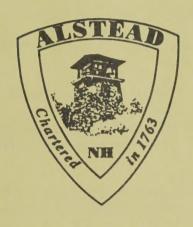
Annual Reports

Of The Selectmen And Other Town Officers

of the Town of

ALSTEAD, N.H.

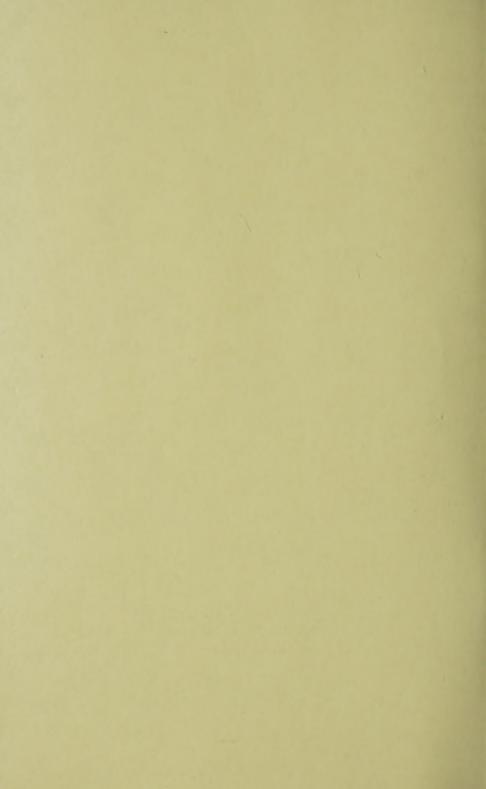


FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1995

TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, March 12, 1996



TOWN INFORMATION

Selectmen

835-2986

Meetings on Tuesdays,

as posted.

Town Clerk - Tax Collector

835-2242

Hours: Mon., Tues., Wed. 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thurs., 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Planning Board - Fourth Tuesday of the month

8:00 p.m.

Zoning Board of Adjustment - First Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m.

Zoning Officer:

E. Dale Wilson

835-2231 evenings

Health Officer:

James O'Brien

835-2349 evenings

Conservation Commission - First Thursday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Fire Department

Executive Board - First Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting - Second Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Ambulance/Rescue Squad - Third Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Drills held on the fourth Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Library Hours

835-6661

Wednesday 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday & Friday, 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Transfer Station Hours

835-2425

Monday and Wednesday, 1:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Town Highway Garage

835-2428

Front Cover: Alstead Town Insignia

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TOWN OFFICIALS 1995

Betty Woodell Michael F. Rodgers Veronica LaFleur	Selectman Selectman Selectman	Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires	1997
Stephen Blake Gloria Seddon Joni Jo Roy Kenneth Winham Neil Swift Jr. Warren campbell Erwin Ward Warren Campbell H. Douglas Bays Julia Cunniff E. Dale Wilson Marie Bender Bruce Bellows	Moderator Clerk/Collector Treasurer Road Agent Dog Constable Parks 'Commissioner Police Chief Fire Chief Forest Fire Warden Civil Defense Director Librarian Zoning Officer Trustee of Trust Funds Trustee of Trust Funds	Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires Appointed Appointed Term Expires Term Expires	1997 1996 1997 1996 1996
Reginald Clark	Trustee of Trust Funds	Term Expires	
James O'Brien Carroll E. Hatch H. Douglas Bays	Fire Commissioner Fire Commissioner Fire Commissioner	Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires	1997
Dorothy Walker Geraldine Swift Suzette Langlois Mary Lou Huffling Susan Rogers	Library Trustee Library Trustee Library Trustee Library Trustee Library Trustee	Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires	1996 1997 1998
Howard Goss Harry Neal Clifford Clark	Arch Pond Committee Arch Pond Committee Arch Pond Committee	Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires	1996
Harry A. Neal Molly Leonard Stanley F. Kmiec	Supervisors of Checklist	Term Expires Term Expires Term Expires	1997

Ballot Clerks

David Leonard Frances Wilson Gertrude Putnam Ora Clark

Cindy Miller Betty Woodell Walter C. Righter Matt Saxton Rosemarie Caffrey Jayne L'Heureux Donald Bascom Julie Stevens Peter Rhoades	Planning Board Ex-Officio Planning Board Alternate Alternate Alternate Planning Board Planning Board Planning Board	Term Term Term Term Term Term Term Term	Expires Expires Expires Expires Expires Expires Expires Expires Expires	1996 1997 1997 1997 1997 1998 1998
David Young Harry Neal Thomas Hancock, Jr. Alan Wilson Heather Gendron Jerry Blake Matt Saxton Thomas Smidutz David Fiske Richard Minard	Zoning Board of Adjustment Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate	Term Term Term Term Term Term Term Term	Expires Expires Expires Expires	1997 1997 1997 1997 1998 1998 1998
Howard L. Goss Harry Neal Dot Walker	Maybelle Still Memorial Building Committee	Term	Expires Expires Expires	1996
George Ross Howard C. Weeks Peter Renzelman	Conservation Commission	Term	Expires Expires Expires	1996
George Ross Julie Stevens Betty Woodell Richard Pelletier	Vilas Pool Committee	Term Term	Expires Expires Expires Expires	1996
Marie Bender Bruce Bellows Reginald Clark	Cemetery Commission	Term	Expires Expires Expires	1996 1997 1998

Pat Adams

School Board Member-Alstead Representative Fall Mtn. Consolidated School District

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Alstead in the County of Cheshire, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Municipal Building in said Alstead on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, next at 1:00 p.m. Polls will be open until 7:00 p.m. The business meeting to be holden at 7:30 p.m. on the following:

- Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
- Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Alstead.

By Petition Official Ballot Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Note: Under state law this article will require a 60% affirmative vote for adoption. A copy of RSA 40:13 is available during normal business hours at the Town Clerks or Selectmen's office.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) for the purchase of two smoke filtration systems to be placed in the new East Alstead Fire Station, to satisfy the requirements of NFPA (National Fire Protection Association).

By Petition Recommended by Fire Commissioners and Fire Department Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,120.00 (Twelve Thousand One Hundred Twenty Dollars), for the following health agencies;

a. Home Health Care & Comm. Serv. \$ 9,500.00
b. Monadnock Family Serv. \$ 1,754.00
c. Southwestern Comm. Serv. \$ 866.00

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,800.00 (Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars) for gates and fence replacement to the Alstead cemeteries.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 (Five Hundred Dollars) to be used to form a committee to look into the feasibility of establishing a Youth Center in the town of Alstead.

By Petition
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for items and purposes listed, with \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be taken from current surplus as provided by RSA 35:5, to be applied to these expenditures;

a. Executive	\$ 37,250.00
b. Election, Registration & Vitals	\$ 27,850.00
c. Financial Administration	\$ 33,250.00
d. Legal Expense	\$ 15,000.00
e. Personnel Admin. (Employee Benefits)	\$ 48,800.00
f. Planning and Zoning	\$ 4,750.00
g. General Government Building	\$ 32,800.00
h. Cemeteries	\$ 4,700.00
i. Insurance	\$ 41,000.00
j. Advertising & Regional Assoc.	\$ 2,500.00
k. Spahr Building (Vilas Inv.)	\$ 3,000.00
I. Municipal Building Repairs	\$ 25,000.00
m. Police	\$ 48,180.00
n. Ambulance	\$ 15,000.00
o. Fire	\$ 30,000.00
p. Forest Fire	\$ 750.00
q. Emergency Management	\$ 50.00
r. Highway & Streets	\$ 288,500.00
s. Street Lighting	\$ 7,500.00
t. Sanitation/Solid Waste	\$ 61,000.00
u. Pest/Animal Control	\$ 500.00
v. Health Office	\$ 1,200.00
w. Welfare/Direct Assistance	\$ 8,000.00
x. Parks and Recreation	\$ 5,500.00
y. Library	\$ 8,500.00
z. Patriotic Purposes	\$ 200.00
aa. Conservation Commission	\$ 225.00
bb. Long Term Lease	\$ 31,463.00
cc. Other Trust Funds (Vilas/Library/TTOF)	\$ 30,800.00
dd. Long Term Notes and Interest	\$
ee. Interest on T.A.N.'s	\$ 7,500.00

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 (Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars), for the purpose of construction and installation of a new concrete pad and block wall along with reroofing of the dugouts on Millot Green.

By Petition
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to reclassify the Class VI portion of the now named Rogers Road to a Class V highway from the Rogers driveway to the driveways of Cooper, Vos and Burke, a distance of approximately 1,300 feet (One Thousand Three Hundred Feet) pursuant to RSA 231:22 and RSA 231:29.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,970.00 (Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Dollars) to repair the Vilas Pool bridge and authorize the withdrawal of \$8,970.00 (Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Dollars), plus interest, being all of the funds in the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of \$4,000.00 (Four Thousand Dollars) to come from general taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

- Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to urge our representatives to the General Court of NH and US Congress to pass laws reforming electoral campaign financing, thus returning the political process to the will of the people and encouraging the participation of candidates with great ability and limited means. Measures to accomplish this may include, but not be limited to, the following.
 - Sharp limitations on all forms of contributions to candidates, including soft money contributions (contributions to political parties).
 - Maximum spending limits per election linked to geographic and demographic makeup of each state and district, such as \$1.00 per voter.

- 3. Sharp limitations on all forms of spending to influence elections, including independent expenditures.
- Sharp limitations on contributions to and spending by political action committees; and
- 5. Remedies, such as free broadcast time, postal subsidies, and democratic (public) financing, to balance inequities between credible candidates, incumbent and challenger, rich and poor.

By Petition
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 32:14-23 of the Municipal Budget Law pertaining to the establishing of a Budget Committee.

Note: If the vote is favorable, the Town shall at that same meeting vote, by ballot or other means, determine the number of members at large, as provided by RSA 32:15 I, and whether they shall be elected or appointed by the Moderator. Copies of RSA 32:14-23 are available at the Town Clerk or Selectmen's office during normal business hours.

By Petition
Ballot
Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund, known as the Parks and Conservation Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of acquiring additional parks and conservation land within the town of Alstead, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 (Four Thousand Dollars) for this fund and purpose.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund entitled Town Office Capital Reserve Fund previously established, for the purpose of acquiring/building a structure for future use as municipal offices.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 15: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey any real estate acquired by tax deeds, by auction, sealed bids or private sale

or in any other manner as justice may require, indefinitely until rescinded. Furthermore, to authorize the Selectmen to employ agents and attorneys in furtherance of any such sales.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the town for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 31:95-e, and such authorization shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of Town meeting. The Selectmen must hold a public hearing before accepting such gifts, and the acceptance shall not bind the town to raise, appropriate, or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair, or replacement of any such personal property.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 17: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this // day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and 96.

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Christian C	L'orthur.	Alstead

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

Beth Woodee Selectmen

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March ____19 ____

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Acct No.		W.A.	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Recommended)
4130		M	34,000.	30,239.	37.250
4140		7		24 074	
4150		7	23,000. 31,500.	24,974.	27,850.
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4153		7	15,000.	15.000. 40.265.	15,000.
4155		7	36.000.	70,300.	70,800.
4191		7	8,500. 33.000	2.383. 27.771.	32,800.
4194		7		91,111	22,800.
-		7	1 200.	38.847.	41.000
	Insurance	7	70.000.	28,04%	41,000.
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	7	2,400	2,468.	3,000.
	Spahr Bldg. (Vilas Inv.)		3.000	1,064.	3,000.
	municipal Bldg. Repairs (ENC 17,008)	7	25,000.	21,850.	25,000.
4199	Other General Government				
	PUBLIC SAFETY		E11 E14	1000	10
4210		7	54,500.	42,814.	48,180.
4215		7	12,000.	17,911.	15,000
4220		7	27,500.	27,106	30,000
4240				,	1
4290		_7	50.		50
4299		7	500.	769	750.
	HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
4312	Highways and Streets	7	225,000.	249 679.	288.500.
4313	Bridges (Filsum MineRA. (ENC. 61.918.)	7	125,000.	63082	
4316	Street Lighting	7	125,000.	63,082.	7.500.
	SANITATION				
4323		7	60.000	53 814	61.000
	Solid Waste Disposal		80,000	00,011.	01,000
	Sewage Collection and Disposal				
4020	ocwago concentrate o apoca.				
	WATER DISTRIBUTION AND TREATMENT				
4332	Water Services				
4335	Water Treatment				
	115.4.711				
444	HEALTH	7	EAA	1/~	500
	Pest Control Hnimal Control	7 4	500.	470	500
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals	7		12,087.	12,120.
	Health Office	1/	1,000.	1,101.	1,200
	WELFARE				
	Direct Assistance	7	.8.000.	4,290.	8.000.
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments				
4445	Vendor Payments				
			836.427.	751 211	71/9 400
	Sub-Totals (carry to top of page 3)		000,721.	756,216.	748,700.

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PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4) No.	W.A.	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATION: ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Recommended)
Sub-Totals (from page 2)	1	836.427.	756.216.	748 700
CULTURE AND RECREATION		101	1000	10,100
4520 Parks and Recreation	7	7.500.	8.175.	5,500.
1550 Library	7	8.500.	8500	8500
1583 Patriotic Purposes	7	200	125.	200
1589 Other Culture and Recreation				
CONSERVATION				
4612 Purchase of Natural Resources				
4619 Other Conservation	7	200.	310.	225.
REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING				
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				
DEBT SERVICE	0			65.11
1711 PrincLong Term Bonds & Notes	1/			57.666
721 Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	3		1 505	10,380.
1723 Interest on TAN	7	10,000,	6 595	7,500
CAPITAL OUTLAY	7	31,464.	31,463.	31,463.
1901 Land and Improvements Cemetery	-		1	77 811
1902 Mach., Veh. & Equip. Fire Dept	7			7.800
1903 Buildings Vilas Pool Bridge.	170			12,970
1909 Improvements Other Than Buildings / illot (50)	8			2500.
Youth Center Study	6			500
1995 Capital Outlay (FNC 27,867) OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		151,500.	197,037	
1912 To Special Revenue Fund Recycling Fund 1913 To Capital Projects Fund	7		3.453.	4.500
1913 To Capital Projects Fund				
1914 To Enterprise Fund Other Trust Funds (Vilas Pa	17	31,000	36,673.	30,800
. Sewer - + 7.0.T.F.	1			/
Water -				
Electric -	12	- 444		0 - 11
915 To Capital Reserve Fund 916 To Trust and Agency Funds	13-14	5,000	5,000.	9,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		1,081,791.	1 053.597	943,204.
HELP! We ask your assistance in the following appropriations from more than one (I up of the line total for the ensuing ye	ng: If yo) warran	u have a line item it article, please use	of appropriation which the space below to	nich is made up of identify the make-
Acct. W.A. Amt.		Acct.	W.A. Ami	
4915 13 4,000.				
4915 14 5,000.				
		mended by Selectmended in the recommended		
Warrant Article # S Amount		Warran	t Article #	\$ Amount

SOURCE OF REVENI	IE	*ESTIMATED	ACTUAL	ESTIMATED
Acct. No. TAXES	W.A.	REVENUE Prior Year (omit cents)	REVENUE Prior Year (omit cents)	REVENUE Ensuing Fiscal Year (omit cents)
3120 Land Use Change Taxes		4.000.	4210.	4,000
3180 Resident Taxes		,		
3185 Yield Taxes		11,000.	14,810.	12,000
3186 Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189 Other Taxes				
3190 Interest & Penalties on Delinquen	t Taxes	50,000.	91.809.	55.000
Inventory Penalties				
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES	3			
3210 Business Licenses and Permits		3,000.	144.022.	4.000.
3220 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		112.000.	144,022.	130,000.
3230 Building Permits		,		
3290 Other Licenses, Permits & Fees				
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMEN				
3319 Other F.E.M.A.				35,000.
FROM STATE				
3351 Shared Revenue		63.081 58,634.	63.081. 58,634.	63.000
3353 Highway Block Grant		58.634.	58,634.	58,000
3354 Water Pollution Grants		,		
3355 Housing and Community Develop	ment			
3356 State & Federal Forest Land Rein	nbursement	2.	133.	130
3357 Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359 Other (Including Railroad Tax)				
FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT				
3379 Intergovernmental Revenues				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			5.446	10 -00
3401 Income from Departments		5,500.	7,229	17,500
3409 Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			11 01 0	2
3501 Sale of Municipal Property Rel	17	3,500. 5,500. 15,300.	4.760.	3,000
3502 Interest on Investments		5,500.	5,892	3,000.
3509 Other Ins. Dir. Reimb.		15,300.	16,578.	
INTERFUND OPERATING TRAN	SFERS IN		1 1/51	11500
3912 Special Revenue Fund 775			6,451.	4,500.
3913 Capital Projects Fund		0/ 70	22/11/4	30.800.
3914 Enterprise Fund Other Trust	runas	31,500.	32,447.	50,000
Sewer -				
Water -				
Electric -	()		11,1160	8 970.
3915 Capital Reserve Fund Vilas Po	of Bridge		4459.	115 000
3916 Trust and Agency Funds		55,000.	45,436.	70,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		100 110	1000 000	
3934 Proc. from Long Term Notes & Bo	nds	173,000.	173,000.	
General Fund Balance	For Municipal Use			444
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$79,999.	XXX	XXX	12000
Fund Balance Voted From Surplus	< \$-20,000. >			30,000.7
Fund Balance to be Retained	< \$59,999 >	XXX	XXX	XXX
Fund Balance Remaining to Reduce Tax	es \$			496 400
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS		12	H	1 14 100

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*Enter in this column the numbers which were revised and approved by DRA and which appear on	
Total Appropriations	943,204.
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Property Taxes	496.400.

Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)

446,804.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF Alstead, N.H.

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY VALUES

	1994	1995
Land Buildings Public Utilities Less Elderly &	\$ 11,886,005. \$ 25,121,768. \$ 546,350.	\$ 12,871,329. \$ 27,602,688. \$ 546,350.
Blind Exemptions Net Assessed Valuation	\$ - 30,000. \$ 37,524,123.	\$ - 30,000. \$ 37,704,987.
Taxes Committed to Tax Collecte	or:	
Town Property Taxes Assessed Less War Service Credit Net Property Tax Commitment Tax Rate	\$ 2,261,204. \$ - 8,923. \$ 2,252,281. \$ 60.26	\$ 2,369,759. \$ - 9,073. \$ 2,360,683. \$ 62.85
Net School Appropriation County Tax Assessment	\$ 1,743,316. \$ 160,305.	\$ 1,792,617. \$ 193,590.
SCHEDULE (OF TOWN PROPER	TY
Town Hall Furniture & Equipment Library, Land & Buildings Furniture & Equipment Police Dept. & Equipment Fire Dept., Land & Building, E. A Fire Dept., Equipment Parks, Commons & Playgrounds Highway Dept., Land & Buildings Highway Department Equipment	; ;	\$ 93,750. \$ 32,000. \$ 263,400. \$ 30,000. \$ 35,000. \$ 250,000. \$ 202,050. \$ 117,500. \$ 240,000. \$ 367,700.

35,000.

43,200. 2,200.

11,250. 185,250.

7,500.

32,000.

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Transfer Station Buildings

Arch Pond Property

Cemetery Equipment

Maybelle Still Memorial Building

M34 L130 M26 L2A

M11 L134

BOARD OF SELECTMEN 1995 REPORT

We welcomed Veronia (Vera) Lafluer as our newest Selectman, and Gloria Seddon as our Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

1995 was a difficult year for the Board, family changes not withstanding and facing the many problems that this community has, and realizing the costs that many of these proposed projects have and their affects on the taxpayers.

The Fire Station in East Alstead is completed except for the site work which needs to be finished in the spring. The Selectmen and Fire Commissioners had a difficult decision to make when the bids were opened. As usual - not enough funds were appropriated. We weighed the pros and cons and decided to go ahead with the project as we knew the existing building would not stand another winter - after the snow we received this winter - we knew we had made a wise choice, as we could have been repairing fire equipment too.

The Gilsum Mine Road project did not go as expected (but then what does). With the torrential rains from June to December - the Highway crew spent a considerable amount of time repairing ditches, culverts and washouts. We are in the process of applying for FEMA funds to help offset some of the the costs that have been incurred in the 1995 budget.

We replaced the oil tank at the Municipal Building. As usual, nothing is easy. The old tank had leaks and the EPA had to be called in. We are applying for a special Federal fund to help offset some of this cost also.

The overall proposed 1996 operating budget for the town, including operating budget and warrant articles is increased by 12%. A result of loan payments for the Mine Road project and the new East Alstead Fire Station. Also included are the salaries for the full-time Police Officer, increases in administrative salaries, and an additional full-time employee in the Highway Department and necessary improvements to the North Road in East Alstead.

The good news is that the tax base has increased this year by one-half percent, which means that the net tax impact to taxpayers for the town

portion of the tax bill is anticipated to be two percent. Or, put another way, an increase of approximately twenty-two cents per thousand dollars of assessment. An example of this might be on a fifty thousand dollar assessment an overall increase in taxes for the town portion of that tax bill of roughly eleven dollars.

We are placing on the warrant a request for \$5,000.00 to be added to the Town Office Municipal Building Fund. We hope to resolve the Spahr building problem and would like to see these funds placed in this reserve fund also at a future town meeting.

Several people have come before the Board requesting that we find a place for more athletic fields. We have placed on the warrant an article requesting \$4,000.00 to start a fund for such a purpose. We also asked the Conservation Commission to assist us in the project. We have received a proposal that the town could buy the abutting buildings and land to the town office, but at this time we felt this was premature to place an article on the warrant without first getting more input from the voters of this town. We do feel strongly that we must continue to seach for a "Field of Dreams" along this line, and reserve funds to reach goals for the future.

Due to having raised funds for two projects last year to be paid over three years, we are not asking to borow for any new projects this year. Some of our leased equipment expenses will be paid off in the next couple of years and will allow us a little more flexibility in the future.

It is a disappointment to us that the revaluation figures were not ready for the Town at the latest tax billing time. Considerable software problems from the state Department of Revenue Administration software package prohibited us from completing our job for you. We are still working this out and expect to have this job done by this coming September, in time for the December 1996 tax billing.

Concerning the Auditor's report, we feel there are discrepencies. For example, we appropriated \$60,000.00 for the Transfer Station, which comes under Sanitation, and they show that we approved \$55,500.00. Therefore, we show that the Transfer Station was not over budget, giving us \$4,500.00 more to offset against total expenditures. Another item is the Special Revenue Fund for the Transfer Station in the amount of \$3,453.00 which the Auditors reported twice as an expenditure, combining

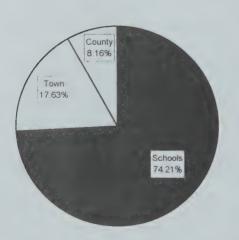
these errors therefore results in a total of \$7,953.00 to offset against town expenditures. This means that we are \$5,386.00 over budget for last year, and not the \$13,339.00 which shows in the Auditors report. Our total Revenue gave us the room required to meet our emergencies without spending more money than we really had, and these revenues also resulted in a total Surplus of \$79,999.00.

The Auditor's comment regarding the capability of the computer being used to complete certain functions and to take on more would suffice if the particular machine in question was indeed capable. Unfortunately "FRED" as the machine is called, is an antiquated device - already maxed out! If we spend more money for more advanced up-to-date equipment then we might reasonably require more of it.

The implementation of the Enhanced 911 system has not been forgotten. Certain mapping updates and corrections were returned to the state and there the matter rests. Road signs and house numbering hopefully will be completed in conjunction with the return of the maps. The Zoning and Planning budget is increased to cover this expense, along with the encumbered funds from the previous year.

Occasionally the town faces litigation. At this time there is one case standing in Court and two others are pending. These matters are governed by attorney client privilege and are being handled by our town attorney.

The Board of Selectmen would like to thank all of our Department Heads and their members and volunteers for their continued efforts and assistance this past year.



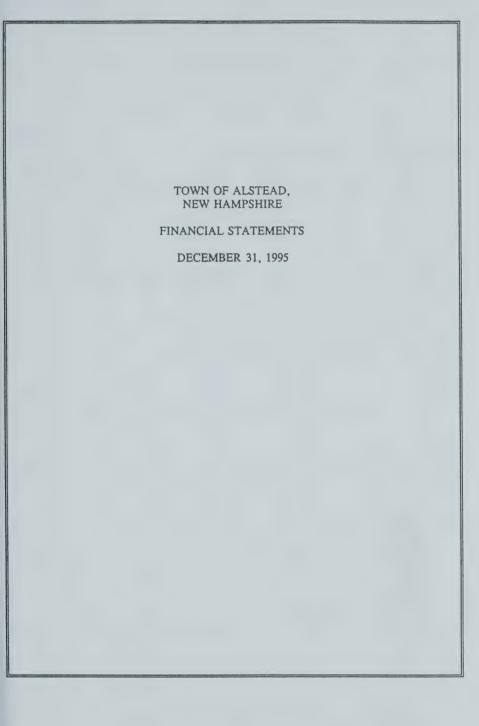
Respectfully submitted,

Betty Woodell, Chairman Michael F. Rogers Veronica C. Lafluer

TAX APPORTIONMENT - 1995

Rate per \$1000.: 62.85

	\$	%
Schools	46.64	74.21%
Town	11.08	17.63%
County	5.13	8.16%
Total	62.85	100.00%



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen Town of Alstead Alstead, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Alstead for the year ended December 31, 1995, 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 performing 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.

The following other matter came to our attention that we have discussed with management as an opportunity for efficiency and/or cost savings related to the administration of the Town:

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION

As part of our management letters in past years, we have strongly recommended the hiring of an administrative assistant. In 1993 the Town hired an individual to fill this role. Based on our audit and observations, it appears that the role and duties of this position need to be clearly defined.

In this regard, we recommend that all bookkeeping functions, including the preparation of payroll and related reports be performed by this person. Likewise, it would appear that the computer system is not being utilized to its fullest capabilities, in that checks are still being prepared manually and individual checks are still being signed by the Selectmen. The computer system is capable of printing all checks and a check register which can be approved by the Selectmen, eliminating individual check signing.

Town of Alstead Independent Auditor's Communication of Reportable Conditions and Other Matters

We would be pleased to meet with the Board of Selectmen to discuss our findings and observations in greater detail.

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.

January 12, 1996

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen Town of Alstead Alstead, New Hampshire

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

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

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Alstead has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Alstead, as of December 31, 1995, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

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

January 12, 1996

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GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

EXHIBIT A TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group December 31, 1995

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	Governr Fund *		Fiduciary Fund Types Trust and Agency	Account Group General Long-Term Debt	Total (Memorandum Only)
Assets Cash and Equivalents Investments Receivables (Net of	\$ 506,722	\$ 41,206	\$ 183,734 107,070	\$	\$ 731,662 107,070
Allowances For Uncollectibles) Taxes Accounts Interfund Receivable Prepaid Items	566,862 13,940 8,753	4,304 8,717	27,193		566,862 45,437 8,717 8,753
Other Debits Amount to be Provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt				250.978	250.978
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	\$ 1,096,277	\$ 54.227	\$ 317.997	\$ 250,978	\$ 1,719,479
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALAN	<u>ICES</u>				
Liabilities Accounts Payable Accrued Payroll and Benefits Contracts Payable Retainage Payable Intergovernmental Payable Interfund Payable Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable General Obligation Debt Payable Capital Leases Payable	\$ 5,230 3,457 29,484 800 892,617 8,717	\$	\$ 606 27,193	173,000	\$ 5,230 3,457 29,484 800 893,223 8,717 27,193 173,000
Total Liabilities	940,305		27,799	<u>77.978</u> <u>250.978</u>	<u>77.978</u> <u>1.219.082</u>
Fund Balances Reserved For Endowments Reserved For Encumbrances Reserved For Special Purposes	83,926		115,667 174,531		115,667 83,926 174,531
Unreserved Designated For Special Purposes Undesignated Total Fund Balances	72,046 155,972	54,227	290,198		54,227 72,046 500,397
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,096,277	\$ 54,227	\$ 317,997	\$250,978	\$ 1,719,479

EXHIBIT B TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Governm Fund T		Fiduciary Fund Type Expendable Trust	Total (Memorandum Only)
Revenues Taxes Licenses and Permits Intergovernmental Charges for Services Miscellaneous	\$ 2,453,037 148,746 121,848 7,229 73,166	\$ 6,451 24,489	\$ 6,825	\$ 2,453,037 148,746 121,848 13,680 104,480
Other Financing Sources Operating Transfers In Proceeds of General Obligation Debt	4,459 173,000	9,590	5,000	19,049 173,000
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	2.981.485	40,530	11.825	3.033.840
Expenditures Current General Government Public Safety Highways and Streets Sanitation Health Welfare Culture and Recreation Conservation Debt Service Capital Outlay Intergovernmental	250,416 88,600 319,877 57,267 13,658 4,290 8,350 310 38,058 218,887 1,987,921	3,453 34,265		250,416 88,600 319,877 60,720 13,658 4,290 42,615 310 38,058 218,887 1,987,921
Other Financing Uses Operating Transfers Out	13,500		4,459	17,959
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	3,001,134	37,718	4,459	3.043.311
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(19,649)	2,812	7,366	(9,471)
Fund Balances - January 1	175.621	51,415	129,749	356,785
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 155,972	\$ 54,227	\$ 137,115	\$ 347,314

EXHIBIT C

TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
General and Special Revenue Funds

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

	General Fund			
Paugue	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable	
Revenues Taxes Licenses and Permits Intergovernmental Charges for Services Miscellaneous	\$ 2,400,799 115,000 121,717 5,500 95,300	\$ 2,453,037 148,746 121,848 7,229 73,166	\$ 52,238 33,746 131 1,729 (22,134)	
Other Financing Sources Operating Transfers In Proceeds of General Obligation Debt	173,000	4,459 173,000	4,459	
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	2.911.316	2.981.485	70,169	
Expenditures Current General Government Public Safety Highways and Streets Sanitation Health Welfare Culture and Recreation Conservation Debt Service Capital Outlay Intergovernmental Other Financing Uses Operating Transfers Out	219,600 94,550 357,500 55,500 13,608 8,000 7,700 200 41,464 173,000 1,987,921	201,247 88,600 381,795 57,267 13,658 4,290 8,350 310 38,058 190,670 1,987,921	18,353 5,950 (24,295) (1,767) (50) 3,710 (650) (110) 3,406 (17,670)	
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	2,972,543	2,985,666	(13,123)	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses Increase (Decrease) in Reserve for Encumbrances	(61,227)	(4,181) (15,468)	57,046 (15,468)	
	((1.227)			
Net Change in Fund Balance for Year	(61,227)	(19,649)	41,578	
Fund Balances - January 1	175,621	175,621		
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 114,394	\$ 155,972	\$ 41,578	

	Annually Budg			Totals (Memorandum Or	nlv)
Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
\$	\$	\$	\$ 2,400,799 115,000 121,717	\$ 2,453,037 148,746 121,848	\$ 52,238 33,746 131
4,500 16,000	6,451 23,982	1,951 7,982	10,000 111,300	13,680 97,148	3,680 (14,152)
8,500	9,590	1,090	8,500 	14,049 173,000	5,549
_29,000	40,023	_11.023	2.940.316	3.021.508	81,192
			219,600 94,550	201,247 88,600	18,353 5,950
4,500	3,453	1,047	357,500 60,000 13,608	381,795 60,720 13,658	(24,295) (720) (50)
24,500	34,225	(9,725)	8,000 32,200 200 41,464 173,000 1,987,921	4,290 42,575 310 38,058 190,670 1,987,921	3,710 (10,375) (110) 3,406 (17,670)
			13.500	13,500	
29,000	37,678	_(8,678)	3,001,543	3.023.344	(21,801)
	2,345	2,345	(61,227)	(1,836)	59,391
		-		(15,468)	(15,468)
			(61,227)	(17,304)	43,923
37,244	37,244		212.865	212,865	
\$ 37,244	\$ 39,589	\$ 2,345	\$ 151,638	\$ 175,912	\$ 43,923

EXHIBIT D TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance All Nonexpendable Trust Funds

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Fiduciary Fund Type Nonexpendab Trust Funds		
Operating Revenues New Funds Interest and Dividends	\$ 800 		
Total Operating Revenues	8,625		
Operating Expenses Trust Income Distributions	9,354		
Operating (Loss)	(729)		
Operating Transfers Transfers Out	(1.090)		
Net Income (Loss)	(1,819)		
Fund Balance - January 1	_154.902		
Fund Balance - December 31	<u>\$ 153,083</u>		

EXHIBIT E TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Statement of Cash Flows
All Nonexpendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Fiduciary Fund Type Nonexpendable Trust Funds
Cash Flows From Operating Activities Interest and Dividends Received New Funds Received Trust Income Distributions Operating Transfers Out - To Other Funds	\$ 7,850 1,000 (9,379) (1,090)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	(1,619)
Cash - January 1	_146,232
Cash - December 31	<u>\$ 144,613</u>
Reconciliation of Net Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	
Net Income	\$ (1,819)
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities (Increase) Decrease in Receivables Due From Others	200
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ (1,619)

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The Town of Alstead, New Hampshire, is a municipal corporation governed by an elected Board of Selectmen. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Town of Alstead (primary government), and its component units. Component units are organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable or for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Based on the foregoing criteria, no other organizations are included in the Town's financial reporting entity.

B. Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Town are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses, as appropriate. Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped by type in the financial statements. The following fund types and account groups are used by the Town:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental Funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Town are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the Town's expendable financial resources, and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The following are the Town's Governmental Fund Types:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges, and the capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action. The following funds are included in this fund type:

Vilas Pool Arch Pond Committee Shedd Porter Memorial Library Conservation Committee Transfer Station

Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary Fund Types - These funds account for assets held by the Town as a trustee or agent for individuals, private organizations, and other units of governments.

The following funds are included in this fund type:

Nonexpendable Trust Funds
Town Trusts

Expendable Trust Funds
Town Trusts
Capital Reserve

Agency Fund
Deferred Compensation Plan

Account Groups

Account groups are not "funds." They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations. The Town uses the following account groups:

General Fixed Assets Account Group - General fixed assets have been acquired for general governmental purposes and have been recorded as expenditures in the fund making the expenditure. These expenditures are required to be capitalized at historical cost in a General Fixed Asset Group of Accounts for accountability purposes. In accordance with the practices followed by most other municipal entities in the State, the Town does not maintain a record of its general fixed assets and, accordingly, a statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in this financial report.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group - This account group is established to account for all long-term debt of the Town.

C. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Governmental Funds, Expendable Trust Funds, and Agency Funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become both available and measurable (flow of current financial resources measurement focus). Licenses and permits, charges for services, fines and forfeits, and miscellaneous revenues

are recorded as revenues when received in cash. General taxes, intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, and investment earnings are recorded when earned (when they are measurable and available). Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except expenditures for debt service, prepaid expenses, and other long-term obligations, which are recognized when due.

All Nonexpendable Trust Funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred (flow of economic resources measurement focus).

D. Budgetary Accounting

General Budget Policies

General governmental revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with various legal requirements which govern the Town's operations. At its annual meeting, the Town adopts a budget for the current year for the General and all significant Special Revenue Funds. Except as reconciled below, budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Management may transfer appropriations between operating categories as they deem necessary, but expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations in total. All annual appropriations lapse at year-end unless encumbered.

State statutes require balanced budgets, but provide for the use of beginning unreserved fund balance to achieve that end. In 1995, \$61,227 of the beginning General Fund fund balance was applied for this purpose.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and continuing appropriations (certain projects and specific items not fully expended at year end) are recognized, is employed in the governmental funds. Encumbrances are not the equivalent of expenditures and are therefore reported as part of the fund balance at December 31 and are carried forward to supplement appropriations of the subsequent year.

Amounts recorded as budgetary expenditures in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General and Special Revenue Funds (Exhibit C) are presented on the basis budgeted by the Town. The amounts differ from those reported in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances for All Governmental and Similar Trust Funds (Exhibit B) as follows:

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses Per Exhibit C Adjustments	\$ 2,985,666	\$ 37,678
Encumbrances - December 31, 1994 Encumbrances - December 31, 1995 Nonbudgeted Fund Expenditures	99,394 (83,926)	40
Per Exhibit B	\$3,001,134	\$ 37,718

E. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

Cash and Investments

The Town Treasurer is required by State statute to have custody of all monies belonging to the Town and shall pay out the same only upon orders of the selectmen. The Town Treasurer shall deposit all such monies in solvent banks in the state or in participation units in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to RSA 383:22. Funds may be deposited in banks outside the state if such banks pledge and deliver to the state treasurer as collateral security for such deposits in value at least equal to the amount of the deposit in each case.

Whenever the Town Treasurer has an excess of funds which are not immediately needed for the purpose of expenditure, State statutes require the Treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to invest the same in obligations of the United States government, in savings bank deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in certificates of deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in national banks located within this state or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Any person who directly or indirectly receives any such funds or monies for deposit or for investment in securities of any kind shall, prior to acceptance of such funds, make available at the time of such deposit or investment an option to have such funds secured by collateral having a value at least equal to the amount of such funds. Such collateral shall be segregated for the exclusive benefit of the town. Only securities defined by the bank commissioner as provided by rules adopted pursuant to RSA 386:57 shall be eligible to be pledged as collateral.

For financial reporting purposes, cash and equivalents include amounts in demand deposits and money market funds, as well as certificates of deposit and short-term investments with original maturities of 90 days or less.

The Town is authorized by State statute to invest Trust Funds, except Capital Reserve Funds, in obligations of political subdivisions and stocks and bonds that are legal for investment by New Hampshire savings banks. Capital Reserve Funds must be kept in a separate account and not

intermingled with other funds. Capital Reserve Funds shall be invested only by deposit in some savings bank or in the savings department of a national bank or trust company, or in the share of a cooperative bank, building and loan association, or federal savings and loan association, in this state, or in bonds, notes or other obligations of the United States government, or in bonds or notes of this state, or in participation units in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to RSA 383:22.

Investments are stated at cost or, in the case of donated investments, at the market value of the date of bequest or receipt.

Receivables

Revenues for the most part are recorded when received, except for the following items for which receivables have been recorded:

a. Tax revenue is recorded when a warrant for collection is committed to the Tax Collector. However, any taxes where there is a doubt as to the collection, have been reserved. This reserve totals \$45,000 at December 31, 1995.

The National Council on Governmental Accounting (NCGA), Interpretation 3, Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes, requires that if property taxes are not collected within 60 days after year end, the revenue is not considered an "available spendable resource" and should be deferred. An exception to the general "available 60 day" rule is allowed in unusual circumstances. The Town has concluded that the circumstances relating to the responsibility for, and payment of, the School Tax Assessment, along with the timing of the issuance of the tax warrant, which is late in the budget year, justifies a period greater than 60 days. Since this practice of recording the property tax revenue when levied is widely recognized as being generally accepted as the prevalent practice in New Hampshire, the Town believes that such practice is a knowledgeable application of the NCGA Interpretation 3 exception, and therefore Level 4 GAAP compliance may be reached.

As prescribed by law, the Tax Collector places a lien on properties for all uncollected property taxes in the following year after taxes are due. The lien on these properties has priority over other liens and accrues interest at 18% per annum.

If property is not redeemed within the 2-year redemption period, the property is tax-deeded to the Town.

b. Various service charges are recorded as revenue for the period when service was provided. The receivables for such services are shown on the balance sheet net of an allowance for estimated uncollectibles.

Interfund Receivables and Payables

During the course of normal operations, the Town has transactions between funds, including expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services and fund capital outlay. The accompanying governmental and fiduciary fund financial statements reflect such transactions as transfers. To the extent that certain transactions have not been paid or received as of December 31, balances of interfund amounts receivable or payable have been recorded.

Long-Term Liabilities

General Obligation Debt - General obligation bonds, notes, capital leases, and other forms of long-term debt supported by general revenues are obligations of the Town as a whole. Accordingly, such unmatured obligations of the Town are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Group of Accounts.

Compensated Absences - Employees are entitled to certain compensated absences based on their length of employment. Compensated absences do not vest or accumulate and are recorded as expenditures when they are paid.

Fund Equity

The portion of fund balance which has been legally segregated for a specific future use, or which indicates that a portion is not appropriable for expenditures, is shown as reserved. The following reserves were used by the Town during the year:

Reserved for Endowments - represents the principal balance of Nonexpendable Trust Funds which must be held for investment purposes only.

Reserved for Encumbrances - is used to account for open purchase orders, contracts and other commitments at year end for which goods and services have not been received.

Reserved for Special Purposes - is used to account for the unencumbered balance of restricted funds. These include the Town's Expendable Trust Funds, and the income portion of the Town's Nonexpendable Trust Funds.

F. Total Columns (Memorandum Only) on Combined Statements

Amounts in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns in the combined financial statement line items of the fund types and account groups are presented for analytical purposes only. The summation includes fund types and account groups that use different bases of accounting, includes interfund transactions that have not been eliminated and the caption "amounts to be provided," which is not an asset in the usual sense. Consequently, amounts shown in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns are not comparable to a consolidation and do not represent the total resources available or total revenues and expenditures/expenses of the Town.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

The following governmental funds had an excess of expenditures over appropriations for the year ended December 31, 1995:

General Fund Special Revenue Funds Vilas Pool	\$ 4 ,811	\$ 13,123
Shedd Porter Memorial Library	4,914	
Total Special Revenue Funds		9.725
Total		\$ 22.848

Overexpenditures in the Special Revenue Fund occurred primarily due to the receipt and expenditure of unanticipated funds.

Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations and Application of the Municipal Budget Law (RSA Chapter 32)

All Town's have to comply with the provisions of the Municipal Budget Law, and cannot expend in excess of its total budgeted appropriations unless approval is secured from the State Department of Revenue Administration. During 1995, the Town exceeded its total budgeted appropriations as follows:

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund
Budgetary Appropriations (Exhibit C)	\$ 2,972,543	\$ 29,000
Budgetary Expenditures	2,985,666	37,678
Net Overdraft of Budgetary Appropriations	\$ 13,123	\$ 8,678

There is no evidence that approval from the Department of Revenue Administration was obtained.

NOTE 3 - ASSETS

A. Cash and Equivalents

At year end, the Town's cash deposits categorized according to risk assumed were as follows:

- Category 1 Includes deposits that are insured (Federal Depository Insurance).
- Category 2 Includes deposits that are uninsured, but are collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution, its trust department or agent in the Town's name.
- Category 3 Includes deposits that are uninsured and uncollateralized.

		Category		Тс	otal
	1	2	3	Bank Balance	Carrying Value
Cash Bank Deposits	\$ 323,238	\$ -0-	\$ 314,579	\$ 637,817	<u>\$ 731,662</u>

B. Investments

Investments made by the Town are summarized below.

	Carrying Amount	Market <u>Value</u>
Mutual Funds New Hampshire Public	\$ 9,076	\$ 128,693
Deposit Investment Pool	97,994	97,994
Total Investments	\$ 107,070	\$ 226,687

C. Property Taxes

The property tax year is from April 1 to March 31 and all property taxes are assessed on the inventory taken in April of that year. The net assessed valuation as of April 1, 1995, upon which the 1995 property tax levy was based was \$37,704,987.

The Town subscribes to the semi-annual method of tax collection as provided for by RSA 76:15-a. Under this method, tax bills are sent on or around June 1 and November 1 of each year, with interest accruing at a rate of 12% on bills outstanding for more than 30 days.

The June 1 billing is considered an estimate only and is one half of the previous year's tax billing. The remaining balance of taxes due is billed in the fall after the State Department of Revenue Administration has calculated and approved the Town's tax rate for the fiscal year.

In connection with the setting of the tax rate, Town Officials, with the approval of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, establish and raise through taxation an amount for abatements and refunds of property taxes, known as overlay. This amount is reported as a reduction in tax revenue and is adjusted by management for any tax reserves at year end. The property taxes collected by the Town include taxes levied for the Fall Mountain Regional School District and Cheshire County, which are remitted to these governmental units as required by law. The ultimate responsibility for the collection of taxes rests with the Town.

The tax rate for the year ended December 31, 1995, was as follows:

Municipal Portion	\$ 11.08
School Tax Assessment	46.64
County Tax Assessment	5.13
<u>Total</u>	\$ 62,85

As prescribed by law, within 18 months of the date assessed, the Tax Collector places a lien on properties for all uncollected property taxes in the following year after taxes are due. The lien on these properties has priority over other liens and accrues interest at 18% per annum. If property is not redeemed within the 2-year redemption period, the property is tax-deeded to the Town.

During the current fiscal year, the Tax Collector on May 25, placed a lien for all uncollected 1994 property taxes.

Taxes receivable at December 31, 1995, are as follows:

Property Taxes	
Levy of 1995	\$ 375,284
Unredeemed Taxes (under tax lien)	
Levy of 1994	139,527
Levy of 1993	88,520
Levy of 1992	2,616
Levy of 1991	412
Land Use Change Taxes	2,940
Yield Taxes	2,563
Less: Reserve for estimated uncollectible taxes	(45,000)
Total Taxes Receivable	\$ 566,862

D. Receivables

Receivables as of December 31, 1995, are as follows:

	<u>General</u>	Special Revenue	Trust and Agency	<u>Total</u>
Receivables Accounts	<u>\$13,940</u>	\$_4,304	\$ 27,193	\$ 45,437

E. Interfund Receivables/Payables

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances at December 31, 1995 are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	Interfund <u>Receivable</u>	Interfund Payable
General Fund Special Revenue Funds Shedd Porter Memorial Library	\$ 1,500	\$ 8,717
Transfer Station		
<u>Totals</u>	\$ 8,717	<u>\$ 8,717</u>

NOTE 4 - LIABILITIES

A. Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Plan Description and Provisions

Some employees participate in the State of New Hampshire Retirement System (the System), a multiple-employer cost-sharing public employee retirement system (PERS). The payroll for employees covered by the System for the year ended December 31, 1995, was \$22,255; the Town's total payroll was \$213,198.

All full-time employees are eligible to participate in the System. The System is divided into two employee groups; Group I - teachers and all other employees except firefighters and police officers, and Group II - firefighters and police officers.

Group I Employees who retire at age 60 are entitled to retirement benefits equal to 1.667%, or 1.515% for retirement at age 65, of the average of their three highest-paid years of compensation, multiplied by their years of creditable service. Earlier retirement allowances at reduced rates are

available after age 45 with 10 years of service. Benefits fully vest upon reaching 10 years of service or attaining age 60.

Group II Employees who are age 60 or who are at least age 45 with at least 20 years of creditable service, are entitled to retirement benefits equal to 2.5% of the average of their three highest-paid years of service, multiplied by their years of service, not to exceed 40. The vesting requirements are the same as Group I.

The System also provides death and disability benefits, and cost-of-living increases have been periodically granted to retirees by the State Legislature.

The State of New Hampshire funds 35% of employer costs for public safety officers (Group II) and teachers employed by the Town. The State does not participate in funding the employer cost of other Town employees. The Town has not elected early application of GASB Statement #24 in these financial statements.

Description of Funding Policy

The System is financed by contributions from both the employees and the Town. By State statute, Group I employees are required to contribute 5% of earnable compensation. Group II employees are required to contribute 9.3% of gross earnings. The Town must contribute the remaining amounts necessary to pay benefits when due. The contribution requirement for the year ended December 31, 1995, was as follows:

Town's Portion Employees' Portion	\$ 677
Total	\$ 2,747

The amount shown as "pension benefit obligation" in the System's financial statements is a standardized disclosure measure of the present value of pension benefits, adjusted for the effects of projected salary increases and step-rate benefits, estimated to be payable in the future as a result of employee service to date. The measure, which is the actuarial present value of credited projected benefits, is intended to help users assess the System's funding status on a going-concern basis, assess progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due, and make comparisons among PERS and employers. The System does not make separate measurements of assets and pension benefit obligations for individual employers. The pension benefit obligation at June 30, 1994, for the System as a whole, determined through an actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 1993, was \$1,954,158,402. The System's net assets available for benefits on June 30, 1994, (valued at market) were \$1,897,588,132. The System holds none of the Town's securities.

Trend Information

Historical trend information showing the System's progress in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due is available for only eight years and is presented in the System's June 30, 1994 annual financial report (the latest year available).

Deferred Compensation Plan - The Town offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The plan, available to all employees, permits the employees to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency. The plan assets and a corresponding liability to employees for deferred compensation is recorded in an agency fund. Plan assets are reported at fair market value.

The plan is administered by an independent company, and the Town remits all compensation deferred to this administrator for investment as requested by the participant employees. All compensation deferred and funded under the plan, all investments purchased and all income attributable thereto are solely the property and rights of the Town (until paid or made available to the employee or other beneficiary), subject only to the claims of the Town's general creditors. Participants' rights under the plan are equal to those of general creditors of the Town in an amount equal to the fair market value of the deferred account for each participant.

It is the opinion of Management that the Town has no liability for losses under the plan but does have the duty of due care that would be required of an ordinary prudent investor. The Town believes that it is unlikely that it will use the assets to satisfy the claims of general creditors in the future.

B. Operating Leases

The Town is obligated under certain leases accounted for as operating leases. Operating leases do not give rise to property rights and therefore the results of the lease agreements are not reflected in the Town's Account Groups.

The following is a schedule by years of future minimum rental payments required under operating leases that have initial or remaining noncancelable lease terms in excess of one year as of December 31, 1995:

C. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of the Town's general long-term debt transactions for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1995:

	General Obligation Debt Payable	Capital Leases <u>Payable</u>	Total
General Long-Term Debt Account Group			
Balance, Beginning of Year Issued Retired	\$ 173,000	\$ 102,903 (24,925)	\$ 102,903 173,000 (24,925)
Balance, End of Year	\$ 173,000	\$ 77,978	\$ 250,978

Long-term debt payable at December 31, 1995, is comprised of the following individual issues:

Description of Issue	Original Amount	Issue <u>Date</u>	MaturityDate	Interest Rate	Outstanding at 12/31/95
General Long-Term Debt Account Group					
General Obligation Debt Payable					
Fire Station Note	\$73,000	1995	1998	6.00	\$ 73,000
Gilsum Mine Road Note	\$100,000	1995	1998	6.00	100,000 \$ 173,000
Capital Leases Payable					
Highway Truck	\$39,644	1992	1996	4.93	\$ 8,489
Motor Grader	\$91,523	1994	1999	6.00	60,843
Tractor/Loader	\$21,000	1994	1997	6.75	8,646 77,978
Total General Long-Term Debt Account Group					\$ 250,978

Annual Requirements To Amortize Governmental Fund Debt

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation debt outstanding as of December 31, 1995, including interest payments, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending	Governmental Fund Debt			
December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total	
1996 1997 1998	\$ 57,666 57,667 	\$ 10,380 6,920 3,460	\$ 68,046 64,587 61,127	
<u>Totals</u>	\$ 173,000	\$ 20,760	\$ 193,760	

Annual Requirements to Amortize Capital Leases

Fiscal Year Ending	Capital Leases		
December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total
1996	\$ 26,579	\$ 4,884	\$ 31,463
1997	19,207	3,118	22,325
1998	15,627	1,932	17,559
1999	<u>16,565</u>	994	<u>17,559</u>
Totals	\$ 77,978	\$ 10,928	\$ 88,906

All debt is general obligation debt of the Town, which is backed by its full faith and credit.

All lease-purchase agreements contain non-appropriation funding clauses whereby, in the event no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated by the Town, the lease shall terminate without penalty or expense to the Town.

NOTE 5 - FUND EQUITY

A. Reservations of Fund Balances

Reserve for Encumbrances

Funds encumbered at year end were as follows:

General Fund \$83,926

Reserved for Special Purposes

In the Trust and Agency Funds, the reserve for special purposes represents the unspent balance of the Town's Trust Funds which may be spent for the purposes specified as follows:

Nonexpendable Trust Funds (Income Balances) Warren Monument and School Cemetery Whitton Endowment Library Total Nonexpendable Trust Funds	\$ 56 37,247 113	\$ 37,416
Capital Reserve Funds Highway Equipment Police Fire Ambulance Vilas Pool Bridge Town Office Total Capital Reserve Funds	\$ 5,040 4,065 4,065 4,065 8,341 72,418	97,994
Other Expendable Town Trusts Maybelle H. Still Memorial - Town History Lufkin Memorial - Historical Society Total Other Expendable Town Trusts Total	\$ 31,325 	39.121 \$ 174.531

Reserved for Endowments

The reserved for endowments at December 31, 1995 represents the principal amount of all Nonexpendable Trust Funds which is restricted either by law or by terms of individual bequests, in that only income earned may be expended. The principal balances of the Town's Nonexpendable Trust Funds at December 31, 1995 are detailed as follows:

Purpose	Principal
Warren Monument and School	\$ 5,262
Kimball Library	2,465
Carpenter Library	500
C. F. Warren Library	5,650
Cemetery	87,542
Wells and Smith Cemetery and School	510
Whitton Endowment Library	13.738
<u>Total</u>	\$ 115,667

B. Unreserved Fund Balances

Designated for Special Purposes

The amount designated for special purposes, representing Special Revenue Fund balances which management intends to use in the subsequent years, is as follows:

Special Revenue Funds	
Vilas Pool	\$ 8,970
Shedd Porter Memorial Library	22,909
Transfer Station	7,710
Arch Pond Committee	11.379
Conservation Commission	3,259
Total	\$ 54 227

NOTE 6 - SUMMARY DISCLOSURE OF SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES

Litigation

There are various claims and suits pending against the Town which arise in the normal course of the Town's activities. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these various claims and suits will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Town.

NOTE 7 - TRUST FUNDS

On January 3, 1985, the Bellows Falls Trust Company (now Chittenden Bank) was appointed Successor Trustee of the Charles N. Vilas Trust, to act in place and stead of Citibank, N.A., and United States Trust Company. The market value of the trusts as reported by the bank at December 31, 1995, is \$2,036,345. The reports of the Chittenden Bank were not examined by Plodzik & Sanderson, Professional Association.

SCHEDULE A-1 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE General Fund

Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

REVENUES	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Over (Under) Budget
Taxes Property Land Use Change Yield	\$ 2,335,799 4,000 11,000	\$ 2,342,208 4,210 14,810	\$ 6,409 210 3,810
Interest and Penalties on Taxes Total Taxes	50,000 2,400,799	91,809 2,453,037	<u>41.809</u> <u>52.238</u>
Licenses and Permits			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	112,000	144,022	32,022
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees Total Licenses and Permits	3,000 115,000	<u>4,724</u> <u>148,746</u>	1,724 33,746
Intergovernmental Revenues			
State Shared Revenue	(2.001	(2.001	
Snared Revenue Highway Block Grant	63,081 58,634	63,081 58,634	
State and Federal Forest	30,034	30,034	
Land Reimbursement	2		131
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	121,717	121,848	131
Charges For Services			
Income From Departments	5,500	7,229	1,729
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Sale of Municipal Property	16,000		(16,000)
Interest on Investments	5,500	5,892	392
Rents of Property	3,500	4,760	1,260
Trust Fund Income	55,000	45,936	(9,064)
Insurance Dividends			
and Reimbursements	15,300	16,578	1,278
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	95,300	73,166	(22,134)

SCHEDULE A-1 (Continued) TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE General Fund

Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

REVENUES	<u>Estimated</u>	Actual	Over (Under) Budget
Other Financing Sources Operating Transfers In Interfund Transfers Capital Reserve Funds		4,459	4,459
Proceeds of General Obligation Debt General Obligation Notes Total Other Financing Sources	173,000 173,000	173,000 177,459	4,459
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	2,911,316	\$ 2,981,485	\$ 70,169
Unreserved Fund Balance Used To Reduce Tax Rate	61.227		
Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources and Use of Fund Balance	\$ 2,972,543		

SCHEDULE A-2 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

General Fund

Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Encumbered From 1994	Appropriations 1995
Current		
General Government		
Executive	\$	\$ 34,000
Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics		23,000
Financial Administration		31,500
Revaluation of Property	50,169	
Legal Expenses		15,000
Personnel Administration		36,000
Planning and Zoning	4,000	3,500
General Government Buildings		33,000
Cemeteries		1,200
Insurance, not otherwise allocated		40,000
Advertising and Regional Associations		2.400
Total General Government	54,169	219.600
Public Safety		
Police Department		54,500
Ambulance		12,000
Fire Department		27,500
Emergency Management		50
Other Public Safety		500
Total Public Safety		94,550
Highways and Streets		
Administration		37,000
Highways and Streets		188,000
Street Lighting		7,500
Gilsum Mine Road Paving		125,000
Total Highways and Streets		357,500
Sanitation		
Administration		30,050
Solid Waste Disposal		25,450
Total Sanitation		55,500
Health		1.000
Administration		1,000
Animal Control		500
Health Agencies and Hospitals		12,108
Total Health	G0/400000000000000000000000000000000000	13,608

Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To 1996	(Over) Under <u>Budget</u>
\$ 30,239 24,974 19,722 51,113	\$	\$ 3,761 (1,974) 11,778 (944)
12,353 40,265 2,383 27,771 281	5,000	2,647 (4,265) 117 5,229 919
38,847 2,468 250,416		1,153 (68)
42,814 17,911 27,106		11,686 (5,911) 394 50
		(269)
33,347 216,332 7,116 63.082 319.877	61.918 61.918	3,653 (28,332) 384 (24,295)
21,040 		9,010 (10,777) (1,767)
1,101 470 12,087 13,658		(101) 30 21 (50)

SCHEDULE A-2 (Continued) TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE General Fund

Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Encumbered From 1994	Appropriations 1995
Welfare		
Direct Assistance		8.000
Culture and Recreation		
Parks and Recreation		7,500
Patriotic Purposes		200
Total Culture and Recreation	-	7.700
Conservation		200
Debt Service		
Lease Payments		31,464
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes	-	10.000
Total Debt Service	-	41,464
Capital Outlay		
Highway Truck	27,867	
Roof Repairs	13,858	25,000
Town Office Study	3,500	40.000
Baler		12,000
Dump/Sander Body		16,000
Fire Station	45,225	<u>120,000</u> 173,000
Total Capital Outlay	45,225	173,000
Intergovernmental		1 700 (17
School District Assessment		1,792,617
County Tax Assessment	-	<u>195,304</u> 1,987,921
Total Intergovernmental		_1,707,761
OTHER FINANCING USES		
Operating Transfers Out		
Interfund Transfers		
Special Revenue Fund		8,500
Capital Reserve Funds		5,000
Total Operating Transfers Out		13,500
Total Appropriations.		4.0.000
Expenditures and Encumbrances	\$ 99,394	\$ 2,972,543

Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered _To 1996	(Over) Under <u>Budget</u>
4,290		3,710
8,175 175 8,350 310		(675)
31,463 6,595 38.058		1 3,405 3,406
29,090 21,850	17,008	(1,223)
12,792 155,155 218,887	17,008	12,000 3,208 (35.155) (17,670)
1,792,617 195,304 1,987,921		
8,500 		
\$3,001,134	\$ 83,926	<u>\$ (13,123)</u>

SCHEDULE A-3 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE General Fund

Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

Fund Balance - January 1	\$ 76,227	
Deduction Unreserved Fund Balance Used To Reduce 1995 Tax Rate	61,227	\$ 15,000
Addition 1995 Budget Summary Revenue Surplus (Schedule A-1) (Overdraft) of Appropriations (Schedule A-2) 1995 Budget Surplus	\$ 70,169 	57.046
Unreserved - Undesignated		

Unreserved - Undesignated

Fund Balance - December 31

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SCHEDULE B-1 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE Special Revenue Funds Combining Balance Sheet December 31, 1995

		BUDGETED FUNDS	<u> </u>	m . 1
<u>ASSETS</u>	Vilas Pool	Shedd Porter Memorial Library	Transfer Station	Total Budgeted Funds
Cash and Equivalents Receivables (Net of	\$ 5,159	\$ 21,409	\$	\$ 26,568
Allowances For Uncollectibles) Accounts Interfund Receivable	3,811	1.500	493 	4,304 <u>8,717</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 8,970	\$ 22,909	\$ 7,710	\$ 39,589
FUND BALANCE				
Unreserved Designated For Special Purposes	\$ 8,970	\$ 22,909	\$ 7,710	\$ 39,589

NONBUDG	ETED FUNDS		
Arch Pond Committee	Conservation Commission	Total Nonbudgeted Funds	Total All <u>Funds</u>
\$ 11,379	\$ 3,259	\$ 14,638	\$ 41,206
			4,304 <u>8,717</u>
\$ 11,379	\$ 3,259	<u>\$ 14,638</u>	\$ 54,227
\$ 11,379	\$ 3,259	<u>\$ 14,638</u>	\$ 54,227

SCHEDULE B-2 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Special Revenue Funds

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

		BUDGETED FUNDS	5	
	Vilas Pool	Shedd Porter Memorial Library	Transfer Station	Total Budgeted Funds
Revenues Charges for Services Miscellaneous	\$ 12,442	\$ 11,540	\$ 6,451	\$ 6,451 23,982
Other Financing Sources Operating Transfers In		9,590		9,590
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	12.442	_21,130	6,451	40.023
Expenditures Current Sanitation Culture and Recreation	16.811	<u> 17,414</u>	3,453	3,453 34,225
Total Expenditures	16.811	_17.414	3.453	37.678
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures	(4,369)	3,716	2,998	2,345
Fund Balances - January 1	13,339	19.193	4.712	37,244
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 8,970	\$ 22,909	\$ 7,710	\$ 39.589

NONBUDGETED F	UNDS	Travil.	m . 1
Arch Pond Committee	Conservation Commission	Total Nonbudgeted Funds	Total All <u>Funds</u>
\$ 414	\$ 93	\$ 507	\$ 6,451 24,489
	and a decomposition of the		9.590
414	93	507	_40.530
40		40	3,453 <u>34,265</u>
40		40	37,718
374	93	467	2,812
_11,005	3,166	_14,171	51,415
<u>\$ 11,379</u>	\$ 3,259	<u>\$ 14,638</u>	\$ 54,227

SCHEDULE B-3 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Special Revenue Fund - Vilas Pool

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

Revenues Miscellaneous Vilas Trust Interest Income Activities	\$ 11,817 250 375	
Total Revenues		\$ 12,442
Expenditures Current Culture and Recreation Salaries and Benefits Utilities Other	\$ 12,135 676 	
Total Expenditures		16.811
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		(4,369)
Fund Balance - January 1		13.339
Fund Balance - December 31		\$ 8,970

SCHEDULE B-4

TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Special Revenue Fund - Arch Pond Committee Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

Miscellaneous Interest Income	\$ 414
Expenditures Current Culture and Recreation	40
Other Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	374
Fund Balance - January 1	11,005
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 11,379

Revenues

SCHEDULE B-5

TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Special Revenue Fund - Shedd Porter Memorial Library
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

Revenues Miscellaneous		
Interest Income	\$ 786	
Shedd Porter Trust	8,257	
Donations	2,417	
Other	80	
Other Financing Sources		
Operating Transfers In		
General Fund	8,500	
Trust Funds	1.090	
Total Revenues and		
Other Financing Sources		\$ 21,130
Expenditures		
Current		
Culture and Recreation		
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 7,738	
Administrative Costs	871	
Books, Periodicals and Programs	6,727	
Operations and Maintenance of Facilities	2.078	
Total Expenditures		17,414
Excess of Revenues and Other		
Financing Sources Over Expenditures		3,716
Fund Balance - January 1		19.193
Fund Balance - December 31		\$ 22,909

SCHEDULE B-6 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Special Revenue Fund - Conservation Commission Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

Revenues

SCHEDULE B-7 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE Special Revenue Fund - Transfer Station Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

Revenues
Charges For Services
User Charges

\$ 6,451

Expenditures
Current
Sanitation
General and Administrative

3,453

Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures

2,998

Fund Balance - January 1

4,712

Fund Balance - December 31

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SCHEDULE C-1 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE Trust and Agency Funds Combining Balance Sheet

December 31, 1995

		Trust Funds		
	Expe	ndable Capital	Nonexpendable	
ASSETS	Town	Reserve	Town	
Cash and Equivalents Investments Receivables Accounts	\$ 39,121	\$ 97,994	\$ 144,613 9,076	
Accounts				
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 39,121	\$ 97,994	\$ 153,689	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities Intergovernmental Payable Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable Total Liabilities	\$	\$	\$ 606	
Fund Balances Reserved For Endowments Reserved For Special Purposes Total Fund Balances	39,121 39,121	97.994 97.994	115,667 	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 39,121	\$ 97,994	\$ 153,689	

Agency Funds	<u>Total</u>
\$	\$ 183,734 107,070
_27,193	27,193
\$ 27,193	\$ 317,997
\$ <u>27,193</u> <u>27,193</u>	\$ 606 27,193 27,799
	115,667
<u>\$ 27,193</u>	<u>\$ 317,997</u>

SCHEDULE C-2 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE Fiduciary Fund Type Expendable Trust Funds

Combining Statement of Revenues and Changes in Fund Balances For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Town	Capital Reserve	Total
Revenues Interest and Dividend Income	\$ 1,942	\$ 4,883	\$ 6,825
Other Financing Sources Operating Transfers In		5,000	5,000
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	1,942	9,883	11,825
Other Financing Uses Operating Transfers Out		4,459	4.459
Excess of Revenues Over Other Financing Uses	1,942	5,424	7,366
Fund Balances - January 1	<u>37.179</u>	92.570	129,749
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 39,121	\$ 97,994	\$ 137,115

SCHEDULE C-3 TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE Agency Fund Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

Deferred Compensation Plan	Balance January 1, 1995	Additions	<u>Deductions</u>	Balance December 31, 1995
ASSETS				
Due From Others	\$ 27,193	\$ 8,236	\$ -0-	\$ 35,429
LIABILITIES				
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	\$ 27,193	\$ 8,236	\$ -0-	\$ 35,429

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE I TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE Summary of Town Clerk's Account For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	\$ 144,044
Dog Licenses and Penalties	2,030
All Other Collections	2,665
Remittances to Treasurer	\$ 148,739

SCHEDULE II TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Trust Funds

Summary of Principal and Income - Cash Basis For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995

	Principal			
	Balance January 1, 1995	Additions	Deductions	Balance December 31, 1995
Cemetery Funds	\$ 86,742	\$ 800	\$	\$ 87,542
Library Funds Kimball Fund Carpenter Fund C. F. Warren Fund Whitton Endowment Fund Total Library Funds	\$ 2,465 500 5,650 13,738 22,353	s	\$	\$ 2,465 500 5,650 13,738 22,353
School and Other Funds Warren Monument and School Fund Kingsbury School Fund Wells and Smith Cemetery and School Funds Maybelle H. Still Memorial	\$ 5,262 606 510	\$	\$	\$ 5,262 606 510
Fund - Town History Lufkin Memorial Fund - Historical Society Total School and Other Funds	13,715 			13,715 <u>7,500</u> <u>27,593</u>
Capital Reserve Funds	129,450	5,000	45,000	<u>89.450</u>
Totals	\$ 266,138	\$ 5,800	\$ 45,000	\$ 226,938

	Iı	ncome		Balance of Principal
Balance January 1, 1995	Additions	Deductions	Balance December 31,1995	and Income December 31, 1995
\$ 39,648	\$ 6,878	\$ 9,279	<u>\$ 37,247</u>	\$ 124,789
\$ 81 - 98 - 179	\$ 101 20 231 567 919	\$ 101 20 312 	\$ 	\$ 2,465 500 5,650 13,851 22,466
\$ 208	\$ 215 25	\$ 367 25	\$ 56	\$ 5,318 606
	21	21		510
15,862	1,748		17,610	31,325
102	194		<u>296</u>	7,796
_16,172	2,203	413	<u>17,962</u>	45,555
14,569	4,883	10,908	8,544	97,994
\$ 70,568	\$ 14,883	\$ 21,585	\$ 63,866	<u>\$ 290,804</u>

ROAD AGENT 1995 REPORT

Once again heavy rains plugged culverts and washed out roads hit us hard again in 1995. The numerous flash floods hit hardest in the Rhoades District and on various roads in East Alstead.

Taking time to repair these roads cut into our time for approximately five to six weeks, which took us away from the Gilsum Mine Road project. I am fully aware of how rough it is and how hard it is on vehicles. As Road Agent, I asked the Selectmen to place a special article on the 1995 budget to ask the voters to raise the funds requested. The Highway Department thanks the voters for the funds and are sorry the project is not completed. The plans were to have the existing pavement recycled in place, have it regraveled by an outside contractor and have the road repaved by F.W. Whitcomb. There are still underdrain pipe to be put in and work on finishing the dry hydrant poroject at the old mine shaft with the Fire Department.

Costs for the Mine Road project, including the recycling, graveling and repaving of the road have been established. Hopefully we can return to that project after mud season if the mufflers and spring leaves are not too deep in the ditches. I want to publically thank Mr. Ben Molesky for allowing us to store materials on his property. Without this privilege, I really do not know how we would have survived. He and his employees have helped us and Mr. Molesky donated stone for the firemen's attempt to construct the dry hydrant for fire protection.

Some funds were spent for hot mix which was leveled with the new grader on the Mine Road from the Pine Cliff Road to Fuller Machine. This was a band aid approach to smooth the road. I ran the grader and roller and the town truck brought hot top from F.W. Whitcomb. I know the road is like a "washboard" but the grader is not a paving machine. The money for this project also came out of the general highway budget.

We spent some of the general funds on the section of Hill Road between the Cook Hill turn and the Howard Weeks' residence. We put in some drainage stone in wet areas, plus five new culverts, and had the stumps ground. F.W. Whitcomb added six inches of crushed gravel to the road and then placed a base coat of hot top on the road. Hill Road is narrow and still needs shoulders built on both sides. This project took a pretty good chunk of money out of the general budget, but many complaints came into the officials after the 1994 Hill Road project proposal was rejected at Town Meeting. If the weather would quit raining and snowing, we could work on the shoulders this winter, and I have made arrangements with outside contractors for around three months to get the work complete. A few people have commented that the work completed on Hill Road is adequate for that part of town. A race track coming into a four way intersection might be necessary in another 50 years, but so would flashing stop lights like they have in "Boston".

The highway crew also worked on cutting trees and brush on the Mine Road and Corbin Road. The 12A end of the Log Cabin Road did not get finished as it needed some more good dry free fill in order to lower the grade. This road needs to be regraveled and culverts to be put back in their "proper place".

Once again, I am happy with the new truck and grader. We sure would be lost without the grader this winter because of all the extra snow to wing back and the repairing of the washouts.

Our future plans are to work on the North Road. This needs more underdrain and recycling of existing pavement, a large culvert to be replaced (hopefully FEMA funds will help us with this), and resurfacing of the road. This project would be spent out of the general budget.

I would like to take time and thank everyone who has helped the Highway Department. I would like to extend Betty Woodell a special thanks for the service she has given the Highway Department for the past nine years. Thank you all for the understanding and support you have given me and the Highway Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Winham Road Agent

ALSTEAD TRANSFER & RECYCLING CENTER 1995 REPORT

We negotiated in December with BFI to keep the same disposal rate that we have had since 1993. They agreed to continue the same disposal rate and we are totally satisfied with their cost and performance to the Town of Alstead. If we continue our recycling as we have, than our cost should remain constant.

In October, we held our third annual FREE DAY. Again, it was a success and one real tangible thing was noticed, was the amount that was brought into our station. This is also proving my ideas when we first started this, that each year there would be less and less to dispose of, cutting costs.

We feel that the program that we started in 1989 has successfully shown the people that recycling and good disposal habits are the future of our town.

The money that we have received from charging and recycling has been turned over to the Selectmen as voted in 1992. This money has resulted in improvement of our departments and community.

Remember, if you have any questions or problems in dealing with solid waste, please contact the Board of Selectmen at 835-2986, we will do our best to help you.

A special thanks to Dale Wilson and Howard Goss for the fine job they are doing and for the heat they take on my behalf. Thanks guys.

Respectfully submitted,

James O'Brien Transfer Station Manager

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS 1995 REPORT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment met regularly in 1995. During the year, the Board considered six requests for a special exception, and one request for a variance. A public hearing was held for each request, where anyone who wished to speak was heard, the facts were gathered, and deliberations made. The variance and five of the special exception requests were granted, and one special exception was denied.

Occasionally, the Board met informally with residents to answer questions, explain procedures, or interpret Alstead's zoning ordinance.

The Zoning Board meets on the first Monday of the month, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Hall. The meetings are entirely public, and all are welcome.

The Board is interested in talking with anyone who might have an interest in joining the Board - come see us!

Copies of Alstead's Zoning Ordinance are available at the town office.

Dale Wilson is Alstead's Zoning Officer, and is the person to see to get a building permit for your project.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Saxton, Chairman
David Fiske
Harry Neal
Richard Minard
Thomas Smidutz
Thomas Hancock, Jr.
Heather Gendron
Alan Wilson
Jerry Blake

SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY Alstead, New Hampshire 03602 Librarian's 1995 Report

A total circulation of 14,666 is divided up among the following categories:

Adult Fiction	3,859
Adult Non-Fiction	1,277
Junior Books	8,693
Magazines, Tapes	_837
	14,666

This is an increase of 540 pieces of materials in circulation over last year's total. The greatest increase was in junior books. We welcomed 66 new members to the library this year.

After months of discarding worn, damaged, and unused books, we held a successful book sale in the Fall. This will be an annual event. Thanks to James McGarvey for helping me with the book sale.

The Friends of the Library purchased the magazine subscription "American Girl" for our junior section for the second year in a row. With funds they donated for the purchase of non-fiction junior books, we were able to purchase a 6-volume World Book Encyclopedia titled "People and Places." The Friends also again supported the Summer Reading program as well as the story hour, which was held on Wednesday afternoons during the summer. A party was held in August. Certificates, buttons, and books were awarded to those completing the program. The Friends also hosted last February a meeting of the Nubanusit Coop, an informational organization of local librarians. Thank you for your continued support.

Many thanks to Mrs. Lark Leonard for coordinating library visits by classes from Alstead and Langdon. At present Grades 2, 3, 4 and 5 from Alstead and Grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 from Langdon visit the library every two weeks on a rotating basis. Also, welcome to Mrs. Leonard as a new member of the library staff.

The continuing financial help received from Mrs. Lora Whitton of Sarasota, Florida, Miss Catherine MacDonald of the Marquis George MacDonald of

New York, and generous memorial donations from Mr. Frank Carusco of Cos Cob, Connecticut enabled us to buy many beautiful non-fiction books. Thanks also to the Golec Family, Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence, and the Maltby Family of New York City for their donations this year.

Anyone who would like to remember a loved one by donating a book to the library, please see me or call: Home: 835-2226 Library: 835-6661

Thanks to Peggy Fullam, my assistant, for all her help. Thanks also to the Trustees and the people of Alstead and Langdon for their continued support. Come and visit the library. We have many of the best sellers on the New York Times Best Sellers list as seen in the Book Review Section of the Sunday New York Times.

Sincerely,

Julia Cunniff Librarian

ALSTEAD CONSERVATION COMMISSION 1995 REPORT

During 1995 the Conservation Commission decided to make a major effort to enroll interested citizens to protect our natural resources and make our town a better place. A letter describing the work of the Commission and our request for new members was sent out in December to all registered voters.

Several people have responded to the appeal and already the Commission has a new focus, and several issues have been discussed. In the future we plan to continue the progression of monitoring conservation matters and to serve the Town of Alstead.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard Weeks
Bud Ross

SHEDD PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY 1995 REPORT

This past year has been a busy one for the Trustees of the Shedd Porter Memorial Library. We have been working on building repairs. Our main project is roof repairs. There have been many letters sent out asking for bids so we may have an idea of what is really needed. Several people have advised us we can repair rather than replace, as the insurance company advised us to do.

We had hoped to have bids in and gone over so we may have had a warrant article for this year, but have been unable to do so. Around the outside there are several projects we hope to take care of, such as improved drainage and building up around the foundation to improve drainage in that area. We also hope to do some repointing and masonry work to seal the granite to keep moisture out so we may start repairs on the interior of the building. Hopefully we can get this all started by spring time and we also hope you will excuse our appearance as we go about making these long overdue and necessary repairs. Another project we hope to get to this year is the replacement of the light fixtures in the dome inside the building.

We have added many new books and our video section is growing every week or so. The school children from Alstead and Langdon continue to visit on a regular basis.

Julia Cunniff and her staff are doing a terrific job and we are very glad to have them with us.

New hours for the Library are Wednesday 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Trustees meet at the Library on the second Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.

We appreciate the continued support of the towns of Alstead and Langdon and the many Friends of the Library.

Respectfully submitted, Gerry Swift, Chairman Board of Trustees

ALSTEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT 1995 REPORT

This year found the Police Department extremely busy. During 1994, the Department handled 54 major cases. Major cases include anything that would result in Court action, like Burglaries, Assault, Criminal Mischief, Criminal Trespass, and Motor Vehicle cases, including Driving After Suspension, DWI, and Conduct After An Accident.

During 1995, the Department handled 94 major cases. This is almost a 100% increase over last years activity. Of the 94 cases, 71 have been closed. This means that either Court action was taken, or for some reason, the complaintant did not want to pursue any further action.

We also received 396 calls for service. These are complaints which require the officers time, and usually do not result in Court action. These range from dog and suspicious animal complaints to noise, loud party, and delivery of emergency messages.

Some of this years "HIGHLIGHTS" include, the destruction of 42 marijuana plants found in East Alstead, solving 5 cases of theft because one of the perpetrators placed a call on a cellular telephone they had stolen, receiving a call to an accident, and finding that the accident involved 2 mobile homes, with damage estimated at approximately \$10,000.00, to locating a subject wanted for 2 thefts here, and recovering the vehicle he took.

This year we saw a dramatic increase in the number of calls for sick, or suspicious acting racoons and skunks. With spring just around the corner, the critters will be reappearing again. PLEASE !! be very careful around any wild animal, and especially, tell your youngsters to keep their distance.

And speaking of youngsters, we have been busy in our schools. With a grant from the New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency, a Bicycle Safety Program was done for the primary school children. 12 safety helmets were given as prizes for a poster contest, and at the rodeo. With the school, we also co-sponsored a Kid I-D Program where children in K-5 were photographed and fingerprinted. Booklets with this information was then sent home for the parents to finish filling out, and put away. A record

of all pertinent information on the child was readily available, if the child was abducted or missing. Both programs will be continued this year. A drug program, titled, "Here's Looking At You 2000" was just completed with the 5th grade class. Using visual aids, and skits, the children are educated for 1 1/2 hours each week about the effects of drugs, an alcohol, and how they can refrain from using them.

In November, the Department received the Golden Circle Award, which is given yearly to organizations, nominated by they schools, for exemplary educational partnership between the school and community.

This year, in an effort to prevent any of our children from being killed from guns, we will coordinate a class, with the school dealing with handling of guns. Dick Clauson, of the Cheshire County Gun Club, provided the material for the class.

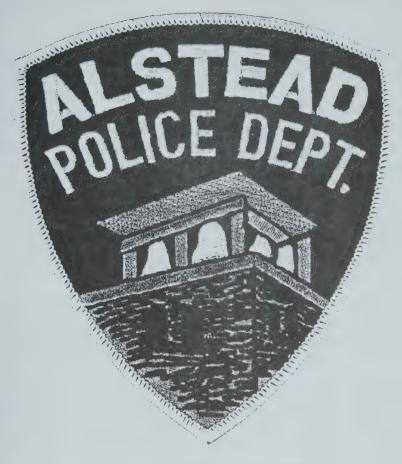
Another first took place this year. The Police Department now has it's own official patch. Using money from the Sports Card Shows we sponsor, the old "Eagle" style patch has been replaced with one depicting the Bell Tower at Vilas Pool, which is the Town seal. The funds from the card shows also paid for repairs to the computer, and for the rental fees on our pagers.

Another first also took place in November, when the 4-wheel drive vehicle donated by the Canfield family, was put into service. On at least three occasions already this vehicle has provided its usefulness.

Finally, we would like to thank all of the surrounding agencies for their continued assistance during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Erwin W. Ward Chief of Police





Beware of the Hit and Runs

1995 REPORT OF THE FIRE COMMISSIONERS

1995 was a very eventful year for your emergency services. Some really good things happened, and a few that we could have done without, however with the interests of the Town of Alstead in mind, the Board of Fire Commissioners feel that as a whole, much progress was made.

After 18 years as Rescue and Ambulance Service Captain, Delinda Campbell stepped down and was replaced by EMT David Hogan. First, we would like to commend Delinda for her fortitude and expertise. She went far beyond the estimated "burn-out" period for EMT's and gave to the Town an immeasurable service. Words cannot express the thanks owed her.

David Hogan brings experience in law enforcement, emergency medical services, and business management. This board feels he is a real asset to the community, and he has already demonstrated exceptional leadership skills as Ambulance Captain.

A newer ambulance was obtained to replace our original unit which was involved in an unfortunate accident. The old one, although repairable, was deemed unsafe. Negotiations were made and a much newer unit placed in service at very little cost.

The new station in East Alstead is a thing to behold! There's room to walk around the apparatus (some of which has been moved from other locations for better response), and to conduct the business of a fire department as it should be done. An open house will be announced in the near future, and all are welcome to attend.

A special article has been placed in the Town Warrant regarding an exhaust removal system for the East Station. If you have ever been in an enclosed building when a diesel truck was started, you will appreciate this request. These days, the effect of carbon monoxide is on everyone's mind, and we feel that this is a necessary addition to the station.

Your continued support of the Alstead Fire Department is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

James O'Brien Carroll Hatch, Jr. H. Doug Bays

VILAS POOL 1995 REPORT

Another summer passed all too quickly at Vilas Pool. The pool was open seven days a week. Plannted activities, swimming lessons and just plain old lying in the sun kept everyone happy. Once again a veteran staff kept the operation running smoothly.

The only repair to report was the extensive work done to the floor in the boys changing room. Hopefully we are getting close to sandblasting and painting the bridge over the dam.

Vilas Pool hosted several reunions and wedding receptions and reminds one and all that we encourage special events at the pool.

As is our custom, we would like to thank all who volunteered time or contributed money to the pool. Also, a hearty thanks to a great staff.

Hope to see you this summer at Vilas Pool......a unique and special place.

Respectfully submitted, Vilas Pool Committee

George Ross, Chairman Rick Pelletier Betty Woodell Julie Stevens Brown



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WILLIAM S. BARTLETT, IR. Commissioner

JOHN E. SARGENT REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

In calendar year 1995, our three (3) leading causes of fires were Children, Non-Permit fires not properly extinguished and Smoking Materials.

Violations of RSA 224:27 II, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire, are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Fire Officials, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required. This also helps to prevent unnecessary response to a controlled burn.

1995 Fire Statistics

Forest Ranger Reported Fires		Fires Reported by County	
Number of Fires for Cost Share Payment	465	Belknap	11
·		Carroll	50
Acres Burned	437	Cheshire	39
		Coos	17
Suppression cost	\$147,000+	Grafton	26
		Hillsborough	71
Lookout Tower Reported Fires	555	Merrimack	49
		Rockingham	106
Visitors to Towers	26,165	Strafford	78
		Sullivan	18
Number of Fires Local Community	0	Suppression Cost	0

Local communities and the State share the cost of suppression on a 50/50 basis. The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid the quick response from the local fire departments.

"REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!"

Forest Ranger

Forest Protection (603) 271-2217

Forest Management (603) 271-3456

Land Management (603) 271-3456 Information & Planning (603) 271-3457

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ALSTEAD FIRE DEPARTMENT 1995 REPORT

First of all, I wish to thank all the people who supported the building of the new East Alstead Fire Station. It's a station we can all be proud of.

Barry Bellows did a nice job of designing a building that would fit nicely into the area. Barry put a lot of thought and time into the project, for very little pay. Thank you Barry.

There are many people that helped Barry with prices and other items that I don't know, they need to be thanked also.

The Fire Commissioners, James O'Brien, "Timer" Hatch and Doug Bays put in many hours of meetings and discussions on the project. Thank you.

I wish to thank the Selectmen for their time and support also. Overall, the project went very smoothly from start to almost finish. There is still the landscaping and a few odds and ends that need to be done.

Most of all, I wish to thank John and Elaine Burroughs. More land was needed to accomodate the larger fire station, and without their generosity and cooperation the project could not have been completed. Thank you John and Elaine.

This past January we had rain and a warm spell that melted the two plus feet of snow, causing some flooding which required the Fire Department to pump a couple of cellars. About a week later more rain and snow melted, causing more cellars to need pumping. We needed a smaller pump. Neal and Gerry Swift were checking one out at R.N. Johnson when a tone came in for a flooded cellar. Well, thanks to the generosity of Dick Sweeney, we now have a real nice pump. Dick, the Fire Department thanks you very much, it makes our work that much easier.

Before I forget, I want to thank Ken Winham for letting us place fire trucks and fire equipment in the Highway garage. It was an inconvenience for him, but be put up with it. Thanks Ken.

Dougs Bays also stored equipment in his barn. Thanks Doug.

I stated in last years report that we hoped to start a Junior Firefighter Program. This didn't happen for many reasons. Hopefully in the near future it can become a reality.

The statistics for the 1995 year are as follows; fire calls, drills and meetings for a total of 53. Breaking down the fire calls, we had;

11	Meetings	8	Drills
6	Miscellaneous	4	Training
8	Car Accidents	0	Stove Fires
10	Mutual Aid Calls	10	Chimney Fires
0	Electrical Fires	4	Electrical Wires Down
2	Car Fires	6	Automatic Alarms
2	Smoke Investigations	0	Rekindled Structure Fires
3	Structure Fires	0	Illegal Brush Burns
1	Dumpster Fire	1	Fuel Spill

Respectfully submitted,

Warren Campbell Fire Chief

P.S. At this time, you can call 911, or 352-1100 to call Fire, Police, or Ambulance in an emergency.

AMBULANCE REPORT

1995 could best be described as a year of change for the Alstead Ambulance Service. In April, Delinda Campbell retired as Captain of the Squad, a position she held since its inception as the Alstead Fire Rescue Squad in 1976.

In August I was appointed by the Board of Fire Commissioners to succeed Dee as Captain. Filling Dee's shoes is no easy task. She has been a great help to me over the past months and continues to offer her expertise and invaluable experience to myself and the Squad.

As a result of an accident in December of 1994, we purchased a used 1987 ambulance with the insurance settlement. This new ambulance was put into service in March of 1995 and in August we used money from our savings account to have it repainted.

We responded to a total of 115 emergency calls this past year, in addition to three transfers, monthly meetings and monthly training sessions, a record high number for the Squad. In comparison, we responded to 92 emergency calls in 1994. In 1995, our average response time was 8 minutes. This response time is excellent considering the rural nature of our town and is the fastest in our area. We also more than doubled our membership over the past year, bringing our total to 15.

In June the Squad formed Connecticut River Valley EMS Training; a training consortium of local ambulance and rescue squads including Bellows Falls, North Walpole and Walpole. In order to comply with our continuing education requirements, we hold one two hour training session each month to learn about new developments in Emergency Medicine or to refresh our skills.

Unfortunately, we will be losing two of our most valuable members at the end of March. After almost 20 years of service to our town as EMT's, both Delinda and Warren Campbell will be retiring from the Squad. We all owe a debt of gratitude to Dee and Warren for their time and devotion over the last 20 years. They have both been instrumental in making the Alstead Ambulance Service one of the most respected Squads in our field, as well as helping many of our residents through some trying times. Dee and Warren Campbell will be greatly missed by all!

Any person aged 18 and older who is interested in joining the Squad is encouraged to speak with any Squad member.

Please remember that we are still a free service and that we are here to serve you. Do not hesitate to call for our assistance at any time by dialing either 352-1100 or 911.

Respectfully submitted,

David J. Hogan, Jr. Ambulance Captain

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS 1995 REPORT

The maintenance of cemeteries continued with the same crew as the past few years. The new leaf vac tractor attachment proved to be very useful.

The wrought iron fence around the Warren monument was repaired by Pearly Lund and Reginald Clark.

The bulk of our trust funds have now been transferred to the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool.

New funds established during 1995

02-14-95	Bergman cemetery lot	\$ 400.00
04-14-95	Norman Piva cemetery lot	\$ 100.00
05-03-95	Kenneth & Gloria Seddon cemetery lot	\$ 200.00
11-10-95	Mary Stearns cemetery lot	\$ 100.00

Cemetery lots are available and maybe acquired by contacting Richard Clark, Cemetery Commissioner at 835-6814.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Bender Bruce Bellows Reginald Clark Trustess of Trust Funds

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF ALSTEAD 1995 REPORT

Of the many visitors to the Historical Society Museum we have been delighted to have the Cub Scouts and Mrs. Checchi's large 4th grade students take tours under the guidance of Curratore Dorothy Walker who makes Alsteads history come alive for the youngsters. This year 4th grade students made a wall hanging as a present to the Museum, the subject was Alsteads past. We also had a very large group from the Yankee Bottle Club who enjoyed their town showing their appreciation with many thanks and a nice donation. Mrs. Dorothy Walker will open the Museum by appointment made by calling her at 835-6462.

Our thanks to Bruce Bellows and his son for their lovely Christmas light display which is so appropriate for the building.

May we extend our grateful thanks for \$300.00 from the Ware family.

Also on the recommendation of Catherine MacDonald of Langdon we have received \$500.00 from the Marquis MacDonald Foundation with much appreciation.

Finally all of us want to thank Mrs. Checchi and her daughter Judy for helping Mrs. Walker with the extremely hard spring cleaning of the entire collection. All three ladies did an outstanding job getting spruced up for spring operation.

It is with sadness that we still see the senseless graffiti on the north wall of our newly painted building. It will take a tall ladder, a strong arm and a head for height to obscure the black paint.

Items purchased from our funds antique dress forms and hat boxes, plants for the flag pole garden, office supplies and maintenance items for the building.

Twenty two of our original members of the reactivated Historical Society of 1976 have died. However, we still have twenty one of that original group including all of the officers. We look forward to welcoming new members.

Mrs. Walker hosted the Ashuelot DAR inviting Elizabeth R. P. Shaw to be guest speaker. The subject was "What is it like to be an Admirals wife".

Most particularly we wish to thank Dorothy Walker whose unstinting work and care have made our Historical Society Museum and Records and Archives room what it is today. A unique history of a complete small town, past to the present.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth R. P. Shaw

REPORT OF CEMETERY CUSTODIAN

The cemeteries were raked and the leaves were removed. The cemeteries were mowed several times, graves were loamed and seeded. Brush was cut from around the walls and fences and removed.

Richard G. Clark

PLANNING BOARD 1995 REPORT

Subdivision activity was a little heavier this year. The Board received no applications for major subdivisions in 1995. In addition to handling subdivisions, the board's main work was on updating the Town of Alstead's Master Plan.

The planning board sent a representative to the Law Lecture Series again this year.

The Water Resources Protection Plan was completed. There is a copy available at the town office for anyone interested in reviewing the plan.

The Alstead Planning Board meets the 4th Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Alstead Town Hall to work on planning projects. The board will be focusing on updating the Master Plan and would like to encourage public participation. Summer work meetings are scheduled as needed. The Alstead Planning Board holds it's regular meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 8:00 p.m. at the Alstead Town Hall.

The Board still has space for more alternates and for anyone wishing to help on planning projects.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Rhoades, Chairman Juliana Stevens, Secretary Betty Woodell, Ex-Officio Don Bascom Walter Righter Cindy Miller Matt Saxton Rosemarie Caffrey, Alternate Jayne L'Heureux, Alternate

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR REPORT

It has been a pleasure to be serving the Town again. I enjoy working in the capacity of Town Clerk/Tax Collector. I wish to thank all of you who have been patient and understanding with any delays you may have experienced in the processing of your transactions due to the learning process for me this year.

I am sorry that I was not able to start issuing plates yet. Due to a new policy it now takes longer to become a municipal agent. I was able to do renewals in May of 1995 as I had been working in the office prior to election and therefore was considered to have some experience. I also have been given the authority to do transfers now. I hope to be given the authority to issue plates in April.

I realize that taxes are not anyones favorite subject and also that we all have financial difficulties at times. Just a reminder that taxes do not have to be paid in a lump sum. Payments of any size can be made when one is able to pay. It is to a taxpayers benefit to pay as frequently and as much as possible to avoid paying interest.

Molly Leonard remained as my Deputy and it has been enjoyable to have her in the office at least once a week.

I wish to express my deepest appreciation for your support during my personal loss this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Seddon

Date	Place of Birth	Babys Name	Fathers Name	Mothers Maiden Name
Feb. 25 Apr. 27 June 14 July 1 July 17 Aug. 12 Sept. 15 Sept. 25 Oct. 28 Nov. 24 Dec. 10	Keene Alstead Peterborough Keene Keene Alstead Keene Keene Keene Keene	Jeremy Ryan Coull Emma Sophia Boa Joseph Casper Walier V Haley Beth Haskins Eric Alan Parrott Joseph Timothy McGarvey Kerensa Laurie Rodger Bartlett Blaine William Lessard Jacqueline Ann Rogers Garret Dustin Ward Daniel Scott Orzechowski Erik Geoffrey Nace	Ernest Frank Coull Edward Paul Boa Joseph Casper Walier IV Cindy Sue Pullum James Douglas Haskins Donald George Parrott Julie Mary Weik John Thomas McGarvey Dan Sharot Bartlett Charles Steven Lessard Thomas Taylor Rogers Bruce Erwin Ward Scott Kenneth Orzechowski Geoffrey Raymond Nace Kristen Renzelman Scott Earnes-Franklin Heather Murray Barne	June May Bolio Kathryn Wright Cindy Sue Pullum Laurie Aileen Crump Julie Mary Weik Johnnie Lavia Yoke Lindsay Jayne Rodger Melissa Marie Murphy Susan Gray Knapp Melony Enman Patricia Couture Kristen Renzelman
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This list may be incomplete as it is no longer mandatory for Vermont to send us Vital Statistic Information.

1995 MARRIAGES

	Groom	Residence	Bride	Residence	Marriage	Date
	Irwyn L. Harries	Wales	Ann Callon	Wales	Alstead	01/14/95
	٥	Alstead	Lisa A. S	Alstead	Alstead	02/05/95
	Matthew J. Tallman	So. Acworth	Amity	Alstead	Langdon	03/11/95
	Fred B. Harmon, Jr.	pe	Georgette B. Roberts	Alstead	Charlestown	06/11/95
92	Ronald I. Monroe	_	Marie E. Desrosiers	075	Swanzey	06/24/95
	Edward G. Avery	ead	Edna S. Fortin	Alstead	Alstead	07/15/95
	Christopher Madigan	Alstead	Sandra J. McCaw	Alstead	Walpole	08/03/95
	(1)	ead	Carol L. Bartlett	Alstead	Alstead	08/12/9
	David A. Bryant	Alstead	Myrla C. Fandialan	Alstead	Peterborough	08/26/9
	C.B	Alstead	Janine A. Molesky	CTS.	Alstead	0
	Glenn R. Elsesser	Alstead	Jody Lynn Bragg	Alstead	Rindge	10/07/9
	Timothy James Kennett	Alstead	Teresa Susan Vose	Alstead	Alstead	11/11/95

1995 DEATHS *

Name	Place of Death		<u>Date</u>	Age
Jane Ruth Britton	Keene		Jan. 4	75
George Woodell	Springfield,	VT.	Jan. 6	45
Theodore E. Haskins	Keene		Jan. 16	68
Velma E. Webster	Keene		Jan. 21	75
Roger Canfield	Alstead		Feb. 1	54
	Alstead		Mar. 13	57
Kenneth Seddon	Lebanon		Mar. 16	65
Joseph Robert Quinn**	Florida		May 31	_
Carroll H. Metcalf	Keene		June 1	82
Margaret F. Rhoades	Alstead		June 2	91
John Reginald Hess**	Connecticut		June 7	_
Dorothy R. Lyman	Alstead		June 18	71
Clayton G. Roy	Alstead		July 14	70
Ermine M. Relihan	Springfield,		Aug. 13	78
Anna B. Cornwell	Keene		Oct. 10	81
Joan Hopkinson Elbers	Alstead		Oct. 16	77
Addie Winifred Bolio**	Winchester		Oct. 20	85
Elizabeth Williams Desmond	Alstead		Dec. 4	88
	Alstead		Dec. 15	55
	Alstead		Dec. 17	102
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^{*} This list may be incomplete as it is no longer mandatory for Vermont to send us Vital Statistic information.

^{**} Returned to town for burial.

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