, such sum to be raised for this purpose by the withdrawal of Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars, (\$27,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Police Cruiser", and the balance of One Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars, (\$1,248.00) by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Scott Carbee

Article 5 carried.

Article 6.

Motion by Paul St. Cyr to see if the Town will vote to place the net proceeds received from the sale of the 1996 Ford cruiser in the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Police Cruiser", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Clayton Foote, Jr.

Article 6 carried.

Article 7.

Motion by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to Ninety-Five Thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$95,700.00) to buy a new 2000 Ford 550 Chassis with a custom body to serve as a rescue vehicle, such sum to be raised for this purpose by the withdrawal of Seventy-Five Thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$75,700.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Replacement of Fire Trucks"; and accept a gift of up to Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) from the Mt. Crotchet Firefighters Association; or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

Article 7 carried.

Motion by Abigail Arnold to advance Article 10.

Seconded by O. Alan Thulander.

Motion to advance Article 10 carried.

Article 10.

Motion by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy-One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$271,500.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Accounts, to be allocated as follows:

Future Replacement of Fire Trucks	\$40,000.00
Future Replacement of Fire Dept. Radios	500.00
Future Replacement or Purchase of Hwy. Equip.	30,000.00
Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	6,000.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	5,000.00
Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	5,000.00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	20,000.00
Future Town Road Improvements	100,000.00
Future Town Highway Garage	55,000.00
Future Improvement of Cemetery	5,000.00
Future Library Building	5,000.00

or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Abigail Arnold.

Motion by Betsy Wiederhold to amend Future Library Building to increase by \$15,000.00 for a total of \$20,000.00.

Seconded by Stephen Griffin.

Motion to amend Future Library Building total to \$20,000.00 carried.

Motion by Louis Wiederhold to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Six Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$286,500.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Accounts, to be allocated as follows:

Future Replacement of Fire Trucks	\$40,000.00
Future Replacement of Fire Dept. Radios	500.00
Future Replacement or Purchase of Hwy. Equip.	30,000.00
Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	6,000.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	5,000.00
Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	5,000.00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	20,000.00
Future Town Road Improvements	100,000.00
Future Town Highway Garage	55,000.00
Future Improvement of Cemetery	5,000.00
Future Library Building	20,000.00

or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Michael Ricci.

Article 10 as amended Carried.

Article 8.

Motion by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to reconstruct a portion of the Second New Hampshire Turnpike South beginning at the Lyndeborough town line, and ending at the Caskie Bridge, and further to reconstruct a portion of said road at or about the intersection of Avery Road, such sum to be raised by the

withdrawal of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,00.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Future Town Road Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Stephen Griffin.

Article 8 carried.

Article 9.

Motion by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) to fund the Town's share of the Main Street reconstruction project, including the sidewalk, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Future Town Road Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Stephen Griffin.

Article 9 Carried.

Article 11.

Motion by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000.00), to repair, scrape, prime, and paint the exteriors of the Town Hall, Horse Sheds, Town Hall Annex, and the new town office building or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Michael Ricci.

Article 11 Carried.

Article 12.

Motion by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$135,000.00), such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Forty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Town Building Improvements"; Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00) withdrawn from the General Fund undesignated balance, to fund the renovation of the former elementary school for town offices, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Edward Gagnon.

Motion by Abigail Arnold to amend Article 12 by striking withdrawal of Forty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Town Building Improvements" and change Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00) to \$135,000.00 withdrawn from the General Fund undesignated balance, to fund the renovation of the former elementary school for town offices, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Charles Eggert, Jr.

Article 12 as amended to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars such sum to be withdrawn from the General Fund undesignated balance, to fund the renovation of the former elementary school for town offices, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 12 as amended Carried.

Article 16.

Motion by O. Alan Thulander to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to complete the required fire safety improvements of the Bixby Library building such sums to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

Motion by Abigail Arnold to amend to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00), to complete the required fire safety improvements of the Bixby Library building such sums from Capital Reserve from Future Town Building Improvements.

Seconded by Charles Eggert, Jr.

Motion to amend Carried.

Article 16 as amended Carried.

Article 17.

Motion by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will rescind its affirmative vote on article 10 at the March 12, 1991 Town meeting to permit the construction of a vehicular museum on the Town Common next to the Old Meeting House, and vote to permit the construction of a similar building on the grounds of the "Red School", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Michael Ricci.

Article 17 Carried.

Article 18.

Motion by Steven Brown to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00) to improve the drainage system along the Second New Hampshire Turnpike North from the Tory Pines parking lot to the top of Cock Hill, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Town Road Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Denise Glover.

Article 18 Carried.

Article 19.

Motion by Charles O'NEILL to see if the Town will vote to rescind from its affirmative action to allow use of the Town Hall Annex space as a trial community center, and vote to permit the Board of Selectmen to lease the vacant space to the Francestown Improvement and Historical Society, (FIHS) for One Dollar (\$1.00) per year, the terms to be mutually agreed upon by the parties, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Clayton Foote, Jr.

Article 19 Carried.

Article 20.

Motion by Michael Ricci to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to be placed in the Conservation Fund as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Steven Brown.

Article 20 Carried.

Article 21.

Motion by Edward Gagnon to see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court:

Resolved, New Hampshire's natural, cultural and historic resources in this town and throughout the state are worthy of protection and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should establish and fund a permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of these important resources.

Seconded by Harold Vamum.

Article 21 Carried.

Article 22.

Motion by Barbara J. Carbee to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting;

Seconded by Charles Eggert, Jr.

Discussion about what color the new Town Office Building should be painted. Some wanted white, others mentioned red. No decision was made.

Motion to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

A true copy of record-Attest:

Elaine T. McClary

Elaine T. McClary
Town Clerk

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