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ORFORD

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Annual Report

For the Year Ended December 31, 2002

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TOWN DIRECTORY
www.orfordnh.us

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Every Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. in the Town Office, Route 25A, Orford, NH.

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE Phone & Fax: 353-4889

E-mail: orfordselectmen@joimail.com

Mary Greene, Administrative Assistant

Office Hours: Monday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

 Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

 Wednesday 1:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Selectmen's Office is in the Town Office.

TOWN CLERK 353-4404

Louise Mack, Town Clerk

Office Hours: Tuesday 2:00 – 7:00 p.m.

 Wednesday 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

 Thursday 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Town Clerk's Office is in the Town Office.

TAX COLLECTOR 353-4831

Louise Mack, Tax Collector

Tax Collector's Office is in her home on Archertown Road.

POLICE DEPARTMENT Call 9-1-1 for emergencies

Police Chief Office **353-4252**

FIRE DEPARTMENT Call 9-1-1 for emergencies

Arthur Dennis, Fire Chief

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 353-9366

Charles Waterbury, Road Agent

PLANNING BOARD MEETING

The Planning Board meets every third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Office.

FREE LIBRARY Laurel Fulford, Librarian **353-9166**

Tuesday and Friday 3:30 – 7:30 p.m.; Saturday 9 – 11:30 a.m.; Sunday 2 – 5 p.m.

SOCIAL LIBRARY Sarah Putnam, Librarian **353-9756**

Monday 3 – 7 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Thursday 3 – 7 p.m.;

Friday 2 – 5 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

ORFORD TOWN OFFICERS

Elected by nonpartisan ballot on Town Meeting Day

MODERATOR

Peter Thomson	353-4111	2004	2-Year Term
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SELECTMEN

David Bischoff, Chairman	353-9818	2005	3-Year Term
Quentin Mack	353-9240	2004	3-Year Term
Gerald Pease	353-9070	2003	3-Year Term

TREASURER

Carl Cassel	353-4434	2004	3-Year Term
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SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Jane Hebb	353-4496	2008	6-Year Term
Andrew Schwaegler	272-9202	2006	6-Year Term
Brenda Smith	353-8114	2005	6-Year Term

TAX COLLECTOR

Louise Mack	353-4831	2005	3-Year Term
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TOWN CLERK

Louise Mack	353-4404	2005	3-Year Term
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ROAD AGENT

Charles Waterbury	353-9366	2003	3-Year Term
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PLANNING BOARD

Paul Dalton, Chairman	353-9844	2004	3-Year Term
Elizabeth Bischoff, Vice-Chair	353-4526	2003	3-Year Term
David Coker	353-4104	2003	3-Year Term
Sam Hanford	353-9678	2005	3-Year Term
Jonathan Sands	353-4746	2004	3-Year Term
Andrew Schwaegler	272-9202	2005	3-Year Term
David Bischoff	353-9818		Ex Officio
Ann Green	353-4150		Alternate
Guy Hebb	353-4848		Alternate

Nominated and Elected from the floor on Town Meeting Day

AUDITOR

Plodzick & Sanderson, Accountants & Auditors

OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Board of Selectmen	353-4889	2003	1-Year Term
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ORFORD TOWN OFFICERS *(continued)***FENCE VIEWERS**

Mark Marsh	353-9007	2003	1-Year Term
H. Horton Washburn	353-4570	2003	1-Year Term

HEALTH OFFICER

Board of Selectmen	353-4889	2003	1-Year Term
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SEXTON

Cemetery Commission		2003	1-Year Term
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BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

James Hook	353-4834	2003	1-Year Term
Robert Palifka	353-9367	2003	1-Year Term
Andrew Schwaegler	272-9202	2003	1-Year Term
Tom Steketeer	353-4425	2003	1-Year Term
Herbert Verry	353-9450	2003	1-Year Term

ORFORD FREE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Carol Boynton	353-4874	2003	3-Year Term
Christie Manning	353-9343	2004	3-Year Term
Susan Kling	353-9166	2005	3-Year Term

FIRE WARDS

Arthur Dennis	353-4502	2003	1-Year Term
James Hook	353-4834	2003	1-Year Term
Larry Taylor	353-9865	2003	1-Year Term

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Ranson Perry, Chairman	353-4793	2005	3-Year Term
Elwyn Brooks	353-9532	2003	3-Year Term
Brad McCormack	353-4469	2003	3-Year Term
John O'Brien	353-9857	2003	3-Year Term
Dave Thomson	353-9607	2004	3-Year Term

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Mark Blanchard	353-9873	2005	3-Year Term
Stuart Corpieri	353-4229	2004	3-Year Term
Joe Davis	353-9725	2003	3-Year Term

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Ruth Brown	353-9092	2003	3-Year Term
Julia Fifield	353-4881	2004	3-Year Term
Paul Messer	353-4883	2005	3-Year Term

ORFORD TOWN OFFICERS (continued)**Appointed by the Board of Selectmen****FIRE CHIEF**

Arthur Dennis	353-4502	2003	1-Year Term
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POLICE CHIEF

	353-4252	2003	1-Year Term
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Mark Simmons	353-4517	2003	1-Year Term
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ANIMAL CONTROL

Roy Daisey	353-9534	2004	3-Year Term
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INSPECTORS OF ELECTION

Elizabeth Bischoff	353-4526	2004	2-Year Term
Elizabeth Blauvelt	353-4115	2004	2-Year Term
Betty Messer	353-4883	2004	2-Year Term
Judith Parker	353-4882	2004	2-Year Term
Ruth Brown	353-9092		Alternate
Laura Verry	353-9450		Alternate

NILES FUND COMMITTEE

Elizabeth Bischoff	353-4526	2003	1-Year Term
David Coker	353-4104	2003	1-Year Term
David Green	353-4160	2003	1-Year Term
Tara Mitchell	353-9012	2003	1-Year Term
Quentin Mack	353-9240		Ex Officio

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Bry Beeson, Chairman	353-4311	2005	3-Year Term
Emily Bryant	353-9033	2005	3-Year Term
William McKee	353-4520	2005	3-Year Term
Sarah Schwaegler	272-4817	2003	3-Year Term
Bruce Streeter	353-9909	2004	3-Year Term
Thomas Thomson	353-4488	2003	3-Year Term
Charles Waterbury	353-9366	2005	3-Year Term

TREE WARDEN

Charles Waterbury	353-9366	2003	1-Year Term
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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR FLOOD PLAINS

Emily Bryant	353-9033	2005	3-Year Term
Paul Messer	353-4883	2005	3-Year Term
Taylor Soper	353-9972	2005	3-Year Term
Rendell Tullar	353-4860	2005	3-Year Term
Shawn Washburn	353-4207	2005	3-Year Term

TOWN OF ORFORD
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 12, 2002

GRAFTON, ss.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The polls were opened at 4:05 p.m. The ballots were counted (621) and the voting began for the Town Officers on the Australian Ballot.

The Annual Town Meeting for the Town of Orford was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Moderator Peter Thomson led the assembly in the Salute to the Flag. He then brought to everyone's attention that the older flag displayed in the hall had a few stars missing and that copies were available on the history of the flag. (Carl Schmidt brought the flag to the meeting after Richard Butman told him it was in the vault at the Town Office.) Thomson went on to tell a personal story of an election that took place in 1972 when a certain person was running for Governor and two people in the town, Skeet Dyke, a Democrat, and Hattie Baker, a Republican, made a bet on whether or not the Orford resident would win the election — Skeet betting that he wouldn't, Hattie that he would, with the winner receiving a wheelbarrow ride down the length of Orford Main Street. Skeet ended up giving Hattie a ride!

Peter mentioned the honor of having present that evening the oldest resident (holding the Boston Cane), Julia Fifield. Julia in turn honored Theda Pease, who was present, stating that she was the second oldest resident — 3 months younger than herself.

Other items announced that evening: the Rabies Clinic on March 23rd, 11 a.m. to noon at the fire station, the Friends of the libraries' display at the back of the hall with a questionnaire to be filled out, and a handout of the Social Library's yearly statistics which were not submitted for publication in the Annual Report.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Messer to dispense with the reading of the Warrant and was passed with a voice vote in affirmation.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers.
Officers elected from the floor:

For one year:	Auditor	Plodzick & Sanderson
For one year:	Overseers of Public Welfare	Board of Selectmen
For one year:	Fence Viewers	Mark Marsh H. Horton Washburn
For one year:	Health Officer	Board of Selectmen
For one year:	Sexton	Cemetery Commission

For one year: Budget Advisory Committee	James Hook Robert Palifka Andrew Schwaegler Thomas Steketee Herbert Verry
For three years: Orford Free Library Trustee	Susan Kling
For one year: Fire Wards	Arthur Dennis James Hook Larry Taylor
For three years: Parks and Playgrounds	Ransom Perry
For three years: Trustee of Trust Funds	Mark Blanchard
For three years: Cemetery Commission	Paul Messer

ARTICLE 2:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred and sixteen thousand five hundred and ninety-three dollars (\$616,593) for general municipal operations.

General Government

Executive	\$ 38,325.
Election	19,130.
Financial Administration	24,425.
Revaluation of Property	4,600.
Legal Expenses	9,500.
Personnel Administration	36,968.
Planning Board	6,690.
General Government Buildings	8,089.
Cemeteries	9,313.
Insurance	15,886.
Regional Association	1,047.
Contingency Fund	3,000.

Public Safety

Police	\$ 56,741.
Ambulance	16,365.
Fire Department	19,396.
Emergency Management	750.

Highways and Bridges

Highways	\$193,975.
Bridges	6,000.
Street Lighting	4,700.

Sanitation

Solid Waste Collection	\$ 500.
Solid Waste Disposal	40,250.

Health

Animal Control	\$ 2,460.
Health Agency	5,885.

Welfare

Direct Assistance	\$ 4,500.
Intergovernmental Welfare	1,800.

Culture and Recreation

Parks and Playgrounds	\$ 17,544.
Libraries	19,153.
Patriotic Purposes	125.

Conservation

Other Conservation	\$ 605.
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Debt Service

Principal — Long Term Bonds	\$ 28,310.
Interest — Long Term Bonds	6,523.

Improvements Other Than Buildings

Microfilming of Town	
Historical Records	\$ 300.
Restoration of Town	
Historical Records	2,700.
Hazardous Waste	838.
Fire Department Radios	1,500.
Maintenance for Community Field	7,500.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. A voice vote in affirmation.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 3:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and seventeen thousand dollars (\$117,000) for payments into the following capital reserve funds:

Bridges & Roads CRF (1989)	\$ 10,000.
Fire Trucks CRF (1989)	20,000.
Grader CRF (1983)	8,000.
Highway Dept. Trucks CRF (1983)	25,000.
Loader CRF (1983)	7,000.
Police Cruiser CRF (1978)	7,000.
Tractor/Mower (P&P) CRF (1992)	5,000.
Reappraisal CRF (1987)	15,000.
Dump Closure CRF (1991)	20,000.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. A voice vote in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 4:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to twenty-six thousand five hundred dollars (\$26,500) for the purchase and equipping of a new 4WD police cruiser; of that amount, \$15,000 is authorized to be withdrawn from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund, established in 1978, up to \$5,500 is authorized to be raised through a trade-in of the existing police cruiser, and the balance of \$6,000 is to be raised by taxation.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. After a long discussion the article was amended by Sam Hanford and seconded by Harry Osmer to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to twenty-six thousand five hundred dollars (\$26,500) for the purchase and equipping of a new 4WD police cruiser; of that amount, \$15,000 is authorized to be withdrawn from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund, established in 1978, up to \$5,500 is authorized to be raised through a trade-in of the existing police cruiser and the balance to be raised by taxation. The amended article was withdrawn and the original motion was passed by a voice vote in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new highway brush chipper for the Highway Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-three thousand five hundred dollars (\$23,500) for this purpose.

A motion was made by Susan Beeson and seconded by Paul Messer. A voice vote was made in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 6:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) for paving projects.

A motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. A voice vote was made in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 7:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for construction of a recycling station shed at the recycling center. This will be a non-lapsing article appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the recycling center is completed or by December 31, 2003, whichever is sooner.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Gerald Pease. A voice vote was made in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

A motion was made by Caryl Miller and seconded by Paul Messer to take up Article 14 at this time. A voice vote was made in the affirmative to do so.

ARTICLE 14:

To see if the Town will vote to have a town building permit ordinance under RSA 31:39, 1(1) to provide the Selectmen with information about the construction or alteration of property improvement in order to provide the Board more complete information for purposes of tax assessment, and to enable the monitoring of compliance with already existing state and local laws and regulations.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. After a long discussion a paper ballot was requested.

187 ballots were cast: Yes – 55 No – 132

The article was defeated.

ARTICLE 8:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to repair the fence at the Street Cemetery. This will be a non-lapsing article appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until fencing is completed or by December 31, 2004, whichever is sooner.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Paul Messer. Paul Messer explained what they were going to do and really didn't know if this was enough to complete the job. A voice vote in the affirmative was made.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) for payment into the Town Property Expendable Trust Fund, established in 2000. The \$7,500 represents money received from the Rivendell Interstate School District.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. A voice vote in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 10:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1, to be known as the "Town Tax Map Capital Reserve Fund," for the purpose of acquiring digitized mapping of the Town's tax maps, and to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Selectmen as agents of the Town to expend money from the fund for this purpose without further Town Meeting approval.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Gerald Pease. A voice vote in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) from interest in the Lenore Niles Trust Fund for the purpose of planting trees on town-owned property, improving community facilities and sponsoring organizations or individuals of Orford with financial aid for opportunities that otherwise might be unattainable.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. A voice vote in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 12: (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for the purpose of building a 12' x 12' wooden shelter at Indian Pond Beach.

The motion was made by Bethany Miller and seconded by Chase Kling. After a discussion was had a paper ballot was cast.

109 ballots were cast: Yes – 60 No – 49

The article was passed.

The ballot box was closed at 10 p.m. and the Supervisors of the Checklist and Ballot Clerks proceeded to count the ballots for the elected Town Officers.

ARTICLE 13:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) for landfill closure costs: well monitoring rehabilitation, engineering services, sample collection and analysis, to replace two monitoring wells, and authorize the withdrawal of such from the Dump Closure (Expendable Trust) established for this purpose at the 1991 annual meeting to pay for these costs.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. A voice vote in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 15:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept, on behalf of the Town, gifts, legacies, and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose as permitted by RSA 31:19. Such acceptance is authorized without further action by the Town and remains in effect until rescinded.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Gerald Pease. A voice vote in the affirmative.

The article was passed.

ARTICLE 16:

To see if the Town will vote to abolish the elected office of Fence Viewer. This position was originally created in 1921 for the purpose of verifying the placement of a property owner's fence in Town.

The motion was made by David Bischoff and seconded by Quentin Mack. A voice vote was taken and it was defeated.

The article was defeated.

ARTICLE 17:

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors and Committees heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Paul Messer gave a progress report on the World War II Committee. The monument is going to be built of granite and the expected cost will be about \$7,000. The monument will remain in Orfordville but just where they don't know.

Virginia Marino reported on a letter she had received from the New York City Fire Department, as a result of September 11th, thanking the Town for their donations and indicating that everyone who made a donation will be receiving a thank you letter from the department.

ARTICLE 18:

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

Janice Grady asked for a report on 9-1-1 mapping.

The business portion of the Town Meeting was completed at 10:15 p.m. and a recess was taken for the counting of the ballots.

The results of the Ballots:

MODERATOR: Two-Year Term

Peter M. Thomson – 218

Carl Cassel – 1

SELECTMAN: Three-Year Term

David F. Bischoff – 164

P. Chase Kling – 7

Paul Messer, Arthur Stout – 5 each

William McKee – 3

Larry Taylor, Scott Marsh, Jon Sands, Mark Marsh, Harold Taylor – 2 each

Kirby Ogle, Albert Ball, Michael Dyke, James McGoff, David Thomson, Keith Brooks, Bruce Gray, Bry Beeson, Shawn Washburn, Peter Thomson, Arthur Dennis, Calvin Dyke – 1 each

TOWN CLERK: Three-Year Term

Louise M. Mack – 215

Julie Taylor, Linda Gordon, Betty Messer, Sandra Marsh,
Theresa Taylor – 1 each

TAX COLLECTOR: Three-Year Term

Louise M. Mack – 219

Judy Franklin, Linda Gordon – 1 each

PLANNING BOARD MEMBER: Three-Year Term

Andrew B. Schwaegler – 196

Mark Marsh, Harold Taylor – 2 each

Ronald Taylor, James Hook, Shirley Waterbury, James McGoff,
Michael Grady, Horton Washburn, Carl Schmidt, Helene Nagy,
Ruth Cserr, Ann Green, Ranson Perry – 1 each

PLANNING BOARD MEMBER: Three-Year Term

Sam R. Hanford – 191

Stacey Thomson, David Thomson, Floyd Marsh, Charles Waterbury,
Judy Franklin, Timothy Ruff, Ruth Cserr, Eric Gesler, Carl Cassel,
Allen Hebb – 1 each

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST: Six-Year Term

Jane P. Hebb – 210

Deborah Sands, Susan Kling, Beth Blauvelt, Theresa Taylor – 1 each

The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 p.m. The ballots were sealed at 11:15 p.m.

The foregoing is a true copy.

Attest: Louise M. Mack, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ORFORD
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
2003**

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD, County of Grafton, in said state, qualified to vote on Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Rivendell Gymnasium in said Orford on Tuesday the 11th of March next at seven o'clock in the evening to act on the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1.

To choose all necessary Town Officers. The polls will be open from four o'clock in the afternoon and will close no earlier than nine o'clock in the evening for you to cast your ballot for the following officers:

Selectman	3-Year Term
Road Agent	3-Year Term
Planning Board Members (2)	3-Year Term

and to vote for anything that may be on your ballot.

ARTICLE 2.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred and sixty-six thousand, nine hundred and ninety-seven dollars (\$666,997) for general municipal operations. (Majority vote required.)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$ 43,450.
Election	19,849.
Financial Administration	34,263.
Revaluation of Property	4,600.
Legal Expenses	9,500.
Personnel Administration	36,466.
Planning Board	6,700.
General Government Buildings	8,324.
Cemeteries	11,893.
Insurance	10,150.
Regional Association	1,047.
Contingency Fund	3,000.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police	\$ 63,230.
Ambulance	16,365.
Fire Department	20,015.
Emergency Management	750.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Highways	\$225,120.
Bridges	6,000.
Street Lighting	4,700.

SANITATION

Solid Waste Collection	\$ 750.
Solid Waste Disposal	34,450.

HEALTH

Animal Control	\$ 2,575.
Health Agency	6,060.

WELFARE

Direct Assistance	\$ 4,500.
Intergovernmental Welfare	2,900.

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Parks and Playgrounds	\$ 19,277.
Libraries	20,929.
Patriotic Purposes	125.

CONSERVATION

Other Conservation	\$ 601.
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DEBT SERVICE

Principal — Long Term Bonds	\$ 28,310.
Interest — Long Term Bonds	5,098.

IMPROVEMENTS OTHER THAN BUILDINGS

Microfilming of Town	
Historical Records	\$ 300.
Restoration of Town	
Historical Records	\$ 2,700.
Fire Department Radios	1,500.
Maintenance for Community Field	7,500.

(NOTE: Under RSA 32:5 V, the Selectmen are required to indicate whether or not they approve of an appropriation which appears as part of a special warrant article. The notation at the end of the following money articles gives the opinion of the majority of the Board.)

(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 3.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$138,000) for payments into the following capital reserve funds as follows:

Bridges & Roads CRF (1989)	\$ 10,000.
Fire Trucks CRF (1989)	20,000.
Grader CRF (1983)	8,000.
Highway Dept. Trucks CRF (1983)	25,000.
Loader CRF (1983)	7,000.
Police Cruiser CRF (1978)	8,000.
Reappraisal CRF (1987)	30,000.
Dump Closure CRF (1991)	20,000.

Tax Maps CRF (2002)	5,000.
Tractor/Mower (P&P) CRF (1992)	5,000.

(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 4.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) to be added with the \$15,000 in the General Budget under Highway part-time wages to total \$32,000 for the purpose of creating the position of a third full-time highway crew person. This position will require that the person be certified to drive and operate heavy equipment vehicles and provide all services necessary in maintaining roads and assisting the Road Agent. This appropriation includes retirement and health benefits. (Majority vote required.)

(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 5.

To see if the Town will vote to create an Expendable Trust Fund known as the Heavy Equipment Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for payment of unexpected expenditures that may arise that are not part of the annual highway budget and to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for an initial deposit into said fund, and to designate the Selectmen as agents of the town to expend money from the fund for this purpose without further Town Meeting approval. (Majority vote required.)

(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 6.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand four hundred and fifty dollars (\$35,450) for the purpose of reconstructing and restoring the historic Orford Mall Walk along the east side of Main Street in order to improve pedestrian safety. The terms of the Transportation Enhancement Program award, administered by the N.H. Department of Transportation, provide that this sum will be reimbursed in full to the Town following completion of the project, which is projected for 2004. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until Orford Mall Walk is completed or by December 31, 2005, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required.)

(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 7.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for additional fence repair at the Street Cemetery. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the fencing is completed or by December 31, 2004, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required.)

(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to purchase a new mower for use at the cemeteries. (Majority vote required.)

(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 9.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to make improvements to the recycling center, such as: removal of debris on the north bank, 1–2 roll-offs, forklift or foot-pedal trolley for removal of glass, and to apply preservative to the outside walls of the recycling center. (Majority vote required.)

(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 10.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) from interest in the Lenore Niles Trust Fund for the purpose of planting trees on town-owned property, improving community facilities and sponsoring organizations or individuals of Orford with financial aid for opportunities that otherwise might be unattainable.

(The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.)

ARTICLE 11. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to completely discontinue old Route 25A from its western intersection with Route 25A eastward for a distance of 800 feet. This would allow the Orford Village District to install a new well.

ARTICLE 12. (By Petition)

Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and

Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and

Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and

Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small businesses cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

That we, the citizens of ORFORD, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

- Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un- and under insured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;
- Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system.
- Everyone receives high quality care that is cost-efficient and medically effective; and
- That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

ARTICLE 13.

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors and Committees heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 14.

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

Given under our hand and seal at Orford the 5th day of February in the year two thousand and three.

David F. Bischoff
Quentin P. Mack
Gerald E. Pease
BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF ORFORD

A true copy:

Attest:

David F. Bischoff
Quentin P. Mack
Gerald E. Pease
BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF ORFORD

2003 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003
or Fiscal Year from January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003.

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS		Appropriations 2002	Actual Expenditures 2002	Recommended Appropriations 2003
Acct. No.	<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>	Warrant Article #		
4130-39	Executive	2	\$ 38,325.	\$ 38,799.
4140-49	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	2	19,130.	15,528.
4150-51	Financial Administration	2	25,425.	24,885.
4152	Revaluation of Property	2	4,600.	5,558.
4153	Legal Expense	2	9,500.	4,490.
4155-59	Personnel Administration	2	36,968.	37,354.
4191-93	Planning & Zoning	2	6,690.	6,210.
4194	General Government Buildings	2	8,089.	7,566.
4195	Cemeteries	2	9,513.	9,716.
4196	Insurance	2	15,886.	8,700.
4197	Advertising & Regional Associations	2	1,047.	1,047.
4199	Other General Government	2	3,000.	1,765.
	<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>			
4210-14	Police	2	56,741.	56,635.
4215-19	Ambulance	2	16,365.	16,365.
4220-29	Fire	2	19,396.	19,717.
4290-98	Emergency Management	2	750.	0.
	<u>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</u>			
4312	Highways & Streets	2	193,975.	172,037.
4313	Bridges	2	6,000.	324.
4316	Street Lighting	2	4,700.	4,499.
	<u>SANITATION</u>			
4323	Solid Waste Collection	2	500.	0.
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	2	35,250.	36,700.
	<u>HEALTH</u>			
4414	Pest Control	2	2,460.	1,536.
4415-19	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	2	5,885.	5,885.

2003 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 2

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS			Appropriations 2002	Actual Expenditures 2002	Recommended Appropriations 2003
		Warrant Article #			
Acct. No.	<u>WELFARE</u>				
4441-42	Administration & Direct Assistance	2	\$ 4,500.	\$ 2,142.	\$ 4,500.
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	2	1,800.	1,800.	2,900.
	<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>				
4520-29	Parks & Recreation	2	17,544.	14,429.	19,277.
4550-59	Library	2	19,153.	19,549.	20,929.
4583	Patriotic Purposes	2	125.	139.	125.
	<u>CONSERVATION</u>				
4619	Other Conservation	2	605.	407.	601.
	<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>				
4711	Principal — Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	28,310.	28,310.	28,310.
4721	Interest — Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	6,523.	6,512.	5,098.
	<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings	2	12,838.	12,411.	12,000.
<u>SUBTOTAL 1</u>			<u>\$ 616,593.</u>	<u>\$ 561,015.</u>	<u>\$ 666,997.</u>

2003 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 3

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS		Warrant Article #	Appropriations 2002	Actual Expenditures 2002	Recommended Appropriations 2003
Acct. No.	SPECIAL* WARRANT ARTICLES				
	Fire Truck	3	\$ 20,000.	\$ 20,000.	\$ 20,000.
	Highway Trucks	3	25,000.	25,000.	25,000.
	Police Cruiser	3	7,000.	7,000.	8,000.
	Grader	3	8,000.	8,000.	8,000.
	Loader	3	7,000.	7,000.	7,000.
	Bridges & Roads	3	10,000.	10,000.	10,000.
	Tractor/Mower	3	5,000.	5,000.	5,000.
	Dump Closure	3	20,000.	20,000.	20,000.
4909	Niles Fund	10	5,000.	950.	5,000.
4903	Recycling Shed	9	10,000.	9,995.	7,500.
	Digitized Maps	3	3,000.	3,000.	5,000.
	Reappraisal	3	15,000.	15,000.	30,000.
	Indian Pond Shelter	12	3,000.	2,995.	0.
	Dump Closure	13	14,000.	6,818.	0.
4902	Heavy Equip. TF	5	0.	0.	2,500.
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended					\$ 153,000.

*Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS		Warrant Article #	Appropriations 2002	Actual Expenditures 2002	Recommended Appropriations 2003
Acct. No.	INDIVIDUAL** WARRANT ARTICLES				
	Police Cruiser	4	\$ 26,500.	\$ 24,852.	\$ 0.
	Brush Chipper	5	23,500.	22,775.	0.
	Paving Projects	6	25,000.	25,000.	0.
4909	F/T Highway Crewman	4	0.	0.	17,000.
4909	Orford Mall Walk	6	0.	0.	35,450.
4909	Repair Cemetery Fence	7	7,500.	4,708.	3,000.
4902	Cemetery Mower	8	0.	0.	5,000.
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended					\$ 60,450.

**"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles." Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

2003 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 4

SOURCE OF REVENUE		Estimated Revenue 2002	Actual Revenue 2002	Estimated Revenue 2003
	Warrant Article #			
Acct. No.	TAXES			
3120	Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 11,153.	\$ 11,153.	\$ 11,000.
3185	Timber Taxes	36,259.	35,585.	35,000.
3189	Other Taxes	2,062.	326,648.	50.
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes			1,000.
3187	Excavation Activity Tax	64.	64.	
	<u>LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES</u>			
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	163,263.	198,171.	160,000.
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	9,762.	11,342.	5,000.
3311-19	<u>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</u>		1,528.	
	<u>FROM STATE</u>			
3351	Shared Revenues	8,761.	8,761.	8,000.
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	31,611.	31,611.	28,000.
3353	Highway Block Grant	49,394.	49,394.	45,000.
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	532.	532.	35,450. (Mall Walk)
3379	<u>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</u>		7,500.	
	<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>			
3401-06	Income from Departments	9,000.	10,290.	8,000.
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>			
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	5,500.	5,500.	
3502	Interest on Investments	2,899.	6,775.	2,000.
3503-09	Other	253.	6,054.	250.
		7,500.		7,500. (Rivendell)
	<u>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</u>			
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	29,000.	34,561.	138,000.
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds	5,000.	950.	5,000. (Niles)
<u>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS</u>		<u>\$ 372,013.</u>	<u>\$ 446,419.</u>	<u>\$ 489,250.</u>

2003 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD — 5

BUDGET SUMMARY

SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended	\$ 666,997.
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended	153,000.
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended	<u>60,450.</u>
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$ 880,447.
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	<u>489,250.</u>
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	<u><u>\$ 391,197.</u></u>

BUDGET COMMITTEE

The Budget Committee again worked with the Selectmen and Administrative Assistant during several rounds of departmental budget request presentations.

Most of the money in the budget is for Article 2, General Municipal Operations. This amount increases from \$616,593 to \$666,997, an 8.2% increase. \$31,745 of this \$50,404 increase is within the Highway budget, and \$28,400 of that increase is for culverts, new equipment, and the largest share for paving. The plan more than doubles the paving effort. Another notable budget increase is in financial administration, which contains an \$8,050 increase for tax collection. A large part of that increase is because the tax collector will now be paid at the increased rate of $\frac{3}{4}$ of 1% voted upon some time ago, but which had not been billed.

The Capital Reserve fund will increase again this year. \$138,000 is requested to go into the Capital Reserve fund compared to the \$117,000 requested last year. Additional Warrant articles to raise and appropriate money, if passed, would raise the total budget to \$880,447. Money appropriated in Article 6 is for \$35,450 for the Orford mall walk which will be reimbursed to the Town upon completion of this project.

Once again, a lot of effort was put into preparation of the budget by many people in the town, and their efforts are appreciated. The process is continually improving, and the many meetings have paid off in a proposed budget that the Budget Committee unanimously endorses.

We now agree with the proposed budget for 2003.

The Budget Committee

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS
January 2002 to December 2002

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE

Board of Selectmen

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (over/raff)	Percent Under (over)
01-4130.10-130	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
EX Salaries – Selectmen				
01-4130.10-220	224.00	223.20	0.80	0.36
EX Social Security				
01-4130.10-225	53.00	52.20	0.80	1.51
EX Medicare				
01-4130.10-330	600.00	766.80	(166.80)	(27.80)
EX Technical Support – Network				
01-4130.10-341	1,200.00	939.66	260.34	21.69
EX Telephone				
01-4130.10-390	300.00	275.98	24.02	8.01
EX Recording Fees				
01-4130.10-440	310.00	328.00	(18.00)	(5.81)
EX Copier Contract				
01-4130.10-550	1,200.00	547.65	652.35	54.36
EX Printing				
01-4130.10-560	1,200.00	1,192.32	7.68	0.64
EX Dues and Subscriptions				
01-4130.10-570	200.00	121.21	78.79	39.40
EX Advertising				
01-4130.10-620	700.00	1191.57	(491.57)	(70.22)
EX Office Supplies				
01-4130.10-625	750.00	625.15	124.85	16.65
EX Postage				
01-4130.10-690	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.00
EX Selectmen's Expenses				
01-4130.10-740	600.00	616.68	(16.68)	(2.78)
EX Office Equipment				
• TOTAL • Board of Selectmen	\$ 11,237.00	\$ 10,780.42	\$ 456.58	4.06

Town Administration

01-4130.20-110	\$ 20,450.00	\$ 20,147.23	\$ 302.77	1.48
AA Wages – Adm. Assistant				
01-4130.20-120	1,140.00	1,660.10	(520.10)	(45.62)
AA P/T Payroll Clerk				
01-4130.20-220	1,295.00	1,369.15	(74.15)	(5.73)
AA Social Security				
01-4130.20-225	303.00	320.13	(17.13)	(5.65)
AA Medicare				
01-4130.20-690	250.00	225.57	24.43	9.77
AA Miscellaneous				
01-4130.20-850	100.00	106.50	(6.50)	(6.50)
AA Training and Seminars				
• TOTAL • Town Administration	\$ 23,538.00	\$ 23,828.68	\$ (290.68)	(1.23)

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 2

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
Town Meeting				
01-4130.30-550	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 3,993.00	\$ (843.00)	(26.76)
01-4130.30-625	400.00	197.23	202.77	50.69
• TOTAL • Town Meeting	\$ 3,550.00	\$ 4,190.23	\$ (640.23)	(18.03)
• TOTAL • EXECUTIVE	\$ 38,325.00	\$ 38,799.33	\$ (474.33)	(1.24)

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Town Clerk				
01-4140.10-120	\$ 500.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 100.00	20.00
01-4140.10-130	1,500.00	1,347.65	152.35	10.16
01-4140.10-190	8,800.00	9,369.94	(569.94)	(6.48)
01-4140.10-220	670.00	689.30	(19.30)	(2.88)
01-4140.10-225	160.00	161.21	(1.21)	(0.76)
01-4140.10-341	850.00	788.86	61.14	7.19
01-4140.10-560	50.00	72.50	(22.50)	(45.00)
01-4140.10-570	50.00	0.00	50.00	100.00
01-4140.10-610	150.00	32.00	118.00	78.67
01-4140.10-615	620.00	776.50	(156.50)	(25.24)
01-4140.10-620	900.00	190.68	709.32	78.81
01-4140.10-625	600.00	498.87	101.13	16.86
01-4140.10-850	900.00	516.00	384.00	42.67
01-4140.10-855	1,755.00	1,755.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • Town Clerk	\$ 17,505.00	\$ 16,598.51	\$ 906.49	5.18

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 3

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
Voter Registration				
01-4140.20-130	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,594.66	\$ (694.66)	(77.18)
01-4140.20-570	250.00	0.00	250.00	100.00
01-4140.20-620	250.00	110.02	139.98	55.99
01-4140.20-690	225.00	225.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • Voter Registration	\$ 1,625.00	\$ 1,929.68	\$ (304.68)	(18.75)
• TOTAL • ELECTION AND REGISTRATION	\$ 19,130.00	\$ 18,528.19	\$ 601.81	3.15

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Tax Collection				
01-4150.40-190	\$ 13,100.00	\$ 13,797.66	\$ (697.66)	(5.33)
01-4150.40-390	700.00	510.00	190.00	27.14
01-4150.40-620	500.00	484.43	15.57	3.11
01-4150.40-625	1,400.00	1,379.50	20.50	1.46
01-4150.40-850	500.00	345.00	155.00	31.00
• TOTAL • Tax Collection	\$ 16,200.00	\$ 16,516.59	\$ (316.59)	(1.95)
Treasury				
01-4150.50-130	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4150.50-220	62.00	62.00	0.00	0.00
01-4150.50-225	15.00	14.50	0.50	3.33
01-4150.50-340	198.00	0.00	198.00	100.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 4

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION				
Treasury (continued)				
01-4150.50-620	\$ 200.00	\$ 66.45	\$ 133.55	66.78
01-4150.50-625	250.00	253.00	(3.00)	(1.20)
• TOTAL • Treasury	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 1,395.95	\$ 329.05	19.08
Data Processing				
01-4150.60-330	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,972.00	\$ 528.00	21.12
• TOTAL • Data Processing	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,972.00	\$ 528.00	21.12
Auditor				
01-4150.70-135	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • Auditor	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 25,425.00	\$ 24,884.54	\$ 540.46	2.13
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY				
01-4152.10-390	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,969.48	\$ (969.48)	(24.24)
01-4152.20-110	500.00	550.00	(50.00)	(10.00)
01-4152.20-220	31.00	31.00	0.00	0.00
01-4152.20-225	7.00	7.24	(0.24)	(3.43)
01-4152.20-620	62.00	0.00	62.00	100.00
• TOTAL • REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 5,557.72	\$ (957.72)	(20.82)

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 5

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
LEGAL EXPENSE				
01-4153.10-320	LE Town Attorney	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 3,010.04	40.13
01-4153.10-690	LE Other Legal Expenses	2,000.00	2,000.00	100.00
• TOTAL • LEGAL EXPENSE		\$ 4,489.96	\$ 5,010.04	52.74
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS				
01-4155.10-210	EMB Group Health Insurance	\$ 35,353.00	\$ (0.20)	0.00
01-4155.10-215	EMB Group Life Insurance	195.00	7.80	4.00
01-4155.10-217	EMB Group Delta Dental	1,420.00	(108.38)	(7.63)
01-4155.10-218	EMB Group AFLAC (Reimb. by Emp)	0.00	(285.04)	0.00
• TOTAL • EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		\$ 37,353.82	\$ (385.82)	(1.04)
Reimbursement: AFLAC (\$ 285.04)				
Delta Dental (\$ 531.36)				
PLANNING BOARD				
01-4191.10-390	PB Recording Fees	\$ 100.00	\$ (263.34)	(263.34)
01-4191.10-391	PB UVLSRPC – Planning Assistant	5,040.00	52.66	1.04
01-4191.10-550	PB Legal Expenses	500.00	500.00	100.00
01-4191.10-560	PB Dues and Subscriptions	30.00	30.00	100.00
01-4191.10-570	PB Advertising	200.00	(21.49)	(10.75)
01-4191.10-620	PB Office Supplies	20.00	(9.78)	(48.90)
01-4191.10-625	PB Postage	250.00	(193.02)	(77.21)

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 6

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

PLANNING BOARD (continued)

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
01-4191.10-690 PB Miscellaneous	\$ 500.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 335.00	67.00
01-4191.10-740 PB Equipment	50.00	0.00	50.00	100.00
• TOTAL • PLANNING BOARD	\$ 6,690.00	\$ 6,209.97	\$ 480.03	7.18

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

01-4194.10-220 GB Social Security	\$ 62.00	\$ 83.49	\$ (21.49)	(34.66)
01-4194.10-225 GB Medicare	17.00	19.53	(2.53)	(14.88)
01-4194.10-360 GB Custodial Services	1,000.00	1,286.41	(286.41)	(28.64)
01-4194.10-410 GB Electricity	1,500.00	1,217.37	282.63	18.84
01-4194.10-411 GB Heating Oil	2,500.00	2,220.62	279.38	11.18
01-4194.10-430 GB Repairs and Maintenance	700.00	337.94	362.06	51.72
01-4194.10-610 GB Supplies	125.00	252.84	(127.84)	(102.27)
01-4194.10-690 GB Miscellaneous	240.00	379.73	(139.73)	(58.22)
01-4194.10-710 GB Improvements to Grounds	150.00	189.98	(39.98)	(26.65)
01-4194.10-720 GB Improvements to Buildings	1,395.00	1,178.51	216.49	15.52
01-4194.10-750 GB Furniture	400.00	400.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	\$ 8,089.00	\$ 7,566.42	\$ 522.58	6.46

CEMETERIES

01-4195.10-220 CE Federal Taxes	\$ 2,070.00	\$ 2,190.45	\$ (120.45)	(5.82)
01-4195.10-490 CE Cemetery Appropriation	7,183.00	7,183.00	0.00	0.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 7

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
CEMETERIES (continued)				
01-4195.10-635 CE Gasoline	\$ 260.00	\$ 342.08	\$ (82.08)	(31.57)
• TOTAL • CEMETERIES	\$ 9,513.00	\$ 9,715.53	\$ (202.53)	(2.13)
Reimbursement: Federal Taxes (\$ 2,190.38)				
INSURANCE NOT OTHERWISE ALLOCATED				
01-4196.10-520 IN Property and Liability	\$ 12,236.00	\$ 5,862.00	\$ 6,374.00	52.09
01-4196.10-521 IN Worker's Comp. Ins.	3,650.00	2,837.64	812.36	22.26
• TOTAL • INSURANCE NOT OTHERWISE ALLOCATED	\$ 15,886.00	\$ 8,699.64	\$ 7,186.36	45.24
ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOCIATION				
01-4197.10-560 UVLSRPC Dues	\$ 1,047.00	\$ 1,047.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOCIATION	\$ 1,047.00	\$ 1,047.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
01-4199.10-000 CF Contingency Fund	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,765.44	\$ 1,234.56	41.15
• TOTAL • OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,765.44	\$ 1,234.56	41.15
• TOTAL • GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 178,173.00	\$ 164,617.56	\$ 13,555.44	7.61

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 8

PUBLIC SAFETY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
01-4210.10-110	\$ 34,575.00	\$ 34,198.39	\$ 376.61	1.09
01-4210.10-115	PD Salaries – F/T			
01-4210.10-115	PD Salaries – P/T Off.– Town App.	1,671.38	2,428.62	59.23
01-4210.10-120	PD Special Duty – P/T	600.00	11.28	1.88
01-4210.10-225	PD Medicare	516.00	(5.96)	(1.16)
01-4210.10-230	PD NH Retirement	1,700.00	(142.15)	(8.36)
01-4210.10-341	PD Telephone	1,000.00	(26.99)	(2.70)
01-4210.10-390	PD Dispatch	5,500.00	(265.50)	(4.83)
01-4210.10-430	PD Vehicle Maintenance and Repairs	5,533.83	(4,533.83)	(453.38)
01-4210.10-560	PD Dues and Subscriptions	150.00	(308.95)	(205.97)
01-4210.10-620	PD Office Supplies	250.00	(17.14)	(6.86)
01-4210.10-625	PD Postage	100.00	63.00	63.00
01-4210.10-635	PD Gasoline	1,300.00	428.57	32.97
01-4210.10-650	PD Radios	400.00	350.00	87.50
01-4210.10-671	PD School Resources	200.00	200.00	100.00
01-4210.10-690	PD Prosecution	2,500.00	0.00	0.00
01-4210.10-740	PD Equipment	2,000.00	1,147.68	57.38
01-4210.10-840	PD Uniforms	250.00	8.11	3.24
01-4210.10-850	PD Training	600.00	392.55	65.42
• TOTAL • POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$ 56,741.00	\$ 56,635.10	\$ 105.90	0.19

Reimbursement: Primex (\$ 1,295.75)

AMBULANCE

01-4215.10-351	AMB Upper Valley Ambulance	\$ 16,365.00	\$ 16,365.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • AMBULANCE		\$ 16,365.00	\$ 16,365.00	\$ 0.00	0.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 9

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
PUBLIC SAFETY				
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
01-4220.10-120	FD Wages – P/T	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 1,876.00	41.38
01-4220.10-130	FD Wages – Fire Wardens	250.00	0.00	100.00
01-4220.10-220	FD Social Security	150.00	116.30	22.47
01-4220.10-225	FD Medicare	46.00	27.22	40.83
01-4220.10-390	FD Dispatch	800.00	1,337.20	(67.15)
01-4220.10-395	FD Emergency Medical Services	200.00	0.00	100.00
01-4220.10-430	FD Equipment Maintenance	1,000.00	8,603.78	(760.38)
01-4220.10-440	FD Rent	3,950.00	3,800.00	3.80
01-4220.10-560	FD Dues and Subscriptions	150.00	50.00	66.67
01-4220.10-635	FD Vehicle Fuel	250.00	259.92	(3.97)
01-4220.10-740	FD Equipment	8,500.00	3,621.66	57.39
01-4220.10-741	FD Compressor	200.00	0.00	100.00
01-4220.10-830	FD Forest Fire	100.00	0.00	100.00
01-4220.10-850	FD Training	600.00	25.00	95.83
• TOTAL • FIRE DEPARTMENT		\$ 19,396.00	\$ 19,717.08	(1.66)
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT				
01-4290.10-690	EM Emergency Management	\$ 750.00	\$ 0.00	100.00
• TOTAL • EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		\$ 750.00	\$ 0.00	100.00
• TOTAL • PUBLIC SAFETY		\$ 93,252.00	\$ 92,717.18	0.57

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 10

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

ROAD MAINTENANCE

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
01-4312.20-110	\$ 68,000.00	\$ 49,658.74	\$ 18,341.26	26.97
HW Wages – F/T				
01-4312.20-120	20,000.00	18,296.45	1,703.55	8.52
HW Wages – P/T				
01-4312.20-220	5,100.00	4,335.64	764.36	14.99
HW Social Security				
01-4312.20-225	1,175.00	1,014.04	160.96	13.70
HW Medicare				
01-4312.20-230	3,000.00	2,137.53	862.47	28.75
HW NH Retirement				
01-4312.20-341	800.00	597.71	202.29	25.29
HW Telephone				
01-4312.20-410	950.00	872.06	77.94	8.20
HW Electricity				
01-4312.20-411	2,000.00	1,132.30	867.70	43.39
HW Heating Oil				
01-4312.20-430	500.00	174.09	325.91	65.18
HW Drug and Alcohol Testing				
01-4312.20-440	2,000.00	1732.50	267.50	13.38
HW Equipment Rental				
01-4312.20-490	3,500.00	2,920.16	579.84	16.57
HW Sweeping and Brush Cutting				
01-4312.20-560	150.00	163.50	(13.50)	(9.00)
HW Dues and Subscriptions				
01-4312.20-610	550.00	647.98	(97.98)	(17.81)
HW Miscellaneous				
01-4312.20-630	18,000.00	15,907.58	2,092.42	11.62
HW Vehicle Maint. and Repairs				
01-4312.20-635	250.00	33.98	216.02	86.41
HW Gasoline				
01-4312.20-636	9,500.00	6,293.75	3,206.25	33.75
HW Diesel				
01-4312.20-637	900.00	588.11	311.89	34.65
HW Propane				
01-4312.20-640	1,000.00	445.22	554.78	55.48
HW Building Maintenance				
01-4312.20-730	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	0.00
HW Road Reconstruction				
01-4312.20-740	1,000.00	1,121.05	(121.05)	(12.11)
HW New Equipment				
01-4312.20-840	1,600.00	1,616.07	(16.07)	(1.00)
HW Uniforms				
01-4312.20-861	3,600.00	5,580.42	(1,980.42)	(55.01)
HW Culverts				
01-4312.20-862	13,000.00	19,958.74	(6,958.74)	(53.53)
HW Gravel				
01-4312.20-863	24,000.00	26,636.42	(2,636.42)	(10.99)
HW Paving/Cold Patch				

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 11

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
ROAD MAINTENANCE <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4312.20-864	HW Road Salt	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 1,402.28	20.03
01-4312.20-865	HW Road Signs	1,000.00	475.00	47.50
01-4312.20-866	HW UNH Courses	300.00	300.00	100.00
01-4312.20-868	HW Private Road Signs	500.00	481.00	96.20
01-4312.20-890	HW Roadside Refuse Disposal	500.00	468.80	93.76
01-4312.20-895	HW Tree Removal	100.00	100.00	100.00
• TOTAL • ROAD MAINTENANCE		\$ 193,975.00	\$ 21,938.04	11.31
BRIDGES				
01-4313.10-440	BRG Equipment Rental	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	100.00
01-4313.10-630	BRG Supplies	3,000.00	2,676.00	89.20
01-4313.10-862	BRG Gravel	2,000.00	2,000.00	100.00
• TOTAL • BRIDGES		\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,676.00	94.60
STREET LIGHTING				
01-4316.10-410	SL Street Lighting	\$ 4,700.00	\$ 200.83	4.27
• TOTAL • STREET LIGHTING		\$ 4,700.00	\$ 200.83	4.27
• TOTAL • HIGHWAYS AND STREETS		\$ 204,675.00	\$ 27,814.87	13.59

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 12

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
SANITATION				
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION				
01-4323.10-610	WC Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	100.00
• TOTAL • SOLID WASTE COLLECTION				
		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	100.00
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL				
01-4324.10-390	WD Disposal – N.C.E.S./ Lebanon Landfill	\$ 33,000.00	\$ (1,617.33)	(4.90)
01-4324.10-395	WD Dues – Northeast Resource	100.00	0.00	0.00
01-4324.20-610	WD Supplies	50.00	50.00	100.00
01-4324.20-612	WD Patton Cleanup	5,000.00	5,000.00	100.00
01-4324.40-390	WD Recycling – Floyd Marsh	2,000.00	117.40	5.87
01-4324.40-395	WD Disposal – Septage – Plymouth	100.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL				
		\$ 40,250.00	\$ 3,550.07	8.82
• TOTAL • SANITATION				
		\$ 40,750.00	\$ 4,050.07	9.94
HEALTH				
ANIMAL CONTROL				
01-4414.10-120	AC Wages – P/T	\$ 800.00	\$ 472.00	41.00
01-4414.10-220	AC Social Security	50.00	29.25	41.50
01-4414.10-225	AC Medicare	10.00	6.83	31.70
01-4414.10-390	AC Veterinary/Boarding	600.00	349.00	58.17
01-4414.10-680	AC Supplies	350.00	(244.80)	(69.94)

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 13

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
HEALTH				
ANIMAL CONTROL (continued)				
01-4414.10-690 AC Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 300.00	\$ 182.19	\$ 117.81	39.27
01-4414.10-850 AC Training	350.00	0.00	350.00	100.00
• TOTAL • ANIMAL CONTROL	\$ 2,460.00	\$ 1,536.07	\$ 923.93	37.56
HEALTH AGENCIES				
01-4415.20-352 HA VNAVNH/Hospice	\$ 5,885.00	\$ 5,885.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • HEALTH AGENCIES	\$ 5,885.00	\$ 5,885.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • HEALTH	\$ 8,345.00	\$ 7,421.07	\$ 923.93	11.07
WELFARE				
DIRECT ASSISTANCE				
01-4442.10-410 DIR ASST Electricity	\$ 500.00	\$ 142.35	\$ 357.65	71.53
01-4442.10-411 DIR ASST Heat	500.00	0.00	500.00	100.00
01-4442.10-440 DIR ASST Rent	3,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	33.33
01-4442.10-690 DIR ASST Food/Misc.	500.00	0.00	500.00	100.00
• TOTAL • DIRECT ASSISTANCE	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 2,142.35	\$ 2,357.65	52.39
INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE				
01-4444.10-390 IW Tri-County CAP	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	0.00	0.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 14

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
WELFARE				
INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4444.20-390 IW Grafton County Senior Citizens	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • WELFARE	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 3,942.35	\$ 2,357.65	37.42
CULTURE AND RECREATION				
PARKS AND RECREATION				
01-4520.10-120 P&P Wages – P/T	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 3,234.79	\$ 2,765.21	46.09
01-4520.10-130 P&P Wages – Swim Instructor	1,000.00	1,145.75	(145.75)	(14.58)
01-4520.10-220 P&P Social Security	465.00	267.89	197.11	42.39
01-4520.10-225 P&P Medicare	109.00	62.70	46.30	42.48
01-4520.10-360 P&P Mowing	2,600.00	3,016.01	(416.01)	(16.00)
01-4520.10-410 P&P Electricity	200.00	361.58	(161.58)	(80.79)
01-4520.10-490 P&P Trash Collection	700.00	0.00	700.00	100.00
01-4520.10-610 P&P Miscellaneous	300.00	321.05	(21.05)	(7.02)
01-4520.10-630 P&P Maintenance/Repairs	1,000.00	761.16	238.84	23.88
01-4520.10-635 P&P Gasoline	200.00	11.00	189.00	94.50
01-4520.10-636 P&P Diesel Fuel	500.00	173.58	326.42	65.28
01-4520.10-691 P&P Portable Toilets	2,000.00	3,376.00	(1,376.00)	(68.80)
01-4520.10-695 P&P Improvements	1,000.00	357.31	642.69	64.27
01-4520.10-821 P&P Ski and Sports Program	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00	0.00
01-4520.10-822 P&P Swim Program – Misc.	220.00	90.00	130.00	59.09
• TOTAL • PARKS AND RECREATION	\$ 17,544.00	\$ 14,428.82	\$ 3,115.18	17.76

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 15

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)	
CULTURE AND RECREATION					
LIBRARY					
01-4550.10-220	LIB Social Security	\$ 325.00	\$ 644.80	\$ (319.80)	(98.40)
01-4550.10-225	LIB Medicare	75.00	150.80	(75.80)	(101.07)
01-4550.20-490	LIB Free Library – Appropriation	9,903.00	9,903.00	0.00	0.00
01-4550.30-490	LIB Social Library – Appropriation	8,850.00	8,850.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • LIBRARY		\$ 19,153.00	\$ 19,548.60	\$ (395.60)	(2.07)
Reimbursement: Federal Taxes					
	Free Library	(\$ 795.60)			
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES					
01-4583.10-610	PP Patriotic Purposes – Misc.	\$ 125.00	\$ 139.10	\$ (14.10)	(11.28)
• TOTAL • PATRIOTIC PURPOSES		\$ 125.00	\$ 139.10	\$ (14.10)	(11.28)
• TOTAL • CULTURE AND RECREATION		\$ 36,822.00	\$ 34,116.52	\$ 2,705.48	7.35
CONSERVATION					
01-4619.10-000	CONS Conservation Commission	\$ 605.00	\$ 406.76	\$ 198.24	32.77
• TOTAL • CONSERVATION		\$ 605.00	\$ 406.76	\$ 198.24	32.77
DEBT SERVICE					
LONG TERM PRINCIPAL					
01-4711.20-980	DS Debt Service – Bond Principal	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 16

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
DEBT SERVICE				
LONG TERM PRINCIPAL (continued)				
01-4711.20-985	DS Debt Service – WGSB Loan – FD	\$ 6,310.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4711.20-986	DS Debt Service – WGSB Loan – HWY	12,000.00	0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • LONG TERM PRINCIPAL		\$ 28,310.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
LONG TERM INTEREST				
01-4721.20-981	INT Interest Due on Bond	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4721.20-985	INT Interest Due – WGSB Loan – FD	2,473.00	2.94	0.12
01-4721.20-986	INT Interest Due – WGSB Loan – HWY	1,950.00	7.82	0.40
• TOTAL • LONG TERM INTEREST		\$ 6,523.00	\$ 10.76	0.16
• TOTAL • DEBT SERVICE		\$ 34,883.00	\$ 34,822.24	0.03
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
01-4901.10-730	CO Land and Improvements	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 7,181.61	51.30
01-4902.10-740	CO Machinery and Equipment	50,000.00	41,796.73	16.41
01-4903.10-720	CO Buildings	13,000.00	12,945.00	0.42
01-4909.10-730	CO Improvements other than Buildings – Microfilm	\$ 300.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
01-4909.10-731	CO Improvements other than Buildings – Restoration	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 0.00	0.00

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS — 17

	Appropriation	Disbursements	Unexpended Balance (overdraft)	Percent Under (over)
CAPITAL OUTLAY <i>(continued)</i>				
01-4909.10-732	CO Improvements other than Buildings — Niles Fund	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,050.00	81.00
01-4909.10-734	CO Improvements other than Buildings — Hazardous Waste	838.00	200.00	23.87
01-4909.10-739	CO FD Radios	1,500.00	227.28	15.15
01-4909.10-740	CO Other than Buildings	32,500.00	2,792.46	8.59
• TOTAL • CAPITAL OUTLAY		\$ 119,838.00	\$ 22,709.62	18.95
TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS				
01-4915.10-930	CRF Transfers to CRF	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
• TOTAL • TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS		\$ 120,000.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND — COMMUNITY FIELD				
01-4920.10-930	ET Maintenance — Community Field	\$ 7,500.00	\$ (5,242.58)	(69.90)
• TOTAL • EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND — COMMUNITY FIELD		\$ 7,500.00	\$ (5,242.58)	(69.90)
	Reimbursement from Rivendell	(\$ 7,500.00)		
	Reimbursement from Trust Fund	(\$ 5,242.58)		
• TOTAL • APPROPRIATED FUNDS — CURRENT YEAR		\$ 851,093.00	\$ 69,618.30	8.18

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED
Voted by the Town of ORFORD on March 12, 2002

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief. RSA 21-J:34.

Selectmen of the Town of Orford

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS		Warr. Art. #	Appropriations as Voted
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>			
4130 – 4139	Executive	2	\$ 38,325
4140 – 4149	Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics	2	19,130
4150 – 4151	Financial Administration	2	25,425
4152	Revaluation of Property	2	4,600
4153	Legal Expense	2	9,500
4155 – 4159	Personnel Administration	2	36,968
4191 – 4193	Planning and Zoning	2	6,690
4194	General Government Buildings	2	8,089
4195	Cemeteries	2	9,513
4196	Insurance	2	15,886
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	2	1,047
4199	Other General Government	2	3,000
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>			
4210 – 4214	Police	2	56,741
4215 – 4219	Ambulance	2	16,365
4220 – 4229	Fire	2	19,396
4290 – 4298	Emergency Management	2	750
<u>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</u>			
4312	Highways and Streets	2	193,975
4313	Bridges	2	6,000
4316	Street Lighting	2	4,700
<u>SANITATION</u>			
4323	Solid Waste Collection	2	500
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	2	40,250
<u>HEALTH</u>			
4414	Pest Control	2	2,460
4415 – 4419	Health Agencies and Hospitals and Other	2	5,885
<u>WELFARE</u>			
4441 – 4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	2	4,500
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	2	1,800

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED — 2
Voted by the Town of ORFORD on March 12, 2002

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS		Warr. Art. #	Appropriations as Voted
<u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u>			
4520 – 4529	Parks and Recreation	2	\$ 17,544
4550 – 4559	Library	2	19,153
4583	Patriotic Purposes	2	125
<u>CONSERVATION</u>			
4619	Other Conservation	2	605
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>			
4711	Principal — Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	28,310
4721	Interest — Long Term Bonds & Notes	2	6,523
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>			
4901	Land	13	14,000
4902	Machinery, Vehicles and Equipment	4, 5	50,000
4903	Buildings	7, 12	13,000
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	2, 8, 11	17,838
<u>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</u>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	3, 10	120,000
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maintenance Trust Fund)	9	<u>7,500</u>
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS			<u>\$ 851,093</u>

*Note: Warrant Article 2 of the 2002 operating budget for the Town of Orford includes Warrant Article 9 which addresses \$7,500 for payment into the Town Property Expendable Trust Fund. The \$7,500 represents money received from the Rivendell Interstate School District.

**SUMMARY OF REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES
For the Town of ORFORD — 2002**

RSA 21-J:34

Account #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	For Use by Municipality
	<u>TAXES</u>		
3120	Land Use Change Tax		\$ 11,153
3185	Timber Tax		36,259
3189	Other Taxes — Timber Tax Interest		378
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		1,684
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 per cubic yard)		64
	<u>LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES</u>		
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees (2001 Figures)		163,263
3290	Other Licenses, Permits and Fees		9,762
	<u>FROM STATE</u>		
3351	Shared Revenues		8,761
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution		31,611
3353	Highway Block Grant		49,394
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax) (FEMA)		532
	<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>		
3401 – 3406	Income from Departments		9,000
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>		
3501	Sale of Municipal Property (PD Cruiser Trade-in)	4	5,500
3502	Interest on Investments (WGSB & MBIA)		2,899
3503 – 3509	Other (Tire & Metal Day)	9	253
	(Rivendell)	9	7,500
	<u>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</u>		
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds (Purchase PD Cruiser)	4	15,000
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		
	(Niles Fund & Dump Closure)	11, 13	19,000
SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES			\$ 372,013
General Fund Balance			
	Unreserved Fund Balance	\$ 464,015	
	Voted from Fund Balance "Surplus"	0	
	Unreserved Fund Balance — Retained	398,015	
	Unreserved Fund Balance — Reduce Taxes	66,000	<u>66,000</u>
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			<u>\$ 438,013</u>

2002 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County

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

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CATEGORY	Number of Acres	2002 Assessed Valuation by City/Town
VALUE OF LAND ONLY		
Current Use (<i>At Current Use Values</i>) RSA 79-A	24,539.860	\$ 1,525,650
Residential Land (<i>Improved and Unimproved Land</i>)	3,685.560	14,534,200
Commercial/Industrial Land (<i>Excluding Public Utility Land</i>)	19.730	191,700
Total of Taxable Land	28,245.150	16,251,550
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land (\$1,226,200)	1,599.590	
VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY		
Residential		\$ 46,426,254
Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		954,000
Commercial/Industrial (<i>Excluding Public Utility Buildings</i>)		1,210,140
Total of Taxable Buildings		48,590,394
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings (\$2,744,300)		
Public Utilities — Electric		
Central Vermont		\$ 462
Connecticut Valley Electric Co. Inc.		389,032
New Hampshire Electric Corp.		817,467
US Gen. New England Inc.		117,289
Total of Electric Utilities		1,324,250
Valuation before Exemptions		\$ 66,166,194
Modified Assessed Valuation of all Properties		\$ 66,166,194
Blind Exemption RSA 73:37	(1) \$	15,000
Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b	(3) \$	50,000
Elderly Exemptions GRANTED:		
1 (age 75 – 79) @\$10,000		
2 (age 80+) @\$20,000		
Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	(1) \$	5,000
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		\$ 70,000
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate for Municipal, County & Local Education Tax is Computed		\$ 66,096,194
<u>Less</u> Public Utilities		\$ 1,324,250
Net Valuation without Utilities on which Tax Rate for State Education Tax is Computed		\$ 64,771,944

2002 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION — 2
Town of ORFORD in Grafton County

<u>Tax Credits</u>	<u>Limits</u>	<u>Number of Individuals</u>	<u>Estimated Tax Credits</u>
Totally and permanently disabled veterans their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty. RSA 72:35	\$1,400	1	\$ 1,400
Other war service credits. RSA 72:28	\$ 50	<u>47</u>	<u>2,350</u>
Total Number and Amount		48	\$ 3,750

Current Use Report (RSA 79-A)

	<u>Total No. of Acres Receiving Current Use Assessment</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>
Farm Land	1,559.510	\$ 389,820
Forest Land	12,058.82	853,055
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	9,895.59	271,195
Unproductive Land	<u>1,025.940</u>	<u>11,580</u>
Total	24,539.860	\$1,525,650

Other Current Use Statistics	<u>Total No. of Acres</u>
Receiving 20% Recreation Adjustment	8,855.78
Removed from Current Use during Current Year	18.71
	<u>Total No.</u>
Total # of Owners in Current Use	164
Total # of Properties in Current Use	347

2002 TAX RATE CALCULATION — Town of ORFORD

Gross Appropriations	851,093
Less: Revenues	438,013
Less: Shared Revenues	3,514
Add: Overlay	9,808
War Service Credits	3,750

Net Town Appropriation	423,124
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	423,124
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**TOWN RATE
6.40**

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. – Revenue)	0
Regional School Apportionment	2,060,575
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(282,699)
State Education Taxes	(429,114)

Approved School(s) Tax Effort	1,348,762
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**LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
20.41**

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$5.80	
73,985,112		429,114

**STATE
SCHOOL RATE
6.62**

Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)	
64,771,944	

Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State	
Pay to State →	0

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	115,989
Less: Shared Revenues	(1,153)

Approved County Tax Effort	114,836
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**COUNTY RATE
1.74**

TOTAL RATE 35.17

Total Property Taxes Assessed	2,315,836
Less: War Service Credits	(3,750)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	2,312,086

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	64,771,944	6.62	429,114
All Other Taxes	66,096,194	28.55	1,866,722
			2,315,836

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
TOWN-OWNED LAND, BUILDINGS, AND EQUIPMENT

<u>DEPARTMENTS</u>	<u>LAND & BUILDINGS ASSESSED VALUE</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT VALUE</u>
Cemeteries		
Dame Hill Cemetery	\$ 1,000	
Orford West Cemetery (Street Cemetery)	8,400	
Orford East Cemetery (Davistown)	12,600	
Equipment*		\$ 7,000
Fire Department		
Mobile Equipment*		8,000
Vehicles*		447,000
Hose & Rack*		1,000
Highway Department		
Land and Buildings	84,900	
Townshed Road/Gravel Pit	51,700	
Orfordville HWY Garage	4,200	
Mobile Equipment*		94,570
Vehicles*		379,733
Contents*		39,000
Library – Free Library		
Land and Building	81,900	
Furniture and Equipment*		10,000
Parks and Playgrounds		
Community Field	29,500	
Connecticut River Boat Landing	19,000	
East Common	23,000	
Indian Pond Picnic Area	7,500	
Lower Baker – Boat Access	6,000	
Upper Baker Pond – Town Beach	27,100	
Mobile Equipment*		18,050
Police Department		
Vehicle*		35,256
Town Office (Includes Police Department)		
Land and Buildings	148,500	
Furniture and Equipment*		40,000
Additional Town Property		
Flat Rock	8,700	
Hall Land	5,500	
Huckins Hill Road	8,500	
Former Brookside Store Land	6,900	
Land acquired through Tax Collector's Deed: 008-0029-0031	2,000	
	\$536,900	\$ 1,079,609
TOTAL:	\$1,616,509	

*Replacement Values for buildings, contents, vehicles and equipment are covered by PRIMEX.

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

TOWN OF ORFORD

December 31, 2002

Showing Annual Maturity of Outstanding Bond

FIRE TRUCK BOND (1995) — 5.2483%

<u>Maturities</u>	<u>Original Amount: \$98,000.00</u>
2003	10,000.00
2004	10,000.00
2005	<u>10,000.00</u>
	TOTAL \$30,000.00

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Orford for the year ended December 31, 2001, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable 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 or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We are pleased to report that, during the course of our review of internal controls, no material weaknesses in the Town's accounting systems and records were identified. Minor weaknesses or other considerations coming to our attention were generally procedural in nature and dealt with administrative or recordkeeping practices. In these instances, we made specific recommendations or provided instruction to applicable individuals during the course of our audit fieldwork.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

Plodzik & Sanderson Professional Association
February 6, 2002

TREASURER'S REPORT
In Account with the Town of ORFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
For the Year 2002

Unrestricted General Fund Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 2002 **\$ 964,507.08**

Revenue

Receipts: Tax Collector: Louise Mack		2,408,594.61
Receipts: Town Clerk: Louise Mack		210,090.68
Interest		
Woodsville Guaranty Bank	1,922.06	
Fleet Bank (MBIA)	4,853.30	6,775.36
Other Sources:		
State of New Hampshire	94,391.66	
Rivendell License Fee for Use of Fields	7,500.00	
Dept. of Interior Payment in lieu of Tax	1,528.00	
2001 Checks Voided in 2002	1,969.21	
Transfer from Trustee	36,552.23	
Miscellaneous	14,976.60	156,917.70
Total Receipts		2,782,378.35

Disbursements

Rivendell School District	1,476,990.10	
Grafton County Tax	115,989.00	
Bond and Loan Payments	34,832.10	
Police Cruiser Purchase	17,756.00	
Brush Chipper Purchase	22,445.00	
Transfer to Trustee	127,789.85	
Misc. Expenses	827,297.27	
Total Disbursements:		2,623,099.32
Fleet Bank (MBIA)	972,029.07	
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	151,755.04	

Cash on Hand as of 12/31/02 **\$ 1,123,786.11**

Restricted Fund Accounts

WWII Memorial Fund		
Balance 12/31/01	2,054.60	
Balance 12/31/02	2,307.66	
Conservation Commission Fund		
Balance 12/31/01	1,734.79	
Balance 12/31/02	16,799.59	

Carl J. Cassel, Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2002

	2002	2001
Uncollected Taxes — Beginning of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue		\$ 33,474.25
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue		131,117.64
Yield Taxes		2,065.73
Current Use		
Taxes Committed to Collector		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	\$ 952,844.00	
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	1,359,588.00	1,753.00
Penalty Charges	2,755.00	
Yield Taxes	35,585.39	
Current Use	15,163.00	
Gravel Tax	63.60	
Refunded Overpayment Property Taxes	4,296.88	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes		
1st Issue	1,656.75	2,944.39
2nd Issue	221.55	4,560.69
Yield	361.72	16.50
Abatement Interest		
Current Use		
TOTALS	\$2,372,535.89	\$175,932.20
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	\$ 901,843.96	\$ 33,474.25
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	1,190,565.87	132,870.64
Yield Taxes	35,585.39	2,065.73
Gravel Tax	63.60	
Penalty Charges	1,742.00	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	2,240.02	7,521.58
Current Use	14,953.00	
Overpayment on Taxes	4,296.88	
Abatements Allowed		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	47.00	
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	419.00	
Yield Tax		
Interest		
Current Use	210.00	
Deeded to Town	30.00	
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes, 1st Issue	50,923.04	
Property Taxes, 2nd Issue	168,603.13	
Penalty Charges	1,013.00	
Yield Tax	0.00	
Current Use		
Gravel Tax		
TOTALS	\$2,372,535.89	\$175,932.20

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT — 2

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS — Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2002

	2001	2000	1999
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes			
Beginning of Fiscal Year 1/1/02		\$35,698.05	\$25,924.72
Mortgage Fees		979.75	548.00
Taxes Executed to Town			
During Fiscal Year	\$76,201.05		
Mortgage Fees	1,350.00		
Interest Collected			
After Lien Execution	1,111.38	1,085.49	10,116.50
Interest Deeded to Town	5.27	20.24	39.14
TOTAL DEBITS	\$78,667.70	\$37,783.53	\$36,628.36
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year			
Redemption	\$34,411.91	\$ 6,076.47	\$25,830.69
Mortgage Fees	438.50	171.25	538.00
Interest and Cost after Lien	1,111.38	1,085.49	10,116.50
Abatements			
Property Taxes			
Mortgage			
Deeded to Town			
Interest	\$ 97.99	\$ 86.41	\$ 94.03
Mortgage Fees	5.27	20.24	39.14
	10.00	10.00	10.00
Unredeemed Taxes	\$41,691.15	\$29,535.17	\$ 0.00
Mortgage	901.50	798.50	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$78,667.70	\$37,783.53	\$36,628.36

TOWN CLERK'S ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE REPORT
January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002

TOTAL AMOUNT OF REVENUE

\$263,335.98

Registrations

1729 Auto Permits Issued
1509 Municipal Agent Functions

Town Tax Collected

\$ 198,171.00

State Tax Collected

\$ 53,823.40

Town Clerk Fees

1729	Registrations	@ \$1.00	\$ 1,729.00	
324	Title Applications	@ \$2.00	648.00	
129	Transfers	@ \$5.00	645.00	
1509	Municipal Agent	@ \$2.50	3,772.50	\$ 6,794.50

Boat Registration Revenue

\$ 668.08

Dog Licenses

363	Licenses Issued		\$ 1,827.00	
	Late Penalties		139.00	
	Town Clerk Fees		363.00	\$ 2,329.00

Marriage Licenses

4	Marriage Licenses Issued			
	State Revenue		\$ 152.00	
	Town Clerk Fees		28.00	
	Delayed Marriage License		10.00	\$ 190.00

Vital Record Copies

21	Certified Copies Issued			
	State Revenue			
	19 Copies	@ \$8.00	\$ 152.00	
	2 Copies	@ \$5.00	10.00	
	Town Clerk Fees			
	19 Copies	@ \$4.00	76.00	
	2 Copies	@ \$3.00	6.00	\$ 244.00

U.C.C. Filings

\$ 1,099.00

Miscellaneous

\$ 17.00

TOWN CLERK'S ACCOUNT
January 1 — December 31, 2002

Boat Registrations

39 Registrations Issued		
State Fees Collected	\$	916.00
Town Tax Collected		668.08
Boat Agent Fees		74.50
Total Boat Revenue		\$1,658.58

OHRV Registrations

14 Registrations Issued		
State Fees Collected	\$	760.00
OHRV Agent Fees		24.00
Total OHRV Revenue		\$ 784.00

N.H. Fish & Game Dept. — Licenses/Duck Stamps Sold

13 Hunting/Fishing Licenses Issued		
State Fees Collected	\$	648.00
Agent Fees Collected		36.00
Total N.H. Fish & Game Revenue		\$ 684.00

Summary of Fees Paid to Town Clerk

Auto Fees	\$	6,794.50
Boat Agent Fees		74.50
Certified Copy Fees		82.00
Dog License Fees		363.00
Fish & Game Fees		36.00
Marriage License Fees		38.00
OHRV Agent Fees		24.00
UCC Filing Fees		<u>1,099.00</u>
Total Fees		\$ 8,511.00

DOG LICENSE FEES

Male or Female	\$ 9.00
Altered Animals	6.50
Senior Citizens: for one animal	2.00
Thereafter, the regular fee (owner over 65 years of age)	

License fee for a puppy (older than 4 months but younger than 7 months) is **\$6.50** for the first initial year.

Group Licenses

The minimum number of dogs required to qualify for a group license is five (5) dogs, and a standard fee of **\$20.00**.

Proof of rabies and altering is required.

All dogs should be licensed by **April 30, 2003** to avoid any penalty.

If your dog is not licensed with the Town of Orford by May 31, 2003, we will be obligated to inform the Orford Animal Control Officer of a violation of RSA 466:1. A civil forfeiture will be issued which carries with it a **\$25.00** fine plus late fees.

RABIES CLINIC

A "Rabies Clinic" has been scheduled to be held on Saturday, **March 22, 2003**, between 11 a.m. and 12 p.m. at the Orford Fire Station. This has been arranged with the Oxbow Veterinary Clinic of Bradford, VT, the Orford Town Clerk, and the Orford Fire Department. Attendance at this program is not only convenient, but offers these shots at a reduced rate.

Dog and Cat Rabies Vaccine	\$ 7.00
Other vaccines will be available.	

If people see an animal they suspect of being rabid, contact Roy Daisey, Orford Animal Control Officer, Orford Police Department or the NH Fish and Game Department.

RSA 436:99, II-VI requires that **all dogs and cats** have a rabies vaccine once they reach the age of **3 months**. The first rabies vaccine will be good for only one year, on a young dog or cat, but a two- or three-year vaccine will be given thereafter.

Rabies is a viral disease which attacks the central nervous system in mammals including wild animals, pets and **humans**. If untreated, it is almost always **fatal**.

Rabies is spread from a bite or contact with the saliva of an infected animal. An indication that an animal has rabies is a noted change in behavior, such as loss of normal fear of humans or a display of hostile actions. Rabies is impossible to diagnose without a medical test that can be done only after the infected mammal is dead.

Rabies is preventable. Dogs, cats, horses and other domestic animals can be vaccinated against the disease. If the vaccinated pet comes into contact with an infected animal, the disease will not spread. **However, humans that come into contact with the saliva from a rabid animal on their pet can get the disease.** If exposed to saliva from any animal which may be suspected of carrying rabies, the wound or infected area should be soaked for 10 minutes in soap and water prior to going to the emergency room of a hospital.

SELECTMEN

The Board would like to thank Bill Gray, Larry Taylor and Caryl Miller for the extra effort in keeping our roads in great shape last winter while Charlie was on the mend. Unfortunately, not long after Charlie returned to full duty, Bill injured his knee. That injury and other complications prevented Bill from full-time duty much of the summer and fall. We are pleased to report that both men are fully recovered but these absences made it apparent that temporary help is not a dependable solution. Therefore, we are asking the Town to fund a third full-time position for the road crew. The need for temporary help will not be eliminated but would be greatly reduced, so we are proposing to move \$15,000 from temporary help to fund about half of the new position. Also, since the warrant article for extra paving was so popular, we have increased the regular paving budget by \$25,000. The crew reports that the new chipper is much safer and more efficient.

Paragraph 4 of last year's Selectmen's report referred to State mandates. The old ways of doing business are fast disappearing and being replaced by "are you meeting the rules and standards." We are due to be certified by the State in 2005. To meet these ever evolving standards, the whole town must be reassessed, our tax maps brought up to standard, and an audit completed each year. And before you say "unfunded State mandates," the State is just enforcing and interpreting existing laws! This is why we have bothered many of the exemption holders to provide necessary documentation (paperwork); why we have updated all of our Current Use records, and why we continue to ask for money to be put aside in Capital Reserves to fund new tax maps, etc.

We will continue to enforce the penalty for failing to return property inventory forms. Taxes can be adjusted, waived or abated depending on which new law you wish to use. So if this board takes some action that you do not understand, we invite you to contact us at 353-4889 and ask for an explanation. It may not be what you want to hear, but at least you'll have heard it firsthand. State legislature adopted State building codes and as of September 14, 2003 all new construction must meet the International Building Code 2000. In our case, since we don't have local codes, building permits, or a building inspector, the State Fire Marshal will be the enforcement arm.

Two important bills have been passed: the Shore Land Protection Act now protects the Connecticut River shore land and State law now prohibits residential trash burning as of 1/1/03.

The new shed at the Recycling Center has received many compliments, and we are asking for additional funds to continue upgrading the facility. This year possible projects include: staining of the building, extending the new fence, cleaning up old debris at the bottom of the hill, and purchasing a mechanical hoist and storage bins.

The Cemetery Commissioners did a great job repairing the fence along the Mall and are now asking for additional funding to continue this project. In addition, we will be painting the new fence at the Town Office.

Hopefully, by the time you read this, we will be well on our way to selecting a new Police Chief to replace Michael LaChapelle who resigned after 6 years. We wish Mike well in his new job and thank him for his time in Orford. We also welcome Orford resident Todd Gray to the position of part-time police officer. He will be an asset in helping our new Chief when he is hired.

Special thanks go to the Garden Club for the beautiful balsam fir next to the new flagpole.

We appreciate everyone — employees, board and committee members, along with many volunteers — who gave of their time this year in offering their services and expertise. It's people like you who make our town run so smoothly. You are all invaluable to us!

Board of Selectmen
Town of Orford

CEMETERY COMMISSION

The Cemetery Commission is glad to report at last the completion of the fence on the Common side of the Street Cemetery. In this day and age of fiberglass fences, it has been very difficult to find a contractor who would know how to or would work with granite posts. Our granite posts are historic gems, probably cut in Orford in the late 1970's.

The Highway Department and the Cemetery Commission worked to clear the gully on the Town Common. It has been filled with material from the bridge and town ditches, and seeded. This greatly improves the visibility of the Cemetery from Route 10. Out of town people have often driven right by, and then asked directions. Now they can see exactly where they are.

In spite of a summer with no rain, groundskeeper Kurt Gendron and his wife, Tanya, have worked hard and done a wonderful job. We thank them both. Clipping never stops.

Ruth Brown has completed a card file of all burials in the East Cemetery. This will help historians to quickly locate graves, if they are in that cemetery.

The Commissioners thank Louise Mack for keeping our finances in order. Her help is invaluable and very necessary. We also thank Betty Messer for making Christmas swags for all three cemetery gates.

Respectfully submitted,
Commissioners
Ruth Brown
Paul Messer
Julia Fifield

FINANCIAL REPORT Year Ending December 31, 2002

Cash on Hand January 1, 2002		\$ 916.66
Receipts		
Town of Orford	\$ 7,183.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds	<u>2,600.00</u>	
		<u>\$ 9,783.00</u>
Total		<u><u>\$10,699.66</u></u>
Disbursements		
Wages (including Federal Taxes)	\$10,056.71	
Supplies	283.03	
Postage	34.00	
Service Charge	<u>10.00</u>	
		<u>\$10,383.74</u>
Cash on Hand December 31, 2002		<u>\$ 315.92</u>
Total		<u><u>\$10,699.66</u></u>

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The largest change impacting many Orford landowners this year is the extension of the Shorelands Protection Act to include the Connecticut River.

Regular business of the Conservation Commission included conservation easement monitoring conducted by Bill McKee and Charlie Waterbury. There was one complaint questioning a possible wetland violation that is still under investigation.

Participation in the first-ever meeting of all 70 town officials took place in November. The importance and implementation of the Master Plan were discussed. Ben Frost was the featured speaker.

Participation in a second meeting took place the following week. Discussion included ways to protect the important areas that were presented in the Orford Master Plan. Jeanie McIntyre, Executive Director, Upper Valley Land Trust, was the speaker. Emphasis was on volunteer participation, sources of funding, and blending of several people, organizations, and methods to preserve deserving properties.

Thanks to Bruce Schwaegler's efforts, a grant was applied for and won to create and train two Lake Hosts in Orford for the express purpose of protecting our lakes from invasive species that might be brought here from infected areas. Bill McKee represented Orford at Indian, Upper and Lower Baker Ponds.

Vernal pool exploration took place in a late snowstorm. To the delight of those who came out and sloshed around, many creatures were found to be very much alive and thriving. The importance of these pools was made clear.

Frank Mitchell, Water Resources Specialist, UNH Cooperative Extension, gave a wetlands evaluation course. Members of the Orford and Lyme Conservation Commissions and others were given instruction in the New Hampshire method of comparing wetlands.

Landowners in Orford might consider donating land for establishing a Town Forest, open space, or land that preserves a view, farm field, or tract of woodland. Anyone may donate money to the Conservation Commission fund, or provide a gift to the people of Orford in their will. This preservation is critical at this time as the Upper Valley and Orford will face a period of growth in the next decade that many people may not realize. Open space once lost is gone forever.

Bry Beeson, Chair
Sarah Schwaegler
Emily Bryant
Tom Thomson
Bruce Streeter
Bill McKee
Charles Waterbury

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

In 2002, the Orford Volunteer Fire Department responded to 96 calls.

Mutual Aid	14	Power Lines	4
Fire Alarms	15	Car Fires	1
Car Accidents	5	Wildland Fires	2
Chimney Fires	7	Medical Calls	48

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur Dennis
Fire Chief

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate and coordinate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ALL outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding areas) is completely covered with snow. 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 up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail, plus suppression cost.

A new law effective January 1, 2003 prohibits residential trash burning (RSA 125-N). Contact New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services at (800) 498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information.

Help us to protect you and our forest resources. Most New Hampshire wildfires are human caused. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and make sure that the house number is correct and visible. Contact your Fire Department or the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands at www.nhdf.org or call 271-2217 for wildland fire safety information.

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

2002 Fire Statistics

(All Fires Reported through November 10, 2002)

TOTALS BY COUNTY			CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED	
	# OF FIRES	ACRES		
Belknap	52	13.5	Arson/Suspicious	43
Carroll	80	10.5	Campfire	31
Cheshire	39	17	Children	32
Coos	3	2.5	Smoking	32
Grafton	53	21	Rekindle of Permit	3
Hillsborough	108	54.5	Illegal	7
Merrimack	94	13.5	Lightning	36
Rockingham	60	25.5	Miscellaneous*	356
Strafford	31	23		
Sullivan	20	6		
	TOTAL FIRES	TOTAL ACRES		
2002	540	187		
2001	942	428		
2000	516	149		

*Miscellaneous (powerlines, fireworks, railroad, ashes, debris, structures, equipment.)

Please call the following people for fire permits:

Gerald E. Pease	Warden	353-9070	
Arthur Dennis	Deputy	353-4502	
Rita A. Pease	Special Deputy	353-9070	rita_pease2000@yahoo.com

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The year 2002 was another good year for the Highway Department. The usual work was completed — gravel added, roadside mowing, culverts replaced and brush cut. We pulled the ditches on Grimes Hill, Dublin and Brook roads, replaced the culverts and paved the tar portion of these three roads. We then reconstructed the shoulders with stay pack, with help from the Lyme Highway Department, which should prevent the edges from breaking up.

The time has come to add a third person to the Highway Department. I was out from November 2001 to March 2002 and Bill was out June to September, both instances due to injury while on the job. This put a lot of strain on the remaining full-time person. With three highway crewmen, the strain would be considerably less. In addition, it is also getting harder to find part-time help. The demand on highway use has increased dramatically. Orford is growing and it's time for the Highway Department to grow with it.

Our new chipper works very well and should serve us for many years to come.

This year I plan to pave the remainder of Upper Baker Pond Road and the tar portion of Indian Pond Road, and also shim the worst spots on Archertown Road.

A very special "thank you" to all who have supported and helped us in the past. I am looking forward to your continued support.

Charles Waterbury
Road Agent

ORFORD FREE LIBRARY

The Free Library had several personnel changes this year. Brenda Gray stepped down as librarian. While her time with us was short, her efforts were much appreciated. Orford resident Laurel Fulford is our new and enthusiastic librarian. The Trustees were delighted to welcome her to this position. Cara Dyke resigned as Trustee. We thank her for her service to the library. Denise Johnston replaced Cara, but unfortunately had to resign due to a family move out of the area. We have been very fortunate to have Christie Manning join the Board.

The library held a wide variety of programs and events during 2002. An Evening of Poetry was held in April. Jeff MacQueen led two bird walks—one in June to Mt. Cube and one in September to the Thomson Tree Farm. Our fifth annual Book and Bake Sale was held in August. The Summer Reading Program—"Lions & Tigers & Books . . . Oh My!"—was held in conjunction with the Social Library. Arthur Boynton shared his knowledge of the stars at a September stargazing event. Our Holiday Open House took place in December. Two new programs started at the library this year and are ongoing. Sally Arcolio has been enthusiastically leading a Quilting Adventure every other Saturday morning. A Bedtime Story Hour for young children and their families takes place on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month.

The library's patronage has continued to increase. There were 1719 visitors to the library this year. Our circulation has also increased with 1438 items loaned by the library. Our collection of books has grown through purchases, donations and the McNaughton loan program. The Free Library and LUV audio and videotape collections are well used. We are pleased to be able to offer copier and computer services to our patrons. In addition, the library was used as a meeting place for various community groups.

The Free Library is grateful to individuals and organizations that have made donations to the library this year. The Friends of the Orford Libraries made a generous monetary gift to us. This will be used to improve and upgrade the lighting and electrical system. We thank them for their continued support. The Free Library has received some wonderful book and video collections this year. In addition we greatly appreciate the donations of book and bake sale goods, refreshments, office supplies and other items that have been made to the library.

Volunteer efforts continue to be a mainstay of the Free Library. Volunteers put in 407 hours of service this year. In August we held our annual Appreciation Party to say thank you to our loyal and hardworking volunteers — Barbara Hall, Arthur Boynton, Kristen Kling and Sam, Christina and Samantha Fulford. We are indebted to volunteers for helping with the many tasks that need to be done at the library.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Trustees:
Susan Kling, Carol Boynton, Christie Manning

Librarian:
Laurel Fulford

ORFORD FREE LIBRARY — 2

2002

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 2002	\$ 4,440.23
Town of Orford	9,904.00
Friends of the Orford Libraries gift	1,200.00
Book/Bake Sale	171.50
Interest	31.90
Computer/Copier Services	31.00
Gifts	130.00
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	\$ 15,908.63

Expenditures

Books	\$ 1,364.35
Multimedia	103.83
Magazines	99.90
Librarian	5,200.00
FICA/SS	413.10
Dues/Memberships	233.00
Fuel/Heat	808.72
Maintenance/Repair	217.08
Programs	703.68
Postal	36.00
Telephone	596.43
Electric	292.51
Supplies	325.43
Computer/Internet Services	177.10

Balance in checking account December 31, 2002	\$ 5,337.50
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	\$ 15,908.63

ORFORD SOCIAL LIBRARY

In addition to our mission as an information/educational center for the townspeople of Orford, the Trustees and Staff of the Orford Social Library are committed and energetic partners in the town's effort to build a strong, vibrant community. The enthusiastically embraced intergenerational programs offered this year included a Valentine dessert potluck, a summer picnic, an end-of-summer ice cream social, and our special annual tree trimming and carol sing. The ongoing book discussion series is well attended as is the increasingly popular after school chess club. Preschool story hours offered twice a month are burgeoning as more families with young children move into town. Our second annual "Handmade in Orford" show celebrating the creative talents of Orford's artists and crafters, had 34 exhibitors and 120 attendees. In celebration of National Poetry Month we initiated a new literary program, "Poem on a Postcard." An amazing 165 poems were mailed by both children and adults, to friends and loved ones. This activity created an excellent connection with the children of the elementary school who are already working on their poems for this year's "Poem on a Postcard" program. The huge success of this program encouraged us to make it an annual event. Special funding for this activity was provided by a community member.

The meeting space of the OSL continues to be used by several town organizations, including the Planning Board, Historical Society, Garden Club, Water Board and the Friends of the Orford Libraries.

An increasing number of people used the diverse and growing resources of the library this year. It has been very gratifying to note that 6,975 people have used the library (an increase of 900 over last year). Circulation for the year was 7,850 items.

The Board of Trustees has worked diligently to bring the library into compliance with the State of NH Library Standards by expanding library hours and writing and/or updating policies. The OSL survey of residents, conducted earlier this year aided us in updating our Long Range Plan, helped our understanding of the needs of our community and has given focus to the ongoing work of the Trustees. Working within our budgetary guidelines, the Trustees and staff will continue to be as responsive as possible to those identified needs.

It is with deep appreciation that we recognize the gifts of time, energy, and financial donations, which keep the library a strong and vital asset for our town. We are grateful to the Grace Rouhan Bequest, which has provided an essential financial base for our services. We are also grateful for the equally essential growth of support from the town — recognition that the Orford Social Library is a vital public resource for, and supported by, the Orford townspeople. A special thank you is due the Friends of the Orford Libraries for their energy and continued financial support throughout the year.

The library has 7 volunteers on a weekly basis, 10 others who volunteer regularly, and several who volunteer for special events. This year over 850 volunteer hours were contributed. Without this volunteer work force many of the programs and services we offer would not be possible.

ORFORD SOCIAL LIBRARY — 2

This year's retiring Trustees are Ruth Brown (10 years of service) and Paul Goundry (3 years). Both brought special skills and attributes to the Board and will be sorely missed. We welcome two new Board members, Ann Green and Judy Silvia. Both have eagerly accepted the responsibilities of Trusteeship and are ready to work.

It is my pleasure to finish this report with a welcome to Nancy Cassel, our Assistant Librarian. She is a relative newcomer to Orford but has thrown herself wholeheartedly into many aspects of Orford life but especially that of the library. We are very happy that we have been able to avail ourselves of some of her prodigious library skills.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Littlewood, Chair, Board of Trustees

Ruth Brown

William Culp

Ann Davis

Martin Duffany

Mel Emerson

Paul Goundry

Jude Parker

Carol Sobetzer

Sarah Putnam, Library Director

Nancy Cassel, Assistant Librarian

**ORFORD SOCIAL LIBRARY — 3
FINANCIAL REPORT 2002**

INCOME

Ordinary Income	
Town of Orford	\$ 8,850.00
Book Funds — New Gifts	\$ 1,178.34
Other Funds — New Gifts	\$ 579.50
Dividends & Interest	\$ 2,202.45
Book Sale	\$ 696.60
Copier	\$ 364.26
Building use	\$ 50.00
Total Ordinary Income	
Redemption from Investments	\$12,000.00
Carried over Memorial Funds	\$ 500.00

INCOME	\$26,421.15
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EXPENSE

Books	\$ 3,000.00
Magazines	\$ 228.84
Books – carried over Memorial Funds	\$ 500.00
Books & Magazines – New Gifts	\$ 1,000.00
Librarian	\$10,770.96
Librarian's Assistant	\$ 1,004.27
Payroll tax	\$ 2,359.98
Librarian Continuing Education	\$ 100.00
Insurance	\$ 1,354.00
Electricity	\$ 837.66
Heat & Water	\$ 1,828.65
Telephone	\$ 1,210.03
Cleaning	\$ 798.00
Library Supplies	\$ 1,194.67
Computer Supplies	\$ 24.95
Maintenance	\$ 75.00
Equipment	\$ 167.78
Grounds	\$ 175.81
Copier	\$ 342.44
Misc.	\$ 421.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 21.66

TOTAL EXPENSE	\$27,415.70
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NET INCOME	(\$ 994.55)
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NILES COMMITTEE

The Niles Fund Committee was formed in 1988 to disperse, by request, the interest on a gift of \$50,000.00 to the Town of Orford by Mrs. Lenore Niles. Both Mr. and Mrs. Niles, who moved to Orford in 1950, had a deep affection for our Town and its people. Mrs. Niles passed away in 1988 and left this generous and unrestricted gift to be used for the betterment of Orford and its residents.

The Niles Fund Committee met 5 times from January 2002 to January 2003, and approved the following projects for funding: \$250 grants to two Rivendell students from Orford participating in a 2-week trip to Costa Rica with their Spanish class; a \$200 grant to fund the building and installation of a community bulletin board in the Orford Post Office. Funding of \$1,000 was also approved for a Parks & Playgrounds project to plant three red maple trees to provide shade at the town beach on Indian Pond. Planting of these trees will take place later in 2003. In addition, \$300 was approved toward the hiring of the Maple Leaf Jazz Band to take part in the Orford/Fairlee July 4th festivities. This grant was made in conjunction with funds being applied for in Fairlee to share the total expense. A grant of \$750 was approved to the Rivendell Project Graduation Committee to be used toward the 2003 community sponsored graduation celebration.

The Niles Fund Committee is currently considering applications for financial assistance for projects which would benefit the Town of Orford. Applications are available at the Selectmen's Office.

Respectfully submitted,
The Niles Fund Committee

PLANNING BOARD

Approved one (1) major and four (4) minor subdivisions	11 new lots
Approved six (6) lot line adjustments / agreements	0 new lot
Total new building lots	11

2002 was a very active year with 11 new building lots approved and 10 additional “informal discussions” about 16 potential new lots in the near future. This rate of growth has not occurred in Orford since the late 1980s. Our new schools, low population density and natural beauty appear to be resulting in larger than anticipated growth with new homes, more traffic and challenged public services. What do these changes mean for residents of Orford? For the town’s environment? For our small town atmosphere? For education and affordability of land and housing? For future generations? What can we expect to see here in the next five to ten years? Most important, what should be done to insure the cherished rural, residential nature of our town?

As part of the Board’s mandated duty to “. . . promote health, safety, order, convenience, prosperity and the general welfare . . .” as outlined in RSA 674:3, a public meeting was held November 7 with over 70 people attending to publicize this trend and seek support for implementing the 2001 Master Plan action proposals. The Board feels we need to exert more guidance over such growth to maintain the current character of Orford.

The Board and the Conservation Commission jointly support two subcommittees to address ways to guide growth. Bry Beason chairs one group addressing voluntary conservation systems. Sam Hanford chairs another group addressing possible regulatory systems. All interested citizens are urged to contact these groups and help form Orford’s future.

Other highlights of 2002:

- Amended the subdivision regulations covering plat filing procedures and off-site improvement limitations.
- Amended the subdivision regulations implementing a 50-foot minimum lot frontage requirement.
- Published information regarding the revised NH Shorelands Protection Act (RSA 483-B) extending coverage to the Connecticut River to all shoreland owners.

Planning Board officers elected at the March 2002 meeting:

<i>Chairman</i>	Paul Dalton	<i>Secretary</i>	Andrew Schwaegler
<i>Vice-Chairman</i>	Sam Hanford	<i>Selectmen’s Rep.</i>	David Bischoff

The Board continues to contract with an UVLSRPC Planning Assistant to be at the Town Offices one day per month (dates and times posted at Town Hall) and available by phone (448-1680) to help applicants with questions and procedures. We urge all to take advantage of these services.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Dalton
Chairman

POLICE DEPARTMENT

I am pleased once again to present the annual report for the Orford Police Department for fiscal year 2002. As in past years, 2002 was a busy year. It is clear that Orford is not immune from crime, as some people would like to think. Your Police Department continues to provide a host of services to the citizens and guests of Orford.

At the 2002 Town Meeting, you approved funding for a new police cruiser. The town took delivery of a 2002 Ford Explorer in July and by August the cruiser was ready for the road.

As most of you know, Officer Todd Lique, who was hired in January of 2001, left this department in 2002 to take a full-time position with the Lebanon Police Department. In October, Todd Gray was hired as a part-time officer. Todd lives in town with his wife and four children. Officer Gray has already proven to be a great benefit to the town. He will complete his academy training in February 2003.

The town took delivery of one new mobile radio, which is now in the new cruiser, and one new portable. Both radios were awarded through a grant from the State of New Hampshire at no cost to the town saving the town about \$6,000. The radios are for the new state-wide Digital Radio Network which replaced the old system after the Colebrook incident a few years ago where two New Hampshire police officers were shot and killed. The town should start putting away money to replace the remaining portables.

I would like to thank the citizens of Orford for their continued support and involvement in the Police Department.

Respectfully,
Michael LaChapelle
Chief of Police

ANIMAL CONTROL

The Animal Control Officer responded to 52 calls for service in 2002 — 31 being domestic animals and 21 being wild animals.

Even though there were cases of rabid animals in New Hampshire, there have been no confirmed cases in Orford.

It is important that all domestic animals be vaccinated and that all dogs and cats not be allowed to roam freely.

There are pamphlets available at the Orford Post Office or the Orford Town Hall about West Nile disease.

Roy Daisey
Animal Control Officer

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

The Parks and Playgrounds Committee saw a typically busy year and managed to maintain our public areas with reasonable success and within our budget. Two facilities that received particular improvements are the Community Field and Indian Pond Beach area.

In the spring, the entire Community Field was seeded and fertilized. Shortly after, electricity was run underground to service the area behind the baseball field. Also, the utility building at that site received much needed repairs and new doors. A dugout and batting cage were put up as well, and new fencing was installed in the outfield. Thanks go out to Tim Ruff for supplying materials for the dugout.

After several years of wishing and hoping, we were finally able to erect a shelter at Indian Pond Beach. This shelter offers some greatly appreciated relief from the sun and rain to the swim program directors as well as the general public. Thanks to all the town members who voted to appropriate the funds for this project. Thanks also to Bruce Schwaegler for his continued support at the beach area and for building the new sign at the entrance to the beach road.

The old stone fireplaces at Upper Baker Pond were beyond repair and we had Charlie Waterbury remove them. New steel grills have been ordered and they will be installed this spring.

We would like to thank Keith Brooks, Brian Knapp, K & R Portable Toilets and Floyd Marsh Rubbish Removal for their faithful and continued service to the town.

The Parks and Playgrounds Committee extends their sincere appreciation and thanks to the following individuals for the generous donation of time, equipment, and materials for improvements and upkeep of our Community Field:

Joseph Arcolio	Ross Mitchell & Paragon Construction
Jeff Avery & Lake Morey Country Club	Dan & Mike O'Brien
John Davis	Orford Highway Department
Tim Dyke & Sawyer Brick Builders	Rivendell Athletic Teams
Lawrence Hibbard	Pat Tullar & River Valley Farm Stand
William McKee	George, Rendell & Nate Tullar
Paul Messer	John Wolter
	Members of the Parks & Playgrounds Committee

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Perry
John O'Brien
Dave Thomson
Elwyn Brooks
Brad McCormack

SKI PROGRAM

The program offers beginner, intermediate and advanced instruction in alpine skiing and snowboarding on eight consecutive Thursday afternoons from the beginning of January to early March at the Dartmouth Skiway in Lyme, NH. The program is open to all school-age residents of Orford, Fairlee, West Fairlee and Vershire and to all students in the Rivendell School System. Each town funds much of the Unified Ski Program through an annual appropriation based on student enrollment. Students are also charged a fee for use of the Dartmouth Skiway and liability insurance. Bus transportation is provided to and from the Skiway. As has become tradition, the last week is a “Carnival” with races and refreshments for all participants. It serves as both a fun ending to the season and as a “final exam” to test proficiency.

In spite of the very low snowfall all winter, we had a great season due to good luck, excellent cooperation from the Skiway, from First Student bus service and, most importantly, the willingness of all volunteers to adapt to whatever situation developed — and there were many! Although we found snow, ice and even rain, there were no cancellations.

It was most gratifying to see the progress made by all levels of our students. Our “final exam” at carnival showed we have a well-rounded program for all levels, from getting the first-timers up on the big hill to challenging the top levels.

The CSO Ski Council held a final review meeting to critique the season for what went right, what went wrong and what was missing. This is not the place for a detailed analysis but the following areas are targeted for review before next year:

- Earlier registration dates — preferably late October — and late registration penalties
- Earlier distribution of group assignments — weekly on the incoming buses?
- Better system of group formation when discharging the buses — ideas?
- Snowboard program — review for capacity in view of limited instructors
- Safety — helmets? Better coordination with Skiway Ski Patrol

Again, thanks to all who offered their time and talents to once again provide an unequalled opportunity for approximately 170 children to learn and enjoy the lifelong sports of alpine skiing and snowboarding. Remember that we need you back next year along with more of your neighbors. Start recruiting now to make your jobs easier.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Dalton, Kathy Landgraf,
Kelley Marshall and Holly Daisey

CSO Unified Ski Council

SWIM PROGRAM

The 2002 summer swim program was a great success, thanks to the help of so many people. The Indian Pond beach was busy with lessons for three weeks, between July 22 and August 9. We were extremely pleased to have Hannah Gruber as our Red Cross certified instructor for the third consecutive summer. Brian Hook, Mallory Gafas, and Elaina Miller helped out as instructor aides. Kate Cook, from Piermont, taught the classes on a cold day when Hannah was away. Several parents helped with registrations, beach supervision, and the picnic, which was organized by Heidi Peyton.

About 90 children participated in the lessons, with about 80% passing the Red Cross standards for their class level. Four students completed the program by passing the Water Safety Instructor Aide course. The advanced classes finished by swimming across the pond and back. Orford residents made up half the total number of children in lessons. The nonresidents paid a fee which covered many program expenses.

This was the first year there was a roofed structure at the beach for shelter. It provided a welcome space for refuge from rain and sun, as well as a dry place to sit and to set towels and equipment. In addition, the portable cabana was put to use during some days.

As always, thanks go out to Jim Hook, who takes care of the dock, and to Parks and Playground members who provide the floats and maintain the beach area. The town beach is enjoyed by so many families throughout the summer.

I welcome hearing from any community members who would like to volunteer in the program. Also, anyone with questions or suggestions may contact me at 353-4877. Anyone age 16 or older who is interested in lifeguard or swim instructor certification can contact me and I will put them in touch with a local instructor.

Respectfully submitted,
Bethany Miller

UNIFIED RECREATION & SKI COUNCIL — COMMUNITY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

The mission of the CSO Unified Recreation & Ski Council is to offer sports programs to the elementary students who live in the Rivendell Interstate School District, kindergarten through sixth grade, foster a love of sports, promote cooperation and team building, skill development, physical wellness, good sportsmanship, and volunteerism. We offer Community Service credits to high school students who volunteer their time to the younger children's programs and commend the adults without whom these programs could not function. We are thankful for the financial contributions from the District's towns that enable us to support these programs.

Due to the tireless efforts of more than 130 volunteers through the year we have offered travel team soccer and basketball for grades 3–6; soccer and basketball clinics for grades kindergarten–second; skiing and snowboarding, major and minor league baseball, softball, and T-Ball for the kindergarten–second graders. There are currently more than 120 children playing basketball (with the assistance of 23 coaches) and 165 skiers and snowboarders hit the slopes January 8 (with the assistance of 60–65 volunteer instructors and helpers). Kathy Landgraf, Paul Dalton, Kelley Monahan Marshall, Holly Daisey, Sandra Ordway, Maritza Stimson, and numerous others again met the challenge of administering the ski/snowboard program.

This past year we also worked at improving the two elementary schools' sports facilities. In April 2002, a crew of volunteers, led by Evan Rowell of West Fairlee (and his backhoe), built a baseball/softball field at the Westshire Elementary School in West Fairlee. Lance Mills of Fairlee designed and measured out the field; Deb Griffin of Vershire secured a generous donation of jock sand (trucking included) for the project from Pike Industries in West Lebanon. Robert Valenti of West Fairlee built team benches for the field. Many District parents donated countless hours, from the initial groundbreaking for the diamond, installing fencing and benches, picking numerous rocks from the earth, to raking, tamping and smoothing the ball field before "Batter Up" was called at the first home game. Without the enthusiasm of these volunteers, the Westshire students would not have had a ball field. This coming spring we plan on sprucing up the field at Samuel Morey.

Lawrence Hibbard of Orford built two sets of new soccer goals for both elementary schools' 3rd/4th grade travel soccer teams with materials he obtained through a very generous donation from Webbs, refurbished hand-me-down Academy bleachers for the elementary fields, and a pitching machine. Thrasher Excavation of Vershire donated a driver, truck and trailer to relocate Westshire Community Sports Association, Inc.'s soccer goals from the Vershire field to the elementary school in West Fairlee. We again hosted a 3rd/4th grade soccer tournament, this year held at Westshire, that was talked about throughout the Upper Valley. Local townsfolk commented on our organization, sportsmanship, and elementary sports fields and facilities. In January, we hosted a 3rd/4th grade basketball tournament at Samuel Morey.

We have had an upsurge of volunteerism throughout the last year. The Lions Club, the Mt. Cube Lodge, and the CSO Fundraising Council donated funds for upgraded uniforms. We thank everyone for their support. Our aim is to encourage our youngsters to exercise, cooperate with others, and build healthy, lifelong habits and activities.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Levin Sarazin
Chair, CSO

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS FOR THE TOWN OF ORFORD
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002**

DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND (COMMON TRUSTS SHOWN FIRST)	TYP	HOW INV	PRINCIPAL		
				BEGINNING BALANCE	NEW FUNDS CREATED	GAINS OR LOSSES
* MS10	TOTAL COMMON CEMETERY TRUSTS			\$121,290.27	\$300.00	
	CEMETERY COMON TRUST TOTALS			\$121,290.27	\$300.00	\$0.00
	CAPITAL RESERVES AND OTHER TOWN FUNDS:					
1989	TOWN OF ORFORD/ BRIDGES & ROADS		CD/MM	53,225.12	10,000.00	
1984	TOWN OF ORFORD/ COMM. FIELD (GIFT OF HAZEN MOREY)		PB	200.00		
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ COMM. FIELD		CD	731.58		
1985	TOWN OF ORFORD/ COMM. FIELD TRUST (GIFT OF HAZEN MOREY)		CD	6,905.54		
1991	TOWN OF ORFORD/ DUMP CLOSURE		CD/MM	15,000.00	20,000.00	
1989	TOWN OF ORFORD/ FIRE TRUCKS		CD/MM	81,502.26	20,000.00	
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ GRADER		CD	76,355.81	8,000.00	
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ HWY DEPT TRUCKS		CD	44,944.98	25,000.00	
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ IMPR H/CAP		CD	87.69		
1983	TOWN OF ORFORD/ LOADER		CD	2,578.63	7,000.00	
1978	TOWN OF ORFORD/ POLICE CRUISER		CD	15,545.62	7,000.00	
1987	TOWN OF ORFORD/ REAPPRAISAL		CD/MM	24,668.42	15,000.00	
1991	TOWN OF ORFORD/ TOWN BUILDINGS TOWN OF ORFORD/ TAX MAP		CD/MM	2,811.28	3,000.00	
1992	TOWN OF ORFORD/ TRACTOR/MOWER		MM	2,012.93	5,000.00	
1991	TOWN OF ORFORD/ TREES CARE & REPL.		CD/MM	607.46	289.85	
2000	TOWN OF ORFORD/ TOWN PROP. EXP. TR.		CD/MM	8,327.07	7,500.00	
1985	TOWN OF ORFORD/ BENEFIT H.S. STUDENTS (GIFT OF HAZEN MOREY)		CD	3,383.58		
1987	TOWN OF ORFORD/ SCHOLARSHIP FUND (GIFT OF MENTA SAWYER)		CD	5,000.00		
1991	TOWN OF ORFORD/ LENORE NILES FUND		CD/MM	50,000.00		117.58
1989	TOWN OF ORFORD/ SCHOOL FUND FOR EXCEL. (GIFTS TO FUND BY INDIVIDUALS)		CD	17,030.57		
1949	ORFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT (ALICE MANN)		MF/MM	3,260.77		
1991	ORFORD SCHOOL DIST. - BLDG RESERVE		MM	12,000.00		
1993	ORFORD SCHOOL DIST. - GYM RESERVE		MM	15,000.00		
1987	ORFORD SCHOOL DIST. - H/C RESERVE		MM	341.21		
TOTAL FUNDS HELD				\$562,810.79	\$128,089.85	\$117.58

NOTES: Mutual Fund Assets valued at cost, do not reflect unrecognized capital gain/(loss) of (\$9,310.05).
 Niles fund expenditures were \$200 for Bulletin Board at Post Office and \$250 each for 3 students in Rivendell Abroad Program
 Town Property Expendable Trust, funded by Rivendell, was source of funds for new dugout and other
 community field maintenance and improvement.
 Total Expenditures from income and principal for all funds in 2002: >>>>>> \$ 39,152.21

2/10/03 Respectfully submitted: M. Blanchard, S. Corpieri, J. Davis ::: Trustees.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS FOR THE TOWN OF ORFORD
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002**

WITH-DRAWALS	ENDING BALANCE	INCOME				TOTAL
		BEGINNING BALANCE	INCOME AMOUNT	EXPENDED IN YEAR	END OF YR BALANCE	YEAR-END BALANCE
	121,590.27	\$17,635.01	\$3,194.19	\$2,600.00	18,229.20	139,819.47
\$0.00	\$121,590.27	\$17,635.01	\$3,194.19	\$2,600.00	\$18,229.20	\$139,819.47
	63,225.12	3,896.75	1,984.33		5,881.08	69,106.20
	200.00	217.07	5.15		222.22	422.22
	731.58	1,184.99	71.84		1,256.83	1,988.41
	6,905.54	5,489.66	566.29		6,055.95	12,961.49
8,263.92	26,736.08	6,419.25	491.21	3,084.07	3,826.39	30,562.47
	101,502.26	5,349.04	2,127.10		7,476.14	108,978.40
	84,355.81	21,335.98	2,947.33		24,283.31	108,639.12
	69,944.98	753.88	1,013.38		1,767.26	71,712.24
	87.69	69.27	3.04		72.31	160.00
	9,578.63	0.00	52.71		52.71	9,631.34
14,007.96	8,537.66	676.21	315.83	992.04	0.00	8,537.66
	39,668.42	5,504.89	1,263.40		6,768.29	46,436.71
	2,811.28	913.97 *	87.71		1,001.68	3,812.96
	3,000.00		55.92		55.92	3,055.92
	7,012.93	76.07	42.44		118.51	7,131.44
	897.31	1.74 *	11.88		13.62	910.93
9,244.22	6,582.85	182.01	192.34	10.00	364.35	6,947.20
	3,383.58	2,940.75	200.20		3,140.95	6,524.53
	5,000.00	5,639.32	360.76		6,000.08	11,000.08
	50,117.58	10,552.37	888.38	950.00	10,490.75	60,608.33
	17,030.57	10,482.10	885.12		11,367.22	28,397.79
	3,260.77	603.69	105.58		709.27	3,970.04
	12,000.00	4,974.51	316.61		5,291.12	17,291.12
	15,000.00	2,710.85	446.71		3,157.56	18,157.56
	341.21	268.26	5.30		273.56	614.77
\$31,516.10	\$659,502.12	\$107,877.64	\$17,634.75	\$7,636.11	\$117,876.28	\$777,378.40

* Income Beginning Balances adjusted by \$26.34 to correct prior year income allocation error.
Per voted Warrant Article, \$15,000 withdrawn in partial payment for new Police Cruiser bought in June.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002**

CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS UPPER VALLEY RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE

The most important development in 2002 concerning Orford and the Connecticut River was the creation of a “protected shoreland” along the riverbank. This action was taken to help protect the river and its water quality.

The New Hampshire Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act, enacted in 1994, recognizes that the public waters of the state, including rivers, lakes and large ponds, are among its most valuable and fragile resources. It established standards and requirements regarding the development, use, and subdivision of all land within 250 feet of the shoreline of these waters. While the shoreland of Upper and Lower Baker ponds and of Indian and Mason ponds have been subject to these requirements from the start, the Connecticut River was exempted.

In 2002, the New Hampshire Legislature amended the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act to include the Connecticut River. For Orford, which has not enacted its own regulations concerning the land along the river, this means that an area of “protected shoreland” has been created, extending 250 feet back from the edge of the water. Within that area, certain activities which can be harmful to the river are regulated or prohibited. These include:

- Prohibition of the establishment/expansion of salt storage or auto junk yards, and of solid and hazardous waste facilities.
- Prohibition of fertilizer and pesticide use within 25 feet of the water’s edge.
- Maintenance, where existing, of a natural woodland buffer within 150 feet of the water’s edge.
- Any new primary structures to be set back at least 50 feet.
- Construction of a dock or alteration of a bank or beach is to be approved by DES permit.
- Setbacks for new septic leachfields to be based on soil types.
- Any construction to follow Best Management Practices for Stormwater and Erosion Control.

This change is a significant first step toward achieving Orford’s Master Plan goal of protecting the natural resource values of the Connecticut River for future generations. At the same time, it will also help to protect landowners’ property and property values. An additional step specified by the Master Plan is the initiation of a program to provide shoreland property owners with practical information about good stewardship practices.

More information about the provisions and requirements of the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act may be obtained by contacting the Shoreland Outreach Coordinator at the N.H. Department of Environmental Services (603) 271-7109, or at the DES web site, www.state.nh.us/des. In addition, specific advice regarding riverbanks can be found at the Connecticut River Joint Commissions’ web site, especially at www.crjc.org/erosion.htm and at www.crjc.org/riparianbuffers.htm.

The Upper Valley River Subcommittee is composed of representatives from the ten New Hampshire and Vermont towns along the river between Lebanon/Hartford and Piermont/Bradford. Among its responsibilities are to provide advice on permit applications relating to the river, and to encourage riverfront communities to safeguard natural, agricultural, and historical resources in the river valley. More information, including how to obtain permits for work on or near the river, and a summary of the Connecticut River Management Plan, is available at www.crjc.org.

Carl Schmidt
Orford Representative

UPPER VALLEY AMBULANCE

To the Honorable Citizens of the Eight Communities we Proudly Serve:

We are pleased to present our 12th annual report to the citizens we serve. Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service to our eight communities since July 1, 1990. In the past twelve years, Upper Valley will have responded to over 16,000 ambulance calls. This year we will have responded to over 800 requests for emergency medical assistance from the eight communities we serve.

2002 has proven to be a very challenging year. Like many small businesses, we have had a difficult time finding qualified employees in a tight labor market. We continue to absorb double digit increases in health insurance, workers compensation and liability insurance and reimbursement from Medicare, Medicaid and most other payors continues to lag well behind the actual cost of providing service. Despite this, we continue to provide a high level of service.

2003 should be no different. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 which placed ambulances on a fixed fee schedule was implemented last year. Insurance rates continue to climb, and the job market remains tight. After countless hours of discussion and thought, the UVA Board of Directors have approved the 2003 budget reflecting no increase in our per capita request of \$15.00/per capita based on the 2000 census numbers.

Our Domicile Risk Assessment Program, "Home Sweet Home . . . Home Safe Home" continues to grow. Members of Upper Valley Ambulance trained in identifying hazards in and around your home will meet with you to offer recommendations for a safer home environment. This no cost program was developed to reduce risks around your home and help you identify hazards in the hopes of preventing an injury from occurring. We strongly urge everyone to take advantage of this free program. If you would like to schedule an assessment, or would like to volunteer to assist us with this worthwhile program, please give our office a call.

Many of you are familiar with our Subscription Service. The yearly membership fee of \$30 entitles you to medically necessary emergency medical services at no additional cost to you. Applications are available at your local Town Offices, or at our business office on Lake Morey Road in Fairlee.

We encourage you to join your friends and neighbors who stop by to visit, or to have their blood pressure checked at our Lake Morey Road facility. Please feel free to contact John Vose, Administrator or your Town Representative, if you have any questions concerning our service. We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. The Board of Directors, Administration and employees of Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. will continue striving to provide the highest quality emergency medical care at the lowest possible cost to all the citizens we serve.

Larry Lancaster, Chair
Board of Directors
Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc.

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The UVLSRPC is a nonprofit, voluntary association of 30 communities in Vermont and New Hampshire. Our service area is based on clusters of communities united by a long history of employment, transportation and education connections, as well as by other issues of common concern. We serve the Upper Valley, Sullivan County, and the towns of the Lake Sunapee area. Each year we strive to focus on activities that will best meet the needs of each of these three areas, while we balance the differing concerns of larger and smaller communities. Your community's membership in UVLSRPC provides you with a voice in both regional and statewide decision-making that affects the future of your community.

We provide the communities of the region with a mechanism to work together toward balanced growth, in part by developing and implementing a comprehensive regional plan. In 2002, we began an update of the UVLSRPC Regional Plan, incorporating and responding to what we have learned from 2002 Census data and the Upper Valley Housing Needs Analysis. Among other activities, we:

- Worked with area organizations and businesses to increase awareness of the serious housing shortage in the Upper Valley, and worked with communities to address the problem.
- Helped several communities obtain grant funds for a variety of projects, including planning for economic development, protection of watersheds, wildlife habitat, scenic resources and agricultural land, and building visitor facilities and bikepaths.
- Assisted 11 communities with updates of their master plans and 10 with local land use regulations.
- Continued our assistance to watershed organizations planning for the stewardship of the Connecticut River and its tributaries, including the Mascoma River, Lull's Brook, Cold River and Sugar River.
- Provided monthly circuit rider services to five communities to review subdivision and site plan applications for compliance with local regulations.
- Held 12 training sessions for local officials on land use regulations, natural resource protection, and the National Flood Insurance Program.
- Responded to day-to-day requests from local board members and staff for guidance on many issues, including: improvements for roads and intersections, unmaintained road policies, management of excavations, preservation of historic resources, future school enrollment projections, capital improvement programming and impact fees, interpretation of local land use regulations, hiring consultants, and planning and zoning board procedures.
- Continued to increase the ability of our geographic information system (GIS) to perform land use analysis and natural resource planning; provided GIS services to 21 communities and partner organizations.

We appreciate the high level of participation and support we receive from our communities, and look forward to continuing to serve the needs of the region in the coming years.

Tara E. Bamford
Interim Executive Director

VISITING NURSE ALLIANCE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC.

Your Visiting Nurse Alliance services are like your police and fire departments. We are a vital part of your community safety net — with services that must be continuously available for you or anyone else who might need them — and the need can vary dramatically from year to year.

As a nonprofit agency, we are very appreciative of the continued support that the Town of Orford provides to help us meet your residents’ home care, hospice and family health service needs.

- Town funds enable your family, friends and neighbors to remain at home and to receive skilled clinical services during times of injury, recovery from surgery or accidents, disability, short-term and chronic illness. Town funds provide support and symptom control during terminal illness, community wellness and important assistance to families at risk.
- Town funds help provide a comprehensive range of necessary care (determined by hospital discharge planners and attending physicians) for persons of all ages and economic backgrounds including those who are unable to pay or who do not have adequate health insurance.

The Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT and NH provided the following services in the Town of Orford this past year:

Visits (July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002)

Skilled Nursing	303	<i>Family Support Services</i>	
Physical Therapy	147	Families served	2
Speech Therapy	14	Individuals served	9
Occupational Therapy	12	Home Visits	10
Medical Social Worker	9		
Home Health Aide	770	<i>MCH</i>	
Homemaker	63	Children	6
Hospice and Private Duty	11	Home Visits	26
Total Visits	1,329	<i>Clinic Attendees</i>	
		Flu	47
<i>Hospice VNH</i>		<i>WIC (Women, Infants and Children)</i>	
Patient Families served	1	Clients	13
<i>Orange County Parent Child Center</i>		Clinic Visits	48
Families	2		

On behalf of the people we serve in your community, thank you for your continued confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan H. Larman, BSN, MBA
 President and Chief Executive Officer

**GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.
ANNUAL REPORT 2002**

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well-being of our older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln and also sponsors the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of the Upper Valley and White Mountains (RSVP). Through the centers and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, congregate dining programs, transportation, adult day care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2002, 51 older residents of Orford were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Orford, Haverhill and Upper Valley programs:

- Older adults from Orford enjoyed 449 balanced meals in the company of friends in the senior dining rooms.
- They received 2,660 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Orford residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 8 occasions by our lift-equipped buses.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 32 visits by a trained social worker.
- Orford's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 753 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Orford residents in 2002 was \$18,522.00.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars which would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Orford's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Carol W. Dustin
Executive Director

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A new era is underway in the Executive Branch of your NH State Government, headed by Governor Craig Benson. I envision that his administration will be bringing new and innovative ideas of a modernized New Hampshire State Government by utilizing tools of the new age of technology. This will bring enhanced services to the citizens and users of NH State Government. Through the many checks and balances of power at the State Capitol, Governor Benson will not go too slow or too fast.

I encourage citizens to contact Governor Benson and offer to serve on a board or commission. Each biennium, more than 300 citizens are appointed to these public boards. The address is: State House, 107 North Main St., Concord, NH 03301. The phone number is: 603 271-2121. A new administration is in Concord. Let's make very sure our region is a part of the Benson era of New Hampshire! For a listing of the boards and commissions under the authority of the Governor and Council, please visit the Secretary of State web site at: <<http://webster.state.nh.us/sos/>> or call my office at 271-3632.

As Councilor, I will be conducting official tours with Commissioners and Directors of State agencies all summer and fall of 2003. If you have a special event or project you would like a certain agency to visit or focus on, please let me know.

As Councilor, I will be holding official summer 2003 hearings on proposed changes to the NH Ten Year Highway Plan. All towns, counties and cities will be notified of this schedule of public hearings in your region. Please utilize your regional Planning Commission as a starting point for your transportation ideas and concerns. For detailed information on the Ten Year Highway Plan, visit the Department of Transportation web site: <<http://webster.state.nh.us/dot/>>

All citizens and public agencies should contact our NH Congressional delegation and ask for more support from Washington, DC. New Hampshire ranks near the bottom of the list in monies returned back from the federal budget.

For every dollar of taxation we send to Washington we get back **only 71 cents!** Let's send many lists to Senators Gregg and Sununu, and Congressmen Bass and Bradley and give them a chance to do better!

Please keep in touch with my office. I am at your service.

Raymond S. Burton
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RIVENDELL EASEMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

In 1999, as part of a larger purchase of land by the Rivendell Interstate School District, an agreement was reached to conserve the eight-acre open field and hedgerows to the north of the existing school property in Orford, together with the adjacent five-acre wooded hillside to the east, by granting a conservation easement to the Upper Valley Land Trust. The School District agreed that this land will remain permanently undeveloped, thereby helping to ensure the area's rural appearance by protecting scenic views and maintaining a buffer between the conserved area and nonhistoric buildings on the school campus. At the same time, Rivendell retained valuable rights for certain underground, out-of-sight uses for part of the open field.

In 2002, the principal work of the Management Committee was to develop a comprehensive Five Year Management Plan for the 13 acres of conserved land, and to involve Rivendell students and faculty in the planning for this community resource.

The Management Committee, which met regularly during the year, was composed of three members appointed by the Rivendell School Board (Jon Sands, Bruce Schwaegler, and Ruth Cserr, who replaced Doug Tiff in April) and two members appointed by the Orford Board of Selectmen (Ann Green, serving as Committee Chair, and Carl Schmidt). Rivendell's Director of Operations (John Stewart and his successor, George Smith) served as an ex officio member.

Underground construction work in parts of the terraced 8-acre field, involving installation of a septic leach field, stormwater drainage pipes, and a conduit for electric power, was essentially completed in the spring. This opened the way for drafting the Five Year Management Plan which is intended to translate the overall priorities and rules of the conservation easement into specific goals and objectives for maintaining the property. For example the plan addresses how the forested area at the east end of the easement and the wooded hedgerow between the school buildings and the open field are to be managed, and how the large open field areas are to be maintained for traditional agricultural uses. With regard to the latter, the draft plan prepared by the Management Committee sets out as a long-term goal the use of organic farming methods for the easement land. In developing the plan, student and faculty involvement has been encouraged and comments invited from the Rivendell School Board, the Orford Selectboard, and the Land Trust. In addition, a public meeting was scheduled in January 2003 to provide information and receive further comments.

Student involvement in management of the easement land is encouraged to foster learning and promote understanding and appreciation of land conservation for the public benefit. For example, in the spring, 11th and 12th grade Academy students enrolled in the Agricultural Ecology course, which was taught by Barrie North and Paul Brown, did extensive research regarding possible crops to be grown above the new leach field and presented their findings in a meeting with the Management Committee in May. Future student projects may possibly include clearing a nature/history trail, inventorying plant species and soil types, and hedgerow maintenance.

WWII MEMORIAL

The WWII Memorial Committee has received about \$2500 towards the estimated \$6000 needed to complete this project.

Due to the personal commitments elsewhere, little was accomplished this past year.

We will attempt to re-energize this coming year and finish this project.

If you would like to contribute to this fund, forward your contribution to Orford Selectmen's Office, PO Box F, Orford, NH 03777.

Paul B. Messer, Sr.

VITAL RECORDS OF THE TOWN OF ORFORD
For the Year Ended December 31, 2002

BIRTHS

Date	Child's Name	Father and Mother	Place of Birth
4/14/02	<i>Riley Cole Naylor</i>	Scott Naylor Jaimie Naylor	Lebanon, NH
9/27/02	<i>Gabriella Catherine Tsakiris</i>	Derek Tsakiris Laura Tsakiris	Lebanon, NH
10/03/02	<i>Matthew Steven Ball</i>	Steven Ball Connie Dyke	Lebanon, NH
10/27/02	<i>Cora Suzanne Day</i>	Robb Day Sara Day	Lebanon, NH
12/01/02	<i>Addison Margaret Locke</i>	Andrew Locke Heather Scholl	Lebanon, NH
12/06/02	<i>Hunter Alan Taylor</i>	Timothy Taylor Jennifer Findley	Lebanon, NH

MARRIAGES

Date	Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Place of Marriage
03/23/02	Mallett, Richard B.	Orford, NH	Bixby, Karen M.	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
05/25/02	Morey, Scott Allen	Orford, NH	Gauthier, Meghan Nicole	W. Chesterfield, NH	Brattleboro, VT
06/01/02	Evans, Brian Timothy	Lebanon, NH	Severance, Stacey Lyn	Lebanon, NH	Orford, NH
06/29/02	Dickey, Joshua	Portsmouth, NH	Berwick, Katherine	Orford, NH	Bradford, VT
07/27/02	Lyons, Gerald J.	Orford, NH	Smith, Ann M.	Orford, NH	W. Stewartstown, NH
08/10/02	Ellis, Keith D.	Lakewood, CO	Marsh, Clara Fern	Orford, NH	Bradford, VT

MARRIAGES (continued)

Date	Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Place of Marriage
08/24/02	Flint, Clarence Thomas	Orford, NH	Olisky, Shiloh Marie	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
09/07/02	Willson, Todd Alan	Orford, NH	Pierson, Amy L.	Orford, NH	Orford, NH
09/29/02	Palifka, Robert M.	Orford, NH	Platenik, Leah A.	Orford, NH	Hartford, VT
10/02/02	Gray, Edmund	Orford, NH	Newton, Karen	Fairlee, VT	Fairlee, VT

DEATHS

Date	Name of Deceased	Father	Mother	Place of Death
01/09/02	Davis, Hattie K.	Davis, Alvah	Woodard, Myrtie	Bradford, VT
01/28/02	Keefer, Dorothea F.	Franklin, Elmer	Cole, Hanna	Orford, NH
03/28/02	Tobelman, William T.	Tobelman, Gustave	Close, Helen	Lebanon, NH
06/26/02	White, Catriona			Farmington, CT
11/21/02	Schwarz, Sophie	Ihrig, Peter	Ihrig, Freida	Bradford, VT
12/06/02	Taylor, Hunter Alan	Taylor, Timothy	Findley, Jennifer	Lebanon, NH

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