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## Wendy Fearon

We express our sincere thanks and appreciation to Wendy Fearon for her outstanding contribution of time and effort to community affairs. Her contribution has served to better our community. She is truly a great friend to the Town of Bethlehem.

Best wishes on your move. We miss you Wendy!



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BETHLEHEM VILLAGE DISTRICT**  
for the year ending DECEMBER 31, 1999  
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# TOWN OFFICERS

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Raymond Bushway	(2000)
John L. Wedick, Jr.	(2001)
Norman Brown	(2001)
Bradley Presby	(2002)
David Wood	(2002)

## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE - BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Cindy Holmes

### TOWN CLERK

Tandy Girouard Brown (2001)

### TREASURER

Teri-Ann Brown (2001)

### TAX COLLECTOR

Claudia Brown (2001)

### MODERATOR

Alistair MacBain (2000)

### POLICE CHIEF

Eric Lougee

### ROAD AGENT

George Tucker, III (2000)

## FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Jack Anderson

### HEALTH OFFICER

Stanley Borowski 444-0642

### OVERSEER OF WELFARE

Cheryl Sargent

## TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

David Kerr	(2000)
Jane Crosby	(2002)

## SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Philip Davis	(2000)
Judy Gagne	(2002)
Ann Sykes	(2004)

## LIBRARIAN

Muriel Brown

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Russell R. Bonnevie	(2000)
Maxine Jackson	(2000)
Nancy Stevenson	(2000)
Elizabeth Harrington	(2001)
Patricia Bonardi	(2001)
Mildred Chamberlain	(2001)
John Miller	(2002)
Jannifer Kotok	(2002)
Elizabeth Ward	(2002)

**CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

Ernest Ferland  
Richard Robie

**REVOLVING LOAN COMMITTEE**

Len Reed  
Peter Thoma  
Tom Hepner

**RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Ronnie Lyster  
Mike Miscio  
Len Reed

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Tanya Tellman  
Jeanne Bilodeau  
Brooke Bohannon  
Elise Lawson

**BRETZFELDER PARK COMMITTEE**

John Stevenson  
Ann Gruzka  
Eleanor Stephenson  
Nigel Manley  
Tanya Tellman  
Kimberly Mackay-Pearson

**SECRETARY - PLANNING / ZONING BOARDS**

Cheryl Sargent

**PLANNING BOARD**

Alecia Loveless, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate (1/00)  
Ben Gumm (6/00)  
David Tellman (7/00)  
Maurice Lambert (3/01)  
John Keller (8/01)  
Roland Shick, 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate (11/01)  
Steve Huntington  
Ted Wilkinson  
Bradley Presby

**ZONING BOARD**

John Keller (Swing) (8/01)  
Lon Weston (11/01)  
Katherine Rhoda (11/01)  
Richard Virdone  
Judy Wallace



## RESULTS OF THE 1999 WARRANT

Moderator, Alistair D. MacBain, declared the polls open at 9:00 a.m. at the Town Building on the 9th day of March, 1999. This was changed due to a frozen water line at the Bethlehem Country Club. It was moved by Ruth Miller and seconded by Barbara Duplessis to proceed to vote on Articles 1 through 11 and delay the reading and action of the other Articles in the Warrant until the business meeting on Saturday, March 13th 1999. The motion carried. At 6:00 p.m., the Moderator declared the polls closed and the ballots were counted.

Moderator MacBain called the business meeting to order on Saturday, March 13, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. at the Bethlehem Elementary School Auditorium. Present were Selectmen Raymond Bushway, Bradley Presby, David Wood, and John L. Wedick, Jr.

Absent: Selectman Norman Brown

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Total Votes Cast - 676

John Keller, Selectman - 321 votes - not elected  
George Manupelli, Selectman - 67 votes - not elected  
Bradley Presby, Selectman - 376 votes - elected  
David Wood, Selectman - 412 votes - elected  
Tandy Girouard, Town Clerk - 381 votes - elected  
Susan Leslie, Town Clerk - 186 votes - not elected  
George Tucker III, Road Agent - 539 votes - elected  
Edward Moodie, Road Agent - 54 votes - not elected  
Jane Crosby, Trustee of The Trust Funds - 31 write in votes - elected  
John Stevenson, Trustee of The Trust Funds - 5 votes - write in  
Jannifer Kotok, Library Trustee - 435 votes - elected  
John Miller, Library Trustee - 501 votes - elected  
Elizabeth Ward, Library Trustee - 482 votes - elected

**ARTICLE 2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board to include the following as Item #4 under the Definitions of the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance:

“Light Industry”: Any manufacturing or industrial use including processing, fabrication and assembly provided that no such use shall create smoke, odors, sound or other hazards beyond the premises. (Ballot Vote)

Yes 418 No 103

**ARTICLE 3.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board to change the wording of Item #7 under the Definitions of the Bethlehem Zoning Amendment as follows:

Item #7 currently reads: “District #2: This District shall include all that area of said Town of Bethlehem lying outside of said Bethlehem Village District.”



**Proposed Amendment would read: “District #2: This District shall include all that area of said Town of Bethlehem lying outside of said Bethlehem Village District and exclusive of Districts III and IV.” (Ballot Vote)**

**Yes 409 No 163**

**ARTICLE 4.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board to add as Item #8 to the Definitions of the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance the following:

District III: This District shall include all of that area of said Town of Bethlehem, lying within the boundaries of Map 405 Lots #1, #2, #16, #17, #18, #20.1 through #20.4, #21.1 through #21.6, #22.18, #23, #24, #25, #34; Map 416 Lots #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, and #7 as delineated on the Bethlehem Tax Maps as of April 1, 1998. (Ballot Vote)

**Yes 377 No 152**

**ARTICLE 5.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board to add as Item #9 to the Definitions of the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance the following:

District IV: This District shall include all that area of said Town of Bethlehem, lying within the boundaries of Map 404, Lot #6 as delineated on the Bethlehem Tax Maps as of April 1, 1998. (Ballot Vote)

**Yes 385 No 137**

**ARTICLE 6.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board to add to the Regulations, after District II, Section C of the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance the following:

District III: This District includes land currently in industrial use and additional area for new or expanded industrial and commercial activities. The purpose of this District is to encourage the retention and development of local job opportunities, the expansion of the community tax base, and safe and healthy industrial and commercial uses.

A building may be erected, altered or used and a lot may be used or occupied only in accordance with the following provisions after a building permit is issued by the Board of Selectmen.

- A. Permitted uses are as follows:
  - 1. Any permitted use in District II.
  - 2. Any manufacturing, industrial, or commercial use, including processing, fabrication and assembly, provided that no such use shall be permitted that will be detrimental or offensive, or tend to reduce property values.
  - 3. Public utility buildings, structures, and lines.
  - 4. Planing mills, sawmills, lumber yards and wood treatment plants.
  - 5. Storage and distribution facilities for petroleum, coal, lumber, and wood products, sand and gravel.

6. Equipment sales and services.
7. Creameries and bottling plants.
8. Wholesale business and storage warehouses.
9. Wood fired power generating plants.
10. Open storage of building materials.
11. Any use of the same general character or customarily accessory to any of the uses herein before mentioned, which are in conformity with and not detrimental to the area and district.

B. The following exceptions are permitted upon approval of the Zoning Board of Adjustment:

1. Construction yards, auto dismantling yards and used parts yards.
2. Kennels and animal hospitals.
3. Manufacturing research and testing laboratories, provided that no pollution results from such activities.
4. Wholesale bottling plants for alcoholic beverages.

C. Lot requirements:

1. Minimum lot frontage - 200 feet.
2. Minimum lot size - 80,000 square feet or four times the area of the building coverage, whichever is greater.

(Ballot Vote)

**Yes    399                      No    160**

**ARTICLE 7.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board to include the following to the Regulations, after District III, Section C of the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance:

District IV: This District includes additional area for new or expanded light industrial and commercial activities. The purpose of this District is to encourage the development of local job opportunities, the expansion of the community tax base, and safe and healthy light industrial uses.

A building may be erected, altered or used and a lot may be used or occupied only for the following purposes and in accordance with the following provisions after a building permit is issued by the Board of Selectmen.

A. Permitted uses are as follows:

1. Any permitted use in District II.
2. Any light industrial use.

B. The following exceptions are permitted upon approval of the Zoning Board of Adjustment:

1. Any other manufacturing, industrial or commercial use, including processing, fabrication, and assembly, provided that no such use shall be permitted that will be detrimental or offensive or tend to reduce property values. (Ballot Vote)

**Yes    430                      No    131**

**ARTICLE 8.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board to amend General Provision, Item #7 as follows:

Item #7 currently reads: “No dwelling or other structure may be erected which does not at least conform in general value to other structures and dwellings in the neighborhood, or is contrary to the general and economic welfare of the neighborhood, and no structure shall be erected, or business conducted which manifestly depreciates the value of existing property in the neighborhood.”

As amended Item #7 would read: “No dwelling or other structure may be erected which does not at least conform in general value, architecture and character to other structures and dwellings in the neighborhood, or is contrary to the general and economic welfare of the neighborhood, and no structure shall be erected, or business conducted which manifestly depreciates the value of existing property in the neighborhood.” (Ballot Vote)

Yes 425 No 149

**ARTICLE 9.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #8 as proposed by the Planning Board to General Provisions #8 of the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance the following:

In all districts, stairways, landing and bona fide handicap accessible structures that are less than 48 square feet in size and which are no closer than 10 feet to any property line are not considered structures. (Ballot Vote)

Yes 443 No 121

**ARTICLE 10.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment to General Provision #6 of the Regulations of the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by petition, repealing the following language:

General Provision #6 currently reads as follows: “Further, no solid waste disposal facility, site, or expansion of any existing landfills shall be located in any district except a facility operated by the Town. This prohibition shall include, but not be limited to, any private solid waste disposal facility or site, sanitary landfill or incinerator.”

General Provision #6, as revised, would read as follows:

No person, persons, partnership, or corporation shall transport garbage or rubbish in an unsanitary manner without the same being thoroughly protected from exposure or leakage; nor dump or leave the same in any place other than provided for said purposes. The Planning Board does not recommend the adoption of this Amendment. (Ballot Vote)

Yes 145 No 493

**ARTICLE 11.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #10 as proposed by the Planning Board to amend General Provision #13 of the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance as follows:

General Provision #13 currently reads as follows: “No building shall be greater than forty (40) feet in height.”

If approved the amended Provision #13 would read: "No building shall be greater than forty (40) feet in height, unless a Special Exception is granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment. However, under no circumstances shall any building or part thereof exceed sixty (60) feet in height." (Ballot Vote)

**Yes 403 No 183**

**Motion Made By: Judy Gagne Seconded By: Bob Coute**

Reference: Judy Gagne made the motion to suspend with the reading of all the Articles until they be brought up individually.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money that may be necessary to satisfy the purposes specified in the budget as posted, \$1,787,404.00. Budget Total exclusive of Warrant Articles.

**Motion Made By: Raymond Bushway Seconded By: Bradley Presby  
Vote: Article Passed**

Fire Chief Jack Anderson had an explanation of the Fire Department Budget. At the Budget Hearing he said the Chief and the Assistant would be getting paid for the runs they made. Since then, he had heard some rumbling that people thought this was misleading. To change this so there would be no confusion, he would like to increase the Chief's pay by \$1,000 and the Assistant Chief's pay by \$750. He would like to increase this because of the added paperwork, inspections, and classes, etc.

When he took over, the Chief's pay was divided between the Chief and the Assistant Chief. This would not affect the bottom line of the Fire Department Budget.

Ray Bushway asked if inspections are a free service?

Jack Anderson - Yes, it is part of the Fire Department's job to do inspections to insure safety.

John Kimball - What is the procedure for setting salaries for Town Officials?

John Wedick - The Board of Selectmen set wages. The Fire Chief and his Assistant's pay came to us in this form. We did not review them.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500.00 for the purpose of a Little League program.

**Motion Made By: Paul Lister Seconded By: John Stevenson  
Vote: Article Passed**

Paul Lister explained that the budget is up this year because of improvements to be made to the field. The figure they came up with came from Harry Newell and a few other people who know more about these things. \$1,500 is to be used to make improvements to the lower fields. The expected cost to bring water to the field is \$2,500 and \$1,000 to bring electricity to the field. The old information booth was given to the Little League and we want to use it for a concession stand and eventually add bathrooms. This would eliminate port-a-potties.

John Kimball - Why aren't the parents paying for the program?

Paul Lister - If we charge, there are a number of kids that would not get to play. There was never a fee charged. This was a precedent set before I took over.

David Tellman - How does Little League tie in with Article #19, The Summer Recreation Program?

Paul Lister - This program has been identified by itself. We pay no one until tournament time. Then we pay only the umpires.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$15,000.00 for legal expenses to be used to continue to pursue litigation against North Country Environmental Services (NCES) concerning landfill expansion and the establishment by NCES of a regional transfer station.

**Motion Made By: John Wedick, Jr. Seconded By: David Wood  
Vote: Article Passed by Secret Ballot**

Selectman John L. Wedick, Jr. brought everyone up to date on current litigation with NCES. On February 1, 1999, Grafton Superior Court ruled and I quote "NCES may continue to develop, construct and operate the landfill within a 10 acre parcel and a 41 acre parcel pursuant to 1976 - 1987 Municipal approval," which predate the 1987 - 1992 prohibitory amendments." The Town has filed a motion to clarify and another motion to reconsider. Once the judge rules, our attorney will analyze his judgment and report to us. Based on that report, we will determine whether to appeal or not.

Following the Selectmen's update, there was lengthy discussion both for and against this appropriation.

A question was raised concerning the amount of money spent to date to which the Selectmen replied \$18,400.

Ted Wilkinson moved and it was seconded to restrict reconsideration of Article #14 under RSA 40:10. Amendment passed:

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$15,000.00 for the purpose of continuing the Bethlehem Revitalization Effort.

**Motion Made By: Raymond Bushway Seconded By: David Wood  
Vote: Article Passed**

Len Reed explained what this money would be used for. Last year signs were erected at the East and West ends of Route 302 (by Wayside Inn and the Rocks Estates by I-93). This year revitalization efforts would include adding more signs to the North and South entrances to Town, establishing a committee for banners to be put on phone poles from Maplewood Casino to the top of Long Hill, this would also include stone walls, historical walking tours, multi-use trails open to the public and holding a seminar to attract industry to Bethlehem.

The Moderator asked for further discussion and Madeline Caswell being unsure of where to voice her concern brought up handicap accessibility to the Town Building or lack thereof. Selectman David Wood said that this issue would be further addressed in Article 21.



**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,000.00 to be non-lapsing until 12/31/01 to provide funds to match a grant of \$32,000.00 received from the Federal Government to correct deficiencies in traffic and pedestrian safety in the area of the Post Office. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.

**Motion Made By: Raymond Bushway Seconded By: Phil Davis  
Vote: Article Passed**

The purpose of this is to create a median between the Post Office and Route 302.

John Starr asked the Selectboard if we were at the planning stage or is this money to begin looking at this project?

John Wedick answered that the Town was given a grant for \$32,000 providing we raise matching funds of \$8,000 which make for a total of \$40,000.

David Wood added that some or all of the \$8,000 could be matched inkind. We have already had some preliminary discussion with North Country Council to see if we can work out some arrangement whereby, they could do some work there as a match so we won't have to expend all of the \$8,000.

Alecia Loveless asked if the Post Office was privately owned and the Moderator told her yes. She expressed a concern that she hopes the property owner will be consulted at the time of the project.

Dick Robie pointed out that water lines run under the project and should be kept in mind.

When the time is appropriate, Chief Jack Anderson would like the safety issue concerning the entrance and exit for the Fire Station to be addressed.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of making improvements to the new Maple Street Cemetery addition and to appropriate \$8,500.00 to be placed in this Fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as Agents to expend. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.

**Motion Made By: David Wood Seconded By: John Wedick  
Vote: Article Passed**

**No Discussion.**

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$7,500.00 to be non-lapsing until 12/31/00 to offset funding of a celebration of the Town of Bethlehem's Bicentennial. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.

**Motion Made By: John Wedick, Jr. Seconded By: David Wood  
Vote: Article Passed**

Claire Brown spoke on this issue stating that this Article was illegally written last year. As a result, the funds that were appropriated actually were not. They had to return to ask for these same funds again this year - legally.

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,000.00 for the purpose of a Summer Recreation Program. Such sum shall be offset by an estimated \$11,000.00 in user charges.

**Motion Made By: David Wood Seconded By: John Wedick, Jr.  
Vote: Article Passed**

Bob Coute asked if this Article is legal considering that last year's request for this same amount was written as "one time only" request.

Karen Roy answered that in order to keep the Summer Recreation Program affordable to all, they needed to return to ask again for Money.

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000.00 to construct an addition on the Town Garage.

**Motion Made By: Raymond Bushway Seconded By: Bradley Presby  
Vote: Article Passed**

Jack Anderson states he was Selectman at the time this garage was built and it was the bare minimum and we have done well but now it is time to add on. There was a fire in the garage and it held up well but the garage is very over crowded. The addition will better house all the equipment.

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for the purpose of studying Town facilities and services.

**Motion Made By: David Wood Seconded By: Bradley Presby  
Vote: Article Passed**

David Wood explains how every department is bursting at the seams and now we have inadequate meeting facilities for public meetings because we have moved the Tax Collector, the Assessor and the Town Clerk downstairs. This is a very important Article to plan how we are going to accommodate all the needs and the services of this community. Ben Gumm states he is opposed to this Article if \$15,000 is for only studying the issue. He thinks designating one of the Selectboard to do a study makes more sense. John Miller asked about what happened to the study that was done several years ago. David Wood replied by saying we went back in the records and found the persons responsible for doing the study and contacted them. We have just received a copy of the study.

Jack Anderson spoke about a letter to the Selectboard from the Planning Board addressing this issue. It was recommended that the Selectboard put in a Warrant Article for \$85,000 to investigate what this is going to do with the remaining money to start work. Jack Anderson went on to say, as Fire Chief, he should not allow anyone to hold public meetings in the Town Building. Dick Robie would like to see the whole building being used and if that means putting in an elevator, than do it.

The concern of handicap ramps was brought up. Claire Brown stressed handicap accessibility needs to happen. John Wedick, Jr. told everyone there is a Capital Reserve Fund with \$59,000 set aside for this purpose. We just need to know how to make this happen. The State of NH has inspected the Town and that contains 64 violations and they are being corrected.



**ARTICLE 22.** “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500.00 for the purpose of providing live musical entertainment for 17 concerts, free to the public, to be held at the Bethlehem Gazebo in 1999.” By Petition. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.

**Motion Made By: David Wood Seconded By: Raymond Bushway  
Vote: Article Passed**

Dennis Beaulieu - What kind of music will be played and are we going to have a problem with liability?

Wendy Fearon - There will be 15 concerts (17 different types of bands) with a variety of music starting May 30 and going until September 5 on Sunday evenings. This is open to everyone. These are going to be held on Town property, so we should be covered under the Town's insurance.

John Kimball spoke against this.

Karen Roy and Nancy Stevenson spoke in favor.

**ARTICLE 23.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Capital Reserve Fund - Transfer Station, \$100,000.00. These monies, plus accrued interest, will be returned to the General Fund and be used in their entirety to reduce the 1999 tax rate. By Petition.

**Motion Made By: John Wedick, Jr. Seconded By: Bob Coute  
Vote: Article Failed**

Bob Coute spoke in favor of this Article. NCES's Transfer Station is available at no cost to the Town. Why not use it? Julien Czarny did not support this Article. He would like to see the Town own their own Transfer Station. He went into a lengthy presentation. He would like to see the \$100,000 left and be there, if we need it. Dan Lavoie asked the Selectmen if they had considered a CO-OP with other Towns. David Wood explained we have an informal agreement with Littleton and we could (on an emergency basis) use their Transfer Station. Littleton would welcome our business. Multiple people spoke on the cost of a Transfer Station above the \$100,000 amount.

Bruce Brown asked if Article #24 tied into this Article. John Wedick, Jr. explained the cost to build a Transfer Station according to the study conducted by North Country Council is \$144,000. We already have \$100,000 and we need \$44,000 more. The \$30,000 is the speakers best guess for 5 acres of land, if we had to buy it.

Roland Schick said returning the money to the General Fund would lower our taxes but for only one year. He would like to see it left until we decide on a Transfer Station.

**ARTICLE 24.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$74,000.00 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund - Transfer Station. Part of such addition will be used to acquire land for a Transfer Station site subject to approval of such purchase by the voters at a subsequent Town Meeting. The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.

**Motion Made By: Bob Coute To Pass Over This Article Until The Result Of Article 23  
Was In  
Seconded By: John Miller  
Vote: Article Passed by Voice Vote**

**Motion Made By: Raymond Bushway Seconded By: John Miller  
Vote: Secret Ballot Failed**

**Yes 25 No 112**

John Wedick, Jr. once again explained the wording on this Article. He urges everyone to vote NO for this Article. David Wood also agreed with John Wedick, Jr. on this. David Wood feels there will be more cost effective options such as a combined municipal facility with Littleton.

David Wood stated if this did not pass, the \$100,000 would get us through until next year's Town Meeting. At that time we could ask for the money again.

**ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to prohibit the processing, storage, and the land spreading of waste treatment sludge (sometimes called "biosolids"), including but not limited to, sewage, paper and mill pulp sludge, whether it be wet, dry, composted, pelletized, mixed with other materials or injected into the land in the Town of Bethlehem until such regulations are enacted by the Selectmen or the Planning Board with public involvement to control such activity. By Petition. The Board of Selectmen recommends against adoption of this Article.

**Motion Made By: Peter Smith Seconded By: John Miller  
Vote: Article Passed**

David Tellman spoke against this Article. It was passed by the Planning Board so no public hearing was held. The Planning Board sought out a legal opinion on this Article through Atty. Diana Hepner. David Tellman said the Planning Board constructed a health ordinance and on October 26, 1998 it was signed by the Board of Selectmen.

Maurice Lambert spoke about the new rules on sludge/biosolids. These are the State version (800 series). On March 19, 1999 the new rules will take effect and will be enforceable.

Katherine Rhoda went into a lengthy discussion on the health risk in sludge/biosolids. Several other people spoke against this also.

Frank Hagan asked the Selectmen why they did not support this?

John Wedick, Jr. answered because it was a legal opinion of Atty. Diana Hepner. Attorney Hepner explained her legal opinion.

**ARTICLE 26.** To see if the Town will vote, under the provisions of RSA 31:39-A, to adopt a Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Employees of the Town, as follows, to be enforced by the Board of Selectmen.

## Section I. Definitions

- 1.1 Official or Employee - - any person serving in a public office or a public body of the Town, whether paid or unpaid, appointed or elected, full time or part time.
- 1.2 Interest -- any privilege, profit, gain or advantage one stands to receive if certain actions or events occur.

## Section II. Conflicts of Interest

- 2.1 Financial and Personal Interest. No person serving in a public position shall have, either for himself or for an immediate family member or for any other person, any personal, financial or pecuniary interest in any business, contract, or other transaction with any public body without the complete prior disclosure to the Board of Selectmen showing the full extent and nature of his/her interest.
- 2.2 Disclosure and Disqualification. No public official shall advise, deliberate, and/or vote on any matter in which he holds any interest, whether it be personal, financial or pecuniary, and must publicly disclose to the public body with jurisdiction the nature and extent of that interest, and must disqualify himself from advising, deliberating, and/or voting on the matter.
- 2.3 Incompatible Employment. No official or employee shall be active in private employment with, or render services for, any private citizen, immediate family member or household member having business contracts or transactions with any public body unless and until he publicly and fully discloses the nature and extent of his interest.
- 2.4 Gifts and Favors. No gifts, whether they be money, favors, things, loans or promises, are to be accepted by any public official, employee or board member while acting in his capacity as a public servant of the Town.
- 2.5 Confidential Information. No public official or employee shall disclose any confidential information unless and until prior approval by the public body having jurisdiction or the Board of Selectmen permits disclosures. Regardless of whether disclosure is involved, no official or employee shall allow or use any confidential information to advance his own personal gain or that of any other person.
- 2.6 Nepotism.
  - (a) Public Officials and Boards. No person serving in a public position shall appoint or vote for any person in his/her immediate family to any public position. If a proposed appointed is a member of the immediate family of any Board Member that member shall remove himself/herself completely from the appointment process.
  - (b) Public Employment by Department Heads. When Employing the members of the immediate family, Town public policy makes

the appearance of fairness in conformity with Town policy mandatory.

Thus, full time employment of immediate family members shall not be approved if another member would have the practical authority to appoint, evaluate, supervise or discipline the other. If a need arises for part time or seasonal employment by a department, then any proposal to employ a member of the Department Head's immediate family shall be subject to prior approval by a majority of the Board of Selectmen who shall insure that the interests of the community and fairness to all seeking employment are the primary considerations.

- 2.7 No Town Board or Commission Member, employee or authority is permitted to vote on appointment of a person with or in whom he has a personal or financial interest. By Petition.

**Motion Made By: Raymond Bushway Seconded By: Bradley Presby  
Vote: Article Failed**

Stanley Harrison moved to suspend with the reading of the rest of this Article and go on to discussion. Seconded by Ted Wilkinson. Passed by voice vote.

Stanley Harrison spoke in favor of this Article and went into a lengthy discussion. Several people got up and spoke against this Article.

David Tellman spoke against this Article, however he would like to see an Annual or Bi-Annual, training on the subject of Ethics by an Attorney or other knowledgeable person.

David Tellman moved and it was seconded to restrict reconsideration of Article #26 under RSA 40:10. Amendment passed.

**ARTICLE 27.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment and implementation of a Pay As You Throw Solid Waste Program with the revenue generated to be used to reduce the cost of solid waste disposal. Further, all revenue and expenses related to the Town's Solid Waste Program will be placed in the Special Revenue Fund for Solid Waste Disposal.

**Motion Made By: David Wood Seconded By: Bradley Presby  
Vote: Article Passed**

An explanation was given by David Wood. The Board of Selectmen would not enforce this until we have an adequate facility in place. David Tellman suggested to the Board that they should have someone to enforce dump stickers. They should have them available for sale on site at the Transfer Station.

**ARTICLE 28.** To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to immediately negotiate with North Country Environmental Services (NCES) concerning all issues that run between the Town and NCES if the Grafton County Superior Court finds in favor of NCES in the lawsuit heard on November 30, 1998. By Petition.

**Motion Made By: John Miller Seconded By: Maurice Lambert**



Selectman David Wood made the motion to TABLE this Article. Seconded by Judy Gagne. Passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 29.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the road named Willson Heights Road, approved by the Bethlehem Planning Board, bonded and constructed in 1988 to TRA (Town Road Aid) Specifications, with construction supervised and inspected by a certified Civil Engineer, and the bond (\$175,000.00) released on December 30, 1998 after meeting the bonded TRA Specifications and the approval of Selectmen Tucker and Keach. There are 3 residences on the road. By Petition.

**Motion Made By: John Wedick, Jr. Seconded By: Raymond Bushway  
Vote: Article Passed**

Raymond Bushway made an amendment to the Article that the bond was released on December 30, 1988, not 1998.

Discussion on how much of the road does this proposal cover? Bill Brown said they are looking for the whole road to be taken over.

John Stevenson spoke in favor of taking over the road and said the Road Agent needs to be consulted. Bill Brown went to George Tucker III about the road, so he was consulted.

Steven Huntington said the Planning Board has a policy in place now on accepting roads. He recommended the Town take over Willson Heights. The question was asked what will the Road Agent have to do to the road. The response was to fill in a few potholes. Marie Stevenson went into a lengthy discussion against this Article and John Kimball had some concerns about the damage that was done by the logging company.

David Wood tried to recall from his Planning Board days exactly how this works. "It seems to me we have two things here. One is that when this property was subdivided, the subdivision built the roads to the Planning Board specifications which met the TRA requirements. In 1988 the road did. The second is that when you go to the Town to ask them to take that road over, the amount of time that lapses should determine the Town's decision. If it is 10, 20, or 50 years later, I don't think that the Town should be obliged to take it over, even if it met the criteria at the time of building. It needs to meet the current specifications. You are asking the Town to take it over just as long as George Tucker III says it meets those specifications. If it does, I think we should do it and if it doesn't, I am not sure if it is the Town's responsibility to bring it up, or the private road owners responsibility."

**ARTICLE 30.** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

At 2:30 Peter Smith made the Motion to Adjourn the Meeting. Seconded by Maurice Lambert.

**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$1,944,404.00**

These minutes were reviewed and approved by Moderator MacBain.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dianne Lambert  
Acting Town Clerk

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

206-035	Town Hall, Land and Buildings	.59 AC	\$ 489,600.00
204-043-001	Strawberry Hill Reservoir	53.50 AC	29,300.00
204-043-002	Town Water Supply	5.34 AC	365,600.00
414-9-11-12	Village District	42.30 AC	1,163,200.00
203-001	Highway Garage - Building Only		65,600.00
414-005	Prospect Street Dump	24.00 AC	<u>26,500.00</u>
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 2,139,800.00</b>
 <b>COUNTRY CLUB</b>			
203-001	Golf Maintenance Garage		\$ 38,400.00
203-001	Clubhouse		324,420.00
203-001	Land Route 302	102.00 AC	105,900.00
203-017	Land Prospect Street	33.00 AC	524,900.00
203-018	Land Prospect Street	4.70 AC	146,100.00
203-019	Land Prospect Street	1.00 AC	<u>23,100.00</u>
<b>Total Country Club</b>			<b>\$ 1,162,820.00</b>
 <b>PARKS AND RECREATION</b>			
203-021	L/O N/S Main/Prospect/Log Cabin Lane	1.90 AC	\$ 21,400.00
203-025	L & Tennis Courts	1.20 AC	41,200.00
205-120	L & Playground Main/Agassiz	4.10 AC	50,900.00
205-122	L/B Info Booth	1.48 AC	128,000.00
206-027	L/O Elm Street (Little League)	7.80 AC	47,300.00
206-036	L/B Town Pool	1.50 AC	<u>143,300.00</u>
<b>Total Parks and Recreation</b>			<b>\$ 432,100.00</b>
 <b>CEMETERIES</b>			
203-003	L/O N/S Main Street "Cemetery"	1.20 AC	\$ 15,400.00
206-051	L/O Off Cemetery Street (Gift)	.41 AC	8,900.00
206-056	L/O Maple & Austin Road (Gift)	2.60 AC	15,500.00
206-057	L/O Maple & Austin Road	6.50 AC	56,400.00
404-014	L/O Brook Road	2.90 AC	<u>10,500.00</u>
<b>Total Cemeteries</b>			<b>\$ 106,700.00</b>
 <b>SCHOOLS</b>			
206-015	L/O BES	3.28 AC	\$ 1,527,800.00
402-025	L/O Profile	17.99 AC	2,194,800.00
402-021	L/O Profile	5.53 AC	<u>9,800.00</u>
<b>Total Schools</b>			<b>\$ 3,732,400.00</b>

## LAND AND BUILDINGS ACQUIRED THROUGH TAX COLLECTOR'S DEED

(Listed by Location and Map and Lot #)

201-053	L/O Upper Brook Road	.25 AC	\$ 6,500.00
202-026	L/O Long Hill	1.90 AC	14,900.00
203-032-013 through 203-032-036	L/O Fairways		444,800.00
204-116	L/O Alpenhoff Road Off	2.00 AC	4,400.00
205-009	L/O Jefferson Street	.22 AC	7,100.00
205-010	L/O Jefferson Street		7,100.00
205-037	L/O Agassiz Street	.15 AC	2,000.00
205-037-001	L/O Harrigan Street	.10 AC	100.00
205-220-004	L/O James Street		8,200.00
205-230-001	L/O Noyes Street	.46 AC	8,200.00
206-018	L/B Main Street	3.20 AC	410,000.00
206-029	L/O W/S Elm Street	1.20 AC	3,100.00
206-029-001	L/O W/S Elm Street	3.10 AC	9,900.00
206-063-001	L/O Austin Road S/S	24.70 AC	20,500.00
210-003	L/O Little River Road	5.70 AC	14,500.00
210-013-012	L/O Lady Slipper Road	3.42 AC	14,000.00
210-013-220	L/O Lady Slipper Road/Jolee Lane	3.90 AC	N/V
402-007-005	L/O Route 118 Lot 5	1.69 AC	8,100.00
403-020	L/O Caswell Heights Off 1-93	.04 AC	100.00
404-032-001	L/O Railroad Street	.53 AC	5,000.00
405-048	L/O Route 116	2.00 AC	7,000.00
405-051	L/O Whitefield Road	2.01 AC	7,100.00
405-054	L/O Route 116N	5.50 AC	7,400.00
405-081	L/B Cherry Valley Road	12.75 AC	39,250.00
406-024	L/O S/S Whitefield Road	2.71 AC	8,100.00
406-032-005	L/O N/S Hazen Road	2.00 AC	7,800.00
410-007-003-02	L/O Off South Road	26.66 AC	19,100.00
410-007-004	L/O S/S South Road	11.37 AC	14,000.00
413-041	L/O Access Lot	2.20 AC	4,500.00
414-008	L/O Off Austin Road N/S	38.00 AC	16,600.00
415-009	L/O River Road	.14 AC	800.00
415-021	L/O Bethlehem Hollow	.54 AC	4,500.00
415-038	L/O Wing Road	.40 AC	3,800.00
415-107	L/O River Bend	1.34 AC	3,400.00
415-134	L/O Beaver Road	.88 AC	2,700.00
415-147	L/O N/S Moose Trail	.91 AC	3,200.00
415-153	L/O River Road	.43 AC	3,400.00
416-003	L/O Whitefield Road	64.52 AC	43,300.00
416-021	L/O Row	1.20 AC	10,700.00
416-028	L/O Row	1.70 AC	7,000.00
418-006	L/O Beech Hill Road	2.30 AC	1,700.00
420-024	L/O Off Route 302	.11 AC	700.00
420-025	L/O Beech Hill	.06 AC	<u>500.00</u>

**Total Land and Buildings**

**\$ 1,205,050.00**



**OWNER UNKNOWN**

203-030	L/O Park Avenue/Pine Street	.41 AC	\$ 2,900.00
203-075	L/O N/S Reid Road	.38 AC	4,300.00
204-055-001	L/O Paper Road	.72 AC	5,150.00
205-048	L/O Doris Street	.13 AC	1,900.00
206-055	L/O S/S Austin Road	.67 AC	6,100.00
209-078	L/O River Road	3.90 AC	8,600.00
209-079	L/O S/S River Bend	.07 AC	600.00
209-080	L/O S/S River Bend	2.20 AC	4,500.00
414-007	L/O Prospect Street E/S Off	14.70 AC	3,700.00
416-042	L/O E/S Hazen Road		N/V
417-006	L/O Whitefield Town Line	2.70 AC	<u>700.00</u>

**Total Unknown** **\$ 38,450.00**

**TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS****CHURCH**

203-051	All Saints Durell Methodist United Church		\$ 18,900.00
203-052	United Methodist Church		253,200.00
203-057	United Methodist Church		82,800.00
204-049	Congregation Machzikai Hadath		122,000.00
204-068	Bethlehem Hebrew Congregation		83,800.00
204-073	Bethlehem Hebrew Congregation		290,600.00
205-177	Christ the King Catholic		538,900.00
207-002	Episcopal Church		290,800.00
207-007	Our Lady of the Fairways		700.00
405-041	Assembly of God		<u>11,400.00</u>

**Total Church** **\$ 1,693,100.00**

**NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

207-005	Tri County Community Action		\$ 432,700.00
403-012	Burch House		210,000.00
412-017	Copper Cannon (Buildings Only)		201,600.00
414-019	Northern Youth Services		<u>177,700.00</u>

**Total Non-Profit Organizations** **\$ 1,022,000.00**

**FOREST**

210-016	USA	109.00 AC	\$ 5,600.00
401-018	N.E. Forestry	80.00 AC	37,300.00
412-022-002	USA	210.36 AC	84,100.00
413-058	State of New Hampshire	26.00 AC	26,700.00
422-003	USA	50.00 AC	33,800.00
422-004	USA	342.00 AC	85,500.00
422-005	USA	31,119.20 AC	<u>21,930,000.00</u>

**Total Forest** **\$22,203,000.00**

**PILOT  
PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES**

Map Lot			Assessed Value	Payment
414-019	Northern Youth Services	1.9 AC	\$ 177,700.00	\$ 8,000.00
406-018	Pinetree Power	70.87 AC	2,420,500.00	192,567.23
201-067	North Country Council	1.91 AC	251,800.00	150 hrs of Service
Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forest				
201-068		21.51 AC	208,700.00	
201-069		47.09 AC	2,730.00	
201-070		.23 AC	50.00	
201-071		20.86 AC	104,000.00	
407-023 & 407-024		77.47 AC	<u>49,450.00</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$3,214,930.00</b>	<b>\$ 208,567.23</b> <b>+ 150 HRS OF SERVICE</b>

**SUMMARY - INVENTORY OF VALUATION**

Current Use Land	\$ 711,450.00	
Residential Land	20,594,750.00	
Commercial/Industrial	<u>4,299,400.00</u>	
Total Taxable Land		\$ 25,605,600.00
Residential Building	56,239,300.00	
Manufactured Housing	2,040,500.00	
Commercial/Industrial Building	<u>19,028,000.00</u>	
Total Taxable Buildings		77,307,800.00
Public Utilities		3,258,800.00
Valuation Before Exemptions		106,172,200.00
Blind Exemptions	30,000.00	
Adjusted Elderly Exemptions	<u>450,550.00</u>	
Total Exemptions Off Valuation		480,550.00
Net Valuation On Which Tax Rate Is Computed		<u>\$105,691,650.00</u>
Veteran Exemptions	13,400.00	
Disabled Veterans	<u>12,600.00</u>	
Total Tax Credits		26,000.00
Non-Taxable Land and Buildings		<u>\$ 37,075,300.00</u>

## TAX RATE ON \$1,000.00 VALUATION

Municipal .....	\$ 8.62
County .....	1.67
Schools .....	12.64
State .....	7.25
Total .....	\$30.18

Village District .....	1.32
Total .....	\$31.50

**Net Assessed Valuation - ..... \$105,108,460.00**

**Net Assessed Valuation - Village District - ..... \$ 45,598,300.00**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Municipal</u>	<u>Village</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Total Town</u>	<u>Total Precinct</u>
1988	4.13	.63	11.23	.79		16.15	16.78
1989	2.79	2.03	10.72	1.24		14.75	16.78
1990	3.41	2.48	13.91	1.12		18.14	20.92
1991	2.87	2.45	15.28	1.01		19.16	21.61
1992	4.19	2.23	16.87	1.12		22.18	24.41
1993	4.16	2.15	17.04	1.06		22.26	24.41
1994	4.98	2.47	18.13	1.15		24.26	26.73
1995	4.71	2.74	19.64	1.24		25.59	28.33
1996	3.27	2.69	20.85	1.12		25.24	27.93
1997	3.46	2.69	20.74	1.25		25.45	28.14
1998	6.78	1.41	27.22	1.56		35.56	36.97
1999	8.62	1.32	12.64	1.67	7.25	30.18	31.50

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Bethlehem Town Clerk's Office was filled with many changes in 1999. In March, I was elected the next Town Clerk and immediately started attending certification classes in Concord. Along with Deputy Town Clerk, Dianne Lambert, I was able to attend classes involving motor vehicle registration, titles, UCC's and vital records. We were certified as Municipal Agents enabling us to issue the new motor vehicle passenger plates and decals from the Office. This not only benefits Bethlehem residents, but the surrounding Towns as well. We have received a tremendous amount of positive feedback on the issuing of these plates locally as it saves many an extra trip to the substation.

In May, the Clerk's Office was moved downstairs into the old Courtroom to provide more space.

In June, Dianne and I attended the Annual Town Clerk's Conference in Lincoln. We were able to meet other Town Clerks and get updated on changes that would be happening in the upcoming months.

In September, the State fees for vital records increased by two dollars and in October there was a fee charge added to heavy equipment registrations.

I have received another State computer; this will enable Bethlehem to be on-line with the State for the System VR2000. This will make getting vital records a much easier process.

### 1999 REVENUES

Registrations	\$252,512.30
Marriage Licenses	802.00
Vital Statistics	276.00
UCC Filings	1,356.30
Dog Licenses	3,693.50
Miscellaneous Business Filings	80.00
Election Filings	7.00
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TOTAL	\$258,727.10

In January 2000, Dianne and I also got a chance to attend an election workshop in Concord to prepare us more for the upcoming election year. There will be four elections this year and all poles will take place at the Firestation.

In closing, I would like to express that the past year has been a very informative one, learning something new everyday. I give thanks to everyone that supported me over the last year and a special thank you to Dianne Lambert for her patience, training, and all her extra hard work in making this transition an easier one.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tandy Girouard Brown  
Town Clerk

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

Levies of 1999 and Prior - Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

### DEBITS

Levies of:	1999	Prior
Uncollected Taxes		
Beginning of Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$1,380,336.14
Land Use Change	0.00	1,200.00
Yield Taxes	0.00	10,342.64
Taxes Committed This Year:		
Property Taxes	3,177,688.74	0.00
Land Use Change	3,420.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	18,119.59	0.00
Excavation Tax	164.82	0.00
Miscellaneous (Ck Fee)	20.00	0.00
Overpayment:		
Property Taxes	13,616.39	12,981.42
Yield Taxes	0.00	2,941.53
Interest - Late Taxes	6,641.52	11,953.64
<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>\$3,219,671.06</b>	<b>\$1,419,755.37</b>

### CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$2,789,625.15	\$1,161,485.92
Land Use Change	2,075.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	11,015.12	11,179.17
Miscellaneous (Ck Fee)	20.00	0.00
Interest	6,641.52	11,953.64
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd.	164.82	0.00
Conversion to Lien		222,230.01
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	29,358.35	11,706.63
Land Use Change	0.00	1,200.00
Yield Taxes	2,194.06	0.00
Current Levy Deeded	1,439.58	0.00
Uncollected Taxes End of Year:		
Property Taxes	370,882.05	0.00
Land Use Change	1,345.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	4,910.41	0.00
Excavation Tax	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$3,219,671.06</b>	<b>\$1,419,755.37</b>

**SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS**  
**Year Ending December 31, 1999**

**DEBITS**

<b>Levies of:</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>Prior</b>
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of Year	\$ 0.00	\$197,464.36	\$131,720.98	\$ 3,617.36
Liens Executed During Year	245,296.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest and Costs Collected	3,619.57	17,663.24	45,635.97	1,655.00
<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>\$248,916.29</b>	<b>\$215,127.60</b>	<b>\$177,356.95</b>	<b>\$ 5,272.36</b>

**CREDITS**

Remitted to Treasurer:				
Redemptions	\$ 59,710.92	\$ 66,658.64	\$118,909.47	\$ 3,617.36
Interest and Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	3,619.57	17,663.24	45,635.97	1,655.00
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	10,084.72	8,445.17	4,096.81	0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality	1,966.23	3,552.91	1,853.28	0.00
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	173,534.85	118,807.64	6,861.42	0.00
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$248,916.29</b>	<b>\$215,127.60</b>	<b>\$177,356.95</b>	<b>\$ 5,272.36</b>

## REVENUES - DETAILED STATEMENT

1999 Estimated and Actual - 2000 Estimated

	1999 Estimated	1999 Actual	2000 Estimated
Land Use Change Taxes			
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,075.00	\$ 2,100.00
Total Land Use Change Taxes	0.00	2,075.00	2,100.00
Yield Taxes			
Yield Taxes	35,000.00	20,671.14	21,000.00
Excavation Taxes	0.00	164.82	200.00
Total Yield Taxes	35,000.00	20,835.96	21,200.00
Payment In Lieu Of Taxes			
Payment In Lieu Of Taxes	196,567.00	205,567.23	208,900.00
Total Payment In Lieu Of Taxes	196,567.00	205,567.23	208,900.00
Interest, Penalties & Costs			
Property Tax Interest	125,000.00	88,463.74	90,000.00
Total Interest, Penalties & Costs	125,000.00	88,463.74	90,000.00
Business Licenses And Permits			
Business Licenses & Permits	0.00	87.00	90.00
UCC Filings & Certificates	1,325.00	1,356.30	1,500.00
Total Business Licenses & Permits	1,325.00	1,443.30	1,590.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	233,500.00	251,512.60	275,000.00
Total Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	233,500.00	251,512.60	275,000.00
Building Permits			
Building Permits	4,000.00	2,670.00	3,000.00
Total Building Permits	4,000.00	2,670.00	3,000.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees			
Dog Licenses	4,650.00	3,693.50	3,750.00
Dog Fines	225.00	320.00	500.00
Marriage Licenses	900.00	802.00	800.00
Certificates - B, D & M	275.00	276.00	275.00
Total Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	6,050.00	5,091.50	5,325.00



Shared Revenue			
Shared Revenue	90,000.00	73,442.10	81,000.00
Total Shared Revenue	90,000.00	73,442.10	81,000.00
Highway Block Grant			
Highway Block Grant	66,720.00	66,720.60	72,555.00
Total Highway Block Grant	66,720.00	66,720.60	72,555.00
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement			
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	32,000.00	39,324.89	40,000.00
Total State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	32,000.00	39,324.89	40,000.00
Other (Including Railroad Tax)			
Other (Including Railroad Tax)	1,800.00	2,097.96	2,200.00
Total Other (Including Railroad Tax)	1,800.00	2,097.96	2,200.00
Income From Departments			
Income From Copy Machine	690.00	877.70	900.00
Income From Lists & Maps	125.00	102.95	100.00
Current Use Applications	120.00	60.00	100.00
Pay Phone Commissions	190.00	134.55	150.00
Notary	0.00	88.00	100.00
Police Special Detail	0.00	0.00	25,000.00
Pistol Permits	300.00	90.00	100.00
Police Reports	0.00	1,210.00	1,250.00
Court Fines	1,435.00	500.00	500.00
Fire Reports	0.00	0.00	0.00
Planning Board Fees	2,000.00	3,218.28	3,500.00
Zoning Board Fees	0.00	305.90	500.00
Pool Revenue	10,000.00	5,810.41	6,000.00
Summer Recreation Program Revenue	11,000.00	11,762.30	12,050.00
Cemetery Fees	2,000.00	800.00	800.00
Total Income From Departments	27,860.00	24,960.09	51,050.00
Sale Of Municipal Property			
Sale Of Municipal Property	5,500.00	0.00	45,000.00
Total Sale Of Municipal Property	5,500.00	0.00	45,000.00
Interest On Investments			
Interest On Checking	1,160.37	2,133.34	2,500.00
Total Interest On Investments	1,160.37	2,133.34	2,500.00

Other Miscellaneous Revenues			
Playground Donations	0.00	482.20	350.00
<b>Total Other Miscellaneous Revenues</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>482.20</b>	<b>350.00</b>
Other Miscellaneous Revenues			
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	0.00	12,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Other Miscellaneous Revenues</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>12,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Special Revenue Funds			
BCC	290,540.00	334,534.26	329,930.00
BCC Surplus	0.00	0.00	77,228.00
Solid Waste Disposal	0.00	12,978.00	14,628.00
Ambulance	0.00	0.00	12,500.00
<b>Total Special Revenue Funds</b>	<b>290,540.00</b>	<b>347,512.26</b>	<b>434,286.00</b>
<b>Budget Total</b>	<b>\$1,117,022.37</b>	<b>\$1,146,332.77</b>	<b>\$1,336,056.00</b>

**EXPENDITURES - DETAILED STATEMENT**  
**1999 Budget and Actual - 2000 Budget**

	1999 Budget	1999 Actual	2000 Budget
Executive			
Health Officer's Salary	\$ 450.00	\$ 280.00	\$ 450.00
Administrative Assistant's Salary	27,774.00	28,159.50	30,066.00
Selectmen's Salaries	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
MTHP	2,363.00	2,363.28	2,360.00
SS/MC	2,771.00	2,751.84	2,912.00
NHRE	1,167.00	1,075.68	1,275.00
Registry	800.00	0.00	800.00
Telephone	2,315.00	1,659.42	1,700.00
Services	20,000.00	22,351.64	19,600.00
Insurance	3,086.00	2,001.13	2,000.00
Supplies	3,000.00	2,560.21	3,000.00
Postage	1,000.00	1,091.61	1,200.00
Loss Prevention Program	0.00	0.00	7,000.00
<b>Total Executive</b>	<b>72,726.00</b>	<b>72,294.31</b>	<b>80,363.00</b>
Election/Registration/Vital Statistics			
Town Clerk's Salary	5,308.00	8,086.05	3,750.00
Town Clerk's Fees	10,100.00	10,329.50	14,100.00
Deputy Town Clerk	1,455.00	1,387.22	2,000.00

Moderator	400.00	275.00	500.00
Supervisors Of Checklist	1,200.00	1,296.20	1,500.00
Ballot Clerks	300.00	250.00	1,400.00
SS/MC	1,436.00	1,583.80	1,557.00
Meals	300.00	84.32	1,000.00
Telephone	765.00	701.15	745.00
Services/Supplies	4,400.00	5,019.33	4,100.00
Payments To Government Agencies	2,000.00	1,867.50	2,200.00
<b>Total Election/Registration/Vital Statistics</b>	<b>27,664.00</b>	<b>30,880.07</b>	<b>32,852.00</b>
<b>Financial Administration</b>			
Tax Collector's Salary	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Tax Collector's Fees	8,000.00	7,004.39	8,000.00
Deputy Tax Collector	8,249.00	6,750.05	8,748.00
Treasurer's Salary	3,750.00	3,750.00	3,750.00
Deputy Treasurer's Salary	250.00	250.00	250.00
SS/MC	2,050.00	1,931.97	2,161.00
Registry	1,600.00	564.15	1,600.00
Telephone	1,400.00	670.43	710.00
Information Systems	6,500.00	5,108.05	13,105.00
Services	6,200.00	4,349.48	5,200.00
Supplies	5,845.00	10,464.34	4,000.00
Postage	2,000.00	1,915.75	2,100.00
<b>Total Financial Administration</b>	<b>53,344.00</b>	<b>50,258.61</b>	<b>57,124.00</b>
<b>Revaluation Of Property</b>			
Revaluation Services	24,675.00	11,554.98	35,270.00
<b>Total Revaluation Of Property</b>	<b>24,675.00</b>	<b>11,554.98</b>	<b>35,270.00</b>
<b>Legal Expense</b>			
Legal Expense	20,500.00	37,946.39	26,500.00
<b>Total Legal Expense</b>	<b>20,500.00</b>	<b>37,946.39</b>	<b>26,500.00</b>
<b>Planning &amp; Zoning</b>			
Secretary's Salary	20,001.00	20,055.27	20,481.00
MTHP	2,363.00	2,363.28	2,363.00
SS/MC	1,530.00	1,509.13	1,566.00
NHRE	1,004.00	904.89	869.00
Legal Expense	3,500.00	2,898.30	0.00
Registry	0.00	0.00	300.00
Advertising	1,000.00	984.20	1,000.00
Telephone	760.00	646.67	685.00
Services	720.00	810.75	950.00
Insurance	597.00	670.73	670.00
Supplies	1,300.00	886.88	1,000.00

Postage	425.00	250.00	300.00
Total Planning & Zoning	33,200.00	31,980.10	30,184.00
General Government Buildings			
Salaries	30,191.00	29,571.08	38,059.00
MTHP	4,726.00	2,363.28	2,363.00
SS/MC	2,310.00	2,262.07	2,912.00
NHRE	1,083.00	913.12	650.00
Services	41,350.00	24,453.01	150,000.00
Lights	5,596.00	6,020.37	6,586.00
Fuel	5,000.00	5,739.37	6,085.00
Insurance	1,910.00	2,137.30	2,150.00
Supplies	4,500.00	6,131.47	14,500.00
Vehicle Mileage Reimbursement	750.00	67.58	200.00
Total General Government Buildings	97,416.00	79,658.65	223,505.00
Advertising/Regional Association			
Visitors' Center Salaries	11,750.00	10,196.62	17,000.00
Visitors' Center SS/MC	899.00	779.98	1,301.00
Visitors' Center Services	500.00	515.00	2,500.00
Promotional Advertising	1,250.00	1,200.00	0.00
North Country Council	2,179.00	0.00	0.00
Holiday/Decorating	1,300.00	998.67	1,100.00
Mt. Washington Regional Airport	1,020.00	1,035.00	1,020.00
Total Advertising/Regional Association	18,898.00	14,725.27	22,921.00
Other General Government			
Forester Salary	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Forester SS/MC	460.00	459.00	460.00
Forester Services/Supplies	2,600.00	1,868.21	3,050.00
Town Lines	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Town Signs	750.00	1,140.66	750.00
Total Other General Government	11,310.00	9,467.87	11,760.00
Police			
Police Chief's Salary	40,711.00	40,701.79	41,688.00
Officers' Salaries	106,353.00	98,740.28	106,353.00
Special Detail	0.00	0.00	25,000.00
MTHP	9,452.00	6,302.08	9,452.00
SS/MC	2,833.00	3,102.39	3,176.00
NHRTS	5,379.00	5,119.09	5,846.00
Services/Supplies	10,000.00	9,950.42	10,000.00
Cruiser Purchase/Lease	6,500.00	2,970.80	21,500.00
Insurance	16,856.00	13,305.15	13,350.00
Fuel/Gas	2,600.00	2,727.05	2,800.00

Cruiser Maintenance	2,500.00	2,391.65	2,500.00
Total Police	203,184.00	185,310.70	241,665.00
Ambulance			
Attendants	5,000.00	3,854.52	0.00
SS/MC	650.00	429.90	0.00
Training	3,500.00	3,175.85	0.00
Services/Supplies	5,000.00	5,979.68	0.00
Insurance	1,130.00	839.17	0.00
Total Ambulance	15,280.00	14,279.12	0.00
Fire			
Fire Chief's Salary	3,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Volunteer Firemen	8,000.00	4,641.20	6,500.00
Assistant Fire Chief	1,500.00	2,250.00	2,250.00
SS/MC	1,950.00	1,439.42	1,800.00
Training	12,500.00	8,360.97	10,000.00
Services/Supplies	5,000.00	4,914.42	5,000.00
Out-of-District Hydrants	3,158.00	158.40	159.00
Insurance	8,421.00	6,495.27	6,500.00
Fuel/Gas	1,500.00	840.72	1,500.00
Equipment/Vehicle Repair	8,000.00	13,133.91	8,000.00
Equipment Purchase	24,500.00	27,731.44	11,000.00
Communication Maintenance	2,000.00	1,554.83	2,000.00
Total Fire	80,029.00	76,020.58	59,209.00
Building Inspection			
Salary	2,500.00	466.74	1,000.00
SS/MC	192.00	0.00	0.00
Supplies	100.00	0.00	0.00
Total Building Inspection	2,792.00	466.74	1,000.00
Other Public Safety			
Tower Rental & Maintenance	4,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
PD-FD Dispatcher	68,393.00	66,203.26	67,791.00
PD-FD MTHP	7,090.00	6,302.08	7,089.00
PD-FD SS/MC	5,232.00	5,019.88	5,232.00
PD-FD NHRE	2,845.00	1,149.86	2,000.00
911 PD-FD Telephone	6,305.00	6,180.51	6,300.00
Insurance	1,441.00	1,646.73	1,650.00
Communication Maintenance	1,000.00	0.00	500.00
Total Other Public Safety	96,306.00	89,502.32	93,562.00

Highways & Streets			
Road Agent's Salary	35,548.00	34,200.66	36,000.00
Salary	109,000.00	110,034.45	114,000.00
Construction Salary	2,645.00	4.35	0.00
MTHP	15,141.00	13,362.78	15,141.00
SS/MC	11,260.00	10,953.47	11,475.00
NHRE	5,968.00	5,386.17	6,360.00
Telephone	735.00	726.83	770.00
Services	6,300.00	16,716.72	6,300.00
Lights	2,820.00	2,694.77	2,860.00
Equipment Rental	6,000.00	279.00	6,000.00
Sander Purchase	9,500.00	8,500.00	9,500.00
Insurance	22,443.00	15,827.94	15,850.00
Supplies	14,000.00	8,459.57	14,000.00
Fuel & Lubricants	15,000.00	14,287.33	15,000.00
Equipment Repair	41,000.00	42,526.49	41,000.00
Vehicle Mileage Reimbursement	1,300.00	487.39	1,000.00
Sand, Gravel & Stone	25,500.00	31,242.53	30,000.00
Salt	19,000.00	17,413.52	21,500.00
Asphalt	81,500.00	92,939.25	100,000.00
Other Construction Material	5,500.00	11,234.54	12,000.00
<b>Total Highways &amp; Streets</b>	<b>430,160.00</b>	<b>437,277.76</b>	<b>458,756.00</b>
Bridges			
Maintenance & Repairs	25,000.00	6,254.98	0.00
<b>Total Bridges</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>	<b>6,254.98</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Street Lighting			
Lights	28,875.00	26,331.70	28,018.00
<b>Total Street Lighting</b>	<b>28,875.00</b>	<b>26,331.70</b>	<b>28,018.00</b>
Animal Control			
Salary	4,200.00	3,850.00	4,550.00
SS/MC	322.00	294.57	348.00
Services/Supplies	500.00	791.72	1,000.00
<b>Total Animal Control</b>	<b>5,022.00</b>	<b>4,936.29</b>	<b>5,898.00</b>
Health Agencies/Hospitals			
Upper Valley Senior Citizens	3,290.00	3,290.00	3,290.00
North Country Home Health	4,965.00	4,965.00	4,965.00
White Mountain Mental Health	3,060.00	3,060.00	3,060.00
Hospice of Littleton	1,220.00	1,220.00	1,220.00
American Red Cross	838.00	838.00	838.00
Littleton Hospital	250.00	250.00	0.00



North Country YMCA	250.00	250.00	250.00
Total Health Agencies/Hospitals	13,873.00	13,873.00	13,623.00
Direct Assistance			
Overseer of Welfare	3,900.00	3,815.68	4,200.00
SS/MC	299.00	287.05	321.00
Rent	12,500.00	16,633.00	17,000.00
Miscellaneous	3,000.00	680.43	2,000.00
Lights	2,500.00	1,246.35	2,000.00
Fuel	500.00	401.45	500.00
Total Direct Assistance	22,699.00	23,063.96	26,021.00
Intergovernmental Welfare			
Payments			
Community Action Program	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,500.00
Total Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,500.00
Parks/Recreation			
Pool Salaries	13,296.00	14,310.29	13,296.00
Pool SS/MC	1,017.00	1,094.81	1,017.00
Pool Telephone	250.00	279.57	250.00
Pool Services	17,950.00	12,097.72	17,950.00
Pool Lights	3,200.00	2,877.89	3,200.00
Pool Insurance	1,608.00	1,222.64	1,225.00
Mt. Agassiz Trail Association	0.00	0.00	8,000.00
Little League Services/Supplies	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
Little League Field Improvements	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
Park Services & Supplies	1,500.00	1,341.90	6,500.00
Summer Recreation Salaries	15,370.00	16,137.85	12,960.00
Summer Recreation SS/MC	1,176.00	1,234.67	991.00
Summer Recreation Services/Supplies	4,454.00	2,575.26	8,445.00
Recreation Director	0.00	0.00	13,660.00
Recreation Director SS/MC	0.00	0.00	1,045.00
Gazebo Entertainment	0.00	0.00	8,500.00
Total Parks/Recreation	59,821.00	53,172.60	104,039.00
Library			
Services	30,315.00	30,315.00	33,000.00
Total Library	30,315.00	30,315.00	33,000.00
Other Conservation			
Services	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Other Conservation	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00



Capital Reserve Fund			
Cemetery Addition	8,500.00	8,500.00	0.00
Police Cruiser	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highway Truck	0.00	7,708.35	0.00
Highway Loader	0.00	(16,739.24)	0.00
Ambulance	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Total Capital Reserve Fund	8,500.00	(530.89)	0.00
Building Improvements			
Garage Addition	50,000.00	0.00	0.00
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Total Building Improvements	50,000.00	0.00	0.00
Improvements Other Than Buildings			
Main St. Revitalization	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
Bicentennial Celebration	7,500.00	9,921.35	0.00
Cemetery Expansion	18,100.00	11,447.42	0.00
Summer Recreation Program	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gazebo Entertainment	8,500.00	8,492.77	0.00
Traffic Deficiencies	8,000.00	0.00	0.00
Little League	8,500.00	8,500.00	0.00
Town Facilities Study	15,000.00	1,230.94	12,785.00
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Total Improvements Other Than Buildings	80,600.00	54,592.48	12,785.00
Special Revenue Fund			
BCC	290,540.00	274,089.26	365,566.00
Ambulance	0.00	0.00	23,005.00
Solid Waste Disposal	113,675.00	90,280.99	98,915.00
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Total Special Revenue Fund	404,215.00	364,370.25	487,486.00
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes			
Tax Anticipation Notes	24,000.00	26,193.04	15,000.00
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Total Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes	24,000.00	26,193.04	15,000.00
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Budget Total	\$1,944,404.00	\$1,748,195.88	\$2,105,041.00

## SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - BCC 1999

Expenditures	Budgeted 1999	Actual 1999	Requested 2000
Salary	\$ 39,121.00	\$ 43,540.76	\$ 46,058.00
SS/MC	2,993.00	3,330.99	3,523.00
Advertising	4,343.00	4,456.90	4,500.00
Telephone	1,500.00	2,672.57	2,200.00
Services/Supplies	7,162.00	12,167.28	10,000.00
Due General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ghin-Handicap	1,880.00	3,268.00	3,300.00
Lights	945.00	1,458.48	1,000.00
Heat	800.00	680.04	800.00
Building Maintenance	1,000.00	1,152.13	1,500.00
Improvements	10,000.00	7,260.04	2,000.00
Equipment Purchase	12,500.00	7,513.38	3,500.00
Insurance	1,041.00	1,509.39	1,550.00
Refunds	1,772.00	1,622.00	1,800.00
Dues/Prof. Meeting	897.00	939.00	1,200.00
Fuel/Lubricant	1,825.00	1,672.13	2,000.00
Bank Service Fees	0.00	0.00	1,400.00
Golf Car Rental	21,000.00	21,225.37	34,830.00
Pro Incentive	15,151.00	16,623.62	17,584.00
Pro Retainer	31,200.00	31,200.00	31,200.00
Beverage Cart Lease	0.00	1,224.91	2,371.00
Salary	65,437.00	59,411.92	69,220.00
MTHP	0.00	0.00	0.00
SS/MC	5,006.00	4,545.00	5,295.00
NHRE	0.00	0.00	0.00
Telephone	726.00	679.61	750.00
Services	1,325.00	654.14	1,000.00
Lights	677.00	484.31	550.00
Improvements	30,000.00	15,208.99	50,000.00
Equipment Rental	766.00	186.45	500.00
Equipment Purchase	5,000.00	4,010.33	40,000.00
Insurance	3,436.00	2,834.47	3,435.00
Dues/Prof. Meetings	1,000.00	120.00	1,000.00
Supplies	3,545.00	4,167.90	4,500.00
Chemicals	9,283.00	10,540.56	9,500.00
Fuel/Lubricant	2,836.00	2,069.35	2,500.00
Equipment Repairs	5,398.00	4,684.29	4,000.00
Vehicle Mileage	975.00	974.95	1,000.00
<b>Total Special Revenue Fund - BCC</b>	<b>\$290,540.00</b>	<b>\$274,089.26</b>	<b>\$365,566.00</b>

## SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - SWD 1999

Expenditures	Budgeted 1999	Actual 1999	Requested 2000
Gatekeeper Salary	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,230.50	\$ 10,232.00
SS/MC	0.00	476.48	783.00
Services/Supplies	0.00	4,638.03	1,454.00
Insurance	0.00	130.85	180.00
NCES Disposal Fees	0.00	77,234.35	83,866.00
Waste Management Pickup	0.00	1,570.78	2,400.00
Total Special Revenue Fund - SWD	\$ 0.00	\$ 90,280.99	\$ 98,915.00

## SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - AMBULANCE 1999

Expenditures	Budgeted 1999	Actual 1999	Requested 2000
Attendants	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,355.00
SS/MC	0.00	0.00	410.00
Training	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Services/Supplies	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Insurance	0.00	0.00	840.00
Equipment Purchase	0.00	0.00	6,400.00
Total Special Revenue Fund - Ambulance	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 23,005.00

**1999 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL**

Source of Funds

Beginning Fund Balance			
January 1, 1999	\$		\$ 0.00
Amount Raised by			
Property Taxes - 1999			113,675.00
Transfer Station User Fees:			
January 1 - May 2	3,160.00		
May 3 - December 31	9,818.00		12,978.00
TOTAL			\$126,653.00

Expenditures

Solid Waste Disposal Charges			
NCES Disposal Fees	\$ 77,234.35		
Waste Management			
Pickup Fees	1,570.78		\$ 78,805.13
Gatekeeper Charges			
Salary & SS/MC	6,706.98		
Insurance	130.85		
Forms, Flyers, Ads & Supplies	1,299.02		
Telephone	251.78		
Portable Toilet	600.00		
Building & Supplies	2,487.23		11,475.86
TOTAL			\$ 90,281.00
Ending Fund Balance			
December 31, 1999			\$ 36,372.00

**2000 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
BETHLEHEM COUNTRY CLUB**

Source of Funds

Beginning Fund Balance		
January 1, 2000	\$ 59,005.00	
Net Revenue 1999 (Unaudited)	60,445.00	
Fees & Commissions	329,938.00	
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TOTAL		\$449,388.00

Expenditures

Club House	\$172,316.00	
Course	193,250.00	
Land Acquisition (Warrant Article)	41,600.00	
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TOTAL		\$407,166.00
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Ending Fund Balance		\$ 42,222.00
December 31, 2000		<hr/> <hr/>
Amount To Be Raised By Property Taxes in 2000		\$ 0.00
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**2000 BUDGET SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
AMBULANCE SERVICE**

Source of Funds

Beginning Fund Balance		
January 1, 2000	\$ 0.00	
Ambulance User Fees	12,500.00	
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TOTAL		\$ 12,500.00

Expenditures

Attendants Salaries & Payroll Taxes	\$ 5,765.00	
Training	5,000.00	
Services & Supplies	5,000.00	
Equipment Purchase	6,400.00	
Insurance	840.00	\$ 23,005.00
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Capital Reserve Fund		
Ambulance Replacement		13,000.00
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TOTAL		\$ 36,005.00
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Amount To Be Raised		
Bt Property Taxes in 2000		\$ 23,505.00
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**2000 BUDGET SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL**

Source of Funds

Beginning Fund Balance				
January 1, 2000	\$		\$ 36,372.00	
Transfer Station User Fees			<u>14,628.00</u>	
 TOTAL				 \$ 51,000.00

Expenditures

Solid Waste Disposal Charges				
NCES Disposal Fees	\$ 83,866.00		\$	
Waste Management Pickup Fees	<u>2,400.00</u>		<u>86,266.00</u>	
 Gatekeeper				
Salary & Payroll Taxes	11,015.00			
Services & Supplies	1,454.00			
Insurance	<u>180.00</u>		<u>12,649.00</u>	
 TOTAL				 \$ 98,915.00
 Amount To Be Raised				
Bt Property Taxes in 2000				<u><u>\$ 47,915.00</u></u>

## **TOWN OF BETHLEHEM TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Bethlehem, in the County of Grafton and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Fire Station in said Bethlehem on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March 2000, at nine o'clock in the morning (the polls to close at 6:00 p.m.; business meeting to be held at the Bethlehem Elementary School on Saturday, the eighteenth day of March 2000, at 9:00 a.m.) to act upon the following:

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. (Ballot Vote)

**ARTICLE 2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as presented by petition to amend the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance by the inclusion of the following:

“To protect public health and welfare, and to protect surface and groundwater resources, the stockpiling and landspreading of municipal sewage sludge and industrial paper mill sludge is not allowed in the Town of Bethlehem.

“This ordinance shall not apply to sewage/septage/sludge generated within the Town of Bethlehem, nor shall it apply to Class A sludge-derived products sold by the bag.” (The Bethlehem Planning Board recommends the adoption of this Amendment. Results of vote taken: 5-1.)

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 3.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as presented by petition to amend the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance by the inclusion of the following:

“In the interest of maintaining the historic character of the Town of Bethlehem, and preventing further reduction of visibility of the wonder of the night sky for us and our children, and minimizing energy wasted on lighting, the voters of Bethlehem agree to enact a lighting ordinance as follows:”

“Any new outside lighting whether for area illumination, sign illumination, building illumination, or other purpose, will project no light rays above the horizon from the lamp, its lens structure, or any associated reflector.”

“An exception is allowed for the uplighting of buildings, provided the lamps are so shielded that the illumination does not overshoot the building on the top and sides, the intent being to keep all the direct light on the premises. Properly done, the bulk of the illuminated wall will appear well lit, but edges of the wall and the roofline will appear dark.”

“Seasonal/ decorative lighting displays using multiple low wattage bulbs are exempted from this ordinance.”



“New sign or newly illuminated signs may be illuminated only by continuous indirect white light, with illumination from above, and with light sources shielded so that they will not constitute a nuisance or hazard caused by glare to neighbors, pedestrians, or drivers. An exception to overhead sign lighting can be made if the illumination is confined to the area of the sign as in the building uplighting above.” (The Bethlehem Planning Board recommends the adoption of this Amendment. Results of vote taken: 6-0)

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 4.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as presented by petition to amend the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance by the inclusion of the following:

“To see if the Town will vote to expand and clarify item “A” #6,” under District NO. 2” of the Bethlehem Zoning Ordinance.

Item #6 currently reads: “Any use customarily accessory to any of the above, provided such use is not injurious, noxious or offensive to the neighborhood.”

Proposed Amendment would read: “Any use customarily accessory to any of the above, provided such use is not injurious, noxious or offensive to the neighborhood, or tend to reduce property values. This shall include dust, traffic, smoke, noise, litter, surface and groundwater contamination, glare, odors and other hazards.

Where scientific measurements are not available, or where the Bethlehem Zoning is not specific, plain language and common sense shall take precedent in defining and applying the words “injurious, noxious and offensive.”

Repeated complaints by reasonable persons shall constitute “well-founded information” that this provision is being violated, requiring the Board of Selectmen to take immediate steps to enforce the provisions of these Regulations.” (The Bethlehem Planning Board does not recommend the adoption of this Amendment. Results of vote taken 4-3.)

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 5.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 to General Provision 6 of the Regulations of the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by petition, adding the following language: “Additionally no solid waste disposal facility shall have a height exceeding 95 (ninety-five) feet:

General Provision 6, as revised, would read as follows:

“ No person, persons, partnership, or corporation shall transport garbage or rubbish in an unsanitary manner or without the same being thoroughly protected from exposure or leakage; nor dump or leave the same in any place other than provided for said purposes. Further, no solid waste disposal facility, site or expansion of any existing landfills shall be located in any district except a facility operated by the Town. Additionally, no solid waste disposal

facility shall have a height exceeding 95 (ninety-five) feet.” (The Bethlehem Planning Board recommends the adoption of this Amendment. Results of vote taken 5-1 abstention)

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money that may be necessary to satisfy the purposes specified in the budget as posted \$2,105,041.00. Budget Total exclusive of Warrant Articles.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of demolishing the Town owned Chase Tennis Camp Building on Main Street and to raise and appropriate \$80,000 to be placed in the fund and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of rehabilitating the Town swimming pool and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,000 to be placed in this fund and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000.00 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund-Highway Dump Truck. (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,500.00 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund-Maple Street Cemetery Addition. (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of acquiring a new pumper truck (fire) and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of acquiring a new highway backhoe and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The proceeds of the sale of the Town owned crusher will be used to offset appropriation (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Town Highway Garage and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 14 .** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum up to \$41,600 for the purchase of three (3) parcels of land (Map 203 Lots 30, 33 (partial) and 34, for the purpose of expanding the Bethlehem Country Club. (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of constructing a new Town Library and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (By Petition) (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500.00 for the purpose of providing live musical entertainment for 17 concerts, free to the public, to be held at the Bethlehem Gazebo in 2000. (By Petition) (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the flat sum of \$2400 for the purpose of videotaping Selectmen’s meetings, Town Meeting, and two (2) other Town events. This sum to cover all labor and materials. The contract to be awarded as the result of a selection process determined by the Selectmen. (By Petition) (The Board of Selectmen recommends this Appropriation.)

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the road system known as Pine Valley located off Hazen Road, understanding that the road has been approved by the Bethlehem Planning Board, that it meets both Town and State specifications, that it has been inspected by a certified engineer, and that currently there are five homes located on the road. (By Petition)

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote, under the provisions of RSA 31:39-a, to adopt a Code of Ethics Ordinance for Town Officials and Town Employees as follows:

“No Town Official, whether elected or appointed, shall advise, deliberate and/or vote on any matter in which he/she holds any financial or pecuniary interest and must publicly disclose to the public body with jurisdiction, the nature and extent of that interest, and must disqualify him/herself from advising, deliberating, and/or voting on such a matter.”

The Board of Selectmen shall have the authority to rule on any financial or pecuniary interest brought to the Board and shall, upon finding that a conflict exists, if necessary, require removal from office through the jurisdiction of the Superior Court.

These provisions to take effect immediately upon the adoption of this ordinance.” (By Petition)

**ARTICLE 20.** "We the voters of Bethlehem, NH believe the action between the Town of Bethlehem and NCES, presently before the NH State Supreme Court, involves at least in part the rights of the NCES abutters, and other neighbors. We believe these rights should not be abrogated by any action of the Selectboard in this case."

"We therefore prohibit any settlement between the Town of Bethlehem and NCES, without first placing such settlement before the voters at a special town meeting." (By Petition)

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to prohibit any form of negotiations and/or settlements by the Town with North Country Environmental Services (the Casella Landfill on Trudeau Rd.) until such time as a final decision, regarding the Town's appeal before the N.H. Supreme Court, is decided. (By Petition)

**ARTICLE 22.** To see if the Town will vote to continue the Capital Reserve Fund—Transfer Station, \$100,000 for one year. These funds to be used toward the establishment and operation of a Town-owned transfer and recycling station as required. (By Petition)

**ARTICLE 23.** To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, New Hampshire's natural, cultural and historic resources of this Town and throughout the State are worthy of protection and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should establish and fund a permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of these important resources.

**ARTICLE 24.** To transact any other business that may legally come before this Meeting.

Given under our hands and sealed this 28th day of February, 2000.

Raymond F. Bushway  
Bradley Presby  
Norman Brown  
David Wood  
John L. Wedick, Jr.  
Board of Selectmen

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM - REVENUE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated 1999	Actual 1999	Estimated 2000
Taxes:			
Land Use Change Tax	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,075.00	\$ 2,100.00
Timber Taxes	35,000.00	20,671.14	21,000.00
Other Taxes	196,567.00	205,567.23	208,900.00
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	125,000.00	88,463.74	90,000.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd.	0.00	164.82	200.00
Licenses, Permits and Fees:			
Business Licenses and Permits	1,325.00	1,443.30	1,590.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	233,500.00	251,512.60	275,000.00
Building Permits	4,000.00	2,670.00	3,000.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	6,050.00	5,091.50	5,325.00
From State:			
Shared Revenues	90,000.00	73,442.10	81,000.00
Highway Block Grant	66,720.00	66,720.60	72,555.00
State & Federal Forest Land Reimb.	32,000.00	39,324.89	40,000.00
Other (Including Railroad Tax)	1,800.00	2,097.96	2,200.00
Charges For Services:			
Income From Departments	27,860.00	24,960.09	51,050.00
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
Sale of Municipal Property	5,500.00	0.00	45,000.00
Interest on Investments	1,160.37	2,133.34	2,500.00
Other	0.00	12,482.20	350.00
Interfund Operating Transfers In:			
Special Revenue Funds	290,540.00	347,512.26	434,286.00
Total Revenues	<u>\$1,117,022.37</u>	<u>\$1,146,332.77</u>	<u>\$1,336,056.00</u>

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Subtotal 1	Appropriations Recommended	\$2,105,041.00
Subtotal 2	Special Warrant Articles Recommended	<u>478,000.00</u>
Total Appropriations Recommended		2,583,041.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits		<u>1,336,056.00</u>
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised		\$1,246,985.00



# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM - EXPENDITURES

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp. 1999	Actual 1999	Aprop. 2000
General Government:			
Executive	\$ 72,726.00	\$ 72,294.31	\$ 80,363.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	27,664.00	30,880.07	32,852.00
Financial Administration	53,344.00	50,258.61	57,124.00
Revaluation of Property	24,675.00	11,554.98	35,270.00
Legal Expenses	20,500.00	37,946.39	26,500.00
Planning and Zoning	33,200.00	31,980.10	30,184.00
General Government Buildings	97,416.00	79,658.65	223,505.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	18,898.00	14,725.27	22,921.00
Other General Government	11,310.00	9,467.87	11,760.00
Public Safety:			
Police	203,184.00	185,310.70	241,665.00
Ambulance	15,280.00	14,279.12	0.00
Fire	80,029.00	76,020.58	59,209.00
Building Inspection	2,792.00	466.74	1,000.00
Other Public Safety (including Communications)	96,306.00	89,502.32	93,562.00
Highways and Streets:			
Highways and Streets	430,160.00	437,277.76	458,756.00
Bridges	25,000.00	6,254.98	0.00
Street Lighting	28,875.00	26,331.70	28,018.00
Health:			
Pest Control	5,022.00	4,936.29	5,898.00
Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	13,873.00	13,873.00	13,623.00
Welfare:			
Admin. and Direct Assistance	22,699.00	23,063.96	26,021.00
Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,500.00
Culture and Recreation:			
Parks and Recreation	59,821.00	53,172.60	104,039.00
Library	30,315.00	30,315.00	33,000.00
Conservation:			
Other Conservation	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Debt Service:			
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes	24,000.00	26,193.04	15,000.00



Capital Outlay:			
Buildings	50,000.00	0.00	0.00
Improvements Other Than Buildings	80,600.00	54,592.48	12,785.00
Operating Transfers Out:			
To Special Revenue Fund	404,215.00	364,370.25	487,486.00
To Capital Reserve Fund	8,500.00	(530.89)	0.00
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Total Expenditures	\$1,944,404.00	\$1,748,195.88	\$2,105,041.00

**“SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES”**

<b>Purpose of Appropriation</b>	<b>Warrant Number</b>	<b>Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)</b>
Chase Tennis Camp	7	\$ 80,000.00
Town Pool	8	42,000.00
Highway Dump Truck	9	50,000.00
Cemetery Addition	10	8,500.00
Fire Pumper Truck	11	25,000.00
Highway Backhoe	12	45,000.00
Highway Garage	13	50,000.00
Land Purchase	14	41,600.00
Library	15	125,000.00
Gazebo Entertainment	16	8,500.00
Video Taping	17	2,400.00
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Subtotal 2 Recommended		\$478,000.00

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS**  
**Year Ending December 31, 1999**

	Balance 1/1/99	Withdrawals	Contributions	Income	Balance 12/31/99	Principal
Cruft, Town Building	\$ 15,709.08	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 760.66	\$ 16,469.74	\$ 10,000.00
Phillips/Cruft, Needy Childre	24,970.62	1,000.00	0.00	1,200.69	25,171.31	6,500.00
Jeffries, Park Building	1,456.87	0.00	0.00	70.54	1,527.41	1,000.00
West, Library	603.24	0.00	0.00	29.32	632.56	700.00
Cemetery	30,844.53	47.84	0.00	1,492.43	32,289.12	14,030.00
<b>CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>						
Village Distr., P.U. Truck	7,960.27	0.00	5,000.00	462.18	13,422.45	
H2O Maintenance Fund	10,416.50	0.00	5,000.00	581.12	15,997.62	
Highway Dump Truck	40,046.07	40,991.65	0.00	945.58	0.00	
Police Cruiser	3,167.20	3,167.20	0.00	89.71	89.71	
Town Properties, ADA Fund	58,662.67	0.00	0.00	2,841.91	61,504.58	
Revaluation Fund	15,527.65	11,547.00	0.00	551.23	4,531.88	
Prospt. St. Dump Closure	125,604.04	2,294.51	0.00	6,036.93	129,346.46	
Wastewater Maintenance	16,007.14	0.00	5,000.00	851.90	21,859.04	
Town Building Renovations	4,028.24	2,003.57	0.00	170.65	2,195.32	
Ambulance	11,357.65	0.00	0.00	533.38	11,891.03	
Highway Loader	45,000.00	16,739.24	0.00	1,396.56	29,657.32	
Transfer Station	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	4,675.37	104,675.37	
Cemetery Addition	0.00	0.00	8,500.00	22.47	8,522.47	
TOTALS	\$511,361.77	\$ 77,791.01	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 22,712.63	\$ 479,783.39	

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Each year for several years, I have begun this Report with the fact that the Library is over crowded and we need more space. I believe that there is a light at the end of the tunnel and we will indeed have much more space and even a new Library in the next few years! There are so many who are unable to get into the Library because there is no handicap entrance. The Library should be available to every citizen.

There was no Summer Book Sale held this year but books have been on sale in the Library. Thanks to so many of our patrons who have donated books to the Library for our collection and for the sales and to the ones who have donated audios and videos.

We presented three Family Programs - "The Adventures of a Bush Pilot," "Ed Kennedy" who spoke of early settlers in the North Country with a display of tools used then, Robert Berstein, Educational Therapist, spoke on "Falling Through the Cracks." These Programs were much enjoyed by those attending. We are grateful for the use of the Durrell Methodist Church for our Programs. The Children's Program "Stories and Stuff" was held at the School and was supported in part by a grant from N.H. Council of the Arts and the N.H. State Library. The Summer Reading Program, with Lauren Corliss in charge, was very successful.

Annette Marquis came to work in June replacing Lorraine Goff as Library Aid. Please read the rest of the Report on the statistics of the Library. If you are not a Member of this Library, join this year - much enjoyment awaits you!!

Muriel Brown

## PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

### CIRCULATION:

Adult Fiction .....	4,893
Adult Non-Fiction .....	1,170
Children's .....	1,981
Magazines .....	2,133
Audios and Videos .....	935

The above does not include 215 books borrowed from other Libraries.

### ACCESSIONS:

Adult Fiction 322, Adult Non-Fiction 86, Juvenile 132,  
Magazines 62, Audio Cassettes and Videos 76.

116 new registrations in 1999.

## LIBRARY BUDGET

	1999 Estimated	1999 Actual	2000 Projected
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Books, Magazines, etc.	\$11,500.00	\$11,195.96	\$11,500.00
Telephone	700.00	758.47	800.00
Postage	150.00	125.40	150.00
Miscellaneous	175.00	195.70	200.00
Librarian's Expense	200.00	151.62	300.00
Supplies	700.00	746.22	850.00
Programs	250.00	454.10	500.00
Computer	500.00	398.15	500.00
Repair/Maintenance	100.00	20.00	100.00
Wages	14,405.00	15,294.33	16,800.00
SS/MC	1,220.00	1,170.05	1,300.00
Unemployment Compensation	600.00	596.48	700.00
Health Insurance	2,365.00	2,363.28	2,275.00
	\$32,865.00	\$33,469.76	\$35,975.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>			

	1999 Estimated	1999 Actual	2000 Projected
<b>INCOME:</b>			
Town Funds	\$30,315.00	\$30,315.00	\$33,000.00
Trust Interest	775.00	1,301.00	1,300.00
Book Sales	650.00	292.48	450.00
Fines	350.00	354.75	400.00
Donations/Memorials	300.00	105.00	200.00
Miscellaneous	75.00	160.00	100.00
Reimbursement	250.00	504.85	400.00
Raffle	150.00	118.00	125.00
	\$32,865.00	\$33,151.08	\$35,975.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>			

The following Trust Funds are held by the Library. The interest is used to purchase books stipulated by the Trust.

Al Reid Trust Fund: \$600.00  
 Ernest and Anne Wolcott Trust Fund: \$2,000.00  
 Mrytie Connery Lathem Trust Fund: \$14,000.00

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department was honored to be a part of Bethlehem's Bicentennial celebrations. We especially enjoyed working with the Bethlehem Historical Society and the dedicated volunteers who donated their time to assist us with traffic control during the Open For The Season Road Race and the Bicentennial Parade.

1999 was the busiest recorded year in the Police Department's history with offenses investigated up from 167 in 1998 to 250 in 1999. Arrests for DWI's were at an all-time high of 21 compared to 8 in 1998. High blood alcohol contents were noted following several accidents and arrests; .33, .29, .23, .20, .18, .17, .16, .13, .12 and below. Several were found to have been driving under the influence of controlled substances. The Bethlehem Police Department has a zero-tolerance policy for DWI and we believe we have created a significant deterrence to this problem through strong enforcement. The Police Department also has zero-tolerance for domestic violence. Domestic violence related arrests were down from 14 in 1998 to 11 in 1999.

### Offenses Investigated:

Sexual Assaults: 6, Felony Assaults: 1, Simple Assaults: 15, Criminal Threatening: 5, Unauthorized use of a Vehicle: 2, Criminal Mischief: 34, Drug/Narcotic Violations: 14, Felon in Possession of Firearms: 1, Bad Checks: 3, Disorderly Conduct: 1, False Fire Alarm: 1, Child Abuse: 3, Runaways: 12, Trespass: 16, Harassment: 5, Arson: 1, Burglary: 22, Shoplifting: 2, Thefts: 49, Forgery: 2, Violation of a Protective Order: 6, Littering, Unlawful Dumping: 2, Reckless Conduct: 4, Indecent Exposure: 3, Resisting Arrest: 2, False Report to Law Enforcement: 2, Sex Offender Violations: 4, Other: 30. Twenty-seven incidents involved juveniles.

Arrests: 88

Rape: 1, Assaults: 15, Arson: 1, Theft: 12, Criminal Mischief: 3, Drugs: 6, Liquor Laws: 4, Motor Vehicle Violations: 34, Burglary: 5, Possession of Stolen Property: 3, Other: 4.

Motor Vehicle Accidents Investigated: 131

Involving Injuries: 22, Two Vehicles: 39, With Deer: 15, Moose: 12, Bear: 2, Agassiz Street: 12, Main Street: 45, Maple Street: 10, Route 116: 18, Route 3: 8, Interstate 93: 8.

Numerous complaints of excessive speed resulted in the issuance of 828 warnings and 259 traffic summonses.

Other significant activities of the Police Department included endless hours working on Employee Safety Requirements for the Town of Bethlehem mandated by the Department of Labor. We are thankful for the support provided by the Fire Department, Highway Department, and Ambulance Volunteers through-out 1999 to make Bethlehem a safer place to live and work. The Department opened numerous locked automobile doors, checked second homes and camps, and assisted many persons with a wide variety of problems. The PD participated again in the Special Olympics Torch Run carrying the torch from Whitefield to Littleton. The construction project on Route 3 required many man-hours of traffic control work by the officers.

Officers continued their professional development through a variety of training opportunities including the following:

Sgt. Stevens attended the Basic Fingerprint Qualification and the Advanced Fingerprint Course taught by FBI Instructor Tim Feola. This training greatly enhanced our ability to process crime scenes and solve burglaries.

Officer Ball attended School Resource Officer Training at Police Standards and Training. This training assisted us in working with the Profile High School and the Elementary School to reduce school violence. Officer's Branden Cooper and Danny Gerlack successfully completed the Part-Time Officers Certification course.

Officer Bing Clark retired from Law Enforcement after many years with the State Police and four years with the Bethlehem Police Department. He was replaced by Officer Danny Gerlack. Officer Henry Verret resigned and Branden Cooper became a Bethlehem Officer.

### **1999 Bethlehem Police Officers**

#### Full-time Officers

Chief Eric E. Lougee  
Sergeant Michael Stevens  
Officer Richard B. Ball II  
Officer Henry "Hank" Verret  
Officer Branden Cooper

#### Part-time Officers

Officer H. Bingham Clark  
Officer Aaron Noyes  
Officer Bruce MacKay  
Officer Danny Gerlack  
Officer Patrick Carr

The Police Department appreciates all of the support provided by Bethlehem's residents throughout 1999. Without your assistance, we would not have been able to accomplish our mission.

### **Bethlehem Public Safety Dispatchers**

Cindy LaFramboise, Public Safety Administrative Assistant

Cathy Trombley

Donna Symonds

Tandy Girouard-Brown

Judy Blake

Mary Laleme, who retired after many years of distinguished service.

Carmen Mardin, who also did a wonderful job as crossing guard for the Elementary School crosswalk.

John Miller

Phil Davis

Everett Aldrich

Laura Lucas

Aaron Noyes

The dispatch center answered 9522 calls of which, 5964 were for the Police, 546 for the Fire Department, 114 for the Ambulance, 1524 general information calls and 1374 inter-department calls.



## FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The Bethlehem Fire Department responded to a total of 77 calls in 1999:

23 .....	Auto Accidents
22 .....	Fire Calls (all minor)
16 .....	Mutual Aid Calls
9 .....	Fire Alarm Activation's
7 .....	Miscellaneous

The Bethlehem Fire Department continues to experience a number of problems with our facility but we are working with the Selectmen to resolve some of these issues. One of my biggest concerns with our facility is the space problem we are experiencing. We have taken one Engine out of service and put it in cold storage. This, however, has not cured the problem. At this point, we are still without a meeting room, which is essential for training.

I am pleased to tell you that because of your support, we have reached most of our equipment goals a year early and, therefore, our budget is substantially less for the coming year. We continue to add and update equipment but it will be at a less aggressive rate than in the past four years.

In the past year, we have had to deal with a great amount of State and Insurance mandated safety programs. A Safety Committee has been formed and this required training is ongoing. This training is good but is required to be repeated each year, this can cut into other training that should be done.

Members of the Fire Department spent a day during National Fire Prevention Week at the Bethlehem Elementary School teaching our young people about Fire Safety in the home. We urge you to participate in this program next year by either attending or spending some time with your children going over Fire Safety in your home. This is a very important program that could prevent a disaster from happening in your home or at the very least it will help everyone become familiar about what to do in case of a fire.

As always, we are looking for some good people to join both our Fire Department and Ambulance Squad. This can be a very rewarding experience, which allows you to work with some great people and give your neighbor a hand in the time of need. If you would like to join, please give me a call.

As Chief, I want to express my appreciation to all the great people that make up the Bethlehem Fire Department and Ambulance Squad. Without their personal sacrifice and dedication it would be impossible to provide the services that we do. This is a wonderful group of people that are prepared to put their lives on the line to save others at anytime day or night.

THANKYOU!!  
Chief Jack Anderson

# REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Fire permits are required for any open burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow where the burning will be done. 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 of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are eleven Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. During the 1999 season Forest Rangers were busy assisting communities with suppression of difficult and remote multi-day fires. Forest Rangers have also investigated numerous complaints regarding violations of the timber harvest and forest fire laws, and taken enforcement action to ensure compliance. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217.

There are 2400 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The 1999 fire season was a challenging but safe year for wildland firefighters in New Hampshire. The severe drought conditions throughout the spring and summer months combined with residual effects of the 1998 Ice Storm, resulted in a dramatic increase in wildland fires. In addition to burning in excess of 452 acres, 35 structures were also impacted by wildfire. Wildland fires in the urban interface is a serious concern for both landowners and firefighters. Homeowners can help protect their structures by maintaining adequate green space around them and making sure that houses are properly identified with street numbers.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. This is a critical factor in controlling the size of wildland fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible.

Please contact your local Fire Department before doing ANY outside burning.

**REMEMBER ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!!**

## 1999 FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru December 10, 1999)

### TOTALS BY COUNTY

### CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Hillsborough	271	50
Rockingham	218	111
Merrimack	213	115
Belknap	139	66
Cheshire	131	28
Strafford	98	26
Carroll	81	17
Grafton	70	18
Sullivan	62	17
Coos	18	3.25
	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
1999	1301	452.28
1998	798	442.86

Debris Burning	352
Miscellaneous *	279
Smoking	188
Children	176
Campfire	161
Arson/Suspicious	54
Equipment Use	43
Lightning	42
Railroad	6

\* Miscellaneous (powerlines, fireworks, structures, OHRV)

## **PLANNING BOARD**

The Bethlehem Planning Board generally holds work sessions on the first and third Wednesdays of each month and notices Public Hearings for the fourth Wednesday of each month. This schedule does vary depending upon the work load and scheduling demands.

The Planning Board's responsibilities include the oversight of the Town's Master Plan and Zoning Ordinances. The Planning Board has also been granted the authority to regulate the subdivision of land, to implement Site Plan Review and the Capital Improvements Program, and to issue excavation permits.

During 1999, the Planning Board held twenty-six work sessions and thirteen public hearings. The Board gave approvals to five subdivisions, three boundary line adjustments and four Site Plans. The Board issued one excavation permit. The Planning Board also proposed several amendments to the Zoning Ordinances, including the creation of two new industrial zoning districts. Town voters approved all the Planning Board proposals at the Town Meeting.

Through the past year, the Planning Board has also reviewed the entire Bethlehem Master Plan with a goal of producing an amended and updated Plan in the next two years. As this process continues, public input will be invited. The Planning Board welcomes public comment and urges Bethlehem citizens to participate.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Huntington  
Chair

## **BETHLEHEM COUNTRY CLUB REPORT**

The last golf season of the Twentieth Century was a resounding success for Bethlehem Country Club. BCC's 476 members plus visiting guests played nearly 22,000 rounds of golf at the Club in 1999. Our continued growth is the result of a combination of factors including outstanding course conditioning, comprehensive golf services available, affordable pricing, and our efficient and friendly customer service oriented staff.

Operated as a Special Revenue Fund since 1993 Bethlehem Country Club has developed from its early "break-even" period to entering the new millennium with a healthy surplus that will allow us to not only continue and enhance existing programs, but to tackle some exciting capital projects that are currently in the planning stages.

BCC continues to place a strong emphasis on youth golf opportunities. 1999 saw the expansion of the 300 Club sponsored Tuesday Junior Golf Program, the Friday Back Six Club, and the traveling BCC based NHPGA Junior Tour North which played Thursday Golf Tournaments throughout the North Country.

Our ability to combine membership activities (i.e., leagues, Sunday Scrambles and other weekend tournaments) with ample time for visiting guests to enjoy our course has firmly established BCC as both an asset to Bethlehem's predominantly tourist based economy as well as an important leisure time destination for full time residents.

Bethlehem Country Club continues to be proud of its ability to serve and grow without the need for any taxpayer funding.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wayne T. Natti  
PGA Professional  
Director of Golf Operations

## SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

Once again our Summer Recreation Program was a great success! The relocation to the Bethlehem Elementary School proved to be a positive improvement. The access to the playing fields as well, as the gymnasium space for rainy days, was very convenient. Our summer director, Ali Lister, did a great job coordinating the Program. She and her energetic group of mostly local counselors had positive praise by the parents in the end of program surveys. As stated by one parent, “counselors were terrific, activities varied, and the children were safe and happy.” Another parent wrote, “a tremendous help in filling our summer child care needs. Our daughter loves coming and I hope this Program continues for years to come.” The children performed in their first annual talent show, they decorated their bikes for the bicentennial children’s parade, and performed the play Alice in Wonderland with all the props made by the children. They played field games, did arts and crafts, painted, and in between all of the activities, were shuttled to tennis, swimming, and golf lessons. Some children also participated in a fun summer reading program at the Library, which was organized by Lauren Corliss and Muriel Brown. The children took field trips to Elizabeth’s Park in Bradford, VT (a very large wooden structure playground), The Whales Tail Waterpark, and the Polar Caves in Rumney, NH. These were always a big treat, a day every child did not want to miss!

The following information is a brief overview of the Summer Recreation Program. The hours of organized activities was from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at a cost of \$30.00 per child per week. We also offered extra daycare in the morning starting at 7 a.m. and in the afternoon from 3 – 5 p.m. at a cost of \$1.50 per child per hour. The Summer Rec Program was successful in operating under budget by 8%. We had a budget of \$21,000 and our expenses came in at \$19,300 (with a few small expenses still trickling in). Although our enrollment was slightly down, we recovered by receiving approximately \$1,000 from the State of New Hampshire for families that qualified for child care assistance.

A member of our committee, Maureen Lemay-Ferland approached local businesses in a fundraising effort and raised \$800.00 towards scholarship money for next year’s program. We raised an additional \$200 by helping with the “bean hole” supper in August. We will continue to fundraise as we get more organized and better established. Since this is a volunteer committee, we first need to focus on fine tuning the Rec Program so we have a Program that financial contributors want to support.

The Bethlehem Recreation Committee realizes the importance of the taxpayer’s dollar in this Town. We work very hard at staying under our budget. We need continued Town support and feel that recreation choices for these young children are very important. Our Program beats television, video games, and “just hanging out” any day. We hope that you feel that way too!

The Bethlehem Recreation Committee



## BETHLEHEM REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Established in 1986, the Bethlehem Revolving Loan Fund (BRLF) has as its purpose: creating or expanding employment opportunities, as well as, stabilizing employment in existing businesses in Bethlehem. The BRLF offers low interest loans to qualified businesses located in or moving to Bethlehem. Loans must be matched with other resources on a basis of one-to-one for loans under \$30,000.00.

More than 30 businesses have received loans from the BRLF. Loan applications are processed by The Northern Community Investment Corporation (NCIC). The applications are reviewed by The Fund Advisory Committee and then passed on to the Board of Selectmen with a recommendation. The Selectboard votes to make each loan. NCIC administers the loans and repayments.

During 1999, the BRLF approved one loan to assist Ron Smith renovate his property on Main Street as a studio and living accommodation for himself and one rental unit. This extensive project is on track to be completed in Spring 2000. Other inquiries and applications did not result in loans. Two loans were paid off during the year.

As of December 31, 1999, the balance due on eight outstanding loans was \$117,390.00. Total funds available to loan were \$80,271.22. The proceeds of USDA grant of \$35,000.00 are also available.

Bethlehem business owners wishing more information about the BRLF should contact the Northern Community Investment Corporation in St. Johnsbury, VT (802-745-5101).

Bethlehem Revolving Loan Fund  
Advisory Committee

Thomas Hepner  
Leonard Reed  
Peter Thoma

## THE BETHLEHEM REDEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

During 1999, the Bicentennial year of Bethlehem, The Bethlehem Redevelopment Association (BRA), as an association and its members as individuals, continued to be actively involved in promoting our Town as a wonderful Town in which to live, work and recreate.

Some of the activities undertaken year after year include:

- Updating and posting the Town Directory Sign Board near the tennis courts,
- Purchasing and planting the flower boxes along the Main Street,
- Selling the attractive greeting cards drawn by Louise Sims,
- Cleaning the roads along Route 302 as part of "Adopt A Highway Program",
- Judging and acknowledging with awards outstanding Christmas decorations and improved properties.

The BRA is proud to have been able to provide assistance and support to other civic organizations in Bethlehem. They provided service to the Heritage Society, the Chamber of Commerce and to the Summer Recreation Program.

Special BRA Revitalization Projects undertaken include the completion of the Signage Project. There are now four very attractive carved wooden signs and five attractively painted signs welcoming visitors to Bethlehem on the major roads leading into the Town from all directions. One of the carved signs distinctively identifies the Visitors Center and Historical Museum.

Stone walls now mark the Village at both the east and west entrances on Route 302. These distinctive walls are in the tradition and history of the Town.

A brochure for a self-guided walking tour in the Village was prepared, printed and given to the Visitors Center for distribution.

Interpretive plaques are being prepared to describe in words and pictures many of the hotels which are no longer in existence. Other plaques will be placed at sites along the historic walking trail. The Plaque Project should be completed and in place by Memorial Day 2000.

In support of the Heritage Society, the BRA constructed a bridge and walking trail behind the Visitors Center. The BRA also paid for the Community Information Bulletin Board erected near the Visitors Center.



## BETHLEHEM HERITAGE SOCIETY

The Bethlehem Heritage Society has had a very busy year with a group of dedicated volunteers spending many hours working on the Visitors Center, both inside and out.

Oral histories have been recorded and transcribed.

An updated edition of the Bethlehem History Book first published in 1974 has been edited and published by Mike Dickerman through his Bondcliff Books.

Postcards of Bethlehem, past and present are on sale.

A group of Members were interviewed for the Bethlehem School's Artist-in-the School Project.

A prize-winning float was entered in the Bicentennial Parade.

Discount passes to the Colonial Theatre were sold, courtesy of the generosity of the Eames Family.

Memorial calendars were printed and sold.

The Memory Tree was taken on as a Heritage Project.

As the original Boston Post Cane, given to the Town's oldest resident, has been missing for some years, Dick Robie suggested that the Society have one made which would be the property of the Society. He took charge of having the very attractive cane made and, at the Bicentennial, it was presented to Loretta Durkee.

Officers for 1999 were:

President:	Ben Gumm
Vice President:	Pat Bonardi
Secretary:	Ruth Miller
Treasurer:	Liz Ward
Directors:	John Keller, Dick Robie and Harvey Burlock

This is a very brief summary of a busy year. A large number of volunteers have worked very hard.

Any errors or omissions are mine.

Submitted by,  
Ruth Miller

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

## 1999 Annual Report

The Bethlehem Conservation Commission meets monthly, usually on the fourth Tuesday of the month, in the furnace room of the Town Building. The Commission reviews wetlands permits and discusses matters relating to the Town's natural resources. The Bethlehem Conservation Commission is a member of the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions.

Commission members, although not professionals, are able to offer advice to residents on the Wetlands Bureau's permitting process. Contact a member if you have a question.

This past year, two Bethlehem Elementary students, Shelby Stevenson and Michael Leslie, attended the Barry 4-H Conservation Camp on camperships.

The first State-approved segment of the New Hampshire Heritage Trail lies in Bethlehem. From the Skookumchuk Trail Head (in Franconia) across Bretzfelder Memorial Park, with one break, the brown signs and yellow blazes mark the trail, maintained in part by the Bethlehem Conservation Commission.

Work continues on boundary lines and deed research on the three lots that the citizens of Bethlehem voted to create a Town Forest in 1998. Once this legal process is finished, BCC and the Department of Forest and Lands will be asking for your help on Trail work.

The Commission has a separate checking account into which is deposited the entire approved budget amount each year. Money not spent accumulates.

Expenditures this year were:

New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions Dues	\$175.00
Camperships	510.00
Administration	<u>47.70</u>
Total	\$732.70

Under the leadership of John Keller, trail designer and clearer, and Elise Lawson, brochure producer, the Commission created a short nature trail beside the Visitors Center with location numbers and a guide for visitors to enjoy. We look forward to extending the trail this year.

The Commission said thank you to Gene Girdwood for serving on the Commission for three and a half years.

Commissioners urge residents to become active with the Conservation Commission. Look for work days and a chance to help with trails and Town forest planning. Recycle whenever possible!!

Respectfully submitted,  
Tanya Tellman  
Chair

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Chamber of Commerce has staffed the Visitors Center this year, being open daily starting in the spring through foliage and cutting back the hours afterward. The staff includes Judy Blake, Annalisa Blake, Madeline Place through September and Thelma Burlock from September on.

There were four Business After Hours held, at Maplewood, Adair, The Rocks, and People's Bank.

Successful events sponsored by the Chamber included Open For The Season, June 25 and 26, chaired by Sally McLaren; Scarecrow Festival during the month of October, chaired by Sally Donovan and A Bethlehem Christmas the first two weekends in December, chaired by Bob Watts, replaced by Christina Ferraro when he left the area.

The Chamber had 67 paid up members this year.

The Officers for the year 1999 were:

President:	Jim Donovan
Vice President:	Bob Watts, Alecia Loveless
Secretary:	Ruth Miller
Treasurer:	Carol Bushway, Bob Gagne
Nominating Chair:	Kathe Hofmann
Membership Chair:	Bob Gagne
Business After Hours Coordinator:	Ben Gumm
Visitors Center Coordinators:	John Stevenson, Sally Donovan, Patsie Bonardi (representing Heritage Society)

This is a very brief summary of an extremely busy year due to the many hours of hard work by many dedicated volunteers.

Any errors or omissions are mine.

Submitted by,  
Ruth Miller

## NEW HAMPSHIRE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL - DISTRICT ONE REPORT

It is a pleasure to report to you as one of your elected officials serving on the five-member Executive Council within the Executive Branch of your NH State Government. This five-member elected group acts much like a board of directors for your very large NH State Government carrying out the law and budget as passed by the NH House & Senate and signed into law by the Governor. We also act upon gubernatorial nominations to the entire Judicial Branch of your Government, State Supreme Court, Superior Court, Probate Court, District Court all are nominated by the Governor, a posted public hearing must be held by the Council and then a vote to deny or confirm the nomination is held. Persons interested in serving on a volunteer board of commission should contact Kathy Goode at the Governor's Office, 271-2121.

Respectfully submitted,  
Raymond S. Burton,  
Executive Councilor  
RFD #1  
Woodsville, NH 03785  
Tel: (603) 271-3632  
747-3662  
E-mail: rburton@gov.state.nh.us.

## BETHLEHEM 1999 CONCERT SERIES REPORT

Concerts were held at the Gazebo on Sunday evenings from May 30th through September 5th. Saturday Evening Concerts were held in June for Open For The Season and in August for the Bicentennial. A total of 17 Concerts were enjoyed. Only one Concert was held inside due to rain.

From the appropriated amount of \$8,500.00, the actual expenditure total was \$8,492.77. With careful budgeting, a portable toilet was rented and 1-1/2 tons of fieldstone was purchased to build a bean-hole pit. With a lot of help from very dedicated Bethlehem Heritage Society Members, we sold hot dogs, chips and soda making enough money to purchase a hot dog steamer for the Heritage Society.

I wish to express my thanks to all who spent many volunteer hours with me on the Concert Series and bean-hole pit, as well as those who attended the Concerts each Sunday night.

Respectfully,  
Friend Wendy Fearon

## BETHLEHEM LITTLE LEAGUE COMMISSION REPORT

1999 found 168 children between the ages of 5 and 15 participating in T-Ball, Softball and Baseball programs. The White Mountain League consists of teams from Bethlehem, Franconia, Lisbon, and Lincoln. Most coaches attended the National Youth Sports Association Program in Lincoln to improve communication and sportsmanship skills. Coaches included Paul Greenlaw with the Rascals T- Ball Team, Farm League coaches, Ed Mosher, Margaret Considine, Pam Shillito, Maureen Ferland and John Stevenson, Softball coaches Dennis Moodie and Harry Newell, Baseball coaches, Bob St. John and Scott Leslie, 9-10 year old coaches Gary Arsenault and Pete Rivers and Babe Ruth coaches Steve Hoyt and Bob St. John: The 13-15 Diamonds' Softball Team was the best in the State and, in its first year, the 9-10 year old Pirates nearly captured the District Crown.

Improvements to the ball field included the acquisition of the information booth for a snack bar (special thanks to Dennis Moodie and the Town Crew for moving it; thanks to the Marquis and Moodie families for working the booth), electricity and water lines (thanks to Harry Newell and Bill Cunningham) and general field improvements (thanks again to Harry and to Moundmeister, Bob St. John). The picnic at the end of the season was a huge success with over 220 people attending. Thanks to Cindy Holmes for letting us place the 'Game Tonight' sign on her property at the top of Elm Street and thanks to Betty for letting us store our groundskeeping cart in her garage.

Thanks to Dick Merrow, Bernard Ristuccia and Pinetree Power for their continued support and donations. Thanks to the umpires, including John Stevenson, Ben Gumm, Gerald Marquis, Guy Haynes, Frank Hagan, Paul Greenlaw, Rick Simmons, Jim Payette, Mel Labelle, Gene Girdwood and Paul Lister. As always, thanks to the great people of Bethlehem who vote to fund the baseball program so that all kids can play.

This is my final year as Commissioner and I am hopeful that we will again have District Championships on our fields at the end of the season. It has been the Commissioner's tradition to dedicate the season to an individual who has given her time selflessly. I dedicate this season to my wife, Tina, who has rearranged her schedules, planned late meals, organized fundraisers, sorted out uniforms, printed schedules, passed out and collected registrations, fielded league phone calls, etc, etc, etc. Thanks, kid.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul Lister  
Commissioner of Little League

## GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL

### Annual Report 1999

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

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

During 1999, 99 older residents of Bethlehem were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Littleton Area Senior Center:

- Older adults from Bethlehem enjoyed 1,508 balanced meals in the company of friends in the Plymouth center's dining room.
- They received 2,701 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Bethlehem residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 450 occasions by our lift-equipped buses.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 145 visits by a trained social worker.
- Bethlehem's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 1,746 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Bethlehem residents in 1999 was \$28,745.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. In addition, community-based services offered by the Council save tax dollars over nursing home care or other long-term care options. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

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

Carol W Dustin  
Executive Director



**1999 WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH AND  
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT  
Town of Bethlehem**

In 1999, 81 Bethlehem residents received 1,266 hours of services at a discounted rate. In addition, individuals received assistance finding and paying for housing, emergency assistance with heat, lights, medication or food bills and assistance obtaining and maintaining employment. Town support helps us to provide these services. We believe that our services benefit those we serve, and, ultimately, the availability of our services saves money for the Town.

Thank you for your continued support of the people we serve.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane C. MacKay  
Area Director

**NORTH COUNTRY HOME HEALTH AGENCY, INC.  
Town of Bethlehem**

Nationally, Home Health Care is a service in great demand and great flux. In the last year, over 3,000 Home Health Care Agencies across the country have closed their doors in response to Medicare reform. Locally, changes in Federal Government and State reimbursement systems have presented the North Country Home Health Agency's Board of Directors and staff with tremendous funding challenges. Dedicated to providing services to the community, the Agency relies on Town support and individual donations to help underwrite the cost of providing home care services to people with limited or no health care benefits. Thank you for your generosity in the past year, it has been essential to our success.

The work of the North Country Home Health Agency includes: nurses, therapists, aides, homemakers, and companions assisting people who are recuperating from surgery, individuals coping with chronic illnesses and families caring for loved ones and friends. Home Health Services reduce expensive hospital stays, eliminate or delay moves to nursing homes, and support families by offering competent and comprehensive care. It is only with your Town's continued support that North Country Home Health can continue to meet the home health needs of North Country residents.

Services provided to the Town in 1999 included:

Type of Care	# of Visits
Nursing	629
Physical/Occupational Therapy/Speech Therapy	148
Medical Social Service	11
Home Health Aide/Homemaker/Companion	1,372

Additionally, North Country Home Health provided 30 health screenings and clinics to the public in 1999. Approximately 850 residents participated in these preventative health programs.

Because of your generosity and support, North Country Home Health is able to provide hundreds of hours of home health care and hospice services to those in need.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gail Jurasek  
Executive Director



## HOSPICE OF THE LITTLETON AREA

### 1999 Annual Report

Hospice of the Littleton Area has completed its tenth year of providing volunteer services to residents of area communities. Our service area included the towns of Littleton, Bethlehem, Carroll (Twin Mountain), Franconia, Sugar Hill, Easton, Lisbon, Lyman, Landaff, Monroe, Bath, Woodsville/Haverhill and Lincoln. In 1999, a total of 160 patients and families received services through our many support programs.

Our Director and Hospice volunteers provided supportive care at home, in hospitals, and in nursing homes to 74 individuals and families coping with the advanced and final stages of illness. In addition, our Bereavement Care Coordinator and Bereavement Volunteers provided support to 21 bereavement care clients.

Our Hospice Program also conducted four (4) support groups which were free of charge and open to the public. The Cancer, Breast Cancer, Bereavement and Prostate Cancer support groups offered a supportive and caring place to share feelings and experiences guided by a trained counselor. Forty-two (42) individuals attended these support groups in 1999.

Our organization was very pleased this year to again offer support to two (2) area programs. We continued to provide volunteer services to the North Country Home Health Agency's Medicare Hospice Program and we again offered supportive care to patients and families in the Hospice Room of Littleton Regional Hospital.

Volunteers gave over 4587.5 hours in the provision of services.

Our Hospice conducts a yearly nine (9) week long, eighteen (18) hour Hospice Volunteer Training Program for individuals interested in becoming volunteers or in increasing their knowledge about Hospice care. Fifteen (15) people completed our 1999 Spring Training Program. We now have over 140 trained volunteers available to support area residents.

Hospice was successful in obtaining grant money that allowed us to start a five (5) day a week van service to Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center for cancer patients receiving radiation treatment. That service began in January of 1999 and accommodated 20 patients and family members throughout the year.

There is NO CHARGE to patients or families for the services of Hospice of the Littleton Area. This service is made possible largely through the generous support provided by the Towns that we serve. Without the support of Town Funding we would be unable to continue to provide services to the many patients and families we serve.

Your support of Hospice of the Littleton Area is greatly appreciated as we enter our eleventh year of providing care to residents of area communities.

Respectfully submitted,  
Holly Lakey, Director

**FINANCIAL REPORT  
for the  
BETHLEHEM VILLAGE DISTRICT**

**OFFICERS**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

Term Expires 2000	Walter F. Blandin
Term Expires 2001	Bruce S. Brown
Term Expires 2002	Richard E. Robie, Sr.

**MODERATOR:**

Term Expires 2000	Mark Corliss
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**PRECINCT CLERK:**

Term Expires 2000	Cheryl I. Sargent
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**TREASURER:**

Term Expires 2000	Karleen J. Sanborn
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**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

Karleen J. Sanborn

**BETHLEHEM VILLAGE DISTRICT  
RESULTS OF THE 1999 WARRANT**

The annual meeting of the Bethlehem Village District was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, March 26, 1999 at the Bethlehem Elementary School by Moderator Mark Corliss. Present were Commissioners Bruce Brown, Richard Robie Sr., and Walter Blandin.

**ARTICLE 1.** Karleen Sanborn moved to nominate Mark Corliss as Moderator for the ensuing year. Richard Robie, Sr. seconded the motion. The motion carried and Howard Keach moved to have the Clerk cast one ballot for Mark Corliss for Moderator and this was done.

**ARTICLE 2.** Karleen Sanborn moved to nominate Cheryl Sargent as District Clerk for the ensuing year. The motion was seconded by Bruce Brown and carried. Howard Keach moved to have the Moderator cast one ballot for Cheryl Sargent for District Clerk and this was done.

**ARTICLE 3.** Karleen Sanborn moved to nominate Richard Robie, Sr. for Commissioner for a three year term. The motion was seconded by Gus Sanborn. Ralph Lucas nominated Russell Mardin for Commissioner for a three year term. The motion was seconded by David Wood. The Moderator explained that this election would be done by paper ballot and instructed those present how the process would take place. The results of the ballot were: Richard Robie, Sr. - 86 votes; and Russell Mardin - 46 votes. Richard Robie, Sr. was elected for a three year term.

**ARTICLE 4.** Bruce Brown moved to nominate Karleen Sanborn as District Treasurer for the ensuing year. The motion was seconded by Walter Blandin and carried. Howard Keach moved to have the Clerk cast one ballot for Karleen Sanborn for District Treasurer for the ensuing year and this was done.

**ARTICLE 5.** Bruce Brown moved to accept reports of Officers and take any action relating thereto as printed in the Annual Report. The motion was seconded by Karleen Sanborn and carried.

**ARTICLE 6.** Bruce Brown moved to see if the District would vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to satisfy the purposes specified in the posted budget. The sum of five hundred seventy-seven thousand seven hundred thirty one dollars (\$577,731.00) the budget exclusive of Warrant Articles. The motion was seconded by Richard Robie, Sr. David Wood made the motion to amend the budget to add \$8,000.00 for the purpose of adding curbside garbage pick up to multifamily households as long as the material met the criteria for curbside trash removal. The motion failed due to the lack of a second.

Norman Brown asked if the Commissioners had any future plans for the billing of sewer rates by meter or if they will continue to bill at a flat rate. Richard Robie stated that the Commissioners have not discussed sewer usage by meters. Norm asked if the \$3,000.00 budgeted for legal fees was there for the purpose of researching the possibility of dissolving the District. Bruce Brown stated that the money budgeted for legal expenses has not been earmarked for any specific legal purpose.

The Commissioners were asked what new sewer and water construction projects were planned for this year. Richard Robie stated that there are several areas which need attention this year. A sewer main that crosses Park Avenue and parallels the golf course needs major repairs. Right now, the main sewer line runs right through the middle of someone's basement. The Commissioners would like to move this line. The water line on Jefferson Street will be replaced this year and another line will be looped so that the water pressure can be equalized. Bruce stated that although these things are planned for now, there is always the possibility that something may come up that needs immediate attention and would take precedent over these plans.

John Kimball stated, that on the subject of curbside garbage pick up, he would be interested in seeing how many bags would be picked up in one day and what was the cost per bag going to the landfill. The Commissioners responded that we pay by the ton and that the District does not pay for disposal at the landfill.

The motion carried to raise and appropriate the sum of \$577,731.00 to satisfy the purposes specified in the posted budget exclusive of Warrant Articles.

**ARTICLE 7.** Bruce Brown moved to see if the District would vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to add to the Capital Reserve Fund established under the provisions of RSA 35:1 known as the Pick-Up Truck Fund. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. The motion was seconded by Walter Blandin. Norm Brown asked what the balance was in this fund and was told that there is presently \$7,960.27 in the fund. John Kimball asked why the District was asking for \$5,000.00.

Bruce Brown stated that it was started so that the taxpayers will not have to come up with the cost of the full price of a new vehicle in one year. Ray Bushway asked if the new vehicle would be put out for bid and was told that it would. The motion carried.

**ARTICLE 8.** Bruce Brown made the motion to see if the District would vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to add to the Expendable Trust Fund created at the 1996 Annual Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, known as the Wastewater Treatment Maintenance Fund, for the purpose of repairing and maintaining treatment plant equipment, and to appoint the Commissioners as Agents to expend from this fund. Richard Robie, Sr. seconded the motion and it carried with no further discussion.

**ARTICLE 9.** Walter Blandin made the motion to see if the District would vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to add to the Expendable Trust Fund created at the 1997 Annual Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, known as the Waste Water Treatment Plant Maintenance Fund, for the purpose of repairing and maintaining treatment plant equipment and to appoint the Commissioners as Agents to expend from this fund. The motion was seconded by Bruce Brown. Suzanne Schott-Derby asked if this was a duplication of Article 8 and it was explained to her that one was for the Waste Water Plant and one for the Water Treatment Facility. The motion was carried with no further discussion.

**ARTICLE 10.** David Wood made the motion to transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting. The motion was seconded by John Kimball.

Water metering was discussed briefly. The Commissioners stated that they had not gotten a good return on the cards that had been send out for people to read their own meters. Bruce Brown stated that the Commissioners have been in contact with the Rural Water Association and that they will be meeting with Jay Zarka soon to discuss the billing process. John Kimball suggested that the Commissioners should get in contact with Public Service to see if some kind of partnership could be worked out whereby the utility company could read the water meters when they read the utility meters. Ed Warden asked if the Commissioners had decided yet as to whether the billing will be done on a monthly or quarterly basis. The Commissioners stated that they have not made that decision as yet. Norm Brown thanked the Commissioners on behalf of the Selectmen for working with the Town and its employees on various projects this year. David Wood asked if water rates would be set by meter this year and Bruce Brown replied that they would be.

Moderator Mark Corliss expressed his appreciation to the Commissioners and their staff for their work.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheryl Sargent, Clerk  
Bethlehem Village District



## **BETHLEHEM VILLAGE DISTRICT PROPOSED ANNUAL MEETING WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the Bethlehem Village District, in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Grafton, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Bethlehem Elementary School in said Bethlehem on Friday, the fourteenth day of April, in the year Two Thousand, next at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 2.** To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 3.** To choose a Commissioner for a term of three years.

**ARTICLE 4.** To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 5.** To hear reports of Officers and take any action relating thereto.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to satisfy the purposes specified in the budget as posted. The sum of five hundred fifty-three thousand one hundred fifty-five dollars (\$553,155.00) the budget as posted exclusive of Warrant Articles.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to add to the Capital Reserve Fund established under the provisions of RSA 35:1, known as the Pick-Up Fund. The Commissioners recommend this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to add to the Expendable Trust Fund created at the 1996 Annual Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, known as the Wastewater Treatment Maintenance Fund, for the purpose of repairing and maintaining treatment plant equipment and to appoint the Commissioners as Agents to expend from this Fund. The Commissioners recommend this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to add to the Expendable Trust Fund created at the 1997 Annual Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, known as the Water Treatment Maintenance Fund, for the purpose of repairing and maintaining treatment plant equipment and to appoint the Commissioners as Agents to expend from this Fund. The Commissioners recommend this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the District will vote to purchase an off-road vehicle for the Water/Sewer Department and to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) for this purpose. (Majority vote required.) The Commissioners recommend this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the District will vote to direct the Board of Commissioners to begin reading meters as a means of determining water charges.

**ARTICLE 12.** Are you in favor of disbanding and dissolving the Bethlehem Village District form of government with all the assets, liabilities and records of the District being transferred to the Town of Bethlehem to be administered by the Board of Selectmen. This request is pursuant to the provisions of RSA 52:21. If there is an affirmative vote, this transfer is to be effective on January 1, 2001. By Petition. The Commissioners recommend against adoption of this Article. (Two-thirds majority vote required.)

**ARTICLE 13.** To transact any other business that may legally come before this Meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 7th day of March, 2000.

Walter F. Blandin, Commissioner  
Bruce S. Brown, Commissioner  
Richard E. Robie, Sr., Commissioner



## BUDGET OF THE BETHLEHEM VILLAGE DISTRICT REVENUE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated 1999	Actual 1999	Estimated 2000
From State:			
Shared Revenues	\$ 473.00	\$ 472.54	\$ 473.00
Water Pollution Grants	64,773.00	64,875.00	62,520.00
Charges For Services:			
Income from Departments	357,000.00	362,730.17	372,750.00
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
Interest on Investments	4,000.00	2,025.86	2,250.00
Insurance Exchange, Refunds, Reimbursements & Dividends	3,800.00	4,226.50	3,500.00
Gas Tax Rebate	250.00	0.00	350.00
Interfund Operating Transfers In:			
Phase III (Sewer)	5,039.00	5,039.00	4,712.00
Other Financing Sources:			
Amounts Voted from Fund Balance ("Surplus")	97,396.00	97,396.00	0.00
Total Revenues	\$532,731.00	\$536,765.07	\$446,555.00

## BUDGET OF THE BETHLEHEM VILLAGE DISTRICT EXPENDITURES

PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES	Warrant Article Number	Approp. 1999	Expend. 1999	Approp. 2000
General Government:				
Executive	6	\$ 7,375.00	\$ 7,374.03	\$ 7,600.00
Financial Administration	6	31,000.00	30,807.25	33,500.00
Legal Expenses	6	3,000.00	2,869.31	3,000.00
Insurance	6	15,000.00	8,151.04	8,200.00
Audit	6	1,900.00	1,900.00	2,500.00
Highways And Streets:				
Street Lighting	6	100.00	100.00	100.00
Streets & Sidewalks	6	7,000.00	3,374.45	7,000.00
Sanitation:				
Administration & Solid Waste Collection	6	27,400.00	26,266.20	28,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal Plant	6	68,700.00	70,962.12	73,700.00
Solid Waste Clean-up New Construction	6	70,000.00	28,599.92	60,000.00
Sewage Collection Department Expenses	6	30,000.00	24,953.30	30,000.00
Water Distribution & Treatment:				
Water Department Expenses	6	90,000.00	89,923.31	92,000.00
Water Treatment Plant	6	36,000.00	26,077.93	36,000.00
Water Conservation New Construction	6	50,000.00	16,331.04	50,000.00
Debt Service:				
Principal Long-Term Bonds/Notes	6	68,857.66	68,359.98	55,132.95
Interest-Long-Term Bonds/Notes	6	71,398.34	71,896.73	66,422.05
Operating Transfers Out:				
To Capital Reserve Fund - Pick-Up	7	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
To Expendable Trust Fund		5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
To Trust and Agency Funds		5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Subtotal 1 Recommended		\$592,731.00	\$492,946.61	\$553,155.00

## APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Approp.	Expend.	Balance & Overdraft*
<b>General Fund</b>			
Executive	\$ 7,375.00	\$ 7,374.03	\$ .97
Financial Administration	31,000.00	30,807.25	192.75
Legal Expenses	3,000.00	2,869.31	130.69
Insurance	15,000.00	8,151.04	6,848.96
Audit	1,900.00	1,900.00	0.00
Streets & Sidewalks	7,000.00	3,374.45	3,625.55
Street Lighting	100.00	100.00	0.00
Solid Waste Collection	27,400.00	26,266.20	1,133.80
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<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>92,775.00</b>	<b>80,842.28</b>	<b>11,932.72</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>			
Sewerage Treatment Plant	68,700.00	70,962.12	2,262.12*
Sewer Department Expenses	30,000.00	24,953.30	5,046.70
New Construction	70,000.00	28,599.92	41,400.08
Principal-Long Term Debt	4,779.28	4,779.99	.71*
Interest-Long Term Debt	8,892.01	8,892.01	0.00
Expendable Trust Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Capital Reserve Fund (Pick-up)	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
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<b>Total Sewer Fund</b>	<b>189,871.29</b>	<b>145,687.34</b>	<b>44,183.95</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>			
Water Department Expenses	90,000.00	89,923.31	76.69
Water Treatment Plant	36,000.00	26,077.93	9,922.07
New Construction	50,000.00	16,331.04	33,668.96
Principal-Long Term Debt	34,078.38	34,078.38	0.00
Interest-Long Term Debt	46,661.62	46,661.62	0.00
Expendable Trust Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Capital Reserve Fund (Pick-up)	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
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<b>Total Water Fund</b>	<b>264,240.00</b>	<b>220,572.28</b>	<b>43,667.72</b>
<b>Phase III Sewer</b>			
(State Guaranteed Loan)			
Principal-Long Term Bond	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
Interest-Long Term Bond	15,844.71	15,844.71	0.00
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<b>Total Phase III Sewer</b>	<b>45,844.71</b>	<b>45,844.71</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>\$592,731.00</b>	<b>\$492,946.61</b>	<b>\$ 99,784.39</b>

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Current Revenue	
Property Taxes	\$ 60,190.00
Shared Revenue	472.54
Interest on Accounts Less Service Charges	2,025.86
Insurance Exchange & Refunds	4,226.50
Miscellaneous Income	
(Personal Telephone Use Reimbursement, etc)	222.05
State of NH Filtration Grant	24,069.00
Income From Department	436.40
Water Supply System Charges	212,039.93
Water Rent Interest	212.00
Water Connect Fees	2,000.00
Water Miscellaneous	11.76
Sewer Users Charges	145,688.03
Sewer Rent Interest and Fees	120.00
Sewer Connect Fees	2,000.00
State Guaranteed Loan (Phase III Sewer)	40,806.00
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Total Current Revenue	494,520.07
Balance January 1, 1999 - Checking Account	250,088.45
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Total	744,608.52
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Total Expenditures	492,946.61
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Total	251,661.91
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Adjustment	491.97
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Balance December 31, 1999 - Checking Account	\$251,169.94

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### GENERAL FUND

1.	Executive		
	Appropriation		\$ 7,375.00
	Expenditures		
	Salaries	6,850.00	
	FICA/MEDI	524.03	7,374.03
	Balance		.97
2.	Financial Administration		
	Appropriation		31,000.00
	Expenditures		
	Salaries	19,037.00	
	FICA/MEDI	1,456.22	
	BC/BS Health Insurance	3,312.84	
	Unemployment Compensation	103.31	
	Officers' Expenses	3,486.54	
	Office Supplies	2,114.36	
	Telephone	203.38	
	Dues, Subscriptions, Ads & Notices	1,054.20	
	Petty Cash	39.40	30,807.25
	Balance		192.75
3.	Legal Expenses		
	Appropriation		3,000.00
	Expenditures		
	Attorney Fees		2,869.31
	Balance		130.69
4.	Insurance		
	Appropriation		15,000.00
	Expenditures		8,151.04
	Balance		6,848.96
5.	CPA Audit		
	Appropriation		1,900.00
	Expenditures		1,900.00
	No Balance		0.00
6.	Streets & Sidewalks		
	Appropriation		7,000.00
	Expenditures		
	Streets (Paid to Town of Bethlehem)	150.00	
	Sidewalk Maintenance	3,224.45	3,374.45
	Balance		3,625.55

7. Street Lighting		
Appropriation		100.00
Expenditures (Paid to Town of Bethlehem)		100.00
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Balance		0.00
8. Solid Waste Collection		
Appropriation		27,400.00
Expenditures		
Curbside Collection	20,866.20	
Recycling	5,400.00	26,266.20
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Balance		1,133.80
Total General Fund		
Appropriations		\$ 92,775.00
Expenditures		80,842.28
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Balance		\$ 11,932.72

### SEWER FUND

1. Sewerage Treatment Plant		
Appropriation		68,700.00
Expenditures		
Lab Supplies	1,192.83	
Operational Contract	30,000.00	
Waste Management of NH	363.00	
Electricity	21,523.42	
Fuel Oil & Maintenance	1,670.58	
Cleaning Supplies	313.08	
Boiler Inspection	95.00	
Scott Air & Fire Extinguishers	35.00	
Lagoon System Upgrade	3,600.00	
General Maintenance	5,034.74	
Oils/Lubes	166.05	
HCl Gas & Rental	2,047.00	
Chlorine	1,834.94	
Dam Registration	300.00	
Capital Improvements	2,786.48	70,962.12
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* Overdraft		2,262.12*
2. Sewer Department Expenses		
Appropriation		30,000.00
Expenditures		
Sewer Rent Collector Salary	2,700.81	
FICA/MEDI (Collector)	241.89	
Salaries (Other)	10,886.51	
FICA/MEDI	832.65	
Unemployment Compensation	510.75	
BC/BS Health Insurance	1,656.60	



Sewer Line Install, Maintain & Repair	5,171.56	
Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	395.66	
Gas (Vehicles)	455.69	
Supplies	287.30	
Sewer Maintenance	434.33	
Uniforms	592.76	
Communications Expense	777.45	
Miscellaneous Expense	9.34	24,953.30
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Balance		5,046.70
3. New Construction		
Appropriation		70,000.00
Expenditures		28,599.92
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Balance		41,400.08
4. Principal - Long Term Bonds & Notes		
Appropriation		4,779.28
Expenditures		4,131.06
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Balance		648.22
5. Interest - Long Term Bonds & Notes		
Appropriation		8,892.01
Expenditures		9,540.94*
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* Overdraft		648.93*
6. Expendable Trust Fund - Sewer Treatment Plant		
Appropriation		5,000.00
Expenditures		5,000.00
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No Balance		0.00
7. Capital Reserve Fund Pick-up		
Appropriation		2,500.00
Expenditures		2,500.00
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No Balance		0.00
Total Sewer Fund		
Appropriations		189,871.29
Expenditures		145,687.34
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Balance		\$ 44,183.95

## WATER FUND

1. Water Department Expenses		
Appropriation		90,000.00
Expenditures		

Water Rent Collector Salary	2,700.81	
FICA/MEDI (Collector)	171.15	
Salaries (Other)	36,035.34	
FICA/MEDI	2,251.30	
BC/BS Health Insurance	4,969.20	
Waterline Install, Maintain & Repair	35,341.97	
Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	997.98	
Gas (Vehicles)	1,377.85	
Communications Expense	1,683.11	
Supplies	799.08	
Testing	157.00	
Refunds	135.30	
Water Maintenance	984.09	
Uniforms	1,778.35	
Miscellaneous Expense	130.18	
Education & Travel	410.60	89,923.31
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Balance		76.69
2. Water Treatment Plant		
Appropriation		36,000.00
Expenditures		
Salaries	6,061.85	
FICA/MEDI	458.53	
Equipment Repair	638.95	
Electricity	1,780.94	
Fuel (Propane)	2,752.68	
Chemicals	11,044.15	
Testing	1,152.78	
Telephone	487.80	
Maintenance	1,700.25	26,077.93
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Balance		9,922.07
3. New Construction		
Appropriation		50,000.00
Expenditures		16,331.04
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Balance		33,668.96
4. Principal - Long Term Bonds & Notes		
Appropriation		34,078.38
Expenditures		34,228.92*
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* Overdraft		150.54*
5. Interest - Long Term Bonds & Notes		
Appropriation		46,661.62
Expenditures		46,511.08
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Balance		150.54

6. Expendable Trust Fund (Water Plant)	
Appropriation	5,000.00
Expenditure	5,000.00
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No Balance	0.00
7. Capital Reserve Fund Pick-up	
Appropriation	2,500.00
Expenditure	2,500.00
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No Balance	0.00
Total Water Fund	
Appropriations	264,240.00
Expenditures	220,572.28
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Balance	43,667.72

**PHASE III SEWER (STATE GUARANTEED LOAN)**

1. Principal - Long Term Bond	
Appropriation	30,000.00
Expenditure	30,000.00
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No Balance	0.00
2. Interest - Long Term Bond	
Appropriation	15,844.71
Expenditure	15,844.71
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No Balance	0.00
Total State Guaranteed Loan	
Appropriation	45,844.71
Expenditure	45,844.71
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No Balance	0.00

**GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS**

Appropriations	592,731.00
Expenditures	492,946.61
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Balance	\$ 99,784.39

## SEWER PROJECT - STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

\* 1985 Series C (State Guaranteed)

Payment Number	Period Ending	Principal Maturity Schedule	New Interest Payment Schedule	Fiscal Year Total Payment
15	02/15/00 08/15/00	\$ 30,000.00 0.00	\$ 7,620.00 5,543.11	\$ 37,620.00 5,543.11
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$ 30,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,163.11</b>	<b>\$ 43,163.11</b>

- \* Annual Reimbursement by State of New Hampshire.
- \* Payoff February 15, 2005
- \* January 1, 2000 - Principal Outstanding - \$170,000.00

## SEWER PROJECT - STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

Rural Development

Payment Number	Period Ending	Principal Maturity Schedule	New Interest Payment Schedule	Fiscal Year Total Payment
27	01/21/00	\$ 2,504.45	\$ 4,331.55	\$ 6,836.00
24	07/21/00	2,584.28	4,251.72	6,836.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$ 5,088.73</b>	<b>\$ 8,583.27</b>	<b>\$ 13,672.00</b>

Interest Rate 6.375%  
 Original Loan \$179,700.00  
 Balance December 31, 1999 - \$135,663.24  
 Payoff July 21, 2015

## SEWER PROJECT - PHASE III

\* NHPDIP

January 1, 1999 Balance	\$63,641.45
Income Earned and Reinvested	3,081.46
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December 31, 1999 Balance	\$66,722.91

\* New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool

**WATER PROJECT - STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS  
RECEIVED  
Rural Development**

Payment Date	Loan Balance	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Total Payment
05/03/00	\$899,039.46	\$ 9,898.38	\$ 22,461.62	\$ 32,360.00
11/03/00	889,149.08	10,145.84	22,214.16	32,360.00
Totals		\$ 20,044.22	\$ 44,675.78	\$ 64,720.00

Interest Rate 5.00%

Payoff November 3, 2023

Total of Original Loan 05/03/94 - \$1,000,000.00

**BIRTHS REGISTERED  
IN THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, NH  
for the Year Ending December 31, 1999**

<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>	<b>NAME OF CHILD</b>	<b>SEX</b>	<b>NAME OF FATHER NAME OF MOTHER</b>
Feb. 11, 1999	Littleton	Caleb Camden Ness	M	Clinton Ness Heather Dick
Mar. 2, 1999	Littleton	Colby Grace Brown	F	Christopher Brown Deanna Brown
Mar. 21, 1999	Littleton	Tyler James Lutz	M	John Lutz Katie Lutz
Apr. 1, 1999	Littleton	Mackenzie Davlin Stanton	F	Robert Stanton Alison Stanton
Apr. 17, 1999	St. Johnsbury, VT	Richard Edwin Robie, III	M	Richard Robie, Jr. Jill Robie
Apr. 26, 1999	Littleton	Cameron Burns MacDonald	M	David MacDonald Suzanne MacDonald
May 7, 1999	Littleton	Jonah Philip Kaplan	M	Laurence Kaplan Tara Kaplan
June 24, 1999	Littleton	Logan Hunter Brown	M	Derek Brown Tandy Brown
Aug. 29, 1999	Littleton	Maia Joy Norris	F	Glenn Norris Marlo Norris
Sep. 4, 1999	Littleton	Hunter Douglas Keller	M	Douglas Keller Cynthia Keller
Sep. 17, 1999	Littleton	Samuel Kenneth Westover	M	Kenneth Westover Stephanie Westover
Sep. 22, 1999	Littleton	Cameron Alan Hoyt	M	Steven Hoyt Karen Hoyt
Oct. 3, 1999	Littleton	Joshua Michael Sulham	M	Michael Sulham Cynthia Sulham
Oct. 12, 1999	Littleton	Skilar Rose Emmons	F	Brian Emmons Kerri Emmons
Dec. 16, 1999	Littleton	Hailee Mae Doran	F	Matthew Doran Marjorie Doran

I hereby certify the above information is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Tandy Girouard Brown  
Town Clerk



**MARRIAGES REGISTERED  
IN THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, NH  
for the Year Ending December 31, 1999**

<b>DATE &amp; PLACE OF MARRIAGE</b>	<b>NAME AND SURNAME OF GROOM &amp; BRIDE</b>	<b>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE</b>	<b>TOWN OF ISSUANCE</b>
Jan. 4, 1999 Littleton	Edward E. Lopeman Cheryl K. Phillips	Bethlehem Newark	Bethlehem
Feb. 20, 1999 Bethlehem	Joseph Damien Kenney Asha Jane Loctawan	Sanbornville, NH Sanbornville, NH	Bethlehem
Apr. 19, 1999 Littleton	Richard F. Jackman Laura M. Minshull	Bethlehem Littleton	Littleton
Apr. 24, 1999 Littleton	Michael R. Banach Cynthia M. Pilotte	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Littleton
May 22, 1999 Bethlehem	Jeremiah Daniel Savage Heather Anne Mathews	Salem, MA Salem, MA	Bethlehem
May 22, 1999 Bethlehem	Peter John Sengenberger, III Rachel Linnea Pott	NY Mills, NY Concord, NH	Bethlehem
June 6, 1999 Bethlehem	Dwight A. Symmes Kathy L. Gilman	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem
July 23, 1999 Bethlehem	Jonathan Wright Sandra M. Tobyne	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem
July 24, 1999 Bretton Woods	Raymond L. Tuck, Jr. Debra R. Sparks	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem
July 25, 1999 Bethlehem	Martin G. Cook Ludmila V. Filatova	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Franconia
July 31, 1999 Bethlehem	Jody C. DiChristopher Virginia L. Sherwood	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem
Aug. 6, 1999 Bethlehem	Derek S. Brown Tandy A. Girouard	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem
Aug. 7, 1999 Bethlehem	Harold F. Rowell, III Margrit C. Mikulis	Weare, NH Nashua, NH	Bethlehem
Aug. 7, 1999 Shelburne, NH	Matthew S. Boyd Georgeann Michelle Kostrubanic	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem
Aug. 14, 1999 Bethlehem	Danial W. Lavoie Michelle P. Adamuska	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem
Sep. 23, 1999 Franconia	Jason W. Asaro Melissa M. Willis	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Littleton
Oct. 1, 1999 Sugar Hill	Perry O. Maier Tracy M. Lehouillier	Winooski, VT Winooski, VT	Bethlehem
Oct. 2, 1999 Littleton	David A. Aubin Melinda A. Bean LoVetere	Littleton N. Reading, MA	Bethlehem

Oct. 8, 1999 Bethlehem	Chad C. Pelotte Lisa L. Champagne	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem
Oct. 9, 1999 Bretton Woods	Shaun E. Flaskamper Jennifer A. Brian	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Littleton
Nov. 6, 1999 Bethlehem	Robert W. Keith Susan G. Ferland	Forestville, CA Bethlehem	Littleton
Nov. 27, 1999 Bethlehem	Roger C. Hibberd April D. Southworth	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem
Dec. 19, 1999 Littleton	Alan D. Hart Penny E. Abbott	Bethlehem Bethlehem	Bethlehem

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**DEATHS REGISTERED  
IN THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, NH  
for the Year Ending December 31, 1999**

DATE	PLACE	NAME	SEX	FATHER MOTHER
Feb. 14, 1999	Littleton, NH	Carole F. Haigh	F	William Fortier Irene Poirier
Mar. 1, 1999	Bethlehem, NH	Wallace R. Woodbury	M	Wallace Woodbury Thelma Hartshorn
Mar. 24, 1999	Bethlehem, NH	William M. Wallace	M	Francis Wallace Katherine Marlette
Mar. 28, 1999	Myrtle Beach, SC	Lilymae K. Richardson	F	Andrew Kearns Anne (Unknown)
Jun. 15, 1999	Littleton, NH	Janet E. Wessels	F	John McGee Mary Mullen
Aug. 13, 1999	Bethlehem, NH	Arthur E. Blaney	M	George Blaney Margaret Barber
Sep. 29, 1999	Lebanon, NH	Raymond C. Pageau	M	Alphonse Pageau Roseanna Racicot
Nov. 23, 1999	Littleton, NH	Frank S. Dodge	M	Frank Dodge Mary Bowden

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