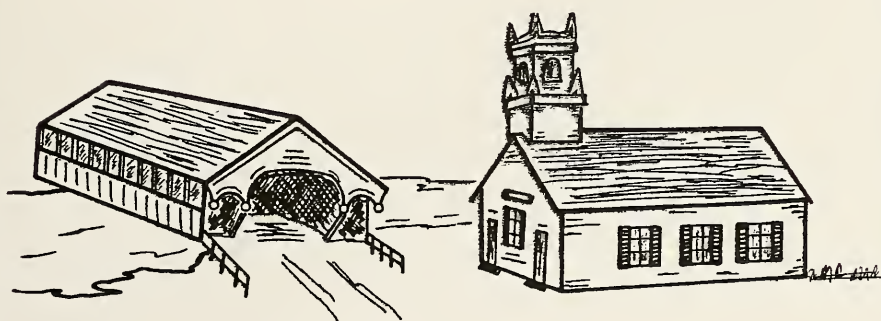


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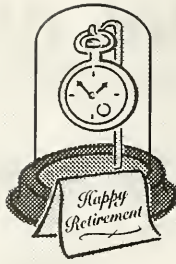
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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**TOWN OFFICERS**  
**OF**  
**STARK, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**For The Year Ending**  
**December 31, 2007**



Cover Sketch: Madeleine Croteau



**EVERETT R. FRIZZELL, SELECTMAN  
1986-2007**

**EACH DAY OF RETIREMENT IS A NEW PAGE  
IN YOUR BOOK OF LIFE.**

**IT WILL COME TO YOU FRESH EACH MORNING**

**WAITING FOR YOU TO FILL IT**

**WITH LEISURE AND LAUGHTER**

**WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS,**

**WITH ALL THE THINGS YOU WANT TO DO.**

**AS YOU FILL THE PAGES**

**MAY YOU SMILE WITH THE HAPPINESS**

**THAT EACH DAY WILL BRING YOUR WAY.**

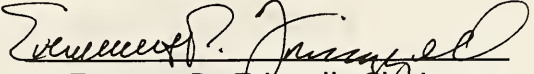
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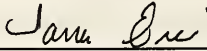
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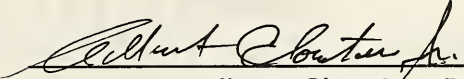
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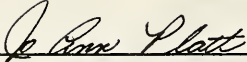
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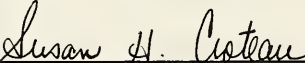
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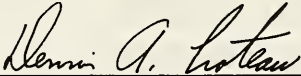
  
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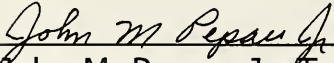
  
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Albert Cloutier, Jr.

  
JoAnn Platt, Tax Collector

  
Susan H. Croteau, Town Clerk

  
Dennis A. Croteau, Treasurer

  
John M. Pepau, Jr. Trustee

# **STARK TOWN GOVERNMENT**

1189 Stark Highway, Stark NH 03582

Phone: 636-2118 Fax: 636-6199

Email: [starktownof@nhecwb.com](mailto:starktownof@nhecwb.com)

## **SELECTMEN'S OFFICE:**

Everett R. Frizzell, Chairman (2008)

James Eich (2009)

Albert Cloutier, Jr. (2010)

Susan H. Croteau, Office Manager

## **TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE:**

Susan H. Croteau, Town Clerk/Municipal Agent (2009)

Romy J. Curtis, Deputy Town Clerk/Municipal Agent

## **TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE:**

JoAnn Platt, Tax Collector (Appointed)

Patricia Cross, Deputy Tax Collector

## **TREASURER'S OFFICE:**

Dennis A. Croteau, Treasurer (2008)

Nancy K. Spaulding, Deputy Treasurer

## **ROAD AGENT:**

Maurice Hibbard (2008)

## **CONSTABLE & TOWN MODERATOR:**

William L. Joyce (2008)



**TRANSFER STATION:**

George S. Bennett (Appointed)

**SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST:**

Nancy K. Spaulding (2009)

Judith Wentworth, Chairperson (2010)

Deborah K.N. Joyce (2011)

**SEXTON:**

Dennis A. Croteau (2008)

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR:**

Franklin Platt (Appointed)

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Barry Wentworth, Fire Chief

Ronald Lunn, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief

Travis Wentworth, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief

**HEALTH OFFICER:**

JoAnn Platt (Appointed)

**TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS:**

John M. Pepau, Jr. (2009)

Vacant (2008)

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES:**

Nancy K. Spaulding (2008)

Vacant (2008)

**CEMETERY TRUSTEES:**

Vacant (2008)

Vacant (2009)

## **HOURS OF OPERATION**

### **Selectmen's Office:**

Monday & Tuesday:	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Wednesday:	8:00 am – 12:00 pm
Thursday	9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am - 12:00 pm

### **Town Clerk's Office:**

Tuesday & Thursday:	10:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.
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### **Tax Collector's Office:**

Wednesday:	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
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### **Selectmen's Meeting:**

Wednesday:	6:00 p.m.
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### **Planning Board:**

Fourth Wednesday of Month:	7:00 p.m.
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### **Transfer Station:**

Wednesday:	12:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Saturday:	9:30 am – 4:30 p.m.



**TOWN OF STARK, NH**  
**Town Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, March 13, 2007**

Moderator William Joyce declared the meeting open at 9:00 a.m.

Rules and regulations of the meeting were explained by William.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all citizens present. William asked all present for a moment of silence for all recently deceased residents of town and for all service men and women in harms way.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the entire Warrant was made by James Eich. Second: James Gibson, Sr.

**ARTICLE # 1:** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. (To be voted on by ballot while the polls are open.)

**ARTICLE # 2:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 148,500 for General Government. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move made by James Eich. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr.

**ARTICLE # 2 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 28,625 for Public Safety. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article made by Everett R. Frizzell. Second: James Eich

**ARTICLE # 3 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 164,750 for Highways & Streets (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article made by Albert Cloutier, Jr. Second: James Eich

**ARTICLE # 4 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 70,900 for Sanitation. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article made by Albert Cloutier, Jr. Second: James Eich.

**ARTICLE # 5 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,493 for Health. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article made by Everett R. Frizzell. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr.

**ARTICLE # 6 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,000 for Direct Assistance. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article made by James Eich. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr.

Reta Gibson spoke about the Service Link program that is available to persons needing various types of assistance. Reta encouraged anyone wanting more information to contact Mary Fluery at the Mill Brook Inn.

**ARTICLE # 7 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,500 for Culture & Recreation: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article made by Everett R. Frizzell. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr.

**ARTICLE # 8 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 36,207 for Debt Services. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article made by Albert Cloutier, Jr. Second: James Eich

**ARTICLE # 9 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 21,200 for Interfund Operating Transfers Out. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article made by James Eich. Second: Everett R. Frizzell

**ARTICLE # 10 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 11:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 154:24, Outside Service by Local Fire Department: Any city, town or fire district may authorize their respective fire department to go to the aid of another city, village or fire district within or without the state, for the purpose of extinguishing a fire, rendering other emergency assistance or performing any detail as requested. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

Motion to move article made by Everett R. Frizzell. Second: Albert Cloutier, Jr.

**ARTICLE # 11 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 12:** To see if the Town will vote to give a 5% discount on property taxes if paid within 14 days after tax bills have been presented. (Not recommended by the Selectmen).

Motion to move article made by John Pepau, Sr. Second: James Gibson, Sr.

Everett R. Frizzell explained the reasons for not recommending this article are basically because money is being lost by offering the discount and "it has to be made up elsewhere." Everett also stated that "overlay must be used every year to offset taxes and this is a good incentive but certainly not a gift".

John Pepau, Sr. was recognized for making this motion for the past 25 Town Meetings, and John stated that this is a "good thing"

**ARTICLE # 12 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 13:** To transact any and all other business that may lawfully come before this meeting.

William Joyce commented on the short time of the Town Meeting and complimented the Town Government for jobs well done running the Town Government. Bill said, "With such low turnout for the meeting and no controversies with articles, it would make one believe that people in Stark are very pleased with their local elected officials".

The following announcement was read from Bill Remick from the NH House of Representatives:

A meeting of the NH House of Representatives Finance Committee will be held on Thursday, March 15, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. at the White Mountain Regional High School. The purpose of the meeting will be to review and discuss the proposed State Budget.



Motion to adjourn meeting made by James Eich. Second:  
Albert Cloutier, Jr.  
Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.  
Absentee Ballots were placed in the ballot box at 4:55 p.m.  
Polls were declared closed at 7:00 p.m.  
Ballots were counted and tabulated with the following  
results.

**TOWN RESULTS**

Selectperson (3 years)	Albert Cloutier, Jr.
Constable (1 year)	William L. Joyce
Trustee of Trust Funds (1 year)	John Pepau, Jr.
Trustee of Trust Funds (2 years)	John Pepau, Jr.
Town Moderator (1 year)	William Joyce
Cemetery Trustee (1year)	Dennis Croteau
Road Agent (1 year)	Maurice Hibbard
Sexton (1 year)	Dennis Croteau
Planning Board Member (1 year)	Lawrence Buckland
Planning Board Member (2 years)	William J. Cowie
Planning Board Member (3 years)	James Gibson, Sr.

**SCHOOL RESULTS**

School Board Member (3 years)	Thomas Bushey
School Board Member (1 year)	William J. Cowie
School Moderator (1 year)	William L. Joyce
School Clerk (1 year)	Susan H. Croteau
School Treasurer (1 year)	Susan H. Croteau

A TRUE COPY ATTEST  
*Susan H. Croteau*  
Susan H. Croteau  
Town Clerk/Municipal Agent

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and fiduciary fund information of Town of Stark as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively compose the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Town of Stark's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and fiduciary fund information of the Town of Stark as of December 31, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof, and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Crane & Bell, PLLC

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

Year Ending December 31, 2007

DEPARTMENT	BUDGETED	AMT. SPENT	VARIANCE
4130-Executive	34,600	34,716.65	-116.65
4140-Election & Registration	14,900	14,046.57	853.43
4150-Financial Administration	17,700	16,490.40	1,209.60
4152-Revaluation	19,800	14,991.40	4,808.60
4153-Legal	2,000	237.00	1,763.00
4155-Personnel Administration	14,000	13,547.83	452.17
4191-Planning & Zoning	500	227.58	272.42
4194-General Government Buildings	10,000	6,714.36	3,285.64
4195-Cemeteries	5,500	5,425.33	74.67
4196 Insurance	27,500	25,796.81	1,703.19
4197-Advertising & Regional Assoc.	2,000	1,362.19	637.81
4210-Police	8,250	6,725.76	1,524.24
4215-Ambulance	5,700	5,676.00	24.00
4220-Fire Department	13,600	14,697.17	-1,097.17
4290-Emergency Management	500	419.08	80.92
4299-Other Safety	575	328.13	246.87
4312-Highways	164,750	163,314.46	1,435.54
4324-Solid Waste	42,900	41,085.88	1,814.12
4325-Solid Waste Clean-Up	28,000	25,367.81	2,632.19
4415-Health Agencies	2,868	2,868.00	0.00
4419-Other Health	2,625	2,675.00	-50.00
4442-Welfare	3,000	2,411.91	588.09
4550-Library	500	500.00	0.00
4583-Patriotic	2,000	1,602.18	397.82
4711-Principal-Long Term Bonds	25,000	25,000.00	0.00
4721-Interest-Long Term Bonds	6,707	6,701.26	5.74
4723-Interest on T.A.N.	4,500	0.00	4,500.00
4915-Capital Reserves	20,200	20,200.00	0.00
4916-Transfers to Trust	1,000	1,000.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$481,175</b>	<b>\$454,128.76</b>	<b>\$27,046.24</b>





# **SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION MS-1 FORM**

## **VALUE OF LAND**

Current Use-11,090.41 acres	895,317
Residential-1,221.936 acres	18,408,500
Commercial/Industrial-240.510 acres	<u>1,081,300</u>
	<b>\$20,385,117</b>

## **VALUE OF BUILDINGS**

Residential	27,343,500
Manufactured Housing	1,449,500
Commercial/Industrial	<u>1,010,500</u>
	<b>\$29,803,500</b>

## **UTILITIES**

Portland Natural Gas	13,139,500
Public Service Co of NH	<u>1,214,400</u>
	<b>\$14,353,900</b>

<b>TOTAL VALUATION</b>	<b>\$64,542,517</b>
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Blind Exemptions (3)	-45,000
Elderly Exemptions (6)	-110,000
	<b>\$155,000</b>

<b>NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES</b>	<b>\$50,033,617</b>
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# **STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION AND TAXES ASSESSED**

Fiscal Year 2007

Appropriations:

## **GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Executive	34,600
Election, Registration, Vitals	14,900
Financial Administration	17,700
Revaluation of Property	19,800
Legal Expense	2,000
Personnel Administration	14,000
Planning & Zoning	500
General Government Buildings	10,000
Cemeteries	5,500
Insurance	27,500
Regional Associations	2,000

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Police	8,250
Ambulance	5,700
Fire Department	13,600
Emergency Management	500
Other Health & Safety	6,068

## **HIGHWAYS & STREETS**

164,750

## **SANITATION**

Solid Waste Disposal	42,900
Solid Waste Clean-Up	28,000

**WELFARE**

Direct Assistance	3,000
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**CULTURE & RECREATION**

Library	500
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Patriotic	2,000
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**DEBT SERVICE**

Principal-Bonds & Notes	25,000
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Interest-Bonds & Notes	11,207
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**OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT**

Backhoe	3,000
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Bridge	10,000
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Compactor	1,000
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Dump Closure	100
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Fire Department Building	100
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Fire Department Equipment	1,000
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Town Truck	5,000
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**TRANSFERS TO TRUST**

Discount	1,000
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**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS****\$481,175**

Sources of Revenue:

**TAXES**

Land Use Change Tax	16,000
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Payment in Lieu of Taxes	27,033
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Yield Taxes	27,000
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Interest & Penalties on Taxes	20,000
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Excavation Tax	3,500
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**LICENSES,PERMITS & FEES**

Business Licenses & Permits	300
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	60,000
Other Permits, Licenses & Fees	1,500

**STATE SOURCES**

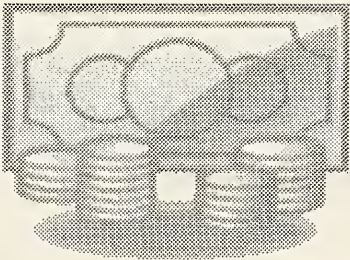
Shared Revenue	3,369
Rooms & Meals	22,075
Highway Block Grant	36,888
Railroad Tax & Grants	12,000

**INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS**

Miscellaneous Revenue	4,200
Transfer Station, Police, Selectmen	

**INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS** 2,500

**TOTAL REVENUES ESTIMATED** **\$236,365**



## **TAX RATE COMPUTATION 2007**

### **TAX RATE COMPUTATION**

Total Town Appropriations	481,175
Less: Revenues	236,365
Less: Shared Revenues	1,340
Add: Overlay	44,753
War Service Credits	10,150
Net Town Appropriation	298,373
Net Local School Tax Assessment	343,696
State Education Tax Assessment	112,873
Net County Tax Assessment	210,945
Total Town, School, & County	965,887
Less: War Service Credits	10,150
Property Taxes to be Raised	955,737
 Net Assessed Valuation	 64,385,517
Assessed Valuation-no utilities	<b>\$50,033,617</b>

### **TAX RATE BREAKDOWN**

<b>Town Rate</b>	<b>\$4.64</b>
<b>Local School</b>	<b>\$5.34</b>
<b>State School</b>	<b>\$2.26</b>
<b>County:</b>	<b>\$3.28</b>
 <b>Tax Rate Established for 2007</b>	 <b>\$15.52</b>

## **SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY**

<b><u>BUILDING</u></b>	<b><u>VALUE</u></b>
Control Shed	19,200
Contents	47,000
Heritage Center	367,033
Contents	10,000
Public Library	25,746
Contents	23,738
Pump House	26,236
Contents	29,500
Town Garage	296,624
Contents	59,592
Equipment	221,659
Town Hall	476,632
Contents	72,269
Transfer Station	68,806
Equipment	47,000
Fire Department	530,850
Contents	175,000
Equipment	480,156
Covered Bridge	485,000
Police Equipment	3,805
Park Statue	3,100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,468,946</b>

## **BALANCE SHEET**

Year Ending December 31, 2007

### **CASH:**

Northway Bank	379,549.39
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	106,227.63
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$485,777.02</b>

### **CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:**

Bridge	50,991.61
Dump	2,091.51
Revaluation	438.26
Back Hoe	16,078.08
Compactor	12,755.38
Discount	11,689.12
Town Truck	25,276.54
Fire Department Building	3,528.08
Fire Department Equipment	1,095.88
Fire Department Expendable Trust	4,803.96
Fire Truck	99.50
Paris Road Crossing	1,109.00
Stark School/Handicapped	109,634.07
Stark School/Maintenance	10,514.88
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$250,105.87</b>

### **LIBRARY:**

**\$2,239.17**

### **HERITAGE CENTER**

**\$22,560.32**



**ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:**

Property Tax 2007	49,066.86
Liens 2006	27,219.13
Liens 2005	15,046.46
Liens 2004	189.25
Liens 2003	193.67
Yield Tax	2,776.11
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$94,491.48</b>

**TOWN PROPERTY:** **\$3,468,946.00**

**TOTAL ASSETS:** **\$4,324,119.86**

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

School District	311,198.00
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**NET WORTH:** **3,985,875.62**

**SURPLUS:** **27,046.24**

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET WORTH** **\$4,324,119.86**

## **SUMMARY OF REVENUE & EXPENDITURES**

Fiscal Year 2007

### **REVENUES:**

Revenue From Tax Collector	1,042,139.99
Revenue From Town Clerk	85,556.42
State & Federal Government	110,837.97
Local Sources	40,811.70
Capital Reserves	4,788.29
<b>TOTAL REVENUES-2007</b>	<b>\$1,284,134.37</b>

### **EXPENDITURES:**

General Government	134,280.06
Public Safety	33,868.31
Highways & Streets	163,314.46
Solid Waste	77,345.69
Health Agencies	5,543.00
Welfare	2,411.91
Culture & Recreation	2,102.18
Debt Services	31,701.26
Transfers to Capital Reserves	20,200.00
Transfer To Trust	1,000.00
County Tax Payment	211,832.00
School Payments	645,762.00
Miscellaneous	38,762.29
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES-2007</b>	<b>\$1,368,123.16</b>

# DETAILED STATEMENT OF REVENUES

Fiscal Year 2007

## **Tax Collector:**

Property Tax	968,812.27
Land Use Change Tax	18,910.00
Yield Tax	40,134.37
Gravel Tax	3,104.09
Interest & Penalties	11,179.26
	<b>1,042,139.99</b>

## **Town Clerk:**

Filing Fees	22.00
Uniform Commercial Codes	240.00
Motor Vehicle Registrations	82,106.92
Municipal Agent Fees	\$2,069.50
Vital Records	60.00
Dog Licenses	1,058.00
	<b>\$85,556.42</b>

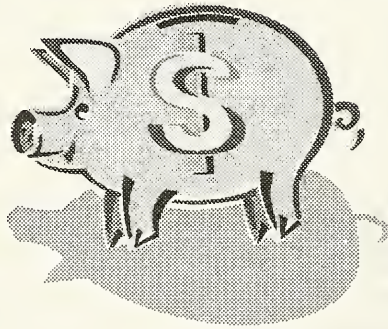
## **State & Federal Government:**

Shared Revenue Block Grants	5,596.00
Rooms & Meal Tax	22,074.75
Highway Block Grants	43,622.55
State & Federal Forest	34,753.63
Railroad Tax	4,791.04
	<b>\$110,837.97</b>

**LOCAL SOURCES:**

Income From Departments	466.40
Refuse	3,585.75
Sale of Municipal Property	580.00
Rent of Town Property	350.00
Interest on Investments	4,753.48
Fines & Forfeitures	405.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	30,671.07
Transfers From Capital Reserves	4,788.29
	<b>\$45,599.99</b>

**TOTAL REVENUES-2007** **\$1,284,134.37**



## DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Year Ending December 31, 2007

### **4130-Executive**

Albert Cloutier, Jr.	1,600.00
Expenses	272.00
Avast Anti Virus	39.95
Everett R. Frizzell	1,600.00
Expenses	620.21
Groveton Postmaster	1,275.00
James Eich	1,600.00
Expenses	3.76
Local Government Center	80.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment, Inc.	2,534.37
Matthew Bender & Co.	340.45
Michael M. Landry	487.50
NEBS	253.50
New Hampshire Municipal Association	563.19
NH Assoc. of Assessing Officials	20.00
NH Electrical Cooperative	299.80
NH Local Government Center Network	30.00
NH Local Welfare Administration Assoc.	30.00
NHGFOA	25.00
North Country Internet Access	151.50
Pitney Bowes	670.53
Poster Compliance Center	51.51
Quick Books	594.06
Real Data Corporation	20.00
Registry of Deeds	8.39
Romy Curtis	129.76
Staples	238.78
Sun World Printing	270.00
Susan Croteau	19,261.13
Expenses	148.80
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	16.00
Verizon	1,481.46
<b>TOTAL-EXECUTIVE</b>	<b>\$34,716.65</b>

#### **4140-Election, Registration,Vitals**

Albert Cloutier, Jr.	65.00
Bruce Oakes	65.00
Deborah K.N. Joyce	100.00
Department of Agriculture	335.00
Everett R. Frizzell	65.00
Identification Source	172.73
James Eich	65.00
John Pepau, Sr.	65.00
Judith R. Gibson	65.00
Judith Wentworth	135.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment, Inc.	56.99
Nancy K. Spaulding	135.00
New England Assoc. of City & Town Clerks	20.00
NH City & Town Clerk's Association	40.00
NH Electric Co-Operative	300.00
Primemedia Price Digests	269.95
Romy J. Curtis	3,216.90
Smith & Town Printers	2,222.80
State of NH-Department of Safety	11.00
Sun World Printing, LLC	40.00
Susan Croteau	6,146.04
Expenses	355.16
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	35.00
William Joyce	65.00
<b>TOTAL-ELECTION, REGISTRATION,VITALS</b>	<b>\$14,046.57</b>

#### **4150-Financial Administration**

Avast Anti Virus	39.95
Avitar Associates of NE, Inc.	160.15
Crane & Bell	5,900.00
Dennis A. Croteau	1,925.00
Expenses	244.72
Groveton Postmaster	273.76



Jo Ann N. Platt	6,382.42
Expenses	670.22
John M. Pepau, Jr.	150.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment, Inc.	31.16
NH Tax Collectors Association	80.00
Patricia A. Cross	101.76
Red Jacket Mountain View	422.00
Registry of Deeds	109.26
<b>TOTAL-FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$16,490.40</b>

#### **4152-Revaluation**

Avitar Associates of NE, Inc.	13,916.40
Cartographic Associates, Inc.	1,075.00
<b>TOTAL-REVALUATION</b>	<b>\$14,991.40</b>

#### **4153-Legal**

Michael M. Ransmeier	237.00
<b>TOTAL-REVALUATION</b>	<b>\$237.00</b>

#### **4155-Personnel**

WT/Medi	8,193.69
Retirement	5,153.86
Unemployment	200.28
<b>TOTAL-PERSONNEL</b>	<b>\$13,547.83</b>

#### **4191-Planning**

Matthew Bender	217.50
Susan Croteau	10.08
<b>TOTAL-PLANNING</b>	<b>\$227.58</b>

#### **4194-General Government Buildings**

Anthony Haney	156.73
Community Co-Op Oil	3,646.14
Dennis A. Croteau	116.90
Emerson & Son Inc.	5.00



Lancaster Hardware	52.98
Lyndonville Office Equipment, Inc.	238.30
Martha L. Eich	137.06
Portland Glass	306.27
Public Service Company of NH	1,448.70
Ron's Electric	250.95
Susan Croteau	203.50
Ultramar Energy Inc.	151.83
<b>TOTAL-GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING</b>	<b>\$6,714.36</b>

#### **4195-Cemeteries**

Dennis A. Croteau	898.56
Stone Cleaning**	723.94
Expenses	103.68
Dereck M. Croteau	813.28
F.B. Spaulding	1,037.40
Kelly-Mackenzie Auto Parts Inc.	43.26
Martha L. Eich	881.55
Perras Ace Inc.	135.10
Yesterdays Country Store, LLC	369.38
Zachary A. Colby	1,143.12
**=Capitla Reserve Withdrawal	(723.94)

**TOTAL-CEMETERIES** **\$5,425.33**

#### **4196-Insurance**

LGC-HealthTrust	11,990.16
LGC-Property Liability	10,817.78
LGC-Worker's Compensation	2,988.87
<b>TOTAL-INSURANCE</b>	<b>\$25,796.81</b>

#### **4197-Advertising & Regional Associations**

Great North Woods Journal	26.00
Jordan Associates	20.00
North Country Council	546.19

Northern Gateway Chamber of Commerce	260.00
Salmon Press, LLC	510.00
<b>TOTAL-ADVERTISING&amp; REGIONAL</b>	<b>\$1,362.19</b>

#### **4210-Police**

Bruce Oakes	68.15
Expenses	66.00
Ossipee Mountain Electronics, Inc.	400.83
Town of Lancaster-Police Department	300.00
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	73.00
William L. Joyce	5,202.00
Expenses	615.78
<b>TOTAL-POLICE</b>	<b>\$6,725.76</b>

#### **4215-Ambulance**

Groveton Ambulance Services	5,676.00
<b>TOTAL-AMBULANCE</b>	<b>\$5,676.00</b>

#### **4220-Fire Department**

Anthony Haney	49.00
Barry Wentworth	202.50
Burt's General Repair	20.00
Carlo Calle	16.00
Citgo	1,348.73
Clark Wentworth	144.00
Colin K. Wentworth	38.50
Community Co-Op Oil	3,873.07
Corrigan Trucking	600.00
Cross Machine, Inc. **	*> 1,260.12
Cross Machine, Inc.	380.98
David E. Pond	97.00
Dean A. Demers	90.00
Dennis A. Croteau	285.00

Emerson & Son, Inc.		405.26
Fire Tech & Safety		385.00
Frontline		598.00
George S. Lamphere		24.00
Glenn's Service Center		240.00
Grant Fountain		269.33
Grenier Heating Service		100.40
James R. Gibson, Sr.		100.50
James A. Hickey, Jr.		116.00
John M. Pepau, Jr.		114.00
Leon Costello Company		474.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment		477.91
Maurice Hibbard		52.50
McDevitt Trucks		144.80
New Hampshire Retirement System		102.00
NFIRS Online		150.00
NHDES Wetlands Bureau		200.00
Northern NH Fire Mutual Aid Pact		350.00
North Country Internet Access		148.35
Ossipee Mountain Electronics		184.49
Public Service Company of NH		1,409.94
Ronald A. Lunn		130.50
Ronald C. Boivin		74.01
Ron's Electric	**	2,264.35
Stephan Gilman		218.50
Stratham Tire	**	539.88
Stratham Tire		158.90
Travis L. Wentworth		148.50
Treasurer-State of New Hampshire *		1,111.71
Verizon		404.51
Yesterdays Country Store, LLC		370.99
		19,873.23
*= State of NH Grant		(1,111.71)
**=Capital Reserve Withdrawal		(4,064.35)
<b>TOTAL-FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>		<b>\$14,697.17</b>

**4290-Emergency Management**

Franklin Platt	419.08
<b>TOTAL-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>\$419.08</b>

**4299-Other Safety**

Lancaster Juvenile Diversion Program	275.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment, Inc.	53.13
<b>TOTAL-OTHER SAFETY</b>	<b>\$328.13</b>

**4312-Highways**

Atlantic Broom	5,267.18
B-B Chain	216.35
Barrett Trucking Company, Inc.	1,897.48
Berlin Insulation Co.	2,670.00
Bond Auto Parts, Inc.	1,658.41
Cloutier Sand & Gravel	76,692.79
Columbia Sand & Gravel Inc.	614.50
Ccmmunity Co-Op Oil	1,316.38
Coos Farm	1,575.00
D & S Auto	125.00
Donald Croteau	3.96
E.W. Sleeper	356.43
Emerson & Son Inc.	240.36
Ferguson Waterworks	3,355.60
Hyster New England	353.29
Irving Oil Corp.	5,391.86
Isaacson Steel, Inc.	151.15
James R. Gibson, Sr.	2,186.00
KC Rental Service	119.40
Kelley's Auto Supply, Inc.	39.90
LRG Healthcare	135.00
Lyndonville Office Equipment, Inc.	19.99
Mason Enterprises	756.00
Maurice Hibbard	38,566.30

McDevitt Trucks, Inc.	136.20
Merriam Graves Corporation	234.83
Noyes Heating LLC	2,161.75
Ossipee Mountain Electronics, Inc.	16.75
Pike Industries, Inc.	1,188.20
Public Service Company of NH	1,245.40
Solutions	4,232.05
Southworth-Milton, Inc.	45.14
Stratham Tire, Inc.	484.00
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	9,199.02
Verizon	491.02
Wayne Montgomery	150.00
Yesterdays Country Store, LLC	21.77
<b>TOTAL-HIGHWAYS</b>	<b>\$163,314.46</b>

#### **4324-Solid Waste**

A.V.R.R.D.D.	1,032.23
A.V.R.R.D.D.-Mt. Carberry Landfill	10,454.01
Bond Auto Parts, Inc.	43.20
Cloutier Sand & Gravel	51.80
Dennis Boivin	405.00
Dereck M. Croteau	20.82
Donald Croteau	108.92
Expenses	18.72
Emerson & Son, Inc.	506.75
George Bennett	11,195.98
Expenses	502.86
James R. Gibson, Sr.	1,934.50
KC Rental Services	100.00
KWB Power & Performance	1,260.50
Larry D. Nason	183.58
Leavitt & Boucher Equipment, LLC	330.48
Martin's Agway	35.96
Maurice Hibbard	2,170.01
Normandeau Trucking, Inc.	4,010.50

Normandeau Trucking, Inc. *	10,892.00
Northeast Resource Recovery Association	194.00
Perras Ace, Inc.	618.63
Public Service Company of NH	803.68
Robert Barron	1,034.40
Ron's Electric	433.60
Swallow & Sons Concrete	2,869.00
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	168.65
Verizon	598.10
	51,977.88
*=Encumbered from 2006 Budget	(10,892.00)
<b>TOTAL-SOLID WASTE</b>	<b>\$41,085.88</b>

#### **4325-Solid Waste Clean-Up**

Eastern Analytical, Inc.	1,008.00
Horizons Engineering, PLLC	956.25
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	23,403.56
<b>TOTAL-SOLID WASTE CLEAN UP</b>	<b>\$25,367.81</b>

#### **4415-Health Agencies**

Weeks Home Health	2,868.00
<b>TOTAL-HEALTH AGENCIES</b>	<b>\$2,868.00</b>

#### **4419-Other Health**

American Red Cross	225.00
Community Action Program, Inc.	800.00
G.H.S.-Chem Free	500.00
North Country Elder Program-CAP	450.00
Senior Fellowship	700.00
<b>TOTAL-OTHER HEALTH</b>	<b>\$2,675.00</b>

#### **4442-Welfare**

Community Co-Op Oil	200.00
Richard & Christina Turcotte	900.00



Town of Stark, Tax Collector	1,311.91
<b>TOTAL-WELFARE</b>	<b>\$2,411.91</b>

<b><u>4550-Library</u></b>	
Stark Public Library	500.00
<b>TOTAL-LIBRARY</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>

<b><u>4583-Patriotic</u></b>	
Cecile Eich	48.75
Dennis A. Croteau	47.52
Dereck M. Croteau	908.93
Donald Croteau	55.00
Green Earth Nursery	203.00
James R. Gibson, Sr.	90.00
Martin's Agway	136.17
North Country Flag	112.81
<b>TOTAL-PATRIOTIC</b>	<b>\$1,602.18</b>

<b><u>4711-Principal Long Term Bonds</u></b>	
Flagship Bank and Trust Company	25,000.00
<b>TOTAL-PRINCIPAL LONG TERM BONDS</b>	<b>\$25,000.00</b>

<b><u>4721-Interest Long Term Bonds</u></b>	
Flagship Bank and Trust Company	6,701.26
<b>TOTAL-INTEREST LONG TERM BONDS</b>	<b>\$6,701.26</b>

<b><u>4915-Capital Reserves</u></b>	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	20,200.00
<b>TOTAL-CAPITAL RESERVES</b>	<b>\$20,200.00</b>

<b><u>4916-Transfers To Trust</u></b>	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	1,000.00
<b>TOTAL-TRANSFERS TO TRUST</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>



**4931-County Tax**

Coos County Treasurer

211,832.00

**TOTAL-COUNTY TAX****\$211,832.00****4933-School Tax**

Treasurer, Stark School District

645,762.00

**TOTAL-SCHOOL TAX****\$645,762.00****4960-Miscellaneous**

Alice Hand-Overpayment-Overpayment	5.52
Barrett Trucking Co. Inc.	301.17
Charles & Kerry Desfosses-Overpayment	269.35
Daniel Fife-Abatement	1,095.72
Edward & Anne Cote-Overpayment	13.74
George Valliere-Overpayment	23.67
Gilman & Celia Bossie-Overpayment	56.10
Gina Bedell-Cemetery Lot Refund	60.00
Henry & Debra Judson-Overpayment	24.00
JoAnn Platt-Cash Box Change	100.00
John Higgins-Overpayment	59.24
Kerry Higgins-Overpayment	8.00
Maurice & Lori Hibbard-Overpayment	36.00
Michael A. Gleason-Overpayment	867.00
Michael Grandmainson-Bond Refund	434.83
Neal & Amy Newton-Hall Deposit Refund	150.00
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool-Kammerling	392.32
Northway Bank-NSF Charges & Fees	639.25
Robert & Barbara Fysh-Overpayment	57.01
Robert & Laura Dawes-Overpayment	28.27
Roger & Cindy Spurrell-Overpayment	9.49
Roger & Sherry Lehoullier-Overpayment	79.36
Roland Labonville-Overpayment	37.15
Scott & Crystal McLain-Overpayment	10.00
Scott & Darlene Pearl-Overpayment	7.76
Steve & Karin Kenney-Overpayment	200.00

Susan Croteau-Reimbursement	17.41
Town of Stark, Tax Collector-2007 Liens	33,771.11
William McGravey-Overpayment	8.82
<b>TOTAL-MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>\$38,762.29</b>

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES-2007</b>	<b>\$1,350,485.05</b>
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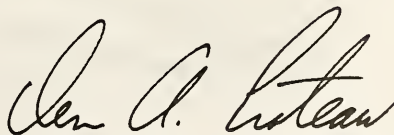
# **TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT**

## **GENERAL FUND**

Year Ending December 31, 2007

Beginning Balance	461,801.79
Receipts to Treasurer	<u>1,281,947.14</u>
	1,743,748.93
Less Payments	<u>1,388,740.86</u>
	355,008.07
Accrued Interest	<u>4,753.48</u>
	359,761.55
Other Debits	<u>21,682.92</u>
	381,444.47
Other Credits	<u>1,895.08</u>
<b>Ending Balance 12-31-07</b>	<b>\$379,549.39</b>

Balance on Statement 12-31-07	461,184.93
Less Outstanding Checks	<u>88,912.50</u>
	372,272.43
Deposits Outstanding	<u>7,276.96</u>
<b>Beginning Balance 01-01-08</b>	<b>\$379,549.39</b>



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Dennis A. Croteau, Treasurer

**STARK HERITAGE CENTER  
DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES**

Year Ending December 31, 2007

Abbott's Furniture	524.95
Community Co-Op Oil	3,305.87
Debra Thornblad	800.00
Dostie's Furniture	340.00
Everett R. Frizzell	1,926.86
Home Depot	29.99
Lyndonville Office Equipment	245.98
Madeleine Croteau	1,400.00
Martin's Agway	65.78
Public Service Co. of NH	283.70
Salmon Press	36.00
Verizon	308.97
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES-2007</b>	<b>\$9,268.10</b>



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Dennis A. Croteau, Treasurer

# STARK HERITAGE CENTER FINANCIAL REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 2007

Balance 1-1-07	15,756.61
Interest-Northway Bank	204.74
Interest-NH Charitable Foundation	<u>11,817.07</u>
	27,778.42
NH Charitable Grant	4,050.00
	<u>31,828.42</u>
Payments	9,268.10
Balance 12-31-07	<b>\$22,560.32</b>



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Dennis A. Croteau, Treasurer



**TREASURER'S YEARLY REPORT**  
**NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL**  
Year Ending December 31, 2007

**ACCOUNT: STARK**

Beginning Balance 1-1-07	100,924.81
Interest	\$5,137.26

**BALANCE 12-31-07** **\$106,062.07**

**ACCOUNT: BRIDGE BOND**

Beginning Balance 1-1-07	158.26
Interest	7.30

**BALANCE 12-31-07** **\$165.56**



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Dennis A. Croteau, Treasurer





# TOWN CLERK FINANCIAL REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 2007

## **BUSINESS LICENSES:**

Filing Fees	22.00
Uniform Commercial Codes	240.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$262.00</b>

## **AUTOMOBILE PERMITS ISSUED:**

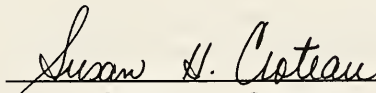
Permits	81,870.92
Municipal Agent Fees	2,069.50
Title Fees	236.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$84,176.42</b>

## **OTHER LICENSES:**

Dog Licenses & Penalties	1,058.00
Vital Records	60.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,118.00</b>

**REMITTED TO TREASURER-2007**

**\$85,556.42**

  
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Susan H. Croteau  
Town Clerk/Municipal Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of STARK TAX COLLECTOR Year Ending 12/31/2007

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR*		2007	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2006	2005	2004+
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	\$ 71,671.02	\$ 951.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	xxxxxx	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 3,370.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx	\$ 3,625.48	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
		xxxxxx			
		xxxxxx			

TAXES COMMITTED THIS FISCAL YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 959,035.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	\$ 10,340.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 39,935.42	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$ 3,104.09	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

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OVERPAYMENTS

Remaining From Prior Year		\$ 0.00			
New This Fiscal Year		\$ 2,031.65			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$ 663.93	\$ 5,435.47	\$ 940.17	\$ 0.00
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 1,015,110.09	\$ 85,931.97	\$ 5,261.17	\$ 0.00

\*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION  
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU  
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of STARK TAX COLLECTOR Year Ending 12/31/2007

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	PRIOR LEVIES			
	2007	2006	2005	2004+
Property Taxes	\$ 874,042.76	\$ 44,698.83	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 10,340.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 3,370.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 36,508.89	\$ 3,625.48	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Penalties	\$ 663.93	\$ 5,435.47	\$ 940.17	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 3,104.09	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Converted To Liens (Principal only)	\$ 0.00	\$ 29,561.19	\$ 939.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Discounts Allowed	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	\$ 0.00			

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	\$ 31,634.87	\$ 11.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

UNCOLLECTED TAXES -- END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	\$ 53,357.37	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 3,426.53	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Remaining Overpayments - Prior Yrs.	\$ 0.00			
Remaining Overpayments - This Year	\$ 0.00			
This Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 2,031.65			
Prior Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 0.00			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 1,015,110.09	\$ 85,931.97	\$ 5,261.17	\$ 0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of STARK TAX COLLECTOR Year Ending 12/31/2007

DEBITS

UNREDEEMED & EXECUTED LIENS	2007	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2006	2005	2004+
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 18,159.52	\$ 6,702.62
Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 33,771.11	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00		
Interest & Costs Collected	\$ 0.00	\$ 689.88	\$ 1,377.55	\$ 2,072.26
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$ 0.00	\$ 34,460.99	\$ 19,537.07	\$ 8,774.88

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		2007	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2006	2005	2004+
Redemptions		\$ 0.00	\$ 9,515.75	\$ 6,150.66	\$ 6,504.08
Interest & Costs Collected	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 689.88	\$ 1,377.55	\$ 2,072.26
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	#1110	\$ 0.00	\$ 24,255.36	\$ 12,008.86	\$ 198.54
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS		\$ 0.00	\$ 34,460.99	\$ 19,537.07	\$ 8,774.88

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? Yes

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE Jo Ann Platt DATE 1-09-08  
Jo Ann Platt

## UNCOLLECTED TAXES

Year Ending December 31, 2007

Bartlett, Peggy & Leslie	4,285.15	
Beaton, Randy & Joya	1,693.81	
Beede, Brian & Lynn	1,897.78	*
Bennett, George	6,457.23	*
Camara, Dona	700.03	
Cote, Maurice & Julienne	451.82	*
Coulombe, Craig	1,006.94	*
Covill, Richard & Barbara	2,821.18	*
Cozy, James	614.21	
Creamer, Timothy & Syiane	391.08	
Cross, Calvin & Patricia	7,789.61	
Croteau, Dennis & Susan	3,341.70	*
Curran, Wayne	1,437.35	
Delgado, Ramiro & Paula	17.15	*
Demers, Ernest	2,318.24	
Dube, George	262.71	
Dykeman, Heidi	929.48	
Faller, Michael	1,770.97	
Farrell, Robert & Leslie	351.98	
Gibson Jr., James & Marybeth	2,882.91	
Green, Richard	622.20	
Guyer, Madeleine J.	3,259.41	
Hand, Alice	713.34	
Higgins, Kerry	712.03	
Hills, James Bruce	338.87	
Holbrook, Laurence & Samantha	821.97	
Hopps, Bradley & Concetta	847.49	
Hopps, Harry & Maxine	827.04	
Huot, Jo	1,329.48	
Kenison, Donald G. Jr.	316.54	

Lehde, Bonnie L.	2,196.49	
Lehoullier, Roger & Sherry	2,858.52	
McMann, Michael K.	4,308.49	*
Montgomery, Wayne P.	990.40	
Nason, Larry & Rebecca	3,128.37	
Normand, Jeffery J.	1,904.54	
Pearl, Scott & Darlene	1,823.36	
Perras Land, LLC	4,606.14	
Quay, Natalie	1,007.75	
Reardon, George	4.04	
Rogers, Murray Jr. & Rebecca	4,244.48	*
Rogers, Shane & Michelle	670.62	
Rogers, Shane	275.13	
Rolfe, Robert	29.01	*
Rounds, Stephen & Ruth	543.73	
Salem, Martha	86.74	
Smith, Dianne	2,043.93	
Snihurowych, Bohdan	5,320.44	
Spurrell, Roger Jr. & Cindy	506.29	
Steady, George Gordon	868.62	
Swallow, Jamie & Cindy	1,719.54	
Victoria, Veronica	262.22	
Vinyard, Don	1,436.00	
Wentworth, Barry & Linda	2,237.61	*
York, Arthur & Karen	209.32	

**TOTAL UNCOLLECTED TAX**

**\$94,491.48**

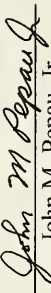
\* Indicates full or partial payments made prior  
to printing of Annual Report



# REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Year Ending December 31, 2007

Date of Creation	Name of Trust	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			Grand Total	
		Balance Beginning of Year	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Grand Total End Year
12/12/1965	Albert Emery	200.00	0.00	200.00	155.47	18.07	17.91	155.63	355.63
1/12/1955	Seth Cole	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	2,169.64	109.19	167.12	1,111.71	2,111.71
3/22/1921	Charles Emery	46.13	0.00	46.13	18.94	3.65	0.00	22.59	68.72
8/10/1959	Maude Sanderson	200.00	0.00	200.00	113.19	15.09	0.00	128.28	328.28
4/19/1978	Louis Pike	200.00	0.00	200.00	430.51	32.18	72.62	390.07	590.07
2/23/1949	Lois A. Fiske	100.00	0.00	100.00	118.13	10.95	11.19	117.89	217.89
5/18/1921	George M. Smith	100.00	0.00	100.00	13.09	7.30	0.00	20.39	120.39
9/17/1946	Stella A. Lunn Cole	200.00	0.00	200.00	46.10	11.51	19.18	38.43	238.43
3/17/1934	Solomon D. Cole	50.00	0.00	50.00	22.81	3.65	0.00	26.46	76.46
5/22/1943	Katherine Holmes	200.00	0.00	200.00	253.43	21.87	64.43	210.87	410.87
5/22/1943	Eldon Cole	300.00	0.00	300.00	89.41	18.85	28.10	80.16	380.16
2/14/1959	Sara M. Kammerling	1,054.50	0.00	1,054.50	870.04	501.06	119.32	1,251.78	2,306.28
12/11/1953	Maude S. Kammerling	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	892.71	95.24	119.02	868.93	1,868.93
10/10/1966	Eldora A. Pike	250.00	0.00	250.00	65.52	15.15	14.13	66.54	316.54
10/10/1966	Kate L. Osgood	250.00	0.00	250.00	84.54	17.97	0.00	102.51	352.51
12/19/1963	Amos & Jennie Emery	100.00	0.00	100.00	89.88	10.35	17.92	82.31	182.31
6/19/1971	Alfred L. Smith	250.00	0.00	250.00	93.32	17.65	30.66	80.31	330.31
11/17/1971	Riley S. Lunn	200.00	0.00	200.00	107.44	14.95	18.12	104.27	304.27
9/9/1964	Sereno P. Farwell	100.00	0.00	100.00	22.81	7.30	0.00	30.11	130.11
8/22/1983	Manetti Montgomery	500.00	0.00	500.00	295.31	40.26	24.22	311.35	811.35
12/23/1987	Robert & Ruby Rolfe	320.25	0.00	320.25	178.82	25.71	0.00	204.53	524.78
Totals		\$6,620.88	\$0.00	\$6,620.88	\$ 5,131.11	\$ 997.95	\$723.94	\$ 5,405.12	\$ 12,026.00

  
John M. Pepau, Jr.  
Trustee of Trust Funds

# REPORT OF CAPITAL RESERVES

Year Ending December 31, 2007

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose	Where Invested	Balance		New Funds		Interest		Withdrawals		Balance
				1/1/07		Created		Earned				
9-12-95	Bridge Account	Maintenance	NHPDIP	38,988.40		10,000.00		2,003.21		0.00		50,991.61
9-12-95	Dump Account	Future Outlay	NHPDIP	1,895.06		100.00		96.45		0.00		2,091.51
9-12-95	Revaluation Account	Revaluation	NHPDIP	416.44		0.00		21.82		0.00		438.26
12-11-96	Backhoe Account	New Backhoe	NHPDIP	12,439.27		3,000.00		638.81		0.00		16,078.08
12-11-96	Compactor Account	New Compactor	NHPDIP	11,184.30		1,000.00		571.08		0.00		12,755.38
12-18-96	Trust Discount Fund	Discount	NHPDIP	10,169.47		1,000.00		519.65		0.00		11,689.12
12-18-96	Town Truck Fund	New Truck	NHPDIP	19,285.46		5,000.00		991.08		0.00		25,276.54
12-18-96	Fire Dept. Equipment	Equipment	NHPDIP	1,815.83		1,000.00		80.05		1,800.00		1,095.88
12-18-96	Fire Dept. Building	New Building	NHPDIP	5,433.35		100.00		259.08		2,264.35		3,528.08
12-26-03	Fire Dept. Expendable	Insured Motorists	NHPDIP	4,571.47		0.00		232.49		0.00		4,803.96
12-03-04	Paris Road Crossing	New Lights	NHPDIP	1,055.00		0.00		54.00		0.00		1,109.00
11-12-02	Education Handicapped	Handicapped	NHPDIP	99,335.26		5,000.00		5,298.81		0.00		109,634.07
09-5-02	School Building	Maintenance	Northway Bank	10,308.90		0.00		205.98		0.00		10,514.88
10-12-06	Fire Truck Fund	2006 Spartan	NHPDIP	95.85		0.00		3.65		0.00		99.50
<b>Totals</b>				<b>\$216,994.06</b>		<b>\$ 26,200.00</b>		<b>10,976.16</b>		<b>\$ 4,064.35</b>		<b>\$ 250,105.87</b>

*John M. Pepau, Jr.*

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION  
RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

--STARK--

Child's Name	Date Of Birth	Place Of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
COOKSON, MACKENNA ANNE	02/23/2007	LANCASTER, NH	COOKSON, WESLEY	COOKSON, CHRISTINA
CLOUTIER, GAVIN BRUCE	07/18/2007	LANCASTER, NH	CLOUTIER, SHANE	CLOUTIER, TIA
NARDUCCI, NICKALUS ALLEN	08/07/2007	BERLIN, NH	NARDUCCI, RICHARD	NARDUCCI, ASHLEY
BALL, MITCHEL JAMES	11/16/2007	LANCASTER, NH	BALL, MATTHEW	REXFORD, LINDSY
COUTURE, BRAYDEN LEWIS	11/16/2007	BERLIN, NH	COUTURE, BRANDON	BALL, MERISSA

RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
DE MERS, BRUCE	01/30/2007	STARK	DEMERS, ALFRED	LEMIEUX, LOUISA
GELINAS, ROGER	04/09/2007	LANCASTER	GELINAS, ARCHIE	GOYETTE, MADELEINE
PARADIS, WILLIAM	06/14/2007	LANCASTER	PARADIS, HENRY	BEAN, JEANNETTE

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

*Susan H. Croteau*  
Susan H. Croteau, Town Clerk

## DOG LICENSE LAWS

Every owner or keeper of a dog three months old or over shall annually, on or before April 30<sup>th</sup>, cause it to be licensed. (RSA 466:1).

Proof of rabies vaccination by a licensed veterinarian must be presented before a dog license will be issued.

Every dog must wear its license tag. (RSA 466:13).

A \$ 25.00 penalty will be assessed to the dog owner for failure to license any dog.

(RSA 466:13).

License Fees: (RSA 466:4)

\$ 20.00-Group License for up to 10 dogs.

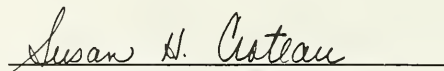
\$ 6.50- Spayed or neutered

\$ 9.00- Male or Female

\$ 2.00- Owners over age 65 (one dog only)

The Town of Stark has an enforced leash law, which states that no dog shall run at large unless the owner accompanies it. (RSA 466:30a).

it is a State law that all cats 3 months of age and over be vaccinated against rabies.



Susan H. Croteau

Town Clerk/Municipal Agent

# **TOWN OF STARK**

## **WARRANT & BUDGET**



**FISCAL YEAR 2008**

**TOWN OF STARK, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**TOWN WARRANT**  
**2008**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stark, Coos County and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs. You are hereby notified to meet at the Stark Volunteer Fire Department in said Town on the second Tuesday in March, next March 11, 2008 to act upon the subjects hereinafter mentioned. You are hereby warned that on said date and place the polls will be opened at 9:00 in the forenoon and will remain open until 7:00 in the afternoon for the reception of ballots under the Non-Partisan Ballot System.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. (To be voted on by ballot while the polls are open.)

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 152,000 for General Government: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

<b>4130-Executive</b>	<b>35,400</b>
Payroll	24,200
Expenses	1,700
Office Expenses	9,500

<b>4140-Election, Registrations</b>	<b>15,300</b>
Payroll	10,300
Annual Report	2,500
Expenses	1,100
Office Expenses	1,400



<b>4150-Financial Administration</b>	<b>22,000</b>
Payroll	9,800
Auditors	10,000
Expenses	1,000
Office Expenses	1,200
<b>4152-Revaluation</b>	<b>13,500</b>
Map Maintenance	1,000
Partial Revaluation	10,000
Software Support	2,500
<b>4153-Legal</b>	<b>2,000</b>
Services	2,000
<b>4155-Personnel Administration</b>	<b>15,000</b>
WT/Medi/Retirement	14,500
Unemployment	500
<b>4191-Planning &amp; Zoning</b>	<b>500</b>
Miscellaneous	500
<b>4194-General Gov't Buildings</b>	<b>11,350</b>
Payroll	1,450
Expenses	300
Fire Code	600
Interior & Exterior	1,500
Maintenance	1,500
Utilities	6,000
<b>4195-Cemeteries</b>	<b>5,700</b>
Payroll	4,300

Expenses	300
Maintenance	1,100

**4196-Insurance 29,250**

Health Insurance	14,250
Liability/Bonding	10,500
Worker's Compensation	4,500

**4197-Advertising & Regional Assoc. 2,000**

Advertising	1,100
North Country Council	600
Northern Gateway	300

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 30,525 for Public Safety.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen)

**4210-Police 8,250**

Payroll	6,500
Expenses	1,000
Office Expenses	750

**4215-Ambulance 6,000**

Services	6,000
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**4220-Fire Department 15,200**

Payroll	2,300
Expenses	6,500
Mutual Aid	400
Physicals/Background Cks	500
Utilities	5,500

**4290-Emergency Management 500**

Expenses	500
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<b>4299-Other Safety</b>	<b>575</b>
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Lancaster Juvenile Diversion	275
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Safety	300
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ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 187,150 for Highways & Streets.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen)

<b>4312-Highways</b>	<b>187,150</b>
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Payroll	40,800
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Chloride	4,000
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Cold Patch	1,600
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Expenses	250
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Grading	5,000
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Maintenance	20,000
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Mowing	2,000
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Reconstruction	95,000
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Sand & Salt	10,000
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Signs	1,000
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Town Garage Addition	1,000
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Utilities	6,500
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ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 69,400 for Sanitation.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen)

<b>4324-Solid Waste</b>	<b>41,400</b>
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Payroll	14,500
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District Costs	21,000
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Expenses	600
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Maintenance	4,000
Utilities	1,300

**4325-Solid Waste Clean-Up 28,000**

Bond/Loan Fees	24,000
Monitoring	4,000

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,635 for Health.  
(Recommended by the Selectmen)

**4415-Health Agencies 2,950**

Health Officer	75
Northern Human Services	125
Weeks Home Health	2,750

**4419-Other Health 2,685**

American Red Cross	235
Community Action Program	800
G.H.S.-Chem Free	500
North County Elders-CAP	450
Senior Meals	700

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,500 for Direct Assistance:

**4442-Welfare 3,500**

Direct Assistance	3,500
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ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,000 for Culture & Recreation: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

<b>4550-Library</b>	<b>1,000</b>
Library	1,000

<b>4583-Patriotic</b>	<b>2,000</b>
Patriotic	2,000

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 25,500 for Debt Services: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

<b>4711-Principal-Bonds</b>	<b>15,000</b>
Fire Department Bond	15,000

<b>4721-Interest-Bonds</b>	<b>6,500</b>
Fire Department Bond	6,500

<b>4723-Interest on T.A.N.</b>	<b>4,000</b>
Tax Anticipation Note	4,000

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 18,700 for Interfund Operating Transfers Out: (Recommended by the Selectmen)

<b>4915-Capital Reserves</b>	<b>18,200</b>
Backhoe	2,000
Bridge	8,000
Compactor	1,000
Dump Closure	100

Fire Department Building	100
Fire Department Equipment	2,000
Truck	5,000
<b>4916-Transfers To Trust</b>	<b>500</b>
Discount	500

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 150,000 for the purpose of constructing a sand/salt storage shed. Said funds to come from 12-31-07 Unreserved Fund Balance. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to increase income limits for Elderly Exemptions from \$ 13,400 to \$17,400 for single persons and \$ 20,400 to 24,400 for married persons. (Recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to give a 5% discount on property taxes if paid within 14 days after tax bills have been presented. (Not recommended by the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 14: To transact any and all other business that may lawfully come before this meeting.

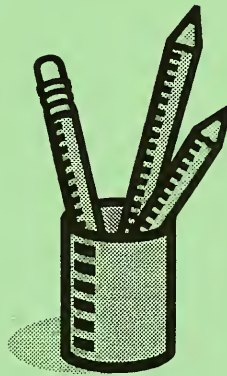


A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Everett R. Frizzell  
Everett R. Frizzell, Chairman

James Eich  
James Eich

Albert Cloutier, Jr.  
Albert Cloutier, Jr.



BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF: STARK

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 08 to December 31, 08

or Fiscal Year From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): 6 FEBRUARY 2008

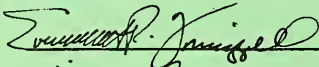
GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

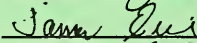
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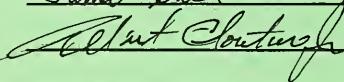
EVERETT R. FRIZZELL, CHAIRMAN

JAMES EICH

ALBERT CLOUTIER, JR.







THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION  
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487  
(603)271-3397

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	2	34,600	34,717	35,400	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	2	14,900	14,047	15,300	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	2	17,700	16,490	22,000	
4152	Revaluation of Property	2	19,800	14,991	13,500	
4153	Legal Expense	2	2,000	237	2,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	2	14,000	13,548	15,000	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	2	500	228	500	
4194	General Government Buildings	2	10,000	6,714	11,350	
4195	Cemeteries	2	5,500	5,425	5,700	
4196	Insurance	2	27,500	25,797	29,250	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	2	2,000	1,362	2,000	
4199	Other General Government					
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	3	8,250	6,726	8,250	
4215-4219	Ambulance	3	5,700	5,676	6,000	
4220-4229	Fire	3	13,600	14,697	15,200	
4240-4249	Building Inspection					
4290-4298	Emergency Management	3	500	419	500	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)	3	575	328	575	
<b>AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration					
4312	Highways & Streets	4	164,750	163,315	187,150	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting					
4319	Other					
<b>SANITATION</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration					
4323	Solid Waste Collection					
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	5	42,900	41,086	41,400	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up	5	28,000	25,368	28,000	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other					

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other					
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
HEALTH			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration					
4414	Pest Control					
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	6	5,493	5,543	5,635	
WELFARE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	7	3,000	2,412	3,500	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation					
4550-4559	Library	8	500	500	1,000	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	8	2,000	1,602	2,000	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation					
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources					
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	9	25,000	25,000	15,000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	9	6,707	6,701	5,500	
4723	IntL on Tax Anticipation Notes	9	4,500	0	4,000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensiung FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensiung FY. (NOT RECOMMENDED)
CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.					
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund*	10	21,200	21,200	18,700	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917*					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds*					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Fiduciary Funds					
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL			481,175	454,129	494,410	

\* Use special warrant article section on next page.







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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
<b>TAXES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		16,000	18,910	12,000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		27,000	40,134	25,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		27,033	22,074	20,000
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		20,000	33,004	25,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		3,500	3,104	3,500
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		300	274	300
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		60,000	84,198	80,000
3230	Building Permits				
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		1,500	1,084	1,500
3311-3319	<b>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
<b>FROM STATE</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3351	Shared Revenues		3,369	5,596	3,369
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		22,075	22,075	20,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		36,888	43,622	50,340
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		12,000	12,588	4,500
3379	<b>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3401-3406	Income from Departments		4,000	4,051	4,000
3409	Other Charges				
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		200	580	500
3502	Interest on Investments		2,500	4,753	3,000
3503-3509	Other				

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds			4,788	
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")	11			150,000
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			236,365	300,835	403,009

**\*\*BUDGET SUMMARY\*\***

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	481,175	494,410
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	0	0
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	0	150,000
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	481,175	644,410
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	216,400	403,009
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	264,775	241,401

# Town Meeting Notes

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

In October when the tax rate was set, the Selectmen received news from Donald Borrer, our Department of Revenue auditor that we have a significant amount of budget surplus in the Unreserved Fund Balance, which is created by conservative budgeting both on the town and school budgets. It was the recommendation of Donald to use some of this surplus for a Capital Improvement project. After some discussion, we are bringing forth an article in 2008 to use \$ 150,000 of this surplus for the construction of a sand/salt shed to be erected near the Town Garage. The State requires that sand and salt piles be covered and contained so that chlorides cannot leach into the ground water. Using the money from the Unreserved Fund Balance has no impact on the tax rate and is of no cost to the taxpayers. Dennis Croteau has done preliminary research and design of this facility, saving the town a considerable expense.

Final construction of the Percy Road was completed in 2007 with paving to take place in 2008. All other highway expenses for 2007 were routine, except for fuel prices as everyone is aware really skyrocketed this year.

The Transfer Station had major maintenance done this year. Funds encumbered from the 2006 budget were used to sandblast, patch and paint the open top containers and the compactor. This was a major improvement and will extend the life of this equipment for a few years. The addition of the new bay has made more room for recyclables and has enhanced the overall look of the station.

The Heritage Center Committee received a \$ 4,000 grant from the Tillotson Fund which was used to purchase display cabinets, a

copier/scanner/fax machine, laptop computer with projector and several other items needed to operate the Center. Debra Thornblad resigned her position as the Director/Curator and several applicants were interviewed by the Heritage Center Committee with Madeleine Croteau being hired as the new Director/Curator.

The year was positive in all aspects and we would like to thank all employees paid or volunteer for their continued dedication in making the Town of Stark a pleasant place to live and work.

Everett R. Frizzell, James Eich & Albert Cloutier, Jr.  
Board of Selectmen

## **STARK HERITAGE CENTER REPORT**

The Heritage Center opened its doors in late spring for the 2007 season. Both Saturday and Sunday hours were observed as well as holidays not observed on weekends.

Among new acquired items for display were "John Stark", Maverick General, the story of our towns namesake written by Ben Z. Rose. Also acquired were early 1800 ledgers (handwritten) much like our Town Reports of today. These ledgers were kept in private homes until now because there was never a place to house them or even display them.

The "candy case" from the Stark General Store that many "Starkers" must have bought penny candy from as wide



eyed children peered through the glass and watched as the store owner slid the door panels and placed the confections in the tiny brown paper bag to take home. A major find indeed!

Lilacs, the NH State Flower have been planted on the premises with that donation being a courtesy of the State of New Hampshire Nurseries.

In October the Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany, whose office is in Boston motored to Stark to visit the Heritage Center to better enhance the republics knowledge of the Camp Stark World War II Saga.

The proposed hours of operation for the 2008 season are Saturday and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. and holidays if applicable. Special group tours may call (603)636-2118 or (603) 636-1325

It has been an eventful year and I would like to thank everyone that helped and volunteered their time to the Stark Heritage Center in 2007.

Madeleine Croteau, Director/Curator



# STARK HERITAGE CENTER

## Catching Up with the Past

By Christine S. Hill



While living at Camp Stark, these prisoners of war worked in the surrounding forest, cutting pulpwood vital to wartime industry. Although the camp closed two years later and the prisoners returned to their homeland, many maintained friendships they formed with the local New Hampshire residents. The Stark Heritage Center plans to set a space aside just for prisoner of war artifacts and anything else pertaining to New Hampshire's only prisoner of war camp.

In speaking to Madeleine Croteau, a Stark resident instrumental in helping to get the Heritage Center off the ground, she plans to donate a fascinating artifact with regards to the Camp Stark German prisoner of war camp. She was lucky enough to gain possession of a matchstick house, a house constructed completely of wooden matches by a German prisoner of war, from a friend who knew she would know what to do with it when the time was right. Madeleine will bequeath the matchstick house to the Heritage Center in her friend's name once a space is created.

Although the Stark Heritage Center is in its infancy, it is well on its way to preserving as many memories as it can for future generations. According to Madeleine, as more and more generations go by and more and more attics are cleaned out, information pertaining to Stark and its heritage will come to light and hopefully find its way to the Heritage Center. There is no better way to keep Stark's past alive and to memorialize the veterans that gave the town its name and its rich history than through the Stark Heritage Center.

**To Do**

### Stark Heritage Center

(603) 636-2118

Free admission.

Open late spring to early fall  
on Saturdays  
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.



Nestled in the Great North Woods of New Hampshire there sits a small town with the name of Stark. Although diminutive in size, with a population of just over 500, it is big in local history. It is for this very reason that the Stark Heritage Center was established.

The Stark Heritage Center's benefactor, John Kauffmann, had the pleasure of cutting the ribbon at the center's grand opening on June 10, 2006. John, who purchased the property for the town in order to open the Stark Heritage Center, had himself accumulated quite a few artifacts relating to the town of Stark. He felt it was time to get them out of the attic and to begin sharing them with the others. He also wanted to be sure that the town's history survived for generations to come, and the best way to do that was to create a local museum of town history.

Why is Stark so important to our New Hampshire history? The town of Stark was originally incorporated as Piercy in 1795, but in 1832 its name was changed to Stark in honor of General John Stark, hero of Bunker Hill and the Battle of Bennington.

General Stark's status as one of New Hampshire's most famous soldiers of the Revolutionary War wasn't the only reason why the town changed its name. He was also the first soldier to carry the new 13-star American flag into battle and it is to General Stark that New Hampshire owes its "Live Free or Die" motto. Too ill to attend the July 1809 reunion commemorating the Battle of Bennington, General Stark wrote these immortal words: "Live free or die," he said in his toast by letter, "Death is not the worst of evils."

How Stark got its name is just one of the many interesting things you will learn at the Stark Heritage Center. Another attention-grabbing fact, and one not many know about, is that the town of Stark was the site of New Hampshire's one and only German prisoner of war camp during World War II. In the spring of 1944, a high fence and four guard towers were erected in Stark in order to house about 250 German and Austrian soldiers captured in North Africa and Normandy. It became known as Camp Stark.



In 1944, Camp Stark housed about 250 German and Austrian soldiers captured in North Africa and Normandy.

[www.nh.searchroots.com](http://www.nh.searchroots.com)



Courtesy of the Town of Stark

Article obtained from NH TO DO Magazine  
September 2007

## **PLANNING BOARD REPORT**

Activity for 2007 for the Planning Board is as follows:

1. Gravel Pit Renewal for Bonnie Knapp
2. Lot line adjustment for McKelvey-Mason and Turcotte.
3. Kidder Pit Reclamation completed.

It was an easy year for the Board. The Planning Board Meetings have been changed to the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

James Gibson, Sr., Planning Board Chairman

## **SEXTON'S REPORT**

Weekly mowing was required well into late August this year. All cemeteries were well maintained this year with the fine maintenance efforts of Martha Eich, Dereck Croteau, and Zachary Colby and Russell Bell who volunteered his time in keeping up the Blake Cemetery.

More monuments were cleaned in the Village and Percy Cemeteries this year. This year we plan to finish up this much needed project.

The vault door at the Village Cemetery was replaced. Plans for 2008 are to expand the flowerbed that has been constructed in front of the door.

The addition of a Cemetery Trustee in 2008 will provide long-term benefits to all aspects of our cemetery program.

Dennis A. Croteau, Sexton

## **STARK FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

This year we responded to 20 incidents. The Town as a whole is doing a very good job of keeping the fire incidences down, with most of our call volume being for accidents that occurred with non residents. Below is the list of incidents we responded to:

- a) 9 accidents: 7 automobile, 1 motorcycle, 1 snow mobile.
- b) Fire alarm activation
- c) False alarm
- d) Medical emergency at Trio Pond
- e) Tree on power line
- f) Electrical fire
- g) Chimney fire
- h) 5 mutual aid calls with 3 in Groveton, 1 in Milan and 1 in Lancaster.

The big stainless steel tank that had been housed in the fire station for 2 years was sent to Cross Machine Shop, Inc. in Berlin to be shortened and have valves welded in. The freightliner was then brought over and the tank was installed. In early fall the 4,000 gallon Freightliner Tanker "39W1" was put into service.

The new pumper "39E3" that was acquired last year is running great. In the event that we do run into problems, the salesman from Vermont is contacted and he is right here correcting any problems or answering any questions we may have.

Last fall dry hydrants were installed at the Transfer Station and one on Sullivan Road. Plans are for installing another one on the Percy Road in 2008. Once installed, it will make things easier to maintain a water supply or fill tankers as well as pump water directly to a fire depending on the location.



The Waterboro Fire Department located in Maine gave the department a set of "jaws" to cut or pry steel which will enable us to free persons trapped in motor vehicles.

An Ice & Water Rescue Training was taught by Dan Milligan from Groveton and was attended by emergency personnel from Stark, Milan and Groveton.

The New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands along with the Forest Protection Bureau held a weekend long Wildland Fire Training behind the Groveton Trailblazers Clubhouse. The training was for Wardens, Deputy Wardens and fire personnel. Many people from around the State were in attendance. The training was set up to represent what we would have if big fires like they have out West broke out here. Tents & motor homes were set up for check in, safety and communications as well as staging for equipment, finance, logistics and medical needs. The Red Cross was there to provide food and shelter for people spending the night. Places were also set up for tenting, motor homes and campers that spent the night. Tents were set up where briefings were held to let the emergency personnel know what they were to do when they got onto the fire line. The National Guard was in attendance with two trucks to transport men to the fire lines, which in our case was in Nash Stream. The red Forestry Trucks seen regularly transported firefighting equipment (pumps, hoses, axes and other hand tools as well as bladder bags) to the nearest location of the fire. This was an excellent training program for fighting wildland fires.

The Portland Natural Gas Transmission System hosted an informational meeting and dinner at the Colebrook Country Club which was attended by members of the department.

During Fire Prevention week, members of the department put on a demonstration at the Stark Village School and gave the children

literature to explain what to do in the event of a fire in their homes.

As a reminder to parents, please sit down with your children and plan two ways to escape a burning building; one through the door if there is no fire and through a window if the other way is blocked by fire. Always have everyone meet at a pre-determined spot away from the building so everyone can be accounted for. If there is smoke in the building, get down and crawl on the floor to get to a window or door as the smoke and temperature will be greater next to the ceiling. Smoke from a fire can be very toxic (poisonous) with all the plastics in a home. **PLEASE** check your smoke alarms monthly to make sure that they are working and remember to replace the batteries every year.

Jack Pepau, Captain

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Fortunately, 2007 was another good year for emergency management in Stark in that no major incidents occurred here. But there is still much to do to better prepare ourselves. A serious disaster is very likely some day, even here in remote Stark.

First, we must comply with the federal *National Incident Management System* (NIMS) and *National Response Plan* (NRP) requirements. The deadline was September 30<sup>th</sup>, after which the feds say we will forfeit future grant assistance from any state or federal agency. We need grant money to comply and plenty is supposed to be available. But unfortunately, Stark has again lost out for the third successive year. Despite our many grant requests and applications, the state sees its priorities elsewhere. But we'll keep trying.

Stark is particularly vulnerable because we will likely see a huge influx of people coming here who will need assistance if a disaster strikes the Northeast. Count up all the possible evacuees who will likely fill the many second homes, camps and trailers here and Stark is among the largest populations in Coös County. Unfortunately, grant assistance is based on resident population and sometimes political considerations, but not on actual need.

On another front, Stark is working with the Great North Woods Regional Pandemic Planning Committee that includes all of Coös County. Slowly, we're developing a regional health-emergency response plan for the county and also local plans to administer vaccines, antiviral and other medicines, and some first aid when a major disaster strikes – at least to the extent that supplies and resources are available. Stark is among the communities served by Weeks Hospital and the point-of-dispensing facility to assist us will be the Elementary School in Lancaster. When the plans are ready, they will be incorporated into our local Emergency Operations Plan and reviewed with our officials, responders and at public hearings.

I participated in two training exercises this year (which will also fulfill Stark's NIMS-compliance exercise requirement for the year). The first was a tabletop exercise to activate the county-response plan and determine where it needs improvement and where officials and responders need more training. The second exercise was a full-scale four-day statewide event to simulate an anthrax outbreak. Antiviral medications (empty bottles) were ordered from the federal National Strategic Stockpile, flown to Concord, and then delivered to point-of-dispensing centers in Berlin, Concord, and Rochester. The exercise took place in April during snow and ice storms. While the state was distracted by some storm-related problems, the other cities were prepared and



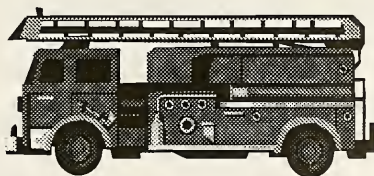
performed very well. However, it was also clear that in a real event, an effective response may be unsuccessful.

A major health emergency hit the U.S. in 1917-1919 and there were many deaths in this area. Another pandemic is very likely at some future point, and with it perhaps thousands of evacuees coming here seeking shelter, medical assistance, and protection that we will be very hard pressed to provide.

Therefore, it is vital that every household be prepared for any type of a major emergency. Every household should be able to sustain itself for a week or possibly longer without needing any additional food or water, electrical power or telephone, heating or fuel, medicine or any other outside assistance. I have information on how to prepare and will gladly work with anyone. For more information, visit [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov).

We are working to prepare all of our response resources, as are the region and the state. But the first level of protection must be the home. I hope that 2008 will be another year without incident and that the money and guidance that Stark needs will be forthcoming.

Franklin Platt, Director



## **WEEKS MEDICAL CENTER HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE**

Weeks Medical Center-Home Health and Hospice is grateful for the opportunity to serve the residents of Stark and greatly appreciates your continued support and confidence. Town funding is critically important and is used to assist families and individuals who are unable to pay for Home Health and Hospice Services and to support care where funding does not cover direct costs.

Our Health and Hospice Services continue to provide Stark residents with a wide range of services. Weeks Home Health and Hospice provides continuity of health care from the hospital to patients' homes. Services include skilled nursing; physical, occupational and speech therapies; licensed home health aides; homemakers; medical social services; intravenous therapies and care to the terminally ill.

Our Medicare Certified Hospice program continues to provide excellent palliative care to the terminally ill. Weeks Hospice is a special kind of holistic care focusing on the emotional and spiritual needs of the family, as well as the physical needs of the patient at the end of life. No one is refused care based on an inability to pay. Over the last year, an increasing number of hospice patients received care, support and love from our nurses, aides and volunteers. To celebrate their memory, a luminary service was held and many residents from area towns were in attendance.

**Thank you for your continuing support and confidence.**

## **REPORT TO THE PEOPLE OF DISTRICT ONE**

It is a pleasure to serve this large northern district of 98 towns, 4 cities, and 5 counties with a population of 247,000 people. The Executive Council is at the top of your Executive Branch of NH State Government. The Governor and Executive Council appoint 352 Commissions and Directors who administer NH law and budget as prescribed by the NH House and Senate.

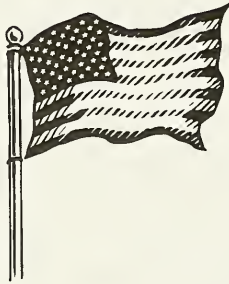
2008 is the year to keep an eye on and follow the progress of the NH Transportation Plan. The recommended projects in the highway and bridge plan can be accomplished with existing revenue from the state gasoline tax, bond and matching federal funds. The Executive Council held public hearing on the projects throughout the state and forwarded their recommendations to Governor Lynch. Governor Lynch will review our recommendations and then submit his recommended plan to the NH House and Senate by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Without any new revenues for additional projects we will be lucky to maintain the existing state highway and bridge system. If more work is desired then new revenues will have to be voted by the Member of the House and Senate and signed by the Governor. Contact your local legislators-House and Senate. Find them by going to [www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index/htm](http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index/htm).

This large northern district needs more people on state mandated volunteer boards and commissions. Send your letter of interest and resume to my office or to Kathy Goode, Director of Appointments/Liaison to the Council Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301. Tel: (603) 271-2121. To find out what openings are available and to see a list of boards, visit the NH Secretary of State website at [www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index/htm](http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index/htm).

I have available from my office informational items about the NH Executive Council, NH Constitution, NH Tourist Map, 2007 Consumer Handbook, and District Maps. If you would like to receive my Monday morning report by email please send an e-mail address to **[rburton@nh.gov](mailto:rburton@nh.gov)**.

It is an honor to continue to serve you in my 30 years as a public servant. Contact my office anytime about your ideas, concerns and problems with state government. I respond to all inquiries and challenges.

Raymond S. Burton, District One Councilor





## **A.V.R.R.D.D.**

### **2007 ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT ACTIVITIES**

The AVRRDD 2007 Budget apportionment for our member municipalities totaled \$ 641,490. A surplus of \$ 480,068.46 from the 2006 budget was used to reduce apportionments with a net budge of \$ 161,421.54 being billed to the member municipalities. The proportionate share of the credit for the Town of Stark was \$ 8,788.68 reducing your gross apportionment of \$ 6,806.98 to a credit balance of \$ 1,981.70. Preliminary reconciliation of the 2007 budget shows a surplus of approximately \$ 297,991.85 being available to credit toward 2008 apportionments.

Our Materials Recycling Facility marketed a total of 1,662.76 tons of recyclables for the period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007, representing \$ 123,088.38 of marketing income to the District.

For calendar year 2007, our Transfer Station received 2,836 deliveries from District residents for a total of 762.78 tons of bulky waste and construction and demolition debris. In addition, our 212 commercial accounts delivered 362.41 tons of bulky waste and construction and demolition debris and 1,087.45 tons of wood. Recycling at the Transfer Station consisted of 1,866.51 tons of wood that was processed through a grinder, 191.17 tons of scrap metal, 270.18 tons of leaf and yard waste and 34.09 tons of brush which was chipped with the District owned chipper. In addition, 405 refrigerators/air conditioners; 596 propane tanks; 4,923 tires; 14,808 feet of fluorescent bulbs; and 794 pounds of ballasts were recycles. We also received 2,295 gallons of waste oil from our residents which was used in our waste oil furnace to hear the recycling center. Transfer Station recycling income

totaled \$ 30,943.87. The Recycling Center and Transfer Station are operated, under contract with the District, by FERCO Recycling, Inc. of Berlin.

In January 2007, our Chairman for the past 15 years, Raymond Chagnon of Berlin and Earl Wadsworth of Dummer who served as Secretary-Treasurer for 12 years both resigned for health reasons. We sincerely thank Ray and Earl for their many years of dedicated service to the District and its residents.

Election of officers was held at the District Annual Meeting in April 2007: Linda Cushman of Jefferson was elected Chairman; Yves Zornio of Gorham was elected Vice Chairman and Clara Glover of Errol was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer. Other District Representatives are: Raymond Hold of Dummer, David Tomlinson of Randolph, Richard Lafleur of Berlin, Paul Grenier for the Coos County Unincorporated Places, Lorna Aldrich of Northumberland, George Bennett of Stark and Eric Gagne of Milan.

In June, the District conducted its sixteenth annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day. The collection was held at the District Transfer Station with 319 households participating. The project was funded through the District Household Hazardous Waste Fund with \$ 20,000 payment from the Mt. Carberry Landfill Budget. No assessment was made to the District communities. In addition, a grant from the State of New Hampshire reimbursed the District at fourteen ( \$.14) per capita. The next Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held Saturday, June 7, 2008 at the District Transfer Station.

2007 was the fifth year of operations for the AVRRDD-Mt. Carberry Landfill. Since purchasing the landfill in December 2002,



no assessments have been made to the District municipalities for Mt. Carberry Landfill operations, with income raised through landfill tipping fees covering operating expenses. The landfill is operated, under contract with the District, by Cianbro Corp.

Submitted by: Sharon Gauthier, Executive Director

## **REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER**

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or on the web at [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdfi.org](http://www.nhdfi.org).

Fire activity was very busy during the spring of 2007, particularly late April into early May. As the forests and fields greened up in later May the fire danger decreased. However, a very dry late summer created very high fire danger again from August into September, with fire danger reaching very high on Labor Day

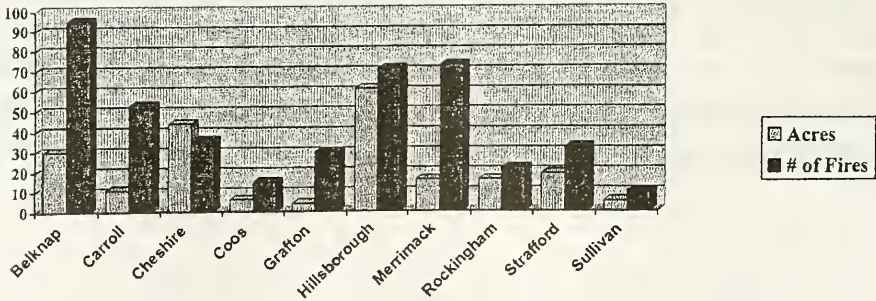
weekend. Even with the dry conditions, the acreage burned was less than half that of 2006. The largest forest fire during the 2007 season burned approximately 26 acres on the side of Wantastiquet Mountain in Chesterfield during the month of May. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2007 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and safe.

2007 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 8, 2007)

(figures do not include fires on the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	30	95
Carroll	11	53
Cheshire	44	36
Coos	6	15
Grafton	4	30
Hillsborough	61	71
Merrimack	16	73
Rockingham	16	22
Strafford	19	32
Sullivan	5	10



## **NORTHERN HUMAN SERVICES**

### **2007 FACT SHEET**

Northern Human Services, The Mental Health Center has provided the people of northern New Hampshire and bordering communities in Vermont with quality services for over 30 years. We provide mental health emergency services 24 hours a day, counseling, evaluations, drug and alcohol treatment, consultation, education, medication evaluations and treatment, community outreach and prevention services. We also provide supportive housing services to individuals with disabilities, enabling them to live as independently as possible in their local community. The services we provide are confidential.

As a private, non-profit agency, we are dependent on fees for services, grants and appropriations from the communities we serve. Insurance plans cover most of our services. It is our policy to not let an inability to pay to prevent someone from obtaining the services they require. Sliding fee arrangements are available. As a result, our collection rate is only about 50%.

Northern Human Services, Vershire Center has provided vocational and social training as well as support to individuals with a variety of disabilities for more than 30 years. Over 60 individuals from the local geographic area benefit from our services. Over 50 community employers across our service area work closely with the Center to provide meaningful paid and volunteer work, as well as social opportunities to the individuals we serve.

The individuals we serve reside in Errol, Northumberland, Pittsburg, bordering Vermont Communities and all points in-

between. Hundreds of miles of transportation services are required each day.

Town Donations: Vershire Center & The Mental Health Center Combined as follows:

The amount received from the Town of Stark in 2004: \$ 125.00  
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The amount received from the Town of Stark in 2006: \$ 125.00  
The amount received from the Town of Stark in 2007: \$ 125.00  
The amount requested from the Town of Stark in 2008: \$ 125.00

We deeply appreciate the ongoing support that we have received from the citizens of Stark. Your appropriations help insure the continued availability of quality services to the residents of your community who experience mental health difficulties and/or developmental impairments.

Charlie Cotton, Area Director

## **AMERICAN RED CROSS**

It's been a year of change and growth for you local Red Cross Chapter. An obvious change is our name, now the Granite Chapter. We have also begun plans for a branch office in Berlin, similar to our fully functioning branch at the Belknap Mall in Belmont.

This year we took on some additional responsibilities as the Red Cross regional chapter for New Hampshire. Through this new structure, our chapter will facilitate communication among NH chapters to better serve the residents of our state.



Last year our disaster volunteers provided families with essential supplies after several house fires, including the tragedies in Berlin. Other disasters that we responded to included the floods from the April Nor'easter. When that event became a national disaster, Red Cross volunteers from chapters in other states came to join us in the major effort of relief and recovery in our state.

We were able to do all of this because of the dedication and skills of our remarkable volunteers. Hundreds of volunteers worked with chapter staff during the year to answer the call to serve people when they needed it most. To all of them, we say a heartfelt thank you for a job well done!

Our financial contributors and blood donors have shared their gifts of dollars and blood to make sure we had the resources needed every day of the year. We would not have been ready to respond when we were called, and our hospitals would not have had the blood they needed, without the compassion and generosity of these friends. Again, a warm thank-you!

We started some new programs this year with a focus on preparing New Hampshire residents and communities for future disasters. Disasters disrupt lives; interfere with employment, separate families, and drain financial and emotional resources. Our volunteers and staff take very seriously our role to reduce the emotional toll of disasters by helping your family, community and workplace get prepared in advance.

To help with this work **PrepareNH** is designed to provide disaster preparedness information and education to our communities. This information is available through our website, <http://www.concordredcross.org>, newsletters, and other publications. Training through our health and safety classes gives

people of all ages the skills and confidence to respond to life threatening emergencies.

As part of **PrepareNH** we offer another program, **Masters of Disasters**, in many communities. This series for children in grades K-8 and 9-12 covers topics on life saving safety and injury prevention, and has received national acclaim from educators in schools and youth organizations.

Watch for more information on **PrepareNH** and the **Masters of Disasters** through our website or call 1-800-464-6692.

Being prepared is a life-saving gift. We're here to help you give that gift to your family and community.

Karyn Madore, Chair, Board of Directors  
Mary Ann Leon, Interim Executive Director

## **NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL**

I would like to thank all of you for your support of the North Country Council (NCC) this past year. We have made a number of positive changes and completed a number of projects throughout the region. Once again, we reaffirmed the Council's commitment to serve community and regional needs.

During the past year, we have continued to deliver planning services throughout the region. We have and will continue to adjust our capacities to respond to the needs of the communities, which will be evident in the programs being introduced in the coming years. Our strong relationship with the Department of Commerce and the Economic Development Administration (EDA)



continues and has brought funding and project development into the region. The Sustainable Economic Initiative and the Coos Economic Adjustment Strategy continue to be major programs funded by EDA. Our Community Outreach program, targeted at helping our planning boards in the difficult tasks of managing the planning activities in their communities, is ongoing. NCC has been awarded an additional grant from EPA for Brownfields assessments and will be looking for sites and communities where these assessments can be utilized. These programs as well as all the traditional programs in master planning, solid waste management, grant writing, natural resource planning, hazardous mitigation planning and transportation planning will continue to be the focus of North Country Council. If you would like further information on any of these programs, please do not hesitate to call us.

Again, thank you for all of your support of the Council. The Council is here to serve you and to be of service to your community. It is your organization. Our staff and Board are committed to responding to community need. If there is a project or a need in your town, please call us. We are dedicated to both supporting our individual towns and promoting regional unity in the North Country.

Michael King, Executive Director

# TOWN OF STARK ANNUAL RABIES CLINIC

SATURDAY MARCH 15, 2008

2:00PM – 4:00PM

AT THE  
STARK FIRE STATION

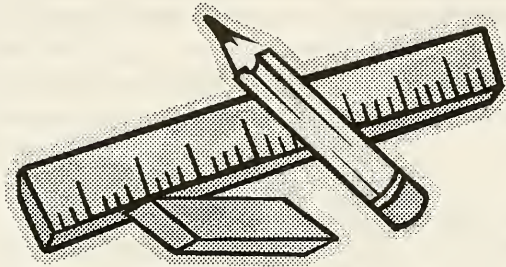
SHOT FEES:	RABIES	\$11.00
	DISTEMPER	\$11.00
	KENNEL COUGH	\$11.00
	FELINE LEUKEMIA	\$21.00
	LIME VACCINE	\$21.00

STARK TOWN CLERK WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR LICENCING OF DOGS

LICENSE FEES:	MALE OR FEMALE	\$9.00
	SPAYED OR NEUTERED	\$6.50
	PUPPIES UNDER 7 MONTHS	\$6.50



**ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OF  
STARK, NEW HAMPSHIRE**



**FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 2007**

## SCHOOL WARRANT STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of Stark, New Hampshire,  
qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Stark Fire Station in said District  
on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon  
the subjects hereinafter mentioned. The matters of appropriations and  
such other business properly coming before said meeting will be taken up  
for your consideration and action.

1. To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore  
chosen and any vote relating thereto.

2. To set the salaries of school district officials:

School Board Members	3 @ \$850.00 each	\$2,550.00
Treasurer		600.00
Board Secretary	\$50.00 per meeting	600.00
Clerk		55.00
Moderator		55.00
Police		55.00
Supervisors of the Checklist	3 @ \$25.00 each	75.00
Ballot Clerks	2 @ \$40.00 each	80.00

(Recommended by the School Board)

3. Shall the school district accept the provisions of RSA 198:20-b  
providing that any school district at an annual meeting may adopt an  
article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such  
authority, the school board to apply for, accept and expend, without  
further action by the school district, unanticipated money from a state,  
federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes  
available during the fiscal year? (Recommended by the School Board).

4. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine  
Hundred Thirty One Thousand Seventy Three Dollars (\$931,073.00)  
for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district  
officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the  
District. This article does not include any of the other warrant articles.  
(Recommended by the School Board)

5. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate *up to* Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to be placed in the Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund, with such amount to be funded from June 30 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1.  
(Recommended by the School Board)
6. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate *up to* Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to be placed in the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund, with such amount to be funded from June 30 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1.  
(Recommended by the School Board)
7. To see if the District will vote to participate in a preliminary planning committee to study re-organizational possibilities including those under RSA 195 and RSA 195-A, said committee to consist of one school board member and two at-large citizens to be appointed by each of the school boards of the participating districts. Said committee will report to each of the participating school boards no later than December 31, 2008 with its findings and recommendations.
8. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Stark this 8thth day of February, 2008.

SCHOOL  
BOARD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas Bushey, Chairperson

Michelle M. Randall  
Michelle Randall

DRAFT

\_\_\_\_\_  
William Joyce

A True Copy of Warrant – Attest:

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Thomas Bushey, Chairperson

SCHOOL  
BOARD

Michelle M. Randall  
Michelle Randall

\_\_\_\_\_  
William Joyce

DRAFT



**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, March 13, 2007**

Moderator William Joyce declared the meeting open at 5:00 p.m. Rules and regulations of the meeting were explained to all citizens present.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the entire Warrant made by Nancy Spaulding. Second: James Eich.

**ARTICLE # 1:** To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen and any vote relating thereto.

Having no business, motion to pass over Article # 1 made by James Eich. Second: James Eich.

Motion to pass over passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE # 2:** To set the salaries of school district officials:

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Supervisors of the Checklist- 3@ 25.00 each	75.00
Ballot Clerks- 2 @ \$ 40.00 each	80.00

(Recommended by the School Board)

Motion to move article made by Michelle Randall. Second: Cindy Boivin

**ARTICLE # 2 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 3:** Shall the school district accept the provisions of RSA 198:20-b providing that any school district at an annual

meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the school board to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the school district, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year? (Recommended by the School Board). Motion to move article made by Michelle Randall. Second: Cindy Boivin.

### **ARTICLE # 3 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 4:** to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Seventy Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars (\$972759.00) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District. This article does not include any of the other warrant articles. (Recommended by the School Board).

Motion to move article made by Cindy Boivin. Second: Michelle Randall.

Sherwood Fluery requested permission to speak on article # 4. Permission was granted and Mr. Fluery explained that the hand outs given prior to start of the meeting pertained to the budget. Mr. Fluery stated that the School Board met with the Study Committee to make cuts and come up with the proposed budget.

Everett R. Frizzell asked for a Board Member to explain the budget line by line to citizens present who were not familiar with the budgeting process. Cindy Boivin explained the budget line by line.

Mary Fluery asked what the attendance is expected to be next year; Charles Witters, Principal, replied 30 students.

Georgia Caron asked Charles Witters if the Rosetta Stone program is still being used for Spanish. Charles replied "not as much".

Questions were asked about the pay increase for the secretary. Patty Brown, Business Manager of the S.A.U. explained that the secretary is part of the step increase program and this increase in pay is a step up.

Janice Oakes, former secretary stated that she was never told about the step increase program and while employed as the secretary she did technology as part of her job and never received additional pay.

Georgia Caron asked how much money was in the Capital Reserves at this time. Cindy replied there is \$ 101,891.96 in the Handicapped Education Fund and \$ 10,224.00 in the Maintenance Fund.

#### **ARTICLE # 4 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 5:** To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate up to Five Thousand Dollars (\$ 5,000.00) to be placed in the Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund, with such amount to be funded from June 30 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1. (Recommended by the School Board).

Motion to move article made by Michelle Randall. Second: Cindy Boivin.

#### **ARTICLE # 5 PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE # 6:** To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Motion to move article made by Michelle Randall. Second: Cindy Boivin.

Georgia Caron asked what the population was of children currently receiving direct special education services. Charles

Witters replied 3. Georgia asked how many kindergarten students are expected to come in and Charles replied to his knowledge 2.

Georgia Caron made a motion to have the kindergarten/ special education teacher to do primary teaching for kindergarten/ 1<sup>st</sup> grade. Seconded by Diane Daley.

Dan Fogg questioned Georgia's motivation behind the motion. Georgia replied that this was suggested to the study committee in January and is a programmatic suggestion only. Non-binding motion passed by voice vote.

Elicia Cloutier commented that her son is bounced back and forth too much and there is no structure in his classroom; Elicia also stated that she would like to see Mrs. Jewell have the 1<sup>st</sup> graders.

Melanie Wentworth commented on the chaos of the classroom and praised Georgia for her recommendation.

Sherwood Fluery suggested that parents should attend the Study Committee Meeting meetings scheduled to be held in May and June.

The schedule and rotation of Mrs. Jewell's day was explained by Charles Witters.

Joy Keddy reported that the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders are currently doing a project of the last 25 years of Stark History. Students are looking for information to display and stories to share at the end of the project.

Nancy Spaulding reported that Kate Andritz of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade won the spelling bee at school and will attend the Spelling Bee in Littleton on Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at the Elks Club.

The following announcement was read from Bill Remick from the NH House of Representatives:

A meeting of the NH House of Representatives Finance Committee will be held on Thursday, March 15, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. at the White Mountain Regional High School. The purpose

of the meeting will be to review and discuss the proposed State Budget.

Motion to adjourn made by James Eich. Second: Georgia Caron  
Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST

*Susan H. Croteau*

Susan H. Croteau

School Clerk



# GRADE PLACEMENT CHART

2007-2008

<u>Grade</u>	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Shelli Roberts	6							6
Kelly Jewell		1	3	4				8
Nancy Spaulding					6	2	4	12
	6	1	3	4	6	2	4	26

		<u># Students</u>
Junior High School	Grade 7	2
	Grade 8	10
High School	Grade 9	6
	Grade 10	6
	Grade 11	7
	Grade 12	<u>9</u>
		40



# ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

School District of Stark  
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2007

## Organization/Administration 2007-2008

<u>School Board</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Thomas Bushey, Chairperson	2010
Michelle Randall	2009
William Joyce	2008

### Superintendent of Schools

Carl M. Ladd – Tel. 636-1437  
Patricia Brown, Business Manager  
Frederick Bailey, Administrative Coordinator  
Carrie Irving, Secretary  
Darlene Curley, Payroll & Human Resource  
Lisa Blodgett, Accounts Payable/Grants Clerk

### Stark Village School

Shelli Roberts. – Teaching Principal/Kindergarten/Special Education  
Crystal Newton – Part-time Secretary  
Kelly Jewell – Grades 1, 2, & 3  
Nancy Spaulding – Grades 4, 5, & 6  
James Eich – Computer Tech. Aide  
Jennifer Chauvette, Paraprofessional  
Sandra Tilton, Cafeteria  
Bradley Ball, Custodian  
Susan Becker – Part-time Art  
Tabitha Paquette, Part-time Music  
Dorothy Meunier, RN – Part-time Nurse  
Mary Eliason – Part-time Guidance Counselor  
Kami Burns – Speech Pathologist

<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>Clerk</u>	<u>Moderator</u>
Susan Croteau	Susan Croteau	William Joyce

**STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL**  
**HEALTH SERVICES**  
2006 – 2007

<u>Screenings</u>	29 – Students screened for height and weight 28 – Students screened for B/P 28 – Students screened for vision 28 – Students screened for hearing 7 – Students screened for scoliosis
<u>Referrals</u>	13 – Vision, hearing, and blood pressure referrals 2 – Scoliosis referrals
<u>Physicals</u>	2 – Grade 4 physicals, 2- Grade 3 Physicals, - Total 4
<u>Pediculosis</u>	225 – Head lice checks conducted

Pre – School Registration – 5

Evaluated for health/injuries – 10 Evaluated by nurse  
4 MD referrals by nurse

First Aid – 10

Other

Programs

Growing up series – 5 & 6 grade, Wellness/Bloodborne Pathogens  
Reviewed Epipen procedure, springtime reminders mailed home  
Asthma Inhaler request – information letter mailed home  
Health update request sent home  
Flu vaccine clinic for staff -2  
Internet Safety Program

Attended

Nursing Education day @ DHMC  
Nursing update – Provided by WMC  
AED brought for calibration. Taught CPR/AED course  
Prescription and OTC drug abuse. Internet Safety.  
Health Education Jamboree

Respectfully submitted,  
Dorothy Meunier, RN

**Stark Village School**  
1192 Stark Highway  
Stark, New Hampshire 03582  
**Shelli J. Roberts**  
Teaching Principal  
Phone: (603) 636-1092  
Fax: (603) 636-1081  
E-Mail: s\_roberts@sau58.org



## **Principal's Report 2007-2008**

I would like to thank the staff, students, parents, community members, and school board for a warm welcome to the Stark Village School. It has been a privilege working at the school with such dedicated professionals and willing students.

There have been some changes at the school in the way behavior is handled. Behaviors are now documented with copies of the documentation being sent home to parents for signatures. There is not always a consequence for the behavior, but rather the documentation is a way to let parents know what their student is doing in school and enables the staff to keep track of discipline areas. It also allows parents an opportunity to discuss inappropriate or undesirable behaviors with their student. We have received a great deal of support from parents in this approach.

Recognition Assemblies are held every three weeks, parents and community members are encouraged to attend. A Star student from each classroom is recognized each month based on a set of criteria which has been defined by the students themselves.

Students and staff are also recognized for accomplishments both in and out of school.

Students are also earning Star Money for exhibiting positive actions and behaving appropriately. Once a student has accumulated \$10, they are able to exchange it for a ticket. The student's name is then written on the back of the ticket and entered into a drawing. Every month at the Recognition Assemblies, tickets are selected and winners are able to choose an item from the Principal's Prize Basket.

Due to the districts failure to meet AYP for the second consecutive year, we are defined as a District In Need of Improvement. This requires us to write and submit an improvement plan to the State of New Hampshire for approval. The team responsible for this consists of a parent, teacher, principal, and superintendent, along with a hired facilitator. The plan will allow us to move forward in providing the best possible education for the students at the Stark Village School

The school has an amazing new media center with the reading material catalogued and shelved. There are also ten new laptops with wireless capabilities. Staff is working hard to incorporate technology into their teaching and most importantly into the every day learning of students.

We are working collaboratively with Groveton Schools through the integration of activities. We have participated with Groveton Elementary School on Skiing days for their Winter Activities Program and attended a movie with them at TBA Theatre in Lancaster. The Groveton High School has invited the Stark Village School to participate in a variety of virtual field trips,

including a Constitution Day presentation and a "trip" to the San Diego Zoo on Valentines Day.

The school welcomes new Food Service Cook, Sandra Tilton, who invited community members and parents to join us during our lunch time for a Thanksgiving Dinner where a handful of parents attended and a Christmas Dinner where there were 18 additional individuals.

Please stop in and see all of the learning that is taking place at the Stark Village School. We are always looking for volunteers to assist with various components of the day and encourage anyone interested to call the school and see how you can help.

Shelli J. Roberts, Teaching Principal



## **STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY**

The parents, teachers, administrators and school board of the Stark Village School are committed to the belief that all students have a right to an excellent education.

It is accepted that learning is a lifelong process; related to all cultural factors; concrete and abstract; a result of experiences and interactions within one's environment; an experience which develops motor, cognitive, and effective skills; a right and a responsibility which children must accept; a process of self-fulfillment; and a process enhanced by competent instructors.

Therefore, the Stark Village School and the entire community seek to provide:

- ◆ Curriculums that offer opportunities to students and staff to acquire a broad awareness of themselves as part of a local, regional, and world community
- ◆ Comprehensive education that prepares all students to function well in a technological society
- ◆ Quality facilities, materials, and resources
- ◆ Competent and certified teachers and administration
- ◆ Conscientious support personnel
- ◆ Comprehensive services including guidance, healthy foods, and safe transportation
- ◆ Proper financial support for programs, staff, and facilities

## **RIGHTS OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS**

As the parent or guardian of a child who may require or who is receiving special education and/or related services, you have the following rights:

- You have the right to have access to and examine all records relating to your child's education.
- You have a right to receive prior written notice whenever the local education agency proposes to begin or change the special education referral, evaluation and/or education placement of your child. You also have a right to give your written consent before initial special education placement and before any individual evaluation of your child.
- You have a right to question any matter, decision, or recommendation relating to your child's referral, evaluation or educational placement.
- You have the right to request an independent educational evaluation obtained by the local education agency. If your request is accepted, the evaluation will be conducted by a certified or licensed professional examiner who is independent of the local education agency and will be performed at no cost to you. Should your request be denied, you have a right to appeal this decision as described below.
- If you have any complaints regarding the referral, evaluation or educational placement of your child, you have a right to meet with the School Board. If any agreement is unable to be

reached, you have the right to an impartial hearing conducted by a state-appointed due process hearing officer.

- At this hearing, you have the right to be assisted by person(s) with special knowledge or training or by an attorney and the right to present evidence and confront, cross-examine and compel the attendance of witnesses.
- After this hearing you have the right to a written or electronic verbatim recording of such hearing. You have the right to obtain written findings of fact and the decisions of the hearing at no cost.
- If the decision of the impartial hearings at the local level is not acceptable to you, you have the right to appeal this decision to the State Board of Education or Civil Court.
- During any of the hearing or appeal procedures, your child shall remain in the current education program, or if applying for initial admission to the public school, shall be placed in a regular program until all proceedings have been completed, unless you and the school officials agree otherwise.

# **TITLE IX OF THE EDUCATION AMENDMENTS OF 1972**

Public Law 92-318

Subpart A, Section 86.8 of Title IX requires public notification that the Stark School District does not discriminate in its educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, language, sex, age or handicapping condition under the provisions of Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and the Education of All Handicapped Children Act of 1975. The Stark School District hereby notifies students, parents, employees, and residents that complaints and grievances for noncompliance with any of the provisions of Title IX are to be referred to:

Carl M. Ladd  
Title IX Hearing Officer  
SAU #58  
15 Preble Street  
Groveton, NH 03582  
Tel. 603-636-1437

## **NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973**

Applicants for admission and employment, students, parents, employees, sources of referral, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with the Stark School District are hereby notified that the District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color,

national origin, gender, age, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities.

Any person having inquiries regarding the compliance of the Stark School District with the regulations of implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act is directed to contact:

Shelli Roberts  
Section 504 Coordinator  
Stark Village School  
1192 Stark Highway  
Stark, NH 03582  
Tel. 603-636-1092



# **STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS 2007-2008**

I am pleased to submit my first annual school report. As you know, Sherwood Fluery – who was superintendent for five years – retired at the end of last year. I was honored to be selected by the SAU Board to replace him. We have had some interesting challenges during this transition year, but we maintain our focus on providing the best educational opportunities for our children given our limited resources. The Stark Board deserves a great deal of credit for their commitment to our schools' educational programs. I have enjoyed working with them.

The SAU #58 School Board comprised of Northumberland, Stark, and Stratford established goals for the 2007-08 school year in October. These goal areas were developed by administration, staff, and board members working together and provide the focus and direction for the use of our limited fiscal and human resources.

## **SAU #58 Goals:**

### **1. Pass Budgets**

- a. To continue to build fiscally responsible budgets that meet the educational needs of students and community.
- b. To increase public awareness of budget process.

### **2. Retain Quality Staff**

- a. To continue to create positive working/learning environment that will encourage highly qualified teachers to remain in our districts

- b. To explore development of a formal mentor program

### **3. Complete High School Competencies Work**

- a. To have all state-mandated high school competencies in place for Fall '08.
- b. To develop processes for implementation
- c. To develop and approve school board policies to meet the new state standards in relation to high school re-design (i.e. extended learning, distance learning, experiential learning).

### **4. State Assessments**

- a. To show continued growth of student achievement.
- b. To use assessment data to drive instructional practices.

### **5. Clarify Role of Special Education in schools**

- a. To provide staff development regarding specific disabilities and current educational practices in special education.

### **6. Acclimate New Staff and Administrators**

- a. To orient new administrators through annual retreat and twice monthly administrative meetings.
- b. To orient new staff members through building level meetings and continual contact.

### **7. Improve Teacher Evaluation System**

- a. To review and assess current system and gather input from teachers and administrators
- b. To make a recommendation to SAU Board in April.

### **8. Continue School Board Collaboration**

- a. To encourage collaboration among town and school governing bodies
- b. To analyze current data (i.e. past/present enrollment, enrollment projections, facilities, funding, economic growth, etc.) in order to develop long-term goals for the SAU (i.e. 5-10 years from now)

- c. To initiate a dialogue as to how the districts may need to look like in 5-10 years

## **9. Grants**

- a. To increase the amount of grant money coming into the SAU.
- b. To provide responsible fiscal/administrative oversight and management of all grants in the SAU.

## **10. Alternative Education Program**

- a. To ensure sustainability of North Country Charter Academy and Adult Education Programs.

## **Stark Village School Goals:**

- 1.To be removed from the AYP/DINI list while maintaining Reading NECAP scores.**
- 2.To improve, maintain and enhance technology usage.**
- 3.To place an emphasis on and improve writing across the curriculum.**
- 4.To pass the 2008-2009 budget while keeping the school open.**
- 5.To modernize textbooks across the curriculum.**
- 6.To incorporate common planning time into the current schedule.**

These have been ambitious goals and ones that the administration and staff have been working on throughout the school year, and will continue to work on. As always, the ultimate goal is to provide the best education possible for our students.

We have completed our proposed budget for the 2008-09 school year, which is included in this town report. The administrators

and central office staff spent hours scouring the budget for areas in which we could contain spending increases. As we all know, costs continue to increase whether we wish them to or not.

For 2008-09, the budget that we are presenting reflects a **2.6% decrease** to the general fund, amounting to a **\$66,770 decrease** in expenditures from last year's budget. On the surface this may not seem like a great deal, but we had to offset increases in salaries, health insurance, and NH retirement in order to arrive at that amount. If you review the areas in which the administration and teachers have direct control – supplies, equipment, books, furniture – all those categories were decreased significantly.

In an ordinary year this type of budget with these kinds of numbers would have the taxpayers doing handsprings, but we know this is not an ordinary year. Many are faced with job losses, looming property tax bills, and we all face a sluggish state and national economy. There is much to cause us concern, but there is also much to be proud of and to hold on to. Our schools, which have been recognized nationally as some of the best in the nation, are practically the only asset we have left in our community – at least temporarily. We need to hold on to the academic and co-curricular programs that have prepared our children to go on into the world either to further their education or join the work force or armed services.

One of the ways we would like to look at that is by forming a study committee comprised, hopefully, of members from all three school districts to examine how we are currently providing education to our students and how we might do that more efficiently in the future given our declining enrollments and loss of federal and state funds. This will take a great deal of



communication, patience, and a willingness to approach these issues with open minds as we look at all the possibilities.

We know there are tough choices ahead of us, but we need to continue to work together to make sure that the students and their futures remain the focus of our discussions and debates.

Finally, I would like to applaud the staff and students for their successes and accomplishments this past year. I want to thank Principal Shelli Roberts for her hard work and service. Shelli has done an outstanding job for the district in the short time she has been here and has been a valuable asset to the district. I would also like to extend my sincere appreciation to Fred Bailey for his dedication and outstanding service – he has made my transition a much easier one due to his knowledge and experience. We are fortunate to have such people working with our students and for our community.

Please know that I am always available if you wish to discuss concerns or how we might make our schools better. Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to working with you in the upcoming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Ladd  
Superintendent of Schools



**SAU 58**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE/CURRICULUM**  
**COORDINATOR'S REPORT**  
**2007-2008**

The SAU 58 office staff along with the building administrators, the professional educators, and the support staffs have all worked very hard this past year to address the goals developed for our supervisory union. Providing our students with a top-notch education and our communities with schools they can be proud of, is our primary focus.

Curriculum development is an on-going process and a yearly goal in SAU 58. Our teachers have worked very hard to review, revise and update many of our curriculums. We still have a few curriculums that need to be updated such as music, art, physical education and the pre-vocational areas. Aligning all of our curriculums with the NH Frameworks improves instruction and assures that course content is delivered at the appropriate grade levels.

Each school year our district provides the educational staff with several full and half day of in-service training. This staff development time is used to address school and/or district goals that have been developed by our school boards, our building administrators and our school staff. It is also a fiscally sound means to help teachers and paraprofessionals attain the continuing educational units they need for recertification.

Another yearly, district goal is to hire and retain qualified teachers. The turnover rate of our professional staff has averaged almost 20% in each of the past three years. The

nation-wide teacher shortage, along with the difficulty of attracting teachers to the North Country, has required us to spend an extra-ordinary amount of time trying to fill vacancies. When recruiting teachers we try to hire educators who are both NH certified and who meet the No Child Left Behind definition of a highly qualified teacher. We are pleased to report that the vast majority of our teachers meet both these criteria, but we have had to hire a few teachers who are either pursuing certification via an approved Department of Education alternative plan, or who are working to meet the highly qualified requirement by passing a state approved competency test. We have been fortunate, so far, to have been able to place a competent educator in each and every classroom in our schools.

The Department of Education's guidelines pertaining to home-educated students changed in 2007. As a result, we have seen a small increase in the number of pupils being educated at home. The total number of home-educated pupils in our three communities has been between ten and fourteen over the past two years.

All of the schools in SAU 58 are currently designated as approved (Stark, Stratford and Groveton High School) or conditionally approved (Groveton Elementary School). This means our schools meet the standards and requirements mandated by the NH Department of Education. Being so designated is a result of the hard work of the educational personnel, the local school boards, and the students as well as the valuable support and the assistance from the communities and their citizens.

As our communities look ahead to the economic challenges facing us, it is important to understand the role that education will play. Studies have shown that two of the factors necessary to attract

new business and families to our communities are good schools and a well-educated work force. Therefore, we must continue our commitment to maintaining and improving our educational systems.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick E. Bailey  
Administrative/Curriculum Coordinator.

**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES**  
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007

DESCRIPTION	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	FOOD SERVICE	TRUST FUND
<b>LOCAL REVENUE:</b>				
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	473,755.00			
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENT	1,245.17			5,223.32
OTHER LOCAL REVENUE	26,676.70			
FOOD SERVICE SALES			3,383.47	
TOTAL LOCAL	501,676.87	0.00	3,383.47	5,223.32
<b>STATE REVENUE:</b>				
ADEQUACY AID (GRANT)	335,437.00			
ADEQUACY AID (STATE TAX)	122,033.00			
OTHER STATE REVENUE	206.64			
CHILD NUTRITION			0.01	
CATASTROPHIC AID	<u>15,969.12</u>			
TOTAL STATE	473,645.76	0.00	0.01	0.00
<b>FEDERAL REVENUE:</b>				
CHILD NUTRITION			6,237.12	
MEDICAID DISTRIBUTIONS	2,979.55			
DISABILITIES PROGRAMS	0.00	0.00		
OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS		32,375.57		
FEDERAL FOREST LAND	<u>24,497.29</u>			
TOTAL FEDERAL	27,476.84	32,375.57	6,237.12	0.00
TRANSFER FROM THE GENERAL FUND	0.00	0.00	22,329.69	5,000.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<u>1,002,799.47</u>	<u>32,375.57</u>	<u>31,950.29</u>	<u>10,223.32</u>

**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ACTUAL EXPENDITURES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION  
PROGRAMS & SERVICES**

	<u>2005/2006</u>	<u>2006/2007</u>
Expenditures:	117,810.91	52,409.63
Revenues:		
Individuals with Disabilities Act (94-142)	16,081.93	15,372.00
Medicaid Funds:	3,968.06	2,979.55
Adequacy Allocation:	<u>63,668.00</u>	<u>51,704.00</u>
Total Revenues:	83,717.99	70,055.55
NET SPECIAL EDUCATION COST:	<b>34,092.92</b>	<b>-17,645.92</b>



**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
COMPARATIVE BUDGETS**

<b>2/6/2008</b>	<b>2007/2008</b>	<b>2008/2009</b>	
	<b>APPROVED</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>DIFF +/-</b>
<b>REGULAR INSTRUCTION</b>			
<b>SALARIES</b>	\$ 114,489.00	\$ 125,386.00	\$ 10,897.00
<b>SALARIES-SUBSTITUTES</b>	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 1,000.00
<b>HEALTH INSURANCE</b>	\$ 24,461.00	\$ 34,472.00	\$ 10,011.00
<b>LIFE &amp; DISABILITY</b>	\$ 881.00	\$ 907.00	\$ 26.00
<b>FICA</b>	\$ 8,758.00	\$ 9,592.00	\$ 834.00
<b>EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TEACHERS' RETIREMENT</b>	\$ 6,479.00	\$ 6,429.00	\$ (50.00)
<b>TUITION REIMBURSEMENT</b>	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,160.00	\$ 1,660.00
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT COMP</b>	\$ 70.00	\$ 99.00	\$ 29.00
<b>WORKMAN'S COMP</b>	\$ 675.00	\$ 740.00	\$ 65.00
<b>REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
<b>COPIER RENTAL</b>	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
<b>TUITION/PUBLIC-ELEM.</b>	\$ 130,848.00	\$ 77,476.00	\$ (53,372.00)
<b>TUITION/PUBLIC-HIGH SCHOOL</b>	\$ 343,398.00	\$ 313,867.00	\$ (29,531.00)
<b>SUPPLIES</b>	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
<b>TEXTBOOKS/PERIODICAL</b>	\$ 207.00	\$ 512.00	\$ 305.00
<b>INTERNET FILTER SOFTWARE</b>	\$ 550.00	\$ 794.00	\$ 244.00
<b>ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT</b>	\$ -	\$ 275.00	\$ 275.00
<b>ALTERNATE EDUCATION</b>	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 645,316.00</b>	<b>\$ 588,709.00</b>	<b>\$ (56,607.00)</b>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>			
<b>SALARIES</b>	\$ 16,200.00	\$ 21,424.00	\$ 5,224.00
<b>SALARY-PARAPROFESSIONALS</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>HEALTH INSURANCE</b>	\$ 8,172.00	\$ 7,382.00	\$ (790.00)
<b>LIFE &amp; DISABILITY</b>	\$ 108.00	\$ 141.00	\$ 33.00
<b>FICA</b>	\$ 1,239.00	\$ 1,639.00	\$ 400.00
<b>EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TEACHER'S RETIREMENT</b>	\$ 940.00	\$ 1,243.00	\$ 303.00
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT COMP</b>	\$ 12.00	\$ 10.00	\$ (2.00)
<b>WORKER'S COMP INSURANCE</b>	\$ 96.00	\$ 126.00	\$ 30.00
<b>OTHER PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL ELEM</b>	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 5,302.00	\$ 1,702.00
<b>OTHER PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL MS</b>	\$ 4,333.00	\$ 4,679.00	\$ 346.00
<b>OTHER PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL HS</b>	\$ 2,811.00	\$ 3,627.00	\$ 816.00
<b>TUITION-PUBLIC</b>	\$ 12,628.00	\$ 13,007.00	\$ 379.00
<b>TUITION-PRIVATE</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TRAVEL EXPENSE</b>	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -
<b>SUPPLIES</b>	\$ 271.00	\$ 377.00	\$ 106.00

<b>2/6/2008</b>	<b>2007/2008</b>	<b>2008/2009</b>	
	<b>APPROVED</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>	
Description	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>DIFF +/-</b>
SPED SOFTWARE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 50,710.00</b>	<b>\$ 59,257.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,547.00</b>
<b>SPEECH SERVICES</b>			
TESTING SUPPLIES	\$ 233.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 17.00
SPEECH SUPPLIES	\$ 214.00	\$ 303.00	\$ 89.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 447.00</b>	<b>\$ 553.00</b>	<b>\$ 106.00</b>
<b>CO-CURRICULAR/OTHER INST.</b>			
SUPPLIES	\$ 435.00	\$ 209.00	\$ (226.00)
OTHER PROFESSIONAL-ASSEMBLY	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00	\$ -
DUES & FEES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 985.00</b>	<b>\$ 759.00</b>	<b>\$ (226.00)</b>
<b>GUIDANCE</b>			
OTHER PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL	\$ 6,108.00	\$ 4,843.00	\$ (1,265.00)
SUPPLIES	\$ 215.00	\$ -	\$ (215.00)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,323.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,843.00</b>	<b>\$ (1,480.00)</b>
<b>HEALTH</b>			
OTHER PROF-TECHNICAL	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 250.00
REPAIR/MAINTENANCE	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -
TRAVEL	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
SUPPLIES	\$ 350.00	\$ 200.00	\$ (150.00)
ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT	\$ -	\$ 583.00	\$ 583.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,975.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,658.00</b>	<b>\$ 683.00</b>
<b>IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION</b>			
IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 1,600.00
EXPENSE/TRAVEL	\$ 400.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,800.00</b>
<b>EDUCATIONAL MEDIA</b>			
CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$ 200.00	\$ 502.00	\$ 302.00
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
RENTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SUPPLIES	\$ -	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00
TEXTBOOKS/PERIODICALS	\$ -	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00
SOFTWARE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

<b>2/6/2008</b>	<b>2007/2008</b>	<b>2008/2009</b>	
	<b>APPROVED</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>DIFF +/-</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 200.00</b>	<b>\$ 702.00</b>	<b>\$ 502.00</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR</b>			
<b>TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTION</b>	\$ 1,680.00	\$ -	\$ (1,680.00)
FICA	\$ 211.00	\$ 174.00	\$ (37.00)
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	\$ 8.00	\$ 7.00	\$ (1.00)
WORKER'S COMP	\$ 16.00	\$ 13.00	\$ (3.00)
TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR	\$ 1,080.00	\$ 2,280.00	\$ 1,200.00
COMPUTER REPAIR & MAINT.	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ -
SUPPLIES	\$ 500.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 250.00
SOFTWARE	\$ -	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
	<b>\$ 4,095.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,474.00</b>	<b>\$ 379.00</b>
<b>SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES</b>			
<b>SALARIES</b>	\$ 4,070.00	\$ 4,070.00	\$ -
FICA	\$ 312.00	\$ 312.00	\$ -
OTHER PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
OTHER PROF LEGAL	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
OTHER PROF AUDIT	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
POSTAGE/PETTY CASH	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
ADVERTISING	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00	\$ -
PRINTING & BINDING	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
DUES/FEES	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 14,482.00</b>	<b>\$ 14,482.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>SAU MANAGEMENT SERVICES</b>			
<b>SAU MANAGEMENT SERVICES</b>	\$ 85,174.00	\$ 81,709.00	\$ (3,465.00)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 85,174.00</b>	<b>\$ 81,709.00</b>	<b>\$ (3,465.00)</b>
<b>SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION</b>			
<b>SALARIES</b>	\$ 5,464.00	\$ 5,356.00	\$ (108.00)
SALARY-SECRETARY	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 12,051.00	\$ 4,251.00
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 1,202.00	\$ 1,846.00	\$ 644.00
LIFE & DISABILITY	\$ 43.00	\$ 35.00	\$ (8.00)
FICA	\$ 1,015.00	\$ 1,332.00	\$ 317.00
ADMIN TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	\$ -	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00
TEACHER RETIREMENT	\$ 317.00	\$ 311.00	\$ (6.00)
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 26.00	\$ 26.00	\$ -

2/6/2008	2007/2008	2008/2009	
	APPROVED	PROPOSED	
Description	BUDGET	BUDGET	DIFF +/-
WORKMAN'S COMP	\$ 78.00	\$ 103.00	\$ 25.00
POSTAGE/PETTY CASH	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 100.00
EXPENSE/TRAVEL	\$ 300.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 300.00
SUPPLIES	\$ 390.00	\$ 300.00	\$ (90.00)
SOFTWARE	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,748.00	\$ 1,248.00
EQUIPMENT	\$ 200.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 20.00
DUES/FEES	\$ 615.00	\$ 600.00	\$ (15.00)
GRADUATION	\$ 200.00	\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 18,250.00</b>	<b>\$ 26,228.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,978.00</b>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION</b>			
SALARY	\$ 3,459.00	\$ 3,385.00	\$ (74.00)
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 541.00	\$ -	\$ (541.00)
LIFE & DISABILITY	\$ 22.00	\$ -	\$ (22.00)
FICA	\$ 265.00	\$ 259.00	\$ (6.00)
RETIREMENT	\$ 158.00	\$ -	\$ (158.00)
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 4.00	\$ -	\$ (4.00)
WORKER'S COMP INSURANCE	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ (20.00)
TRAVEL	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ (400.00)
SUPPLIES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
DUES & FEES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,869.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,644.00</b>	<b>\$ (1,225.00)</b>
<b>OPERATION &amp; MAINTENANCE OF PLANT</b>			
SALARIES	\$ 9,672.00	\$ 9,962.00	\$ 290.00
SALARY - SUMMER MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,782.00	\$ 2,865.00	\$ 83.00
FICA	\$ 953.00	\$ 981.00	\$ 28.00
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$ 24.00	\$ 24.00	\$ -
WORKMAN'S COMP	\$ 380.00	\$ 391.00	\$ 11.00
PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL WATER	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ -
GROUNDS WORK	\$ 2,450.00	\$ 750.00	\$ (1,700.00)
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 500.00
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ (350.00)
PROPERTY INSURANCE	\$ 3,525.00	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 125.00
TELEPHONE	\$ 1,975.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 25.00
INTERNET SERVICE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SUPPLIES	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,450.00	\$ 50.00
ELECTRICITY	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 200.00
BOTTLED GAS	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00	\$ -
FUEL OIL	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -



<b>2/6/2008</b>	<b>2007/2008</b>	<b>2008/2009</b>	
	<b>APPROVED</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>DIFF +/-</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 42,111.00</b>	<b>\$ 43,373.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,262.00</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>			
<b>SALARIES</b>	\$ 11,678.00	\$ -	\$ (11,678.00)
<b>FICA</b>	\$ 893.00	\$ -	\$ (893.00)
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT COMP</b>	\$ 24.00	\$ -	\$ (24.00)
<b>WORKMAN'S COMP</b>	\$ 574.00	\$ -	\$ (574.00)
<b>SALARY-FIELD TRIPS</b>	\$ 1,077.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 923.00
<b>TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT-ELEM</b>	\$ 11,394.00	\$ 21,617.00	\$ 10,223.00
<b>TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT-HS</b>	\$ 6,692.00	\$ 17,687.00	\$ 10,995.00
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>MEALS</b>	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ (100.00)
<b>PHYSICALS/DUG SCREENING ELEM</b>	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ (150.00)
<b>PHYSICALS/DUG SCREENING HS</b>	\$ 80.00	\$ -	\$ (80.00)
<b>GAS/DIESEL ELEM</b>	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -	\$ (3,500.00)
<b>GAS/DIESEL HS</b>	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ (2,000.00)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 38,162.00</b>	<b>\$ 41,304.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,142.00</b>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL BUDGET EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$ 916,499.00</b>	<b>\$ 877,895.00</b>	<b>\$ (38,604.00)</b>
<b>SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM</b>			
<b>SALARIES - CAFETERIA</b>	\$ 17,081.68	\$ 14,571.41	\$ (2,510.27)
<b>FICA/ CAFETERIA</b>	\$ 1,306.75	\$ 1,114.71	\$ (192.04)
<b>RETIREMENT-EMPLOYEE</b>	\$ 1,492.94	\$ 1,273.54	\$ (219.40)
<b>WORKERS COMP</b>	\$ 24.00	\$ 24.00	\$ -
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT COMP</b>	\$ 520.99	\$ 444.34	\$ (76.65)
<b>REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE</b>	\$ 183.14	\$ 500.00	\$ 316.86
<b>EXPENSE/TRAVEL</b>	\$ 100.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 250.00
<b>SUPPLIES/CAFETERIA</b>	\$ 100.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 550.00
<b>FOOD--CAFETERIA</b>	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
<b>ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT</b>	\$ -	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00
<b>REPLACEMENT EQUIP.-CAFETERIA</b>	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
<b>DUES/FEES</b>	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ (50.00)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 33,859.50</b>	<b>\$ 31,178.00</b>	<b>\$ (2,681.50)</b>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL &amp; FOOD SERVICE</b>	<b>\$ 950,358.50</b>	<b>\$ 909,073.00</b>	<b>\$ (41,285.50)</b>
<b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>TITLE I</b>	\$ 12,223.11	\$ 12,130.00	\$ (93.11)
<b>TITLE II</b>	\$ 8,905.75	\$ 8,700.00	\$ (205.75)
<b>TITLE IV</b>	\$ 122.24	\$ 120.00	\$ (2.24)



<b>2/6/2008</b>	<b>2007/2008</b>	<b>2008/2009</b>	
	<b>APPROVED</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>DIFF +/-</b>
<b>TITLE V</b>	\$ 276.13	\$ 250.00	\$ (26.13)
<b>IDEA</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>REAP</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>OTHER</b>	\$ 873.27	\$ 800.00	\$ (73.27)
<b>READING EXCELLENCE</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 22,400.50</b>	<b>\$ 22,000.00</b>	<b>\$ (400.50)</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL TO APPROPRIATE</b>	<b>\$ 972,759.00</b>	<b>\$ 931,073.00</b>	<b>\$ (41,686.00)</b>
<b>WARRANT ARTICLES</b>			
<b>CAPITAL RESERVE MAINT</b>	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
<b>CAPITAL RESERVE SPED</b>		\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 75,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 977,759.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,006,073.00</b>	<b>\$ 28,314.00</b>

# STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT SUMMARY

	<b>CURR. YR. BUDGET</b>	<b>PROPOSED BUDGET</b>	
	<b>07-08</b>	<b>08-09</b>	<u>Difference</u>
GEN. ED.	916,499.00	877,895.00	(38,604.00)
FOOD SERVICE	33,859.50	31,178.00	(2,681.50)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>950,358.50</b>	<b>909,073.00</b>	<b>(41,285.50)</b>
<b>FED. FUNDS</b>			
TITLE I	12,223.11	12,130.00	(93.11)
TITLE II	8,905.75	8,700.00	(205.75)
TITLE IV	122.24	120.00	(2.24)
TITLE V	276.13	250.00	(26.13)
IDEA	0.00	0.00	0.00
REAP	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER	873.27	800.00	(73.27)
<b>TOTAL FED. FUNDS</b>	<b>22,400.50</b>	<b>22,000.00</b>	<b>(400.50)</b>
<b>Budget Prop/Warrant</b>	<b>972,759.00</b>	<b>931,073.00</b>	<b>(41,686.00)</b>
<b>Trust Fund/Warrant:</b>			
CAPITAL RES. MAINT	5,000.00	25,000.00	20,000.00
CAPITAL RES. SPED	0.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$977,759.00</b>	<b>\$1,006,073.00</b>	<b>28,314.00</b>

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**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ESTIMATED REVENUES/ASSESSMENT**

	(MS-24) CURRENT <u>2007-2008</u>	ESTIMATED <u>2008-2009</u>
<b><u>LOCAL REVENUES</u></b>		
Earnings on Investments	1,000.00	1,000.00
School Food Service Sales	3,000.00	3,000.00
Tuition		
Other Local Revenue		
<b><u>STATE REVENUES</u></b>		
Child Nutrition	180.00	180.00
Catastrophic Aid		
Vocational Aid		
<b><u>FEDERAL REVENUES</u></b>		
Child Nutrition	6,000.00	6,000.00
Medicaid	2,500.00	2,500.00
Other Federal Sources (94-142)	15,000.00	15,000.00
Federal Forest Funds	18,890.00	18,000.00
<b>LOCAL/STATE/FEDERAL REV.</b>	46,570.00	45,680.00
<b>FEDERAL PROGRAM GRANTS</b>	22,000.00	22,000.00
<b><u>FUND BALANCE</u></b>		
Unreserved to Reduce Taxes	95,411.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE BEFORE GRANT</b>	163,981.00	67,680.00
<b>ADEQUATE EDUCATION GRANT</b>	352,209.00	352,209.00
<b><u>DISTRICT ASSESSMENT</u></b>		
State Education Tax	112,873.00	112,873.00
Local Education Tax	343,696.00	398,311.00
<b>TOTAL TAX ASSESSMENT</b>	456,569.00	511,184.00
<b>APPROPRIATION VOTED</b>	972,759.00	931,073.00

STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2007

ASSETS	GENERAL	FOOD SERVICE	ALL OTHER	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TRUST FUNDS
Current Assets					
CASH	70,744.44				117,339.69
INVESTMENTS					
ASSESSMENTS RECEIVABLE					
INTERFUND RECEIVABLE	15,390.28	0.00	125.00		
INTERGOV'T RECEIVABLE					
OTHER RECEIVABLES	17,807.89	360.82	15,029.46		
BOND PROCEEDS RECEIVABLE					
PREPAID EXPENSES					
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS					
Total Current Assets	103,942.61	360.82	15,154.46	0.00	117,339.69
LIABILITY & FUND EQUITY					
Current Liabilities					
INTERFUND PAYABLES	125.00	360.82	15,029.46		
INTERGOV'T PAYABLES					
OTHER PAYABLES	146.76	0.00	0.00		
CONTRACTS PAYABLE					
ACCRUED EXPENSES	3,259.69		125.00		
LOAN & INTEREST PAYABLE					
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS					
DEFERRED REVENUES					
OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Total Liabilities	3,531.45	360.82	15,154.46	0.00	0.00
FUND EQUITY					
RESERVE FOR INVENTORIES					
RESERVE FOR PREPAID EXPENSES					
RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES					
RESERVE FOR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS					
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE	100,411.16				117,339.69
Total Fund Equity	100,411.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	117,339.69
TOTAL LIABILITY & FUND EQUITY	103,942.61	360.82	15,154.46	0.00	117,339.69

# Stark School District

2008/2009

## Estimated Tax Rate

2/6/2008

	2007/2008	2008/2009	Diff +/-
Expenses:			
Appropriations Voted:			
General Fund	916,499.00	877,895.00	
Lunch Program	33,859.50	31,178.00	
Federal Funds	22,400.50	22,000.00	
Total Appropriation	972,759.00	931,073.00	(41,686.00)
Revenues:			
Minus money left from last year's Budget:	95,411.00	0.00	
Federal Revenues	64,390.00	63,500.00	
General Revenues	4,180.00	4,180.00	
Total Revenues	163,981.00	67,680.00	
Equals amount before grant:	808,778.00	863,393.00	54,615.00
Minus State Education Grant:	<b>352,209.00</b>	<b>352,209.00</b>	
Amount to be raised by taxes:	456,569.00	511,184.00	
State School Property Tax (raised locally) (state = \$2.52)	112,873.00	112,873.00	
Local School Property Tax:	343,696.00	398,311.00	54,615.00
Total Actual & Estimated Local Sch. Tax Rate:	5.34	6.19	0.85
State School Property Tax Rate:	2.26	2.26	0.00
Total State & Local School Tax Rate:	7.60	8.44	0.85

\* Based upon \$64,387,517 net assessed valuation and \$50,033,617 net assessment - utilities



**STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES**  
**FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

	SALARIES	BENEFITS	PURCHASED	SUPPLIES	PROPERTY	OTHER	TOTAL
Instruction							
REGULAR PROGRAMS	106,428.02	35,750.76	479,877.07	4,283.55	12,063.02		638,402.42
SPECIAL PROGRAMS	15,865.82	9,583.34	21,830.60	160.00			47,439.76
VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS							0.00
OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS			450.00				450.00
Support Services							
STUDENT			10,169.50	211.86			10,381.36
INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF	1,654.18	220.34	2,628.29	607.75			5,110.56
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	3,965.81	307.74	95,641.63	0.00		2,076.88	101,992.06
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	16,098.46	3,732.60	100.00	269.70	145.49	640.00	20,986.25
OPERATION/MAINTENANCE	12,082.01	1,285.67	19,251.46	15,083.23			47,702.37
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	11,107.61	1,291.16	20,893.84	3,798.75			37,091.36
Other Outlays							0.00
FACILITIES ACQUISITION & CONST.							
DEBT SERVICE-PRINCIPAL							0.00
DEBT SERVICE-INTEREST							0.00
Fund Transfers							0.00
TRANSFER TO TRUST FUNDS						5,000.00	5,000.00
TRANSFER TO FOOD SERVICE						22,329.69	22,329.69
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>167,201.91</b>	<b>52,171.61</b>	<b>650,842.39</b>	<b>24,414.84</b>	<b>12,208.51</b>	<b>30,046.57</b>	<b>936,885.83</b>

# **STARK SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **Vendor List**

July 1, 2006- June 30, 2007

AL'S PLUMBING & HEATING	\$849.29
AMERIGAS	\$567.92
ARTS ALLIANCE OF NORTHERN	\$305.00
BADGE A MINIT	\$16.42
BARCLAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES	\$87.17
BOYNTON, JAY C.	\$500.50
BROADVIEW NETWORKS, INC.	\$265.13
CAIRNSTONE, INC.	\$280.68
CALEDONIAN RECORD	\$203.07
CLASSROOMDIRECT.COM	\$233.65
COLLABORATIVE LEARNING, INC	\$415.80
CROTEAU, DONALD	\$648.50
CROTEAU. SUSAN H.	\$126.49
CURTIS, ROMY	\$227.51
DESKTEK GROUP INC, THE	\$2,871.53
EMERSON & SON	\$145.77
FIRST STUDENT, INC.	\$20,978.29
FIVE STAR ENTERPRISES, LLC	\$7,450.00
FRIZZELL, EVERETT R.	\$1,908.33
GROVETON VILLAGE STORE	\$5,795.23
HARCOURT EDUCATION	\$135.60
HP DIRECT-GEM ORDER ENTRY	\$8,971.33
HP HOOD LLC	\$2,080.43
INLAND DIVERS, INC.	\$71.50
JEWELL, JUDITH	\$522.13
JORDAN ASSOCIATES	\$321.52
KIPP ALARM SERVICE	\$1,601.00
LANCASTER KONVENIENCE	\$271.25
LGC HEALTH TRUST	\$1,732.32
LYNDONVILLE OFFICE EQUIP	\$561.75
MAD RIVER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	\$360.00

MAILBOX YEARBOOK	\$34.95
MEUNIER, DOROTHY	\$91.91
MORNEAU, RENNY E.	\$900.00
MULTI-STATE BILLING	\$358.06
MUNCE'S SUPERIOR, INC.	\$11,218.76
MUSIC IS ELEMENTARY	\$97.28
NEW ENGLAND SALEM CHILDREN'S TRUST	\$794.00
NEWS & SENTINEL	\$21.66
NEWTON, CRYSTAL J	\$85.61
NH DEPT OF ENVIR. SERVICE	\$207.00
NH RETIREMENT SYSTEM	\$6.02
NH SCCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (NHS	\$2,146.88
NH SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION ASSOC	\$37.50
NHASP-NH ASSOC OF SCHOOL PRINCIPALS	\$640.00
NHCTC	\$50.00
NORTH COUNTRY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE	\$4,066.28
NORTHERN HUMAN SERVICES	\$81.67
NORTHUMBERLAND SCHOOL DIS	\$492,748.40
ORIGINAL CRISPY PIZZA OF BOSTON, INC	\$1,871.30
PARENT INSTITUTE, THE	\$195.00
PEARSON EDUCATION, INC.	\$46.03
PEARSON LEARNING	\$91.76
PERRAS ACE, INC	\$52.96
PLANK ROAD PUBLISHING INC	\$138.15
PLODZIK & SANDERSON	\$3,062.50
PORTER OFFICE MACHINES	\$967.62
POSITIVE PROMOTIONS	\$38.20
PRIMEX	\$39,342.32
PRO-ED	\$237.60
PUBLIC SERVICE CO. OF NH	\$5,551.64
REALLY GOOD STUFF	\$39.80
RELIABLE OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$337.66
REXFORD CONSTRUCTION	\$350.00
RON'S ELECTRIC	\$81.00
SALMON PRESS	\$405.14
SAU #58	\$91,285.26

SCHOLASTIC, INC	\$149.64
SCHOOL SPECIALTY	\$71.19
SCOTT FORESMAN	\$909.98
SOS COMMITTEE	\$200.00
SPAULDING, NANCY	\$117.40
STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL	\$746.57
STECK-VAUGHN COMPANY	\$42.90
SUPER DUPER PUBLICATIONS	\$194.75
SURPLUS DISTRIBUTION SEC	\$336.12
SWISH MAINTENANCE LIMITED	\$377.40
SYSCO FOOD SERVICE	\$1,560.82
TEACHER DIRECT	\$66.03
TEACHERSPARADISE.COM	\$17.11
THE STUTTERING FOUNDATION	\$33.70
TIME FOR KIDS	\$51.60
TIREY & ASSOCIATES, PC	\$1,457.00
TOWN OF GORHAM	\$350.00
TOWN OF STARK	\$19,974.00
TREASURER, RUMNEY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$7,699.68
TREASURER, STATE OF NH	\$232.68
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND	\$5,000.00
UNH-COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	\$65.00
VAC SHOP	\$48.90
VERIZON	\$821.66
WEEKS MEDICAL CENTER	\$110.00
WHITE MOUNTAIN MULCH PROD	\$405.00
WHITE MT REG SCHOOL DIST	\$7,667.44
WILLIAM V. MACGILL & CO	\$73.71
WITTERS, CHARLES	\$84.46
WOLKINS - EARLY DECISION	\$405.54
ZANER BLOSER	\$159.01
ZIZZA LOCK & SECURITY	\$945.00





