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Bennington, N.H.

In Memoriam ...



Perhaps no individual before or since “carried” Bennington in a leadership role like Erving LeCain.

A founding member of the Historical Society, the Town’s Auditor, a Selectman from 1968 to 1989, he was Bennington’s Mr. Town Hall. He was affectionately known as the “The Mayor”.

Erving passed away in Hanover on February 9, 2001.

He will not be forgotten.

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ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

TOWN OFFICERS

of

BENNINGTON, NH

for the Year Ending December 31, 2001

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

John J. Cronin, III

Term Expires 2002

SELECTMEN

James W. Cleary, Chairman

Term Expires 2004

Philip R. Germain

Term Expires 2002

Terry D. Schnare

Term Expires 2003

TOWN CLERK

Debra Belcher

Term Expires 2002

TOWN TREASURER

Joyce L. Miner

Term Expires 2002

TAX COLLECTOR

Denise P. French

Appointed

ROAD AGENT

David Blanchard

Appointed

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Michelle Hautanen

Term Expires 2004

Elisabeth A. Shingler

Term Expires 2002

Carrie Whittemore

Term Expires 2003

Lise Lemieux (Resigned)

Term Expires 2002

FOREST FIRE WARDENS

Appointed by Selectmen

Mark Chase, Warden

Brett French, Deputy

Keith Nason, Deputy

Steve Pacsay, Deputy

Allan Wilson, Deputy

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

Joseph MacGregor

Term Expires 2003

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Appointed by Moderator

Harvey Goodwin
James Henderson

Lucien Lizotte
Robyn Manley

Brent Paradise

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Appointed by Selectmen

Phil Germain

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Dawn A. Bond
Darlene McKenney
Victoria L. Turner

Term Expires 2002
Term Expires 2004
Term Expires 2006

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Roy Johnson, Chairman
Francesco Carrara
Mae Lizotte

Term Expires 2004
Term Expires 2002
Term Expires 2003

OFFICER OF HEALTH/WELFARE

Barbara Huntley

Appointed

CHIEF OF POLICE

C. Stephen Campbell

Appointed

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

William B. Reid

Appointed

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Philip Traxler
Jill Young
Charles E. Zabriskie, Jr.

Term Expires 2002
Term Expires 2003
Term Expires 2004

PLANNING BOARD

Peter Eppig, Chairman	Term Expires 2004
Catriona D.M. Beck	Term Expires 2004
Phil Germain, ex-officio	Term Expires 2002
Letitia A. Rice	Term Expires 2002
Terry Shields	Term Expires 2003
Frank Cordelle (Alternate)	Term Expires 2004
Joseph Eisenberg (Alternate)	Term Expires 2005

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

David Beck, Chairman	Term Expires 2004
Francesco Carrara	Term Expires 2003
Barbara Goodwin	Term Expires 2002
Peter Martel	Term Expires 2004
John Tyler	Term Expires 2002
Glenn Dow (Resigned)	Term Expires 2002

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Chester D. Heinzman, Jr.	Appointed
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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Appointed by Selectmen

Jonathan Manley, Chairman	Term Expires 2002
David Barrett	Term Expires 2002
Bruce Edes	Term Expires 2002
Joseph MacGregor	Term Expires 2002
Dennis McKenney	Term Expires 2002
Letitia Rice	Term Expires 2002
Terry Schnare	Term Expires 2002

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE

Appointed by Selectmen

Joseph Cuddemi	Peter Eppig	John French
Philip Germain	Harvey Goodwin	Roy Johnson
Joseph MacGregor, Chairman		Philip Germain, ex-officio

WATER & SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Roy Johnson	Term Expires 2004
John French	Term Expires 2003
Glenn Wilson	Term Expires 2002

NEWHALL PARK BOARD

Appointed by Selectmen

Joyce Desaulniers	Term Expires 2003
David Parker	Term Expires 2003
Brian Whittemore	Term Expires 2003
Cilla Roberts, Alternate	Term Expires 2003

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Allan Wilson, Chief	Term Expires 2002
Mark Chase, First Deputy	Term Expires 2002
Keith Nason, Second Deputy	Term Expires 2002

RECREATION COMMISSION

Appointed by Selectmen

Deborah Belcher	Valerie Germain
Bruce Edes	Deborah Page
Richard Page	Phil Germain, Co-Chairman
Sfa Whittemore, Co-Chairman	

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Appointed by Selectmen

Terry Schnare	Richard Verney
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HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Appointed by Selectmen

David Blanchard	Stephen Campbell
John Cronin	William Reid

TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote: You are hereby notified to meet at the Pierce School on Tuesday, the fifth of February, next at seven o'clock in the evening, and then at the Fire Station on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, next at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Note: The casting of absentee ballots will begin at 1 p.m. The polls will close at 7 p.m.

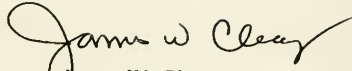
1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to appoint two persons, both of whom must be former Bennington Selectmen, as replacements for the standing Selectmen, for the sole and specific purpose of negotiating the sale of the Town-owned property at the site of the former Crotched Mountain Ski Area?
3. Shall the Town vote to direct the Bennington Conservation Commission to recommend to the Board of Selectmen those Town-owned parcels of land which are suitable for designation as Municipal Forests under the provisions of RSA 31:110-114, and to report such recommendations no later than Town Meeting 2003?
(This is a Petitioned Warrant Article as amended by action of the Deliberative Session, February 5, 2002)
4. Shall the Town vote to change the organization of the Fire Department, in accordance with RSA 154:111, to make the position of Fire Chief appointive by the Selectmen rather than elective; the positions of Deputy Chiefs appointive by the Chief and the Fire Department Officers appointive by the Board of Chiefs?
(Recommended by the Fire Chief and the Board of Selectmen)
5. Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the Warrant, and other appropriations voted separately for the purposes set forth therein, totaling nine hundred twenty-four thousand two hundred sixty-five dollars (\$924,265)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be eight hundred eighty-two thousand eighteen dollars (\$882,018), exclusive of special articles, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law or the governing body may hold one Special Meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

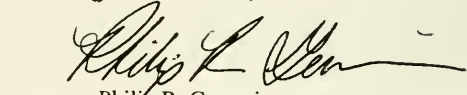
Note: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

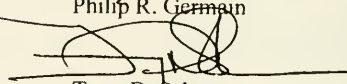
6. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred fifty dollars (\$450) as its share of year 2002 programming for Project LIFT, which provides literacy services and materials to Bennington citizens over 16 years of age?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
7. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand seven hundred dollars (\$3,700) for gravestone/headstone repair and tree care at Sunnyside Cemetery?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
8. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for purchase of fireworks to be displayed in conjunction with Bennington's 2002 observance of Old Home Days?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
9. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
10. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the Forest Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
11. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$13,500) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund, and shall the Town designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend up to twenty-nine thousand dollars (\$29,000) from that fund for the purchase of a Ford Explorer cruiser?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
12. Shall the Town create a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the "Sidewalk Capital Reserve Fund" to meet the cost of replacing the Town's sidewalks; shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$14,500) to be placed in that Fund and shall the Town also place in that Fund the sum of fourteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$14,500) appropriated for that purpose by the 2001 Town Meeting, an appropriation which was encumbered by the Selectmen but not expended?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
13. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, and shall the Town designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend up to twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) from that fund for the purchase of a sander body?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
14. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Library Capital Reserve Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

15. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Water Department Capital Reserve Fund, and shall the Town designate the Selectmen as agents to expend up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) from that Fund for the purpose of replacing hydrants?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
16. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
17. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the Rescue Van Capital Reserve Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
18. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the Mower Capital Reserve Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
19. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
20. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
21. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Town Building Expendable Trust Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
22. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
23. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Emergency Radios Capital Reserve Fund and shall the Town designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from that Fund for the purchase of four portable digital radios?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)
24. Shall the Town create a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the Town Revaluation Fund (pursuant to RSA Chapter 35) for the future revaluation of the municipality and raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) toward that purpose, and appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Fund?
(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-third day of January, in the year of our Lord two thousand and two.

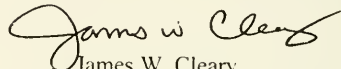

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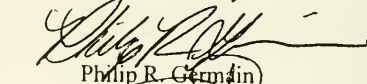

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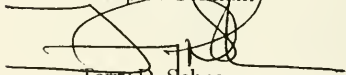

Terry D. Schnare

Board of Selectmen,
Bennington, New Hampshire

a true copy of Warrant - Attest


James W. Cleary


Philip R. Germain


Terry D. Schnare

SELECTMEN'S MESSAGE

This Report is dedicated to local rather than national or international issues. We find it difficult, however, to talk about 2001 without at least noting the events of September 11. With less than a half-year of perspective, it is still difficult to measure the terrorist impact on our economy and on our lives. It is safe to say, however, that every day in which the average American lives or resumes a normal lifestyle is a win for us and a loss for them ... and we are returning to normal.

There is no quick fix. We must have patience.

Even before September 11, slow downs were reported in some sectors of the national economy. Not so in Bennington in 2001. We saw a larger number of stick-built houses started this spring/summer than in the last five years combined. The number of pre-built homes, additions and other structures was at a normal rate for the decade. A surprise? Not to the State's economists. The growth pattern represents an extension northward and westward of the population boom which began in the 1960's in Rockingham and Hillsborough counties. It suggests the need for all towns in the Monadnock Region to look at growth and its impact. The Selectmen salute the effort of the Planning Board and dozens of the volunteers recruited by them in the rewriting of Bennington's Master Plan. Only ten years old, it is clearly outdated. It is a citizen document. We urge every resident to share his/her thoughts, concerns and energies in making it the long-range guide to development which the community needs.

In New England, the Town Hall represents the "face" of most communities and by your vote, Bennington's face got an up-lift in 2001. After many hours/days of debate on the siding vs. painting issue, the clapboards were scraped to their cedar base in August, treated to two coats of special primer and a finish coat that hopefully will hold its surface until 2008. That was Phase 2 of the three-tiered plan developed by the Town Hall Planning Committee in 1999. The structure's roof was replaced in 2000; its exterior in 2001 and its parking/landscaping problem will be addressed, with voter support, in 2003.

Since 1998, this Report to the townspeople has contained a gloom and doom prediction that the cost of waste disposal would go out of sight when the Town's five-year contract with Waste Management of New Hampshire expires on December 11. Removal costs were expected to jump by 40-50%. Well, competition in the free enterprise system works. We found that competition and the explosion was contained. There is an increase in the 2002 budget and it's not insignificant (\$5,100) but it represents only a 19.6% increase over the prior year. The new contract covers three years and its increase or decrease from year-to-year will be based on the results of the Consumer Price Index.

Although it never made headlines, Bennington has been a landlord over the past two years. The Town acquired Condo Units 37A and 37B, Mountainside, by Tax Deed in 1999. A State Law made it economically unwise to sell the units, until a 36-month period expired. That date came up in January. The Condos have been sold, the entire proceeds returned to the General Fund and both properties are back on the tax rolls.

Bennington's contract with Adelphia Communications for cable television services will expire in May, 2003. For more than a year, we have been joined with several other Monadnock Region communities, having similar contracts and contract schedules with Adelphia, in an attempt to (1)

explore alternatives/competitor firms (2) negotiate for improved programming (3) seek some control of rates (4) provide customers with better service/reception (5) arrange for a minimum standard of communication between the company and those it serves.

Much of the consortium's early impetus came from Peterborough volunteers. They have been joined, however, by experienced, able and valuable representatives, including Bennington's Jim Dodge and Catroina Beck, in the consortium. With their own legal counsel, the Consortium is speaking with a stronger and more knowledgeable voice to company officials. How much can be done is yet to be determined. At this time, no true competitors can be identified. In addition, FCC regulations severely restrict what can be negotiated in respect to programming and cost, at least the cost of the "basic package". Much has already been accomplished, however, in respect to service and communications and the group has only begun its work. The Board extends its, and the community's, thanks to Jim and Catroina for their time and effort.

In the way of singular accomplishment, we share your pride in the selection of Bennington - and Newhall Field ... more accurately, the Newhall Field complex ... as the site of the 2001 State District Baseball Championship Series. It is truly remarkable that an athletic facility in a community of 1,400 people is picked for this honor. We pay tribute to Scott Liljeberg and all the people who contribute so many hours, every year, to create and maintain this Bible Hill Road showplace. And for being such gracious and complete hosts/hostesses that the site will serve the same role in future years.

We close this Report in much the same way it started. The events of September 11 serve to remind us of the people who make the community function; police, fire, and rescue squad members; the guys who drive the snow plows; the school crossing guards; the guys who run the Transfer Station; the Town Hall folks; the dozens of Recreation Department volunteers who provide a year-round series of events for us; both the professionals and volunteers who make the Dodge Library what it is, and all the volunteer members of Bennington's Boards and Committees - and others - to all of them - Thank You.

Jim

Phil

Terry

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: BENNINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:


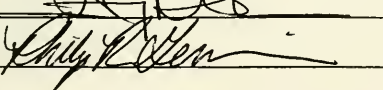
Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted. 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 above address. |
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This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) January 28, 2002

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

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THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
ACCT. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART. #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		72269	64904	71889	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		13664	14813	15883	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		44095	43451	44700	
4152	Revaluation of Property					
4153	Legal Expense		8000	3989	8000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		92962	95411	100494	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		7658	3518	7791	
4194	General Government Buildings		13550	12977	11800	
4195	Cemeterias		2550	2987	2550	
4196	Insurance		15596	13044	14500	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.					
4199	CONTINGENCY Other General Government		3000	3298	3000	
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		118750	111851	120885	
4215-4219	Ambulance		7500	7500	7500	
4220-4229	Fire		40703	37508	44703	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		750	750	750	
4290-4298	Emergency Management					
4299	Other (Including Communications)					
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration		89150	92561	90390	
4312	Highways & Streets		79100	85924	80100	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting		9300	9172	9300	
4319	Other					
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration		22380	27720	24100	
4323	Solid Waste Collection		1800	0	1800	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		37300	42027	42300	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up					

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SANITATION cont.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		30000	20451	30000	
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration		18900	16936	18900	
4332	Water Services		16300	14914	16300	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other		1650	1390	1650	
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		1224	1216	1397	
4414	Pest Control		150	0	150	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		5271	5273	5752	
WELFARE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		6526	4945	6104	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts		845	0	520	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other		5750	3066	4900	
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		22760	19955	20280	
4550-4559	Library		53807	50688	57172	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		3200	2369	3300	
4589	SCHOLARSHIP Other Culture & Recreation		500	500	1000	
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		675	457	675	
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes		28050	28050	33050	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		16633	16238	14680	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		6000	5090	6000	

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	DEBT SERVICE cont.		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.		45896	27411	23650	
	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		104500	104500	108500	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917		35000	35000	25000	
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Agency Funds					
	SUBTOTAL 1		1083714	1031854	1081415	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

"SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES"

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

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			139500	139500	133500	
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX

"INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES"

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
			45896	* 27411	23650	
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	1081415	XXXXXXXXXX

*an additional \$14,500 encumbered to 2002

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING YEAR
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		1200	2790	2000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		3000	2629	2500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		500	500	500
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		30000	10615	60000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		1000	2435	2000
3188	Excavation Activity Tax		4300	4917	4900
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		500	492	500
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		200000	197070	200000
3230	Building Permits		700	635	700
3290	MUNICIPAL AGENT Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		5000	4065	4000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	FEMA		3274	
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		46000	25585	25000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		29000	36512	35000
3353	Highway Block Grant		30000	32363	32000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		14000	13897	14000
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)				
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		7000	4250	4000
3409	Other Charges		4000	2875	2000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		7000	10361	55000
3502	Interest on Investments		11000	7675	8000
3503-3509	Other RENTAL OF PROPERTY		10000	7900	0

DONATION FROM PAPER COMPANY 5000
 INSURANCE PAYMENT 27850

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)		24000	24325	24000
	Water - (Offset)		41000	45657	45000
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds				

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

XXXXXXXXXX

XXXXXXXXXX

XXXXXXXXXX

3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			469200	473672	521100

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	924265
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	23650
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	133500
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1081415
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above, column 6)	521100
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	560315

**CAPITAL RESERVE/EXPENDABLE TRUST BUDGET REQUESTS
2002**

<u>CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Fire Truck	\$15,000
Water Department	\$5,000
Forestry Truck	\$3,000
Highway Truck	\$15,000
Police Cruiser	\$13,500
Library	\$5,000
Sewer Department	\$3,000
Rescue Van	\$3,000
Mower	\$1,000
Highway Equipment	\$20,000
Bridge Replacement	\$5,000
Emergency Radios	\$5,000
Revaluation	\$15,000
 <u>EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND</u>	
Bridge Maintenance	\$5,000
Town Buildings	\$20,000

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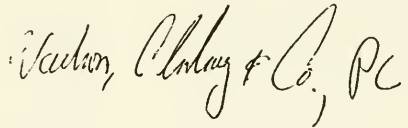
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Town of Bennington, New Hampshire

We have compiled the financial statements of the Town of Bennington, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 2001 included in the accompanying Form F-65 (MS-5), in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Our compilation was limited to presenting in the form prescribed by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, information that is the representation of Town Officials. We have not audited or reviewed the financial statements referred to above and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them.

The financial report, Form F-65 (MS-5), is presented in accordance with the requirements of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration which differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such differences.



January 18, 2002

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
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MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

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Town of Bennington
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**ANNUAL CITY/TOWN
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(Please correct any error in name, address, and ZIP Code)

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FORM TO

State of New Hampshire
Department of Revenue Administration
Municipal Services Division
PO Box 487
Concord, NH 03302-0487
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Part I **GENERAL FUND** - Revenues and expenditures for the period - Specify -

January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001
OR
July 1, 2000 to June 30, 200__

A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual		Account No.	Amount
		(a)	(b)
1. Revenues from taxes (Including state education)			
a. Property taxes (commitment less overlay plus line 6, column C, page 12)		3110	T01 \$ 1,690,381
b. State and local taxes assessed for school districts	\$ 1,041,184	4933	T01
c. Land use change taxes		3120	2,790
d. Resident taxes		3180	T01
e. Timber taxes		3185	T01 3,365
f. Payments in lieu of taxes		3186	U99
g. Other taxes (Explain on separate schedule)		3189	T01
h. Interest and penalties on delinquent taxes		3190	T01 26,626
i. Excavation Tax (@ \$.02 per cu. yd.)		3187	T99
j. Excavation Activity Tax		3188	T99 2,435
k. TOTAL (Excluding line 1b)			\$ 1,725,597
2. TOTAL revenues for education purposes (This entry should be used by the few municipalities which have dependent school districts only)			
			\$
3. Revenue from licenses, permits, and fees			
a. Business licenses and permits		3210	T99 492
b. Motor vehicle permit fees		3220	T01 201,794
c. Building permits		3230	T99 635

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)		
A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No.	Amount
3. Revenue from licenses, permits, and fees (Continued)	(a)	(b)
d. Other licenses, permits, and fees	3290	6,251
e. TOTAL		\$ 209,172
4. Revenue from the federal government		
a. Housing and urban renewal (HUD)	3311	\$
b. Environmental protection	3312	
c. Other federal grants and reimbursements - <i>Specify -</i>		
	3319	
d. TOTAL		\$
5. Revenue from the State of New Hampshire		
a. Shared revenue block grant	3351	\$ 51,171
b. Meals and rooms distribution	3352	36,512
c. Highway block grant	3353	32,363
d. Water pollution grants	3354	13,897
e. Housing and community development	3355	
f. State and federal forest land reimbursement	3356	
g. Flood control reimbursement	3357	
h. Other state grants and reimbursements - <i>Specify -</i> Police Grants		
	3359	1,474
i. TOTAL		\$ 135,417
6. Revenue from other governments		
Intergovernmental revenue - Other	3379	\$ 3,273
7. Revenue from charges for services <i>(Exclude interfund transfers)</i>		
a. Income from departments	3401	\$ 2,530
b. Water supply system charges	3402	45,597
c. Sewer user charges	3403	24,210
d. Garbage-refuse charges	3404	256
e. Electric user charges	3405	
f. Airport fees	3406	
g. Other Charges	3409	
h. TOTAL		\$ 72,593

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)

A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Amount (b)
8. Revenue from miscellaneous sources		
a. Special assessments	3500	U01 \$
b. Sale of municipal property	3501	U11 50
c. Interest on investments	3502	U20 7,675
d. Rents of property	3503	U40 8,300
e. Fines and forfeits	3504	U99 2,475
f. Insurance dividends and reimbursements	3506	U99 46,115
g. Contributions and donations	3508	U99 5,128
h. Other miscellaneous sources not otherwise classified	3509	U99 2,544
i. TOTAL		\$ 72,287
9. Interfund operating transfers in		
a. Transfers from special revenue fund	3912	\$
b. Transfers from capital projects fund	3913	
c. Transfers from proprietary funds	3914	
d. Transfers from capital reserve fund	3915	
e. Transfers from trust and agency funds	3916	
f. TOTAL		\$
10. Other financial sources		
a. Proceeds from long-term notes and general obligation bonds	3934	\$
b. Proceeds from all other bonds	3935	
c. Other long-term financial sources	3939	
d. TOTAL		\$
11. TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES		\$ 2,218,339
12. TOTAL FUND EQUITY <i>(Beginning of year)</i> <i>(Should equal line B.2f, column b, page 9)</i>		\$ 195,879
13. TOTAL OF LINES 11 AND 12 <i>(Should equal line 21, page 8)</i>		\$ 2,414,218

Remarks

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)

B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual	Account No. (a)	Total expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
1. General government				
a. Executive	4130	\$ 65,044	\$	\$
b. Election, registration and vital statistics	4140	14,900		
c. Financial administration	4150	44,857		
d. Revaluation of property	4152			
e. Legal expense	4153	3,989		
f. Personnel administration	4155	95,411		
g. Planning and zoning	4191	3,518		
h. General government building	4194	14,141		
i. Cemeteries	4195	7,568		
j. Insurance not otherwise allocated	4196	13,044		
k. Advertising and regional association	4197			
l. Other general government	4199	3,448		
m. TOTAL		\$ 265,920	\$	\$
2. Public safety				
a. Police	4210	\$ 125,344	\$	\$
b. Ambulance	4215	7,500		
c. Fire	4220	45,895	7,172	
d. Building inspection	4240	750		
e. Emergency management	4290			
f. Other public safety (including communications)	4299			
g. TOTAL		\$ 179,489	\$ 7,172	\$
3. Airport/Aviation center				
a. Administration	4301	\$	\$	\$
b. Airport operations	4302			
c. Other	4309			
d. TOTAL		\$	\$	\$

Remarks

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)				
B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)				
	Account No. (a)	Total expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
4. Highways and streets				
a. Administration	4311	\$ 93,217		
b. Highways and streets	4312	98,552		9,577
c. Bridges	4313	5,000		
d. Street lighting	4316	9,957		
e. Other highway, streets, and bridges	4319	5,630		
f. TOTAL		\$ 212,356	\$	\$ 9,577
5. Sanitation				
a. Administration	4321	\$ 27,828	\$	\$
b. Solid waste collection	4323			
c. Solid waste disposal	4324	41,887		
d. Solid waste clean-up	4325			
e. Sewage collection and disposal	4326	20,574		
f. Other sanitation	4329			
g. TOTAL		\$ 90,289	\$	\$
6. Water distribution and treatment				
a. Administration	4331	\$ 16,946	\$	\$
b. Water services	4332	15,300		
c. Water treatment	4335	1,390		
d. Water conservation	4338			
e. Other water	4339			
f. TOTAL		\$ 33,637	\$	\$
7. Electric				
a. Administration	4351	\$	\$	\$
b. Generation	4352			
c. Purchase costs	4353			
d. Equipment maintenance	4354			
e. Other	4359			
f. TOTAL		\$	\$	\$

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)				
B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)				
	Account No. (a)	Total expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
8. Health				
a. Administration	4411	\$ 1,216	\$	\$
b. Pest control	4414			
c. Health agencies and hospitals	4415	5,273		
d. Other health	4419			
e. TOTAL		E32 \$ 6,489	G32 \$	F32 \$
9. TOTAL expenditures for education purposes <i>(This entry should be used by the few municipalities which have dependent school districts only)</i>				
		\$	\$	\$
10. Welfare				
a. Administration	4441	\$ 2,133	\$	\$
b. Direct assistance	4442	E67 2,814		
c. Intergovernmental welfare payments	4444	M79		
d. Vendor payments	4445	E75 2,654		
e. Other welfare	4449	E79 420	G79	F79
f. TOTAL		\$ 8,021	\$	\$
11. Culture and recreation				
a. Parks and recreation	4520	E61 \$ 23,382	G61 \$	F61 \$
b. Library	4550	E62 51,636	G62	F62
c. Patriotic purposes	4583	E61 2,369	G61	F61
d. Other culture and recreation	4589	E61 500	G61	F61
e. TOTAL		\$ 77,887	\$	\$
12. Conservation				
a. Administration	4611	\$ 457	\$	\$
b. Purchase of natural resources	4612			
c. Other conservation	4619			
b. TOTAL		E59 \$ 457	G59 \$	F59 \$
13. Redevelopment and housing				
a. Administration	4631	\$	\$	\$
b. Redevelopment and housing	4632			
c. TOTAL		E50 \$	G50 \$	F50 \$

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)

B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Total expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
14. Economic development				
a. Administration	4651	\$	\$	\$
b. Economic development	4652			
c. Other economic development	4659			
d. TOTAL		E89 \$	G89 \$	F89 \$
15. Debt service				
a. Principal long term bonds and notes	4711	\$ 28,050	\$	\$
b. Interest on long term bonds and notes	4721	¹⁸⁹ 16,238		
c. Interest on tax and revenue anticipation notes	4723	¹⁸⁹ 5,090		
d. Other debt service charges	4790	^{E23}		
e. TOTAL		\$ 49,378	\$	\$
16. Capital outlay				
a. Land and improvements	4901	\$	\$	\$
b. Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	4902			
c. Buildings	4903	^F		
d. Improvements other than buildings	4909	^F		
e. TOTAL		\$	\$	\$
17. Interfund operating transfers out				
a. Transfers to special revenue funds	4912	\$	\$	\$
b. Transfers to capital projects funds	4913			
c. Transfers to proprietary funds	4914			
d. Transfers to capital reserve funds	4915	139,500		
e. Transfers to trust and agency funds	4916			
f. TOTAL		\$ 139,500	\$	\$

Remarks

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)				
B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Total expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
18. Payments to other governments				
a. Taxes assessed for county	4931	\$ 103,838	\$	\$
b. Taxes assessed for precincts/village districts	4932			
c. Local education taxes assessed	4933	1,041,184		
d. State education taxes assessed	4939			
e. Payments to other governments	4939			
f. TOTAL		\$ 1,145,022	\$	\$
19. TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$ 2,208,445	\$ 7,172	\$ 9,577
20. TOTAL FUND EQUITY (End of year) (Should equal line B,2f, column c, on page 9 and line 13 on page 3, less line 19 above)		\$ 205,773		
21. TOTAL OF LINES 19 AND 20 (Should equal line 13 on page 3)		\$ 2,414,218		

Part II				
This area may be used to provide the detail requested whenever "Explain" or "Specify" is found. If additional space is needed, please go to page 13.				
Account number (a)	Item (b)	Amount (c)		

Part III **GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET - Please specify the period -**

As of December 31, 2001 OR June 30, 200__

A. ASSETS			
	Account number (a)	Beginning of year (b)	End of year (c)
1. Current assets			
a. Cash and equivalents	1010	\$ 413,974	\$ 366,890
b. Investments	1030	56,487	
c. Taxes receivable (See worksheet, page 12)	1080	149,980	158,381
d. Tax liens receivable (See worksheet, page 12)	1110	81,919	89,810
e. Accounts receivable	1150	14,894	5,256
f. Due from other governments	1260		
g. Due from other funds	1310	11,051	3,537
h. Other current assets	1400	7,266	6,000
i. Tax deeded property (subject to resale)	1670		
j. TOTAL ASSETS (Should equal line B3)		\$ 735,571	\$ 629,874
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
1. Current liabilities			
a. Warrants and accounts payable	2020	\$ 9,803	\$ 20,132
b. Compensated absences payable	2030		
c. Contracts payable	2050		
d. Due to other governments	2070	844	1,203
e. Due to school districts	2075	423,965	401,079
f. Due to other funds	2080	48,126	250
g. Deferred revenue	2220	67	114
h. Notes payable - Current	2230		
i. Bonds payable - Current	2250		
j. Other payables	2270	56,887	1,323
k. TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$ 539,692	\$ 424,101
2. Fund equity			
a. Reserve for encumbrances (Please detail on page 13)	2440	\$	\$
b. Reserve for continuing appropriations (Detail on page 13)	2450		
c. Reserve for appropriations voted from surplus	2460		
d. Reserve for special purposes (Please detail on page 13)	2490	7,266	18,500
e. Unreserved fund balance	2530	188,613	187,273
f. TOTAL FUND EQUITY		\$ 195,879	\$ 205,773
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY (Should equal line A1j)			
		\$ 735,571	\$ 629,874

Part IV GENERAL FUND

Account number (a)	Beginning of year		End of year	
	Debit (b)	Credit (c)	Debit (d)	Credit (e)
A. FIXED ASSET GROUP OF ACCOUNTS (Please specify date)				
As of December 31, 2001 OR June 30, 200__				
1. Land and improvements				
2. Buildings				
3. Machinery, vehicles, and equipment				
4. Construction in progress				
5. Improvements other than buildings				
6. Tax deeded property				
7. Investment in general fixed assets				
8. TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	\$
B. LONG-TERM DEBT GROUP OF ACCOUNTS (Please specify date)				
As of December 31, 2001 OR June 30, 200__				
1. Bond proceeds not used	1810			
2. Amount to be provided for the retirement of long-term debt	1820	388,800	353,202	
3. Notes and bonds payable - Long-term	2310	282,600		254,550
4. Other long-term liabilities	2390	106,200		98,652
5. TOTAL	\$	\$ 388,800	\$ 353,202	\$ 353,202

As with the majority of New Hampshire communities, the Town has not maintained historical cost records of its investment in General Fixed Assets.

Part IV GENERAL FUND (Continued)

C. AMORTIZATION OF LONG-TERM DEBT (Please specify date)

As of December 31, 2001
 June 30, 2001

Description of general obligation bonds (Please also list total original obligation)

Purpose (a)	Annual installment (b)	Interest rate (c)	Date of final payment (d)	Bonds o/s at beginning of year (e)	Bonds issued this year (f)	Bonds retired this year (g)	Bonds o/s at end of year (h)
Water	\$ Variable	5.00%	Nov. 2010	\$ 164,400	\$	\$ 12,000	\$ 152,400
Sewer	1,300	5.00%	Oct. 2004	6,500		1,300	5,200
Sewer	10,000	8.60%	Feb. 2005	50,000		10,000	40,000
Sewer	4,750	6.63%	Feb. 2013	61,700		4,750	56,950
5.							
6.							
7.							
8. TOTAL				\$ 282,600	\$	\$ 28,050	\$ 254,550

D. PLEASE LIST THE ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS TO AMORTIZE ALL GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT AS OF (Enter date) December 31, 2001 FOR THE ENSUING FIVE YEARS

Year (a)	Principal (b)	Interest (c)	Total (d)
2002	\$ 33,050	\$ 14,354	\$ 47,404
2003	33,050	12,273	45,323
2004	33,050	10,187	43,237
2005	33,050	8,172	41,222
2006	21,750	6,577	28,327
6. SUBTOTAL (Sum of lines 1-5)	153,950	51,563	205,513
7. Remaining periods of debt	100,600	16,074	116,674
8. TOTAL (Sum of lines 6 and 7)	\$ 254,550	\$ 67,637	\$ 322,187

Other long-term liabilities consist of the following:
 Estimated liability for landfill post-closure care costs \$98,652

Remarks

Part V RECONCILIATIONS				
A. RECONCILIATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY		Amount		
1. School district liability at beginning of year <i>(Account number 2075, column b, on page 9)</i>	\$			423,965
2. ADD: School district assessment for current year <i>(Should equal Account number 4933, on page 8)</i>				1,041,184
3. TOTAL LIABILITY WITHIN CURRENT YEAR <i>(Sum of lines 1 and 2)</i>				1,465,149
p 4. SUBTRACT: Payments made to school district	(			1,064,070
5. School district liability at end of year (lines 3 less line 4) <i>(Account number 2075, column c, on page 9)</i>				401,079
B. RECONCILIATION OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES		Amount		
1. Short-term (TANS) debt at beginning of year	61V \$			
2. ADD: New issues during current year				200,000
3. SUBTRACT: Issues retired during current year	(			200,000
4. Short-term (TANS) debt outstanding at end of year (Lines 1 + 2 - 3) <i>(Be sure to include (TANS) in Account number 2230, column c, page 9)</i>	64V			
PLEASE REFER TO THE INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE SECTIONS C AND D				
C. ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS WORKSHEET		Current year (a)	Prior year (b)	TOTAL (c)
1. Overlay/Allowance for Abatements (Beginning of year)*		13,051	36,273	49,324
2. SUBTRACT: Abatements made (From tax collector's report)	(	6,751	10,402	17,153
3. SUBTRACT: Discounts	(
4. SUBTRACT: Refunds (Cash abatements)	(	1,536		1,536
5. ESTIMATED ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS AT END OF YEAR**	(	12,945	33,077	46,022
6. Excess of estimate (Add to revenue on page 1, line 1a)		(8,181)	(7,206)	(15,387)
*Use overlay amount for column (a) and use last year's balance of line 5. Allowance for Abatements for column b (see your form from last year).				
**The amount in column c will go into line 1(b) for next year's worksheet.				
D. TAXES/LIENS RECEIVABLE WORKSHEET		1080 taxes (a)	1110 liens (b)	TOTALS (c)
1. Uncollected, end of year	\$	158,381	\$ 135,832	\$ 294,213
2. SUBTRACT: "Overlay" carried forward as Allowance for Abatements (from Worksheet C, line 5)	(		46,022	46,022
3. Receivable, end of year*		158,381	89,810	248,191
<i>*(These amounts are entered on page 9, account number 1080 and 1110, column c)</i>				

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Account number (a)	Item (b)	Amount (c)
2490	Reserve for special purposes:	
	Reserved for Sidewalk Construction	\$14,500
	Reserved for Master Plan Services	4,000
		<u>\$18,500</u>

Please Detail Reserves from page 9 (Balance Sheet).

Account number (a)	Description (b)	Year voted (c)	Warrant article number (d)

Part VI

SUMMARY OF REVENUES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS - Please specify the period -

January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001 OR July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2000

	Proprietary funds			
	Capital projects (a)	Special revenue (b)	Enterprise (c)	Internal service (d)
REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
1. Revenue from taxes	T01 \$	T01 \$	T01 \$	T01 \$
2. Revenue from licenses, permits, and fees	T99	T99	T99	T99
3. Revenue from the federal government	B89	B89 2,884	B89	B89
4. Revenue from the State of New Hampshire	C89	C89	C89	C89
5. Revenue from other governments	D89	D89	D89	D89
6. Revenue from charges for services				
(a) Water supply system charges			A91	A91
(b) Sewer user charges			A80	A80
(c) Garbage/refuse collection charges			A81	A81
(d) Other - Specify -				
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
7. Revenue from miscellaneous sources	U20	U20	U20	U20
(a) Interest on investments		78		
(b) Other miscellaneous sources		2,881		
8. Interfund operating transfers in		20,214		
9. Other financial sources				
10. TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER SOURCES	\$	\$ 26,057	\$	\$

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS - Please specify the period -

January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001 OR July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2000

EXPENDITURES (BY FUNCTIONS)	Proprietary funds			
	Capital projects (a)	Special revenue (b)	Enterprise (c)	Internal service (d)
1. General government	F89 \$	E89 \$	E89 \$	E89 \$
2. Public safety	F89	E89	E89	E89
3. Sanitation	F80	E80	E80	E80
4. Water distribution and treatment	F91		E91	
5. Health	F32	E32	E32	E32
6. Welfare	F78	E79	E79	E79
7. Culture and recreation	F61	E61	E61	E61
8. Conservation	F59	E59	E59	E59
9. Redevelopment and housing	F50	E50	E50	E50
10. Economic development	F89	E89	E89	E89
11. Debt service				
12. Capital outlay	F89	F89	F89	F89
13. Interfund operating transfers out		2,890		
14. Payments to other governments				
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	\$ 26,169	\$	\$
Remarks				

Part VIII **BALANCE SHEET FOR SUMMARY OF ALL OTHER FUNDS - Please specify the period -**

As of December 31, 2001 OR June 30, 200__

	Account No. (a)	Capital projects (b)	Special revenue (c)	Proprietary funds	
				Enterprise (d)	Internal service (e)
A. ASSETS					
1. Current assets					
(a) Cash and equivalents	1010	\$	\$ 4,324	\$	\$
(b) Investments	1030				
(c) Accounts receivable	1150				
(d) Due from other governments	1260				
(e) Due from other funds	1310				
(f) Other - Specify -					
2. Fixed assets					
(a) Land and improvements	1610	\$	\$	\$	\$
(b) Buildings	1620				
(c) Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	1640				
(d) Construction in progress	1650				
(e) Improvements other than buildings	1660				
(f) Other - Specify -					
3. TOTAL ASSETS		\$	\$ 4,324	\$	\$

As of December 31, 2001 OR June 30, 200__

B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	Account No. (a)	Capital projects (b)	Special revenue (c)	Proprietary funds	
				Enterprise (d)	Internal service (e)
1. Liabilities					
(a) Warrants and accounts payable	2020	\$	\$	\$	\$
(b) Compensated absences payable	2030				
(c) Contracts payable	2050				
(d) Due to other governments	2070				
(e) Due to other funds	2080				
(f) Deferred revenue	2220				
(g) Notes and bonds payable					
(h) Other - Specify -					
(i) TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$	\$	\$	\$
2. Fund equity/Capital					
(a) Reserve for encumbrances	2440	\$	\$		
(b) Reserve for special purposes	2490				
(c) Unreserved fund balance	2530		4,324		
(d) Municipal contributed capital	2610				
(e) Other contributed capital	2620				
(f) Retained earnings	2790				
(g) TOTAL FUND EQUITY			4,324		
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		\$	\$ 4,324	\$	\$

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION WORKSHEET

The data requested below should be included in parts I-IV. By supplying this information you will not be asked to complete Census Bureau forms F21 or F22.

A. ALL FUNDS (ADDITIONAL)		Account No. (a)	TOTAL (d)	Equipment and land (c)	Construction (d)
Revenue					
Parks and recreation	3409	A61			
Parking	3409	A60			
Electric power system		A92			
Transit or bus system		A94			
Expenditure					
Parking	3409	E60		G60	F60
Vital statistics	4140	E32		G32	F32
Other hospitals - payments to hospitals operated privately	4415	E38		G38	F38
Money paid directly to needy persons not covered by Federal programs (general relief, home relief, poor relief, etc.)	4442	E68	2,814		
Electric power system		E92		G92	F92
Transit or bus system		E94		G94	F94

B. INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Report payments made to the State or other local governments on reimbursement or cost-sharing basis. Do not include these expenditures in part VI.

Purpose (a)	Account No. (b)	Amount paid to other local governments (c)
Schools		M12 \$
Sewers		M80
All other - County	4931	M89
All other - Towns	4199	M89

Purpose (a)	Account No. (b)	Amount paid to the State (c)
Highways	4319	L44
All other purposes	4199	L89

C. DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED, AND RETIRED

Long-term debt purpose (a)	Bonds outstanding at the beginning of this fiscal year (b)	Bonds during this fiscal year		Outstanding at the end of this fiscal year	
		Issued (c)	Retired (d)	General obligations (e)	Revenue bonds (f)
Water-sewer utility	19A 282,600	29A	39A 28,050	41A 254,550	44A
Industrial revenue	19T	29T	34T		44T
All other debt	19X	29X	39X	41X	44X
Education	19H	29F	39F	41F	44F
Interest on water debt	19I				

Part IX SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION WORKSHEET (Continued)

D. SALARIES AND WAGES

Report here the total salaries and wages paid to all employees of your city before deductions for social security, retirement, etc. Include also salaries and wages paid to employees of any utility owned and operated by your government, as well as salaries and wages of city employees charged to construction projects. These amounts may be taken from the W3 form filed by your government for the year ended December 31.

Total wages paid
Z00
\$344,939

E. CASH AND INVESTMENTS HELD AT END OF FISCAL YEAR

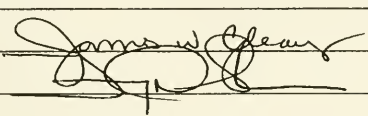
Report separately for each of the three types of funds listed below, the total amount of cash on hand and on deposit and investments in Federal Government, Federal agency, State and local government, and non-governmental securities. Report all investments at par value. Include in the sinking fund total any mortgages and notes receivable held as offsets to housing and industrial financing loans. Exclude accounts receivable, value of real property, and all non-security assets.

Type of fund (a)	Amount at end of fiscal year Omit cents (b)
Bond funds - Unexpended proceeds from sale of bond issues held pending disbursement	W31
All other funds except employee retirement funds	W61
CENSUS USE ONLY	
	W01
	\$877,362

Part X CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Signatures of a majority of the governing body:



GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Three copies of this report are sent to each municipality. Selectmen, treasurer and tax collector are expected to cooperate in making out this report. When completed, one copy should be returned to the Department of Revenue Administration and one copy should be placed in your municipal records. The third copy is for use in preparing the annual printed report for the voters.

Please be sure you have completed Part IX, items A-E.

WHEN TO FILE: (R.S.A. 21-J)

- * For cities/towns reporting on a calendar year basis, this report must be filed on or before April 1.
- * For cities/towns reporting on an optional fiscal year basis (year ending June 30), this report must be filed on or before September 1.

WHERE TO FILE

Department of Revenue Administration
 State of New Hampshire
 Municipal Services Division
 PO Box 487
 Concord, NH 03302-0487

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P. O. BOX 487
CONCORD, NH 03302-0487

For assistance call: (603) 271-2687

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
Form MS-1 for 2001

CITY/TOWN of MINNINGTON IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

RECEIVED

SEP 07 2001

DEPT OF REVENUE ADM
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

CERTIFICATION

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

PRINT NAMES OF city/town OFFICIALS	SIGNATURES OF city/town OFFICIALS* (Sign in ink)
James W. Cleary	<i>James W. Cleary</i> 11-28-01
Philip R. Germain	<i>Philip R. Germain</i>
Terry D. Schnare	<i>Terry D. Schnare</i> 11 28/01

Date Signed: August 22, 2001

*Check one: Selectmen Assessors

City/Town TELEPHONE # 588-2189

Due date: September 1, 2001

Complete the above required certification by inserting the name of the city/town officials, the date on which the certificate is signed, and have the majority of the members of the board of selectmen/assessing officials sign in ink (RSA 41:15 & Rev. Rule 105.02).

REPORTS REQUIRED: RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon forms prescribed for that purpose.

NOTE: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/towns tax assessments and sworn to uphold under Oath per RSA 75:7. Please complete all applicable pages and refer to the instructions (pages 7 thru 12) provided for individual items.

THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY DRA NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1st TO AVOID LATE FILING PENALTIES. (RSA 21-J:34 & 36.)

RETURN THIS SIGNED AND COMPLETED INVENTORY FORM TO: N.H. DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION, MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION, PO BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487.

Contact Person: William B. Reid
(Print/type)

Note office hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

See Instructions beginning on page 7 of this set as needed.

LAND BUILDINGS	Lines 1 A, B, C, & D List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving. Lines 2 A, B, & C List all buildings.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2001 ASSESSED VALUATION By CITY/TOWN
1. VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B & 4			
A. Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction # 1)	4368	\$ 385351	
B. Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B		\$	
C. Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)	2005	\$ 13644100	
D. Commercial/Industrial Land (DO NOT Include Public Utility Land)	89	\$ 3489700	
E. Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1.A + 1.B + 1.C + 1.D)	6462	\$ 17519151	
F. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land (\$ 1763500)	392.4		
2. VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed on Lines 3A, 3B & 4			\$ 36424400
A. Residential		\$ 36424400	
B. Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$ 1305800	
C. Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Public Utility Buildings)		\$ 4976100	
D. Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2.A + 2.B + 2.C)		\$ 42706300	
E. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings (\$)			
3. PUBLIC UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition)			
A. Public Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/ wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.)		\$ 2943200	
B. Other Public Utilities (Total of Section B & C. from Utility Summary)		\$	
4. MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5			\$ 63168651
5. VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1.E + 2.D + 3.A + 3.B + 4) This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			\$
6. Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37 - a	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted Actual amount granted \$ _____	\$	
7. School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV (Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 for each) (See Instruction # 2)	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted	\$	
8. Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12 - a	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted Actual amount granted \$ _____	\$	
9. MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Sum of Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, & 8) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			\$ 63168651

9a. MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES <i>(Carried forward from page 2 line 9.) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.</i>		\$ 63168651
10. Blind Exemption RSA 73:37	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted Actual amount granted \$ _____	\$
11. Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted	\$ 697700
12. Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted Actual amount granted \$ _____	\$
13. Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted Actual amount granted \$ _____	\$
14. Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted Actual amount granted \$ _____	\$
15. Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted Actual amount granted \$ _____	\$
16. Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV <i>(Amounts in excess of \$150,000 exemption)</i>	Total # <input type="checkbox"/> granted	\$
17. TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS <i>(Sum of Lines 10 thru 16)</i>		\$ 697700
18. NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED <i>(Line 9a minus Line 17)</i>		\$ 62470951
19. Less Public Utilities <i>(Line 3A) DO NOT include the value of OTHER public utilities listed in Line 3B.</i>		\$ 2943200
20. NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED <i>(Line 18 minus Line 19)</i>		\$ 59527751

UTILITY SUMMARY: ELECTRIC, GAS, OIL, PIPELINE, WATER & SEWER RSA 83-F

List by individual company/legal entity the valuation of operating plants employed in the production, distribution and transmission of electricity, gas pipeline, water and petroleum products. Include ONLY the names of the companies listed on the Instruction Sheets. (See Instruction # 3)

SECTION A: LIST ELECTRIC COMPANIES, GENERATING PLANTS, ETC. (Attach additional sheet if needed) (See Instruction # 4)	2001 VALUATION
PSNH	\$ 1043200
Monadnock Paper Mills	\$ 1900000
	\$
	\$
	\$
A1. TOTAL OF ALL ELECTRIC COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION (See Instruction #4 for the names of the limited number of companies)	\$ 2943200

GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES

	\$
	\$
	\$
A2. TOTAL OF ALL GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES LISTED. (See Instructions #4 for the names of the limited number of companies)	\$

WATER COMPANIES

	\$
	\$
	\$
A3. TOTAL OF ALL WATER COMPANIES LISTED. (See Instructions #4 for the names of the limited number of companies)	\$

GRAND TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL A UTILITY COMPANIES.

(Sum of Lines A1, A2, and A3)

This grand total of all sections must agree with the total listed on page 2, line 3A.

\$ 2943200

SECTION B: LIST OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES (Exclude telephone companies). (Attach additional sheet if needed) (See Instruction # 5)	2001 VALUATION
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION B. (See Instruction # 5 for the names of the limited number of companies)	\$

SECTION C: TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES NOT LISTED INSECTION A OR SECTION B. (Attach additional sheet with detail listing and check this box)2001
VALUATION
\$

TAX CREDITS	LIMITS	NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS
Paralegic and double amputees owning specially adapted homesteads with V.A. assistance. RSA 72:36-a	Unlimited		EXEMPT
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty. RSA 72:35	\$700 / \$1,400	2	\$ 2800
Other war service credits. RSA 72:28	\$50 / \$100	99	\$ 6350
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT		101	\$ 9150

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS RSA 162-K (See page 11 for instructions)	TIF#1	TIF#2	TIF#3	TIF#4
Date of Adoption				
Original assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$
+ Unretained captured assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$
= Amounts used on page 2 (tax rates)	\$	\$	\$	\$
+ Retained captured assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$
Current assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$

LIST REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES <i>Amounts listed below should not be included in assessed valuation column on page 2.</i>	MUNICIPALITY	LIST SOURCE(S) OF PAYMENT In Lieu of Taxes
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land from MS-4, acct. 3356 & 3357.	\$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$ 500	From Antrim for taxes for pumphouse
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$	

EXCAVATION ACTIVITY TAX Per RSA 72-B:12	MONIES RECEIVED (From MS-4, Page 1)	VALUATION OF PIT AREA(S)
<i>The valuation amounts listed in this section must not be included in the assessed valuation column on page 2</i>	\$ 2100	\$ 176800

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:39-a						
NUMBER OF APPLICANTS WITH INITIAL APPLICATION FOR ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR CURRENT YEAR			TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTION GRANTED			
AGE	#	AMOUNT PER INDIVIDUAL	AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT	TOTAL ACTUAL EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65 - 74		\$ 20000	65 - 74	7	\$ 120000	\$ 120000
75 - 79		\$ 40000	75 - 79	7	\$ 280000	\$ 280000
80 +		\$ 60000	80 +	6	\$ 297700	\$ 297700
			TOTAL	20		\$ 697700

CURRENT USE REPORT - RSA 79-A			
	TOTAL # ACRES RECEIVING CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT	OTHER CURRENT USE STATISTICS	TOTAL # OF ACRES
FARM LAND	164	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	164
FOREST LAND	3975	REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT YEAR 14	3961
FOREST LAND with DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP			
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	242		TOTAL # 242
WET LAND			
TOTAL	4381	TOTAL # OF OWNERS IN CURRENT USE 64	
		TOTAL # OF PARCELS IN CURRENT USE 190	4367

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORT - RSA 79-B			
	TOTAL # ACRES RECEIVING CONS. RES. ASSESSMENTS	OTHER CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT STATISTICS	TOTAL # OF ACRES
FARM LAND		RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	
FOREST LAND		REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT YEAR	
FOREST LAND with DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP			
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND			TOTAL #
WET LAND		TOTAL # OF OWNERS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	
TOTAL		TOTAL # OF PARCELS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	

DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS - RSA 79-C		
TOTAL # OF ACRES IN DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	TOTAL # OF OWNERS GRANTED DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS GRANTED: (i.e.: Golf Course, Ball Park, Race Track, etc.)
		1.
		2.
		3.
		4.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
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**REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS
ACTUALLY VOTED**

(RSA 21-J:34)

DATE OF MEETING: March 13, 2001

Town/City Of: Bennington

County: Hillsborough

Mailing Address: 7 School ST., #101

Bennington, NH 03442

Phone #: 603-588-2189

Fax #: 603-588-8005

E-Mail: townofbenn@conknet.com

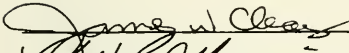
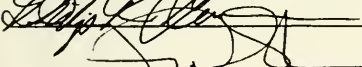
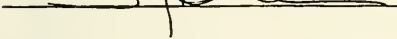
CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATIONS VOTED

(To Be Completed After Annual or Special Meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Penalty: Failure to file within 20 days after each meeting at which appropriations were voted may result in a \$5.00 per day penalty for each day's delay (RSA 21-J:36).

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration

GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		72269
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		13664
4150-4151	Financial Administration		44095
4152	Revaluation of Property		
4153	Legal Expense		8000
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		92962
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		7658
4194	General Government Buildings		13550
4195	Cemeteries		2550
4196	Insurance		15596
4197	CONTINGENCY Advertising & Regional Assoc.		3000
4199	Other General Government		

PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		118750
4215-4219	Ambulance		7500
4220-4229	Fire		40703
4240-4249	Building Inspection		750
4290-4298	Emergency Management		
4299	Other (Including Communications)		

AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations		

HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration		89150
4312	Highways & Streets		79100
4313	Bridges		
4316	Street Lighting		9300
4319	Other		

SANITATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration		22380
4323	Solid Waste Collection		1800
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		37300
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up		
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		30000

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration		18900	
4332	Water Services		16300	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other		1650	
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4359	Electrical Operations			
HEALTH			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		1224	
4414	Pest Control		150	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		5271	
WELFARE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assiat.		6526	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Paymets		845	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other		5750	
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		22760	
4550-4559	Library		53807	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		3200	
4589	SCHOLARSHIP Other Culture & Recreation		500	
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		675	
4619	Other Conservation			
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING			
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		28050	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		16633	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Note		6000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration

CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land		
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		
4903	Buildings		
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs		45896
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		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		104500
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917		35000
4917	To Health Meiot. Trust Funds		
4918	To Nonexpandable Trust Funds		
4919	To Agency Funds		
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS			1083714

SPECIAL NOTES FOR COMPLETING THE MS-2 FORM

This form must contain all the appropriations passed at an annual or special meeting. Combine all the approved and amended appropriations from the MS-6 or MS-7 posted budget form. List the appropriate warrant article numbers in column 3.

Do not cross off any accounts to enter your own titles. We have included the entire chart of accounts for reporting purposes. Please call us if you have any questions or need help in classifying any of your approved appropriations. Mail this form to us within 20 days after the meeting to our new address on the 1st page of this forms.

The revenue page form MS4, due September 1, will be mailed to you in the summer. This form is computerized. Send us your blank disk & a self-addressed, stamped mailer for a copy of the spreadsheet.

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2001

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2001	\$413,973.87
Receipts	\$2,503,657.25
Disbursements	(\$2,552,063.84)
Ending Balance, December 31, 2001	\$365,567.28

CONSERVATION FUND

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2001	\$4,200.71
Interest Earned to December 31, 2001	\$72.38
Ending Balance, December 31, 2001	\$4,273.09

FEDERAL RECORDS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2001	\$2,284.40
Interest Earned to December 31, 2001	\$5.66
Less Disbursements	(\$2,290.06)
Ending Balance, December 31, 2001	\$0.00

JEREMY W. HALL, ESCROW ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2001	\$500.00
Interest Earned to December 31, 2001	\$23.59
Ending Balance December 31, 2001	\$523.59

BENNINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT - SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2001	\$50.00
Interest Earned to December 31, 2001	\$0.00
Ending Balance December 31, 2001	\$50.00

NHMA-PLIT

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2001	\$1,320.00
Interest Earned to December 31, 2001	\$3.28
Ending Balance December 31, 2001	\$1,323.28

MARSHALL BENNETT - ESCROW ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2001	\$1,300.00
Interest Earned to December 31, 2001	\$0.00
Ending Balance December 31, 2001	\$1,300.00

Joyce L. Miner,
Treasurer

Town Clerk's Revenue Report
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2001

Motor Vehicle Registrations		\$197,027.25
Municipal Agent Fees		4,065.00
Motor Vehicle Titles		658.00
UCC & IRS Lien Filings		492.00
Marriage Licenses:	Town	105.00
	State	570.00
Certified Copies:	Town	119.00
	State	221.00
Dog Licenses:	Town	1,487.00
	State	154.50
	Animal Population Control	592.00
Dog License Fines		545.00
Bad Check Fees		83.00
Election Fees		7.00
Total Revenue Collected by the Town Clerk		\$206,125.75

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

Debra Belcher, Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division

2001 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: Bennington

Gross Appropriations	1,083,714
Less: Revenues	507,699
Less: Shared Revenues	19,978
Add: Overlay	13,051
War Service Credits	9,150

Revised - Valuation
Barbara J. Robinson
11/2/01

Net Town Appropriation	578,238
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	578,238	TOWN RATE
		9.26

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)	0
Regional School Apportionment	1,820,523
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(779,339)
State Education Taxes	(375,714)

Approved School(s) Tax Effort	665,470	LOCAL SCHOOL RATE
		10.65

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$6.60	
56,926,358		375,714
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
59,527,751		
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State		
Pay to State	0	

STATE SCHOOL RATE
6.31

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	103,838
Less: Shared Revenues	(4,514)

Approved County Tax Effort	99,324	COUNTY RATE
		1.59

Total Property Taxes Assessed	1,718,746
Less: War Service Credits	(9,150)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	1,709,596

TOTAL RATE
27.81

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	6.31	375,714
All Other Taxes	21.50	1,343,032
		1,718,746

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division**

2001 Tax Rate Calculation (Cont'd)

TOWN/CITY: Bennington

Analysis of Values Assigned to Local and Cooperative School District(s)

	Elementary	1st Coop CONTOOCOOK VALLEY	2nd Coop. 0	Total
Cost of Adequate Education	0	1,155,053	0	1,155,053
% of Town's Cost of Adequate Education	0.0000%	100.0000%	0.0000%	100%
Adequate Education Grant	0	779,339	0	779,339
District's Share - Retained State Tax*	0	375,714	0	375,714
			"Excess" State Taxes	0
			Total State Taxes	375,714
Local Education Tax*	0	665,470	0	665,470

***Pay These Amounts to School(s)**

The cost of an adequate education is determined by the Department of Education based on weighted average daily membership in residence each school district. Each school district's percentage of total is then calculated. Each percentage is then multiplied by the Town's share of the state education tax amount to allocate a portion of the state education taxes to each school district.

Pay Directly to State

The difference between the adequate education for each school district and each school district's share of the state education taxes becomes the adequate education grant for each school district.

Paid Directly from State

TOWN OF BENNINGTON
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2001

	2001	2000
UNCOLLECTED TAXES 01/01/01		
Property Taxes		\$149,950.35
Yield Taxes		\$30.00
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR		
Property Taxes	\$1,718,819.00	
Land Use Change Taxes	\$2,790.00	
Yield Taxes	\$3,364.76	
Excavation Taxes	\$2,434.72	
OVERPAYMENT		
Property Taxes	\$237.02	\$879.00
2002 Prepaid	\$70.95	
INTEREST - PENALTIES		
	\$1,169.32	\$8,986.44
IMPENDING LIEN FEES		
		\$1,629.25
TOTAL DEBITS	\$1,728,885.77	\$161,475.04
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REMITTED TO TREASURER 2001		
Property Taxes	\$1,554,731.01	\$140,906.92
Land Use Change Taxes	\$2,790.00	\$30.00
Yield Taxes	\$2,629.39	
Current Use Change Taxes		
Interest/Penalties	\$1,169.32	\$8,986.44
Impending Lien Fees		\$1,629.25
Excavation Taxes	\$2,434.72	
Credit carried from 2000		\$23.43
ABATEMENTS		
Property Taxes	\$6,535.00	\$9,899.00
Yield Taxes	\$215.50	
UNCOLLECTED TAXES 12/31/01		
Property Taxes	\$157,860.96	
Yield Taxes	\$519.87	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,728,885.77	\$161,475.04

A list of unpaid accounts is available for public inspection,
at Town Hall, during regular office hours.

Respectfully Submitted

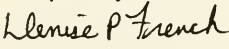
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TAX COLLECTOR

TOWN OF BENNINGTON
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2001

	TAX LIEN ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES:			ELDERLY/ DISABLED TAX LIEN
	2000	1999	PRIOR	
Unredeemed Liens January 1, 2001		\$51,469.94	\$63,525.62	\$34,922.99
Liens Executed 2001	\$89,610.37			\$13,055.00
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	<u>\$1,846.55</u>	<u>\$3,790.76</u>	<u>\$9,203.94</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$91,456.92	\$55,260.70	\$72,729.56	\$47,977.99
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REMITTANCE TO TREASURER				
Redemptions	\$28,783.59	\$17,532.33	\$22,457.83	
Interest & Costs After Lien Execution	\$1,846.55	\$3,790.76	\$9,203.94	
Abatement of Unredeemed Taxes				
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Tax Liens December 31, 2001	<u>\$60,826.78</u>	<u>\$33,937.61</u>	<u>\$41,067.79</u>	<u>\$47,977.99</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$91,456.92	\$55,260.70	\$72,729.56	\$47,977.99

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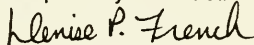
WATER & SEWER FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2001

Unpaid Balance January 1, 2001		\$4,401.72
Charges:		
Water Usage	\$44,492.02	
Water Interest	\$390.89	
Shut-off Notice Fees	\$500.00	
Water Department Fees	\$274.14	
Sewer Usage	\$24,271.98	
Sewer Interest	\$52.66	
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TOTAL CHARGES	+	<u>\$69,981.69</u> \$74,383.41
Prepaid 2002	+	40.68
Abatements Granted		
Water	\$17.00	
Sewer	\$113.81	
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TOTAL ABATEMENTS	-	\$130.81
Credit Carried From 2000	-	\$43.50
Receipts To Treasurer	-	<u>\$70,264.75</u>
Unpaid Water/Sewer December 31, 2001		\$3,985.03

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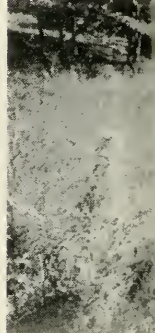
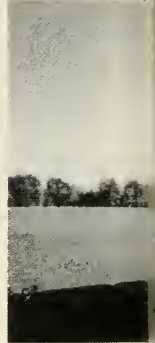
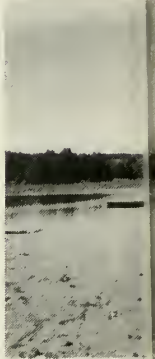
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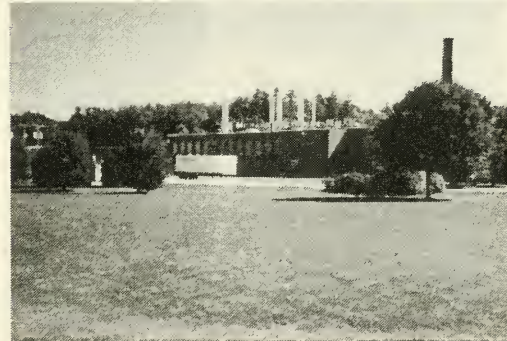
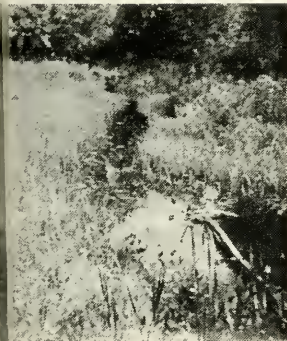
WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT MY TOWN ...

ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, ABOUT TWENTY BENNINGTON RESIDENTS, EACH CARRYING A DISPOSAL KODAK CAMERA, SCATTERED ALONG THE TOWN'S STREETS, BYWAYS AND BACKWOODS RECORDING ON FILM THE SCENES THEY LIKED AND DISLIKED ABOUT THEIR COMMUNITY.

THE PHOTO-TAKING WAS PART OF AN EFFORT TO MOBILIZE PUBLIC INTEREST IN A 2-3 YEAR EFFORT BY THE PLANNING BOARD TO REWRITE BENNINGTON'S MASTER PLAN. THE SHOTS HAVE BEEN MADE INTO A COLLAGE; THEY HAVE BEEN ON DISPLAY AND WILL BE THE FOCUS OF A PUBLIC MEETING SHORTLY.

UNANTICIPATED BY THE PLANNERS WAS THE DISCOVERY OF A BUNCH OF SKILLFUL PHOTOGRAPHERS. SOME OF THEIR WORK - CONVEYING THE SCENES THEY LIKED - ARE SHOWN HERE.





STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2001

LOCAL TAXES FOR CURRENT YEAR		
Property Tax	\$1,554,731.01	
Land Use Change Tax	\$2,790.00	
Yield Tax	\$2,629.39	
Excavation Tax	\$2,434.72	
Interest/Penalties	<u>\$1,169.32</u>	
		\$1,563,754.44
LOCAL TAXES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS		
Property Tax	\$140,906.92	
Land Use Change Tax	\$30.00	
Interest/Penalties	\$10,615.69	
Tax Liens Redeemed	\$68,773.75	
Tax Lien Interest/Penalties	<u>\$14,841.25</u>	
		\$235,167.61
WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT		\$70,264.75
TOWN CLERK REVENUE		\$206,125.75
INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFERS		
Police Cruiser Fund (2000)	\$10,514.00	
Loader Fund	\$40,736.00	
Bridge Expendable Trust	\$10,718.81	
Town Building Fund	<u>\$15,850.00</u>	
		\$77,818.81
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE		
Police Grants	\$1,474.32	
FEMA Reimbursement	\$3,273.66	
Shared Revenue Grant	\$87,683.04	
Highway Grant	\$32,362.78	
Water Pollution Grant	<u>\$13,897.00</u>	
		\$138,690.80
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES		\$200,000.00
INTEREST EARNED ON DEPOSITS		\$5,637.83
CEMETERY/PERPETUAL CARE		\$2,037.34
RENT OF TOWN-OWNED CONDOMINIUMS		\$7,900.00
DIVIDENDS/REFUNDS		\$66.78
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES		
Building Permits	\$635.00	
Driveway Permits	\$90.00	
Demolition Permit	\$10.00	
Cable Franchise Fees	<u>\$2,230.65</u>	

Bad Check Fees	\$90.00	
Pistol Permits	\$30.00	
CUV Filing Fee	\$12.00	
Court Fines	<u>\$2,475.00</u>	\$5,572.65
SALE OF TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY		\$50.00
SALE OF TAX DEEDED PROPERTY		\$10,361.53
INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS		
Police	\$926.00	
Recreation	\$156.00	
Planning Board	\$1,073.70	
Zoning	\$388.83	
Recycling	\$4,644.82	
Cemetery	\$250.00	
Election and Registration	\$20.00	
Personnel Administration	\$20.08	
Photocopies	\$39.00	
Old Home Days	<u>\$37.00</u>	\$7,555.43
REIMBURSEMENTS		
Health Insurance	\$4,090.34	
PD Special Details	\$14,107.50	
Welfare Department	\$200.00	
Highway	<u>\$128.00</u>	\$18,525.84
INSURANCE SETTLEMENT - CROTCHED MT BUILDINGS		\$27,850.38
MONADNOCK PAPER MILL BRIDGE REPAIR GIFT		<u>\$5,000.00</u>
TOTAL 2001 RECEIPTS		<u><u>\$2,582,379.94</u></u>

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2001

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Selectmen Salaries	\$2,250.00	
Telephone	\$1,793.88	
Computer	\$3,194.80	
Xerox Machine Rental	\$2,058.28	
Dues and Subscriptions	\$709.32	
Advertising	\$438.22	
General Supplies	\$329.76	
Office Supplies	\$2,375.45	
Postage	\$2,590.38	
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$123.50	
Administrative Assistant	\$34,739.04	
Part-Time Office Support	\$9,891.71	
Mileage/Expenses	\$798.95	
Moderator's Salary	\$20.00	
Town Meeting PA System Rental	\$245.00	
Town Report Printing	\$2,090.00	
Newsletter Printing	\$1,255.82	
Total Executive Office		\$64,904.11

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Town Clerk	\$8,260.00	
Deputy Town Clerk	\$2,834.00	
Assistant Town Clerk	\$1,079.38	
Dues and Subscriptions	\$80.00	
Office Supplies	\$371.85	
Books & Periodicals	\$232.00	
Supervisors of the Checklist	\$225.00	
Supervisors of the Checklist - Conval	\$360.00	
Advertising	\$234.68	
Supervisors Office Supplies	\$224.50	
Voter Ballot Clerks	\$112.50	
Election Printing	\$712.90	
Election Meals	\$86.60	
Total Election and Registration		\$14,813.41

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Auditing Services	\$5,106.00	
Assessing/Tax Map Maintenance	\$3,437.75	
Tax Collector	\$32,975.20	
Tax Collector Dues and Subscriptions	\$20.00	
Tax Collector Fees	\$1,161.74	
Treasurer's Salary	\$750.00	
Overlay	\$1,116.02	
Refunds - Town Clerk	\$153.00	
Total Financial Administration		\$44,719.71

JUDICIAL & LEGAL EXPENSE

General Legal Support	\$3,988.70	

Total Judicial & Legal Expense		\$3,988.70
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION		
Group Health Insurance	\$55,276.74	
Group Dental Insurance	\$3,284.15	
FICA	\$15,829.85	
Medicare	\$4,991.28	
Group 1 Retirement	\$6,699.85	
Police Retirement	\$4,587.91	
Unemployment Compensation	\$461.74	
Workers Compensation	\$4,279.34	
Total Personnel Administration		\$95,410.86
PLANNING AND ZONING		
Recording Secretary	\$650.00	
SWRPC Member Dues	\$1,408.00	
Miscellaneous	\$712.97	
Master Plan	\$149.82	
ZBA Miscellaneous	\$597.70	
Total Planning and Zoning		\$3,518.49
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS		
Custodial/Groundskeeping	\$3,487.22	
Tax Deeded Property	\$4,579.67	
Security/Fire System Maintenance	\$1,125.75	
Electricity	\$2,181.07	
Repairs and Maintenance	\$1,603.10	
Total General Government		\$12,976.81
CEMETERIES		
Evergreen Groundskeeping/Laborer	\$1,688.48	
Evergreen Maintenance Supplies	\$16.40	
Evergreen Equipment Rental/Lease	\$313.00	
Sunnyside Groundskeeping/Laborer	\$969.45	
Total Cemeteries		\$2,987.33
PROPERTY/LIABILITY/BOND INSURANCE		
NHMA-PLIT Annual Premium	\$12,044.00	
Deductible Coverage	\$1,000.00	
Total Property/Liability/Bond Insurance		\$13,044.00
CONTINGENCY FUND		
General Contingency Fund	\$3,265.06	
Abatement Interest	\$33.32	
Total Contingency Fund		\$3,298.38
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Police Chief	\$41,472.96	
Patrol Officer	\$27,846.52	
Overtime	\$6,030.40	
Part-Time Officers Salary	\$10,982.80	
Crossing Guard Salary	\$3,092.00	

Holiday Compensation	\$2,280.65	
Special Detail Wages	\$11,593.86	
Traffic Enforcement Grant	\$1,474.32	
Administrative Telephone	\$2,163.21	
Cellular Telephone	\$860.77	
Lease of Pagers	\$443.40	
Medical Services	\$250.00	
Photo Services	\$352.75	
Dispatch Services	\$5,020.00	
Equipment/Training Supplies	\$3,336.95	
Administrative Office Supplies	\$631.38	
Maintenance/Repair of Equipment	\$810.54	
Administrative Gasoline	\$3,171.01	
Administrative Vehicle Repairs	\$1,162.51	
Books/Periodicals	\$176.00	
Uniforms	\$1,432.09	
Miscellaneous	\$364.00	
Education/Safety	\$330.95	
Total Police Department		\$125,279.07
AMBULANCE SERVICE		
Antrim Ambulance	\$7,500.00	
Total Ambulance Service		\$7,500.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Elected Chiefs Salaries	\$1,000.00	
Administrative Telephone	\$995.63	
Dispatch Services	\$2,399.43	
General Supplies	\$1,610.35	
Firefighter Emergency Calls	\$4,500.00	
Medical	\$1,472.92	
Training	\$4,805.00	
Equipment Replacement	\$8,395.93	
Equipment Upgrade	\$6,379.94	
Radio Repairs	\$1,485.00	
Gasoline	\$527.70	
Repair - Vehicles	\$1,467.54	
Electricity	\$1,440.56	
Repairs/Maintenance	\$1,027.84	
Total Fire Department		\$37,507.84
BUILDING INSPECTION		
Building Inspector's Salary	\$750.00	
Total Building Inspection		\$750.00
GENERAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT		
Road Agent Salary	\$30,688.94	
Highway Laborer Salary	\$29,760.64	
Road Agent Overtime	\$4,375.49	
Highway Laborer Overtime	\$4,736.36	
Highway Part-Time Laborer	\$1,706.20	
Telephone	\$424.75	

Garage Electricity	\$1,081.15	
Highway Garage Heat	\$1,483.10	
Barn Maintenance/Repairs	\$9.53	
General Supplies	\$3,300.33	
Street Signs	\$465.50	
Equipment Maintenance/Repairs	\$4,257.07	
Gasoline/Oil	\$4,491.23	
Vehicle Maintenance/Repair	\$4,152.23	
Miscellaneous	\$1,628.80	
Total General Highway Department		\$92,561.32
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS		
Tar/Patch/Seal	\$19,911.26	
Paving	\$33,287.03	
Paving/Recon Equipment	\$480.00	
Road Maintenance Supplies	\$666.50	
Road Drainage Supplies	\$272.60	
Snow/Ice Supplies	\$20,241.60	
Hired Plowing/Sanding	\$7,815.00	
Gravel Preparation	\$3,250.00	
Total Highways and Streets		\$85,923.99
STREET LIGHTING		
Street Lighting Electricity	\$9,171.79	
Total Street Lighting		\$9,171.79
TRANSFER STATION		
Attendants	\$27,720.47	
Post-Closure Costs	\$7,548.05	
Telephone	\$396.42	
Hauling and Disposal	\$25,942.41	
Electricity	\$806.44	
Shed Heat	\$59.52	
General Supplies	\$2,680.01	
Equipment Maintenance	\$570.00	
Certification	\$50.00	
Miscellaneous	\$62.95	
Recyclables Removal	\$2,105.40	
Container Lease	\$1,341.62	
NHRA Annual Dues	\$100.00	
Highway Department Assistance	\$364.20	
Total Transfer Station		\$69,747.49
WATER DEPARTMENT		
Labor Wages	\$156.00	
Commissioners Salaries	\$310.00	
Town of Antrim	\$15,273.70	
NE Rural Water Association Dues	\$100.00	
Postage	\$634.00	
Miscellaneous	\$462.76	
Telephone	\$717.84	
Electricity	\$7,097.85	

Pumphouse Heat	\$295 58	
Line Repairs/Maintenance	\$6,803 01	
Corrosion Control	\$1,389 98	
Total Water Department		\$33,240.72
SEWER DEPARTMENT		
Groundskeeping	\$12.30	
Sewage Treatment - Town of Antrim	\$16,594 36	
Electricity	\$2,090 18	
Propane	\$1,278.05	
Repair/Maintenance	\$476 54	
Total Sewer Department		\$20,451.43
HEALTH DEPARTMENT		
Health Officer Salary	\$974 00	
Miscellaneous	\$241 88	
Total Health Department		\$1,215.88
HEALTH AGENCIES		
Home Health Care	\$4,000.00	
Monadnock Family and Mental Health	\$1,273.00	
		\$5,273.00
WELFARE DEPARTMENT		
Welfare Officer Salary	\$2,006 00	
Telephone Reimbursement	\$83 79	
Dues and Subscriptions	\$30 00	
Postage	\$10 80	
Rental Assistance	\$2,814 24	
Vendor Payments - Medical	\$654.73	
Vendor Payment - Food	\$395 81	
Vendor Payment - Electric/Heat	\$1,563 87	
Gasoline	\$40 00	
Miscellaneous	\$412.10	
Total Welfare Department		\$8,011 34
PARKS AND RECREATION		
Telephone	\$706 92	
Christmas Party	\$656 31	
Fishing Derby	\$200 00	
Activities	\$1,941 11	
Little League	\$1,250 00	
Soccer	\$195 00	
Miscellaneous	\$166 52	
Groundskeeping	\$5,102 28	
Electricity - Newhall Field	\$402.64	
Ballfield Chemical Toilets	\$1,290 00	
Skateboard Court	\$2,055 72	
Lifeguard Salary	\$4,592 73	
Beach Groundskeeping	\$14 83	
Beach Improvements	\$927 04	
Beach Water Sample/Analysis	\$40 00	

Beach Chemical Toilets	<u>\$413.89</u>	
Total Parks and Recreation		\$19,954.99
LIBRARY		
Librarian Salary	\$21,285.94	
Librarian Assistants	\$9,019.25	
Book Collection	\$14,350.00	
Telephone	\$1,437.20	
Building Electricity	\$561.33	
Grounds Maintenance	\$659.00	
Building Maintenance	\$875.00	
Photo Copier Supplies	\$900.00	
Program Supplies	\$700.00	
Conference/Fees	<u>\$900.00</u>	
Total Library		\$50,687.72
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES		
Old Home Days	\$2,222.59	
Memorial Day	<u>\$146.77</u>	
Total Patriotic Purposes		\$2,369.36
SCHOLARSHIP		
Edward E. French Scholarship	<u>\$500.00</u>	
Total Scholarship		\$500.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
Dues and Subscriptions	\$20.00	
Global Positioning Map	<u>\$437.00</u>	
Total Conservation Commission		\$457.00
PRINCIPAL - LONG TERM NOTES		
Note Repayments	\$1,300.08	
General Obligation Debt	<u>\$26,750.00</u>	
Total Principal - Long Term Notes		\$28,050.08
INTEREST - LONG TERM NOTES		
Interest on Notes	\$308.77	
Interest General Obligation Debt	<u>\$15,929.59</u>	
Total Interest - Long Term Notes		\$16,238.36
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES		
Interest - Tax Anticipation Note	<u>\$5,090.01</u>	
Total Tax Anticipation Notes		\$5,090.01
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS		
Fire Truck Capital Reserve	\$15,000.00	
Highway Equipment Capital Reserve	\$60,736.00	
Rescue Capital Reserve	\$3,000.00	
Police Cruiser Capital Reserve	\$12,500.00	
Mower Capital Reserve	\$1,000.00	
Library Capital Reserve	\$8,000.00	
Forest Fire Truck Capital Reserve	\$3,000.00	

Highway Truck Capital Reserve	\$15,000 00	
Water Capital Reserve	\$7,000 00	
Sewer Capital Reserve	\$5,000.00	
Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve	\$13,000.00	
Bridge Maintenance Capital Reserve	\$20,718 81	
Town Buildings Capital Reserve	\$46,135 00	
Emergency Radios Capital Reserve	\$5,000.00	
Total Capital Reserve Funds		\$215,089.81

EXPENDABLE BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND

Town Buildings Trust Fund	\$48.95	
Total Expendable Building Maintenance Fund		\$48.95

2001 WARRANT ARTICLES

Project LIFT	\$450 00	
Cemetery Survey/Monument Repair	\$4,580 90	
Fire/Rescue Defibrillator	\$7,172.40	
West Deering Road Construction	\$9,577 50	
Antrim Road Guardrail Beams	\$5,630.00	
Total 2001 Warrant Articles		\$27,410.80

TOTAL 2001 EXPENDITURES

\$1,122,192.75

2001 PAYROLL

Katharine J. Adams	\$459.00
Debra Belcher	\$7,271.38
Thomas Belcher	\$1,152.37
Aaron B. Bequeath	\$6,631.11
David Blanchard	\$35,454.43
Matthew Blanchard	\$470.70
Denise Boilard	\$271.88
Dawn A. Bond	\$9,411.71
Sarah T. Brown	\$70.20
C. Stephen Campbell	\$52,183.79
Josephine Carrara	\$28.50
Scott Champagne	\$639.00
Mark. S. Chase	\$300.00
David M. Chenard	\$6,164.47
James W. Cleary	\$750.00
John J. Cronin, III	\$20.00
Lester Foote Sr.	\$17,968.29
Denise P. French	\$32,975.20
John R. French	\$160.00
Kristie J. French	\$1,260.00
Brian L. Gates	\$303.75
Meredith L. Germain	\$610.23
Philip Germain	\$750.00
Valerie A. Germain	\$4,464.00
Dorothy Glynn	\$34.50
Chester D. Heinzman Jr.	\$750.00
Barbara A. Huntley	\$2,980.00
Roy J. Johnson	\$178.00
Walter D. Kiblin	\$34,640.76
Jason Logan	\$412.00
Howard Mabry	\$19.50
Leslie MacGregor	\$21,285.94
Philip M. Marcellino	\$36,702.14
Anna K. Marciniak	\$3,570.50
Darlene L. McKenney	\$195.00
Joyce L. Miner	\$750.00
Keith Nason	\$300.00
Linda Osienski	\$15.00
Jeremiah E. Paquette	\$36.90
Donald G. Parker, Sr.	\$4,658.38
Caleb S. Platt	\$2,120.40
Melissa A. Putnam	\$8,401.49
William B. Reid	\$34,739.04
Priscilla L. Roberts	\$41.00
Terry D. Schnare	\$750.00
Dorothy Smith	\$15.00
Michael Tacy	\$7,443.50
Victoria Turner	\$195.00
Carroll Warren	\$479.50
Deborah M. Whitney	\$766.50

Carrie B. Whittemore	\$512.46
Allan D. Wilson	\$400.00
Glenn P. Wilson	\$128.00
Dorothy A. Zabriskie	\$2,048.00
Michael A. Zabriskie	\$600.00
TOTAL 2001 PAYROLL	<u>\$344,938.52</u>

**DEFAULT BUDGET
2002**

Exclusions/Reductions from 2001 Budget:

<u>Function</u>	<u>Default Budget Total</u>
Executive Office	\$72,269
Election/Registration	\$13,664
Financial Administration	\$44,095
Judicial/Legal	\$8,000
Personnel Administration	\$92,962
Planning/ZBA	\$7,658
General Government Buildings	\$13,550
Cemeteries	\$2,550
Insurance	\$15,596
Contingency	\$3,000
Police Department	\$118,750
Ambulance	\$7,500
Fire Department	\$40,703
Building Inspector	\$750
General Highway	\$89,150
Highway/Streets	\$79,100
Bridge Maintenance	\$0
Street Lighting	\$9,300
Solid Waste	\$61,480
Water	\$20,550
Sewer	\$30,000
Health/Welfare	\$19,766
Recreation	\$22,760
Library	\$53,807
Patriotic Purposes	\$3,200
Scholarship	\$500
Conservation Commission	\$675
Debt Service	\$50,683
TOTAL	\$882,018

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS, BENNINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2001

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income At year end
				Balance Beg Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or Losses	Withdrawals	Yr end	Balance Beg Year			Income During Year	Expended During Yr
			%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
CEMETERY FUNDS											
Various	Mt Calvary Cemetery	Perpetual & General	Bank Depos BNH	775.00		775.00		144.19	41.44	165.63	960.63
Various	Sunnyvale Cemetery	Care	Bank Depos BNH	12,011.73		12,011.73		2,843.78	638.43	2,843.78	14,655.52
Various	Evergreen Cemetery		at Essex & Putnam	12,289.75	500.00	12,289.75		1,415.06	1,397.91	1,415.06	14,204.81
				\$ 25,076.48	\$ 500.00	\$ 25,576.48	\$ 4,203.04	\$ 2,078.76	\$ 2,037.34	\$ 4,244.46	\$ 28,820.96
TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS											
Various	Literary Funds	General Expense	BNH	80,241.40		80,241.40		142.76	3,504.09	157.33	80,241.40
1984	Edward French	Scholarship	BNH	1,103.97		1,103.97			14.55		1,261.30
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS											
1990	Fire Truck		Bank CD's BNH	59,004.49	15,000.00	74,004.49		4,733.24	3,375.90	8,169.14	82,173.63
1993	Water Department	equipment	BNH & 1st Essex	19,429.28	7,000.00	26,429.28		2,845.26	1,128.52	3,973.78	29,403.06
1993	Forestry Truck		Bank CD's BNH	11,518.77	3,000.00	14,518.77		991.78	674.91	1,666.69	16,185.46
1994	Literary	structure repair	Bank CD's BNH	28,000.00	5,000.00	31,000.00		3,774.63	1,385.07	5,159.70	36,159.70
1997	Sewer Department	equipment	BNH & 1st Essex	15,500.00	5,000.00	20,500.00		1,508.55	942.09	2,450.64	22,950.64
1997	Rescue Truck		BNH & 1st Essex	11,075.28	3,000.00	14,075.28		1,122.05	671.54	1,793.59	15,872.87
1997	Highway Dept Equipment		Bank CD's BNH	38,000.00	0.00	38,000.00		2,862.17	1,453.52	4,315.69	42,315.69
1999	Highway Dept Truck		Bank CD's BNH	25,787.66	15,000.00	40,787.66		927.48	1,452.02	2,379.50	43,167.16
1999	Police Dept Cruiser		Bank CD's BNH	12,605.98	12,500.00	25,105.98		751.85	547.52	1,099.37	26,205.35
1999	Highway Dept Mower		Bank CD's BNH	2,533.33	1,000.00	3,533.33		107.81	132.56	240.46	3,773.79
2001	Town Building	repairs	AG Edwards MMA	0.00	16,185.17	16,185.17		810.34	462.72	811.17	17,000.00
2001	Bridge Expendable		AG Edwards MMA	0.00	18,440.60	18,440.60		6,070.11	368.49	39.55	24,518.65
2001	Bridge Replacement		Bank C D	0.00	26,000.00	26,000.00		5,000.00	789.65	789.65	26,789.65
2001	Fire Dept Radios		Bank C D	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	65.36	65.36	5,065.36
TOTALS				\$ 326,846.65	\$ 132,625.77	\$ 459,472.42	\$ 24,045.74	\$ 19,027.31	\$ 11,680.46	\$ 31,392.59	\$ 419,187.23

**GEP DODGE LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 2001**

BEGINNING BALANCE **\$ 118.53**

INCOME

Book Replacement	\$	207.49	
Gifts Received	\$	250.00	
Interest/Misc Inc.	\$	151.24	
Copier Receipts	\$	785.00	
Summer Fund (Town & receipts)	\$	947.32	
T-shirts receipts	\$	318.00	
Town fund for copier	\$	1,200.00	
Town Book Fund	\$	13,000.00	
Town Maintenance Fund	\$	659.00	
Trustees	\$	3,793.22	
Education/Supplies Town Fund	\$	1,850.00	
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 23,161.27

EXPENSES

Books	\$	14,151.74	
Research books (required)	\$	2,460.57	
Computer Supplies	\$	383.00	
Youth Audio Books	\$	233.88	
Youth Video - Nonfiction	\$	397.75	
Educational Videos	\$	140.83	
Adult Audio	\$	921.08	
Copier/Equipment	\$	1,760.81	
Cleaning/Maintenance	\$	750.00	
Business Exp. (bank, postages, contracts)	\$	424.38	
Program expenses	\$	664.25	
Dues & Education	\$	448.00	
Periodicals	\$	542.56	
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$ 23,278.85
ENDING BALANCE			\$ 0.95

Respectfully Submitted,
Michelle A. Hautanen
Library Treasurer

G.E.P. DODGE LIBRARY

2001 started out quietly with expectations of maintaining status quo, and without much anticipation for change. Of course when you least expect change, things begin to happen.

Lise Lemieux, our library Trustee Chair, who had been a trustee for 7 years, decided to return to school this fall and add to her degree. Lise was an excellent and devoted trustee and had done a lot of work with the early stages of planning for the library's addition. We wish her success and good fortune with her adventure. Lisa Shingler has stepped in to fill Lise's place on the board. she and her family have been active library patrons and have volunteered their time to the library for many years. Lisa joins Trustees Michelle Hautanen and Carrie Whittemore. Together they make an exceptional and energetic team.

The tediously long and snowy 2001 winter imposed obvious burdens on all of us including on the library grounds and in the library building. This past year's winter accelerated a long time grounds problem created by the library's proximity to the road and a great deal of sand and salt. When spring finally showed up, Caleb Platt shoveled trucks full of sand, salt, gravel and leaves off the lawn. Joe MacGregor put down lime and fertilizer and Pecker Brown planted the flowerbed. Caleb then did an excellent job maintaining the grounds, mowing, trimming the bushes, weeding and mulching. This fall we purchased new bushes for the front that will be installed in spring 2002 and there are plans to address the lawn's soil base, dead trees and crumbling sidewalk. Winter also wreaked havoc inside when tracked in sand, grit and gravel kept us endlessly sweeping, washing, and vacuuming the floors, and burning out the motors of two vacuum cleaners.

Our children's room was a hazard. The rickety bookshelves that held the children's collection were inadequate and in danger of falling over onto our youngest patrons. The exposed radiators would get so hot that over the years they had scalded too many infants and toddlers. The books were jammed into the shelves so tightly that not even adults could extract them from their perches, and the overflow books were stacked all over the floor. Ronnie McClure once again solved our problem and made beautiful fixed oak shelves in keeping with the shelves he had built over the years throughout the rest of the library. He also boxed in the radiators so that no one could inadvertently burn himself again. Jim Griswold then stained the shelves to perfectly match the oak trim in that room. The room looks entirely different and it is a pleasure and not a worry to have children in there now.

Our photocopying machine wore itself out in late summer and the replacement digital copier has been quite a challenge. We are slowly learning how to make it do what we would like it to do but are still under the impression that it is possessed.

The summer reading program entitled 'Octopi Your Mind...Read!' was well attended. Debi & Laura Belcher, with assistance from Linda Osienski, put together a giant lawn Octopus, and a ferocious shark at the library's front entrance. Thank you to all of our summer reading program volunteers: Lisa Shingler, Michelle Hautanen, Deb Page, Janice Tyler, Linda Bryer, Carrie Whittemore, Val Germain, Betty Coffin-Brooks, Bennington Recreation, The Bennington Country Store, The Bennington Garage and the Toadstool Bookstore.

Our Sunday volunteers are a terrific gift to Bennington. Each of the volunteers is assigned a Sunday on an eight-week rotation and open the library from 4-6PM so that patrons can use the library for an additional 2 hours a week. These volunteers are: Debi Belcher, Dorothy Smith, Lisa Shingler, Deb Page, Barbara Varnum, Lisa Logan, Lee Smith and Debbie McIntosh.

Thank you to our generous patrons who donate subscriptions to periodicals and newspapers, new and used books, genealogical information, their time and ideas, equipment and labor, and their money. We would like to thank Joe Eisenberg, Jean and Lee Smith, Rose Melanson, Rhea Taylor, Danny McKay, Ruth Brown, Linda & Emily Bryer, Dawn Bond, Carrie Whittemore, the Page family, the Fleischer family, the Belcher family, Elaine Barrett, Janice Tyler, Betty Coffin-Brooks, Robert and Marion Coffin, Jan Graham and all of our terrific patrons.

Our Trustees, my assistant Melissa, our volunteers and I invite you to come in and check us out. We offer homebound service, service to people with low vision, inter-library loan, story hours, holiday programs, a summer reading program, we have a FAX machine, a photocopier, a public Internet connection, videos, audios, periodicals, newspapers, CD's, IRS tax forms and of course books.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leslie MacGregor
Library Director

BENNINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our society has made great strides during the past year in carrying out our projects. The museum and its displays look great; we are working hard to catalog our treasures. We have made arrangements with Dan Hingston of Hillsboro Center to do a complete appraisal of our collection; this should be finished by the summer of 2002. The museum building will also be appraised for insurance purposes.

In 2001 the United States eagerly began a new century; a terrorist attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon shocked the free world - approximately four thousand lives were lost. We will always remember where we were and what we were doing on the morning of September 11th. This event has had an impact on every city and town in America and the free world. We are now engaged in a war against terrorism.

The winter of 2001 was mostly a mild temperature, however we had a lot of rain, sleet and snow. In February and March we had two back-to-back storms: during the first storm 36" of snow fell and we got 30 more inches with the second. Spring came late and we plunged into hot summer weather.

In February, the society lost our first President, Erving LeCain who was a founding member and co-author of the Bennington Pictorial History. Mr. LeCain was also very involved in Bennington town government - he served as a selectman for nearly twenty-five years. The Bennington Historical Society received \$750 in donations in his memory. The money will be used to purchase Bennington memorabilia for display at the museum. In March Erving LeCain's widow, Eileen LeCain died. They were both such hard workers for the society and will be greatly missed.

Our main fund raisers - the Baked Ham dinner in August and the Roast Turkey dinner in September - were both very successful; we raised \$1000 on the Ham dinner and \$1200 on the Turkey dinner. 175 people attended the turkey dinner - the most ever! Instead of selling raffle tickets, we collected donations for the World Trade Center Disaster fund; we sent \$350 to the American Red Cross for their distribution. A big thank-you to the kitchen crew, the dining room servers and those who donated pies, cakes and vegetables making the dinner such a success.

The museum received a gift of a beautiful Flow Blue punch bowl that formerly belonged to the old Adams Tavern in Bennington. The donors were Clarence and Hattie Parker Edmunds, who were both raised in Bennington and later moved to Henniker. We also received two pieces of unusual cut glass from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Larned of Daytona Beach, Florida. One piece was given in honor of David Glynn, the other in honor of Pearl Walker. Pauline Gilman and Eleanor Bennett donated several early Grange programs to the society - one was dated 1898. Herb and Lee Flanders gave some Bennington memorabilia and valuable books to the museum. We thank you all very much.

Barbara Willis, Sandy Cleary and Verna Paige were responsible for the Christmas Open House at the museum; it was truly beautiful and got everyone in the Christmas spirit. Nora Lee Sysyn played and sang carols, everyone enjoyed the tree and the refreshments. Other Christmas activities were under the direction of the Recreation Committee. This committee has been very active for several years organizing and promoting programs beneficial to Bennington. Our society congratulates and thanks them and all the other organizations that help make Bennington such a great town to live in.

We would like to thank Ellen Hill and her sister Becky Eckstein for setting up the Old Home Day open house at Pearl Walker Hall - a number of people stopped in and enjoyed the museum displays and delicious refreshments. We want to thank Arnold and Jean Cemota and Raymond Holland for keeping the museum grounds so beautiful. Thanks to all the members and friends that contributed to making our society so great!

We are honored and proud that member and Town Police Chief Steven Campbell went to NYC to help after the WTC disaster in September. It's these friends and neighbors that make Bennington such a great place to live.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Glynn, President

BENNINGTON PLANNING BOARD

Along with the regular work of overseeing various subdivision plans, building projects, and site plan reviews, the Board actively pursued two major initiatives in 2001. One was to examine our gravel and excavation ordinances and their effectiveness in providing adequate protection of our land and water resources while allowing for responsible business enterprise. We decided that annual visits to each site can help ensure proper compliance with our regulations. On-site inspections of each of the four active gravel sites in town over the past few months confirmed acceptable operations. We consider this review a vital element to the protection and appropriate use of our aquifer, so we plan to continue these yearly visits.

The second, and much larger, project this past year has been to start an 18-month process of redoing the town's Master Plan, revised most recently in 1989. Much has changed in Bennington since that time. The Master Plan is a critically important document that guides the work of all the town's government boards and committees. Budgets and capital improvements, economic and residential development, land use designation and regulation, community services and facilities, conservation and preservation — all rely on a comprehensive blueprint for current and future planning. All towns require an up-to-date Master Plan for such work.

We believe that such a plan can best serve the common good of the community if we can involve many different people in each phase of its development. Toward that end, we have begun a three-part process for collecting information and perspectives on the town. This past September we had twenty-five townspeople participate in a Photo Day where they went around town taking pictures of things they liked best about town, things they liked least, and something they feel may be in peril. The results of that day are currently on display in the lobby of the Town Hall. In late Spring, we will add to that information by sending out a comprehensive survey to all residents asking their views on a wide variety of topics. Finally, next September, we will hold a Community Profile Forum where we can all engage in a public deliberation on the issues we face and our collective aspirations for our town and its future.

The outcomes of these three events will form the basis of the new Master Plan to be voted on at a public hearing early in 2003. Southwest Regional Planning Commission and Antioch New England Institute are both providing valuable consultation for this work. More importantly, we are most pleased to have the services of several people in town who volunteered to be on our Master Plan Steering Committee — Dawn Bond, Molly Eppig, Gretchen Hutton, Scott Liljeberg, Carol McKinney, Joan Schnare, Michelle Stahl, Vernon Thornblad, and Barbara Varnum. These folks are assisting us in every aspect of work on the Plan, helping with the myriad of tasks in this very complex endeavor. Many thanks to them all for the long hours already put in and the many more that lie ahead.

Finally, a few changes and additions to the Board membership should be noted. Joe Eisenberg joined the Board this past summer as an alternate, and Catriona Beck moved from alternate status to member replacing Frank Cordelle who is stepping down from the Board in February. Frank held the longest tenure of any Board member in its history, serving on it continuously since 1985. He served as chairman and co-chairman many times, and was a valued mentor for new members during long years of service. He lived in Bennington for almost thirty years, and we wish him well as he begins his new life in California this Spring. Thanks so much, good friend.

And thanks, too, to all the good people who helped us in 2001.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter Eppig, Chairman
Catriona Beck
Frank Cordelle
Joe Eisenberg, alternate
Phil Germain, ex-officio
Letitia Rice
Terry Shields

POLICE DEPARTMENT

As everyone knows the United States was devastated by the terrorists attacks on September 11th. Even though Bennington was not the target it affected everyone across the country. It changed the way we look at things and how we do our job (especially police, fire, medical personnel). Please keep your eyes and ears open for anything unusual for yourself and your neighbors. If you see or hear anything unusual please contact the police – 24 hours a day.

We had one change in personnel for the year. We hired a new part-time officer. He is Dave Chenard. He has been working since April and is doing a great job.

We again had the "Officer Phil" safety program. This program was held at Pierce School with "K24" the safety robot. Everyone had a great time and at the same time received some very important safety messages. Thanks to the local businesses who made contributions to make this program available. We look forward to having the program again next year.

We also took a day to take fingerprints of the Pierce School students. This was done to assist in such emergencies as a missing child. If you have a child that you would like to have fingerprints taken of please contact the police department. We have Fingerprint Identification Kits which can be kept by you or by the police department.

We also received another State Highway Safety Grant for Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement. Two successes out of this program were: (1) we did not get a lot of DWI arrest which means (at least to me) that fewer people are drinking and driving, and (2) more visibility from the police which makes the roads and town safer.

We are working on getting cell phones for emergency use. They can be used to call E911 in case of an emergency. Examples would be: domestic violence and to take on a trip with you in case of an emergency during your trip. We are also looking at getting more bicycle helmets which can be issued to children who do not have one. Stay tuned for more information and if you need a phone or bicycle helmet please contact the Bennington Police. Also, remember we have child safety seats which we can issue to ones in need.

Dotty Zabriskie is back again as the crossing guard for Pierce School. She is watching the children two times each school day. She is doing a great job and I am sure everyone appreciates her watching over the children to keep them safe.

As far as statistics for the year we are very close to the number of last year – 4216 for 2000 and 4245 for 2001. Some differences: Criminal - 269 for 2000 and 340 for 2001; Arrest – 121 for 2000 and 183 for 2001; Calls for Service – 1202 for 2000 and 1371 for 2001. The biggest decrease was 398 fewer Motor Vehicle Stops – 1354 for 2000 and 956 for 2001. Why the big decrease in Motor Vehicle Stops? No grant for speed patrol and an increase in Criminal and Calls for Service which equate to time away from traffic enforcement.

We received 340 Criminal Reports for the year 2001. Out of the 340 cases 323 have been cleared through a variety of means such as arrests. This equates to a 95% rate of solving the reports in a satisfactory manner. Out of the 17 cases which remain unsolved 5 can be considered significant. They are: Break in of a business, 15 mailboxes vandalized in one evening, attempted abduction, a possible arson and one case of counterfeit money (have a suspect). I consider the 12 remaining cases important; however, minor in severity. An example of this would be egging of the police cruiser (twice).

Please refer to the enclosed statistical chart for 2001 for more specific information on numbers for the year.

I believe Bennington has four excellent police officers who work very hard for the town. All of the officers pledge to be professional and fair in carrying out there duties – even when we have to make the tough or negative decisions.

In February 2002 I will have been here seven years. As always I enjoy working in Bennington and I want to thank everyone for supporting the police department.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steve Campbell
Chief of Police

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS A NEW WEB SITE – PLEASE CHECK
IT OUT AT

www.benningtonpd.com

BENNINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

The members of the Bennington Fire Department would like to thank the community for their continued support. We are in need of more volunteers, due to a continuing shortage. If you or somebody you know are interested in volunteering your time for the Fire Department and/or the Rescue Squad please call Chief Allen Wilson at 588-6188. Full training is provided; no experience is necessary.

The year of 2001 continued to keep the Fire Department members busy. There were six members that completed the Emergency Medical Technician course. Two of our members completed the State of New Hampshire Firefighter Level 2 course. Many also completed various trainings provided by the Department of Emergency Management, in Concord, that dealt with radiological occurrences, and also classes dealing with terrorism. There was also ongoing training being conducted by the Fire Department. Below you will find a list of calls, sorted by category, including the number of calls for each category for the year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bennington Fire Department

Rescue/Medical: 81
Mutual Aid Calls: 24
Brush Fires: 12
Structure Incidents: 11
False Alarms: 9
Motor Vehicle Accidents: 5
Power Lines Down: 5
Fire Company Alarms: 4
Clover Assignments: 3
Chimney Fires: 1
Total Calls: 155

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Hopefully anyone who wished for an old-fashioned winter with 10' snowbanks were satisfied with Mother Nature's performance last year.

The first storm was on December 14 with 28 more following. That works out to about 2 storms per week to the end of March. But Spring thankfully arrived and snow equipment was retired for a few months. As soon as things dried out Spring Grading was done and things were swept and raked up for Memorial Day.

Work was done on North Bennington Road to prep for paving, brush was cut and chipped, culverts were cleaned and another 1,500' of the West Deering Road was relocated.

Four hundred yards of pugmill mix was made for the shimming and sealing of Bible Hill Road, Pierce Hill Road and upper Dodge Hill Road.

On Gillis Hill Road a project was started to widen the top section in order for two cars to pass and will be completed this year.

Paving will continue on North Bennington Road this year, hopefully to the Iron Bridge, with work being done on the first part of West Deering Road to finish relocating the road away from the river in the worst sections.

There is a Capital Reserve Article this year that deals with a sander body replacement for our large truck, as the one we have now is 12 years old and rusting out. This is the second truck it has been in and its time has come to be passed along before costly rebuilding is required.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Blanchard,
Road Agent

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Because so much of 2001 was a combination of both health and welfare, it seems appropriate that this report covers both departments.

Early in the year Michelle Hautanen resigned as my Assistant to taken on full-time employment in the Conval School System. Glen Wilson accepted the appointment to replace her and he is very welcome.

The workload last year was fairly normal on the welfare side but heavy on the health. There were extensive problems with substandard housing, some involving children. This was a long, expensive and arduous project, still ongoing. I would like to, at this time, thank our local Police Department and various State Agencies for their help with these cases.

The year ended with a happy note. Our elderly and needy families received warm clothing and food. Many thanks to those who contributed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara Huntley, Overseer
Public Health and Welfare

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Bennington Conservation Commission would like to welcome Letitia Rice. She has filled in for the position vacated by Peter Eppig. We thank Peter for his years of service to the commission.

The commission has reviewed several timber permits this year. It seems that this has been a busier year than usual in this regard.

We have also discussed much about setting conservation land aside and setting in place procedures for citizens to place land in easements. We are far behind our neighboring towns in this area. This in part has led to a warrant article this year to set aside town owned land for the benefit of all future generations.

We want to strive to protect land around our natural resources, especially our town well and waterways. We hope to make this more of a focus in the coming year.

Our Continuing fieldwork to establish where our town boundaries are led us to acquire a GPS. Two of our members went to a training session for GPS. This unit is very useful in verifying map and actual position. In other words, it will help us to not get lost.

There are commissioners whose terms are finished this year. We strongly urge interested citizens to join us.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bennington Conservation Commission

Jon Manley, Chairman
David Barrett
Bruce Edes
Joe MacGregor
Dennis McKenney
Letitia Rice
Terry Schnare

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The Trustees of the Cemeteries got a lot more done this year. More lots have been laid out where large oaks stood many years ago. Two dead pines and an oak, small trees and brush cleaned up in the Evergreen Cemetery. Head stones were straightened up and repaired. Hopefully we can get another 35 or so done in the year 2002.

We also thank the Hillsborough County House of Corrections for sending 7 inmates up to rake the leaves in the Sunnyside Cemetery for the cost of lunch.

Respectfully Submitted,
Phil Traxler
Jill S. Young
Charles Zabriski, Sr.
Cemetery Trustees

CEMETERY TRUSTEES FINANCIAL REPORT

Peterborough Granite Repair of Gravestones	\$ 1,425.00
Robert Todd Surveying	\$ 1,955.90
Bartlett Tree Cutting (2 pines, 1 oak)	\$ 1,200.00
Cleary Construction (down tree, Sunnyside gate)	\$ 395.00
Edmunds' Hardware	\$ 16.40
Copies of Maps	\$ 38.00
Brian Gates - Labor	\$ 303.00
Mike Zabriski - Labor	\$ 600.00
Grounds Keeping	
Sunnyside	\$ 920.25
Evergreen	<u>\$ 792.50</u>
Total	\$ 7,646.05

INTEREST PAID TO TOWN FROM TRUST FUNDS

Interest Paid to the Town From Trust Funds	\$ 2,034.34
Sale of Lots From the Evergreen and Sunnyside Cemeteries	<u>\$ 750.00</u>
Total	\$ 2,784.34

ELECTION REPORT

While 2001 was an "off" year for elections, the supervisors were busy with one of our most important tasks: the "purge" of the list required every ten years by state law. This is where we remove voters who have left town, but are still on the checklist - "deadwood" which inflates our numbers, but causes our voter turnout percentages to appear lower than they actually are.

The purge is a fairly simple process, but takes a bit of time. We go through checklists of recent elections. Essentially, people who registered and/or voted in the last two years remain on the checklist automatically. The rest we write to, asking them to re-register with us if they wish to remain on the list. This mailing resulted in a lot of letters returned "moved - address unknown", etc., and only one person actually came to us saying that they wanted to remain on the list. If someone were removed from the list who is still in Bennington, they can always register again on election day through New Hampshire's "Same Day" Registration process.

And the numbers? In the March 13 2001 Election, Bennington had 1021 voters. After the purge, there remained 704 voters on the checklist. Thus where our town election turnout appeared to be only 27 %, it was actually 40%! As of this writing, Bennington has registered 173 Democrats, 286 Republicans, and 250 Undeclared voters.

This year's important election dates are:

TUESDAY MARCH 12, 2002	Town Elections - Fire Department - Polls open 8AM - 7PM
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2002	State Primary - Fire Department - Polls open 8AM - 7PM
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 5, 2002	State General Election - Fire Department - Polls open 8AM - 7PM

Copies of the Bennington Checklist are available on request for \$10 in both paper and computer disk forms.

REGISTERING TO VOTE

Voters can get on the checklist in four ways:

- 1) Same Day Registration. Register at the polls on the day of the election.
- 2) Register with the Supervisors of the Checklist at one of their scheduled sessions. This year's sessions are:

SATURDAY, MARCH 2	11:00AM to Noon
TUESDAY, JUNE 4	7:00PM to 9:00PM (Last day to change party affiliation before Primary)
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3	7:00PM to 8:00PM
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26	11:00AM to Noon
- 3) Register with the Town Clerk during regular Town Hall hours.
- 4) If you are out of town, you can get an absentee voter registration form from the Town Clerk (588-2189).

You need to bring an ID to register, showing proof of age -- an ID with your birth date on it, *and* proof of residency -- something with your street address on it -- a bill, a copy of your lease, an ID (such as a drivers' license) with your street address on it.

ABSENTEE VOTING

If you will not be in town for any of the elections, or if your work or commuting schedule doesn't allow you to get to the polls in time, please try to vote absentee. Your vote counts! If you plan to vote absentee, please plan ahead. The Town Clerk has all the forms you will need, and she can tell you what the procedures and deadlines are for each election. A separate request must be made for each election. Call the Town Hall at 588-2189 for information.

Again a reminder of how important it is to participate. We have a unique opportunity in a small town to get involved with "hands on" government. And this doesn't just mean getting your hands on the ballot and pencil in the voting booth. Every year, there are boards and volunteer committees looking for people to serve on them. Any registered voter in town can sign up to run for elected positions, big and small, or volunteer to be on a committee. Our interest and attention to town matters strengthens our community. Don't be bashful! This is your democracy.

Respectfully Submitted.

Dawn Bond
Darlene McKenney
Victoria Turner
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

GOT TRASH!

Our Town Beast, who is the transfer station, eats your trash Every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday, (Each Week of Every Year.) In fact, our beast ate 738,410 pounds of trash and recyclables combined, not including the organic wastes (leaves, scrap wood and brush). That equates to approximately 369 tons of solid waste in 2001 compared to 342 tons in 2000. Although the tonnage is up, some of the increase can be attributed to the "bulky" waste program (7 tons) that we introduced last year, which we feel provided a wonderful convenience for the taxpayer.

And with the tonnage of wastes at 369 tons it breaks down to an average of 538 pounds of solid waste per year, which is an increase of 7% more trash. Of this number of 369 tons, we had recycled 82.5 tons of cardboard, glass, papers, metals, waste oils, plastics, aluminum, batteries and tires. This works out to 22% of recycled goods were diverted from the waste stream, this is good but we did much better last year with 28%. We need to get our recycling percentages up and our trash levels down, but we need your help. Please recycle all items that the transfer station accepts and try to produce less trash. The following is a breakdown of items recycled this past year:

Cardboard	12,000 lbs (approximately)	Glass	15,000 lbs
Tires	269 each	Metals	62,000 lbs
Waste Oils	480 gallons	Oil Filters	103 each
Plastics	6,820 lbs	Aluminum Cans	3,800 lbs
Newspapers	50,000 lbs (approximately)	Batteries	133 each
Alkaline batteries	250 lbs		

This year marked the end of our 5-year contract with Waste Management for the disposal of our trash. When negotiations first started this past fall, pricing did not look good. In fact we only had one interested waste hauler, but with enough persistence we found another interested waste contractor to make the process a competitive one. And when the deal was done the Town of Bennington benefited with only a small increase in unit disposal costs. Special thanks to Bill Reid for his due diligence on that contract. This year also marked the re-introduction of tin can recycling. We had come to an agreement with the Town of Peterborough to accept our tin cans for recycling, which represents another great cooperative effort between the two towns.

This upcoming year, we look forward to another successful Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day, which is tentatively scheduled for the fall.

We extend our gratitude to Lester and Mike for their hard work at the transfer station. Thanks for keeping the place spic-n-span. Special thanks to Dave Blanchard and Donald Parker, who contributed a portion of their time to help at the transfer station.

Help preserve our world and tax dollars: PLEASE RECYCLE and REDUCE WASTE

Respectfully submitted,
Philip R. Germain
Solid Waste Committee

BENNINGTON RECREATION COMMITTEE

Recreation is all about having some fun and some relaxation and creating some fond new memories. Those of us who are working hard behind the scenes enjoy making it special for each and everyone of you. You show it in your laughter, your smiles, and your very presence. Looking back this past year we would say that 2001 was our best year ever. backed full of fun stuff to do and lots of good people to share it with.

All of our events that we provide for you require planning and a tremendous amount of time from dedicated volunteers, supporting businesses and town departments. We would like to acknowledge those individuals, businesses and departments for their undoubting support.

WINTER SLEDDING PARTY: Monadnock Paper Mill for the pallets, Mike Zabriski for the pallet labor, Bill Cleary for the Generator and Alan Wilson for the "accelerant", and the BRC gang for the food

GLOW BOWLING: Bowling Acres and the BRC gang for coordinating bowlers.

EASTER EGG DECORATING: The BRC gang for boiling the eggs, helping with decorating. The chickens for the eggs (Because we all know bunnies don't lay eggs)

FISHING DERBY: Fire Department for the donating fishing prizes, Bruce Edes for getting the fish. and the BRC gang for the coffee and donuts.

BASEBALL: Scott Liljeberg and Dave Parker, the Newhall field committee and all the businesses that support such a wonderful field.

WHITTEMORE BEACH: The lifeguards, the beachgoers who keep the beach looking clean. Dave Blanchard for putting out the raft.

BOSTON TRIP: Leslie MacGregor, Valerie Germain, the BRC gang and the bus company.

OLD HOME DAYS: Pancake Breakfast (CPC & Special Olympics), 5K Race (Fitness Resources, Bennington Police, our water people Brian & Carrie, our directional aides and the BRC gang), Parade (Big Puppet volunteers, Clowns by BRC, Race Cars and Antique Cars, Floats by: the Sportsman's Club, the Library, Laidlaw and the Historical society, the Keene American Legion Band, Cliff Sawyer and his oxen, Smokey the Bear and of course all the fire engines), Fun Fair (Dunking Booth by CPC, Hole in One by Special Olympics, Wildlife by Greenville Wildlife Park, Face painting, Ice cream social by the PTO, the Little Red Wagon Road Show, Guitar entertainment by Wendy Keith, food concessions by the Sportsman Club.), Fireman's Muster (by the Bennington Fire Department), Ham & Bean Supper (the Historical Society), Block Party Dance (CPC, Fire Department and C&C Sounds.) and of course the BRC gang and other volunteers Sandy Cleary, Jeff Logan, Judy Heddy, etc..

SOCCER: Valerie Germain, the Antrim Recreation League, Coaches & Managers: Peter Martel, Dennis Green, Jack Daley, Wendy Spack, John Kullgren, Linda Wood

PUMKIN DECORATING: Tenney Farm, and the BRC gang.

HAUNTED HOUSE: Sfa Whittemore and all of her dedicated volunteers (too many to list), and the BRC gang.

CHRISTMAS POT LUCK and CAROLING: The BRC gang, Santa, and the Congregational Church

Of course with so many events and so many people I am sure that I have overlooked someone, not intentionally. We are truly grateful for all the townspeople have given us in support of FUN.

Respectfully Submitted,

Philip R. Germain

The BRC Rolecall

Sfa Whittemore (Co-Chairperson)
Dotti Zabriski (Secretary)
Rich Page

Philip R. Germain (Co-Chairperson)
Wanda Clough
Valerie Germain

Deb Page
Michelle Ricco

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

In addition to the continued build-up for major equipment/repair/replacement items, the Committee wishes to bring voter's attention to four significant developments in 2001:

- 1) In March, through an agreement with the Bridge Division, New Hampshire State Department of Transportation, major maintenance work was completed on the Antrim Road/Route 202 Bridge - repair of concrete declamation on all four corners of the bridge arch, sealing of the joints along the pavement and other repairs. The cost, in excess of \$21,000, would have been a major budget bite as a one-year expense: it was paid for out of accumulated Capital Reserve appropriations and a very generous \$5,000 gift from the Monadnock Paper Mills.
- 2) Phase III of the proposed restoration of the Town Hall - creation of additional parking space at the west side of the building was charted for the year 2002. In the interest of everyone's tax bill, it has been redrafted as a two-year project, spreading the expense over another twelve months. With voter approval, the work will take place in the summer of 2003.
- 3) At this March meeting, voters will be asked to make a decision on another possible capital reserve appropriation. The Selectmen and Budget Committee are recommending that improvements/replacement of the Town's sidewalks be looked upon as a long-range rather than an immediate project. A special warrant article asks voter support to create a fund for this purpose.
- 4) For the first time since the early 1990's, we face the necessity to fund for revaluation of our property. The Legislature now couches it as "Certification of the Assessment Process", but it's revaluation as we know it, and our deadline date has been fixed at the year 2004. Using guidelines supplied by the State, we've recommended a first-year appropriation of \$15,000. Two additional years of support will be necessary, hopefully in the \$15,000 - \$20,000 range. The Legislature's plan is to address assessing on a year-to-year basis. It won't be cheaper, but it will eliminate the need for one-time, 60-70 thousand dollar appropriations every 8-10 years.

The Committee thanks Department Heads and their fellow townspeople for their input and counsel.

We would be happy to get your thoughts on this critical aspect of town management.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph MacGregor,
Chairman

PIERCE SCHOOL

We began the 2000 - 2001 school year with our "Artist in Residence" program with Richard Lee a paper maker from Maine. We learned about the process of making paper. We each made a plain sheet of paper and one that had berries, leaves, and other natural materials layered in the paper. Our sheets of paper were strung together to form a beautiful paper quilt. Our quilt was on display at the Sharon Art Center and is now hanging in the front entrance of the school.

In October, our librarian, Mrs. Tenney invited Bruce McMillan, author of "Days of the Ducklings" and "Nights of the Pufflings" to come and spend the day with us. He showed us how he creates, writes, and illustrates his books. It was fun to learn about puffins and Iceland.

Our big treat was a visit from the crew of the television program Chronicle shown on Channel Five. Chronicle heard that we had scheduled Dudley Laufman, a fiddler, and asked to come and tape a segment for their show. Mrs. McClure's second graders were the stars of the day. The children learned to square dance to the music of a fiddle. While they square danced they were aware of the cameramen video taping them. It was a lot of fun but the highlight was actually seeing themselves on television.

We all enjoyed our annual programs such as the Christmas Program and Buffet, Memorial Day Program, and our end of the year celebration. Our end of the year celebration has so many activities such as bookmaking, kite making, line dancing, and we had puppeteer Barbara Damron bring her puppets to life. We were treated to a wonderful cookout with all the goodies!

Our PTO is actively supporting our students. Their fundraisers such as the Crafts Fair, May calendar raffle, and the Open House Bake Sale have allowed the purchase of playground equipment and supported the Fine Arts programs within our school.

Pierce School is a team effort to benefit the children. This team is made up of all of us, not just the staff of Pierce School. We are grateful to the PTO, parents, and the community for their continued support. A special thank you to a few of our senior citizens who drove for our field trips, which was a big help to us.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pierce School PTO

COMMUNITY FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER REPORT

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate and coordinate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ALL outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for any open burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding areas) is completely covered with snow. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs. Open burning is a privilege, **NOT** a right. Help us to protect you and our forest resource! Build small brush piles that can be quickly burned and extinguished.

New Hampshire experienced over 940 wildland fires in 2001. Most of the fires were human caused. Due to dry conditions fires spread quickly impacting more than 20 structures. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and make sure that the house number is correct and visible. **Only You Can Prevent Wildland Fires.** Contact your local Fire Department or the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands website at www.nhdf.l.com or call 271-2217 for wildland fire safety information.

2001 FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru November 26, 2001)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u># of Fires</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Belknap	89	18
Carroll	62	12
Cheshire	147	41
Coos	53	16
Grafton	109	99
Hillsborough	198	68
Merrimack	70	20
Rockingham	135	90
Strafford	57	54
Sullivan	22	10

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Illegal	279
Unknown	201
Smoking	86
Children	69
Campfires	49
Rekindle of Permit	45
Arson	31
Lightning	24
Misc*	<u>158</u>
	942

(Misc: powerlines, fireworks, railroad, ashes, debris, structures, equipment, etc.)

	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2001	947	428
2000	516	149
1999	1301	452

BENNINTON FOREST FIRE WARDENS

	Mark Chase, Warden 588-4302	
Brett French, Deputy	588-2436	Keith Nason, Deputy 588-2700
Steve Pacsay, Deputy	588-2671	Allan Wilson, Deputy 588-6188

TOWN MEETING MINUTES OF BENNINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SESSION 1: FEBRUARY 6, 2001 DELIBERATIVE SESSION

SESSION 2: MARCH 13, 2001 TOWN ELECTION RESULTS

Session 1 of the 2001 Bennington Town Meeting convened on Tuesday, February 6, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pierce School multi-purpose room in Bennington, New Hampshire. John J. Cronin III, presided over his first Town Meeting as Moderator, having been elected to the position March 14, 2000. The Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The first order of business was the recognition of New Hampshire State Representative Ted Leach of District 9. Representative Leach was given the floor and addressed those voters attending the Town Meeting. Representative Leach had come to the Deliberative Session to present the Town of Bennington with a New Hampshire State Flag to be hung during official functions. Representative Leach stated that while at a prior Town function he had noticed that Bennington's State flag had become faded and had lost its original color due to aging. The State Flag he presented to the Town had been flown over the New Hampshire State House on Tuesday, January 30, 2001. The Moderator acknowledged and graciously accepted the new State Flag from Representative Leach for the residents of the Town of Bennington.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote: You are hereby notified to meet at the Pierce School on Tuesday, the sixth of February, next at seven o'clock in the evening, and then at the Fire Station on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, next at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Note: The casting of absentee ballots will begin at 1 p.m. The polls will close at 7 p.m.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. The results of the March 13th elections are as follows:

Selectman - James W. Cleary
Treasurer - Joyce L. Miner
Town Clerk - Debra Belcher
Library Trustee (3 yr.) - Michelle A. Hautanen
Library Trustee (2 yr.) - Carrie Whittemore
Fire Chief - Allan D. Wilson
1st Deputy Fire Chief - Mark S. Chase
2nd Deputy Fire Chief - Keith W. Nason
Planning Board (3 yr.) - Frank H. Cordelle & Peter Eppig

Planning Board (2 yr.) - Terry Shields
Planning Board (1 yr.) - Letitia Rice
Zoning Board Member - (3 yr.) - David Beck
Zoning Board Member - (3 yr.) - Peter Martel - write-in
Water & Sewer Commissioner (3 yr.) - Roy J. Johnson
Water & Sewer Commissioner (1 yr.) - Glenn Wilson
Trustee of the Trust Funds - Roy J. Johnson
Cemetery Trustee - Charles E. Zabriskie Sr.
Conval District Budget Committee Member - Peter Hopkins

When the polls opened at 8:00 a.m., the Voter Checklist contained 1021 registered voters. During the March 13th Town Meeting, 6 new voters were added to the checklist. When the polls closed at 7:00 p.m., the Voter Checklist totaled 1027 registered voters. A total of 277 voters cast their ballots during Town Meeting which represents 27% of the voters on the checklist. The actual percentage of voter turnout should be higher due to the fact that many voters on the checklist no longer live in Bennington. The voter checklist is due to be updated in 2001.

The Deliberative Session of the Town Meeting, Session 1, was attended by 30 registered voters.

The Moderator initiated discussion on the following articles.

2. Shall the Town adopt as an amendment to the existing Town of Bennington Zoning Ordinance the amendment proposed by the Planning Board relating to telecommunications facilities? The full text of the amendment can be found posted with the Warrant and within the Town Report.

Note: Peter Eppig, a Planning Board Member addressed the article and discussed the importance of establishing guidelines for future communication towers. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 193 NO - 76
THE ARTICLE PASSED

3. Shall the Town adopt as an amendment to the existing Town of Bennington Zoning Ordinance the amendment proposed by the Planning Board relating to impact fees? The full text of the amendment can be found posted with the Warrant and within the Town Report.

Note: Peter Eppig addressed the article and informed those present that an amendment has been passed at the state level allowing towns to impose impact fees to developers. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 167 NO - 101
THE ARTICLE PASSED

4. Shall the Town adopt as an amendment to the existing Town of Bennington Zoning Ordinance the amendment proposed by the Planning Board relating to minimum acreage and frontage for buildable lots? The full text of the amendment can be found posted with the Warrant and within the Town Report.

Note: Selectman Germain stated the fact that the wording of this article cannot be amended. Peter Eppig addressed the article stating that the Planning Board has discussed a road management proposal and a 200 foot road frontage requirement with the 5 acre minimum lot size. Furthermore Peter Eppig explained that this article will have little impact on small land owners in town and may slow future growth in Bennington. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 129 NO - 140
THE ARTICLE FAILED

5. Shall the Town accept as a public highway, and assume the responsibility for maintenance of "Birch Glen Drive" so-called, beginning at Francestown Road (State Route 47) and terminating at its cul de sac, a distance of approximately three thousand two hundred (3,200) feet as described on the Town of Bennington Planning Board Subdivision Approval Map dated May 8, 1988 (Dufresne-Henry Inc.) and in accordance with such terms as the Board of Selectmen may determine?

Note: Selectman Cleary addressed the article and clarified that the date should be May 5th. He also noted that the road was up to town specifications per the Road Agent and recommended that accepting this road would be a good move for the town. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 165 NO - 109
THE ARTICLE PASSED

6. Shall the Town accept as a public highway and assume the responsibility for the maintenance of a section of "Paradise Drive", so-called, a distance of approximately nine hundred seventy-five (975) feet, beginning at the north boundary of Lot 3-7, all as described in a plan entitled "Subdivision Plan of Land Phase III John and Brenda Paradise, December 11, 1994 revised March 19, 1995"?

Note: Selectman Germain addressed the article stating that this section of Paradise Drive town did meet town specifications. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 172 NO - 102
THE ARTICLE PASSED

7. Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the Warrant, and other appropriations voted separately for the purposes set forth therein, totaling eight hundred ninety-eight thousand three hundred eighteen dollars (\$898,318)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be eight hundred fifteen thousand five hundred two dollars (\$815,502), exclusive of special articles, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law or the governing body may hold one Special Meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Note: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 165 NO - 101
THE ARTICLE PASSED

8. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred fifty dollars (\$450) as its share of year 2001 programming for Project LIFT, which provides literacy services and materials to Bennington citizens over 16 years of age?

Note: No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 231 NO - 41
THE ARTICLE PASSED

9. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand seven hundred dollars (\$5,700) for additional survey, marking and repair work at Evergreen Cemetery?

Note: Selectman Cleary addressed the article stating that this money, if appropriated will enable the Cemetery Trustees to continue the work that has begun on surveying, marking, and repair work at Evergreen Cemetery. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 222 NO - 48
THE ARTICLE PASSED

10. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand two hundred seventy two dollars (\$7,272) for purchase of a replacement defibrillator for the Fire Department/Rescue Squad?

Note: Keith Nason addressed the article stating that the Fire Department is requesting the defibrillator to replace a nonservicable one. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 241 NO - 33
THE ARTICLE PASSED

11. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) to continue the work begun in 2000 of shifting West Deering Road's centerline away from the river and in stabilizing the riverbank?

Note: Selectman Cleary addressed the article stating that this is Phase 2 of the project which completes the stabilization of the riverbank. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 216 NO - 57
THE ARTICLE PASSED

12. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand five-hundred dollars (\$14,500) for the purpose of replacing the sidewalk on the west side of Main Street between Acre Street and School Street and, in addition, emplacement of granite curbing over the same distance, three hundred fifty (350) feet?

Note: Selectman Germain addressed the article and stated that the current sidewalk is deteriorating and it would be beneficial to replace it this year before it becomes unsafe. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 166 NO - 108
THE ARTICLE PASSED

13. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand nine hundred seventy four dollars (\$5,974) for the purpose of hanging lateral beams connecting the guardrail posts emplaced in 2000 along the river side of Antrim Road?

Note: Selectman Cleary addressed the article and stated that the poles were put in last year and this warrant article will enable the rails to be put in place. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 205 NO - 68
THE ARTICLE PASSED

14. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000) to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund created by vote of the 2000 Town Meeting - Article 13?

Note: The total cost of replacing the Antrim-Bennington Bridge quoted in last year's Article 13 was in error. The correct amount of funding needed from each community is \$95,000. The Selectmen recommend accumulation of this amount over several years through Capital Reserve Fund appropriations.

Selectman Germain addressed the article and stated to the voters present that the figure last year was incorrect due to the state quote being in error. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 211 NO - 61
THE ARTICLE PASSED

15. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund?

Note: Selectman Cleary addressed the article stating that this is the 3rd year in a 15 year cycle. Mark Chase, 1st Deputy Fire Chief, explained to the voters that the fire truck will need to be replaced in 2008. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 232 NO - 39
THE ARTICLE PASSED

16. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and shall the Town designate the Selectmen as agents to expend up to sixty-one thousand dollars (\$61,000) from that fund for purchase of a new backhoe/loader?

Note: Selectman Germain addressed the article stating that the 1989 Cat. has 11 or 12 years of use on it and is starting to have problems. It would be in the best financial interests of the town to trade it in soon before it loses more trade-in value. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 195 NO - 78
THE ARTICLE PASSED

17. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the Rescue Van Capital Reserve Fund?

Note: The current rescue van will need to be replaced in four years. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 230 NO - 43
THE ARTICLE PASSED

18. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund?

Note: Selectman Germain addressed the article stating that the estimated cost to replace a cruiser is \$31,000. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 182 NO - 90
THE ARTICLE PASSED

19. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the Mower Capital Reserve Fund?

Note: The town currently has a 1998 John Deer, which eventually needs to be replaced. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 200 NO - 69
THE ARTICLE PASSED

20. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Library Capital Reserve Fund?

Note: This is the eighth year of this capital reserve fund which was initiated to fund future library improvements. Leslie MacGregor, Librarian, addressed the voters stating that this year a lot of maintenance will be required. The casing around the front doors has rotted and needs replacement, there is brick & mortar work that needs to be done as well as the replacement of some wiring. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 217 NO - 55
THE ARTICLE PASSED

21. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the Forest Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund?

Note: No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 207 NO - 65
THE ARTICLE PASSED

22. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund?

Note: No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 198 NO - 72
THE ARTICLE PASSED

23. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) to be added to the Water Department Capital Reserve Fund?

Note: Selectman Cleary addressed the article and stated that this fund is used to replace and maintain pumps, meters, and other miscellaneous equipment. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 180 NO - 89
THE ARTICLE PASSED

24. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund?

Note: Selectman Germain addressed the article and stated that currently there is \$16,500 in this fund and it will cost up to \$35,000 to dredge the second lagoon. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 174 NO - 98
THE ARTICLE PASSED

25. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Bridge Expendable Trust Fund?

Note: Selectman Cleary addressed this article and stated that the monies from this fund are used to maintain the bridges in town. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 190 NO - 80
THE ARTICLE PASSED

26. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the Town Building Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of repainting the exterior of the Town Hall?

Note: Selectman Germain addressed the article and stated that the painting of the exterior of the Town Hall was the second phase of the Town Hall renovation project. In 2000, the slate roof was replaced by asphalt shingles guaranteed for 40 years. A couple of quotes had been obtained last year and the actual cost could end up being higher or lower. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 199 NO - 75
THE ARTICLE PASSED

27. Shall the Town create a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as "Emergency Radios Fund" to meet the anticipated expense of mandated conversion of Town-owned radios from analog to digital and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in that fund?

Note: Keith Nason addressed the article stating that both the Bennington Fire and Police Departments need to convert to digital radios and the immediate need is for the Police Department to convert. The Fire Department can do without the upgrade for 6-7 years. No amendments were introduced and the article was accepted as read.

3/13/01 RESULTS: YES - 186 NO - 83
THE ARTICLE PASSED

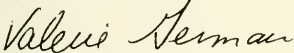
The Moderator recognized Harvey Goodwin of the Budget Committee who had requested a progress report from the Street Light Committee. Vicky Turner, the chairperson of the Street Lighting Committee, addressed three main areas of need that were determined by their studies and are as follows:

1. In the downtown Bennington area there are intersections where streetlights are needed.
2. There appears to be some areas downtown where there are too many lights.
3. The Town may want to consider possible zoning regulations for private lighting.

Harvey Goodwin requested that an official report be submitted by the Street Light Committee to the Selectmen and that the Committee should continue to move forward with their study.

There being no other business at hand, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Valerie Germain
Deputy Town Clerk

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year Ending December 31, 2001

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Name of Deceased</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Name of Father</u>	<u>Maiden Name of Mother</u>
01/02/01	Ida V. Zanga	Peterborough, NH	Angelo Valle	Caronina Alborghetti
01/30/01	Marjorie J. Davidson	Peterborough, NH	Thomas Lanha	Janey Allard
02/23/01	Richard A. Lyons	Peterborough, NH	Fred Lyons	Lena Batchelder
03/02/01	Marguerite W. Kehoe	Peterborough, NH	Lorenzo Smith	Carrie Jones
07/12/01	Josephine M. Dorr	Concord, NH	Harry Dorr	Grace French
12/04/01	Michael J. Cronin	Merrimack, NH	Kevin Cronin	Linda Medeiros

I hereby certify that the above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Debra Belcher, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year Ending December 31, 2001

<u>Date of Ceremony</u>	<u>Name of Bride & Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>
02/09/01	Susan L. Stareshina Dennis E. Parris	Bennington, NH Henniker, NH
024/28/01	Heather Vandemeut Enrique Hernandez.	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
05/30/01	Carol Harmon Barnes James L. Volner	Mt. Sterling, KY Hancock, NH
06/16/01	Genevieve M. Brown John L. Tingley	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
06/16/01	Tonia M. Wilson Robert A. Maschi	New York, NY New York, NY
07/15/01	Hannelore A Glaser Andrew Lyasoff	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
07/26/01	Carol C. D'Alessandro Keith B. Hafford	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
08/19/01	Dawn M. Hansen Brian L. Trumppower	North Sutton, NH Bennington, NH
08/24/01	Robin L. Nicholson Randy K. Rhodes	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
08/25/01	Nikki D. Smith Robert R. King	Hartland, VT Bennington, NH

08/25/01	Paula L. Brouillet Edward J. Leonard	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
10/06/01	Stephanie Marie Rosann Murphy Mark J. Mackesy	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
10/07/01	Virginia F. Warren Matthew L. Burke.	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
11/10/01	Betty H. Coffin David H. Brooks	Bennington, NH Antrim, NH
12/15/01	Heather A Dame Albert F. Picknell	Bennington, NH Bennington, NH
12/15/01	Catherine M. Ordway Guy W. Whipple	Antrim, NH Antrim, NH
12/21/01	Heidi Thoma David W. Gardner	Middletown, RI Middletown, RI

I certify that the above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Debra Belcher, Town Clerk

Births Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year Ending December 31, 2001

<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Name of Father and Mother</u>
01/11/01	Andrew Wesley Stockwell	Peterborough, NH	Stephen and Gretchen Stockwell
01/21/01	Garrett Joseph Tatro	Peterborough, NH	Steven and Karen Tatro
01/27/01	Savanna Marie Hall	Peterborough, NH	James and Karyn Hall
01/29/01	Britney Louise Grendell	Peterborough, NH	Mark and Jessica Grendell
05/02/01	John William Plourde	Peterborough, NH	Scott and Karen Plourde
05/04/01	Martin James Sweeney	Concord, NH	James and Nancy Sweeney
05/26/01	Paris Lily MacKeigan	Keene, NH	Matthew and Laurie MacKeigan
08/17/01	Maxwell James Davie	Peterborough, NH	Bruce and Rhonda Davie
11/08/01	Alexis Rose Judith Cleary	Peterborough, NH	James and Carol Cleary
11/12/01	Olivia Rose Martin	Manchester, NH	David and Christina Martin
11/12/01	Connor James Martin	Manchester, NH	David and Christina Martin
11/22/01	Harry Abraham Warshaw	Keene, NH	Russ Warshaw and Kathleen Harrigan
12/21/01	Kelsey Marie-Joann Nutter	Keene, NH	John and Nicole Nutter

I hereby certify that the above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Debra Belcher, Town Clerk

Results of
Non-Binding Referendum
March 13, 2001
Town of Bennington, New Hampshire

In the interest of long-range planning, the Board of Selectmen solicits your opinion on the following questions related to law enforcement.

Question

- 1) Shall the Selectmen plan and budget for Police Department coverage for Bennington where, during certain night time hours (midnight to 6 am) coverage is provided only by the State Police?

Yes 67 No 128 (7 no response)

- 2) Shall the Selectmen plan and budget for Police Department coverage for Bennington where at all times of the day and night coverage is provided by Bennington officers? (This is the present schedule of coverage.)

Yes 107 No 80 (15 no response)

- 3) Shall the Selectmen initiate discussion with the Selectmen of abutting towns on the feasibility of merging Police Departments under a single Chief for integration of such matters as training, supervision, procedures and patrols?

Yes 125 No 70 (7 no response)

BENNINGTON PD STATISTICS
Year 2001

INCIDENT	Chief Campbell	Officer Marcellino	Officer Bequeath	Officer Chenard	TOTAL
CRIMINAL					
ABANDONING A VEHICLE	1				1
ABDUCTION (ATTEMPT)	2				2
ARSON	2				1
ASSAULT	11	6		2	19
BAD CHECKS	25	3			28
BENCH WARRANT	4	5	1		10
BURGLARY	4	2			6
CONDUCT AFTER ACCIDENT	3	1			4
COUNTERFEIT MONEY		1			1
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	42	4	1	3	50
CRIMINAL THREATENING	5	3			8
DISOBEYING OFFICER	2	1			3
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	1	3			4
DOMESTIC DISPUTE	14	11		1	26
DRUGS	2	2	1		5
DWI	3	3	3		9
HABITUAL OFFENDER		1			1
HARRASSMENT	17	8	1	1	27
ILLEGAL DUMPING/LITTERING	2	2			4
INTERFERENCE W. EMER. COMM.		1			1
OPEN CONTAINER	5		2		7
OPERATING AFTER SUSPENSION	2	6	1		9
PROHIBITIVE SALES	5				5
PROTECTIVE CUSTODY	2	17	5		24
PROWLING	1	1			1
RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY	1				1
RECKLESS CONDUCT	3				3
RECKLESS OPERATION	2	2			4
RESISTING ARREST	5	1		1	7
SEXUAL ASSAULT	3				3
STALKING		2			2
THEFT	34	8	1	1	44
TRESPASSING	1	1			2
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF RENTAL	10	3			13
VIOLATION OF PROTECTIVE ORDER	1	2			3
TOTAL CRIMINAL	215	100	16	9	340
ARRESTS					
FELONY	23	6	1		30
JUVENILE & PROTECTIVE CUSTODY	15	19	5	3	42
MISDEMEANOR	51	27	7		85
VIOLATION	14	7	5		26
TOTAL ARRESTS	103	59	18	3	183

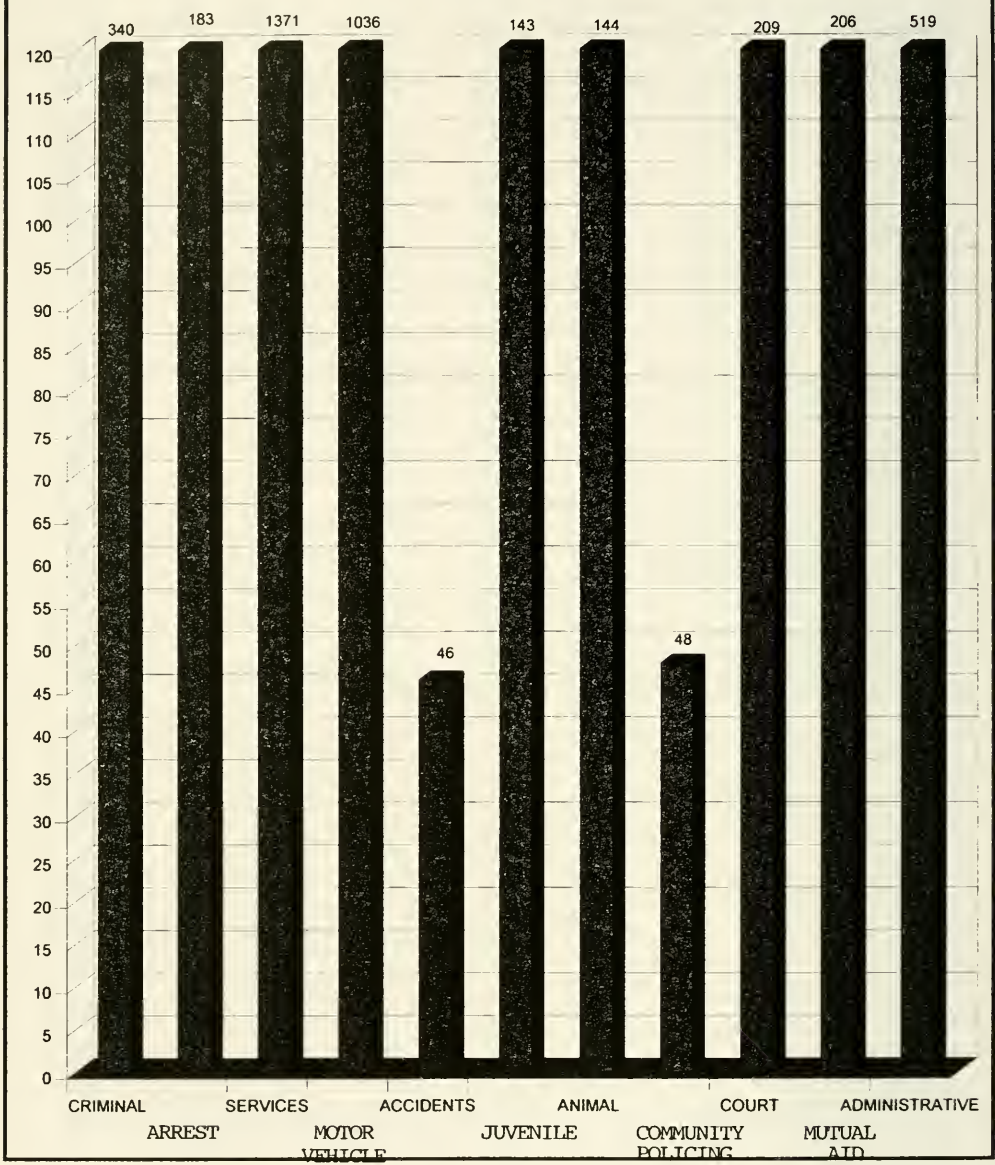
BENNINGTON PD STATISTICS
Year 2001

INCIDENT	Chief Campbell	Officer Marcellino	Officer Bequeath	Officer Chenard	TOTAL
SERVICES					
ALARM	9	11	1		21
CHECK WELFARE	4	2	1		7
CIVIL STANDBY	9	6	1		16
CITIZEN / MOTORIST ASSIST	151	68	21	6	246
CIVIL	14	6	2		22
E911	4	3	1	1	9
INVESTIGATE INCIDENT / REPORT	172	92	34	13	311
PAPERWORK / SERVE PAPERS	38	34	14	2	88
PROPERTY CHECK	275	184	78	98	635
TRANSPORT	9	5	2		16
TOTAL SERVICES	685	411	155	120	1371
MOTOR VEHICLE					
MOTOR VEHICLE STOPS					
WARNINGS	344	296	118	104	862
SUMMONS					
OTHER	9	4			13
SPEED	23	16	6	6	51
STOP SIGN	2				2
UNINSPECTED	13	2	2		17
UNREGISTERED	6	3		2	11
TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE STOPS	397	321	126	112	956
PARKING COMPLAINTS	7				7
TRAFFIC DETAIL	39	15		1	55
OHRV COMPLAINTS	12	6			18
TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE	455	342	126	113	1036
ACCIDENTS					
TOTAL MV ACCIDENTS	25	18	2	1	46
MV ACCIDENTS W/ INJURY	2	4			6
PROPERTY DAMAGE (\$1000+)	9	10	1		20
JUVENILE					
CHECK THE WELFARE	7				7
COMMUNITY SERVICE	10	8	6	2	26
ENDANGERING THE WELFARE		1			1
INVESTIGATE INCIDENT / REPORT	56	25			81
JV PETITIONS	4	2			6
JV POSSESSION CIGARETTES	5	2			7
JV POSSESSION ALCOHOL	2	1			3
MISSING	8	3			11
TRUANCY	1				1
TOTAL JUVENILE	93	42	6	2	143
ANIMAL					
CAT	12	2			14
DOG	54	34	6	3	97
OTHER	20	7	3	3	33
TOTAL ANIMAL	86	43	9	6	144

BENNINGTON PD STATISTICS
Year 2001

INCIDENT	Chief Campbell	Officer Marcellino	Officer Bequeath	Officer Chenard	TOTAL
COMMUNITY POLICING					
COMMUNITY	28	8	2	1	39
SCHOOL	6	3			9
TOTAL COMMUNITY POLICING	34	11	2	1	48
COURT					
DISTRICT	167	15			182
GRAND JURY	8				8
HEARINGS (JV AND ALS)	11	4	1		16
SUPERIOR	3				3
TOTAL COURT	189	19	1	0	209
MUTUAL AID					
ANTRIM	17	33	3	1	54
DEERING	6	3			9
FIRE / RESCUE	25	17	5	2	49
FRANCESTOWN	10	14	13	1	38
GREENFIELD	5	6	10		21
HANCOCK	6	5	7	2	20
OTHER	6	7	2		15
TOTAL MUTUAL AID	75	85	40	6	206
ADMINISTRATION					
DETAIL	29	14	2	1	46
MEETING / TRIP	69	13	1		83
PISTOL PERMIT	18				18
POLICE INFORMATION	20	3	2	1	26
SUPPLEMENTAL INVESTIGATION	160	138	18	3	319
TRAINING	11	11	2	3	27
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	307	179	25	8	519
SUMMARY					
CRIMINAL	215	100	16	9	340
ARRESTS	103	59	18	3	183
SERVICES	685	411	155	120	1371
MOTOR VEHICLE	455	342	126	113	1036
ACCIDENTS	25	18	2	1	46
JUVENILE	93	42	6	2	143
ANIMAL	86	43	9	6	144
COMMUNITY POLICING	34	11	2	1	48
COURT	189	19	1	0	209
MUTUAL AID	75	85	40	6	206
ADMINISTRATIVE	307	179	25	8	519
GRAND TOTAL	2267	1309	400	269	4245
PERCENTAGE	53.50%	30.90%	9.30%	6.30%	100.00%

BENNINGTON PD STATISTICAL CHART Year 2001



TOWN OF BENNINGTON

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

588-2189

Town Hall	Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Tax Collector	Available during Town Hall office hours
Town Clerk	Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday: 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to noon

MEETING SCHEDULES

Selectmen	Every Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.
Planning Board	Second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
Library Trustees	First Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library
Water/Sewer Com.	First Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.
Recreation Com.	Second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Conservation Com.	Third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Cemetery Trustees	Second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

LIBRARY HOURS

588-6585

Monday	9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	Noon - 8:00 p.m.
Friday	Noon - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (staffed by volunteers)

RECYCLING/TRANSFER STATION HOURS

588-3407

Wednesday	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

DOING IT RIGHT!...

BENNINGTON PROUDLY HOSTS
The STATE DISTRICT CAL RIPKEN CHAMPIONSHIPS
★ JULY 5-10, 2001 ★



CROUCHED MOUNTAIN ALLSTARS

- Tyler Marschek 5
- Travis Dargin 6
- Zach Hutton 8
- Sam Graves 9
- Tyler Angold 10
- Frank Shea 11
- Jacob Nixon 12
- Ross Davis 14
- Kevin Poirier 15
- Justin Fragg 16
- Justin ... 17





Frank Cordelle

Within the next few weeks, Bennington will lose one of its outstanding volunteer leaders when Frank Cordelle takes his professional photography skills to the West Coast.

A Foundation Member of the Planning Board, Frank was instrumental in writing the Master Plan and the Zoning Ordinance. He represented Bennington's interest as a member of the School Board during some turbulent years. He served as Chairman of the Planning Board from 1989 to 1991; as that Board's Secretary from its inception.

Up front on the Town's ecology, he has been a guiding force in development of Bennington's policies on water resource protection, clean air, open space and excavation/reclamation.

He leaves with Bennington's regret and best wishes.