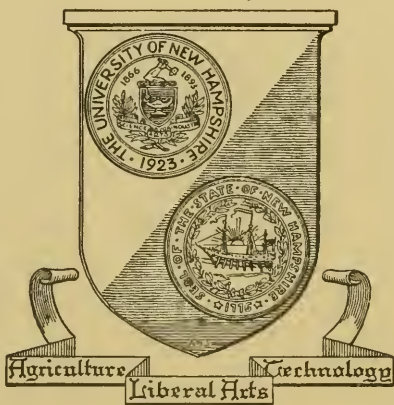


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Sixty-First Annual Report

of the

CITY OF LACONIA

NEW HAMPSHIRE

for the

Year Ending June 30, 1954



UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION OF

HONORABLE GERARD L. MORIN, Mayor
and Councilmen

(Inaugurated March 24, 1953)

HUGH H. BOWNES	Ward 1
ARCHIE L. TARDIF	Ward 2
ALLAN J. AYRE	Ward 3
JACK P. BULL AND ALBERT F. LAHAIE	Ward 4
LEO L. BOURGAULT	Ward 5
HAROLD E. TEFFT	Ward 6



Left to right, standing: Councilman Harold E. Tefft, Ward 6; Leo L. Bourgault, Councilman, Ward 5; Albert F. Lahaie, Councilman, Ward 4; Allan J. Ayre, Councilman, Ward 3; Archie L. Tardif, Councilman, Ward 2; Hugh H. Bownes, Councilman, Ward 1. Seated: Mayor Gerard L. Morin.

Annual Report of the Hon. Gerard L. Morin

June 30, 1954

To the citizens of Laconia:

I would like to take this opportunity to briefly report to you on the municipal business of the past year and the proposals for the year before us.

As you are well aware, our city faces many problems and it has been my aim to alleviate as many as possible, always keeping in mind that we must adhere to the principles of sound business management. To do this, I thought it best to appoint competent citizens from the community to study major problems before committing the city to a definite course of action. This method has proved most fruitful.

Laconia faces an acute traffic problem, particularly during the summer months. A special advisory committee was organized to make the study, their recommendations were experimented with and those found beneficial were instituted. There are other proposals still to be enacted. While the traffic problem is far from solved, the improvements have greatly facilitated the traffic flow. In this same vein, the need for a full-time police officer at Normandin Square was recognized and this addition has resulted in both pedestrian safety and smoother traffic flow.

The parking problem in Laconia proper and The Weirs is inadequate. A special committee was instituted to study this problem. The purchase of additional parking space has been attempted, both in the Rowe Court area and on the Veteran's property at The Weirs. Negotiations were carried on during the past year and we shall continue to work on it. This problem is still open to constant study by both the city and interested civic groups. I feel certain that in the near future the problem will be at least partially solved.

During the past year we have replaced many of our old street lights on main thoroughfares within the city with a new type light which is many times brighter and adds to public safety. This follows with the policy of modernizing and beautifying our city. Likewise, the electrical outlets at the public wharves at The Weirs have been changed to promote both safety and convenience to boat owners.

My policy has always been that the working people of the community should receive their just due for services performed. City employees are no exception. Therefore, early in the year the city recognized the right of city employees in the Public Works Department to organize as a union. Now under consideration is the request by the local fire fighters to organize.

Early in my administration it was proposed that Laconia institute a Fire Prevention Ordinance and enforce it for the public safety of all of the citizens. This was given a long period of careful study and consideration. It was finally passed and, I believe, this measure is a step in the proper direction.

As custodian of City Hall, I early recognized that the facilities are woefully inadequate to handle the administration of an expanding city business. However, it is impractical to make any major change at this time. Therefore, we made several minor changes to ease the congested condition. The municipal court has been moved to the Council Chambers to allow the court sufficient room to properly conduct its sessions. The mayor's office has been moved upstairs and consists of a conference room and two small offices. The former mayor's office is now utilized by the City Clerk. The police department, city engineer's office, and others are in very cramped quarters and all efforts will be made during the coming year to alleviate the problem.

A problem of some years standing was successfully solved during the past year when the city dump was replaced by a sanitary fill method. Laconia can proudly say that it has now one of the best methods of rubbish disposal in the state.

As Chairman of the Laconia Airport Authority, the municipal Airport Authority has made great strides during the past year. The city has purchased the airport and has joined with the state and federal government to finance a project resulting in vast improvements to our airport. Before another year, we will have a fine airport which is a credit to the community in this air age.

Perhaps the greatest single accomplishment in the first year of this administration is the institution of the study of the Laconia Water Co. To review briefly, the Water Co. came before the Council and asked for what we believed to be excessive increases. A competent citizen's committee was immediately instituted to study the problem. They found that the increases were not justified and their immediate action before the Public Utilities Commission saved the taxpayers a sizeable amount of money. After many meetings and scrutiny the citizen's committee recommended to the Mayor and Council that the city acquire the utility from its stockholders. This measure was duly passed by the Council. A referendum was held and you, the people, voted to acquire the company. I sincerely believe that this was a wise decision which will greatly benefit the entire population of the city of Laconia. The litigation will necessarily take a relatively long period but the results will prove worth the time and effort. I want to take this opportunity to thank the entire citizen's committee and the Planning Director.

There are several other measures under consideration and I shall briefly list them. Negotiations are under way for construction of a new fire station at Lakeport. This will become a reality during the coming year. The school situation needs attention and steps are under way to make a complete study of the overall needs before the city commits itself to building programs. A comfort station and a Veteran's monument are both under consideration.

One of my major aims has been to promote new industry for Laconia in order that the citizens can be afforded a suitable market for their services. To this end we have actively participated in helping to bring Barbary Mills, Inc. to settle in Lakeport along with cooperation in other small industries which have located in Laconia. This matter will be one of constant concern to me and I hope that before my administration terminates, I shall be able to report more new industries.

I would like to express my appreciation to the members of the City Council for the manner in which they have conducted their duties. We have not always been in agreement with one another, but we have all worked for the welfare and betterment of the community. As long as we continue to think and conduct ourselves in this manner I have no fear that this system of government, the finest ever instituted, will continue to flourish for the betterment of all the people.

Finally, I want to thank all of the appointed officials and the members of the City Hall staff. They have all done a fine job during the past year and I admire their sense of duty, cooperation and willingness to work together for the efficient operation of our city.

CITY CLERK

CHAS. E. LORD, *City Clerk*
MADELINE E. TARDIF, *Fiscal Officer*
ETHEL ALDRICH, *Typist-Clerk*
MAUDE LEMERE, *Typist-Clerk*

The City Council:

The City Council held twelve regular monthly meetings, ten special meetings and six hearings. The hearings were held relative to the annual budget, the consideration of acceptance of Crescent Court, amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, the adoption of a Fire Prevention Code, the proposed purchase of Rowe Court property for a municipal parking lot. Included in the hearings was an auction of city-owned property acquired by tax deeds.

There were six ordinances passed, one relating to salary of City Clerk, two amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, an amendment to Traffic Rules and Regulations, the Fire Prevention Code, and authorization of formation of the Laconia Fire Fighters' Association. There were eight resolutions adopted dealing with the annual budget, the 50th Anniversary of the Laconia Lodge #876, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the matter of private vehicles interfering with fire-fighting equipment, a resolution on the death of Brandon L. Hall, Civil Defense Director, an application for certain funds for improvements at the Weirs Beach, one for Serial Notes for \$22,000 for Public Improvements and a second for a \$70,000 Bond Issue for Public Improvements and a resolution raising money by taxation.

VITAL STATISTICS

for the year ending December 31, 1953	
Number of births	583
Still Births	4
Marriages	184
Deaths	263
Deaths occurring at Belknap County Home	3
Bodies brought to Laconia for burial	71
Veterans bodies brought from Korea	1
Residents Deaths Outside City— buried outside city	1

Dog Licenses

The law requires owners or keepers of dogs to license them annually on or before the first of May. The license fee is two dollars for each male or spayed female and five dollars for each female. Puppies must be licensed when they are three months old and the fee is in proportion to the remaining months until the first of May. That is, if there are nine months remaining from the day a male puppy is three months old, the fee will be nine-twelfths of \$2.00, or \$1.50. An amendment to the law requires the owner to pay an additional fifty cents if the dog license is paid on or after July 1st.

There are approximately 1025 dogs in Laconia which are duly licensed. The funds from licenses go to defray general operating expenses. The sum of \$2,119.60 was collected this year.

Mr. Rene Huard is Laconia's dog officer. His duties are to investigate complaints, to pick up stray and lost dogs, and to bury dead animals. In the case of lost dogs, he inserts a notice in the Evening Citizen and houses the dog at Dr. Robbinson Smith's kennels on North Main Street. If no reply is received, the dog is given to a new owner or laid away. If owners would promptly attach dog tags, a great many dogs could be immediately returned to their owners.

Unlicensed dogs and dogs without tags are difficult to identify, so license your dog and keep his tag attached to his collar!

Motor Vehicles

The revenue from the motor vehicle fees continues to advance and

the table below shows the increase over the past five years:

1953-1954	\$53,994.11
1952-1953	45,772.09
1951-1952	44,173.80
1950-1951	45,355.43
1949-1950	40,821.63

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

BELKNAP COUNTY TAX

Budget Appropriation and Expenditures \$69,946.96

CITY OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Budget Appropriation \$ 9,500.00

Receipts:

Supplies, Equipment, Etc.	\$ 345.45
(Reimbursements	\$ 64.15)
(Sealer of Weights & Measures Fees	261.00)
(Sale of Adding Machine & Supplies	20.30)
Telephone	5.34

Total Receipts 350.79

Transferred In 8,013.51

TOTAL \$17,864.30

Expenditures:

City Report	\$ 1,685.34
Dog Officer	950.07
Flowers	78.00
Supplies, Equipment, Etc.	6,628.69
Taxes — Gilford Sandbank	42.75
Telephone	475.74
Travel & Conventions	164.22
Water Rates & Company Study	7,578.49

Total Expenditures \$17,603.30

To Excess & Deficiency Account 261.00

TOTAL \$17,864.30

ELECTIONS

Budget Appropriation \$1,000.00

Transferred In 1,000.00

TOTAL \$2,000.00

Expenditures:

Labor, Materials & Trucking	\$ 6.85
Meals — Ward Officers	178.12
Printing & Notices	270.65
Rent	65.00
Salaries — Ward Officers	1,116.00
Supplies .....	.60

Total Expenditures \$1,637.22

To Excess & Deficiency Account 362.78

TOTAL \$2,000.00

HYDRANT SERVICE

Budget Appropriation	\$20,000.00
Total Expenditures	14,043.59
To Excess & Deficiency Account	5,956.41
TOTAL	\$20,000.00

INSURANCE

Budget Appropriation	\$5,000.00
Transferred In	67.09
TOTAL	\$5,067.09
Expenditures:	
Fire Insurance	\$2,811.53
Fire, Theft, Collision & \$50 Deductible on two police cars	620.25
Floodlights	105.11
Public Liability & Property Damage	1,392.09
Total Expenditures	4,928.98
To Excess & Deficiency Account	138.11
TOTAL	\$5,067.09

LACONIA HOSPITAL

Budget Appropriation and Expenditures	\$12,000.00
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MISCELLANEOUS

Budget Appropriation	\$2,385.00
Balance Carried from 1952-53 Budget	3,500.00
Transferred In	155.00
TOTAL	\$6,040.00
Expenditures:	
Advertising—Elks Booklet	\$ 50.00
Advertising—Legion Booklet	50.00
Laconia Chamber of Commerce Dues	105.00
Lakes Region Association	1,500.00
Railroad Crossings	3,000.00
Repairs & Rent of Public Wharves	534.97
Spraying Ragweed	92.52
Total Expenditures	\$5,332.49
To Excess & Deficiency Account	707.51
TOTAL	\$6,040.00

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Budget Appropriation	\$1,400.00
Expenditures:	
Fourth of July	\$ 551.49
Memorial Day	352.91
Spanish War Veterans	250.00
Total Expenditures	1,154.40
To Excess & Deficiency Account	245.60
TOTAL	\$1,400.00

MAINTENANCE OF CITY HALL

Budget Appropriation	\$6,745.16
Receipts:	
Insurance Adjustment	\$ 11.30
Sale of Equipment	14.00
	25.30
Total Receipts	25.30
Transferred In	393.99
	393.99
TOTAL	\$7,164.45
Expenditures:	
Equipment	\$ 30.04
Fuel	1,369.94
Lakeport Clock	218.49
Labor & Materials for Repairs	1,211.07
Lights & Power	705.25
Longevity—Janitor	180.00
Salary—Janitor	2,580.16
Supplies	763.69
	7,058.64
Total Expenditures	7,058.64
To Excess & Deficiency Account	105.81
	105.81
TOTAL	\$7,164.45

SALARIES

Budget Appropriation	\$39,660.00
Expenditures:	
Mayor	\$ 1,200.00
Councilmen	1,800.00
City Clerk	3,900.00
Mayor's Secretary	700.00
Fiscal Officer	2,860.00
Clerical Assistance	7,512.00
City Auditor	1,400.00
City Physician	850.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	900.00
City Solicitor	1,400.00
City Treasurer	1,500.00
Secretary-Treasurer of Trustees of Trust Funds	725.00
Board of Public Works	300.00
Longevity	450.00
State of N. H. Retirement System	13,105.91
	38,602.91
Total Expenditures	38,602.91
To Excess & Deficiency Account	1,057.09
	1,057.09
TOTAL	\$39,660.00

STATE EDUCATIONAL TAX

Budget Appropriation and Expenditures	\$3,718.00
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STREET LIGHTING

Budget Appropriation	\$29,000.00
Receipts—Reimbursement	59.40
	29,059.40
TOTAL	\$29,059.40
Total Expenditures	26,611.92
To Excess & Deficiency Account	2,447.48
	2,447.48
TOTAL	\$29,059.40

ATHLETIC FLOODLIGHTS

Budget Appropriation	\$ 800.00
Receipts—Laconia Ball Club	375.00
Transferred In	2,350.00
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TOTAL	\$3,525.00
Expenditures:	
Light Bills	\$ 258.69
Purchase and Installation of Floodlights	2,350.00
Removing and Installing Floodlights	310.01
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Total Expenditures	2,918.70
Transferred Out	300.00
To Excess & Deficiency Account	306.30
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TOTAL	\$3,525.00

MOTH AND FORESTRY

Budget Appropriation	\$4,200.00
Transferred In	1,735.00
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TOTAL	\$5,935.00
Expenditures:	
Spraying Trees	\$1,200.00
Tree Warden	1,450.86
Capital Outlays	2,475.00
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Total Expenditures	5,125.86
To Excess & Deficiency	809.14
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TOTAL	\$5,935.00

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954

Bonds	Original Amount	Rate of Interest	Principal Paid This		Interest Paid This		Principal Remaining To Be Paid	Interest Remaining To Be Paid
			Year	Year	Year	Year		
High School Bonds	\$ 75,000.00	3%	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 393.75	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 225.00		
Public Improvement Bonds—1946	60,000.00	1 1/4%	6,000.00	300.00	18,000.00	450.00		
Public Improvement Bonds—1947	100,000.00	1 1/2%	10,000.00	675.00	40,000.00	1,200.00		
Public Improvement Bonds—1948	225,000.00	2 1/4%	15,000.00	3,543.75	150,000.00	25,312.50		
Fire Equipment Notes—1949	18,000.00	1 1/2%	3,600.00	81.00	3,600.00	27.00		
Sewer Bonds	850,000.00	1 1/2%	30,000.00	11,625.00	760,000.00	147,525.00		
The Weirs Beach Bonds	35,000.00	1.35%	5,000.00	303.75	20,000.00	540.00		
Parking Lot Bond Issue—1952	40,000.00	1 1/4%	8,000.00	400.00	24,000.00	600.00		
School Bonds—1952	70,000.00	1.60%	10,000.00	1,040.00	60,000.00	2,880.00		
Public Improvement Bonds—1952	60,000.00	1.60%	12,000.00	810.00	48,000.00	1,440.00		
Serial Notes—1953	22,000.00	2.10%			22,000.00	1,155.00		
Public Improvement Bonds—1954	70,000.00	1 1/2%			70,000.00	3,150.00		
Total Paid on Debt This Year			\$103,350.00	\$19,172.25				
Total Debt, June 30, 1954					\$1,223,100.00		\$184,504.50	

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SCHOOL BOARD

MR. EARLE V. KINSMAN, *Chairman*
MRS. ESTHER NIGHSWANDER, *Secretary*
MR. THEO S. JEWETT
MRS. ETTA GALLAGHER
DR. JEROME R. LFAVITT
MR. OLIVA HUOT
MR. RHODEN B. EDDY, *Clerk*

NECROLOGY

STANLEY E. SPENCER

Born April 16, 1908 Died May 19, 1954
Served as Commerce teacher September, 1933 — May, 1954.

MARLENE J. HANCHETT

Born March 23, 1931 Died May 20, 1954
Served as Kindergarten Teacher September, 1952 — October, 1953

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Recently the Laconia School Board submitted to the citizens of the city its extensive School Building Survey as the 1954 School Report. That Report confines itself exclusively to school building needs in the city. It does not, however, contain the financial and statistical record for the school year 1953-1954. Information relating to these matters appears, therefore, in this City Report together with other City Department Reports.

The information here should be a part of an unbroken record of School Department affairs even though the problem to which your School Board has given particular attention, namely expanded school building facilities, has been dealt with in the separate volume referred to above.

EARLE V. KINSMAN, *Chairman*

Laconia School Board

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Chairman, Earle V. Kinsman, of the Laconia School Board indicates the nature of the report appearing in this 1953-1954 City Report. It has been my intention, in each Annual School Report, to deal intensively with one or more matters relating to the schools that had particular significance

to the citizens of this city. Obviously, this has been done in the School Survey Report.

Retirement claimed three of Laconia's fine teachers this year:

Mr. Edgar Royce, Head of the Mechanic Arts Department

Miss Elizabeth O'Shea, Librarian at the High School

Mr. Rangvald Olsen, Carpentry and Cabinet Making Instructor

These teachers have served Laconia youth for so many years that they are a part of the Laconia High School itself. They have helped to bring the whole high school program to its fine state of development; they have given that kind of teaching service that even the terms conscientious, skillful, devoted, do not completely satisfy. Laconia owes a debt of gratitude to Elizabeth O'Shea, Edgar Royce, and Rangvald Olsen not only for the contributions each has made to education, but equally for the complete interest each teacher has taken in the all around development of the hundreds of pupils who have been served.

The whole city was saddened by the death of Stanley Spencer in May. For many years he taught commerce and carried on extensive extra-curricular duties at Laconia High School. Beyond his teaching, he lent his abilities to innumerable civic and social organizations in the city. We may well believe that he served beyond his strength. His place can not be filled nor his presence restored, but in the memories of his friends, his pupils, and all of his fellow workers, Stanley Spencer will always live.

Marlene Hanchett, after a little more than a year as kindergarten teacher, succumbed to a long standing illness. In her short service she came to be loved by parents, pupils and fellow teachers for her sweetness and cheerfulness.

This brief report is concluded with my appreciation to the staff and the School Board members for the interest they have taken and the help they have given in the administration of our Laconia school system. I am especially grateful to Miss Helen Martin, Assistant in Supervision, who has had an unusually heavy work load while the School Survey was being completed. I am equally grateful to Mrs. Ellis Ayre, Mrs. Selima Chandler and Mrs. Mae Caverly of my office for the continuous and skillful assistance they have rendered during the year; they, too, were burdened with additional work and added responsibilities during the preparation of the Survey; the duties they attend to are heavy enough in any event.

Respectfully submitted,

RHODEN B. EDDY

Superintendent of Schools

LACONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXPENDITURES

July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954

BUDGET "A" OPERATION PUBLIC DAY SCHOOLS

	Senior H. S. IX-XII	Junior H. S. VII-VIII	Elem. Schools Kdg.-VI	Total Expendi- tures
I. ADMINISTRATION				
1. Salaries Dist. Officers	\$ 311.64	\$ 130.00	\$ 480.36	\$ 922.00
2. Supt.'s Salary (Local)	1,816.75	757.88	2,800.37	5,375.00
3. Attend. Officer & Census	540.80	225.60	833.60	1,600.00
4. Other Expense of Admin.	510.32	212.88	786.61	1,509.81
5. Sec. & Clerical Salaries ..	2,454.26	1,023.82	3,783.04	7,261.12
6. Off. Tel., Mail., Off. Sup.	265.94	110.94	409.93	786.81
TOTAL ADMIN.	\$ 5,899.71	\$ 2,461.12	\$ 9,093.91	\$ 17,454.74
II. INSTRUCTION				
7. Teachers' Salaries	\$157,130.15	\$ 56,666.85	\$131,355.65	\$345,152.65
8. Textbooks	3,039.91	353.43	1,660.46	5,053.80
9. Pupils' Supplies	7,285.72	3,126.70	5,726.13	16,138.55
10. Other Exp. of Instruction	3,617.50	1,066.58	1,602.82	6,286.90
TOTAL INSTRUCT. ..	\$171,073.28	\$ 61,213.56	\$140,345.06	\$372,631.90
III. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT				
11. Janitors' Salaries	\$ 10,119.10	\$ 5,001.86	\$ 9,660.07	\$ 24,781.03
12. Fuel	3,314.35	1,657.18	6,705.93	11,677.46
13. Water, Lights, Gas	3,524.84	1,762.36	2,815.36	8,102.56
13a. Maintenance Supplies	1,215.52	608.02	1,448.80	3,272.34
13b. Other Expenses of Maint.	234.24	117.13	149.69	501.06
TOTAL OPERATION	\$ 18,408.05	\$ 9,146.55	\$ 20,779.85	\$ 48,334.45
IV. MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT				
14. Painting & Decorating ..	\$ 1,615.12	\$ 527.21	\$ 2,703.55	\$ 4,845.88
14a. Repairs & Replacements	2,951.58	1,414.46	4,127.01	8,493.05
TOTAL MAINTEN.	\$ 4,566.70	\$ 1,941.67	\$ 6,830.56	\$ 13,338.93
V. AUXILIARY AGENCIES				
15. School Nurses' Salaries ..	\$ 2,066.40	\$ 1,033.60	\$ 4,150.00	\$ 7,250.00
16. School Physician's Salary	280.00	140.00	280.00	700.00
17. Dental Hygienist		250.00	1,000.00	1,250.00
18. Health Supplies	45.50	18.23	35.62	99.35
19. Transportation	833.35	667.33	12,997.86	14,498.54
20. Other Special Activities	1,513.09	73.78	107.38	1,694.25
20a. Tuition—Handicapped ..			250.09	250.09
TOTAL AUXILIARY AGENCIES	\$ 4,738.34	\$ 2,182.94	\$ 18,820.95	\$ 25,742.23
VI. FIXED CHARGES				
21. Insurance	\$ 1,230.33	\$ 922.16	\$ 1,866.30	\$ 4,018.79
22. Teachers' & Supt's. Retirement	10,418.85	3,840.23	8,301.32	22,560.40
TOTAL FIXED CHARGES	\$ 11,649.18	\$ 4,762.39	\$ 10,167.62	\$ 26,579.19

	Senior H. S. IX-XII	Junior H. S. VII-VIII	Elem. Schools Kdg.-VI	Total Expendi- tures
VII. OUTLAY & NEW EQUIPMENT				
23. Building Alterations	\$ 4,900.42	\$ 2,449.75	\$ 14,123.49	\$ 21,473.66
24. New Equipment	6,284.70	1,694.50	6,921.56	14,900.76
TOTAL OUTLAY & NEW EQUIPMENT	\$ 11,185.12	\$ 4,144.25	\$ 21,045.05	\$ 36,374.42
TOTAL BUDGET "A"	\$227,520.38	\$ 85,852.48	\$227,083.00	\$540,455.86

BUDGET "B" EXTENSION OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

VIII. EXTENSION OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. Evening School				\$ 2,734.37
TOTAL BUDGET "B"				\$ 2,734.37

BUDGET "C" — BOND ISSUE

IX. CAPITAL OUTLAY—BOND ISSUE

1. Building Alterations:				
1a. Bowman Street			\$ 1,005.70	\$ 1,005.70
1b. High School				
1c. Batchelder St. Grounds				
2. New Equipment	\$ 6.20	\$ 3.10		\$ 9.30
TOTAL BUDGET "C" — BOND ISSUE	\$ 6.20	\$ 3.10	\$ 1,005.70	\$ 1,015.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES				\$544,205.23

LACONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BALANCE SHEET

July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954

Receipts

Annual Appropriation	\$481,000.00
Bond Issues	6,415.00
School Receipts	62,251.54
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$549,666.54

Expenditures

School Expenditures	\$544,205.23
Bond Issues—not spent in 1953-1954	5,400.00
Returned to City	61.31
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$549,666.54

RECEIPTS

July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954

*Annual Appropriation	\$481,000.00
**Bond Issue	1,015.00
**Bond Issue	3,400.00
**Bond Issue	2,000.00
Other Receipts:	
Federal Reimbursements	
Area Vocational School-Teachers' Salaries	\$ 5,793.80
Area Vocational School-Teachers' Travel	127.60
Total Federal Reimbursements	\$ 5,921.40
*Less \$61.31 returned to City—(see last item of "Expenditures")	
**\$1,015 for Bowman St. School & Equipment; \$3,400 Batchelder St. Grounds; \$2,000 Outdoor Board Track	

STATE REIMBURSEMENTS:

Area Vocational School-Teachers' Salaries	\$ 1,623.63
Area Vocational School-Pupil Tuition	2,302.96
Area Vocational School-Tuition Pupil Transp.	164.25
Total State Reimbursements	\$ 4,090.84

TUITION

Town	S.H.S.	J.H.S.	Elem.	Kdg.	Total
Alton	\$ 95.00	\$ .....	.....	.....	\$ 95.00
Center Harbor ..	367.93	.....	.....	.....	367.93
Gilford	18,694.03	8,454.14	.....	.....	27,148.17
Gilmanton	4,486.72	.....	.....	.....	4,486.72
Moultonboro	6,861.00	.....	.....	.....	6,861.00
New Hampton	1,742.25	.....	.....	.....	1,742.25
Sanbornton	5,134.08	.....	.....	.....	5,134.08
Private	1,501.42	412.46	101.42	349.74	2,365.04
Total	38,882.43	\$8,866.60	\$101.42	\$349.74	\$48,200.19

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

Rentals—School Facilities & Equipment	\$ 817.00
Library Fees	171.65
Sale of School Supplies	1,637.05
Telephone Refunds	37.17
Lost Books	153.85
Sale of Maintenance Supplies	68.72
Adult Education Tuition	1,026.66
Miscellaneous	127.01
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	\$ 4,039.11
Total Other Receipts	\$ 62,251.54

GRAND TOTAL RECEIPTS 1953-1954 \$549,666.54

MISCELLANEOUS FINANCIAL INFORMATION

In BUDGET 'A' — OPERATION OF THE PUBLIC DAY SCHOOLS — the item expenditures follow, together with the percent each item bears to the total expenditure.

I ADMINISTRATION*	\$ 17,454.74
Three and two-tents (3.2%) per cent of total.	

II	INSTRUCTION	\$372,631.90
	Sixty-eight and nine-tenths (68.9%) per cent of total.	
III	OPERATION PLANT	\$ 48,334.45
	Nine (9.0%) per cent of total.	
IV	MAINTENANCE PLANT	\$ 13,338.93
	Two and five-tenths (2.5%) per cent of total.	
V	AUXILIARY AGENCIES	\$ 25,742.23
	Four and eight-tenths (4.8%) per cent of total.	
VI	FIXED CHARGES	\$ 26,579.19
	Four and nine-tenths (4.9%) per cent of total.	
VII	OUTLAY & NEW EQUIPMENT	\$ 36,374.42
	Six and seven-tenths (6.7%) per cent of total.	
TOTAL — BUDGET 'A'		\$540,455.86
	One hundred (100%) per cent.	

*Total cost of ADMINISTRATION charged here to Operation Public Day Schools is not accurate exactly since administrative effort applies to entire function of the school department.

Per Pupil Expenditures or Costs

The per pupil cost in SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL for 1953-1954 was	\$330.07
The per pupil cost in JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL for 1953-1954 was	\$300.18
The per pupil cost in ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS for 1953-1954 was	\$213.98
	(Inc. Kindergarten)
The average per pupil cost for the school system was	\$265.58

School Costs and Tax Rate

Laconia's Assessed Valuation for 1953-1954 was	\$28,366,844
The total city appropriation for 1953-1954 was	\$ 1,377,083
The appropriation for schools for 1953-1954 was	\$ 481,000
The 1953-1954 Laconia Tax Rate was \$44.00 per thousand dollars valuation. Of this amount \$16.96 per thousand dollars valuation was for schools. In other words, 34.93% of the city's tax rate went for the support of the schools, from current funds.	

LUNCH PROGRAM REPORT

1953 - 1954

Cash on hand July 1, 1953		\$ 3,200.06
Receipts —		
Lunch Sales — Children	\$18,722.40	
Lunch Sales — Adults	1,067.15	\$19,789.55
Reimbursements		2,861.07
Misc. Cash Contributions		7,656.62
Total Receipts		30,307.24
AVAILABLE TOTAL		\$33,507.30
Expenditures —		
Food	22,816.64	
Labor	6,975.23	
Equipment	838.00	
Other	2,013.43	
Total Expenditures		\$32,643.30

ACTUAL CASH BALANCE AS OF June 30, 1954

\$ 864.00

Estimated Value of Food on hand \$ 844.45
N. H. Commodities received—valued at \$5,469.76 at a cost to us of \$363.75 for
delivery charges.
70,812 meals served
66,666 reimbursable
986 free meals served

MAE H. CAVERLY,
Clerk

July 1, 1954

Capital Outlay — MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS

During the school year 1953-1954, the Laconia School Board made the following major improvements at a cost of \$21,473.66—so-called “Building Alterations” as seen on the Financial Statement.

Academy Street

New tile floor, Room #4
Repipe for more heat, Assistant in Supervision's office
Acoustic Tile Ceiling, Superintendent's Office Suite
Install new fluorescent lights in Room 4, 24, 23, 25, & Supt's. Office Suite

Batchelder Street School

Install two new drinking fountains

Bowman Street School

Build Counter in Cafeteria
Build platform for furnace pit
Install cafeteria sink
Install ventilating fan in Cafeteria

Gilford Avenue School

Install new forced warm air heating system
Install fire doors to basement entrances

Harvard Street School

Install new electrical entrance to building
Install new Hot Water Tank
Install new fluorescent lights in Rooms 1, 3, 6, and Upper Hallway

Mechanic Street School

Install new Teachers' Toilet in Teachers' Room
Install new Hot Water Tank
Install new electrical entrance to building
Install new fluorescent lights in Rooms 1, 2, & 5

Washington Street School

Install new Teachers' Toilet in Teachers' Room
Install new Hot Water Tank
Install new electrical entrance to building
Install new drafts or dampers in each room
Install new fluorescent lights in Rooms 1, 2, 4, & 5

High School

Install new fluorescent lights in the following Rooms:
126, 125, 217, 223, 222, 224, 219, in the P. A. Building
203, 208, Main Office, Vice Principal's Office, Principal's Office,
Teachers' Resources Room off Library
Storage Cupboard, Distributive Education Room, off Cafeteria
Storeroom, Athletic Department
New Shelves, Arnold's Room
Catwalk on roof, Academic Building
Build photographic darkroom in Art Room, P. A. Building
Install new sink in Art Room, P. A. Building
Install new shelving in Music Room, P. A. Building
Install new prerinse sink in Cafeteria

Capital Outlay — NEW EQUIPMENT

New Equipment, totalling \$14,900.76, was purchased. Major items are listed below:

Mechanic Arts Department		\$ 1,320.44
Major items include Sanderplane at	\$177.88	
Planer	734.82	
Other small items make up total		
Agriculture Department		\$ 747.53
Major item is a truck	\$ 695.00	
Old Surplus Property Chevrolet turned in.		
Other small items make up total		
Commerce Department		\$ 2,267.70
Major items include 4 L. C. Smith typewriters	\$ 280.00	
1 Dictaphone	340.00	
13 Royal typewriters	1,035.00	
1 Spirit Duplicator & Cabinet	272.70	
1 Friden Calculator	480.00	
Other small items make up total		
Music Department		\$ 1,386.74
Major items include:		
1 Bass with bag & bow	132.40	
1 Sousaphone and case	486.00	
1 Record player & cabinet	240.02	
(constructed from parts kit; cabinet built by H.S. woodworking dept.)		
1 French Pan-American Horn	238.00	
Other small items make up total		
Maintenance Department		\$ 1,329.94
Major items include:		
6 ladders, 5 aluminum & 1 extension	\$227.22	
1 Boiler Cleaner	110.75	
2 vacuum cleaners (elementary)	574.17	
Vacuum cleaner attachments for H. S. built-in cleaner	107.20	
1 power lawnmower (elementary)	93.15	
1 portable saw, electric	122.40	
Other small items make up total		
School Furniture		\$ 5,193.91
Major items include:		
2 teachers' desks & chairs	247.93	
12 11" chairs	34.20	
86 13" chairs	511.70	
9 15" chairs	61.20	
49 17" chairs	368.92	
32 Table Desks, elementary	480.00	
58 Desks, plastic top, elementary	1,313.70	
35 10-20 desks, elementary	1,165.50	
5 Kindergarten tables	135.77	
3 967 Tables, elementary	126.60	
18 #376 chairs, H. S.	147.15	
4 four-drawer files	171.35	
1 Mountain Climber, & installation	179.65	
1 Studio couch	59.95	
Other small items make up the total		
Offices of Supt. & High School Principal		\$ 1,205.40
Major items include:		
2 desks	\$345.00	

2 typewriters:		
1 IBM Executive Electric	440.00	
1 Underwood Electric	300.00	
Other small items make up the total		
Art Department		\$ 238.69
1 Century Graflex Camera & accessories	184.50	
Other photographic equipment	54.06	
Bowman Street Lunchroom Equipment		\$ 211.57
1 refrigerator	209.22	
1 Insulated Food Carrier Box	2.35	
Materials only—built at H. S.		
Standby Lights at High School		\$ 684.00
Miscellaneous Other small equipment		\$ 314.97
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		\$14,900.76

STATISTICS

Comparisons in Enrollments

	Year Ending June 30, 1953	Year Ending June 30, 1954	June 30, 1954 Balance
Kindergarten	185	174	11
Elementary I-VI	831	882	51
J.H.S. VII-VIII	284	287	3
S.H.S. IX-XII	608	675	67
TOTALS	1908	2018	+ 110

1953-1954 Average Daily Membership

There is a certain amount of pupil change during any school year. The Average Daily Membership shows the number of pupils in school on an *average every day this year.*

Kindergarten	Elementary I-VII	J.H.S. VII-VIII	S.H.S. IX-XII	Total
183.5	877.7	286.0	687.8	2,035

REPORT OF HOME VISITING TEACHER

Every community has a number of pupils who are unable to attend school at all because of physical disabilities. These children must be taught at home or not at all. Beyond the permanently home bound children there are many others who must remain out of school for relatively long periods of time during the year because of illnesses and injuries.

Our Home Visiting Teacher, Mrs. Margaret Kyle, gives attention to all of these children, time permitting. It is important that the Visiting Teacher shall serve the academic needs of these pupils, of course, but it is equally important that she shall bring cheer and courage into their lives. Laconia is more than fortunate that Mrs. Kyle is the person who serves its handicapped children for she helps them in every way.

The following report is part of a very long, detailed report that Mrs. Kyle submitted at the end of the school year.

REPORT OF MRS MARGARET T. KYLE HOME VISITING TEACHER—SEPT., 1953—JUNE, 1954

The past year has been the busiest I have yet taught as Home Visiting Teacher. I have had a total of 32 pupils in a grade range from kindergarten through the Sophomore year in high school. I have been at the Laconia Hospital mornings the entire year teaching the youngsters who are handicapped and who are sponsored by United Cerebral Palsy. These are youngsters who would have been taught at home had we not been fortunate enough to have had the use of four rooms and a bathroom on the second floor through the kindness of the hospital authorities. The first few months were very hectic as I was faced with children of all ages and abilities, and we had to occupy one small hospital room.

United Cerebral Palsy Board then hired a Mrs. Sheehan to take care of an occupational playroom, and we secured another room known as the "school room", after that change we really made progress. I have had a total of 14 youngsters at the hospital this year, six of these have been daily pupils and the others came two or three times weekly. Seven of these pupils are CP victims, one polio, two meningitis, one spina bifida, two were automobile accident victims who were in casts and brought down from the children's ward for two months, and a third whose defect I am unable to classify, the fourth was a victim of concussion who stayed with me but a short time. My attendance record shows that there were 1086 "present" marks.

In my afternoon home visiting I have seen 18 pupils this year. Some of these have been visited continually throughout the year and some I have seen only a few times. Two girls are rheumatic fever patients, one has become an excellent sixth grade pupil, the second girl was in Florida during the winter and also she is a very ill child, she has nevertheless completed the work of the fifth grade.

A polio victim (girl) has been a long range case. This little girl has completed more than the manual work of first grade and as she becomes stronger her penmanship will improve. This child is being recommended for second grade in the fall.

A boy whom I have seen frequently is an emotional problem. Although he has good intellect and ability to read, write, and to do normal work, he can not cope with noise, confusion or crowds. He becomes badly upset the moment he is with others. I worked with this boy alone in his home for three hours a week for several months.

A little first grade boy with a severe kidney ailment has done very well this year, and he should be able to go along with his class.

A high school boy, victim of a shooting accident this last winter received continual attention until May. This boy has been very conscientious despite the tiresomeness of his inactive life. He did his work to the very best of his ability. He seemed to need encouragement as much as academic school work, and I did all that I could to help him in this respect.

A little girl who had a serious operation on both legs proved to be a joy to work with. She was keen, alert, and happy to do her school work. In two months she accomplished more than the work required in her grade.

An older high school girl has had a considerable amount of attention during the year, but because of her maturity and the nature of her ailment, she was able to be away from her home a considerable amount of time. This girl would like a high school education but finds it very difficult to work at home by herself.

I spent two months assisting a girl who had a serious arm fracture. She did her work well at home and was a pleasant and happy pupil.

An emotionally upset child threatened to become a regular pupil of mine, but fortunately she seemed to get the upper hand of her difficulty and returned to school.

Very frequently pupils on my home visiting list are emotionally upset children or young people. Very often these pupils have the best of intentions but seem unable to cope with a regular routine of school work, consequently, I often find it difficult to make very much progress with these children. I have had one such case this year.

A high school boy who suffered concussion was hospitalized for two weeks. My visits were of value to him in that they formed an unbroken contact between his teachers and himself.

A boy who has had a series of operations was absent from school again this year and on my home visiting list.

A boy with a broken leg received several home visits and received special help in the subjects that give him some difficulty. I feel that my contact with this boy was of valuable assistance.

I want to report the case of a boy whose school program is rated slow. I assisted him as much as his ability permitted.

Another accident victim, a girl although an average student, enjoyed having a teacher all to herself. She really did very well, and I enjoyed working with her.

The last pupil on my list makes slow progress in school apparently, but he does have interests outside of school that should be valuable to him in his life's work when he is well enough to carry on normally.

Although the year has been unusually hard because of the many pupils, and also because the work in the clinic was new, it has been a satisfying experience for me. I have enjoyed a wide variety of ages and educational needs throughout the year. The work of a Home Visiting Teacher is a real challenge, and I feel that our efforts to help "out-school" children are more than worthwhile.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET T. KYLE

Home Visiting Teacher

LACONIA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Class of 1954

Blanche Juliette Arsenault
Alan Anthony Ayre
Gaitan Blaise Baillargeon
Carol Ann Ballou
Shirley Arlene Bates
Alice Irene Blaisdell
Sonja Lee Blaisdell
Hector Ludger Bolduc
Theresa Grace Boudreau
Lorraine Leona Bourgault
Barbara Jane Bowker
Spencer John Brody
Georgie Elsie Brown
Weston Ashley Brown
David Henry Burbank
Ann Heather Burchell
John Miller Burnham
John Campbell
Patricia Anne Carrier
David Henry Clark
Mona Lee Clark
Gloria Anne Coffin
Leroy Allen Colby, Jr.
Nancy Marie Cronin
Richard Arthur Croteau
Charles William Crowther
Freda Ann Davis
Jacquelyn Gale Davis
Nancy Stuart Davis
Richard Andrew Dearborn
Raymond Leon DeBlois
Carol Jane DeCoster
Betty Anne Dickinson
Mary Ellen Dodds
Herbert Alvin Dore
Nancy Lou Dore
Mary Jane Dorr
Bernice Ellsworth Dowe
Carroll Rey Driscoll
Lionel Maurice Dupont, Jr.
Roland Paul Duquette
Rodney Nelson Dyer
John Clendenin Eckels
John Robert Edwards
Patricia Ann Edwards
David Allen Fillion
James Willard Frye
Paul Julien Gaillard
Shirley Ann Garland
Nancy Merwyn Gilman
Arthur Armand Godbout, Jr.
David Linwood Goodwin
Sylvia Helena Goodwin
Maurice Gerard Gouin
Therese Ann Greenan
Grace Helen Hackett
Mary Jane Haddock
Carolyn Sue Hamelin
Carl Eugene Hansen
Loraine Agnes Hardy
Arthur Charles Harris, Jr.
Patricia Harris
William Charles Hayes
Patricia Ann Hayward
Joanne Frances Hill
Vallie Louise Hobbs
David Emmett Horn
Mona Joan Hough
Beverly Jane Howland
Joyce Carole Humiston
Frank Newton Hurt
Lorraine Evangeline Hutchins
David Andrew Ivester
Rudolph Ernest Jackle
Eugene Raymond Jacques
Patricia Ann Jewett
Shirley Anne Joslyn
Beverly Ann Kershaw
Alvar Edwin Kortejarvi
Raymond Joseph Lambert, Jr.
Donald Wilfred Lamere
Marie Gertrude Landry
Marion Hazel LaRoche
Paul Armand Livernois
Ira Eugene Lounsbury
Donna Fay MacPhee
Jean Patricia Maheux
Philip Albert Maheux
Norman Ronald Marquis
Herbert Dana Mathewson
Kathryn Joan McGilvreay
Janet Carolyn Millen
Armand Ena Morin
Carole Joy Morrison
Madora Margaret Morrison
Stanley Kenneth Moulton
Mary Ellen Murray
Ruth Mae Nault
Nancy North
Noreen Joanna O'Connor
Joan Simone Mary O'Mara
Henry Vincent Page
Sandra Ann Peary
Sandra Ann Pooler
James Scott Pringle
Forrest Glenn Rand
Gene Arthur Raymond
Barry Don Reister
Judith DuBois Rice
Beverly Ann Richard
Larry Haven Richardson
Philip Christopher Ritterbush
Beverly Ann Roers
Richard Harvey Rowe
Carol Marie St. Jean
Mary Estella Sargent
Thomas Noyes Saunders
Betsey Fay Sawyer
Dorothy Schohan
Brian Schreiber

Class of 1954
Cont.

Robert Joel Selig
David Silverstein
Richard Alwin Simmers
Charles Bradley Smith
Cymbeline Helen Smith
James Sheldon Smith
Pauline Rae Smith
Pauline Simone Smith
Sonya Irene Smith
Ronald Louis Snow
Wayne Richard Snow
Patricia Ann Stafford
Betty Arlene Stone
Sally Ann Swain
Barbara Louise Swenson
Fernand Emile Tardif
Donald Seward Tasker

Malcolm Irwin Taylor
Harold Ellsworth Tefft, Jr.
Calvin Maurice Tibbetts
Mary Leonora Tilton
Maxine Avis Twombly
Armand George Truchon
Claudette Rita Virgin
Carole Ann White
Virginia June Whitehouse, Jr.
Janet Ann Whitten
Donald Fred Whittum
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Library patrons were registered when the new Gale Memorial building was opened August 3, 1903. Continuous numbering was used until 10,000 was reached in 1923. A three-year registration limit is now in effect. During the last period 4,979 borrowers used the library. The new registration, started July 1, 1953, now totals 2,940. This includes 1,498 adult and 1,442 juvenile patrons.

The non-resident fee for a library card has been increased to \$2.00 per year.

In September Miss Ruth Johnson attended the New England Library Association meeting at Swampscott. Mrs. Cotton was present at the regular meetings of the New Hampshire city librarians which were held during the winter months for the purpose of planning

and promoting better library service throughout the state. The staff attended the annual meeting of the N. H. Library Association at Manchester in May.

The recreation room has been used regularly for meetings of the Power Squadron, the Great Books discussion group, the Council of Church Women, and the United Cerebral Palsy Association. Other organizations have used either this room or Memorial hall for occasional meetings.

National art week was observed as usual with paintings of local artists displayed. Mr. B. Stafford Good has kindly loaned indefinitely some original paintings which were reproduced as illustrations in the juvenile book, *Two Penniless Princesses*, by Yonge.

Credit should be given to the women who loaned and arranged exhibits of special interest in the locked case: Mrs. Chester L. Smart, for her collection of ash trays purchased during her recent European trip; Mrs. Lillian Page Dow, for the authentic copies of period furniture she had made; and Mrs. Robert Lawson, a trustee of the library, for her miniature antique glass and colorful enamel exhibits.

CHIMNEY REPAIRS

For many years the trustees have been concerned over stains which appeared in Memorial hall after heavy storms in spite of extensive repairs to the roof and the flashing around the north chimney. Numerous contractors and engineers had been consulted and it was decided that due to the age of the building, moisture was seeping between the granite blocks where the mortar had crumbled and fallen out. There was the alternative of replacing the mortar at consider-

able expense or removing the chimney. The Mayor and Council were consulted and Councilman Tardif was of the definite opinion that the chimney should be saved and reinforced by a brass rod. An inspection found the south chimney to be in a similar condition. The Council appropriated the amount necessary for the repair of both chimneys and were agreed that the work should be done by W. M. Bisson & Son with Arthur Godbout as mason contractor. The work was completed in September. Necessary repairs and painting were done in Memorial hall and in spite of all the heavy storms since then, no damage has resulted.

CHILDREN'S WORK

Children with their teachers visit both libraries regularly during the school year. Classroom collections of library books appear to be a necessity in almost all the rooms. Illustrated book reports have been displayed at various times. A Catholic press month exhibit was arranged by pupils from St. Joseph Academy. In June, the art work of the city's public school pupils from early grades through senior high was exhibited for several days under the direction of Miss Jeanne Somes, art teacher in the elementary schools, and Mr. George W. Wiesen, head of the Laconia High School art department.

The vacation reading club, featuring the Little Leaguers baseball club, was sponsored at both libraries during July and August. Fifty-five youngsters enrolled and read 517 books. Diplomas were awarded to those who had read and reported on at least ten books.

Twenty-nine film programs were offered in connection with the reading club and during the winter months as part of the regular ser-

vice for children of school age. These exceptional films on nature, travel, music, and careers were enjoyed by 1,842 children.

As stated in last year's report, a children's room with a trained librarian in attendance is imperative if we are to offer the best possible service to the younger generation. The proposed budget for next year suggests that the city operate and maintain the libraries, and set aside the income from the invested funds for permanent improvements. The income received this year from the Gale estate was larger than estimated as it covered a fifteen month period. The trustees have deposited the excess amount as a Gale building fund.

RECORD COLLECTION

During October a friend of the library presented anonymously 60 albums of classical records. These will serve as a nucleus of a collection of contemporary and classical music. Miss Bertha Fowler has cataloged 397 records to date. The records circulate for one week allowing one album to a patron. They are not renewable to assure the widest possible circulation. Overdue charges are the same as for books: two cents per day per record. Damaged records are paid for by the patron. Since January, 664 records have circulated. An oak case is being built to provide ample room for the albums and a selection of books of interest to the music lover. It seems appropriate to reprint here an editorial appearing in the *LACONIA EVENING CITIZEN*, January 9, 1954.

A Cultural Addition

"As a cultural addition to this city, the opening of the Gale Memorial library's record lending service is worthy of note. Through the generosity of a Laconia

citizen a start has been made toward development of a fine department of classical music. Among the 60 volumes are the works of a large share of composers who should be included in any beginning collection of fine music.

This loan service gives the library new importance as a cultural center and possibilities for its development are almost limitless. For one thing, we would hope to see the construction some day of a sound proof listening room permitting the public to select records and play them without disturbing other people making use of the library. Such rooms are indispensable to a useful record program.

For purposes of both education and entertainment, collections can be built to include recordings of historical addresses, and readings, folk music, children's selections, speeches and language instructional records. Classics of the drama world are also now recorded. The authentic aural impressions of original Broadway productions are on the market and by themselves constitute an entire library.

It is expected that some funds each year will be directed to new record purchases. However, the way the collection can be built to real proportions with ample variety to satisfy all interests, is through private contributions of new record sets or ones no longer sufficiently used to justify their retention privately.

With the opening of this record service a word of tribute is due to the anonymous Laconia citizen who made it possible. It is to be hoped that this initial gift will serve as a stimulus to other citizens in the community to build the collection into one of the finest of any library in the state."

GOSS READING ROOM

Following a survey of the circulation at this library it was decided to have a uniform schedule of hours. It is now open 1 - 5:30 p.m. each week day. The desk attendant, Mrs. Marie C. Pray, spends a portion of her time at the main library to familiarize herself with the procedure there and to select books and periodicals for her patrons.

A new bookcase has been built to provide more space for non-fiction and one reading table and the card

file were cut down to facilitate their use. The exterior appearance of the building is improved with the trim repainted and a large awning at the west window. Under the supervision of the City Engineer the large stones which formed the foundation of Dr. Goss' stable were removed, sumacs uprooted, and the entire lot was levelled and seeded. In time this may become another beauty spot of the city to be enjoyed and used by countless citizens of Lakeport.

These improvements are possible because of the thoughtful provisions of citizens of the past who made generous plans for our benefit. Dr. Ossian Wilbur Goss provided in his will for the establishment of reading rooms supplied with magazines and daily papers. The rooms were opened to the public April 8, 1907. On March 1, 1909, the trustees of the Laconia Public Library, in response to a written request from the trustees of the Ossian Wilbur Goss Reading Rooms, voted to establish a branch library at Lakeport. Mr. Davis, the Laconia librarian, was informed by the Goss trustees that the building and the books therein were as much under his control as the Laconia building and its contents.

Dedicatory exercises were held Saturday, May 22, 1909, at 3 p.m. with Dr. E. P. Hogdon the presiding officer. From the records of that year we learn that the Village Improvement Society set out shade trees and shrubs and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union furnished a fine mission clock. (In 1951 the clock was cleaned and repaired and keeps excellent time.)

During 1917 a bequest of Miss Martha A. Cumings was used for a cement walk and granite steps in place of the front board walk. Miss Ella J. Morrison left \$500 to

the library in memory of her aunt, Caroline M. Hayward. As a result the children's room was equipped with suitable furniture and bookcases. The most recent legacy in 1948 of \$50,000 from Charles H. Perkins provides that the income be used for the operation and maintenance of the library.

GALE PARK

At this writing the park is especially attractive with early blooms, and the library building itself presents a colorful picture with recently painted green trim and the windows bright with salmon-colored geraniums which Mr. Samuel Harriman has kept in blossom since last fall.

LIBRARY STATISTICS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1953-1954

Circulation	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Laconia Public Library	39,492	23,678	63,170
Goss Reading Room	5,617	3,823	9,440
Total Circulation	45,109	27,501	72,610
Number of books added	993	1,013	2,006
Number of books withdrawn	633	101	734
Total number of books			43,014
Number of records			392

LACONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand, July 1, 1953	\$	56.81
Receipts		
City of Laconia	\$23,871.83	
Goss Estate	800.00	
Gale Estate	3,383.38	
Chertok Estate	500.00	
Interest	534.11	
Fines, Deposits, etc.	1,493.81	
		<u>30,583.13</u>
Total		\$30,639.94
Expenditures		
Staff Salaries	\$13,867.70	
Longevity Bonus	679.00	
Extra Help	222.75	
Books	3,089.45	
Periodicals	515.16	
Binding	45.93	
Library Supplies	306.77	
Postage	105.53	
Printing	20.77	
Janitors' Salaries	4,048.85	
Longevity Bonus	30.00	
Building Supplies	137.07	
Building Repairs	299.19	
Chimney Repairs	2,801.06	
Water & Light	631.23	
Fuel	1,043.86	
Travel-Training	48.78	
Telephone	290.10	

Insurance	37.50	
Children's Work	205.67	
Deposits Returned	121.00	
Capital Outlay	812.70	
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Total Expenditures		29,360.07
Balance on hand, June 30, 1954		42.67
Max Chertok Fund		500.00
Gale Building Fund		737.20
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Total		\$30,639.94

**GALE PARK
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Receipts		
City of Laconia	\$1,247.95	
Gale Estate	1,127.80	
Damage Refund from Police Dept.	5.00	
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Total		\$2,380 75
Expenditures		
Fertilizer	\$ 131.15	
Flowers	239.41	
Fountain Maintenance	13.75	
Gas & Oil	18.56	
Lawn Maintenance	118.05	
Miscellaneous	73.07	
Seed	3.72	
Spraying Trees	40.00	
Trucking	10.00	
Salaries	1,171.38	
Water	129.86	
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Total Expenditures		\$1,948.95
Balance on hand, June 30, 1954		186.05
GALE Building Fund		245.75
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Total		\$2,380.75

WELFARE

Director of Welfare FRANCIS O'CONNELL

To the Honorable Mayor and Council of the City of Laconia:

Gentlemen:

It is my privilege and duty to submit herewith my report as Director of Welfare for the year ending June 30, 1954.

The amount appropriated for Direct Relief for the fiscal year, July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954 was \$49,100. This has been expended as follows:

Families	\$ 8,586.33
Single Persons	7,773.52
Veterans Families	3,392.88
Adult Board and Care	4,009.16
Children Board and Care	3,801.75
Total Relief	\$27,563.64
Salaries and Expenses	3,357.77
Total Amount Expended	\$30,921.41
Balance from Appropriations	18,178.59
Refunds	472.37
Available for Transfer to Excess & Deficiency Fund	\$18,650.96

The amount of \$30,921.41 expended for Relief is broken down as follows:

Food	\$ 9,071.70
Rent & Shelter	3,563.23
Fuel	1,122.35
Clothing, Shoes & Rubbers	321.35
Gas, Electric and miscellaneous	169.25
Board & Care (does not include medical)	
Adults	3,504.39
Children	3,579.53
Salaries	3,066.00
Office Expense	291.77
Hospital	3,142.56
Other Medical	2,314.21
Funerals and Ambulances	383.00
Total	\$30,921.41

Assistance has been rendered to 44 families, comprising 167 persons; to 72 single persons; to 16 Veterans families, comprising 63 persons; to one single veteran; to 8 regular Board & Care of adults, and to 9 Board & Care of children. This is a total of 320 persons assisted, an increase of 31 persons over last year.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

For the Fiscal Year, July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954, the recipients of Old Age Assistance and Aid to the Totally and Permanently Disabled have received \$42,933.16 from the City of Laconia. The appropriation was \$49,500. The sum of \$42,933.16 has been expended, leaving a balance of \$6,566.84.

Refunds recovered from estates were \$2,275.65, making a total of \$8,842.49 to be transferred to the Excess & Deficiency fund.

A year ago there were 226 cases; at present there are 232.

Budget Appropriation	\$ 98,600.00
Receipts:	
Reimbursements for City Relief	\$ 402.86
Received for Old Age Assistance	2,275.65
Refunds	69.51
	2,748.02
Total Receipts	2,748.02
TOTAL	\$101,348.02
Expenditures:	
City Relief	\$30,921.41
Old Age Assistance	42,933.16
	73,854.57
Total Expenditures	73,854.57
To Excess & Deficiency Account	27,493.45
	27,493.45
TOTAL	\$101,348.02

HEALTH and SANITATION

BOARD OF HEALTH

ARTHUR SIMONEAU, *Pres.*
DR. LEONARD J. SLOVACK, *Sec'y.*
DR. FREDERICK FILLMORE

DEPARTMENT

C. F. MOWERS, *Dept. Head*
EDWARD S. MORRIS, M. D., *City Phys.*
JULIA PERIARD, R. N., *City Nurse*
BARBARA SISSON, *Laboratory Tech.*

CITY PHYSICIAN

The City Physician examines in Municipal Court those cases of intoxication brought in, being suspects or mandatory. In addition to this many hours of study and instruction have been required to put the new alcometer into operation. The City Physician treats patients receiving welfare from the city, and attends all major fires to insure immediate care to those endangered

SUMMARY

Police cases	67
Office calls	19
House calls	29
Hospital visits	2
Examinations for State Hospital (At request of City)	7
Examination for Guardian paper	1

CITY NURSE

The City Nurse made 1684 calls for medical and surgical patients for the past year. The following is a summary of the visits:

Medical	1360
Surgical	324
Pre-School children	73
Crippled children	29
Pre-natal	4
Infant care	84
Home visits	119

The City Nurse is responsible to the Board of Health for carrying

out her duties.

Following is a summary of the Nurse's care to patients:

1. Chronic and Medical patients.
 - a. Who require bedside nursing and treatment over a period of years.
 - b. Patients who require limited treatment, nursing care and advice.
2. Surgical Patients.
 - a. Visits in the home for surgical dressings following discharge from the hospital.
 - b. More numerous service, establishment of early ambulatory routine for hospital patients.
3. Visits for Pre-natal and Post-natal, infant care and instruction.
4. Visits for instruction and care of crippled children.

HEALTH INSPECTOR

The Health Department work consists of the following phases:

Milk Inspection and Milk Analysis; Slaughter Inspection; Inspection of markets, restaurants, diners, cabin colonies, water supply and water analysis, swimming facilities; Investigation of nuisances, quarantine, passports, signing and issuing death certificates, etc. The scope of the department is large and many duties not mentioned here have to be executed. In the following paragraphs some of these duties will be taken up in detail.

Slaughter Inspection

Slaughter Inspection involves a time element in that the animal has to be inspected before slaughter, as well as during the slaughtering.

After the animal is killed, all the organs and glands are examined to find any abnormality. By examining the glands and their pathology, a determination is made as to whether or not the animal is fit for

consumption, partially fit for consumption, or is to be condemned.

If the animal is normal in all respects it is washed down in hot water, stamped as to approval, and then refrigerated until delivery.

If the animal is condemned, or partially condemned, it is cut, and dyed beyond possible use, and either buried or ground to be used as fertilizer, depending upon the type of infection present.

Milk Inspection

Many persons do not think of the work involved in producing a good quart of milk and having it delivered to their homes. They see only a bottle of milk, and if sufficient cream is evident, they assume it comes from a cow somewhere in the immediate vicinity. The following process takes place before that quart of milk reaches your doorstep:

We will start at the farm. First, the farm has to meet the approval of this department in such things as; Cooling facilities; milking machine handling and cleaning, cleanliness of the barn, and the health of each individual cow. Upon approval this farm may then produce milk to supply a dealer to the Laconia area. He ships his milk to a dealer who begins processing this milk. First the weighing in of the milk, then clarification, to storage tanks or pasteurization vats. The milk is heated to 143 degrees, Fahrenheit, for thirty minutes, and then pumped to the cooler where it is immediately cooled to below 50 degrees, Fahrenheit. In the meantime, bottles have been prepared to go through the filling machine. From here they go to cold storage until delivery time. At delivery time care has to be taken to maintain the milk below 50 degrees, Fahrenheit, to insure its wholesomeness. Sam-

ples to be tested are taken every month from each farmer who produces milk for a dealer, and from the dealer selling the finished product.

During the summer months, milk has to be obtained from other areas due to the increased population. These sources have to meet the same qualifications as our local producers, and due to their distance from Laconia require much time and travel to secure the necessary inspections for their approval.

Analysis of the milk is performed in the City Hall Laboratory where a technician is employed to run the samples.

Milk samples are sent to this department from districts who do not have laboratory facilities, and a revenue is obtained from this source, as well as from water analysis and milk licenses.

Markets

Inspection of markets consists of food handling and food storage. Refrigeration of meats and certain vegetables are the most important part of market procedure. Cleanliness of refrigeration equipment, grinders, etc., is mandatory, and the disposal of refuse in covered metal containers is necessary to maintain fly control. The majority of our markets may be classified as excellent in all respects.

Cabin Colonies

Inspection of cabin colonies this year was done by the state. This was necessary due to the increased work by this department in other fields.

Cabin colonies, surrounding the lake, present a serious sewage problem. It is quite easy to understand that with the increased building of cabin units the land will absorb only so much material. The Weirs

Boulevard is a very good example of this type of pollution. There is only one answer to this problem, that is, a sewer line extending the whole length of the boulevard to absorb the sewage from the ever-increasing population.

Beaches

A constant check is made of the bathing areas of the city. A water pollution program has now been established through the cooperation of the State Health Department, to try to clear Paugus Bay in the areas that will come in contact with our water intake. The water company has done a very fine job in maintaining their supply free from contamination. Samples are taken from this supply weekly.

Complaints

Complaints are many and varied, ranging from septic tanks to pigeons on the roof. We cover each complaint made to this department, and if our regulations cover the condition action is taken by this department.

LABORATORY SUMMARY

Number of Tests:

Bacteria Analysis (Raw milk,

Total \$805.50

Budget Appropriation	\$12,140.00
Transfers In	300.00
Total	\$12,440.00

Expenditures:

Equipment and Supplies	\$ 164.05
Mileage	900.00
Milk and Cream	149.06
Printing and Postage	54.59
Salaries	10,876.25
Supplies, City Nurse	10.45
Longevity	120.00
Telephone and Gas	152.87

Total Expenditures	12,427.27
Transferred to Excess and Deficiency	12.73
Total	\$12,440.00

Grade A, pasteurized and homogenized milk)	
1. Raw plate	807
2. Laboratory pasteurized ..	807
3. Finished products	402
4. Coliform analysis	402
5. Sediment tests	281
6. Phosphatase tests	280
7. Butter fat tests	413

Total 3392

Total 215

Water Analysis

Results of Tests:

Bacteria Count Averages

Producer samples of Grade A, Pasteurized, and Homogenized milk

5,282

Producer-Dealer samples of raw milk

29,595

Laboratory pasteurized samples

2,200

Butter Fat Averages

Grade A, Pasteurized and Homogenized milk

4.02

Raw Milk

4.29

MILK LICENSES

Markets	49
Restaurants	48
Dealers	10
Producer-Dealers	6

Total Receipts

Public Nurse

\$383.00

Slaughtering

31.00

Milk Analysis

102.50

Water Analysis

69.00

Milk Licenses

220.00

CIVIL DEFENSE

ARTHUR I. ROTHAFEL, *Director*

With the appointment of the Director, efforts were concentrated on the setting up of a new Civil Defense Organization based somewhat on the organizational plan of an Army Division. Five separate areas of operation were designated within the city, and a complete command was set up in each of these areas. Each command had its various departments, such as Auxiliary Police, Medicine, Communications, Registration etc; and each was able to operate as a unit. Overall control was maintained through a Central Command at City Hall.

The Civil Defense Organization, although never tested in its entirety, did participate in the various state and national "Air Raid Alerts". Minor flaws in operations were discussed and corrected by staff members in subsequent critiques.

During the real emergencies of 1954's hurricanes "Carol" and "Edna", the Civil Defense force was alerted well beforehand—held in instant readiness to take whatever measures were necessary during the progress of the storms. In each case, Civil Defense Headquarters in Laconia was in constant touch with the Civil Defense Staff set up in the Governor's Office, and through the local radio station kept the public completely informed throughout the danger periods.

Although the Director of Civil Defense stressed the necessity for an adequate warning siren, by means of which both civil defense personnel and the public could be alerted, the Council did not authorize the purchase of the equipment. Lack of such a warning system has seriously hampered the work of the organization. Too, a certain amount of public apathy continues insofar as civil defense activity is concerned. This apathy, naturally, evaporates in the face of such genuine emergencies as the hurricanes.

The Director is grateful to the public spirited individuals and organizations who have given of their time and effort to help to make the Civil Defense Agency in Laconia as good as it is.

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Budget Appropriation	\$800.00
Refund	1.96
TOTAL	\$801.96
Expenditures:	
Equipment	\$124.00
Fuel	39.94
Labor & Materials for Repairs	2.87
Light Bills	19.27
Supplies & Postage	29.05
Travel & Conventions	41.00
Total Expenditures	256.13
Transferred to Excess & Deficiency	545.83
TOTAL	\$801.96

POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE COMMISSION

- KENNETH D. HOPKINS, *Chairman*
 GUY C. RICHARDS, *Clerk*
 F. E. NORMANDIN
 CHARLES E. DUNLEAVY, *Chief*
 NORMAN P. DROUIN, *Deputy*

Report of Laconia Police Commission for Year Ending June 30, 1954

Personnel

The Police Department experienced some changes in personnel during the past year. Three regular officers resigned and these vacancies now have been filled.

Two police officers have been added to bring the total force to 21 men. These additions were occasioned by the allocation of an officer to cover the Casino Square Area, during the heaviest traffic hours, and assigning an officer to the Lakeport Area so that that area would be covered for a full 24 hours.

Your Police Commission was most pleased to promote one of its Sergeants to the post of Lieutenant, upon recommendation of the Chief of Police. This elevation was most definitely merited.

Finances

It has been a policy of the Police Commission to co-operate with the Mayor and City Council in the matter of finances. Every effort is extended to operate the department at as low a cost as is possible, consistent with the service that is expected of it by the taxpayers.

The Police Department now is using an Alcometer for the examination of those suspected of driving under the influence. In so doing, much embarrassment and cost is avoided. The Alcometer was purchased by the city of Laconia with the co-operation of Belknap County.

Recommendation

The Police Commission is now operating under a rather serious handicap because of a lack of space. The Mayor and City Council, we believe, are studying the situation and will, we are sure, come up with a satisfactory solution. This lack of space necessarily tends to reduce the efficiency of the department.

It is most fitting that we include in this report our sincere thanks to the Mayor and City Council for their valued co-operation, and sympathetic understanding of our problems. It is indeed gratifying to approach the year end with the knowledge that nearly every recommendation suggested to the Mayor and City Council by the Police Commission has been accepted and approved.

Respectfully submitted,
 K. D. HOPKINS
Chairman of Police Com.

Annual Report of the Chief of Police for Year Ending January 31, 1954.

ARRESTS:

Males	575
Females	25
Total number of arrests	600

CAUSES OF ARRESTS:

Allowing unlicensed person to operate	1
Aggravated assault	1
Arrested for out of town officers	14
Assault	10
Assault on an officer	7

Breaking & entering & larceny	3
Deserters Army & Navy	11
Disorderly conduct	25
Drunkness (resident)	100
Drunkness (non-resident)	50
Discharging firearm in city limit	1
Escaped convicts	4
Failing to stop for school bus	1
Failing to keep to the right of road	4
Failing to have car registered	6
Failing to stop after accident	7
Failing to stop at stop signs	11
Gambling	1
Insane persons	8
Larceny	25
Lewdness	2
Lascivious behavior	1
Manslaughter	2
Non-support of family	1
Neglecting to stop for officer's signal	6
Obstructing officer	1
Offensive language	2
Over-speeding auto	172
Operating auto without license	21
Operating auto recklessly	6
Operating auto under influence of liquor	36
Operating auto without adequate brakes	9
Operating auto after license is revoked	8
Parked on highway	1
Procuring liquor for minors	3
Selling mortgaged property	2
Selling liquor to minors	3
Soliciting without a permit	1
Contributing to juvenile delinquency	5
Misuse of plates	2
Discharging fireworks	1
Passing over yellow line	14
Taking auto without owner's permission	1
Taking boat without owner's permission	1
Throwing bottles in street	1
Truck over height	1

Uninspected auto	4
Passing worthless checks	1
Violation of Chapter 207	1
Vagrant	1
Total	600

HOW DISPOSED OF:

Appealed to Superior Court	4
Bail forfeited	6
Bound over to Superior Court	11
Committed to House of Correction	18
Committed to State Hospital	8
Complaints placed on file	78
Complaints dismissed	3
Complaints nol-prossed	1
Continued for sentence	3
Delivered to out-of-town officers	25
Discharged by the court	10
Paid fines	415
Suspended sentence	18
Total	600

INCIDENTAL SERVICES:

Accidents reported	152
Assistance rendered	191
Assisting out-of-town officers	50
Auto reported stolen	4
Auto reported stolen, recovered	4
Complaints received and investigated	1597
Fires attended	19
Fires extinguished without alarm	2
Fires discovered & alarm given	5
Burglaries reported	17
Larcenies reported	62
Lost children restored to parents	23
Store doors & windows found open & secured	1506
Street lights reported out	1118
Police radio calls	2291
Telephone duty calls	31,187
Number of persons furnished lodging	103

PARKING VIOLATIONS:	3576
Fees collected from violation	\$1,788.

MUNICIPAL COURT

Budget Appropriation		\$ 3,400.00
Receipts:		
Fines	\$15,734.20	
Parking Violations	1,814.50	
Small Claims	460.10	
Writs & Entry Fees	1.25	
Total Receipts		18,010.05
Transferred In		422.50
TOTAL		\$21,832.55

Expenditures:	
Capital Outlays — Alcometer	\$ 422.50
City Physician — Examinations	191.00
Clerical Assistance	20.00
Equipment	100.25
Salaries:	
Harry E. Trapp, Justice	\$1,800.00
Harry E. Trapp, Small Claims Fees	183.00
Theo. Jewett, Special Justice	200.00
Chas. E. Lord, Clerk	600.00
Chas. E. Lord, Small Claims Fees	45.75
Robert Tilton, Probation Officer	300.00
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Total Salaries	3,128.75
Small Claims	89.71
State of N. H.:	
Fish & Game Department	58.50
Motor Vehicles Department	9,673.50
Public Utilities Commission	18.00
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Total Paid to State of N. H.	9,750.00
Supplies	203.11
Witness Fees	2.72
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Total Expenditures	\$13,908.04
Towards Estimated Revenue	7,000.00
To Excess & Deficiency Account	924.51
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TOTAL	\$21,832.55

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Budget Appropriation	\$93,669.08
Balance C'd from 1952-53 Budget	690.26
Receipts:	
Rebate of taxes on 2 police cars	\$ 181.25
Salaries	18.96
Telephone	11.00
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Total Receipts	211.21
Transferred In	1,258.40
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TOTAL	\$95,828.95

Expenditures:

Auto Expense	\$ 2,230.27
City Lockup Supplies	216.32
Equipment	190.05
Labor & Materials	10.63
Longevity	1,500.00
Lunches, Travel & Conventions	172.95
Medical Expense	6.00
Miscellaneous & Contingencies	43.40
Printing	114.86
Radio & Professional Services	108.62
Salaries	77,784.08
Sick Leave	501.44
State of N. H. Retirement	3,559.68
Supplies	626.03
Telephone, Postage & Express	1,963.34
Uniform Allowance	1,672.82
Water, Lights & Power	45.18

Capital Outlays	1,683.00	
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Total Expenditures		\$92,428.67
To Excess & Deficiency		981.04
Balance C'd to 1954-55 Budget		2,419.24
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TOTAL		\$95,828.95

FIRE PROTECTION

MERLE B. SARGENT	<i>Fire Chief</i>
ARTHUR PLOURDE	<i>1st Assistant Engineer</i>
RAYMOND TEFFT	<i>2nd Assistant Engineer</i>
GEORGE TARLSON	<i>3rd Assistant Engineer</i>
ALLEN S. VEAZY	<i>Member at large</i>

FIRES AND FIRE LOSSES

During the year of 1953, we had 364 calls; of which 232 were still alarms, 32 bell alarms, 6 false alarms, and 8 mutual aid calls. The fire loss for 1953 was 34,781.46, based on the losses reported by the insurance companies.

Our fire apparatus and equipment are in reasonably good condition, and our hose has recently been tested at 220 pound pressure and is in good condition, the poor hose being replaced with new.

We have 189 hydrants in Laconia and Lakeport, plus 30 private hydrants, and 16 hydrants in The Weirs section. 3 new hydrants which have been voted by the past Councils for some time have not yet been installed by the Laconia Water Company.

The section of the Board Walk near The Weirs railroad station, leading to the Mount Washington wharf should be reinforced so that the fire engines could get on to the wharf to be in a position to pump water to that section of The Weirs in case of a large fire. This should be attended to immediately as we previously recommended.

The fire alarm system is in better condition due to the fact that we now have a maintenance man who is one of the drivers and he is able to take care of many repairs before they become too serious.

The department has been spraying chemicals along the road-side in the city to help control poison-ivy and rag-weed, which has been prevalent in some sections.

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department has received very fine cooperation from the Mayor and Council in taking care of the recommendations of the Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Budget Appropriation	\$79,036.20
Balance C'd from 1952-53 Budget	134.93
Receipts:	
Forest Fires	\$ 127.85
Gasoline	1,853.40
Lunches, Travel & Conventions	10.53
Sale of Hose	911.25
Sale of Radio Tubes	7.80

Supplies	186.21	
Uniform Allowance	32.34	
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Total Receipts		3,129.38
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TOTAL		\$82,300.51
Expenditures:		
Batteries for Trucks	\$ 73.26	
Fire Alarm Maintenance	906.82	
Fire Inspection	175.00	
Forest Fires	182.88	
Fuel, Oil & Coal	1,667.56	
Gas	47.23	
Gasoline	2,651.56	
Insurance, Accident	318.20	
Laundry	141.15	
Lights & Power	982.28	
Longevity	300.00	
Lunches, Travel & Conventions	45.98	
N. H. Motor Vehicles Inspection	12.06	
Office Expense	66.20	
Oil for Trucks & Compressors	38.85	
Radio Maintenance	84.19	
Salaries	64,260.32	
State of N. H. Retirement	2,180.40	
Station Maintenance — Labor	72.74	
Station Maintenance — Materials	512.77	
Supplies	1,391.81	
Telephone	752.40	
Truck Repair & Maintenance	905.55	
Uniform Allowance	640.13	
Water	90.39	
Capital Outlays	3,130.18	
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Total Expenditures		81,629.91
To Excess & Deficiency		343.46
Balance Carried to 1954-55 Budget		327.14
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TOTAL		\$82,300.51

PLANNING

Members of the Planning Board

NORMAN P. RANDLETT, *Chairman*

HOWARD O. DECOSTER

HENRY I. BURBANK

WILLIAM W. KELLER

ALPHONSE J. MORIN

HAVEN E. FLANDERS

Ex-officio:

GERARD L. MORIN, *Mayor*

HUGH H. BOWNES, *Councilman*

ARNOLD J. O'MARA, *City Engineer*

LEONARD F. HUBBARD, A. I. P., *Planning Director and Secretary to the Board*

A major contribution to the safety and welfare of the citizens as well as to the protection of property has been made in the preparation and passage of a fire prevention ordinance. The new ordinance is based on the abbreviated edition of the Fire Prevention Code (1950) as recommended by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, and will be administered by the Fire Department. In addition to the increased protection that will be offered to lives and safety and property, the administration of the ordinance will have the recognition of the New Hampshire State Board of Underwriters as an effective aid in maintaining at as low a level as possible the insurance rating structure of the city. In the course of the studies which preceded the passage of the ordinance, a report was prepared on the causes of fires within the city, culled from Fire Department records, and another was prepared summarizing the probable extent of existing insurance coverage on structures, as derived from the Assessors' records, both of which have brought inquiries from many other cities. A further area relating to firemanic problems in which the Board has worked has been in the site studies for the proposed new fire station in Lakeport.

A second major field of activity has been the perennial problem of automobile parking. Both the downtown section and the Weirs have been subject to intensive studies. It was hoped that a large section of the New Hampshire Veterans Association land could be used for the development of a 250-car parking lot. This land was desired because of its central location to serve the local business facilities catering principally to the busy resort area. The City was prepared to put out a substantial bond issue for the improvement which would include the betterment of access roads, but the Association was not willing to enter into an agreement so that this important problem still seeks a solution.

In the downtown area, a number of sites were considered for parking purposes. A plan was presented to the legislative body for the development of a 125-car facility on Rowe's Court. This plan would call for the

demolition of some structures, all obsolescent, in an area presently zoned for commercial purposes. It would anticipate a pedestrian ramp connection to the Main Street bridge, and include a small boat docking facility. It was felt that such a parking lot would stimulate the economy of the southern Main Street section and perhaps induce the erection of a commercial building on the new vacant lot at the junction of Main and Court Streets, among other advantages. The plan was not adopted, however, due to several reasons among which may be noted the family relocation problem. With the presence of the river and other typographical factors, the distribution of existing structures, and the lack of large inlying vacant parcels of land, the problem still seeks an alternative, for which studies are continuing. The ultimate solution will undoubtedly lie in the development of several locations for parking. Some remedy must be achieved in anticipation of the completion of the state toll road program in 1957.

In order to improve the downtown traffic pattern, an Advisory Committee on Traffic Improvements was appointed by the Mayor, of which Mr. Romeo de Blois served as Chairman, and the Planning Director as Secretary and Technical Advisor. The Planning Director thus served as liaison between the Committee and the Planning Board. Some bold strokes were taken which proved to be successful in expediting the passage of traffic in the Main Street. Briefly, the entrance and exit of the City Hall lot were reversed affording considerable relief to Bank Square especially in the noon hour. Some "right turns only" were instituted from entering alleys on the Main Street. A channelizing island of pipe and chain was set up in Bank Square as a trial of efficiency in size and shape. This was later translated into a small park area with flowers, grass, and granite curb through the participation of several groups, thus adding a note of attractiveness to the area.

Through the Planning Board, the City of Laconia has worked with organizations like the Chamber of Commerce and the Laconia Industrial Development Corporation toward the establishment of new industry in the community. It was a decisive factor in bringing about the construction of a new industrial plant in Lakeport, where the City offered to demolish the buildings which were on the site under consideration, and to provide an access from Franklin Street.

It is gratifying to note that a second industrial plant is now under construction, and space for the erection of a third new building has been contracted for the community. Much information and data have been furnished in connection with the attraction of industry. The Board believes that Laconia offers conditions especially appropriate to management and to labor in presenting a community equipped with technical skills available among the friendliest people anywhere, offering an urban neighborhood in a choice resort setting.

When the Laconia Water Company, a private firm distributing water in the municipality, applied for an increase in water rates to the State Public Utilities Commission, an Advisory Committee on the Study of Water Services was set up by the legislative body to review the situation,



New Island in Bank Square

centering around a sharp increase in the charges for public fire protection. Mr. Roland A. Dausereau was appointed Chairman of this important group. The Planning Director served as Secretary to this Committee. The Committee effected a reduction in the proposed charges for public fire protection, and undertook further a study to determine the advisability of purchasing the utility company. The study involved a complex compilation of legal, accounting, and engineering data for which extensive research was necessary and the preparation of much city planning data.

Following the Committee's unanimous favorable recommendation to acquire, and the Council's vote affirming the recommendation, a referendum was held, as provided by law, on June 22, 1954. Prior to the referendum, information was spread before the public in the press and at various meetings to show why the proposed acquisition would be advantageous to the community. About 19% of those eligible to vote made an appearance at the polls, and the vote to acquire was a favorable one by a majority of 83 votes. The Committee is still working on the problem of negotiations while the Laconia Water Company is contesting the legal question of "public interest" in acquisition, and is also contesting the legality of the referendum on the basis of a technicality of the governing statute.

Many other matters have been included in the Board's program such as presenting a report on a municipal comfort station, and one on the bus stops in the city, consideration of a site for a State park, and studies of management problems like telephone service and central purchasing. A number of public appearances have been made before civic groups like the League of Women Voters. The Board is a member of the New Hampshire Planning and Zoning Association, and the Planning Director is a member of its Board of Directors.

The office of the Planning Board serves daily as a clearing house of inquiries on municipal affairs, as a service bureau to the Mayor and Council, and as a source of data to which local citizens and out-of-state people may turn for information regarding the past development of the community and thoughts in respect to its future.

PLANNING BOARD

Budget Appropriation	\$7,020.00
Receipts — Telephone Reimbursement	8.35
TOTAL	\$7,028.35
Expenditures:	
Equipment	\$ 18.80
Printing & Copy	63.03
Salary — Clerical	16.25
Salary — Director	5,500.00
Supplies	146.21
Telephone, Postage & Contingencies	220.85
Travel	82.89
Total Expenditures	6,048.03
To Excess & Deficiency	980.32
TOTAL	\$7,028.35

ZONING

JASON C. SLOAN, *Chairman*
J. ALFRED PAQUETTE
JOHN H. DOW
BERNARD P. EMERY
RENE J. GILBERT
LEONARD F. HUBBARD, *Clerk*

There were several changes in Board membership during the past year. Councilman Archie L. Tardif's term expired but he voluntarily served as a holdover until his successor was appointed. The Board also lost, through resignation, the services of Mr. Arthur C. Trombly and Mr. Allen G. Veazey, whose good judgment and guidance contributed greatly to the Board's work. The present membership of the Zoning Board is given above.

Twenty-two cases were handled by the Board during the year, involving some extremely difficult problems both as legal questions and as practical matters. Four cases were concerned with the conversion of dwelling structures. One variance was granted to allow a two-unit structure to be built on a lot just under minimum standards of the ordinance. The action taken upon these residential properties resulted in increasing the supply of housing units. Two cases dealt with private garages close to side lot lines.

Two decisions on variances permitted the establishment of a small new manufacturing industry in the city in one instance, and the enlargement of an existing industry in the other. There were also requests for variances in regard to commercial enterprises. Following the granting of a request by a firm for permission to erect a rooftop sign, that section of the ordinance pertaining to such signs was reviewed, and a recommendation was sent to the Planning Board to abolish that particular provision if, upon restudy, that action should be warranted. (This was later done by action of the Council.)

Two cases involved the special setback provision on Union Avenue, and one of these, the First National Stores case, which included a variety of legal complications, brought further difficulties when it appeared that, due to acquisitions subsequent to the first land purchase, construction was under way on a parcel to which the original building permit did not apply. This problem was simplified for the future by a recommendation to the Planning Board that an amendment be made effective to limit the duration of building permits to one year. (This was later done by action of the Council.)

Two extensions of non-conforming uses were acted upon, one of which known as the Roubo case, assumed considerable importance locally. The Board granted approval to the rebuilding and improvement of a truck loading platform in a single family residential district, and denied a rehearing of the case. A neighborhood group carried the problem to

court, where numerous witnesses, including Building Inspector Sargent and the Clerk of the Board, were heard. Judge Harold E. Westcott reversed the Board's decision, and at this writing the case is being appealed to the Supreme Court of the State. Three conditional uses were given approval, in which the Planning Board concurred. One of these required the review of a utility's plans for an installation in a residential area.

One protest action lodged with the Board was the reverse of the typical situation. In this instance an abuttor sought to have declared invalid the action of the Building Inspector in the issuance of a permit for a new structure on lake shore property. The Board upheld the action of the Building Inspector, and the Superior Court sustained the Board by dismissing the appeal.

It is unusual that so varied an array of problems, including two cases advancing to court, should pass before the Board in a single year. No previous Board in Laconia has been called upon to render so many decisions in a year's time.

A small additional sum was made available to the Zoning Board by the Council during the year, to be expended for stenographic recordings of the public hearings. It was felt that the substitution of such records for the prior machine recordings would afford better protection to those citizens coming before the Board, and generally strengthen the procedures, besides offering better material for reference should the records be needed in the future for review. The new practice has already proved its value.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Budget Appropriation	\$300.00
Receipts — Hearing Fees	160.00
Transferred In	300.00
TOTAL	\$760.00
Expenditures:	
Advertising	\$255.25
Printing & Postage	50.15
Salary — Clerical	44.00
Total Expenditures	349.40
To Excess & Deficiency	+10.60
TOTAL	\$760.00

Board of Public Works

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith a report of the Public Works Department for the fiscal year of July 1, 1953 to July 1, 1954.

COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE AND REFUSE

A major improvement was effected in the manner of the disposal of garbage and refuse in Laconia when in April a sanitary land fill method for handling such waste was put into operation.

The unsightly open dump located off the Cotton Hill road, which had for many years belched forth fire and odoriferous smoke, was completely covered with sand, thereby eliminating the nuisance of fire and vermin.

The present refuse disposal area is located directly opposite the former dump on land owned by the City of Laconia. This site is an abandoned gravel pit and has been out of use for several years. It is a location which was considered as being the most suitable, after a survey and inspection was made of several other areas in the city. A fence, nine feet in height, was built along the roadside bordering the site and at the entrance to the area, in order to better control the operation and to discourage the depositing of refuse when the site is closed. Anyone, living in the city, may transport refuse to the location between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. from Monday thru Saturday, and it will be taken care of by an operator who is in attendance during the hours specified.

The refuse that is deposited here by private carriers or from the city's collection is compacted by a tractor shovel which is particularly constructed and adapted for this operation. This unit weights 15 tons, and after a few passes back and forth over the refuse, with this machine, the material is reduced to a compact matter. At the end of each day's operation all refuse is covered to a depth of from four to six inches with a sand fill obtained from the site, and again compacted.

WINTER MAINTENANCE

For the second consecutive year we have had a comparatively mild winter, with a less than average snowfall. From an appropriation of \$75,000.00 for winter maintenance we ended the fiscal year with an unexpended balance of \$22,845.25.

A narrow gauge sidewalk tractor and plow was purchased, and a wing plow fabricated in our shop was attached to it. This unit was assigned to one of the hilly sections of the city, where it performed a satisfactory job of sidewalk plowing. I would recommend that funds be appropriated to purchase four additional units, with which I am confident we can provide the same service as has been accomplished with thirteen horse-drawn plows, and at a substantial reduction in cost.

A major item of winter maintenance cost is that of sanding and salting of sidewalks and streets, together with the removal of the sand in the spring. During the past year we applied 250 tons of salt and 3000 tons of sand.

SEWERS

The installation of sewers in Main Street was completed in June. The work accomplished on this project, thus far, is but a small part of the entire project, which entails the construction of a pumping station at Lawrence Court and sewer mains along the shore of the Winnepesaukee River to Main Street.

With this work completed all buildings to be served by the sewer could be connected to it, thereby eliminating a source of pollution to Lake Winnisquam.

I believe that the completion of this project should be given consideration over any other sewer construction this year.

About 50% of the buildings served by the lower Court Street sewer, completed last year, have been connected to the main.

Orders have been issued by the Board of Health to owners of buildings not presently connected, requesting that they comply with a New Hampshire state law which compels an owner of a structure, within 100 feet of a sewer, to connect to it.

STREET RESURFACING

A section of Court Street, from West Street to the Laconia-Belmont line, was resurfaced with 2" of plant mixed crushed stone and asphalt at a cost of 72¢ a square yard. The material was mixed and laid by L. M. Pike & Son.

The State of New Hampshire requested bids for the paving of Veterans Square, Main and Pleasant streets. The paving will consist of 3" of plant mixed asphaltic concrete. A contract for the construction of this pavement was awarded the low bidder, L. M. Pike and Son of Laconia. The cost of this project is paid from Class IV Road funds, so-called, to which the State of New Hampshire contributes one-half that is matched by a like amount by the City of Laconia. This work is scheduled to be started after Labor Day, with an estimated completion time of two weeks.

GENERAL

A preliminary plan has been prepared and submitted to the Mayor and Council for a foot bridge to replace the existing vehicular bridge on Mill Street. The estimated cost of this structure is approximately \$17,000. The bridge would be of steel and concrete and will provide a 7-foot pedestrian walk.

Surface water drains were constructed on Jefferson and Lewis Streets. Lewis and Holman Street extensions were constructed to an established grade and surfaced with asphalt.

A contract was awarded Edward Lavallo for the construction of a beach at Endicott Rock Park from sand dredged from the lake. In connection with this work, a surface drain from Lakeside Avenue, which discharged onto the beach site, was diverted and rebuilt by city forces.

Trees and boulders were removed from the park and the area was surfaced, thereby furnishing more and better parking facilities for visitors to Endicott Park Beach.

The Lane road, which lies between the Meredith Center and Parade roads, was rebuilt. Stone walls on each side of the road were removed and used in the base of the new construction. Removal of the wall also made it possible to widen the road considerably. Drainage structures were installed and the road graveled and surfaced. The cost of this work was paid from Town Road aid funds.

Funds were appropriated for two trucks and snow plows. Two 1947 vehicles were replaced with a 3½-ton G.M.C. and a 2-ton Dodge truck. Suitable size plows were purchased and installed on this new equipment.

In 1953 a contract was made with the Bartlett Tree Company to spray elm trees within the streets and highways of the city, to check a heavy infestation of the elm leaf beetle. Two applications were made, one in June and the second in July, the material used being a 6% solution of D.D.T. Favorable results were obtained, and as a result the spread of the elm leaf beetle was brought under control.

It is recommended, however, that an annual spraying be continued for some time in order to maintain our elm trees in a healthy condition so that they become less susceptible to the Dutch Elm disease (not to be confused with the Elm leaf beetle) that is destroying so many of the beautiful elms throughout New England.

Joint meetings of the Mayor and City Council were held with the Board of Public Works, City Engineer, State Representative of the State and Municipal Employees Union, A. F. of L. together with employees representative of the Public Works Department, Local 534, to discuss and act on certain work regulations, schedules and compensations as proposed by the Union. As a result of these meetings, the following Working Agreement recommended and approved by the Mayor and City Council was adopted and became effective February 23, 1954 and is to remain in force until the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1954.

Respectfully submitted,

ARNOLD J. O'MARA
City Engineer

WORKING AGREEMENT

The City of Laconia Public Works Department, hereinafter referred to as the Public Works Department and the Public Works Department Employees, Local 534 of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, hereinafter referred to as the Union, in order to

increase general efficiency in the Public Works Department, to maintain the existing harmonious relationship between the Public Works Department and its employe'es and to promote the morale, equal rights, well-being, and security of the Laconia Public Works Department Employees, the Public Works Department, and the Union hereby agree as follows:

Section I.

A. The Public Works Department and the individual members of the Union are to regard themselves as public servants, and as such they are to be governed by the highest ideals of honor and integrity in all their public and personal relationship in order that they may merit the respect and confidence of the general public.

B. The employees covered by this agreement shall be those members of the Union in the Public Works Department, and it is agreed that the Union membership is left entirely to the discretion of the employee, and it shall be his choice as to whether or not he shall become a Union member during his employment by the Public Works Department, and it is further agreed that this agreement does not include elected officials, department heads, foremen, and employees of the City Engineer's office.

C. The Public Works Department hereby recognizes that the Union is the sole and exclusive representative of all employees who are members of the Union included in this agreement by Section I-B for the purpose of bargaining with respect to wages, hours of work, and working conditions.

D. Upon a signed request, on a form furnished by the office of the City Engineer, an employee may have his monthly Union dues deducted from his pay, same to be collected from the first pay check of each month only, and delivered to the Union Treasurer, provided, however, that if any employee has no check coming to him or the check is not large enough to satisfy the assignments, then and in that event no collection will be made from said employee for that month.

Section II.

A. All new employees shall serve a probationary period of 12 consecutive months and shall have no seniority rights during this period but shall be subject to all other clauses of this agreement. All employees who have worked 12 consecutive months shall be known as permanent employees and the probationary period shall be considered a part of the seniority time.

B. The City shall establish a seniority list and it shall be brought up to date on January 30 and June 30 of each year and delivered to the Secretary of the Union.

C. When a vacancy exists, the employee with the highest seniority shall be given first opportunity to fill the vacancy, providing he is qualified. If he refuses the opportunity or is shown not to be qualified, then it should go to the next senior man. If an employee is retained in a position for 30 days he shall be considered qualified and that will be his per-

manent job, provided the job still exists, unless the City and the Union agree in advance for an extension of this 30 day period.

D. An employee with the least seniority in his classification shall be laid off first, and laid-off permanent employees with the most seniority shall be re-hired first and no new employees shall be hired until all laid-off employees have been given an opportunity to return to work.

E. Temporary employees shall have first opportunity to become permanent employees before new employees.

Section II.

A. Any employee who has worked for the Public Works Department continuously for a period of one (1) year at vacation time shall receive one (1) work week paid vacation at his regular weekly rate, and after he has worked for the Public Works Department continuously for a period of three (3) years or more at vacation time he shall receive two (2) work weeks paid vacation at his regular weekly rate.

The vacation period will be set by the Public Works Department, and if possible, scheduled during the month of July.

B. The work week (with the exception of the Garbage and Refuse Collection Service) shall be 42 hours, and shall consist of five days (one 8-hour day and four 8-1/2-hour days) to be designated by the City Engineer, and this hour reduction shall cause no reduction in total take-home pay.

C. Regular employees shall not work on any legal holiday and they shall be paid at their regular rate for that day. If the holiday falls on a Sunday, the following day shall be considered the holiday. If an emergency makes it necessary for a permanent employee to work on a holiday, he shall be paid on the basis of straight time for the hours worked in addition to his holiday allowance. The following days shall be considered holidays: *New Year's Day*, *Washington's Birthday*, *Fast Day*, *Memorial Day*, and *Christmas Day*. For a permanent employee to qualify for pay for an unworked holiday the employee must have worked his last scheduled work day before the holiday and his first scheduled work day after the holiday is observed. Payment to employees out on sick leave on these days will be left to the discretion of the City Engineer. An employee called in for emergency work on these holidays must report for work or he will receive no pay for the holiday that he is called in to work, provided he is contacted. Employees leaving the City shall contact the Department during the winter months.

D. Permanent employees shall be entitled to one (1) day sick leave per month, accumulative to a total of 36 days, it being understood that the only reason for sick leave is personal sickness. In case of family death or sickness necessitating an employee's absence from work, the City Engineer will be the sole authority in granting absence with leave, which may be extended for three days with pay and all employees shall be treated equally. The Public Works Department reserves the right to deprive any employee of all sick leave benefits for the period of one year, for abuse of

said sick leave benefits. Employees must notify the Public Works Department prior to starting time of the day absent, if possible, in order to draw sick leave benefits, and upon request by the City Engineer, shall submit, if possible, a satisfactory medical certificate covering the period for which such claim is made.

E. Overtime work shall be distributed as equally as possible among any and all employees who willingly respond to the call for such work.

F. An absence of three days from work without notifying the Public Works Department head will serve as a basis for immediate dismissal.

Section IV.

A. Protective equipment shall be furnished to all employees performing work which requires the use of such protective equipment. The determination of the need of such equipment shall be made by the City Engineer.

Section V.

A. The purpose of the grievance procedure shall be to settle all grievances between the Public Works Department and the Union on as low a level as practical and as quickly as possible so as to insure efficiency and promote employees' morale.

B. An employee who has a grievance shall discuss the grievance with his steward and foreman.

C. If either party is dissatisfied, the grievance shall go to the City Engineer for further review and possible solution.

D. If no agreement is reached the members involved will request that the Board of Public Works hear the case, and if no solution is forthcoming, it shall go to the City Council, and again, if there is no solution, either party can ask the State Labor Department to appoint an arbitrator whose decision will be final and binding.

Section VI.

A. Financial negotiations shall be timed so as to coincide with the Department's fiscal year and budget deliberations, and the Department shall notify the Union to start negotiations two months prior to presenting its budget to the City Council.

Section VII.

A. The Public Works Department may adopt rules for the operation of the Department and the conduct of employees, provided such rules do not conflict with any of the provisions of the agreement.

B. The Public Works Department shall be the sole judge in determining position qualifications, employees qualifications, and the necessity of the positions.

C. It is agreed that the Public Works Department has the right to discipline or discharge employees for just causes.

D. It is further agreed that any employee may be dismissed for reporting for work while under the influence of liquor, bringing liquor on the job, drinking during working hours, theft or similar serious offenses.

E. Employees not expecting to work because of emergencies or other justifiable causes must notify their foreman at least fifteen (15) minutes before starting time, if possible. This provision shall not be interpreted as condoning repeated absences from work on the part of the employee.

F. In justice and fairness to the department and taxpayers and the employees, all employees shall be required to report to work on time, shall not leave the job early, shall be prompt in reporting to their assigned duties and shall faithfully perform their duties, and the Department shall treat its employees fairly and give them all human considerations.

G. It is agreed that any employee leaving his work without a legitimate reason will forfeit his time while absent from his job.

H. It shall be the responsibility of any employee having custody of any Department equipment or property to see that it is properly cared for and returned to its place of storage.

Section VIII.

A. This agreement shall become effective on the day upon which it is signed by both parties hereto. It shall remain in full force and effect until June 30, 1954, and thereafter from year to year until terminated. It may be amended at any time by mutual agreement of both parties and it may be terminated at the end of said working agreement by notice in writing by one party served thirty days prior thereto upon the other party.

Section IX.

Nothing in this agreement is to be construed as a sanction or recognition by the Board of Public Works of the City of Laconia or the Mayor and Council of the City of Laconia, of a right to strike or to picket City establishments in the event of a strike by the Union or any interested person or persons involved, on the Unions' behalf.

Board of Public Works,
City of Laconia
By:
Local 534 of the American
Federation of State, County,
and Municipal Employees
By:

Approved: by Mayor of the City of Laconia
on behalf of the Laconia City
Council

Date Signed: February 23, 1954

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
REQUESTED BUDGET for FISCAL YEAR 1954 - 1955

	Requested Budget 1953-1954	Appropriation 1953-1954	Requested Budget 1954-1955
1. HIGHWAY & BRIDGE MAINTENANCE	\$ 63,650.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 66,000.00
2. WINTER MAINTENANCE	78,600.00	75,000.00	80,000.00
3. COLLECTION OF ASHES AND WASTE	18,500.00	18,500.00	26,000.00
4. CITY ENGINEERING	12,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
5. CLEANING STREETS	15,700.00	14,700.00	16,650.00
6. SURFACE DRAIN MAINT.	7,300.00	7,300.00	7,650.00
7. SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE ..	3,500.00	3,500.00	4,000.00
8. CITY'S SHARE T.R.A.	943.29	943.29	944.90
9. CITY'S SHARE CLASS IV ROADS	6,400.00	6,400.00	6,400.00
	\$207,093.29	\$198,843.29	\$220,144.90
10. SANITARY SEWERAGE FUND	32,000.00	32,000.00	32,000.00
11. CAPITAL OUTLAY	26,400.00	14,300.00	
12. TREE WORK			
(a) Spraying Trees			1,300.00
(b) Tree Warden			1,000.00
(c) Planting Trees			200.00
13. CARE OF CEMETERIES			500.00

Respectfully submitted,
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
HARRY L. SMITH
ALFRED W. SIMONEAU
WALTER D. McLAUGHLIN, JR.

FINANCIAL REPORT — FISCAL YEAR 1953-1954
Showing in detail receipts and expenditures

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Appropriations & Balances	\$244,882.37
RECEIVED FROM:	
Anderson, Earl O., drain connection	44.98
Avery, Martin, labor	5.50
Belknap County Commissioners, labor	42.41
Bisson, W. M., labor and material	679.34
Bolduc, Joseph, sewer and drain connections	476.82
Bownes, Hugh H., drain connection	226.91
Brower, Phillip, asphaltting	42.50
Cassidy, Joseph, labor	4.00
City of Laconia (Parking Meter Fund), labor, equip. & material	753.91
City of Laconia (Tree Department), labor	83.98
City of Laconia (Sanitary Sewerage Fund)	37,479.94
City of Laconia (Miscellaneous), labor and material	2,505.51
City of Laconia (Sewer Bond Fund—Contingent Acct.) Material	1,925.97
City of Laconia (Sewer Bond Issue—Winter St. Extension)	355.22
City of Laconia (Sewer Bond Fund—Sewer Const. Acct.) Labor & Material	13,447.82
Clement, Ralph, hay	128.08
Coon, Chas. C., spray trees	5.00
DeBlois, Romeo R., labor and material	8.25
Dorval, Roland (Texaco Station), labor	7.42
Duguay, Omer, sewer connection	145.29
Dunleavy, Charles, labor, material	41.59
Favreau, Albert, labor	10.00

Francoeur-Gill, Inc., sewer connection	43.16
Gas Service, Inc., labor and material	221.42
Gilbert, Eugene, sewer connection	31.35
Gilbert, Rene, sewer connections	89.52
Gilbert, Wilfred J., labor, equip., drain connection	1,146.33
Goodwin, John F., drain connection, material	590.18
Goss Reading Room, sewer connection, labor and material	609.77
Granger, Bert L., spray trees	2.00
Grothey, Ivan W. (Mrs.), spray trees	3.00
Haddock, Arline, spray tree	1.00
Hansen, M., labor	4.00
Hendrickson, Henry, spray tree	1.00
Hermann, W., labor	4.00
Hilliard, Marion, sewer connection	48.71
Hogdon, Kenneth, labor	10.00
Inglis, Dorothy, labor	6.00
Janson, Ebba, spray trees	4.00
Johnson, Robert V. (Atty), prints	4.60
Kassner, Myer, spray trees	4.00
Keller, Otto G., labor	13.44
Keroack, Lucien, labor	2.81
Kidder, Gardner P., sewer and drain connections	196.00
Laconia Fire Department, labor and material	59.05
Laconia Health Department, labor	43.55
Laconia Park Department, labor, material and equipment	4,150.69
Laconia Police Department, labor and material	224.96
Laconia Water Co., labor and material	778.70
Laurent, Noel, drain connections	143.90
Leavitt, Jerome, Dr., labor	6.71
McCrillis, Neil, material	1.00
McDonald, John, labor and material	20.00
McLaughlin, Agnes, Mrs. spray tree	1.00
Marden, Elmer, damages	35.28
Massicotte, Arthur L., Rev., labor and material	921.57
Matheson, Kenneth, spray trees	4.00
Methodist Church Association, globes	13.30
Monroe, Stanley B., sewer connection	141.38
Mont, Walter E., asphaltng	20.00
Mont, John E., lumber	20.16
Mowers, C. F. (Health Department) material	9.99
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., labor and material	75.09
Nick, Daniel, junk	6.00
Northern Heating & Plumbing Co., drain conn., labor and equip.	96.18
O'Mara, Arnold, tree spraying	5.00
Ouellette, Alphonse, asphaltng	18.75
Papas, J., labor	4.00
Pickering, A., labor	4.00
Pitman, Robert, tree spraying	1.00
Public Service Co. of N. H., labor	22.46
Rapter, D., labor	6.00
Robinson, Oliver, hay	60.00
Rollins, Fred (Mrs.), spray trees	2.00
Roux, Philip, sewer connection, labor	187.37
Rudzinski, Ludovicki, spray trees	6.00
Samson, Arthur, asphaltng	13.75
Smith, Joseph, hay	87.36
Smith, R., labor	4.00
Smith, Roger, sewer connection	72.20
State of N. H.—Reimbursable T.R.A., labor and equip.	6,979.88
State of N. H.—Road toll, refunds for gas tax	1,191.10
Sturm, Frank W. Const. Co., pipe	78.60
Sturtevant, Wesley C., asphaltng	12.50
Tefft, Harold E., labor, material, use of equipment	83.30

Tibbetts, Maurice, labor and material	98.57
Town of Meredith, labor	14.78
Vandell, Wilfred, sewer connection	72.28
Van der Heiden, Alvin, sewer connection	80.05
Walker, B. G., sewer connection	99.57
Wilkinson's Funeral Home, spraying trees	8.00
Wiley Co., F. S., Inc., sewer connection	43.18

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$322,367.31
Endicott Park Improvement—Reimbursable by State of N. H.	2,981.16
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	\$325,348.47

SANITARY SEWERAGE FUND (OTHER REVENUE)
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Showing in detail Cash Receipts for Year Ending June 30, 1954

CASH RECEIVED FROM:

Avery, Blanche, sewer permit	5.00
Bisson, Adolphus P., plumbing licenses	2.00
Bolduc, Joseph, sewer permit	5.00
Bourgault, Leopold, plumbing license .....	.50
Bowen, Howard E., plumbing licenses	1.00
Carpenter-Paterson Co., sewer permit	5.00
Clark, Harold, sewer permit	5.00
Cote, George, sewer permit	5.00
Covey, Lucius P., sewer permit	5.00
Cummings, Elmer, sewer permit	5.00
Decelles, George A., plumbing license .....	.50
Diamond Match Co., sewer permit	5.00
Duguay, Omer, sewer permit	5.00
Dupont, Allison, sewer permit	5.00
Eastman, Lewis A., sewer permit	5.00
Falardeau, Albert, sewer permit	5.00
Feuerstein, Abraham, sewer permit	5.00
Fielders, Mary, sewer permit	5.00
Fortin, Raymond, sewer permit	5.00
Foster, Walter, plumbing license .....	.50
Francoeur-Gill, Inc., sewer permit	5.00
Gilbert, Eugene, sewer permit	5.00
Gilbert, Rene, 3 sewer permits	15.00
Gill, Simon U., plumbing licenses	1.00
Gillolly, Geo. F., plumbing license .....	.50
Goss, William H., sewer permit	5.00
Gouin, Romeo, plumbing licenses	2.00
Granger, Bert L., sewer permit	5.00
Guay, Mary Mrs. sewer permit	5.00
Guenette, Clarence E., plumbing licenses	1.00
Harriman, Albert J., sewer permit	5.00
Harvey, Loran D., plumbing license .....	.50
Hawkins, Merton L., plumbing license .....	.50
Haynes, George, sewer permit	5.00
Hilliard, Marion, sewer permit	5.00
Hogdon, Kenneth, sewer permit	5.00
Keroack, Lucien, plumbing licenses	1.00
Kidder, Gardner P., sewer permit	5.00
Labranche, Leo, plumbing license .....	.50
Labrie, Albert, sewer permit	5.00
Landry, Alphonse J., plumbing licenses	1.00
Landry, Jack, sewer permit	5.00
LaPoint, Lucien, plumbing license .....	.50
LaRoche, Alfred, sewer permit	5.00

LaRose, Albert, sewer permit	5.00
Lemay, Leona, sewer permit	5.00
Leyland, George, sewer permit	5.00
Monroe, Stanley B., sewer permit	5.00
Novicki, Alex, sewer permit	5.00
Noyes, Stewart, plumbing licenses	1.00
Olsen, Fred, sewer permit	5.00
O'Mara, Thomas N., plumbing licenses	1.00
Perry, George, plumbing licenses	2.00
Poire, Rene, sewer permit	5.00
Poire, Henry, sewer permit	5.00
Reidy, Timothy P., plumbing licenses	1.00
Roux, Philip, sewer permit	5.00
Samson, Fernand, plumbing license .....	.50
Sanborn, Elwell D., plumbing license .....	.50
Serra, Frank, sewer permits	10.00
Swain, Rex, plumbing licenses	1.00
Tardif, Conrad E., plumbing license .....	.50
Vandell, Wilfred, sewer permit	5.00
Van der Heiden, Alvin, sewer permit	5.00
Walker, B. G., plumbing licenses and sewer permit	6.00
Walker, Victor, plumbing licenses	2.00
Walker, Howard, plumbing licenses	2.00
Wheeler, Regina Mrs., sewer permit	5.00
Wheeler, Charles, sewer permit	5.00
Willey, F. S. Co., Inc., sewer permit	5.00
Wood, John R., plumbing licenses	1.00
Young, Dora, sewer permit	5.00
Zeeburg, Joseph, sewer permits	10.00
	\$ 281.50

SEWER BOND FUND — SEWER CONNECTION CREDITS
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Showing in Detail Cash Receipts for Year Ending June 30, 1954

CASH RECEIVED FROM:

Avery, Blanche	\$ 112.97
Carpenter-Paterson Co.	248.07
Clark, Harold	50.34
Cote, George	92.29
Covey, Lucius P.	60.59
Cummings, Elmer	46.60
Diamond Match Co., The	67.97
Dupont, Allison	23.84
Falardeau, Albert	58.83
Feuerstein, Rose	33.18
Fielders, Mary	145.67
Fortin, Raymond	81.52
Goss, William H.	255.65
Granger, Bert L.	96.16
Guay, Mary (Mrs.)	42.30
Harriman, Albert J.	89.96
Haynes, George	61.39
Hogdon, Kenneth	50.00
Lahaie, Albert	95.00
Landry, Jack	52.64
Laroche, Alfred	30.82
Larose, Albert	83.36
Lemay, Leona	74.44
Leyland, George	60.00
Novicki, Alex	46.57
Olsen, Fred	40.34

Poire, Rene	43.32
Poire, Henry	89.88
Serra, Frank	76.48
Wheeler, Regina (Mrs.)	119.81
Wheeler, Charles	108.14
Young, Dora	84.91
Zeeberg, Joseph	181.39
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	\$ 2,804.43

PAID AS FOLLOWS:

Aldrich Photo Service & Supply, films and rental	\$ 19.62
American Oil Co., lubricating oil	452.28
American Public Works Assn., magazine, sewerage reports	12.40
Amsterdam Printing & Lithograph Co., printed forms	15.35
Atkinson Oil Co., fuel oil, anti-freeze	503.07
Auto Electric Service Co., truck part	13.06
Baker & Co., cloth for flags	3.20
Baker, S. F., metal .....	.75
Bargar Bros., wiping cloth	36.83
Bickford, H & Co., labor, parts, material	158.63
Bill's Woodworking Shop, grade stakes	100.00
Boston Blue Print Co., Inc., rules, tape rings	43.46
Boulia-Gorrell Lumber Co., cement, lumber, nails	1,431.01
Breton, Leon, damage claim	210.35
Brodie, R. N. V., Engineering services on Mill St. Bridge	200.00
Brown Company, chlorine	1,761.01
Builders-Providence, Inc., injector spools, mask cannisters	76.80
Burroughs Adding Machine Co., Carbon paper, ribbons	65.44
Cantin Chevrolet Co., truck parts, labor	50.69
Carrier and Michaud Co., truck parts	286.95
Casellini-Venable Corp., Tractor Shovel, Parts	16,168.50
Champoux Machine Co., steel, labor, parts	282.15
Citizen Publishing Co., ads, signs, permit books	166.65
City Freight Service Co., freight	9.37
Clement, Harry R., sewer rental abatement .....	.90
Clinic Pharmacy, medicine	8.45
Concord Foundry & Machine Co., frames and grates, plow parts	1,016.00
Country Store of Laconia, rakes, nails, scythe stones	60.48
Depot Square Auto Supply, labor, gasoline	28.03
Diamond Match Co., pipe, cement, lumber, cedar posts	346.28
Dick's Texaco Service, tires and tubes	2,169.09
Dickner, J. A., Canvas for picking leaves	49.25
Dietzgen Co., Eugene, Inc., plumb bobs, points	15.58
Dorval, C. A. Co., Inc., screws, bolts, seal beams	68.35
Duracrete Block Co., Inc., Cement blocks	661.50
Dutile, Peter, oil, coal	2,499.36
Dyment, Warren, hay	782.47
Emery, Charles, sewer rental abatement .....	.30
Everett's Broom & Service Co., core refills	585.38
Faltin, J. E. Motor Transportation Co., freight	11.95
Garlock Packing Co., packing	23.47
Gar Wood Industries, truck parts	1,062.04
Gilbert, Wilfred, pipe	31.45
Goodall Rubber Co., overalls, hats, jacket	141.09
Goodrich, W. S., Inc., sewer bricks	1,757.21
Goodwin Paper Co., towels, dixies	31.12
Goodwin, John F., labor	13.25
Gove, Chas. A., Inc., labor & Parts	85.57
Granite St. Asphalt Prod. Co., Asphalt	2,218.89
Granite State Motors, Inc., truck parts	47.23
Groban Supply Co., Tractor Parts	61.10
Guay, John M. Hardware Co., level, washers, line, axe	41.71

Gulf Oil Corporation, gasoline	5,585.60
Gundry-Preston Metal Prod. Co., bolts, washers, nuts	19.10
Hartney Spray Corporation, DDT	222.00
Hawkins, Richard O., Knucklebands	6.20
Hazelton, R. C. Co., Inc., Equipment parts	5,397.45
Head, George A., Globes, labor	43.90
Hedge & Mattheis Co., pump parts, chisels	24.97
Hopkins & Barlow, Inc., bolts, paint, grade line, scythes	265.12
Hubbard, Louise, sewerage abatement	1.80
Hueber Lumber Co., lumber	488.11
Huse, W. D. & Co., Inc., bolts, washers, padlock	43.74
International Salt Co., salt	4,588.00
Jackson, J. R. & Son, guard rail posts	137.50
Jewett, A. A. & Son, Deisel oil	129.68
Johns-Manville Corporation, pipe and connections	2,644.77
Jones Express, express	4.77
Keller, Otto G., sewer rental abatement	12.75
Kelly's Army & Navy Store, rubber gloves, rubber boots	22.15
Laconia Auto Wrecking Co., equipment parts	39.00
Laconia Awning & Glass Co., labor and material	256.05
Laconia Clinic, medical service	305.35
Laconia Electric Co., labor and parts	185.46
Laconia Fire Department, rings and gaskets	14.15
Laconia Hardware Co., bolts, paint, axes, twine	100.41
Laconia Hospital, medical services	56.50
Laconia Laboratories, rat control at dump	450.00
Laconia Milling Corporation, lumber	341.71
Laconia Water Co., water, pipe, sewerage bills	1,463.48
Laconia Welding Service, labor and material	104.15
Lakes Region Feed & Supply, cement	674.75
Landry, Alphonse, calking lead, labor	10.00
Larrivee, dump rental	166.70
Larry's Market, floorwax	2.50
Lemay's Used Auto Parts, truck part	1.00
Lessard, Leo F., Parts for Saw	36.00
Lougee-Robinson Co., paint, brush	3.50
Lenker Mfg. Co., L-E-Vation Rod	25.00
Lydiard, Edward L., bill forms, cards, sewer estimate sheets	44.25
McDermott, J. F. Co., sewer rods, gasoline engine for rods	444.52
Macalaster, Gordon G., dental service	20.00
Mack Motor Co., truck part	1.15
Mac Millan Co., Secretary's handbook	4.21
Magoon, Frank, horseshoeing	222.00
Mahady, F. F., Co., Brom Thymol Blue Indicator	2.62
Maher's Bookstore, binders, pencils, tape, envelopes	153.09
Makepeace, B. L., Inc., drafting supplies	210.55
Matthews, Jas. H. & Co., stencil figures and letters, ink	17.46
McGuire, H. H. & Co., Asphalt	968.93
Meredith Grain Store, pipe, pipe drain	118.64
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, scythes, oats, bran, chloride	868.64
Metal Forms Corporation, clamps and rivets for manhole forms	1.05
Metcalf & Eddy, engineering services	196.32
Moody Motor Sales & Service, truck parts	2,764.59
J. J. Moreau & Son, sash cord	34.62
Moretrench Corporation, rental of equipment, Jet-well Pump	1,767.77
Morin, J. J., Inc., soil pipe, cement, oakum	629.64
Morin, Norman, Care & rental of dump—July thru April	725.00
Morin, Philip, labor and part on water cooler	4.50
Morse, Chas. H., Inc., truck parts	212.34
Munsey & Brazil, Inc., insurance on horses	101.59
Murray Machinery Co., parts for huber and roller	308.81
Mystic Bituminous Products Co., asphalt	320.13
National Academy of Science, subscription to magazine	3.00

Nault, Leger, steel rods	30.00
New England Engine & Parts, parts for pump and compressor	60.83
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone service	742.11
N. H. Explosives & Mchnry., levelute, blades	1,270.70
N. H. Fence Co., fences and labor	3,538.50
Nolan, Wm. J. Co., traffic signs	205.51
Northern Heating and Plumbing, labor and material	1,269.68
Novicki Cement Block Co., cement blocks	41.94
Noyes, C. E. Co., tires	777.42
Nu-Floor Covering Co., rubber runner	4.67
Palmer, W. E. Co., Army duck for bulldozer	30.63
Palmer Plumbing Supply, pipe	738.63
Palmer-Simpson Co., salt	172.50
Palmer Spring Co., parts	38.43
Parker Damer Co., roller	1,592.50
Pelissiers' Luggage Store, labor and material	5.18
Perry, Geo. J., labor and material	6.68
Pierce, Clifton A., Kemp' soil shredder	500.00
Pike, L. M. & Son, asphalt, resurfacing	6,496.41
Pitman, J. P. & Co., screws, tacks, labor, nails	37.79
Portland Stone Ware Co., 6x4 Y's	18.62
Postmaster, envelopes	331.33
Prescott, Edgar B., sewer rental abatement	5.36
Prison Industries, pipe	341.60
Public Service Co. of N. H.	2,973.04
Public Works & Highways, labor, material and equipment	193.83
Pynn, Norman G., truck and auto parts	2,092.21
Randlett, Norman P., printing	28.37
Robbins, Geo. B. Disinfectant Co., brushes, disinfectant	36.53
Roebbling's John A. Sons Corp., shovel parts	226.73
Roberts' Express, express	2.40
Rodd Roofing Co., asphaltting roof	246.00
Rogers, Chas. C. Co., columnar sheets, notebooks, tape	69.40
Rogers Store, pen	15.00
Ross' Express, express	13.53
Roulier, Paul R., sewer rental abtement	2.25
Royal Typewriter Co., Inc., Royal typewriter	172.50
St. Johnsbury Trucking Co., freight	8.79
Sanel Auto Parts, Inc., truck parts, zerone	3,395.28
Sanel Machine & Paint Supplies, truck parts, tools	173.11
Scott Machinery Co., Inc., grader parts	320.24
Shortles' Shoe Store, rubber boots	36.00
Smith, Ralph H. Corp., Oxygen, acetylene, welding rod	162.54
Smith Lumber Co., cement	20.80
Smith, Royal, gravel	494.00
Snap-On Tools Corp., tools, drills, saw	31.87
Socony-Paint Products Co., paint	102.94
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., deisel oil, asphalt, mobilgrease	7,083.24
Spaulding-Moss Co., analysis pads	9.90
Spear, Henry T., Jr., damage adjustment	150.00
Standard Overall Dry Cleaning Co., rags washed	9.10
Standard Sign & Signal Co., Traffic Signs	16.45
Story Drug Store, Inc., Ether, first aid supplies	9.63
Tefft, Harold E., Resurfacing walks	973.00
Thompson & Hoague Co., calks, hammers, horseshoe pads	330.06
Tilton Sand & Gravel Co., gravel, stone, sand, cold patch	9,447.90
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, City share TRA	13,743.29
Trimount Bituminous Products Co., Asphalt	804.43
Tuffibre Co., Gutter broom wire for sweeper	206.50
Tyler Sign Co., parking signs, scotchlite signs	129.50
Valliere, J. H. Co., labor and material	55.47
Veterans Sales Company, Trench shovel	1.69
Waldo Bros., telegraph spoons and handles	135.04

WASTES Engineering, subscription	3.00
Webster Print, sewer bills	70.00
Weeks, F. M. & Sons, dynamite and caps	52.00
Welch, H. P., freight	12.61
Wells, Carroll A., aluminum castings	21.25
Whiting, E. B. & A. C. Co., parts for sweeper	68.67
Whitney Studio & Camera Shop, transparencies, prints	6.80
Wilkinson Funeral Home, sewer rental abatement	23.10
Willey's Express, express	212.36
Winnepesaukee Water Co., Water for 1953	100.53
Woodwards' Sales & Service, truck parts	5,354.76
Payrolls	168,590.21
Unexpended balance (Bond Issue)	3,477.14
Unexpended balance transferred to excess and deficiency account	15,272.65
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	\$325,348.47

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

HARRY L. SMITH
 ALFRED W. SIMONEAU
 WALTER D. McLAUGHLIN, JR.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Fiscal Year 1953-1954

	Balances & Appropriations	Receipts & Transfers	Total Credits	Total Expended	Unexpended Balance
GENERAL ACCOUNTS					
Highway & Bridge Maintenance	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 17,296.11	\$ 77,296.11	\$ 77,376.45	\$ 80.34
Winter Maintenance	75,000.00		75,000.00	52,154.05	22,845.95
Collection Ashes, Waste, Rentals	18,500.00		18,500.00	24,150.45	5,650.45
City Engineering	12,500.00		12,500.00	12,492.84	7.16
Cleaning Streets	14,700.00		14,700.00	16,461.69	1,761.69
Surface Drain Maintenance	7,300.00		7,300.00	7,428.18	128.18
Sidewalk Maintenance	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,459.80	40.20
City's Share T. R. A.	943.29		943.29	943.29	
City's Share Class 4 Roads	12,800.00		12,800.00	12,800.00	
Purchase of Equipment	30,819.08		30,819.08	30,819.08	
	\$236,062.37	\$ 17,296.11	\$253,358.48	\$238,085.83	\$ 15,272.65
BOND ISSUE ACCOUNTS					
S.B.F.—Sewer Const. Account		13,447.82	13,447.82	13,447.82	
S.B.F.—Contingent Account		1,925.97	1,925.97	1,925.97	
Lewis Street Improvement	2,265.00		2,265.00	2,266.98	1.98
Batchelder St. School Grounds	2,780.00		2,780.00	2,780.00	
Holman St. Ext. (Graveling)	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,200.00	
Jefferson Street Drain	2,575.00		2,575.00	1,606.83	968.17
Opechee Park Improvement		355.22	355.22	269.05	269.05
Winter St. Sewer Extension				355.22	
	\$ 8,820.00	\$ 15,729.01	\$ 24,549.01	\$ 21,071.87	\$ 3,477.14
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS					
Reimbursable Expend. T. R. A.		6,979.88	6,979.88	6,979.88	
Endicott Park Improvement				2,981.04	2,981.16
		\$ 6,979.88	\$ 6,979.88	\$ 9,961.04	\$ 2,981.16
Sanitary Sewerage Fund		37,479.94	37,479.94	37,479.94	
Sanitary Sewerage Fund (Other Revenue)		281.50			
S.B.F.—Sewer Const. Acct.		2,804.43			
(Sewer Conn. Credits)					
# Indicates an overdraft					
# # Reimbursable by State of New Hampshire					

RECREATION

ARTHUR B. CLAIRMONT, *Chairman*
 BERTRAND I. MORIN
 EDWARD J. DUPONT
 ROBINSON W. SMITH
 FRANCES F. FOSTER, *Secretary*

The fiscal year '53-'54 was one of general repairs and improvements throughout the entire Park system.

A few of the many improvements were: extensive work on the beaches at Leavitt and Opechee—draining, filling and grading of the Rudzinski lot at corner of North

Main Street and Busiel Avenue, complete renovation of the Opechee bathhouse, painting interior of Wyatt Park clubhouse.

New Playground equipment purchased for the opening of the summer season consisted of tennis nets, tennis rackets, basketballs, volleyballs, baseball gloves, bats, croquet sets, arts and crafts materials, etc. The enrollment for swimming instructions during the season was the largest ever. Eight instructors and lifeguards were retained for the ten week summer period under the supervision of the Recreational Director.

The budget for the fiscal year '53 and '54 was as follows:

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Budget Appropriation		\$16,015.99
Balance Carried from 1952-53 Budget		998.61
Receipts:		
Rent of Clubhouses	\$ 986.75	
Rent and Moving of Bleachers	329.25	
Insurance Adjustment	9.00	
Total Receipts		1,325.00
Transfers In		400.00
TOTAL		\$18,739.60
Expenditures:		
Band Concerts	\$ 360.00	
Fuel	1,304.16	
Gas, Lights & Water	988.92	
Labor & Materials for Repairs	1,926.45	
Moving Bleachers	660.55	
Salaries — Park Attendants	3,732.00	
Skating Rinks	1,240.00	
Supplies	523.54	
Wages — Laborers	2,331.34	
Capital Outlays	4,060.26	
Total Expenditures		17,127.22
Transferred to Excess & Deficiency		1,612.38
TOTAL		\$18,739.60



Enlarged Beach at Opechee Park

WEIRS BEACH

Accomplishments at Weirs Beach this past year were many and varied. Increased patronage made it necessary for the City to provide six additional picnic tables, twelve new settees, additional parking space, and the construction of another building for the housing of a soft drink dispenser at the South end of the beach.

Approximately 3000 yards of sand were dredged from the lake bottom on the Endicott Park por-

tion of the beach, improving this section to a great degree.

A drain pipe was laid extending from the approximate center of the beach to the channel, thereby eliminating a condition which was both detrimental and unsanitary.

The Weirs Beach budget for the past fiscal year was as follows:

Gross receipts for the past summer of 1954 were as follows:

Respectfully submitted

Park Commission
 ARTHUR B. CLAIRMONT
Chairman

THE WEIRS BEACH

Budget Appropriation		\$ 9,320.00
Receipts:		
Service Charges & Parking	6,936.42	
Checking	173.85	
Coke Machine	1,638.35	
Ice Cream & Miscellaneous	364.63	
Pay Toilets	44.70	
Cash Over30	
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Total Receipts		8,158.25
Transferred in from 1952 Bond Issue		1,136.00
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TOTAL		\$19,614.25
Expenditures:		
Band Concert	\$ 125.00	
Coke Machine	971.48	
Equipment	445.90	
Ice Cream & Miscellaneous	334.80	
Labor & Materials	677.16	
Lights & Power	55.16	
Salaries — Lifeguards & Collectors	3,340.91	
Supplies	309.41	
Telephone	44.19	
Capital Outlays	1,744.22	
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Total Expenditures		8,048.23
Transferred Out		150.00
To Estimated Revenue		8,886.77
To Excess & Deficiency		2,529.25
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TOTAL		\$19,614.25



New Beach at The Weirs

THE WEIRS MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS

Budget Appropriation		\$2,345.00
Receipts:		
Armstrong Co. Concession	\$2,299.36	
Pay Toilets	842.88	
Total Receipts		3,142.24
TOTAL		\$5,487.24
Expenditures:		
Labor & Materials for Repairs	\$ 373.20	
Lights & Power	431.57	
Pay Toilets	258.94	
Salary — Janitor	990.00	
Supplies	122.00	
The Weirs Boardwalk	386.67	
Total Expenditures		\$2,562.38
Towards Estimated Revenue		2,345.00
To Excess & Deficiency Account		579.86
TOTAL		\$5,487.24

Trustees of Trust Funds

KENNETH D. HOPKINS, *Chairman*
FRANK D. BRISSE
LAURETTE B. JOHNSON, *Secretary-Treasurer*

August 1, 1954

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

We, the Board of Trustees of Trust Funds, are pleased to submit, herewith, the annual report signed by the Secretary-Treasurer.

The Board would like to recognize the appropriation which your Honorable Body set aside last year for the care of cemetery lots where no funds were available and we, again, recommend that this appropriation be forthcoming this year so that these lots can be properly cared for during the coming year.

The Board of Trustees again stresses the importance to persons desiring to establish trust funds that the amount should be sufficient to care for the size of the cemetery lot, taking into consideration the number of graves on each lot. It should be kept in mind that only the interest of the amount set aside can be used each year for the care of each cemetery lot. We, the trustees, would welcome any questions in regard to trust funds.

Again this year the trustees have been trying to obtain greater returns from funds in their custody. However, before investments are made special consideration is given to trust funds that are not sufficient to pay for the size of the cemetery lot.

We hope that the Mayor and Council and the citizens of Laconia will give our financial report for the year ending June 30, 1954 careful consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH D. HOPKINS, *Chairman*
FRANK D. BRISSE
LAURETTE B. JOHNSON,
Secretary-Treasurer

1. FINANCIAL REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Year Ending June 30, 1954

Principal:

Trust Funds year ending 6/30/53		\$111,238.61
Capital gain dividends received	\$ 426.27	
New Trust Funds Received	6,375.00	6,801.27

Total Principal year ending 6/30/54 \$118,039.88

Income:

Unexpended balance 6/30/53		\$5,848.57
Interest from Savings Banks	\$2,781.17	
Dividends from investments	1,192.80	3,973.97

\$9,822.54

LESS Expenditures 3,160.88

Unexpended balance ending 6/30/54 \$ 6,661.66

Total Principal and Income on Deposit year ending 6/30/54 \$124,701.54

Inventory of Cash Deposits and Securities 6/30/54

	Principal	Unexpended Balance	Total	
Laconia Savings Bank	\$43,197.99	\$ 2,984.89	\$46,182.88	\$
Cash balance of capital gain dividends in Laconia Savings Bank	215.84		215.84	
City Savings Bank	27,474.91	1,895.19	29,370.10	
Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.	13,116.28	391.85	13,508.13	
Lakeport National Bank	300.00	32.43	332.43	89,609.38
Laconia Water Company	100.00		100.00	100.00
Common Trust Fund:				
Fidelity Fund Inc. \$10,329.89				
Mass. Investors				
Trust	5,020.36			
The George				
Putnam Fund ..	4,981.74			
Eaton & Howard				
Bal. Fd.	5,248.32			
	\$25,580.31			

Investments 1/1/54

Eaton & Howard	
Bal. Fd.	4,466.55
Chemical Fund Inc.	3,588.00

Total Common

Trust Fund	\$33,634.86	\$33,614.86	\$ 1,357.30	\$34,992.16	\$34,992.16
					\$124,701.54

Trust Funds established during year ending June 30, 1953

Bedard, Joseph	\$200.00	Isabelle, Alfred	150.00
Bolduc, Woodrow G. and Dennis J.	150.00	Labrecque, Charles	150.00
Boucher, Evariste and Adeline	150.00	Labrecque, William N.	75.00
Bourgault, Joseph L. and Theodule Tardif	150.00	LaCroix, Archie	125.00
Bourgeault, Lorenzo	150.00	Lahaie, Mrs. Jeanne	75.00
Buzzell, Charles E.	100.00	Landry, John	150.00
Chabot, Louis J.	100.00	Lapointe, Rev. Charles A.	150.00
Chavonelle, Mary	75.00	Laro, Dorothy	75.00
Corliss, Sarah C.	86.28	Lumbra, Raymond G. and Wallace E.	150.00
Cyr, Adelard J.	150.00	Marchand, Alphonse	150.00
		Marston-Kinne Trust Fund ...	250.00

Davis, Evelyn Brown	100.00	Morin, Francis X.	150.00
Davis, Susan P.	150.00	Nelson, William and Marie ...	200.00
DuPont, Arthur P.	75.00	Noyes, Arah	200.00
Fontaine, Onesime	100.00	Piuma, Herman & Margaret ..	150.00
Fortin, Arsene	150.00	Poire, Joseph & Arthur	200.00
Fournier, Eugene	225.00	Provencal, Robert H.	75.00
Gagnon, David	200.00	Rowen-Brown	200.00
Gauthier, Isaac	37.50	Sargent, Charles Edwin	200.00
Guay, Herbert	225.00	Sargent, Charles Edwin	100.00
Hawkins, Lena	75.00	Smith, William A.	200.00
Hebert, Raoul	75.00	Swinglehurst, William R. Jr. ..	200.00
Houle, Oscar	75.00	Thompson, John	300.00
Hueber, Louis H.	150.00		
		Total trust funds	\$6,623.78

NEW TRUST FUNDS

Year Ending June 30, 1954

Allen, Robert G.	\$ 75.00	Grant, Emily B.	100.00
Barker, Helen G.	200.00	Hamel, Amedee	150.00
Beaule, Lionel	150.00	Hamel, Fred	100.00
Boissonneau, Joseph F.	150.00	Hunter, David E.	200.00
Bolduc, Donat	75.00	Labranche, Alfred D.	150.00
Carignan, Napoleon H.	150.00	Lewis, Kiska M.	2000.00
Collette, Mrs. Alexander	75.00	Lilley, J. Spencer (additional)	150.00
Couture, Florida	75.00	Lougee, Joseph A.	100.00
Dodge, Bertha	200.00	Martel, Louis	75.00
Doucette, Delia	150.00	Mitchell, Frye	350.00
Doucet, Philip	150.00	O'Shea, Daniel J. (additional)	75.00
Duguay, Joseph H.	75.00	Page, William O. & Alice I.	150.00
Dumais, Arsene and Arsene, Jr.	150.00	Parent, Louis	200.00
Emery, Albert E.	200.00	Poire, Thomas A.	75.00
Emery-Weing	100.00	Poulin, Thomas & Lena	150.00
Foss, Kenneth Clyde	150.00		
Gagne, Saul	75.00	31 New Trust Funds and	
Gilbert, Eugene J.	150.00	2 Additional — Total	\$6,375.00

3. FINANCIAL REPORT OF LEAVITT PARK TRUST FUND

Year Ending 6/30/54

Principal:

Trust Fund year ending 6/30/53		\$12,606.84	
Capital Gain dividends received		148.38	
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Total Principal Trust Fund 6/30/54			\$12,755.22
Income:			
Balance year Ending 6/30/53	\$ 3,564.47		
Interest and Dividends Received	638.84		
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	\$ 4,203.31		
Expended	655.40		
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Unexpended balance 6/30/54			\$ 3,547.91

Total Principal and Income 6/30/54

\$16,303.13

Inventory of Cash Deposits and Securities 6/30/54

Laconia Federal Savings and Loan Assoc.	\$ 3,547.91		
Cash balance of capital gain Loan Assoc.	141.50	3,689.41	
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Eaton & Howard Bal. Fund	3,340.45		
Fidelity Fund Inc.	4,873.27		
U. S. Government (Bonds)	200.00		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	700.00		
Laconia Water Company	3,500.00	12,613.72	\$16,303.13
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**4. FINANCIAL REPORT OF CHARLES H. PERKINS HIGH SCHOOL
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Principal:

Trust Fund year ending 6/30/53			\$ 5,212.98	
Capital gain dividends received			94.95	
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Income:				
Balance 6/30/53	\$307.19			
Interest & Dividends received	240.69			
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Expended (2 scholarships)	250.00			
Unexpended Balance 6/30/54				\$ 297.88
Total Principal and Income 6/30/54				\$5,605.81
Inventory of Cash Deposits and Securities 6/30/54				
Laconia Savings Bank	\$ 297.98			
Cash balance of capital gain dividends	118.07	416.05		
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Eaton & Howard Bal. Fund	2,481.87			
Fidelity Fund Inc.	2,707.89	5,189.76		\$5,605.81
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5. CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS:

	Bal. 6/30/53	Interest Received	Balance 6/30/54
1. Fire Alarm System	\$4,351.69	\$131.54	\$4,483.23
2. Trust Replacement	149.11	4.51	153.62
3. Power Sweeper	2,175.84	65.76	2,241.60
4. Screening & Gravel Plant	1,634.74	49.42	1,684.16
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Balance year ending 6/30/54	\$8,311.38	\$251.23	\$8,562.61

Board of Assessors

DONALD TABOR, *Chairman*
LIONEL C. LANGLOIS
ALBERT LUCIER
HARRISON E. MORIN, *Office Manager*
CARL BLAISDELL, *Clerk*

This report covers the period from July 1, 1953 to July 1, 1954. The Board of Assessors during that period of time was comprised of Donald Tabor, Chairman, Leo Langlois and Albert Lucier who took the place of Malcolm E. Barney, resigned. The Board of Assessors is compelled by law to review all the taxable property in the City of Laconia each year and to place an assessment upon the same that represents the full and true market value of the property. The courts have said many times that an assessment at other than the full and true value is equitable and fair provided that all other property within the taxing district is assessed the same. For the past year in the City of Laconia the proportional figure used by the assessors was 51.6% of full fair market value. Simply this means that if your property is assessed at 51.6% of its full fair market value, the assessment is correct. If the assessment figure is other than 51.6% of full fair market value, then the assessment is either too high or too low. If you feel that your assessment is too high, you may file for a review of your assessment at any time within six months of the date of your tax bill. No appeals will be heard after the six month period has expired.

During the past year, an important decision affecting assessment of property was rendered by the Supreme Court. This was the case of the Bemis Bag Co. vs. the City of Claremont. Prior to that decision the Assessors were assessing Stock-in-trade at 90% of the average inventory; after the decision they were compelled to assess Stock-in-trade the same as all other property in the city, or 51.6%. This meant a loss in valuation to the City of Laconia of approximately one and one-half million dollars. This was partially offset by new construction, so that the net loss in valuation for the year was \$1,161,750. If the Mayor and council had not conducted a vigorous economy campaign to reduce the expenditure of monies for the forthcoming tax year, this reduction in valuation would have meant an increased tax rate of about \$4.00.

During the past year investigation was made as to the advisability of using IBM service for the tax rolls and compilation of the tax bills. International Business Machine submitted a bid of \$1,800.00 for the first year service. Scott & Williams submitted a similar bid. This bid was accepted. The many benefits that will be derived from the use of this service are too numerous to detail. A few follow: the tax bills will be out months sooner, cost of operation of the Board of Assessors will be reduced, loss of taxes will be held to a minimum, and with the bills out sooner, money

will be sooner available to the city so that not so much will have to be borrowed.

The booklet published by the Board of Assessors listing all the assessments in the city was well received by the taxpayers. It is the intention of the Board to make this an annual publication, in a much more condensed form. The cost of this to the city is nothing as the sale of the books takes care of its cost.

SUMMARY OF ASSESSED VALUATIONS

	1952	1953	
Electric Plants	610,538.00	634,967.00	
Land and Buildings	20,792,600.00	22,246,906.00	
Mature Wood & Timber	00.00	00.00	
Horses	3,475.00	2,925.00	
Oxen	00.00	00.00	
Cows	27,150.00	29,675.00	
Other Neat Stock	3,225.00	900.00	
Sheep & Goats	00.00	00.00	
Hogs	975.00	250.00	
Fowls	1,341.00	75.00	
Fur Bearing Animals	4,010.00	1,800.00	
Vehicles	15,990.00	11,340.00	
Boats And Launches	241,610.00	246,890.00	
Portable Mills	00.00	00.00	
Wood and Lumber (Not St. in Tr.)	7,479.00	6,009.00	
Gasoline Pumps & Tanks	45,410.00	47,055.00	
Stock in Trade	3,788,507.00	4,287,414.00	
Mills and Machinery	1,918,999.00	1,498,613.00	
Aqueducts, Locks & Canals	2,500.00	3,000.00	
Wharves	2,800.00	5,000.00	
House Trailers		4,050.00	
Gross Valuation	27,466,609.00	29,026,869.00	
Less Veteran Exemptions	634,945.00	660,025.00	
Net Valuation on which Tax rate is computed	26,831,644.00	28,366,844.00	
Property Tax	1,212,791.21	1,248,141.13	
Poll Taxes at \$2.00	12,510.00	11,926.00	
National Bank Stock	2,121.35	2,123.65	
Tax Committed	1,227,422.56	1,262,190.78	
Tax Rate	\$45.20	\$44.00	
Fiscal Year	61 Weeks	52 Weeks	
Trend of Net Valuations		Trend of Stock in Trade	
1949	\$22,445,195.00	1949	\$ 3,737,363.00
1950	23,281,560.00	1950	3,735,314.00
1951	26,814,381.00	1951	4,108,626.00
1952	26,831,664.00	1952	3,788,507.00
1953	28,366,844.00	1953	4,387,414.00

Trend of Tax Rates

1949	\$40.80
1950	39.60
1951	44.20
1952	45.20
1953	44.00

SUMMARY: NET VALUATION BY WARD

	1952	1953	Increases
Ward 1	\$ 3,265,223.00	\$ 3,524,244.00	\$ 259,021.00
Ward 2	5,624,734.00	5,784,708.00	159,974.00
Ward 3	4,089,268.00	4,249,863.00	160,595.00
Ward 4	5,031,293.00	5,351,341.00	320,048.00
Ward 5	2,744,494.00	2,846,957.00	102,463.00
Ward 6	6,076,652.00	6,609,731.00	533,079.00
Totals	\$26,831,664.00	\$28,366,844.00	\$1,535,180.00

ASSESSORS BUDGET

RECEIPTS	1952	1953
Budget Appropriation	\$15,201.45	\$12,459.00
Reimbursement for Supplies		8.10
Sale of Tax Lists		216.00
Sales of Equipment	76.94	
Transferred In	131.44	418.73
Total	\$15,409.83	\$13,101.83
EXPENDITURES	1952	1953
Auto Expense	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Equipment	287.46	46.98
Register of Deeds	260.00	278.45
Salaries	10,634.00	13,791.79
Supplies & Printing	641.61	964.02
Travel	60.22	119.42
Telephone	150.30	105.66
I.B.M. Service, Scott-Williams		138.81
I.B.M. Clerical Assist.		223.00
Longevity		90.00
Transferred to Excess & Deficiency	00.00	319.94
	\$15,409.83	\$13,101.83
Longevity, (1952) \$90.00		

OVERLAY FOR ABATEMENTS

RECEIPTS	1952	1953
Budget Appropriation	\$16,493.66	\$28,183.63
Added Taxes during the Year	1,082.57	2,338.72
Total Receipts	\$17,576.23	\$30,522.35
EXPENDITURES	1952	1953
Abatement Refunds	\$ 631.77	\$ 6,226.79
Abatements by Assessors	14,148.77	19,770.30
Transferred to Unappropriated Surplus	2,795.69	4,525.26
Total Expenditures	\$17,576.23	\$30,522.35

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Budget Appropriation		\$12,459.00
Receipts:		
Reimbursement for Supplies	\$ 8.10	
Sale of Tax Lists	216.00	
Total Receipts		224.10
Transfers In		418.73
TOTAL		\$13,101.83

Expenditures:

Auto Expense	\$ 200.00	
Equipment	46.98	
I.B.M. Service—Scott & Williams	138.81	
I.B.M. Service—Clerical Assistance	223.00	
Longevity	90.00	
Register of Deeds	260.00	
Salaries	10,634.00	
Supplies & Printing	964.02	
Telephone	105.66	
Travel	119.42	
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Total Expenditures		12,781.89
Transferred to Excess & Deficiency		319.94
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TOTAL		\$13,101.83

Tax Collector

RICHARD F. SHELLEY, *Tax Collector*
SUSIE M. LAWRENCE, *Assistant*
DORIS C. CARPENTER, *Clerk*

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

I hereby submit my report as Tax Collector for the year ending June 30, 1954.

The tax sale of uncollected 1953 property taxes was held on June 17th this year to clear the books before the end of the fiscal year.

The 1952 Head Taxes have been either collected or abated and a request sent to the state treasurer for a refund of an amount equal to the abatements, since the city paid the state the balance of uncollected Head Taxes.

The uncollected 1953 Head Taxes were paid to the state on June 15th as required by law. When it is determined that all possible collections have been made and the balance abated, a request to the state treasurer will be made for a refund of the total abatement made after the city payment to the state.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD F. SHELLEY
Collector of Taxes

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

I hereby submit my report as Collector of Taxes for the City of Laconia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954.

TAXES

1954

Total amount of taxes not committed	\$	1,841.65
Total amount of polls not committed		150.00
	\$	1,991.65
Total amount collected to June 30, 1954	\$	1,841.65
Total amount of polls collected to June 30, 1954		150.00
	\$	1,991.65

1953

Total amount of taxes committed by the Board of Assessors	\$	1,250,264.66
Total amount of polls committed by the Board of Assessors		11,926.00
Total amount of added taxes committed by the Board of Assessors		1,530.72
Total amount of Polls added and committed by the Board of Assessors		738.00

Total amount of refunds	659.36
	\$1,265,118.74
Total amount collected to June 30, 1954	\$1,233,285.48
Total amount of polls collected to June 30, 1954	10,746.50
Total amount of taxes abated to June 30, 1954	17,259.35
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1954	3,827.41
	\$1,265,118.74
1952	
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 59,144.59
Total amount added tax committed by Board of Assessors	24.00
	\$ 59,168.59
Total amount collected to June 30, 1954	\$ 56,660.75
Total amount abated to June 30, 1954	1,297.16
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1954	1,210.68
	\$ 59,168.59
1951	
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 1,257.90
Total amount collected to June 30, 1954	\$ 125.87
Total amount abated to June 30, 1954	562.00
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1954	570.03
	\$ 1,257.90
1950	
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 924.40
Total amount of polls added and committed June 30, 1954	4.00
	\$ 928.40
Total amount collected to June 30, 1954	\$ 133.94
Total amount abated to June 30, 1954	292.00
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1954	502.46
	\$ 928.40
1949	
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 480.60
Total amount of polls added and committed June 30, 1954	26.00
	\$ 506.60
Total amount collected to June 30, 1954	\$ 92.12
Total amount abated to June 30, 1954	414.48
	\$ 506.60
1948	
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 258.73
Total amount of polls added and committed June 30, 1954	2.00
	\$ 260.73
Total amount collected to June 30, 1954	\$ 15.70
Total amount abated to June 30, 1954	245.03
	\$ 260.73
1947	
Total amount uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 239.67
Total amount of polls added and committed June 30, 1954	6.00
	\$ 245.67

Total amount collected to June 30, 1954	\$	19.40
Total amount abated to June 30, 1954		226.27
	\$	245.67

1946

Total amount uncollected June 30, 1953	\$	5.77
Total amount of polls added and committed June 30, 1954		8.00
	\$	13.77
Total amount collected June 30, 1954	\$	13.77

TIMBER TAX

Total amount of tax committed by the Board of Assessors	\$	422.34
Total amount collected to June 30, 1954	\$	397.44
Total amount uncollected to June 30, 1954		24.90
	\$	422.34

SUMMARY OF REGULAR TAXES

	Costs & Fees	Prop. & Poll	Interest
Total amount collected for 1954 taxes		\$ 1,991.65	
Total amount collected for 1953 taxes		1,244,031.98	\$3,238.81
Total amount collected for 1952 taxes		56,660.75	2,567.51
Total amount collected for 1951 taxes		125.87	13.40
Total amount collected for 1950 taxes		133.94	19.23
Total amount collected for 1949 taxes		92.12	15.92
Total amount collected for 1948 taxes		15.70	6.48
Total amount collected for 1947 taxes		19.40	6.69
Total amount collected for 1946 taxes		13.77	4.33
Total amount fees collected for above items	1,719.41		
	\$1,719.41	\$1,303,085.18	\$5,872.37

SUMMARY OF TAXES REDEEMED

	Tax Sale of Levy 1948	Tax Sale of Levy 1950	Tax Sale of Levy 1951	Tax Sale of Levy 1952 9/24/53	Tax Sale of Levy 1953 6/17/54	Additional Tax Sale of Levy 1952 9/30/53
Unredeemed						
June 30, 1953	\$45.63	\$360.33	\$6,202.42	\$12,431.53	\$16,371.76	\$123.81
Redeemed						
to June 30, 1954	45.63	332.30	4,150.59	7,574.84	832.82	NONE
			\$2,051.83	\$ 4,856.69	\$15,538.94	\$123.81
Deeded to City		28.03	30.51			
Unredeemed						
June 30, 1954	NONE	NONE	\$2,021.32	\$ 4,856.69	\$15,538.94	

TOTAL SUMMARY

Total taxes collected to June 30, 1954	\$1,303,085.18
Total interest collected to June 30, 1954	5,872.37
Total taxes & interest redeemed June 30, 1954	13,644.29
Total costs & fees collected June 30, 1954	1,719.41
	\$1,324,321.25

REPORT OF ACCOUNTING FOR STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
HEAD TAX IN CAPACITY AS AGENT FOR
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
1954

Total Amount of Head Taxes Not Committed	\$	360.00
Total Amount Collected to June 30, 1954	\$	360.00

1953

Warrant: April 1953	\$	37,990.00
Total Amount of Added Head Taxes Committed by Board of Assessors		2,150.00
Total Amount of Refunds		30.00
	\$	40,170.00
Total Amount Collected to June 30, 1954	\$	34,290.84
Total Amount Abated to June 30, 1954		3,200.00
Total Amount Uncollected June 30, 1954		2,679.16
	\$	40,170.00

1952

Total Amount Uncollected June 30, 1953	\$	4,275.00
Total Amount Added Head Taxes Committed by Board of Assessors		115.00
	\$	4,390.00
Total Amount Collected to June 30, 1954	\$	1,395.00
Total Amount Abated to June 30, 1954		2,995.00
	\$	4,390.00

SANITARY SEWERAGE FUND

June 30, 1954

Warrant: July 1954	Not Committed
Cash Received and to be applied to July Warrant	11.34
Warrant: January 1954	\$ 16,746.78
Less Cash Received June 30, 1954	\$15,149.17
Less Refund—Sewell	6.45
Total Net Cash Receipts June 30, 1954	\$ 15,142.72
Less Abatements Allowed by Board of Public Works	117.01
Balance Uncollected June 30, 1954	1,487.05
	\$ 16,746.78
Warrant: July 1953	\$ 15,104.57
Less Cash Received June 30, 1954	\$14,471.96
Less Refunds—Walker 6.15, Boyer 3.00, O'Shea 56.92, Dulac 3.00, Pynn 5.55, Emanuel 3.00	77.62
Total Net Cash Receipts June 30, 1954	\$ 14,394.34
Less Abatements Allowed by Board of Public Works	56.17
Balance Uncollected June 30, 1954	654.06
	\$ 15,104.57
Balance: Warrant January 1952—Uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 385.08
Less Cash Received June 30, 1954	\$ 227.18
Less Abatements Allowed by Board of Public Works	3.00
Balance Uncollected June 30, 1954	154.90
	\$ 385.08
Balance: Warrant July 1952—Uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 749.28
Less Cash Received June 30, 1954	\$ 385.29
Less Transfer—Lessard (January 1952)	4.50
Less Abatements Allowed by Board of Public Works	3.00
Balance Uncollected June 30, 1954	356.49
	\$ 749.28
Balance: Warrant January 1951—Uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 225.45
Less Cash Received June 30, 1954	\$ 131.62
Less Abatements Allowed by Board of Public Works	3.00

Balance Uncollected June 30, 1954	90.83
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Balance: Warrant July 1951—Uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 225.45
Less Cash Received June 30, 1954	\$ 294.28
Less Abatements Allowed by Board of Public Works	\$ 181.82
Balance Uncollected June 30, 1954	3.00
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Balance: Warrant January 1953—Uncollected June 30, 1953	\$ 294.28
Less Cash Received June 30, 1954	\$ 1,166.62
Less Refunds—Boyer 3.90, Sanborn 3.00	\$765.45
Total Net Cash Receipts June 30, 1954	6.90
Less Abatements Allowed by Board of Public Works	\$ 758.55
Balance Uncollected June 30, 1954	3.00
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	\$ 1,166.62

SANITARY SEWERAGE FUND

July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954

Cash Balance, July 1, 1953		\$40,853.42
Receipts:		
Warrant, January, 1951	\$ 131.62	
Warrant, July, 1951	181.82	
Warrant, January, 1952	227.18	
Warrant, July, 1952	385.29	
Warrant, January, 1953	765.45	
Warrant, July, 1953	14,471.96	
Warrant, January, 1954	15,149.17	
Warrant, July, 1954	11.34	
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	\$31,323.83	
Interest on Delinquent Accounts	156.40	
Interest on Savings	630.80	
Other Revenue	281.50	
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Total Receipts		32,392.53
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TOTAL		\$73,245.95
Expenditures:		
Expenditures:		
Refunds on Sewer Rental Charges—		
Warrant, July, 1952	\$ 7.50	
Warrant, January, 1953	10.95	
Warrant, July, 1953	77.62	
Warrant, January, 1954	6.45	
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	\$ 102.52	
Abatements	46.46	
Clerical Assistance	1,174.09	
Envelopes & Supplies	531.08	
Keazor Court Pumping Station	222.02	
Plant Operation	15,110.75	
Sewer Construction (Main St.)	9,717.83	
Sewer Maintenance	10,677.71	
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Total Expenditures		\$37,582.46
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Cash Balance, June 30, 1954		\$35,663.49

REPORT OF PARKING METER RECEIPTS

July 1953	\$ 3,113.20
August 1953	2,376.00

September 1953	3,091.45
October 1953	2,051.20
November 1953	2,160.90
December 1953	2,113.80
January 1954	1,746.00
February 1954	1,411.70
March 1954	2,249.70
April 1954	1,707.60
May 1954	1,757.55
June 1954	1,981.00

Total Receipts through June 30, 1954 \$25,760.10

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD F. SHELLEY
Collector of Taxes

PARKING METER FUND

Receipts:	
Parking Meters	\$25,760.10
For Damages to Meters	110.00
Traffic — Sale of paint	94.17
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Total Receipts	\$25,964.27
Transferred from Parking Meter Surplus Acct.	1,800.00
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TOTAL	\$27,764.27
Expenditures:	
Collection, Maintenance & Supervision	\$ 1,335.90
Counting Coins	263.21
Labor & Materials for Repairs — Meters	324.94
Labor & Materials for Repairs — Parking Lots	80.54
Labor & Materials for Repairs — Traffic Lights ...	24.49
Light Bills — Parking Lots	748.94
Light Bills — Traffic Lights	838.91
Rent of Parking Lots	1,000.00
Supplies — Parking Meters	171.59
Supplies — Traffic Lights	25.22
Traffic	1,585.32
Capital Outlays — Parking Meter Payments	1,800.00
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Total Expenditures	8,199.06
Transferred to Police Dept. — Salaries Acct.	5,800.00
Transferred to Public Works Dept.	11,275.00
To Parking Meter Surplus Account	2,490.21
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TOTAL	\$27,764.27

TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Budget Appropriation	\$11,173.00
Receipts:	
Telephone	\$ 9.15
Reimbursement for Supplies	199.64
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Total Receipts	208.79
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TOTAL	\$11,381.79
Expenditures:	
Bond Expense	\$ 225.00

Longevity	90.00	
Miscellaneous	21.75	
Postage & Envelopes	310.72	
Salaries	9,148.00	
Supplies	213.61	
Telephone	120.01	
Travel	26.49	
Capital Outlays	838.80	
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Total Expenditures		10,994.38
To Excess & Deficiency		387.41
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TOTAL		\$11,381.79

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD F. SHELLEY

Collector of Taxes

Report of City Auditor

Laconia, N. H.

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1954

To the HONORABLE MAYOR, the FINANCE COMMITTEE of the COUNCIL and the COUNCIL of the CITY of LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE:

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of the city ordinances, I have examined the financial accounts of the City of Laconia as of June 30, 1954, and the results of the budget operations for the fiscal year July 1, 1953, to June 30, 1954. Various audits, spot-checks and investigations have been made throughout the past year as a check on the functioning of our internal control system. All disbursements from city funds are examined each month throughout the year before such expenditures are made by the City Treasurer.

It is my opinion that the accompanying financial statements represent fairly the condition of the City of Laconia as of June 30, 1954 and the results of its operations for the fiscal year ended on such date.

Previous reports of the City Auditor have emphasized the need to coincide the tax-cycle year more closely with the budget year. This means that money raised from taxation sources should flow into the city treasury during the year in which the budget expenditures of the city (based upon these tax receipts) are being disbursed. The recent shift of our fiscal year to June 30 accomplished a good share in making this possible. The process was completed this past year by scheduling the tax collector's sale of delinquent current taxes previous to June 30.

The effect of such financial planning results in the current year's taxes being levied and materially collected all within the fiscal year of the city. A comparison of the June 30, 1954, assets of the city with those of June 30, 1953, will disclose a material drop in uncollected taxes and a substantial increase in cash working funds as of such date. On June 30, 1953, there were \$69,000.00 of uncollected taxes compared with uncollected taxes of \$31,000.00 at the end of June, 1954. Our cash position correspondingly showed the effects of an early tax sale by rising to \$103,000.00 as against a \$56,000.00 balance on June 30, 1953.

The city finished its past fiscal year with a substantial surplus of \$107,000.00, thereby adding \$16,000.00 to existing surplus of \$91,000.00 on July 1, 1953. Although an abnormally high surplus is not desired in municipal management, it is my opinion that some cushion is needed in event of emergency or to provide funds capable of absorbing any deficits occurring from over-expenditure of budgets or decrease in revenues.

It is important to note that actual revenues received during the past fiscal year were in excess of those estimated by \$15,000.00. This refers to revenues other than property and poll taxes. As the amount of estimated other revenue for the year materially effects the property tax rate, it is important that such estimates are realized during the ensuing year.

Detailed budget expenditures are included in the Fiscal Officers' section of the City Clerk's report; consequently, such information is not duplicated in this report. Sixty-five thousand dollars in unexpended budget appropriations were transferred to surplus at the end of the fiscal year. Among the larger savings in budget needs were \$27,500.00 in the Welfare Department, \$15,000.00 in the Public Works Department, and \$7,000.00 in hydrant and street lighting services due to billing procedure changes in the water utility and excess estimate of charges for new street lighting facilities.

The Sanitary Sewerage Fund continues to maintain a good financial condition. Its surplus of \$40,000.00 at the start of the past fiscal year has dropped to \$32,000.00, resulting from using such surplus funds for construction of sewerage extensions. Charges to tax payers for sewerage service appear to be ample to maintain the present facilities and provide for anticipated wear and tear to equipment.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS

1. As recommended in last year's report, I believe certain savings can be effected by transmitting periodically to department heads a report of all property of the city which is not being fully utilized by the department in which it is located.

2. Upon recommendation of the Tax Collector and City Auditor, a program was started to change certain bookkeeping procedure for recording receipts and to mechanize the facilities to provide more efficient service to the taxpayers. One receipting machine has been installed at the present time; however, it is impossible to accomplish the desired result in any system without the complete tools to do the job. During peak tax collection periods, one machine will not service the transactions of three persons receiving tax payments at the counter. I recommend the purchase of the second machine to complete the original requirements of this system.

3. In all probability, the State of New Hampshire head tax will continue to be with us during future fiscal years. Administrative regulations of this tax require the city to pay to the state all uncollected taxes at the time of final accounting. Although a refund of such monies is permissible upon later proper abatement, I suggest that the city strive to complete its abatements of uncollectible amounts due prior to the final accounting for each levy.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA S. BEANE, JR.
City Auditor

City of Laconia — June 30, 1954
GENERAL FUND ONLY
OUR CITY'S CURRENT WEALTH

WE HAVE

Cash \$103,469.00

Taxes Owed City
\$31,492.00

Due From State \$4,382.00

WE OWE

\$28,857.00

Dept. Bills

\$3,356.00 Advance Tax Coll. and Reserve

OUR SURPLUS

Surplus \$107,130.00

STATEMENT OF CONDITION - THE GENERAL FUND

as of June 30, 1954

ASSETS

Cash:		
In Depositories	\$103,019.56	
Petty Cash	450.00	
	<hr/>	\$103,469.56
Taxes Receivable:		
Due City—Current Year	3,795.17	
Due City—Delinquent	2,283.17	
	<hr/>	6,078.34
Tax Liens		22,540.76
Taxes on Deeded Property to City		193.99
Accounts Receivable—Due from State:		
Abatement Refund—1952 Head Tax	1,376.90	
Reimbursement—Improvement Endicott Park	2,981.16	
Printing—Head Tax Bills	24.65	
	<hr/>	4,382.71
Receivable—Delinquent N. H. Head Taxes (see note #1)		2,679.16
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TOTAL ASSETS		\$139,344.52

LIABILITIES

Department Unexpended Balances:		
School District (June 30 payroll)	\$ 17,034.31	
History of Laconia	200.00	
Uniform Allowances	769.58	
Sick Leave Accumulations	1,975.80	
Public Works Bond Issue Balances	3,477.14	
School District Bond Issue Balances	5,400.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 28,857.83
Advance Revenue Collections:		
Tax Collections, 1954 Levy		1,991.65
Accounts Payable—State:		
Advance Collections—1954 Head Taxes		415.00
Reserve for Growing Wood & Timber Tax		950.34
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TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$ 32,214.82

SURPLUS

General Fund Surplus Unappropriated	\$100,072.57
Parking Meter Surplus Unappropriated	7,057.13
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$139,344.52

Note (1) This receivable represents 1953 State of New Hampshire head taxes unpaid on the city's records. Final accounting has been made to the State for such unpaid amounts. As in the past, the city must initiate a request for refund from New Hampshire after proper abatement in order to receive back such amounts paid for delinquent taxes at the date of final accounting, less any collections made from June 30, 1954, to date of request.

DELINQUENT TAXES BY YEAR OF LEVY

Levy of 1952.....	\$ 1,210.68	
1951.....	570.03	
1949.....	502.46	
		\$ 2,283.17
 *Tax Liens Held by City by Year of Levy		
Levy of 1953.....	\$15,538.94	
1952.....	4,980.50	
1951.....	2,021.32	
		\$22,540.76

*After approximately a year from time of assessment of a property tax, any unpaid accounts are sold by the tax collector, for the amount of tax due plus certain costs, to the city or any individual at a tax sale in accordance with regulations. Upon purchase of the tax, interest accumulated and costs, the purchaser acquires a lien on the property. The person to whom the tax was originally assessed against has a period of two years from date of sale of tax in which to redeem or cancel such lien by paying such sale purchaser the tax, accumulated interest and costs.

If such redemption does not occur during such time, the collector shall deed the property over to the tax sale purchaser.

The above tax liens on the city's books represent the investment of Laconia in purchasing such delinquent taxes at the aforementioned collector's tax sales.

ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN GENERAL FUND SURPLUS

for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1954

Balance of Surplus, June 30, 1953		\$ 91,160.55
Less—Amount used for 1953 tax rate		37,000.00
		\$ 54,160.55
Less—Direct appropriations made by city during fiscal year:		
1. Hillside Cemetery Association	\$ 200.00	
2. Cover insufficient appropriations for:		
Public Library	701.06	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	300.00	
Assessors	279.92	
Health Department	300.00	
Spraying Poison Ivy	500.00	
Water Rates Study	6,805.99	
Parks & Playgrounds	250.00	
Public Works Equipment	16,000.00	
Police Department Salaries	1,258.40	
Special Election	1,000.00	
Tree Spraying Equipment	985.00	
Moth & Forestry Department	550.00	
Half cost of Alcometer—		
Municipal Court	422.50	
City Officers' Expense	435.02	
Maintenance—City Hall	738.58	
City's Share—TRA	6,400.00	
IBM Assess. & Tax System	138.81	
Miscellaneous	71.09	
		37,336.37
		16,824.18
Add—Auditor's Net Adjustments		146.05
		\$ 16,970.23
Add—Portion of History of Laconia Appropriation turned back into Surplus		1,800.00
Balance Before closing of revenue and budget accounts		18,770.23
Add—Excess of actual income over budgeted ..		15,440.30
Excess of budgeted appropriations over actual spent or retained		65,862.04
Balance of Unappropriated Surplus, June 30, 1954*		\$100,072.57
*Exclusive of parking meter surplus		

STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES

ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL

for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1954

	Estimated Revenue	Net Actual Revenue	Excess or Deficiency*
From Surplus Beg. of Year	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 37,000.00	none
Fees, City Clerk	1,800.00	2,159.75	359.75
Health Department	800.00	585.50	214.50*
Interest & Dividends Tax (N.H.)	20,497.00	20,731.69	234.69
Interest on Bonds	78.00	78.00	none
Interest on Taxes (2 sales in year)	3,000.00	6,580.14	3,580.14
Licenses, Dog	2,000.00	1,957.45	42.55*
Licenses, Taxi, Amusement, etc. ..	2,500.00	2,360.57	139.43*
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	45,000.00	53,994.11	8,994.11
Municipal Court	7,000.00	7,918.87	918.87
Premium on Bond Issues	93.50	93.50	none
Railroad Stock Tax (N.H.)	900.00	1,216.75	316.75
Reimbursement, Growing Wood and Timber	260.80	260.80	none
Savings Bank Tax (N.H.)	3,956.45	3,956.45	none
State Fees for Collecting Head Taxes	650.00	3,543.20	2,893.20
Tax Collector's Fees (2 sales in year)	700.00	1,359.30	659.30
The Weirs Beach	14,195.00	8,886.77	5,308.23*
Zoning Board of Adjustment	300.00	160.00	140.00*
The Weirs Municipal Buildings ..	2,345.00	2,883.30	538.30
Not Estimated for Budget Purposes:			
Assessor's Office	none	216.00	216.00
City Officers	none	208.45	208.45
Maintenance—City Hall	none	14.00	14.00
Sale of City Property	none	470.12	470.12
Prem. & Int. on Bonds Issues—in 1954	none	353.03	353.03
Parks and Playgrounds	none	986.75	986.75
Police Department	none	181.25	181.25
Tax Collector's Office	none	176.44	176.44
Miscellaneous	none	183.86	183.86
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	\$143,075.75	\$158,516.05	\$ 15,440.30

Note (1) An excess of \$136.64 was realized on growing wood and timber tax and was transferred to a reserve as required by law, instead of to Surplus of the city.

(2) As property taxes are effected by the realization of other types of revenue, it is important that estimates of such revenue are achieved during the fiscal year.

CITY OF LACONIA BOND FUNDS
Combined Statements of Financial Condition
as of June 30, 1954

	Sewer Bonds Fund	Weirs Bonds Fund	Improve. Bonds 1952 Fund	Improve. Notes 1953 Fund	Improve. Bonds 1954 Fund	Total
ASSETS						
Cash in Depository:						
Peoples National Bank	\$ 7,350.49	\$ 321.18	\$ 4,517.97	\$ 2,650.00	\$ 69,644.78	\$ 84,484.42
LIABILITIES & SURPLUS						
Liabilities:						
Accounts Payable:						
Public Works Dept.	2,065.80					2,065.80
Improvement Allocations:						
Leavitt Clubhouse			775.00			775.00
Weirs Beach			1,788.00	1,675.00		3,463.00
Office Equipment—City Hall ..				975.00		975.00
Opechee Playground					14,750.00	14,750.00
Wyatt Park Area					19,200.00	19,200.00
Rowell St. Improve.					4,800.00	4,800.00
Winter St. Sewerage					3,419.78	3,419.78
Union Ave. Drain					3,498.00	3,498.00
Union Ave. Curbing					2,300.00	2,300.00
Public Works—Equipment:					3,850.00	3,850.00
Tractor					4,300.00	4,300.00
Load Packer					9,500.00	9,500.00
Trucks Exch.					4,027.00	4,027.00
Total Liabilities	5,284.69	321.18	1,954.97	2,650.00	69,644.78	84,484.42
Reserve for Contingencies			4,517.97			
Total Liabilities & Reserves	7,350.49	321.18	4,517.97	2,650.00	69,644.78	84,484.42

CITY OF LACONIA BOND FUNDS

(See Auditor's Report for Unexpended Balances)

SEWER BONDS FUND

Cash Balance, July 1, 1953		\$33,325.56
Receipts — Reimbursements to Public Works Dept. for Sewer Connections		2,804.43
TOTAL		\$36,129.99
Expenditures:		
Accounts Payable—		
Laconia Public Works Dept.	\$13,447.82	
Northern Construction Co.	13,143.53	
Reserve for Contingencies	2,188.15	
Total Expenditures		28,779.50
Cash Balance, June 30, 1954		\$ 7,350.49

THE WEIRS MUNICIPAL BEACH BOND FUND

Cash Balance, July 1, 1953		\$227.63
Transferred In from Fire Dept. unexpended balance		93.55
TOTAL		\$321.18
Expenditures		0.00
Cash Balance, June 30, 1954		\$321.18
1952 PARKING LOT BOND ISSUE		
Cash Balance, July 1, 1953		\$886.02
Receipts		0.00
TOTAL		\$886.02
Expenditures		0.00
Transfers Out		886.02
Cash Balance, June 30, 1954		\$ 0.00

1954 PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT AND EQUIPMENT BONDS

Cash Receipts — Bonds, Premium & Interest, 5/4/54 ..		\$70,335.06
Expenditures:		
Winter St. Sewer Extension	\$355.22	
Transferred Out:		
To General Fund — Interest & Premium Revenue Account	335.06	
Total Expended and Transferred Out		690.28
Cash Balance, June 30, 1954		\$69,644.78

1952 PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS BOND ISSUE

Cash Balance, July 1, 1953		\$11,016.03
Receipts		0.00
TOTAL		\$11,016.03
Expenditures: (Transferred to following General Fund Accounts and expended as follows)		
Athletic Floodlights	\$1,852.98	
Parks & Playgrounds — Leavitt Park Clubhouse ...	725.00	

Public Works Department	2,784.08	
The Weirs Beach — Fence	1,136.00	
Total Transferred and Expended		6,498.06
Balance, June 30, 1954		\$ 4,517.97
1953 SERIAL NOTES		
Cash Receipts — Serial Notes & Interest, 12/28/53		\$22,017.97
Expenditures:		
Laconia Municipal Airport	\$10,000.00	
The Weirs Beach Improvement	3,575.00	
Total Expenditures	\$13,575.00	
Transferred Out:		
To Public Works Department	\$ 3,775.00	
To School Department	2,000.00	
To Interest Revenue Account	17.97	
Total Transferred Out	\$ 5,792.97	
Total Expended and Transferred		19,367.97
Cash Balance, June 30, 1954		\$ 2,650.00

SANITARY SEWERAGE FUND

Statement of Condition, June 30, 1954

ASSETS

Cash in Banks:		
Peoples National Bank	\$14,163.12	
Laconia Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n	21,500.37	
		\$35,663.49
Accounts Receivable:		
Sewer fees due on warrants:		
January 1, 1951	90.83	
July 1, 1951	109.46	
January 1, 1952	154.90	
July 1, 1952	356.49	
January 1, 1953	405.07	
July 1, 1953	654.05	
January 1, 1954	1,487.05	3,257.86
TOTAL ASSETS		\$38,921.35

LIABILITIES, RESERVES, SURPLUS

Accounts Payable:		
Refunds due taxpayers		3.90
Advance Collections—July, 1954, Warrant		11.34
Reserve for Depreciation—Plant & Equipment		6,700.00
Unappropriated or Available Surplus		32,206.11
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVE, SURPLUS		\$38,921.35

Present plans require the use of the above unappropriated surplus for sewer extensions and improvement of existing bad connections by the Public Works Department.

**ANALYSIS OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL INCOME AND EXPENSE
OF SEWERAGE PLANT AND FACILITIES
For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1954 (12 mos.)**

INCOME

Estimated Amount to be Raised	\$32,000.00
Less—Income Earned, Actual:	
1. From two 6 mos. sewer rental levies	\$31,851.35
2. Interest on late bill payments	156.40
3. Interest on invested surplus funds	630.80
4. Miscellaneous fees	281.50
	32,920.05
Excess Received over Anticipated	\$ 920.05

EXPENSE

Estimated Amount of Expenses	\$32,000.00
Less—Actual Expenses:	
Clerical Assistance	\$ 1,174.09
Printing, Envelopes & Supplies	531.08
Abatements	234.64
Plant Operation	15,110.75
Sewer Maintenance	10,677.71
Sewer Construction (Main Street)	9,717.83
Keasor Court Pumping Station	222.02
Depreciation	3,200.00
	40,868.12
Excess of Actual Expenses over Estimated	8,868.12
Excess Expenses over Budget	8,868.12
Less—Excess Income over Budget	920.05
	7,948.07
Deficit—Due to Main Street Sewer Construction	7,948.07
Surplus, Beginning of Fiscal Year, July 1, 1953	40,154.18
	32,206.11
Unappropriated Surplus June 30, 1954	\$32,206.11

STATEMENT OF CONDITION—CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

as of June 30, 1954

ASSETS

Cash:	
Laconia Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n	\$8,562.61
RESERVES	
Fire Alarm Central System	\$4,483.23
Truck Replacement	153.62
Power Sweeper (see note #3)	2,241.60
Gravel and Screening Plant	1,684.16
TOTAL RESERVES	\$8,562.61

Notes:

1. The above funds earned \$251.23 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1954.
2. These funds may be added to by appropriation or the transfer of excess funds at the end of the year. There were no additions during the fiscal year.
3. As mentioned in my last year's report, a power sweeper has already been purchased; therefore, the above allocation of funds for this purpose should be changed in accordance with Chapter 181, Laws of New Hampshire, "An Act Relating to Capital Reserve Funds of Cities."

LACONIA CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Statement of Condition June 30, 1954

ASSETS

Cash in Banks:	
City Savings Bank	\$ 29,706.37
Laconia Savings Bank	47,419.75
Laconia Federal Savings & Loan	13,508.13
Lakeport National Bank	332.43
	\$ 90,966.68
Investments—Common Trust Funds:	
Laconia Water Company	100.00
Eaton & Howard Bal. Fund	9,714.87
Fidelity Fund, Inc.	10,329.89
Mass. Investors Trust	5,020.36
The George Putnam Fund	4,981.74
Chemical Fund, Inc.	3,588.00
	33,734.86
TOTAL ASSETS	\$124,701.54

LIABILITIES

Principal Trust Funds	\$118,039.88
Available Dividends and Accrued Interest	6,661.66
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$124,701.54
1. Eaton & Howard Fund:	
150 shs. original purchase	\$ 4,998.00
8 shs. capital gain	250.32
130 shs. purchased 1954	4,466.55
288 shs.—stock split	
	9,714.87
2. Fidelity Fund:	
267 shs. orig. pur.	\$ 4,995.57
18 shs. cap. gain	311.82

250 shs. pur. 1952	5,022.50
535 shares @ 19.308	\$ 10,329.89
3. Mass. Investors Trust:	
230 shs. 1952 pur. orig.	\$ 4,981.80
2 shs. cap. gain	38.56
232 shares @ 21.639	\$ 5,020.36
4. The George Putnam Fund:	
237 shs. pur. 1952 @ 21.02	\$ 4,981.74
5. Chemical Fund, Inc.:	
150 shs. pur. 1954 year @ 23.92	\$ 3,588.00

The market value per share as of June 30, 1954, on the above stock is as follows:

	Bid Price
1. Eaton & Howard Bal. per share	\$ 17.45
2. Fidelity Fund per share	20.49
3. Mass. Investors Trust per share	23.07
4. The George Putnam Fund per share	20.75
5. Chemical Fund, Inc. per share	23.15

LEAVITT PARK TRUST FUNDS

Statement of Condition, June 30, 1954

ASSETS

Cash—Banks:		
Laconia Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n		\$ 3,689.41
Investments:		
Stocks:		
Eaton & Howard Bal. Fund	\$ 3,340.45	
Fidelity Fund, Inc.	4,873.27	
New England Tel. & Tel.	700.00	
Laconia Water Company	3,500.00	
	<u>\$12,413.72</u>	
Bonds:		
U. S. Government	200.00	
		<u>12,613.72</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$16,303.13</u>

LIABILITIES

Principal Trust Funds		\$12,755.22
Available Dividends & Accrued Interest		<u>3,547.91</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>\$16,303.13</u>
1. Eaton & Howard:		
100 shs. orig. pur.	\$ 3,184.00	
5 shs. cap. gain	156.45	
105 shs. stock split		
210 shares	<u>\$ 3,340.45</u>	
2. Fidelity Fund:		
266 shs. orig. pur.	\$ 4,648.35	
13 shs. cap. gain	224.92	
279 shares	<u>\$ 4,873.27</u>	

CHAS. H. PERKINS HIGH SCHOOL TRUST FUND

Statement of Condition, June 30, 1954

ASSETS

Cash—Banks:		
Laconia Savings Bank		\$ 416.05
Investments:		
Eaton & Howard Bal. Fund	\$2,481.87	
Fidelity Fund, Inc.	2,707.89	
		<hr/> 5,189.76
TOTAL ASSETS		<hr/> \$5,605.81

LIABILITIES

Principal Trust Fund		\$5,307.93
Available Accrued Interest & Dividends		297.88
		<hr/> \$5,605.81

1. Eaton & Howard Fund:		
75 shs. orig. pur.	\$2,388.00	
3 shs. cap. gain	93.87	
78 shs. stock split		
		<hr/> \$2,481.87
2. Fidelity Fund:		
148 shs. orig. pur.	\$2,586.30	
7 shs. cap. gain	121.59	
		<hr/> \$2,707.89

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS

Statement of Condition, June 30, 1954

ASSETS

Cash in Banks		\$ 7,571.05
Investments:		
U. S. Government Bonds	\$10,525.00	
Stocks	2,600.00	
Coupons Due and Receivable	64.38	
		<hr/> 13,189.38
TOTAL ASSETS		<hr/> \$20,760.43

LIABILITIES

Principal Trust Funds		\$20,575.61
Available Accrued Interest & Coupons		184.82
		<hr/> \$20,760.43

Notes:

1. The Max Chertok Fund of \$500.00 was added to the assets of the Library Trusts during the past fiscal year.

2. The excess of available appropriations for the library over expenditures in the amount of \$982.95 was turned over to the trust fund for future building needs of the public library.

ORDINANCES

Passed during the Year
ending June 30, 1954

CITY OF LACONIA

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

AN ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO THE
SALARY OF THE CITY CLERK.

*Be it ordained by the City Council
of the City of Laconia, as follows:*

SECTION 1. Amend Section 2 of Chapter 8 of the Compiled Ordinances as amended by striking out the words "Three thousand seven hundred eighty" and adding the words "Three thousand nine hundred" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

SECTION 2. The salary of the City Clerk shall be Three thousand nine hundred dollars per annum, payable weekly, plus longevity pay as determined by the Finance Committee."

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect as of July 1, 1953.

Passed and approved this 27th day of July, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO
THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE
CITY OF LACONIA.

*Be it ordained by the City Council
of the City of Laconia, as follows:*

1. Amend Article VII-A, Section 3, of the Zoning Ordinance of 1948 by deleting therefrom the following: "and in no case shall a sign project above the roof line", so that the said ordinance shall read as follows:

SECTION 3. *Signs* — are permitted provided they shall pertain only to a use conducted on the premises.

2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Passed and approved this 29th day of October, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO
THE ZONING ORDINANCE.

*Be it ordained by the City Council
of the City of Laconia, as follows:*

1. Amend Article XII of the Zoning Ordinance of 1948 by adding after Section 2 the following:

"SECTION 3. *Duration of Permit:* No building permit shall be valid for a period of more than one year from the date of issuance, if construction has not begun thereunder.

2. This Ordinance shall take effect on the date of its passage.

Passed and approved this 29th day of October, 1953 .

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

AN ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO THE
AMENDING OF TRAFFIC RULES AND
REGULATIONS.

*Be it ordained by the City Council
of the City of Laconia, as follows:*

1. Amend Article IV, One Way Streets, Section A by adding the following paragraphs:

9. Motor Vehicles shall move in westerly direction only on the northerly side of the island at the junction of Veterans Square and Pleasant Street.

10. Motor Vehicles shall move in an easterly direction only on southerly side of the island at the junction of Veterans Square and Pleasant Street.

2. Amend Article IV, One Way Streets, Section A, Paragraph 7, by striking out the words "Veterans Square" and substituting therefore the following: "the southerly side of the boundary as now existing of the exit from the City Hall parking lot" so that said paragraph will read as follows:

7. Pleasant Street: Motor vehicles shall move in a southerly direction only on Pleasant Street from the southerly side of the boundary as now existing of the exit from the City Hall parking lot.

3. Amend Article VI, Parking Time Limits, Section C, Two Hour Parking, Paragraph 24 by striking out the words "Union Avenue" and substituting the words "Avery Street" so that said paragraph will read as follows:

"24. The even numbered side of Baldwin Street from Avery Street to Pine Street."

4. Amend Article VI, Section C, Two Hour Parking, by adding the following:
"35. The odd numbered side of Pine Street from Main Street to Baldwin Street."
5. Amend Article VIII No Parking, Section A, paragraph 12 by striking out the word "even" and substituting the word "odd" so that said paragraph will read as follows:
"12. The odd numbered side of Baldwin Street from Union Avenue to Pine Street."
6. Amend Article VIII, Section A, paragraph 13 by striking out said paragraph in its entirety and substituting the following:
"13. The even numbered side of Baldwin Street from Union Avenue to Avery Street."
7. Amend Article VIII, Section A, paragraph 27, by striking out the word "even" and substituting the word "odd" so that said paragraph will read as follows:
"27. River Street from Arch Street to Jewett Street and the odd numbered side of River Street from Church Street to Jewett Street."
8. Amend Article VIII, Section A, by adding the following paragraph:
"41. The even numbered side of Pine Street from Main Street to Baldwin Street."
9. Amend Article VI, Parking Time Limits, Section G, Parking Meters, paragraph 5, by adding the following sub-paragraph (c):
5(c). The following parking meter zones shall be designated as such only during the period of May 1st to September 30th of each year:
 1. Church Street from Post Office drive to bridge.
 2. Church Street from St. Joseph Rectory to 64 Church Street.
 3. Main Street from the southeasterly corner of the lot numbered 384 Main Street to northeasterly corner of lot numbered 428 Main Street.
 4. Main Street from the southwesterly corner of lot numbered 383 Main Street to the northwesterly corner of lot numbered 423 Main Street.
 5. Court Street—the even numbered side of Court Street

from Wakeman Court to the Courthouse drive, so-called.

6. Court Street—the odd numbered side from Rowe Court to Varney Court.
7. Beacon Street—the odd numbered side of Beacon Street from Mill Street to the Post Office Drive, so-called.
8. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Passed and approved this 30th day of November, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOUR

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A FIRE PREVENTION CODE PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS GOVERNING CONDITIONS HAZARDOUS TO LIFE AND TO PROPERTY FROM FIRE OR EXPLOSION.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

ARTICLE 1. General Provisions

SECTION 1. Enforcement.

The Fire Prevention Code shall be enforced by the Chief of the Fire Department.

SECTION 2. Definition.

Wherever the word "Municipality" is used in the Fire Prevention Code, it shall be held to mean the City of Laconia.

SECTION 3. Modifications.

The Chief of the Fire Department upon approval of the Board of Fire Engineers, shall have power to modify any of the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code upon application in writing by the owner or lessee, or his duly authorized agent, when there are practical difficulties in the way of carrying out the strict letter of the code shall be observed, public safety secured, and substantial justice done. The particulars of such modification when granted or allowed and the decision of the Chief of the Fire Department thereon shall be entered upon the records of the department and a signed copy shall be furnished the applicant.

SECTION 4. Appeals.

Whenever the Chief of the Fire Department shall disapprove an application or refuse to grant a license or permit applied for, or when it is claimed that the provisions of the code do not apply or that the true intent and meaning of the code have been misconstrued or wrongly interpreted, the applicant

may appeal from the decision of the Chief of the Fire Department to the Board of Fire Engineers within 30 days from the date of the decision.

SECTION 5. Penalties.

- a. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of the code hereby adopted or fail to comply therewith, or who shall violate or fail to comply with any order made thereunder, or who shall build in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder, or any certificate or permit issued thereunder and from which no appeal has been taken, or who shall fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the Board of Fire Engineers or by a court of competent jurisdiction within the time fixed herein, shall severally for each and every such violation and noncompliance respectively, be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00 or by imprisonment for not less than 3 days nor more than 30 days or by both such fine and imprisonment. The imposition of one penalty for any violation shall not excuse the violation or permit it to continue; and all such persons shall be required to correct or remedy such violations or defects within a reasonable time; and when not otherwise specified, each ten days that prohibited conditions are maintained shall constitute a separate offense.
- b. The application of the above penalty shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions.

SECTION 6. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances.

All former ordinances or parts thereof conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. Validity.

The Mayor and City Council of Laconia hereby declare that should any section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this ordinance or of the code hereby adopted be declared for any reason to be invalid, it is the intent of the Mayor and the City Council of Laconia that it would have passed all other portions of this ordinance independent of the elimination herefrom of any such portion as may be declared invalid.

SECTION 8. Application to New and Existing Conditions.

The provisions of this code shall apply equally to new and existing conditions except that existing conditions not in strict compliance with the terms of this code shall be permitted to continue where the exceptions do not constitute a distinct hazard to life or adjoining property.

SECTION 9. Authority to Enter Premises.

The Chief of the Fire Department or any duly authorized Fire Department Inspector thereof may, at all reasonable hours, enter any building or premises within his jurisdiction for the purpose of making any inspection, or investigation which, under the provisions of this code, he or they may deem necessary to be made.

SECTION 10. Inspections of Buildings and Premises.

It shall be the duty of the Chief of the Fire Department to inspect, or cause to be inspected by Fire Department officers or members, all buildings and premises, except the interiors of private dwellings, as often as may be necessary for the purpose of ascertaining and causing to be corrected any conditions liable to cause fire, or any violations of the provisions or intent of this code and of any other ordinance affecting the fire hazard, and to insure compliance in all places of assembly with all laws, regulations and orders dealing with overcrowding, use of decorative materials, maintenance of exit ways, and maintenance of fire alarm and fire detecting systems, and fire extinguishing systems and appliances.

SECTION 11. Education in Fire Prevention.

It shall be the duty of the Chief of the Fire Department to conduct, or cause to be conducted, a continuing program of education in fire prevention among the citizens of Laconia, including cooperation with private or public organized groups devoted to fire prevention activities.

SECTION 12. Orders to Eliminate Fire Hazards.

Whenever any of the officers, members, or inspectors of the Fire Department as mentioned in section 9 shall find in any building or upon any premises dangerous or hazardous conditions as follows, he or they shall order such dangerous conditions or materials to be removed or remedied in such manner as

may be specified by the Chief of the Fire Department:

- a. Dangerous or unlawful amounts of combustible or explosive matter;
- b. Hazardous conditions arising from defective or improperly installed equipment for handling or using combustible or explosive matter;
- c. Dangerous accumulations of rubbish, waste paper, boxes, shavings or other highly flammable materials;
- d. Accumulations of dust or waste material in air conditioning systems or of grease in kitchen exhaust ducts;
- e. Obstructions to or on fire escapes, stairs, passageways, doors or windows, liable to interfere with the operations of the Fire Department or egress of occupants in case of fire;
- f. Any building or other structure which, for want of repairs, lack of sufficient fire escapes or other exit facilities, automatic or other fire alarm apparatus or fire extinguishing equipment, or by reason of age or dilapidated condition, or from any other cause, creates a fire hazard.

SECTION 13. Dangerous or Unsafe Buildings.

- a. A building or structure that may be or shall be found upon inspection to have become dangerous or unsafe, shall, unless made safe and so certified by the Inspector, be taken down and removed.
- b. The term dangerous or unsafe building shall include buildings structurally unsafe or unstable; inadequately provided with exit facilities; constituting a fire hazard because of inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, obsolescence or abandonment; or otherwise dangerous to life or property.
- c. A building or structure declared dangerous or unsafe by duly constituted authority set up by the Municipality may be restored to safe condition; provided that if the damage or cost of reconstruction or restoration is in excess of seventy-five percent of the then fair market value of the building or structure, and the land on which they stand, such building or structure, if reconstructed or restored, shall be made to conform with respect to materials and type of construction, to the requirements for buildings and structures hereafter erected;

but no change of use or occupancy shall be compelled by reason of such reconstruction or restoration.

SECTION 14. Service of Orders.

The service of such orders as mentioned in section 12 may be made upon the owner, occupant or other person responsible for the conditions, either by delivering a copy of same personally or by delivering the same to and leaving it with any person in charge of the premises, or in case no such person is found upon the premises, by affixing a copy thereof in a conspicuous place on the door to the entrance of the said premises. Whenever it may be necessary to serve such an order upon the owner of premises such order may be served either by delivering to and leaving with the said person a copy of the said order, or, if such owner is absent from the jurisdiction of the officer making the order, by mailing such copy to the owner's last known post office address.

SECTION 15. Permits.

- a. Permits required by the provisions of this code shall be obtained in writing from the Chief of the Fire Department. Permits shall be for such period as the Chief of the Fire Department may specify. They shall be kept on the premises designated therein and shall be subject to inspection by any officer of the fire or police departments.
- b. Before permits are issued the Chief of the Fire Department shall make or cause to be made such inspections or tests as are necessary to assure that the provisions of this code are complied with.

SECTION 16. Definitions.

- a. "Approved" shall mean accepted by the Chief of the Fire Department as a result of investigation and experience, or by reason of test, listing or approval by Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc., the National Bureau of Standards, the American Gas Association Laboratories or other nationally recognized testing authorities.
- b. "Person" shall mean and include person, persons, firm, corporation or co-partnership.

SECTION 17. Conformity to Nationally Recognized Standard Practice.

The storage, handling and use of flammable or explosive substances and the use or occupancy of buildings or premises shall be in conformity with nationally recognized standard practice for the

safeguarding to a reasonable degree of life and property from the hazards of fire or explosion. Compliance with the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code recommended by the National Board of Fire Underwriters shall be deemed to be prima facie evidence of compliance with such nationally recognized standard practice for all matters not covered by this code.

ARTICLE 2. Bowling Alleys.

SECTION 1. General.

Bowling alleys shall conform to all other applicable requirements of this code, as well as the following provisions.

SECTION 2. Permit Required.

A permit shall be required for the operation of any bowling alley.

SECTION 3. Alley Resurfacing Operations.

Resurfacing operations shall not be carried on while the establishment is open for business. The Chief of the Fire Department shall be notified when alleys are to be resurfaced. Proper ventilation shall be provided. Heating, ventilating, or cooling systems employing recirculation of air shall not be operated during resurfacing operations or within one hour following the application of flammable finishes. All electric motors or other equipment in the area which might be a source of ignition shall be shut down, and all smoking and use of open flames prohibited during the application of flammable finishes and for one hour thereafter.

SECTION 4. Pin Refinishing.

Pin refinishing involving the application of flammable finishes shall be done only in a special room meeting the requirements for a Type B inside storage or mixing room (for details see the Fire Prevention Code adopted by section 108); such room shall not be located below grade nor shall it have communication with any pits, wells, pockets or basements.

Storage of flammable liquids in such rooms shall not exceed a combined aggregate of 60 gallons in original metal containers, or approved safety containers not exceeding 5 gallons individual capacity. A meal waste can with self-closing cover shall be provided for all waste materials and rags; contents shall be removed daily. Smoking shall be prohibited at all times in refinishing rooms.

ARTICLE 3. Cellulose Nitrate Motion Picture Film.

SECTION 1. Application.

This article applies to the storage and handling of cellulose nitrate motion picture film, hereafter referred to as "nitrate film". Film having a cellulose acetate or other approved slow-burning base, marked safety film, is exempt from these provisions.

SECTION 2. Permit Required.

- a. No person shall store, keep or have on hand more than 25 pounds (for 35 mm. film about 5,000 feet) of nitrate motion picture film without a permit.
- b. No person shall sell, lease or otherwise dispose of any nitrate motion picture film to any person not having a permit to handle, use or display such film.

SECTION 3. Enclosures for Motion Picture Projectors.

- a. Two openings for each motion picture projector shall be provided; one for the projectionist's view (observation port) shall be not larger than 200 square inches, and the other through which the picture is projected (projection port) shall not be larger than 120 square inches. Where separate stereopticon, spot or flood light machines are installed in the same enclosure with picture projectors not more than one opening for each such machine shall be provided for both the operator's view and for the projection of the light, but two or more machines may be operated through the same opening; such openings shall be as small as practicable and shall be capable of being protected by approved automatic shutters.
- b. Each opening shall be provided with an approved gravity shutter. Shutters shall be of not less than 10-gauge iron or its equivalent, or of $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch hard asbestos board. Shutters shall be suspended, arranged and interconnected so that all shutter will close upon the operating of some suitable fusible or mechanical releasing device. Each shutter shall have a fusible link above it, and there shall also be one located over each upper projector magazine which, upon operating, will close all the shutters. There shall also be provided suitable means for manually closing all shutters simultaneously from any projector head and from a point within the projection room near each exit door. Shutters on openings not in use shall be kept

closed.

- c. All shelves, furniture and fixtures within the enclosure shall be constructed of noncombustible material, except that tables may be of wood construction with no member less than 1½ inch in least dimension. No combustible material of any sort shall be permitted or allowed to be within such enclosure, except the films used in the operation of the projector, and film cement.
- d. Ventilation shall be provided by one or more mechanical exhaust systems which shall draw air from each arc lamp housing and from one or more points near the ceiling. Systems shall exhaust to outdoors either directly or through a noncombustible flue used for no other purpose. Exhaust capacity shall be not less than 15 nor more than 50 cubic feet per minute for each arc lamp housing plus 200 cubic feet per minute for the room itself. Systems shall be controlled from within the enclosure and have pilot lights to indicate operation. The exhaust system serving the projection room may be extended to cover rooms associated therewith such as rewind rooms. No dampers shall be installed in such exhaust systems. Ventilation of these rooms shall not be connected in any way with ventilating or air conditioning systems serving other portions of the building.
- e. Exhaust ducts shall be of noncombustible material, and shall either be kept one inch from combustible material or covered with ½-inch of noncombustible heat insulating material.

SECTION 4. Handling of Nitrate Film in Motion Picture Theatres and Other Occupancies in Which the Principal Use of the Film is in Motion Picture Projection.

- a. Rewinding of nitrate films shall be performed either in a special rewind room at an approved location, or in the projection room. An approved can for scrap film having a self-closing hinged cover shall be provided.
- b. Nitrate film in any projection room or rewinding room shall be kept as follows:
 - (1) Up to 40 pounds of film (8,000 feet of 35 mm. film) may be kept in I.C.C. shipping

containers, or approved cabinet in each room.

- (2) If the amount of film on hand exceeds 40 pounds, an approved cabinet shall be provided, in which the amount of film in excess of 40 pounds shall be kept.

ARTICLE 4. Dry Cleaning and Dry Dyeing Plants.

SECTION 1. Dry Cleaning Defined.

"Dry cleaning" shall mean the process of removing dirt, grease, paints and other stains from wearing apparel, textiles, fabrics, rugs, etc., by the use of nonaqueous liquid solvents. "Dry dyeing" shall mean the process of dyeing clothes or other fabrics or textiles in a solution of dye colors and flammable liquids.

SECTION 2. Classification of Systems.

Dry cleaning and dry dyeing systems shall be classified as follows:

- a. Class I Systems shall be those utilizing a solvent having a flash point below 100° F. (closed cup tester). Such systems shall conform to nationally recognized standard practice as specified in section 108.
- b. Class II Systems shall be those utilizing a solvent having a flash point of 100° F. (closed cup tester) or higher but not meeting the requirements as further outlines for Class III or Class IV systems.
- c. Class III Systems shall be those employing equipment which has been approved by Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. and utilizing solvents having a flash point of 138° F. (closed cup tester) or higher and listed by Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc., as suitable for use with such equipment.
- d. Class IV Systems shall be those utilizing solvents classified as nonflammable, or as nonflammable at ordinary temperatures and only slightly flammable at higher temperatures.

SECTION 3. Permit Required.

- a. No person shall engage in the business of dry cleaning or dry dyeing without a permit which shall prescribe the location and the class of system to be used.
- b. No change shall be made in the solvent used in the equipment to a solvent in a more hazardous (lower) class unless permission for such change shall first have been obtained from the Chief of the Fire Department.

SECTION 4. Construction of Buildings Housing Class II Systems.

Class II systems shall be located in buildings having walls of masonry or noncombustible construction and wall finish shall be plain or plastered without furring or concealed spaces. Floors shall be of fire-resistive construction and without pits, wells or pockets; and where located over a basement, floor shall be vapor- and liquid-tight. Roof and floors above grade floor, if of combustible construction, shall have the ceilings over the dry cleaning areas protected by cement or gypsum plaster on metal lath or equivalent construction. Dry cleaning buildings shall not be closer than 10 feet to the line of adjoining property, except that if exposing walls are without openings the building may be located on the property line. Dry cleaning operations shall not be located on any floor below grade, nor in the same building with other occupancies. Operations incidental to the business as laundering, pressing, and ironing, may be in a communicating building or located on the same floor with the dry cleaning plant, provided the dry cleaning operations are separated therefrom by partitions capable of providing one hour's resistance to fire and the communicating openings protected by fire doors approved for such openings.

SECTION 5. Construction of Buildings Housing Class III Systems.

Class III systems may be located in buildings of any class of construction but in no case shall they be located in a basement nor in a building also used as a place of assembly. Dry cleaning systems of this class if located in the same building with other occupancies, shall be cut-off from the remainder of the building vertically and horizontally by construction providing one hour's resistance to fire. All openings in interior fire partitions shall be protected by fire doors approved for such openings.

SECTION 6. Class IV Systems.

Systems utilizing solvents classified as nonflammable, or as nonflammable at ordinary temperatures and only slightly flammable at higher temperatures shall be subject to the requirement for a permit in section 403, but shall be exempt from all other provisions of this article.

SECTION 7. Drying Rooms.

Rooms in which articles are hung up to dry after cleaning shall be separated from dry cleaning rooms by partitions

having a fire-resistance rating of not less than one hour if Class II or Class III system solvents are used. Entrances to drying rooms shall be provided with approved, self-closing fire doors. Ventilation of drying rooms shall conform to the requirements for ventilation of dry cleaning rooms and the provisions for fire extinguishing equipment shall be complied with. If the drying room is in a separate building, it shall conform in construction and equipment to all requirements for dry cleaning buildings.

SECTION 8. Heating Equipment.

- a. Where Class II systems are used, heating shall be by steam or hot water only. Steam and hot water pipes and radiators for heating and drying purposes shall be at least one inch from all woodwork and shall be protected by substantial metal screens arranged so as to prevent combustible goods or materials from coming in contact with such pipes and radiators.
- b. Boilers for plants employing Class II or Class III systems shall be located in a detached building or in a boiler room cut off from the dry cleaning room by a partition having a fire-resistance rating of not less than two hours with openings protected by approved self-closing fire doors and having noncombustible sills raised at least 6 inches above the dry cleaning room floor, provided that where a Class II system is used such separating partition shall be an unpierced brick wall at least 12 inches thick or equivalent construction.

SECTION 9. Electrical Equipment.

Where Class II systems are used all electrical equipment within 8 feet of the floor in dry cleaning rooms or other sections subject to flammable vapors shall be of a type approved for such hazardous locations. Where Class III systems are used, lighting shall be by electricity and wiring installed in a safe manner. Compliance with the applicable provisions of the Standards of the National Board of Fire Underwriters known as the "National Electrical Code" shall be deemed prima facie evidence of compliance with this section.

SECTION 10. Ventilation.

A mechanical system of ventilation shall be provided in the dry cleaning rooms of plants employing Class II systems, of sufficient capacity to insure complete

and continuous change of air once every 6 minutes for Class II systems, and shall be provided with means of remote control.

SECTION 11. Storage and Handling of Cleaning Solvents.

- a. Aboveground containers comprising purifiers, clarifiers, and filters, in Class II systems shall not exceed 350 gallons individual capacity. Solvent storage tanks for Class II and Class III systems may be inside of buildings if individual capacity of tanks does not exceed 275 gallons and the aggregate capacity of storage tanks does not exceed 550 gallons. Quantities of solvents for Class II and Class III systems in excess of the above shall be in buried tanks.
- b. The handling of solvents from storage tanks through the various machines and back to the settling and clear solvent tanks shall be through closed circuits of piping. Pumps of positive displacement type shall have a by-pass and relief valve.
- c. Gauge glasses and look boxes or windows, the breakage of which would permit the escape of liquids, shall be of a type not readily damaged by heat and shall be reliably protected against mechanical injury.
- d. When underground treating and settling tanks are used a separate suction and discharge connection shall be provided to the pump for removal of sludge. The suction pipe shall be carried to the tank bottom, and the discharge connection to an approved separator.
- e. All piping shall be tested to a pressure of at least fifty pounds and proved tight and protected against mechanical injury.

SECTION 12. Grounding of Equipment. The cylinders and shells of all washing machines, drying tumblers, walls of drying cabinets, outside shell of extractors and all aboveground containers shall be permanently and effectively grounded. In plants employing Class II systems, all pulleys and other suitable devices for the removal of static electricity.

SECTION 13. Scouring, Brushing and Spotting in Plants Housing Class II and III Systems.

- a. All scouring or brushing and spotting operations utilizing liquids or solvents having a flash point below 100° F. shall be limited to one gal-

lon and dispensed from approved safety cans. Additional storage shall be in approved safety cans or in unopened shipping containers of not over one gallon capacity.

- b. No washing or scrubbing in solvents having a flash point below 100° F. shall be carried on in any Class II or III plant.

SECTION 14. Fire Extinguishing Equipment.

Adequate first aid and fire appliances of a type suitable for fighting fires involving flammable liquids, shall be provided in all plants housing Class II and Class III systems; at least one extinguisher shall be provided at each entrance to every room or area where flammable liquids are stored or used. Washing machines and drying tumblers in Class II systems shall be protected by a steam, carbon-dioxide or other inert gas flooding system. Drying cabinets in Class III systems shall be protected by a steam, carbon-dioxide or other inert gas flooding system.

ARTICLE 5. Explosives.

SECTION 1. Application.

This article applies to all explosives, except small arms ammunition, and pyrotechnic devices covered by article 6.

SECTION 2. Permit Required.

The manufacture of explosives is prohibited. A permit shall be obtained from the Chief of the Fire Department to have, keep, use, store or transport any explosives.

SECTION 3. Storage.

- a. All storage of explosives shall be in approved explosive magazines located at distances from neighboring buildings, highways and railways in conformity with the American Table of Distances for Storage of Explosives.
- b. When explosives in excess of immediate requirements are removed from a magazine and delivered in the vicinity of a blasting operation they shall be kept in a portable magazine consisting of either a stout tight box covered with not less than 24-gauge sheet iron and equipped with a hinged lid or in a small portable building similarly covered. Such portable magazine shall be painted red and conspicuously marked "Explosives — Dangerous", in white block letters not less than 3 inches in height. Portable magazines as described in this paragraph

shall be located as required by the Chief of the Fire Department.

SECTION 4. Transportation of Explosives.

- a. Blasting caps, or detonators, shall not be transported over the highways of the municipality on the same vehicles with explosives.
- b. Vehicles used for the transportation of explosives shall be strong enough to carry the load without difficulty, and shall be in good mechanical condition. If vehicles do not have a closed body, the body shall be covered with a tarpaulin or other effective protection against moisture and sparks. Such vehicles shall have tight floors and shall have a lining of wood or other non-sparking material which shall cover any projections or metal which might come into contact with packages of explosives.
- c. Every vehicle while carrying explosives shall have painted on both sides and rear, in letters at least four inches high, in contrasting colors, the word "EXPLOSIVES", or in lieu thereof shall display, in such manner that is will be visible from all directions, a red flag with the word "EXPLOSIVES" printed, stamped or sewed thereon in white letters at least six inches high.
- d. No metal, metal tools, oils, matches, firearms, electric storage batteries, flammable substances, acids, oxidizing or corrosive compounds shall be carried in the bed or body of any vehicle transporting explosives.
- e. It shall be unlawful for any person in charge of a vehicle containing explosives to smoke in, upon or near such vehicle, to drive, load or unload the vehicle while intoxicated, to drive the vehicle in a careless or reckless manner, or to load or unload such vehicle in a careless or reckless manner.

SECTION 5. Use of Explosives.

At least 24 hours in advance of blasting, the blaster shall give written notice specifying the location and intended time of blasting to appropriate representatives of the gas, electric, water, fire alarm, telephone, telegraph, and steam utilities which operate within the municipality. In an emergency the Chief of the Fire Department may waive the time limit and allow verbal instead of written notice to be given.

ARTICLE 6. Fire Protection Equipment.

SECTION 1. Chief to Survey Premises and Specify Equipment to be Provided. The Chief of the Fire Department shall survey each mercantile and manufacturing establishment, school, place of assembly, hospital, place of detention, hotel and multi-family house, and shall specify suitable fire detecting devices or extinguishing appliances which shall be provided, in or near boiler rooms, kitchens of restaurants, clubs and like establishments, storage rooms involving considerable combustible material, rooms in which hazardous manufacturing processes are involved, garage sections, and other places of a generally hazardous nature. Such devices or appliances may consist of automatic fire alarm systems, automatic sprinkler or water spray systems, standpipe and hose, fixed or portable fire extinguishers of a type suitable for the probable class of fire, or suitable asbestos blankets, manual or automatic covers, or carbon dioxide or other inert gas extinguishing systems. In specially hazardous processes or storage, appliances of more than one type or special systems may be required.

SECTION 2. Maintenance of Equipment.

Sprinkler systems, standpipe systems, fire alarm systems, and other fire protective or extinguishing systems or appliances which have been installed in compliance with any permit or order, or because of any law or ordinance, shall be maintained in operative condition at all times, and it shall be unlawful for any owner or occupant to reduce the effectiveness of the protection so required; except this shall not prohibit the owner or occupant from temporarily reducing or discontinuing the protection where necessary to make tests, repairs, alterations or additions. The Chief of the Fire Department shall be notified before such tests, repairs, alterations or additions are started unless the work is to be continuous until completion.

ARTICLE 7. Flammable Liquids.

SECTION 1. The rules and regulations of the New Hampshire Board of Fire Control covering the storage and transportation of Flammable Liquids other than Liquefied Petroleum Gas, issued January 4, 1949, by the Board of Fire Control, and all amendments thereto, are hereby adopted for the purpose of

regulating the storage and transportation of Flammable Liquids other than Liquefied Petroleum Gas.

ARTICLE 8. Power Oil Burners and Oil Burner Equipment.

SECTION 1. The rules and regulations of the New Hampshire Board of Fire Control covering the installation of Power Oil Burners and Oil Burner Equipment, issued July 1, 1950, by the Board of Fire Control, and all amendments thereto, are hereby adopted for the purpose of regulating the installation of Power Oil Burners and Oil Burner Equipment. Furthermore, said Rules and Regulations of the New Hampshire Board of Fire Control are hereby amended by adding to Rule 10 the following:

No person shall place or pump kerosene or fuel oil into any tank or container with an aggregate capacity of ten (10) gallons where no permit has been granted for such storage or any tank or container not installed in accordance with this Rule.

ARTICLE 9. Garages.

SECTION 1. General.

Garages shall conform to all other applicable requirements of this code, as well as the following provisions.

SECTION 2. Permit Required.

No person shall use any building, shed or enclosure as a place of business for the purpose of servicing or repairing any motor vehicle therein without a permit.

SECTION 3. Repair Work.

Welding and cutting and other processes involving direct application of flame shall not be carried on in any garage housing more than twenty automobiles on any floor unless the garage is equipped with an approved automatic sprinkler system, or such processes are carried on in a room enclosed by walls and ceiling of construction having a fire-resistance rating of not less than one hour with openings therein protected by approved fire doors or fire windows, and with no opening from such room to any upper story. No repairs of any kind shall be made in any garage the floor of which is more than two feet below the drive-in entrance level.

SECTION 4. Cleaning with Flammable Liquids.

No flammable liquid with a flash point below 100° F. shall be used in any garage for washing parts or removing

grease or dirt, unless in a special closed machine approved for the purpose or in a separate well ventilated room enclosed by walls having a fire-resistance rating of not less than two hours with openings therein protected by approved fire doors or fire windows, and with no opening from such room to any upper or lower story.

SECTION 5. Handling of Gasoline and Oils.

a. The fuel tanks of motor vehicles shall be filled directly through hose from approved pumps attached to approved portable tanks or drawing from underground storage tanks. Storage and handling of flammable liquids shall conform to article 8. No transfer of gasoline in any garage shall be made in any open container.

b. No garage floor drain shall connect to any sewer unless provided with an oil separator or trap.

c. Where an outside location is impractical, dispensing devices approved for inside use may be installed inside garages or similar establishments storing, parking, servicing or repairing automotive equipment upon the approval of the location and safeguards and issuance of permit therefore by the Chief. The dispensing device shall be located in an area of fire-resistive construction well away from vehicle storage and repair areas and well ventilated, and shall be situated near a doorway. It shall be protected against physical damage from vehicles by mounting on a concrete island and shall be located in a position where it cannot be struck by a vehicle descending a ramp or other slope out of control. A remote convenient emergency shut-off for electrical power, to the dispensing unit and the pump supplying it shall be provided.

ARTICLE 10. Gas Piping and Appliances

SECTION 1. Installations to Conform to Standard Safe Practice.

a. Gas piping and gas appliances in buildings shall be installed in accordance with standard safe practice.

b. Installation of gas piping and appliances for domestic and commercial uses, in accordance with the Standards of the National Board of Fire Underwriters for the Instal-

lation of Gas Piping and Gas Appliances in Buildings (Pamphlet No. 54) shall be deemed prima facie evidence of installation in accordance with standard safe practice.

SECTION 2. Pressure Regulation.

- a. Where the pressure of gas supplied to domestic, commercial or other low pressure gas piping systems in buildings is in excess of one pound per square inch, an approved gas pressure regulator of sufficient size shall be installed in the service pipe of each such system to prevent pressure in excess of one pound per square inch from being introduced into such building piping.
- b. If located inside a building the above required regulator shall be equipped with a vent pipe leading to the outer air. Means shall be employed to prevent water from entering this pipe and also to prevent stoppage of it by insects or foreign matter.

SECTION 3. Pipe Entrance to Buildings.

Where gas piping enters a building through a wall or floor of masonry or concrete any gas pipe or other nearby pipes entering the same wall or floor shall be suitably sealed against the entrance of water or gas.

SECTION 4. Outside Valves.

Approved means for shutting off the flow of gas from outside the building shall be provided on every gas service pipe 2 inches or larger in diameter or which supplies gas at a pressure in excess of one pound per square inch. Outside gas shut-off cocks or valves shall be located so as to be readily accessible and, when underground, shall be placed in suitable valve boxes, manholes or vaults the covers of which shall be clearly marked "Gas."

ARTICLE 11. Liquefied Petroleum Gasses

The rules and regulations of the New Hampshire Board of Fire Control covering the Storage and Transportation of Liquefied Petroleum Gas, issued March 1, 1952, by the Board of Fire Control, and all amendments thereto, are hereby adopted for the purpose of regulating the storage and transportation of liquefied petroleum gas.

ARTICLE 12. Precautions Against Fire, General

SECTION 1. Bonfires and Outdoor Rubbish Fires.

- a. Permit Required. No person shall kindle or maintain any bonfire or rubbish fire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained on or in any public street, alley, road or other public ground without a permit or other proper authorization.
- b. Location Restricted. No person shall kindle or maintain any bonfire or rubbish fire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained on any private land unless (1) the location is not less than 50 feet from any structure and adequate provision is made to prevent fire from spreading to within 50 feet of any structure, or (2) the fire is contained in an approved waste burner with closed top, located safely not less than 15 feet from any structure.
- c. Chief May Prohibit. The Chief of the Fire Department may prohibit any or all bonfires and outdoor rubbish fires when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous.

SECTION 2. Kindling of Fire on Land of Others Restricted.

No person shall kindle a fire upon the land of another without permission of the owner thereof or his agent.

SECTION 3. Hot Ashes and Other Dangerous Materials.

No person shall deposit hot ashes or cinders, or smoldering coals, or greasy or oily substances liable to spontaneous ignition, into any wooden receptacle, or place the same within ten feet of any combustible materials, except in metal or other noncombustible receptacles. Such receptacles, unless resting on a noncombustible floor or on the ground outside the building, shall be placed on noncombustible stands, and in every case must be kept at least two feet away from any combustible wall or partition.

SECTION 4. Accumulations of Waste Materials.

Accumulations of waste paper, hay, grass, straw, weeds, litter or combustible or flammable waste or rubbish of any kind shall not be permitted to remain upon any roof or in any court, yard, vacant lot or open space. All weeds, grass, vines or other growth, when same endangers property, or is liable to be fired, shall be cut down and removed by the owner or occupant of the property it is on.

SECTION 5. Handling Readily Combustible Materials.

No person making, using, storing or having in charge, or under his control any shavings, excelsior, rubbish, sacks, bags, litter, hay, straw, or combustible waste materials shall fail or neglect at the close of each day to cause all such material which is not compactly baled and stacked in an orderly manner to be removed from the building or stored in suitable vaults, or in metal or metal lined, covered, receptacles or bins. The Chief of the Fire Department shall require suitable baling presses to be installed in stores, apartment buildings, factories and similar places where accumulations of paper and waste materials are not removed at least every second day.

SECTION 6. Storage of Readily Combustible Materials.

- a. Permit Required. No person shall store in excess of 2,500 cubic feet gross volume of combustible empty packing cases, boxes, barrels or similar containers, or rubber tires, or baled cotton, rubber or cork, or other similarly combustible material without a permit.
- b. Storage Requirements. Storage in buildings shall be orderly, shall not be within two feet of the ceiling, and not so located as to endanger exit from the building. Storage in the open shall not be more than twenty feet in height, shall be so located, with respect to adjacent buildings, as not to constitute a hazard, and shall be compact and orderly.

SECTION 7. Flammable Decorative Materials in Stores.

Cotton batting, straw, dry vines, leaves, trees, or other highly flammable materials shall not be used for decorative purposes in show windows or other parts of stores unless flameproofed; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be held to prohibit the display of saleable goods permitted and offered for sale.

SECTION 8. Flammable Materials in Places of Assembly.

Paper and other readily flammable materials shall not be used for decorative purposes in any place of assembly unless such materials have first been treated to render them flameproof to the satisfaction of the Chief of the Fire Department.

SECTION 9. Chimneys and Heating Appliances to be Maintained in Safe Condition.

All chimneys, smokestacks or similar devices for conveying smoke or hot gases to the outer air and the stoves, furnaces, fire boxes or boilers to which they are connected shall be constructed and maintained in such a manner as not to create a fire hazard.

SECTION 10. Use of Torches or Flame-producing Devices for Removing Paint.

Any person using a torch or other flame-producing device for removing paint from any building or structure shall provide one approved fire extinguisher or water hose connected to the water supply on the premises where such burning is done. In all cases, the person doing the burning shall remain on the premises one hour after the torch or flame-producing device has been used.

ARTICLE 13. Smoking Prohibited Under Certain Conditions

SECTION 1. Definition.

"Smoking" shall mean and include the carrying of lighted pipe, cigar, cigarette or tobacco in any form.

SECTION 2. Chief to Designate Areas Where Smoking Shall be Prohibited. Where conditions are such as to make smoking a hazard in any areas of piers, wharves, warehouses, stores, industrial plants, institutions, places of assembly, and in open spaces where combustible materials are stored or handled, the Chief of the Fire Department is empowered and authorized to order the owner or occupant in writing to post "No Smoking" signs in each building, structure, room or place in which smoking shall be prohibited. The Chief of the Fire Department shall designate specific safe locations, if necessary, in any building, structure or place in which smoking may be permitted.

SECTION 3. No Smoking Signs.

"No Smoking signs required in accordance with section 1302 shall read "By Order of the Chief of the Fire Department."

SECTION 4. Smoking and Removal of No Smoking Signs Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to remove any legally required "No Smoking" sign or to smoke in any place where such signs are posted.

ARTICLE 14.

SECTION 1. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after its passage. Passed and approved this twenty-fifth day of January, 1954.

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOUR

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE
PERMANENT FIREMEN OF THE CITY
OF LACONIA TO FORM THE LACONIA
FIRE FIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

*Be it ordained by the City Council
of the City of Laconia, as follows:*

1. It is hereby affirmed that all Permanent Firemen shall have the right to form the Laconia Fire Fighters' Association for the purpose of their mutual aid and benefits.
2. No City Official or his representative, and no City Board or member thereof, shall interfere with, restrain, or coerce Permanent Firemen in the exercise of the rights guaranteed in Section 1.
3. No City Official or his representative, and no City Board or member

thereof, shall interfere with the administration of the Laconia Fire Fighters' Association.

4. Whenever formed, the Laconia Fire Fighters' Association shall prohibit any member from participation in a stoppage of work or in a strike against the City of Laconia.
5. Whereby grievances, complaints, problems or suggestions may be presented by said organization and for their duly authorized representatives to the Board of Engineers, and if no settlement is reached then may be presented to the Mayor and Council.
6. It is hereby affirmed that no member shall be punished, disciplined, or any rights be affected in any way by reason of his membership in the Laconia Fire Fighters' Association or his lawful activities therein.
7. This ordinance to take effect upon its passage.

Passed and approved this 28th day of
June, 1954.

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

RESOLUTIONS

Passed during the Year
ending June 30, 1954

CITY OF LACONIA

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

A RESOLUTION MAKING ITEM-
IZED APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FIS-
CAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1953
AND TERMINATING JUNE 30, 1954.

*Resolved by the City Council of the
City of Laconia, as follows:*

That the following itemized appropria-
tions be made for the Fiscal Year begin-
ning July 1, 1953 and terminating June 30,
1954.

General Fund:

1. Assessors' Office					
a. Auto Expense	\$	200.00			
b. Equipment		38.90			
c. Register of Deeds		260.00			
d. Salaries		10,683.00			
e. Supplies & Printing		987.10			
f. Telephone		150.00			
g. Travel		50.00			
h. Longevity		90.00			
					12,459.00
2. Athletic Floodlights		800.00			
3. Belknap County Tax		69,946.96			
4. Bonded Debt					
a. Practical Arts & School Bonds		3,750.00			
b. Public Improvement Bonds, 1946		6,000.00			
c. Public Improvement Bonds, 1947		10,000.00			
d. Public Improvement Bonds, 1948		15,000.00			
e. Fire Equipment Notes, 1949		3,600.00			
f. The Weirs Beach Bonds		5,000.00			
g. Sewerage Disposal Plant		30,000.00			
h. Parking Lot Bonds, 1952		8,000.00			
i. School Bonds, 1952		10,000.00			
j. Public Improvement Bonds, 1952		12,000.00			
					103,350.00
5. Interest Debt					
a. Practical Arts & School Bonds		393.75			
b. Public Improvement Bonds, 1946		262.50			
c. Public Improvement Bonds, 1947		675.00			
d. Public Improvement Bonds, 1948		3,712.50			
					20,612.50
6. Maintenance of City Hall					
a. Fuel		1,500.00			
b. Labor & Materials for Repairs		500.00			
c. Lakeport Clock		250.00			
d. Lights & Power		800.00			
e. Salary--Janitor		2,565.16			
f. Supplies		450.00			
g. Equipment		500.00			
h. Longevity--Janitor		180.00			
					6,745.16
7. City Officers' Expenses					
a. City Report		1,800.00			
b. Dog Officer		800.00			
c. Flowers		60.00			
d. Taxes Gilford Sandbank		50.00			
e. Telephone		490.00			
f. Travel & Conventions		300.00			
g. Supplies, Equipment, etc.		6,000.00			
					9,500.00
8. Civilian Defense		800.00			
9. Elections					
a. Labor, Materials, Trucking		- 0 -			
b. Printing & Notices		750.00			
c. Salaries--Ward Officers		250.00			
					1,000.00
10. Fire Department					
a. Gasoline		550.00			
b. Oil for Trucks & Compressors		50.00			
c. Batteries for Trucks		160.00			
d. Fire Alarm--Labor, Material & Maint.		925.00			
e. Forest Fires		50.00			
f. Fuel, Oil & Coal		1,800.00			
g. Gas		70.00			
h. Water		80.00			
i. Lights & Power		900.00			
j. Insurance--Accident		318.20			
k. Fire Inspection		175.00			
l. Labor--Station Maint.		100.00			
m. Materials--Station Maintenance		350.00			
n. Office Expense		50.00			
o. Laundry		145.00			
p. Telephone		900.00			
q. Lunches, Travel & Convention		50.00			
r. Radio Maintenance		130.00			
s. State N. H. Retirement		2,290.08			

t. Supplies	1,000.00	c. Gas, Lights & Water	900.00
u. Uniform Allowance	800.00	d. Moving Bleachers	200.00
v. Truck Repair & Maint.	920.50	e. Salaries—Park Attendants	3,650.00
w. N. H. Motor Vehicle Inspection	18.00	f. Skating Rinks	1,400.00
x. Snow Removal	50.00	g. Wages, Laborers	2,800.00
y. Longevity	300.00	h. Labor & Materials for Repairs	1,000.00
z. Salaries	64,398.42	i. Supplies	400.00
Capital Outlays	2,456.00	j. Capital Outlays	3,505.99
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	79,036.20		16,015.99
11. Health Department		19. The Weirs Beach	
a. Equipment & Supplies	200.00	a. Band Concert	125.00
b. Mileage	600.00	b. Equipment	500.00
c. Milk & Cream	125.00	c. Labor & Materials	2,000.00
d. Miscellaneous	- 0 -	d. Lights & Power	125.00
e. Printing & Postage	50.00	e. Salaries, Lifeguards & Collectors	4,290.00
f. Salaries	10,870.00	f. Supplies	500.00
g. Supplies, City Nurse	25.00	g. Telephone	50.00
h. Telephone & Gas	150.00	h. Capital Outlays	680.00
i. Longevity	120.00	i. Ice Cream & Miscellaneous	350.00
	<hr/>	j. Coke Machine	700.00
	12,140.00		<hr/>
12. Hydrant Service	20,000.00		9,320.00
13. Insurance		20. Patriotic Purposes	
a. Fire Insurance	2,850.00	a. Fourth of July	600.00
b. Public Liability & Property Damage	1,325.00	b. Memorial Day	550.00
c. Fire, Theft, Collision & \$50 Deductible on 2 police cars	700.00	c. Spanish War Veterans	250.00
d. Floodlights	125.00	d. Veterans Foreign Wars	- 0 -
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	5,000.00		1,400.00
14. Laconia Hospital	12,000.00	21. Planning Board	
15. Miscellaneous		a. Equipment	20.00
a. Lakes Region Association	1,500.00	b. Printing & Copy	200.00
b. Public Wharves—Repairs & Rent	735.00	c. Salary—Clerical	50.00
c. Vital Statistics	- 0 -	d. Salary—Director	5,500.00
d. Elks, Advertising in Booklet	50.00	e. Supplies	150.00
e. Spraying Ragweed	100.00	f. Telephone, Postage & Contingencies	250.00
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	2,385.00	h. Official Map Engineering	750.00
16. Moth & Forestry			<hr/>
a. Tree Warden	1,000.00		7,020.00
b. Spraying Trees	1,500.00	22. Police Department	
c. New Trees	200.00	a. Auto Expense	2,160.00
d. Capital Outlays	1,500.00	b. City Lockup Supplies	150.00
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	4,200.00	d. Labor & Materials	35.00
17. Municipal Court		e. Longevity	1,500.00
a. City Physician—Examination	275.00	f. Medical Expense	50.00
b. Equipment	125.00	g. Miscellaneous & Contingencies	100.00
c. Supplies	100.00	h. Printing	100.00
d. Salaries	2,900.00	i. Radio & Professional Services	150.00
	<hr/>	j. Sick Leave	2,478.24
	3,400.00	k. State of N. H. Retirement	4,003.58
18. Parks and Playgrounds		l. Supplies	600.00
a. Band Concerts	360.00		
b. Fuel	1,800.00		

m. Telephone, Postage & Express	2,000.00
n. Uniform Allowance	1,425.00
o. Water, Lights & Power	36.00
p. Salaries	71,198.26
q. Capital Outlays	1,683.00

*87,869.08

23. Public Library & Gale Park	
a. Operation, Maintenance & Supplies	9,682.50
b. Salaries	20,149.70
c. Capital Outlays	814.75

**24,418.72

* In addition to this, the department will receive \$5,800.00 from the Parking Meter Fund.

** Total Requested from City.

24. Public Works Department	
a. Highway & Bridge Maintenance	50,225.00
b. Winter Maintenance	73,500.00
c. Collection of Ashes, Waste, Dump Rentals	18,500.00
d. City Engineering	12,500.00
e. Cleaning Streets	14,700.00
f. Surface Drain Maint.	7,300.00
g. Sidewalk Maintenance	3,500.00
h. City's Share T. R. A.	943.29
i. City's Share Class IV Roads	6,400.00
j. Capital Outlays	14,300.00

*201,868.29

25. Salaries	
a. Mayor	1,200.00
b. Councilmen	1,800.00
c. City Clerk	3,900.00
d. Fiscal Officer	2,860.00
e. Clerical Assistance	10,000.00
f. City Auditor	1,400.00
g. City Treasurer	1,500.00
h. City Physician	850.00
i. City Solicitor	1,400.00
j. Sealer of Weights & Measures	900.00
k. Board of Public Works	300.00
l. Trustees of Trust Funds, Sec.-Treas.	500.00
m. State Retirement System	12,600.00
n. Longevity	450.00

39,660.00

26. Schools	481,000.00
27. State Educational Tax	3,718.00
28. Street Lighting	29,000.00
29. Tax Collector's Office	
a. Bond Expense	225.00
b. Miscellaneous	50.00
c. Salaries	9,148.00
d. Supplies	200.00

e. Telephone	135.00
f. Postage & Envelopes	325.00
g. Advertising	50.00
h. Travel	100.00
i. Longevity	90.00
j. Capital Outlays	850.00

11,173.00

* In addition to this, the department will also receive \$11,275.00 from the Parking Meter Fund.

30. The Weirs Municipal Buildings	
a. Labor & Materials	100.00
b. Lights & Power	300.00
c. Supplies	100.00
d. Salary—Janitor	945.00
e. Weirs Boardwalk	900.00

2,345.00

31. Welfare Department	
a. City Relief	49,100.00
b. Old Age Assistance	49,500.00

98,600.00

32. Zoning Board of Adjustment	
a. Advertising	200.00
b. Printing & Postage	100.00

300.00

TOTAL \$1,377,082.90

BUDGET FOR PARKING METER FUND

July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954

Estimated Revenue:	\$25,000.00
Estimated Expenditures:	
Collection, Maintenance & Supervision	1,300.00
Equipment	100.00
Labor & Materials for Repairs	2,200.00
Lights & Power—Parking Lots	900.00
Rent of Parking Lots	1,500.00
Sorting Coins	275.00
Supplies	250.00
Traffic	600.00
Traffic Lights—Light Bills	700.00
Traffic Lights—Supplies	100.00
Police Department	5,800.00
Public Works Department	11,275.00

Total Estimated Expenditures \$25,000.00

SANITARY SEWERAGE FUND BUDGET

July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954

Estimated Revenue	\$32,000.00
Estimated Expenditures:	
Keasor Court Pumping Station	500.00

Abatements	200.00
Clerical Assistance	1,000.00
Plant Operation	16,000.00
Printing, Envelopes & Supplies	500.00
Reserve for Contingencies & Depreciation	3,200.00
Sewer Maintenance	10,600.00

Total Estimated Expenditures \$32,000.00
 Passed and approved this 27th day of July, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
 Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LACONIA LODGE #876, BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

WHEREAS, the 50th Anniversary of the Laconia Lodge #876, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, will be celebrated on September 19-20, 1953; and

WHEREAS, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America is an organization dedicated to patriotic, benevolent and charitable activities through which Elks Lodges throughout the nation have contributed so much to the betterment of their local communities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is well aware of the many contributions of public service made in Laconia by this fine American fraternal organization;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that congratulations and best wishes are hereby extended to the Laconia Lodge No. 876, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, on this, the 50th Anniversary of the establishment of the Local Lodge in the City of Laconia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk be instructed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Laconia Lodge with the compliments of the Mayor and Council.

Passed and approved August 31, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
 Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO INTERFERENCE BY PRIVATE VEHICLES WITH FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

WHEREAS, there is a city ordinance

relative to interference by private vehicles with fire-fighting equipment, and

WHEREAS, such interference hinders the efficient operation of the Laconia Fire Department,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Laconia Police Commission is requested to direct the Laconia Police Department to strictly enforce such ordinances as may apply in order to prevent any loss of property or life as may result from failure to enforce such ordinances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Police Commission be requested to take such steps as it deems necessary to inform the public of the strict enforcement of this ordinance.

Passed and approved August 31, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
 Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

A RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF BRANDON L. HALL

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Laconia have learned with deep regret of the untimely death of Brandon L. Hall; and

WHEREAS, Brandon L. Hall faithfully and efficiently served the City of Laconia as Director of Civil Defense from 1950 until his death; and

WHEREAS, Brandon L. Hall did serve his Country during World War II as a member of Laconia's Battery C which was sent to the Pacific area; and

WHEREAS, Brandon L. Hall has been an active, able and conscientious leader in several veteran's and patriotic groups; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to officially recognize the outstanding service rendered the City of Laconia by the late Brandon L. Hall,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Laconia extend to the family of Brandon L. Hall their deepest sympathy; and express their sincere appreciation for the services rendered to his Country and to the people of Laconia by Brandon L. Hall; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be engrossed upon the permanent records of the City of Laconia, and that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the family of the late Brandon L. Hall.

Passed and approved this 26th day of October, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
 Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO A REQUEST FOR THE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN FUNDS TO THE IMPROVEMENT OF WEIRS BEACH.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

WHEREAS, Chapter 219 of the Laws of the State of New Hampshire of 1951 together with Chapter 266 of the Laws of the State of New Hampshire have made provision for certain moneys in a special fund to be expended on the improvement of Weirs Beach; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Division of the Forestry and Recreation Commission of the State of New Hampshire is empowered by those statutes to give approval to a plan for the expenditure of this special fund upon application of the municipality exhibiting a plan approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Laconia; and

WHEREAS, a plan has been prepared by the City Engineer of the City of Laconia consisting of a drawing identified as Plan of Weirs Waterfront, 20-7 and a statement of estimated costs and the particular allocation of costs to be incurred in the expenditure of money received from this special fund; and

WHEREAS, the imminence of unfavorable weather conditions makes it necessary that the construction program proceed forthwith for the protection and betterment of Weirs Beach;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the City Engineer's plan for the construction program at Weirs Beach be and hereby is approved, and

THAT the Recreation Division of the State Forestry and Recreation Commission take the necessary steps to release from this special fund to the City of Laconia for its use according to the plan for the Weirs Beach improvement at the earliest possible moment the money required to undertake and carry out the plan.

Passed and approved this 29th day of October, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO SERIAL NOTE ISSUE FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS OF A PERMANENT NATURE, ACQUISITION OF LAND, AND

PURCHASE OF DEPARTMENTAL EQUIPMENT OF A LASTING CHARACTER.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

1. That the sum of \$22,000 be and it hereby is appropriated for the construction of the several public improvements of a permanent nature, acquisition of land, and purchase of departmental equipment of a lasting character hereby authorized and hereinafter more specifically described:

(a) Laconia Municipal Airport \$10,000

For permanent improvements (made in connection with state and federal grants of assistance) consisting of construction and paving of access road, automobile parking area, plane parking apron, taxiways and warm-up pads, permanent fencing, grading and turf building area, and acquisition of additional land for airport purposes.

(b) Purchase of departmental equipment for City Clerk's office—Safe 975.00

(c) Weirs Beach Improvement—dredge and fill, connect public beach areas 5,250.00

(d) Public Works—the construction of street and drainage improvement, viz.,
1. Holman Street extension, surface road 1,200.00
2. Jefferson Street, drain 2,575.00

(e) School District Board Track 2,000.00

\$22,000.00

2-a. For the purpose of meeting the appropriations contained in the preceding resolution, there be and hereby is authorized the issuance and sale of serial notes of the City of Laconia aggregating \$22,000 in principal amount, which shall bear interest at such rate (not to exceed 2½% per annum payable semiannually) as shall be determined by the City Treasurer, with the approval of the Committee on Finance. Said notes shall be dated December 1, 1953, shall be signed by the Mayor, shall be countersigned by the Treasurer and City Clerk and shall bear the city seal. \$5,500 of said notes shall mature on the first day of December in each of the years 1954 to 1957, inclusive.

2-b. That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to advertise said notes for sale at public sale, in such manner as he shall determine, and to award them, with the approval of the

Committee on Finance, to the successful bidder, provided, however, that said notes shall not be sold for less than par and accrued interest to date of delivery.

2-c. That the proceeds derived from the sale of said notes be and they hereby are appropriated for the purposes set forth in the preceding resolution as specified therein, provided, however, that any premium arising upon such sale, less the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing the notes, shall be applied to the payment of the principal of and interest on the first of said notes to mature.

2-d. All of the departmental equipment, the purchase of which has hereinbefore been authorized, is hereby determined to have a useful life in excess of five years, in the opinion of the City Council.

Passed and approved this 30th day of November, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE
A RESOLUTION RAISING MONEY
BY TAXATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1954.

*Resolved by the City Council of the
City of Laconia, as follows:*

That there shall be raised and there is ordered to be raised on the polls and estate liable to be taxed within said City the sum of one million, two hundred sixty thousand, sixty-seven dollars and thirteen cents (\$1,260,067.13) to defray the necessary expenses and charges of the City for the financial year ending June 30, 1954.

Passed and approved this 30th day of November, 1953.

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOUR
A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO
BOND ISSUE FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS OF A PERMANENT NATURE AND PURCHASE OF DEPARTMENTAL EQUIPMENT OF A LASTING CHARACTER.

*Resolved by the City Council of the
City of Laconia, as follows:*

1. That the sum of \$70,000 be and it hereby is appropriated for the construction of several public improvements of a permanent nature and purchase of departmental equipment of a lasting character hereby authorized and hereinafter more specifically described:

(1) Opechee Park and
Playground \$14,750

(a) Drain, fill and landscape newly acquired property (Rudzinski lot) and make available for use by public	3,144
(b) Fill and grade bathing beach area	2,175
(c) Construct and surface parking area	4,600
(d) Establish and improve picnic area, grade and landscape, construct fire places, etc.	3,250
(e) Rehabilitate, fill and landscape area south of track	1,581
(2) Public Works—the construction of various streets, drainage and sewer improvement projects, viz.,	
(a) Wyatt Park Area, surface drain	19,200
(b) Rowell Street improvement	4,800
(c) Winter Street, sewer extension	3,775
(d) Winter Street drain (Ext.)	3,498
(e) Union Ave. (from Messer St. north) drain	2,300
(f) Union Ave. (near Stark Ct.) curbing	3,850
(g) 1 Sidewalk Tractor	4,300
(h) 1 Load Packer	9,500
(i) Exchange:	4,027
Ford 1947 (Sedan)	
Chevrolet 1947 Truck	
International 1947 Truck	
	\$70,000

2-a. For the purpose of meeting the appropriations contained in the preceding resolution, there be and hereby is authorized the issuance and sale of serial coupon bonds of the City of Laconia aggregating \$70,000 in principal amount, which shall bear interest at such rate (not to exceed 2½% per annum payable semi-annually) as shall be determined by the City Treasurer, with the approval of the Committee on Finance. Said bonds shall be payable to bearer, shall be dated April 1, 1954, shall be signed by the Mayor, shall be countersigned by the Treasurer and City Clerk, shall bear the city seal and authenticating certificate, duly executed, of The Second National Bank of Boston, in Boston, Massachusetts, and shall be payable as to both principal and interest at said bank. The interest coupons attached shall bear the facsimile signature of the City Treasurer. Fourteen of said bonds shall

mature on the first day of April in each of the year 1955 to 1959 inclusive.

2-b. That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to advertise said bonds for sale at public sale, in such manner as he shall determine, and to award them, with the approval of the Committee on Finance, to the successful bidder, provided, however, that said bonds shall not be sold for less than par and accrued interest to date of delivery.

2-c. That the proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds be and they hereby are appropriated for the purposes set forth in the preceding resolution as specified therein, provided, however, that any premium arising upon such sale, less the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing the bonds, shall be applied to the payment of the principal of and interest on the first of said bonds to mature.

2-d. All of the departmental equipment, the purchase of which has hereinbefore been authorized, is hereby determined to have a useful life in excess of five years, in the opinion of the City Council.

Passed and approved this third day of March, 1954.

Gerard L. Morin,
Mayor

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-TWO.

A RESOLUTION MAKING ITEMIZED APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 27, 1952 AND TERMINATING JUNE 30, 1953.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

That the following itemized appropriations be made for the Fiscal Year commencing April 27, 1952 and terminating June 30, 1953.

General Fund:

1. Assessors' Office	
a. Auto Expense	\$ 200.00
b. Equipment	267.90
c. Register of Deeds	400.00
d. Salaries	13,434.00
e. Supplies & Printing	679.55
f. Telephone	170.00
g. Travel	50.00
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	15,201.45
2. Belknap County Tax	78,877.97
3. Maintenance City Hall	
a. Fuel	2,000.00
b. Labor, Materials, Repairs	3,000.00
c. Lakeport Clock	200.00
d. Lights & Power	800.00
e. Salary—Janitor	3,009.13
f. Supplies	700.00
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	78,718.55
4. City Officers' Expense	
a. City Report	1,800.00
b. Dog Officer	800.00
c. Flowers	60.00
d. Taxes—Gilford Sandbank	45.00
e. Telephone	480.00
f. Travel & Conventions	300.00
g. Supplies, Equip., etc.	4,500.00
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	7,985.00
5. Civilian Defense	1,200.00
5. Elections	
a. Labor, Materials, Trucking	250.00
b. Lights & Power	100.00
c. Meals—Ward Officers	800.00
d. Printing & Notices	1,000.00
e. Rent	150.00
f. Salaries—Ward Officers	3,174.00
g. Supplies	75.00
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	5,549.00
6. Fire Department	
a. Gasoline	693.75
b. Oil for Trucks & Compressors	50.00
c. Batteries for Trucks	100.00
d. Fire Alarm—Labor, Mat. & Maintenance	500.00
e. Forest Fires	50.00
f. Fuel, Oil & Coal	2,000.00
g. Gas	80.00
h. Water	120.00
i. Lights & Power	1,000.00
j. Insurance—Accident	303.40
k. Fire Inspection	175.00
l. Labor—Station Maint.	100.00
m. Materials—Station Maint.	300.00
n. Office Expense	50.00
o. Laundry	160.00
p. Telephone	1,034.00
q. Lunches, Travel & Conventions	100.00
r. Radio Maintenance	50.00
s. State of N. H. Retirement	2,159.36
t. Supplies	1,200.00
u. Uniform Allowance	750.00
v. Truck Repair & Maint.	600.00
w. N. H. Motor Vehicle Inspection	27.00
x. Snow Removal	150.00
y. Salaries	66,756.04
z. Longevity	210.00
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	78,718.55
7. Health Department	
a. Equipment & Supplies	200.00
b. Mileage	900.00
c. Milk & Cream	145.00

d. Miscellaneous	55.00	d. Veterans Foreign Wars	200.00
e. Printing & Postage	55.00		
f. Salaries	12,294.49		1,554.25
g. Supplies, City Nurse	55.00	14. Planning Board	
h. Telephone & Gas	195.00	a. Equipment	20.00
	13,899.49	b. Printing & Copy	200.00
8. Insurance		c. Salary—Clerical	75.00
a. Fire Insurance	2,762.15	d. Salary—Director	5,002.00
b. Public Liability & Property Damage	1,250.00	e. Supplies	150.00
c. Fire, Theft, Collision & \$50 Ded. on 2 police cars	557.14	f. Telephone, Postage & Contingencies	198.00
d. Floodlights	105.11	g. Travel	50.00
	4,674.40	h. Official Map Engineering	1,750.00
9. Miscellaneous			7,445.00
a. Lakes Region Association	900.00	15. Police Department	
b. Public Wharves	250.00	a. Auto Expense	2,820.00
c. Vital Statistics	275.00	b. City Lockup Supplies	190.00
d. State Grange	600.00	c. Labor & Materials	35.00
	2,025.00	d. Lunches, Travel & Conventions	200.00
10. Moth and Forestry		e. Medical Expense	35.00
a. White Pine Blister Rust Control	400.00	f. Miscellaneous & Contingencies	100.00
b. Tree Warden	800.00	g. Printing	180.00
c. Spraying Trees	1,000.00	h. Radio & Professional Services	180.00
	2,200.00	i. Sick Leave	1,978.88
11. Parks and Playgrounds		j. State Retirement	3,973.20
a. Band Concerts	360.00	k. Supplies	600.00
b. Fuel	1,800.00	l. Telephone, Postage & Express	2,333.50
c. Labor, Materials for Repairs	1,750.00	m. Uniform Allowance	1,350.00
d. Lights & Water	1,200.00	n. Water, Lights & Power	280.00
e. Moving Bleachers	300.00	o. Salaries	79,133.98
f. Moving Hockey Fence & Grading	100.00	p. Capital Outlays	923.75
g. Salaries, Park Attendants	2,950.00		94,313.31
h. Skating Rinks	1,400.00	16. Public Library & Gale Park	
i. Supplies	500.00	a. Operation and Maint.	4,015.50
j. Wages, Laborers	3,000.00	b. Salaries	21,282.72
k. Capital Outlays	3,815.01	c. Supplies	5,330.00
	17,175.01	d. Capital Outlays & Equipment	75.00
12. The Weirs Beach			24,089.77*
a. Equipment	500.00	17. Public Works Department	
b. Labor & Materials for Repairs	3,435.00	a. Highway & Bridge Maintenance	62,000.00
c. Lights & Power	425.00	b. Winter Maintenance	70,918.44
d. Salary—Janitor	990.00	c. Collection of Ashes, Waste, Dump Rentals	20,200.00
e. Salaries—Attendants & Collectors	3,450.00	d. City Engineering	13,500.00
f. Supplies	525.00	e. Cleaning Streets	16,300.00
g. Telephone	75.00	f. Surface Drain Maint.	7,300.00
	9,400.00	g. Sidewalk Maint.	3,300.00
13. Patriotic Purposes		h. City's Share T.R.A.	921.56
a. 4th of July	600.00	i. City's Share Class 4 Roads	5,560.00
b. Memorial Day	504.25		200,000.00
c. Spanish War Veterans	250.00	18. Salaries	
		a. Mayor	1,400.00
		b. Councilmen	1,800.00

c. City Clerk	4,550.79
d. Fiscal Officer	2,989.00
e. Clerical Assistance	8,723.00
f. City Auditor	1,625.00
g. City Treasurer	1,800.00
h. City Physician	1,037.50
i. City Solicitor	1,675.00
j. Sealer of Weights & Measures	1,050.00
k. Board of Public Works	300.00
l. Trustees of Trust Funds, Sec.-Treas.	625.00
m. State Retirement System	12,000.00
n. Longevity	720.00
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	40,295.29
19. Schools	477,817.00
20. State Educational Tax	3,654.00
21. Street Lighting	28,500.00
22. Tax Collector's Office	
a. Bond Expense	250.00
b. Miscellaneous	100.00
c. Salaries	9,980.07
d. Supplies	235.00
e. Telephone	175.00
f. Postage & Envelopes	750.00
g. Advertising	50.00
h. Travel	100.00
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	11,640.07
23. Welfare Department	
a. City Relief	63,500.00
b. Old Age Assistance	49,500.00
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	113,000.00
24. Interest Debt	26,868.50
25. Bonded Debt	
a. Public Improvement Bonds - 1946	6,000.00
b. Public Improvement Bonds - 1947	10,000.00
c. Public Improvement Bonds - 1948	15,000.00
d. Practical Arts High School Bonds	3,750.00
e. Serial Notes 1949—Fire Truck	3,600.00
f. The Weirs Beach Bonds	5,000.00
g. City of Laconia Sewer Bonds	30,000.00
h. Bond Issue—1952	8,000.00
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	81,350.00
26. Hydrant Service	5,200.00
27. Laconia Hospital	16,000.00
28. Zoning Board of Adjustment	
a. Advertising	200.00
b. Printing & Postage	100.00
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	300.00
29. Municipal Court	
a. City Physician—Examinations	275.00

b. Equipment	125.00
c. Supplies	50.00
d. Salaries	3,625.00
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	4,075.00
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TOTAL	\$1,383,217.19

PARKING METER FUND

Estimated Revenue:	
Estimated Receipts	\$31,000.00
From Parking Meter Surplus Account	2,925.00
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Total Estimated Revenue	33,925.00
Estimated Expenditures:	
Collection, Maintenance & Supervision	1,000.00
Equipment	150.00
Labor & Materials for Repairs	3,000.00
Lights & Power	950.00
Rent of Parking Lots:	
Agnew Rent	75.00
Ballou Rent	500.00
Baldi Rent	500.00
Sorting Coins	400.00
Supplies	250.00
Traffic	1,000.00
Capital Outlays:	
Traffic Lights	13,100.00
Parking Lot, City Hall—Labor	13,000.00
Total Estimated Expenditures	\$33,925.00
SANITARY SEWERAGE FUND	
Estimated Revenue	\$35,000.00
Estimated Expenditures:	
Abatementes	1,000.00
Clerical Assistance	1,000.00
Plant Operation	19,000.00
Printing, Envelopes & Supplies	500.00
Reserve for Contingencies & Depreciation	3,500.00
Sewer Maintenance	10,000.00
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Total Estimated Expenditures	\$35,000.00

Passed and approved August 18, 1952.
 Robinson W. Smith,
 Mayor

Omitted from last year's report.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE.

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE LACONIA AIRPORT AUTHORITY, AS CO-SPONSORS, AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION, UNDER FEDERAL AID AIRPORT PROJECT No. 9-27-014-303, PROVIDING FOR FEDERAL AID IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF AND THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE LACONIA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the City of Laconia, New Hampshire, as Co-Sponsor with the Laconia Airport Authority, shall enter into a Grant Agreement with the United States for the purpose of obtaining Federal aid in the development of the Laconia Municipal Airport, by executing the Acceptance of a Grant Offer, and that such Grant Offer and Acceptance, which comprise the Grant Agreement, shall be as set forth hereinbelow.

SECTION 2. That Gerard L. Morin, Mayor of said City of Laconia is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Grant Agreement on behalf of the City of Laconia, and that Charles E. Lord, City Clerk of said City of Laconia, is hereby authorized and directed to impress the official seal of said City and to attest said execution.

SECTION 3. That the Grant Agreement referred to hereinabove shall be as follows:

GRANT AGREEMENT

Part 1 - Offer

Contract No. Clea-11409
Date of Offer June 25, 1953
Laconia Municipal Airport
Project No. 9-27-014-303

TO: City of Laconia, New Hampshire and the Laconia Airport Authority (herein referred to as the "Sponsor")

FROM: The United States of America (acting through the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, (herein referred to as the "Administrator")

WHEREAS, the Sponsor has submitted to the Administrator a Project Application dated June 3, 1953 for a grant of Federal funds for a project for development of the Laconia Municipal Airport (herein called the "Airport"), together with plans and specifications for such project, which Project Application, as approved by the Administrator, is hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator has approved a project for development of the Airport (herein called the "Project")

consisting of the following described airport development:

Construct and pave access road, automobile parking area, plane parking apron, taxiways and warm-up pads; fencing; runway marking; grade and turf building area; land acquisition consisting of fee simple title or easements in Parcels 5, 6 and 7 (the airport development to be accomplished, herein described, is in addition to that contemplated under the Grant Agreements between the Sponsor and the United States for Projects Nos. 9-27-014-801 and 9-27-014-102), all as more particularly described in the property map and plans and specifications incorporated in the said Project Application;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to and for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of the Federal Airport Act (60 Stat. 170; Pub. Law 377, 79th Congress), and in consideration of (a) the Sponsor's adoption and ratification of the representations and assurances contained in said Project Application, and its acceptance of this Offer, as hereinafter provided, and (b) the benefits to accrue to the United States and the public from the accomplishment of the Project and the operation and maintenance of the Airport, as herein provided,

THE ADMINISTRATOR, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES, HEREBY OFFERS AND AGREES to pay, as the United States' share of costs incurred in accomplishing the project, 50 per centum of all allowable project costs, subject to the following terms and conditions;

1. The maximum obligation of the United States payable under this Offer shall be \$23,150.00
2. The Sponsor shall
 - (a) begin accomplishment of the Project within a reasonable time after acceptance of this Offer, and
 - (b) carry out and complete the Project in accordance with the terms of this Offer, and the Federal Airport Act and the Regulations promulgated thereunder by the the Administrator in effect on the date of this Offer, which Act and Regulations are incorporated herein and made a part hereof, and
 - (c) carry out and complete the Project in accordance with the plans and specifications and property map incorporated herein as they may be revised or modified with

the approval of the Administrator or his duly authorized representatives.

3. The Sponsor shall operate and maintain the Airport as provided in the Project Application incorporated herein.
4. The Administrator having determined that no space in airport buildings will be required by civil agencies of the United States for the purposes set forth in paragraph 9 of Part III of the Project Application, the provisions of the said paragraph shall be deemed of no force or effect.
5. Any misrepresentation or omission of a material fact by the Sponsor concerning the Project or the Sponsor's authority or ability to carry out the obligations assumed by the Sponsor in accepting this Offer shall terminate the obligation of the United States and it is understood and agreed by the Sponsor in accepting this Offer that if a material fact has been misrepresented or omitted by the Sponsor, the Administrator on behalf of the United States may recover all grant payments made.
6. The Administrator reserves the right to amend or withdraw this Offer at any time prior to its acceptance by the Sponsor.
7. This Offer shall expire and the United States shall not be obligated to pay any of the allowable costs of the Project unless this Offer has been accepted by the Sponsor.
8. The Administrator in tendering this Offer on behalf of the United States recognizes the existence of an agency relationship between the City of Laconia, New Hampshire, as principal, and the New Hampshire Director of Aeronautics as agent, created by an Agreement of Agency dated February 12, 1953, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and the Sponsor agrees that it will not amend, modify, or terminate said Agreement without prior approval, in writing, of the Administrator or his duly authorized representative.
9. It is understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto that the Sponsor will not commence, nor permit the commencement of any construction, on the lands designated as Parcels 5, 6 and 7 on Exhibit "A" at-

tached to the Project Application, and the United States shall not make, nor be obligated to make, any payment for its share of the costs of acquiring the said parcels of land, or for the accomplishment of any development on said parcels of land, until the Sponsor has submitted evidence satisfactory to the Administrator that it has acquired a fee simple title free and clear of all liens and encumbrances in said parcels 5, 6 and 7 or such other property interests in said parcels 5, 6 and 7 as may be found satisfactory to the Administrator.

10. It is also understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto that the Sponsor will submit final plans and specifications covering the development to be accomplished under this project on or before August 1, 1953 and that the Sponsor will not advertise for bids, award any contract nor commence any construction work under this project until such final plans and specifications are submitted to and approved by the Administrator or his duly appointed designee, and the United States shall not make, nor be obligated to make, any payment under this Grant Agreement unless and until the terms of this provision have been complied with by the Sponsor to the satisfaction of the Administrator or his duly appointed designee.

The Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer and ratification and adoption of the Project Application incorporated herein shall be evidenced by execution of this instrument by the Sponsor, as hereinafter provided, and said Offer and acceptance shall comprise a Grant Agreement, as provided by the Federal Airport Act, constituting the obligations and rights of the United States and the Sponsor with respect to the accomplishment of the Project and the operation and maintenance of the Airport. Such Grant Agreement shall become effective upon the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer and shall remain in full force and effect throughout the useful life of the facilities developed under the Project but in any event not to exceed twenty years from the date of said acceptance.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
THE ADMINISTRATOR OF CIVIL AERONAUTICS

By /s/ Herbert DePue
Acting Regional Administrator,
Region One

Part II - Acceptance

The City of Laconia does hereby ratify and adopt all statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in the Project Application and incorporated materials referred to in the foregoing Offer and does hereby accept said Offer and by such acceptance agrees to all of the terms and conditions thereof.

Executed this 29th day of June, 1953.

CITY OF LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE

By /s/ Gerard L. Morin

Title: Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: Chas. E. Lord

Title: City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF SPONSOR'S ATTORNEY

I, Thomas J. McIntyre, acting as Attorney for Laconia, New Hampshire, do hereby certify:

That I have examined the foregoing Grant Agreement and the proceedings taken by said Sponsor relating thereto, and find that the Acceptance thereof by said Sponsor has been duly authorized and that the execution thereof is in all respects due and proper and in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire and further that, in my opinion, said Grant Agreement constitutes a legal and binding obligation of the Sponsor in accordance with the terms thereof.

Dated at Laconia, New Hampshire, this 29th day of June, 1953.

T. J. McIntyre

Title: City Solicitor

Passed and approved this 29th day of June, 1953.

/s/ Gerard L. Morin, Mayor

Omitted from last year's report

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-TWO.

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE, AND LACONIA AIRPORT AUTHORITY, CO-SPONSORS, AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION, PROVIDING FOR FEDERAL AID IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF, AND THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE LACONIA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the City of Laconia, as co-sponsor with the Laconia Airport Authority, shall enter into an Amendment to the Grant Agreement for the purpose of obtaining Federal aid in the development of the Laconia Municipal Airport and that such Amendment shall be as set forth herein.

SECTION 2. That R. W. Smith, Mayor of the City of Laconia, is hereby authorized to execute said Amendment in seven counter parts on behalf of the City of Laconia, and Chas. E. Lord, the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to impress the official seal of the City of Laconia, New Hampshire, and to attest said execution.

SECTION 3. That the Grant Amendment referred to hereabove shall be as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 1 to GRANT AGREEMENT

Project No. 9-27-014-102

(Contract No. Clca-10554)

Date of Amendment: November 19, 1952

Laconia Municipal Airport

Laconia, New Hampshire

WHEREAS, The Administrator of Civil Aeronautics (hereinafter called the "Administrator"), has determined that in the interest of the United States, the Grant Agreement relating to the above numbered project, between the Administrator, acting for and on behalf of the United States, and the City of Laconia, New Hampshire and the Laconia Airport Authority (hereinafter called the "Sponsor"), accepted by the Sponsor on June 28, 1952, should be amended as hereinafter provided:

NOW, THEREFORE, WITNESSETH:

That in consideration of the benefits to accrue to the parties hereto, the Administrator, acting for and on behalf of the United States, on the one part and the Sponsor on the other part, do hereby mutually agree that said Grant Agreement be and the same hereby is amended as follows:

1. By deleting the project description as set forth in the second "WHEREAS" clause on page 1 of the Grant Agreement and substituting the following description in its place and stead:-
"land acquisition; install hazard beacons and resurface E/W runway (the airport development to be accomplished, herein described, is in addition to that contemplated under the Grant Agreement between the Sponsor and

the United States for Project No. 9-27-014-801)"

- 2. By deleting condition numbered 1 appearing on page 2 of the Grant Agreement, which fixes the maximum obligation of the United States at \$7,250 and substituting the following condition in its place and stead:-
 "1. The maximum obligation of the United States payable under this Offer shall be \$7,815."

- 3. By inserting on page 3 of the Grant Agreement a condition to be numbered 12 reading as follows:-

"12. It is further understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto that the United States' share of land acquisition costs will be limited to the cost of acquiring rights of way in parcels 2, 3 and 4 as shown on the property sketch Exhibit "A" revised January 22, 1952, and incorporated in the Grant Agreement."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to said Grant Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 ADMINISTRATOR OF CIVIL AERONAUTICS

By /s/ Ora W. Young
 Regional Administrator, Region One
 CITY OF LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE

By /s/ Robinson W. Smith
 Title: Mayor

(SEAL)
 Attest: Chas. E. Lord
 Title: City Clerk

(SEAL)
 Attest: Floyd B. Miller
 Title: Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF SPONSOR'S
 ATTORNEY

I, Thomas P. Cheney, acting as Attorney for the City of Laconia, New Hampshire, and the Laconia Airport Authority, (hereinafter called the "Sponsor"), do hereby certify:

That I have examined the foregoing Amendment to Grant Agreement and the proceedings taken by the Sponsor relating thereto and find that the execution thereof by the Sponsor is in all respects due and proper and in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire, and further that in my opinion said Amendment to Grant Agreement constitutes a legal and binding obligation of the Sponsor in accordance with the terms thereof.

Dated at Laconia this tenth day of December, 1952.

Thomas P. Cheney
 Title: Solicitor

Passed and approved this 8th day of December, 1952.

/s/ Robinson W. Smith, Mayor
Omitted from last year's report

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