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New Hampshire



For the year Ending December 31, 1976

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Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Recreation Council, Trustees of Trust Funds, Trustees of Libraries, District Nurse Association, Fire District, Police Department, Community Action Program, Winnisquam Fire Department and Youth Assistance Program.

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Vital Statistics for the Year Ending December 31, 1976

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*To the Memory of
Mortimer B. Howell*

The 1977 Town Report is dedicated in memorial to Mortimer B. Howell.

Mr. Howell was a professor at Tilton School for several years on arriving in Tilton, he then was bookkeeper for Elm Mills, and finally took over the printing business of Willis Morrison, which he ran until his retirement two years ago.

Mort, the name he was well known by, was a civic minded citizen, and was well versed in Political and Town affairs.

The Tilton Town Report was printed by his firm for many years.

He was a member and past officer of the Concord Camera Club, and was well known in the area for his slide shows on nature.

Members of his family are his wife Marion and son David. We, the Selectmen, on behalf of the citizens of Tilton, dedicate this report to the memory of Mortimer B. Howell for his many services to the Town.

Donald B. Joscelyn
Jon W. Emerson
Kenneth F. Money

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TOWN OFFICERS

Representatives

Barbara Bowler (1978) Kenneth Randall (1978)

Selectmen

Kenneth F. Money Term Expires 1977
 Jon W. Emerson 1978
 Donald B. Joscelyn 1979

Moderator

Michael E. Baker Term Expires 1978

Town Clerk

George E. Draper Term Expires 1978

Tax Collector

Louise P. Joscelyn Appointed

Town Treasurer

Kenneth A. Randall Term Expires 1977

Highway Agent

Raymond H. Manning Term Expires 1977

Supervisors of Checklist

Arthur W. Abbott Term Expires 1980
 Sally P. Lawrence 1978
 Elmo J. Svenson 1982

Park Commission

Ruth Schmocker Term Expires 1977
 Nana Wilkinson 1976

Trustees of Trust Funds

Millicent Hoogerzeil Term Expires 1977
 Robert Hoogerzeil 1977
 Lester Rutherford 1978

Budget Committee

Mona Congdon Term Expires 1979
 Alice Davis 1977
 Alfred Gengras 1977
 William Lawrence 1978
 Nana Wilkinson 1979
 Kenneth Randall 1978

Planning Board

James Walker, Chairman	Term Expires	1977
Sebastian Cianci, Secretary		1981
Calvin Brown		1978
James Davis		1980
William Foster		1979
Clement Hamilton		1980

Board of Adjustment

Roger Abbott		1980
Richard Bathchelder		1977
James Dodge, Chairman		1978
Edward LaDuke		1979
John H. Dunlop, Sr.		1981

Conservation Commission

Arthur Jackson, Chairman	Term Expires	1978
Roy Wakefield		1977

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Winnisquam Regional School Board

Francis Crawford, Chairman	Term Expires	1979
Janice Baker		1978
Michael Brophy		1978
Gordan Hill		1977
Richard Pucci		1977
George Stone		1977
Donna Zeras		1979

Tilton-Northfield Fire District

Roland H. Beaulieu	Term Expires	1979
Edward Rose		1978
Andrew Sleeper		1977

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Tilton, in the County of Belknap, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Tilton Town Hall in said Tilton on Tuesday, March 8, 1977 at 10:00 in the forenoon to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose one Selectman for a term of three years, one Treasurer for the ensuing year, one Road Agent for the ensuing year, one Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three years, one member of Park Commission for a term of two years, two Budget Committee members for a term of three years and one Library Trustee for a term of three years.

2. To see if the Town will vote to express their opinion of the proposed southern route of the East-West Bypass.

AND ON THE 12th DAY OF MARCH AT 10:00 IN THE FORE-NOON AT THE WINNISQUAM REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as setoffs against budgeted appropriations for the following priority purposes, and in amounts indicated or take any action hereon:

Appropriation	Amount
Reassessment	\$35,000.00
(Recommended by Budget Comm.)	

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as setoffs against budgeted appropriations for the following priority purposes, and in amounts indicated or take any action hereon:

Appropriation	Amount
Jeep	\$6,500.00
(Recommended by Budget Committee)	

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as setoffs against budgeted appropriations for the following priority purposes, and in amounts indicated or take any action hereon:

Appropriation	Amount
Land acquisition for bridge approach	\$4,650.00
(Recommended by Budget Committee)	

6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as setoffs against budgeted appropriations for the following priority purposes, and in amounts indicated or take any action hereon:

Appropriation	Amount
For start-up funds for a center for the handicapped (Sheltered workshop/Workshop Activities Center.) This is a one time only request. (by petition)	\$2,000.00
(Not recommended by Budget Committee)	

7. To see if the Town of Tilton will elect to approve of the inclusion of its officers and employees in the New Hampshire Retirement System of the State of New Hampshire, which system is provided for by RSA 100-A (supp), for the employees of the Highway Department in accordance with Chapter 134 to be effective April 1, 1977 at a cost to the Town of Tilton of \$1,075.00.

8. To see if the Town will vote to adopt semi-annual tax bills at the cost to the Town of \$2,500.

9. To see if the Town will vote to renew the contract with the Lakes Region Disposal Company of Gilford, New Hampshire, to locate a suitable dumpster at the rear of the Iona Savings Bank for the convenience of Tilton residents desiring to dispose of refuse not picked up by the Town on the specified days, or at such times when, in their opinion, they desire to dispose of same, and to appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for same. (by petition) (Not recommended by Budget Committee)

10. To see if the Town of Tilton will vote to accept the budget submitted by the Budget Committee, and pass any vote in relation thereto.

11. To see if the Town will vote to restore additional voluntary \$350,000 property tax exemption of Tilton School, bringing the total Tilton School exemption to \$500,000. (by petition)

12. To see if the Town wishes to exclude from its Social Security plan services performed by election officials or election workers for each calendar quarter in which the remuneration paid for such services is less than \$50.00.

13. To see if the Town will vote to deed a portion of the land adjacent to the Town pit to Pike Industries Inc. for one dollar and other valuable consideration.

14. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of at public auction any real estate acquired by the Town through Tax Collectors Deeds after proper advertising.

15. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to request bids from an authorized firm to conduct an annual audit of the Town Books.

16. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount on early paid taxes as follows: Two percent on each bill if paid within thirty days of billing date.

17. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

18. To see what action the Town will take in regards to the reports of its officers and agents.

19. To choose any other officers and agents for the ensuing year.

20. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 4th day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven.

Jon W. Emerson
Donald B. Joscelyn
Kenneth F. Money
Selectmen of Tilton

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

Jon W. Emerson
Donald B. Joscelyn
Kenneth F. Money
Selectmen of Tilton

BUDGET
Sources of Revenue

	Actual Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue 1977 (1977-78)
From State:		
Interest & Dividends Tax	10,118.23	10,250.00
Railroad Tax		
Savings Bank Tax	5,164.35	5,150.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	19,812.74	19,500.00
State Aid - Water Pollution Projects		
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	9,319.37	9,406.70
Reimbursement Forest Conservation Aid		
Reimbursement a/c Flood Control Land		
Reim. a/c Business Profits Tax	103,880.84	24,541.00
Gasoline Tax Refund	4,480.66	4,500.00
Miscellaneous Sources	599.16	150.00
From Local Sources:		
Dog Licenses	623.00	650.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	297.00	250.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	59,121.38	50,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	16,854.73	17,000.00
Income from Trust Funds	97.97	100.00
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds		
Parking Meter Income		
Fines & Forfeits - Municipal & Dist. Ct.		
National Bank Stock Taxes	493.50	500.00
Resident Taxes	17,470.00	17,500.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	558.28	450.00
Rent of Town Property		
Sale of Town Property		
Income from Departments	11,827.70	11,500.00
Police Department	187.50	200.00
Highway Department		
Income from Municipal Utilities		
Bond & Note Issues (Contra)		
Miscellaneous Income	3,913.40	3,000.00
Town of Northfield & Sanbornton (YAP)	14,789.00	
From Federal Sources:		
Federal Government (Youth Assistance Pr.)	8,670.27	
TOTALS	<u>\$288,279.08</u>	<u>\$174,647.70</u>

VALUATION OF TOWN

Land	3,376,364.00
Buildings	10,959,265.00
Factory Buildings	1,063,800.00
Gas Lines	197,050.00
Electric Plants & Lines	655,000.00
Water Company	69,000.00
House Trailers, Mobile Homes	926,270.00
Boats	<u>51,400.00</u>
Total Gross before Exemptions Allowed	\$17,298,149.00
LESS:	
School Dining Room, Dormitory & Kitchen	150,000.00
Elderly Exemptions	<u>475,750.00</u>
Net Value on which Tax is Computed	\$16,672,399.00

TAX RATE
1976
Per Thousand

Town	15.30
County	4.00
School	47.50
T-N Fire District	<u>2.10</u>
TOTAL	\$68.90

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION &
TAXES ASSESSED**

Town Officers Salaries	25,397.80
Town Officers Expenses	9,247.66
Election & Registration Expenses	1,500.00
Reappraisal of Property	2,500.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	5,495.00
Employees Retirement & Social Security	9,766.00
Auditors Expenses	2,000.00
Police Department	86,919.40
Fire Department	2,275.00
Care of Trees	500.00
Insurance	14,911.00
Planning & Zoning	600.00
Damages & Legal Expenses	1,000.00
Civil Defense	150.00
Health Dept. (incl. Hosp. & Ambulance)	8,100.00
Dog Expenses	400.00
Sewers (Maintenance & Construction)	1,650.00
Town Dump & Garbage Collection	15,361.00
Town Maintenance (Winter & Summer)	<u>68,248.20</u>

Street Lighting	17,200.00
Street resurfacing & sidewalk cons.	2.00
Town Road Aid	137.02
Libraries	6,250.00
Town Poor	17,000.00
Old Age Assistance	4,500.00
Aid to Permanently & totally disabled	7,500.00
Memorial Day expenses	150.00
Recreation (Park Comm. & Cons. Comm.)	8,600.00
Cemetaries	500.00
Temp. structures (Bailey Bridge)	2,200.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	700.00
Principal - long term notes	9,000.00
Interest - long term notes	945.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	10,000.00
New Equipment (Rev. Sharing - \$27,995)	28,245.00
Gasoline	14,250.00
Youth assistance Program, Community Action Program, Family Services, Bicentennial Committee	15,771.90
Payment to Capital Reserve Fund	<u>2,800.00</u>
TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATIONS	\$401,771.98

Net Town Appropriations	\$ 243,075.03
Net School Appropriations	869,513.87
County Tax Assessment	<u>72,840.63</u>
Total of Town, School & County	1,185,429.53
Deduct: Business profits Tax	<u>103,881.00</u>
Reimbursement	1,081,548.53
Plus: War Service Credits	16,745.00
Overlay	<u>18,757.20</u>
Property Taxes to be Raised	\$1,117,050.73

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land and Buildings	\$160,000
Furniture & Equipment	5,000
Police Department Equipment	20,000
Highway Department, Land & Buildings	20,000
Equipment, Materials & Supplies	16,000
Parking Lots	<u>20,000</u>
	\$241,000

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Board of Selectmen
Town Office
Tilton, New Hampshire 03276

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of an examination and audit of the accounts and records of the Town of Tilton for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974. This examination was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

One of the enclosed audit reports must be given to the Town Clerk for retention as part of the permanent Town records.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Trustees of Trust Funds, Hall Memorial Library and Tilton-Northfield Recreation Council.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

General Fund:

Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibit A-1)

Comparative Balance Sheets which disclose the financial condition of the General Fund as of December 31, 1973 and December 31, 1974 are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein, the current surplus of the Town decreased by \$3,777, from \$7,812 to \$4,035 during 1974.

Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition: (Exhibit A-2)

A statement presenting an analysis of the factor which caused the change in current financial condition of the Town during the year is shown in Exhibit A-2. The factor which caused the decrease in current surplus of \$3,777 in 1974 was a net budget deficit of a like amount.

Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures - Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits A-3 and A-4)

Comparative statements of general fund appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974 are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated therein, a revenue deficit of \$8,203, less a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$4,426, resulted in a net budget deficit of \$3,777.

Long-Term Indebtedness:

Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibit A-5)

Comparative Balance Sheets of the outstanding long-term indebtedness of the Town as of December 31, 1973 and December

31, 1974, are shown in Exhibit A-5. Outstanding long-term notes as of December 31, 1974 amounted to \$36,000.

Statement of Debt Service Requirements: (Exhibit A-6)

A statement showing annual debt service requirements (principal and interest) as of December 31, 1974 is contained in Exhibit A-6.

TREASURER

General Fund:

Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit B-1)

A classified statement of general fund receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit B-1.

Revenue Sharing Fund:

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Fund Balance: (Exhibit B-2)

A statement disclosing the financial activity of the revenue sharing fund during 1974 is contained in Exhibit B-2.

Entitlements paid to the Town for entitlement periods one and two, were originally computed on incorrect fiscal year 1971 adjusted taxes as a result of the inclusion of educational taxes. An adjustment thereto was made in 1973 causing a liability to the Federal Government of \$29,086 as of December 31, 1973. Entitlement payments in the amount of \$23,527 which would have been received by the Town in 1974, were applied against said liability, thereby reducing it to \$5,559 at December 31, 1974. The aggregate amount of the unappropriated and appropriated but encumbered fund balance at the close of the year was \$49,414.

Capital Project Fund:

Town Hall Renovation Fund:

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit B-3)

A statement of Town Hall Renovation fund receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974 as contained in Exhibit B-3.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

Hall Memorial Library (Exhibits E-1 and E-2)

Tilton-Northfield Recreation Council (Exhibits F-1, F-2 and F-3)

Statements showing the receipts and expenditures of the Hall Memorial Library, and Tilton-Northfield Recreation Council for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974 are contained in the aforementioned Exhibits.

AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

Verification of uncollected and unredeemed taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Tax Collector's records. The amounts of uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are therefore subject to any changes which may be necessitated by the return of verification notices.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Unauthorized Expenditure of Revenue Sharing Funds - \$8,500:

Persuant to a vote of the Town to withdraw \$8,500 from Revenue Sharing Funds to be applied against the principal of the school district bond issue, a transfer, in like amount, was made to the Winnisquam Regional School District in 1974. However, the school district did not act upon this subject at their annual meeting.

Since a school district constitutes a separate and distinct entity, no town may act upon the financial affairs of such a governmental unit; hence, the town does not have the authority to authorize such a transfer.

Furthermore, the aforementioned expenditure which does not qualify as a proper town expenditure, violates the provisions of the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972 which require a municipality to expend revenue sharing funds in accordance with the laws and procedures applicable to the expenditures of its own revenues.

It is recommended that the Town of Tilton be reimbursed by the Winnisquam Regional District the amount of \$8,500 which was improperly transferred to the District in 1974.

Due From Tilton-Northfield Fire District - \$33,089:

The above amount is composed of the aggregate sum of overpayments and advances by the Town to the Tilton-Northfield Fire District on account of annual Village District taxes. The overpayments during 1973 amounted to \$3,089; in 1974 the Town advanced the precinct the sum of \$30,000. The Tilton-Northfield Fire District in 1974, collected its own taxes by billing the taxpayers directly under the provisions of R.S.A. 52:16. This represented a change in the previous procedure of whereby the precinct taxes were included in the general taxes collected by the Town.

Conclusion:

The provisions of Chapter 71-A, Section 21, require that the auditors' summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the Town of Tilton. Publication of the Exhibits contained in this audit report is optional at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen. This letter, however, must be published in its entirety.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Tilton for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Frederick E. Laplante, Director
DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMIN.

AUDITOR'S OPINION

We have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Tilton, New Hampshire for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of sources of revenues and expenditures, present fairly the financial position of the Town of Tilton, New Hampshire at December 31, 1975, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,
Plodzick and Sanderson

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Board of Selectmen
Town of Tilton
Tilton, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, we have examined the books and records of the Town of Tilton, New Hampshire for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975, and have prepared the attached exhibits and schedules prescribed by the Municipal Services Division of the State of New Hampshire.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Hall Memorial Library and Tilton-Northfield Recreation Council. The Trust Fund accounts were incomplete and will be examined at a later date.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

General Fund:

Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibit A-1)

Comparative balance sheets which disclose the financial condition of the general fund as of December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975 are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein, the current surplus of the Town decreased by \$5,325 in 1975, from \$6,072 at December 31, 1974 to \$747 at December 31, 1975.

Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition: (Exhibit A-2)

An analysis of the factors which caused the change in financial condition of the Town during the fiscal year is contained in Exhibit A-2. These were as follows:

Decrease in Current Surplus:	
Net Budget Deficit (Exhibit A-4)	\$5,550
Increase in Current Surplus:	
Accounts Payable Adjustments	225
Net Decrease in Current Surplus	\$5,325

Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures - Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits A-3 and A-4)

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1975, are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit A-4), a net overdraft of appropriations of \$9,351, less a revenue surplus of \$3,801, resulted in a net budget deficit of \$5,550 in 1975.

Long-Term Indebtedness:**Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibit A-5)**

Comparative balance sheets disclosing the long-term indebtedness of the Town as of December 31, 1974 and December 31, 1975, are included in Exhibit A-5.

Statement of Debt Service Requirements: (Exhibit A-6)

A statement showing annual debt service requirements of principal and interest is included in Exhibit A-6.

OTHER FUNDS AND OFFICIALS' ACCOUNTS

The accompanying supplemental exhibits covering segregated funds and the accounts of those officials entrusted with the custody, receipt or expenditure of Town funds, are presented in accordance with the current requirements of the Municipal Services Division of the State of New Hampshire. Although not considered necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements and results of operations, our examination of these accounts included the same tests and auditing procedures applied in the examination of the aforementioned financial statements. In our opinion, these exhibits are stated fairly in all material respects when considered in conjunction with the financial statements taken as a whole.

GENERAL COMMENTS

In the 1974 audit report prepared by the Municipal Services Division of the State of New Hampshire, a comment was made that the Town made an unauthorized expenditure of Revenue Sharing Funds to the Winnisquam Regional School District in the amount of \$8,500. The report stated that the Town should be reimbursed the \$8,500 paid to the School District.

After a careful examination of the payments made to the Winnisquam Regional School District by the Town of Tilton for the fiscal years involved, it was determined that only the amount of school tax assessed against the Town was paid to the School District.

Therefore, the School District does not owe the Town \$8,500 as stated in the 1974 audit report.

We extend our thanks to the officials and the office staff of the Town of Tilton for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,
Plodzick and Sanderson

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1976

	Appropriation	Expenditures	Under-Expended Balance	Over Draft
Town Officer Salaries	\$ 25,397.80	\$ 25,592.31		\$ 194.51
Town Officers Expenses	9,247.66	8,731.98	\$ 515.68	
Election & Registration	1,500.00	1,598.77		98.77
Property Appraisal	2,500.00	1,462.50	1,037.50	
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	5,495.00	5,729.11		234.11
Employees Retirement & Social Security	9,766.00	8,852.22	913.78	
Auditors Expense	2,000.00	3,382.90		1,382.00
Police Department	86,919.40	88,464.69		1,545.29
Fire Department	2,275.00	2,431.78		156.78
Care of Trees	500.00	150.00	350.00	
Insurance	14,911.00	15,743.07		832.07
Planning & Zoning	600.00	91.01	508.99	
Damages & Legal Expenses	1,000.00	395.00	605.00	
Civil Defense	8,100.00	0.00	150.00	
Health Dept. (incl. Hosp. & Ambulance)	400.00	8,100.00		
Dog Expenses	1,650.00	400.00		
Sewers (Maintenance & Construction)	15,361.00	1,988.16		338.16
Town Dump & Garbage Collection	68,248.20	18,814.95		3,453.95
Town Maintenance (Winter & Summer)	17,200.00	66,482.94	1,765.26	
Street Lighting	2.00	14,597.91	2,602.09	
Street Resurfacing & Sidewalk Construction	137.02	0.00	2.00	
Town Road Aid	6,250.00	137.02		
Libraries	17,000.00	6,250.00		
Town Poor	4,500.00	10,512.20	6,487.80	
Old Age Assistance	7,500.00	3,596.35	903.65	
Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled		11,543.80		4,043.80

Memorial Day Expenses	150.00		
Recreation (Park Comm. & Cons. Comm.)	8,600.00		
Cemeteries	500.00		
Temp. structures (Bailey Bridge)	2,200.00	1,100.00	
Advertising & Regional Associations	700.00	16.50	
Principal - Long Term Notes	9,000.00		
Interest - Long Term Notes	945.00		
Interest on Temporary Loans	10,000.00		
New Equipment (Rev. Sharing - \$27,995)	28,245.00	1,701.10	5,699.09
Gasoline	14,250.00		4,220.31
Youth Assistance Pr., Community Action Pr., Family Service, Bicentennial Committee	15,771.90		
Payment to Capital Reserve Fund	2,800.00	5,394.90	
TOTALS	\$401,771.98	\$24,054.25	\$22,199.74

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land and Buildings	\$ 160,000.00
Furniture & Equipment	5,000.00
Police Department Equipment	20,000.00
Highway Department, Land & Buildings	20,000.00
Equipment, Materials & Supplies	16,000.00
Parking Lots	<u>20,000.00</u>
	\$ 241,000.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1976

Received for 1975 Motor Vehicle Permits in 1976	810.56*
Received for 1976 Motor Vehicle Permits in 1976	58,310.82*
Received for Dog/Kennel Licenses	623.00
Received for Filing Fees for Public Offices	20.00
Received for Overages on Deposits during period 3/9/76-12/21/76	104.09

Received for Town Clerk's Fees Paid into Treasury

Received for Town Clerk's Fees:	
(MVD Form 23 - Title App.) (1975)	85.00
(MVD Form 23 - Title App.) (1976)	774.00
(Vital Statistics)	277.00
(UCC Recordings/Terminations)	<u>384.00</u>
	\$61,388.47

NOTE: *Includes .50 cents charged taxpayer for each motor vehicle permit as Town Clerk's Fee for preparation.

Respectfully submitted,
George E. Draper
Town Clerk

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES**

Levy of 1976

—Dr.—

Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$1,130,977.84	
Resident Taxes	16,650.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	_____	
Total Warrants		\$1,147,627.84
Yield Taxes		270.00
Added Taxes:		
Jeopardy Assessment	4,837.71	
Property Taxes	2,991.54	
Resident Taxes	510.00	

		8,339.25
Overpayments During Year:		
a/c Property Taxes	\$ 40.58	
a/c Resident Taxes	10.00	

		50.58
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		19.50
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		58.00

TOTAL DEBITS		\$1,156,365.17

—Cr.—

Remittances to Treasurer		
Property Taxes	\$ 843,784.45	
Resident Taxes	12,420.00	
Yield Taxes	270.00	
Interest Collected	19.50	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	58.00	

		\$ 856,551.95
Discounts Allowed		15,010.87
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 113.68	113.68
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:		
(As Per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	\$ 279,938.67	
Resident Taxes	4,750.00	

		284,688.67
TOTAL CREDITS		\$1,156,365.17

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT & YIELD TAXES**

Levy of 1975

—Dr.—

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1976:	
Property Taxes	\$ 222,990.63
Resident Taxes	6,100.00
Yield Taxes	113.28
	\$ 229,203.91
Added Taxes:	
Property Taxes	373.02
Resident Taxes	1,030.00
	1,403.02
Overpayments:	
a/c Property Taxes	2.03 2.03
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes	9,551.65
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	417.00
	\$ 240,577.61
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 240,577.61

—Cr.—

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year	
Ended December 31, 1976:	
Property Taxes	\$ 214,174.08
Resident Taxes	4,980.00
Yield Taxes	113.28
Interest Collected During Year	9,551.65
Penalties on Resident Taxes	417.00
	\$ 229,236.01
Discount Allowed	23.50
Abatements Made During Year:	
Property Taxes	9,168.00
Resident Taxes	1,920.00
	11,088.01
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:	
(As Per Collector's List)	
Property Taxes	.09
Resident Taxes	230.00
	230.09
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 240,577.61

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
RESIDENT & YIELD TAXES**

Levy of 1974

— Dr. —

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1976		
Resident Taxes	\$250.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>296.44</u>	
		\$546.44
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		<u>3.00</u>
TOTAL DEBITS		\$549.44

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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976		
Resident Taxes	\$ 30.00	
Yield Taxes	175.00	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>3.00</u>	
		\$208.00
Abatements Made During Year		
Resident Taxes	100.00	
		100.00
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976		
Resident Taxes	120.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>121.44</u>	
		<u>241.44</u>
TOTAL CREDITS		\$549.44

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
RESIDENT & YIELD TAXES**

Levy of 1973

— Dr. —

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1976		
Resident Taxes	\$110.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>334.00</u>	
		\$444.00
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		<u>2.00</u>
TOTAL DEBITS		\$446.00

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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976		
Resident Taxes	20.00	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>2.00</u>	22.00
Abatements Made During Year		
Resident Taxes	<u>40.00</u>	40.00
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976		
Resident Taxes	50.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>334.00</u>	384.00
TOTAL CREDITS		\$446.00

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

RESIDENT TAXES

Levy of 1972

- Dr. -

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1976		
Resident Tax	<u>130.00</u>	\$130.00
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		<u>2.00</u>
TOTAL DEBITS		\$132.00

- Cr. -

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976		
Resident Tax	20.00	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>2.00</u>	22.00
Abatement Made During Year		
Resident Tax	<u>60.00</u>	60.00
Uncollected Resident Taxes As of December 31, 1976		
		<u>50.00</u>
TOTAL CREDITS		\$132.00

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976

	-Dr.-			Previous Years
	1975	1974	1973	1972
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1976		\$54,428.75	\$26,699.94	\$1,465.91
(b) Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal	\$77,610.35			
Interest Collected After Sale	191.17	2,341.07	4,178.98	390.01
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$77,801.52</u>	<u>\$56,769.82</u>	<u>\$30,878.92</u>	<u>\$1,855.92</u>
	-Cr.-			
Remittances to Treasurer During Year				
Redemptions	19,221.02	29,253.41	21,981.25	1,237.45
Interest & Cost	191.17	2,341.07	4,178.98	390.01
Abatements During Year	496.43	611.27		
Unredeemed Taxes - December 31, 1976	57,892.90	24,564.07	4,718.69	228.46
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$77,801.52</u>	<u>\$56,769.82</u>	<u>\$30,878.92</u>	<u>\$1,855.92</u>
				<u>\$1,490.63</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ending December 31, 1976

Citizens National Bank corrected bank statement balance January 1, 1976	152,344.00
1976 General Fund Revenue and Receipts	1,917,052.09
Total General Funds Available	<u>2,069,396.09</u>
Less 1976 Selectmen's Orders Issued	<u>1,943,546.09</u>
 Total of the General Fund available to Town of Tilton, December 31, 1976	 <u>125,850.00</u>

Respectfully submitted
KENNETH A. RANDALL,
 Treasurer

BANK RECONCILIATION
December 31, 1976

Citizens National Bank Bank Statement Balance, December 31, 1976	98,040.23
Deposits Not Credited	
December 31, 1976	36,490.36
December 31, 1976	801.00
December 31, 1976	104.09
December 31, 1976	<u>10,773.12</u>
Total Not Credited	<u>48,168.57</u>
Total Funds Available	<u>146,208.80</u>
Less Selectmen's Orders Issued But not Cashed as of December 31, 1976	<u>20,358.80</u>
Corrected Bank Statement Balance December 31, 1976	<u>125,850.00</u>
Treasurer's General Fund Cash Book Balance, December 31, 1976, Page 66	<u>125,850.00</u>

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS ISSUED BUT NOT CASHED
December 31, 1976

Order No.	Amount	Order. No.	Amount
8193	100.00	177	185.08
8243	.50	179	155.51
9451	7.75	183	138.47
9891	170.86	186	163.33
9905	10.00	187	93.74
9907	3.50	188	53.21
9940	9.41	189	1,350.00
27	47.07	190	1,100.00
122	116.34	191	33.25
125	130.20	193	860.32
127	64.00	197	2.35
135	37.53	198	2,800.00
155	130.20	199	71.52
158	32.00	200	5,361.31
159	75.00	201	1,966.41
161	1,750.00	202	3,131.72
164	100.00		
169	102.34		
171	5.88	TOTAL	\$20,358.80

TOWN GENERAL REVENUE AND RECEIPTS
1976

George Draper, Town Clerk	
Motor Vehicle Permits	59,121.88
Title Applications	859.00
Dog Licenses	623.00
UCC Rec/Term	384.00
Vital Statistics	277.00
Filing Fees	20.00
Overage 3/9/76 - 12/31/76	104.09
Bad Checks & Deposit Corrections	(3.10)
TOTAL	61,385.87

Louise Joscely, Tax Collector	
Property Tax Payments	1,058,719.88
Tax Sales Redeemed	72,010.78
Interest and Costs on all	
Property Taxes and Sales	17,131.58
Resident Tax	17,325.00
Resident Tax Penalties	468.00
Yield Tax	558.28
Fire District Tax Sale Redeemed	1,238.78
Interest & Costs	38.94
Bad Checks & Deposit Corrections	(218.62)
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TOTAL	1,167,272.62
Youth Assistance Program	
Calculator Expense Refund	68.78
Town of Sanbornton	7,395.00
Town of Northfield	7,394.00
Federal Government	8,670.27
State Government	484.64
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TOTAL	24,012.69
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	
Highway Subsidy Payment	9,319.37
Gasoline Tax Refund	4,480.66
Business Profits Tax Payment	103,880.84
1976 Bank Tax	5,164.35
Interest & Dividends Tax	10,118.23
Rooms & Meals Tax	19,812.74
Forest Fire Expense Refund	46.52
Old Age Assistance Recovery	67.00
Sewer Easement	1.00
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TOTAL	152,890.71
Citizens National Bank	
Loans on Property Tax	495,000.00
Interest Overpayment	69.51
Bank Stock Tax	478.50
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TOTAL	495,548.01

Other Sources

Police Dept. Premium Correction	30.00	
Blue Cross/Shield Premium Correction	18.75	
1975 Trust Fund Income	97.97	
Selectmen - Permits & Misc. Sources	277.00	
Police Dept. Misc. & Report Copies	187.50	
Taxpayers Assoc. Copy Machine	16.80	
School District Gasoline	10,509.21	
Bank Stock Tax	15.00	
Insurance Claim Settlement	151.00	
Alcohol Test Refund	165.00	
T-N Fire Department Gasoline	1,318.49	
Board Adjustment Hearings	23.75	
Void Check	3,131.72	
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		15,942.19
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Total 1976 General Revenue & Receipts		\$1,917,052.09

PAYMENT TO TREASURER

As of December 31, 1976

Year	Property	Tax Redempt.	Interest	Resident Tax	Penalties	Yield Taxes	Total
	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1970	63.65		102.65				166.30
1971	254.00	"	79.70				333.70
1972	1,237.45	"	390.01	20.00	2.00		1,649.46
1973	21,981.25	"	4,178.98	20.00	2.00		26,182.23
1974	29,253.41	"	2,341.07	30.00	3.00	175.00	31,802.48
1975	19,221.02	"	191.17				19,412.19
1975	214,174.08	"	9,551.65	4,980.00	417.00	113.28	229,236.01
1976	843,784.45	"	19.50	12,420.00	58.00	270.00	856,551.95
	<u>\$1,129,969.31</u>		<u>\$16,854.73</u>	<u>\$17,470.00</u>	<u>\$482.00</u>	<u>\$558.28</u>	<u>\$1,165,334.32</u>

TAXES DUE TOWN

1972	\$ 50.00					\$ 50.00
1973	50.00					384.00
1974	120.00					241.44
1975	230.00					230.09
1976	4,750.00					284,688.67
	<u>\$ 279,938.67</u>					<u>\$ 285,594.20</u>
	<u>\$ 279,938.76</u>				<u>\$455.44</u>	<u>\$ 285,594.20</u>

Respectfully Submitted,
 LOUISE P. JOSCELYN
 Tax Collector

POLICE DEPARTMENT

In an effort to promote a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the Police Department, the first part of this report has been excerpted from the Department Operation Manual, to identify the objectives of the Police Department. The manual also includes the policies procedures and rules followed by employees in our effort to achieve those objectives.

The main body of this report will inform the reader of the workload generated by our attempts to reach those objectives, and by the requests for services received from the community.

TILTON POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATION MANUAL DEPARTMENT OBJECTIVES

PRIMARY OBJECTIVE

A society free from crime and disorder remains an unachieved ideal; nevertheless, consistent with the values of a free society, it will be the primary objective of the Tilton Police Department to as closely as possible approach that ideal. In so doing, the Department's role is to enforce the law in a fair and impartial manner, recognizing both the statutory and judicial limitations of police authority and the constitutional rights of all persons. It is not the role of the Department to legislate, to render legal judgements, or to punish.

FUNCTIONAL OBJECTIVES

PREVENTION OF CRIME

Peace in a free society depends on voluntary compliance with the law. The primary responsibility for upholding the law therefore lies not with the police, but with the people. Since crime is a social phenomenon, crime prevention is the concern of every person living in society. Society employs professional police to prevent crime, to deter it, and when that fails, to apprehend those who violate the law.

Crime is a symptom of ills within society which are not the responsibility of the police to cure. The Department is responsible, however, for interacting with the community to generate mutual understanding so that there may be public support for crime prevention. Community involvement is essential to facilitate a free flow of information between the public and the Department to assist in the identification of problem areas and to inform the public of crime statistics and trends. Additionally, knowledge of the community is necessary so that each Department employee may be instilled with a sense of concern for the crime problems and law enforcement needs of the community.

Representing the community at large, the Department is obligated to seek out, inspect and handle conditions which would disturb the peace and safety of the community.

DETERRENCE OF CRIME

While there are certain crimes that cannot be deterred, crimes committed against property and against innocent victims in public places are reduced by police patrol. Crime is curbed by the potential criminal's fear of immediate apprehension or by the increased likelihood of his detection. The deterrence of crime requires the investigation of behavior which reasonably appears to be criminally directed.

APPREHENSION OF OFFENDERS

The administration of criminal justice consists of the identification, arrest, prosecution, punishment, and rehabilitation of a law violator, and has as its objective the voluntary compliance with the law as an alternative to punishment. Once a crime has been committed, it is the duty of the Department to initiate the criminal justice process by identifying and arresting the perpetrator, to obtain necessary evidence and to cooperate in the prosecution of the case.

Since swift and sure punishment serves as an effective deterrence to crime, the Department must diligently strive to solve all crimes and to bring the perpetrators to justice.

RECOVERY AND RETURN OF PROPERTY

The actual costs of crime are difficult to measure; there cannot be a dollar value assigned to the broken bodies, ruined lives, and human misery which are its products. However it is possible to observe the steadily mounting cost of lost and stolen property. This loss, as well as the other costs of crime must ultimately be born by the victims. To minimize the losses due to crime, the Department makes every reasonable effort to recover lost or stolen property, to identify its owners, and to ensure its return.

MOVEMENT OF TRAFFIC

To facilitate the safe and expeditious movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic, the Department must enforce traffic laws, investigate traffic accidents, and direct traffic. To enforce compliance with traffic laws and to develop driver awareness of the causes of traffic accidents, the Department appropriately warns, summons, and arrests traffic law violators. Traffic accidents are investigated to protect the rights of the persons involved, to care for the injured, to determine the causes of accidents so that methods of prevention may be developed and, when a traffic law violation is detected, to gather necessary evidence to prosecute the violator. The Department provides direction for vehicular traffic when necessary, and provides information to the public in assisting them to safely and expeditiously arrive at their destination.

PUBLIC SERVICE

Often, because there are no other public or private agencies available, the public relies upon the Department for assistance and advice in the many routine and emergency situations which develop in a community. For this reason and because there is frequently a potential for crime, the Department regularly responds to incidents where it is not contemplated that an arrest will be made.

Providing for many miscellaneous needs are basic services of the Department. To satisfy these requests, the Department responds to calls for service and renders such aid or advice as is necessitated by the situation and to assure the peace and safety of all persons.

RESOURCE OBJECTIVES

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Police officers are frequently required to make decisions affecting human life and liberty in difficult situations where there is no opportunity to seek advice and little time for reflection. Law enforcement in a free and complex society requires an officer to have the stamina, intelligence moral courage, and emotional stability necessary to fairly and impartially deal with human beings in the many complicated and potentially explosive situations which he encounters. To obtain the caliber of personnel necessary to provide the public with professional law enforcement, it is essential that the Department maintains high standards in the recruitment and selection of potential officers. Thereafter, the Department must constantly strive to maintain and perfect the quality of its officers through training and education.

UTILIZATION OF RESOURCES

Law enforcement is one of the most expensive and complex services provided by the Town. The quality and extent of services is necessarily limited by available resources which are to a large extent dependent upon the revenue sources of the Town. To ensure that the highest level of service is obtained from the resources at its disposal, the Department must make use of the most efficient management techniques available. It is further incumbent upon every employee to use resources as economically as possible.

In 1976, the Department received more than 24,000 telephone calls, of which only 3,733 were responded to with any type of service beyond that given over the telephone. Of those calls responded to 446 were for reported crimes, the balance of which involved traffic or non-criminal situations. Hundreds of requests for service were not met because of a lack of time or resources necessary to provide the requested service.

The authorized strength of the Department is eight employees; Chief, Clerk and six officers. During much of the year the Department was critically shorthanded due to the resignation of four

officers. There are also four Special Officers who work only when a regular officer is not available to fill his schedule due to illness, vacation, or training (with the exception of one eight hour shift each week regularly assigned to a Special), and a crossing guard who works three hours a day, 180 days a year at the Main Street - Prospect St. school crossing.

The Department's work schedule calls for a total of 17,596 hours to be worked in a year:

Eight full-time officers @ 40 hrs. per week:	16,640 hrs/year
Special officer - 1 eight hour shift per week:	416 hrs/year
Crossing guard - 3 hrs. a day 180 days per year:	540 hrs/year
	17,596 hrs/year

The actual hours worked by the Department in 1976 was 20,679 hrs., including 3,083 hours of overtime, of which only 1,016 hrs. was paid. The overtime hours worked average 8 hours and 24 minutes every day. The unpaid, volunteered overtime hours worked by Department personnel exceeds the number of hours that would be worked by an additional employee. The extra hours worked were necessitated by the unusually high numbers of criminal investigations handled by the Department every year.

Of the total hours worked, 16,749 were spent performing all the tasks necessary to provide the services specifically requested during the year; both criminal and non-criminal in nature. Those activities include: time the officer spends with the person requesting the service; conducting all necessary investigations; interviewing; collecting, documenting, and securing evidence; effecting arrests; transporting offenders to jail and evidence to the appropriate laboratory; preparing and dictating reports; conducting necessary legal research; preparing cases for prosecution; appearing in court as a witness or prosecutor; investigating traffic accidents; directing traffic at accident and other locations; guarding the school crossing; checking suspicious persons and vehicles; looking for lost or runaway children; stopping fights and disturbances; mediating family and neighborhood disputes; moving improperly parked vehicles; delivering messages; serving subpoenas and summons; advising and counselling persons with problems; typing and filing reports and maintaining records; answering the telephone and dispatching; communicating with attorneys, court clerks, probation and parole representatives; insurance companies, other police agencies and other persons or agencies with personal or official requests; training and being trained; supervising and directing activities; conducting personnel investigations; evaluating and counseling employees; administrating; scheduling; compiling statistics; providing for maintenance and repairs; and performing many other services as requested.

Responding to reported crime consumes more than half the time worked by the sworn officers. Tilton suffers the highest rate of crime in the State. The crime rate is the number of serious crimes

reported per unit of population (The crimes used by the Crime Commission's Statistical Analysis Center in providing this information were limited to murder, manslaughter, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, theft, and auto theft).

	Crime Rate	Percent Solved
Tilton	78.09/1000 residents	42%
Same size towns in State	31.66/1000 residents	31%
Belknap County	58.86/1000 residents	29%
New Hampshire	43.43/1000 residents	25%
Same size towns in Nation	41.13/1000 residents	21%
Manchester	50.41/1000 residents	no data
Nashua	38.47/1000 residents	"
Portsmouth	55.17/1000 residents	"
Salem	59.53/1000 residents	"

The inordinately high crime rate in Tilton places a heavy burden on the Department's resources, and, naturally, results in a low level of other services including preventive and deterrent measures. On the other hand, a low level of deterrent and preventive measures contributes to increased rates of crime. Obviously, ignoring reported crime to increase prevention and deterrence is no better than the existing approach to this dilemma.

In 1976 the value of property stolen from residents of Tilton amounted to \$105,780, of which \$50,410 was recovered. This moderate level of success was possible only because the high incidence of crime mandates a high degree of attention from the police.

About 25% of the total hours worked in 1976 was spent providing response to non-criminal matters; 10% for maintaining required records; 10% for administration, supervision, and training; leaving only 5% for performing preventive and deterrent functions.

The prevention and deterrent functions, and the hours spent in each function are broken down as follows:

A total of 3,930 hours was spent in deterrent and preventive activities.

1,004 hours foot patrol in the Main St. business area, primarily at night conducting security checks of closed businesses.

666 hours of traffic enforcement, including 72 hours and 30 minutes running radar (primarily on Route 3 where nearly all the accidents investigated occurred), writing 211 traffic tickets, and arresting 23 drunk drivers.

2,188 hours of cruiser patrol, an average of less than two hours on each of the three shifts in a day. The duties of the officer on cruiser patrol, include detecting criminal activity, discovering dangerous conditions, detecting traffic violations, assisting motorists, protecting private property, and making security checks of business and public buildings during the night. Not much coverage when it takes a minimum of two hours to drive a course that takes you over every street in Town at least one time during that course.

SUMMARY

Presently, two factors govern the response and attention given by the Police Department to any individual request for service: 1 the RELATIVE importance of that request, and 2 the time available to devote to that request. Consequently, many requests for service are not immediately answered or adequately handled, and some requests are not responded to at all! These decisions are extremely difficult, but necessary ones to make, under the existing circumstances.

In view of the purposes for the institution of Police Departments and the objectives of Police Departments, the highest priorities for response are assigned to situations and conditions affecting safety and property. Therefore, and because it accomplishes two objectives, this Department's highest priority is the investigation of crime and the attendant apprehension of offenders and recovery of stolen property. Prevention and deterrence of crime and traffic violations is attempted between the investigative activities and responding to non-criminal requests for service.

The quality of personnel and their desire to provide professional service is evidenced by the willingness to work extra hours and the success of their efforts under very trying conditons.

In addition the hours worked by this Department, the Belknap County Sheriff's Department provided 1,115 hours of assistance, and in some cases, provided the only service available when there were no Tilton officers available for duty.

This community has three options open to it relative to police service:

1. Maintain the status-quo, and accept the present level of service.
2. Reduce the size of the department and accept the resultant reduction in services.
3. Increase the size and resources of the department and receive the resultant increase in amount and quality of services.

Roger L. Willard, Jr.
Chief of Police

YOUTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

BACKGROUND

The Youth Assistance Program was formed in July, 1975, funded by the Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency and the Town of Tilton. The purpose of the Program was to provide various services to delinquent and pre-delinquent youth in the community which would reduce the high incidence of juvenile delinquency.

In March, 1976 the Youth Assistance Program was expanded to include the towns of Northfield and Sanbornton, as well as Tilton. In their respective Town Meetings, all three towns voted to accept the Program and to provide the necessary matching funds to continue the Program for another year.

Prior to the existence of the Youth Assistance Program, the Police Departments had no consistently effective methods for dealing with the high incidence of juvenile crime. Whenever time and resources permitted, all three Departments attempted to deal with a youthful offender in a more or less informal way whenever the child or offense warranted informal treatment. Although the informal approach was sometimes highly effective, it was severely limited because of the numbers of juvenile offenders and the other commitments of the Departments. Sending a youth to Juvenile Court is likewise often ineffective. The Courts have, realistically, only two alternatives for dealing with youth; they may lecture and release on probation, or sentence to the State's Youth Development Center. Probation for a youth, in reality, amounts to sending the youth back to the home and community with little or no follow-up, and no attempt to address the conditions that led to the delinquent or criminal behavior. Sentencing to the Youth Development Center is normally a last resort attempt to "teach the kid a lesson", and comes only after repeated Court appearances. The normal sentence is from 30 to 60 days, after which the youth is returned to the community, usually with no significant changes in behavior.

Since its inception, the Youth Assistance Program has dealt with a total of 181 different youth between the ages of 9 and 18 years. Of the total, 112 youth have committed such crimes as burglary, assault, theft, drug abuse, sex offenses, destruction of property, and others. The other 69 youth served have referred themselves or were referred by parents or the schools for such reasons as running away, being unmanageable and truency. One of the indicators of the success of the Program is that of the total youth served, only 7 have committed a subsequent offense! Other indicators of the Programs success include the growing acceptance of the Program by the young people and their willingness to request the services of the Program themselves before they get into trouble.

The Program staff includes two paid employees and more than thirty volunteers from the three communities. The volunteers are both professional and non-professional people who share a deep

concern for the youth of our communities, and a strong desire to provide all the anti-delinquency services possible that cannot be obtained elsewhere.

SERVICES AND METHODS

1. COURT DIVERSION

The Court Diversion component of the Program is accomplished by means of a Juvenile Review Board (J.R.B.). The J.R.B. is composed of 10 to 15 professional and non-professional residents of the three Towns, chosen for their interest in, or involvement with local youth, and their willingness to participate.

The Court Diversion offers offenders a viable, realistic and helpful alternative to the Juvenile Court System. Offenders in the Program are offered counseling, an opportunity to "pay for the offense", a say in the consequences, the freedom to remain in the community and the availability of services from the Program in the future.

The criteria for inclusion in this program are:

- a. Both the Youth and the parents agree to participate.
- b. There is no question about the youth's guilt in the criminal behavior charged. The youth must admit his or her complicity, and there must be general agreement among parents, police and others involved.
- c. In the opinion of the Youth Assistance Program Director and the Chief of Police making the referral, a treatment plan can be worked out for the youth which will be more likely than the typical disposition of the Juvenile Court to be effective in reducing the likelihood that the youth will be involved in similar or more serious offenses in the future.

When a youth is arrested for a violation of the law, the Chief of Police and Program Director meet to decide whether the youth is a candidate for the Court Diversion. Nearly all youths are for their first offense, provided it was not grossly harmful to a person's physical safety, or indicated a serious disregard for the law or society. If acceptable, the youth and his or her family are recommended to the Court Diversion.

The youth and the parents are then given an explanation of the program and given the option of accepting it or going to Juvenile Court. If there is any doubt in their minds concerning the youth's guilt, the case must go to court for the J.R.B. makes no determination of guilt.

If Court Diversion is accepted, the Program Director begins to gather background on the youth from parents, police, school teachers and others who have pertinent information. The purpose of this information is to get an idea of what sort of consequences will be the most effective in reducing the likelihood that the youth will be involved in future criminal behavior. The interviews also frequently provide information about the youth's background and home situation which is helpful to the J.R.B. in arriving at the best possible disposition of the case.

The next step is for the J.R.B. to meet and review the police reports and the Program Director's investigation, before meeting the youth and his or her parents. After a discussion of the case, the youth and parents meet with the J.R.B. for an informal and open discussion between the youth, the parents, and the J.R.B. members. The discussion is aimed at determining a meaningful consequence for the behavior and forming a plan designed to prevent criminal behavior in the future.

Once an agreement is reached, between the youth, the parents, and the J.R.B., the consequences are assigned and the Program Director is charged to follow-up with the youth and his parents to see that all the conditions are met, and that all recommended services are provided.

COUNSELING

The Youth Assistance Program Director must be qualified to provide assistance to troubled youth with a variety of needs. The services provided in this area include:

- a. Providing opportunities for youth to come in to discuss problems concerning school, home, community, and peer relations. Often a person removed from the problem can provide support, direction, and assistance in developing decision making skills.
- b. Reinforcing socially approved aspects of behavior.
- c. Helping to create a positive peer culture. The existing status of law breaking provides some children with positive feedback. Status for some youth is gained through the number and the seriousness of offenses, out-smarting the authorities, and continual delinquency. To counteract this dismal state, the Director and J.R.B. contact youth, encourage participation, and explore ways to obtain goals. A positive peer culture in which kids help each other rather than support negative behavior is desired. Ultimately, "good" behavior will be suggesting that a runaway friend find help, rather than helping him or her to run away.
- d. Altering negative attitudes toward authority figures such as police, parents, teachers, courts and others.
- e. Assisting in the development of goals and the plan for reaching them.
- f. Acting as a child advocate and providing a resource for child protection, child labor laws, employment regulations, etc.

BIG BROTHER/SISTER PROGRAM

This component provides youth who are in trouble or are near being in trouble with a friend outside the peer group who can

provide communication models, skills in sports, alternative activities, and a regular, stable adult friend.

CRISIS HOMES

Very often the local Police Departments must deal with youth who have run away, or in some cases, have been ejected from their homes because of family conflicts. These conflicts usually can be mediated and remedies found with time and the proper assistance. In the meantime a temporary placement is often necessary. In the past the only temporary placement for these youth was in the County Jail. There are now three crisis homes in the area who accept both boys and girls for short periods of time until the problem can be solved.

PROCEDURES FOR RENDERING SERVICE

1. Meet regularly with youth
2. Consults arresting officers for incident reports
3. Seeks developmental information from school personnel
4. Discusses knowledge of and feelings about incident with parents or guardians
5. Compiles developmental profile for J.R.B.
6. Presents profile at J.R.B. meetings; meets with J.R.B., youth and parents
7. Oversee appropriateness of consequences
8. Review of consequence with youth and parents
9. Prepare and send written consequences contract to youth
10. Follow-up case with all persons involved to see that all consequences are fulfilled.
11. Protect youth legally
12. Suggest viable and realistic alternatives
13. Informal meetings with youth and adults to keep abreast of local trends in delinquency
14. Seek government and health and educational information on trends and counseling and prevention techniques
15. Maintain running dialogue with schools and other agencies
16. Maintain confidentiality with all contacts
17. Encourage youth to uphold laws without losing face
18. Encourage ex-offenders to spread the word and offer alternatives to pre-delinquent friends
19. Participate in youth activities
20. Support and direct J.R.B., crisis home families, and big brother/big sister relationships

The above, and many other procedures, are regularly employed to effectively deal with the existing delinquent youth and to provide the services that tend to reduce the likelihood of pre-delinquent children becoming delinquent. The Youth Assistance Program provides the only available means to deal effectively with juvenile delinquency in this area.

REPORT OF COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM

The Belknap-Merrimack Community Action Program has completed another year of service to the poor and elderly of Tilton. We are not directly involved in the administration of "welfare"; instead, our programs provide either emergency, short-term assistance, such as emergency food closet, emergency fuel loans, etc., or specific subsidized services such as day care, weatherization, Operation Green Thumb, etc., which can help a family avoid the need for public assistance or other welfare. Our transportation and nutrition programs have again provided the elderly of Tilton many valuable services which would probably not be available to them if Community Action wasn't here. We have, under the direction of the Tilton Board of Selectmen, locally administered Tilton's Section 8 subsidized housing program. Although many Tilton residents have moved into the new elderly housing in Franklin (subsidized through the same federal program), Tilton still needs to have these 15 Section 8 housing units available to people who could not otherwise afford a habitable dwelling.

The Tilton CAP Office is the most visible and accessible out of our two-country program. This must account for the incredible amount of walk-in and telephone business that we do there with Tilton and Northfield residents. Community Action is available to mobilize any needed federal, state, or private funds to provide services to the elderly and low-income people in this area. It should be noted that with the exception of the public schools, our program is the only means through which Tilton residents get back their federal tax dollars. Over the last year, Community Action has provided the people of Tilton with over \$34,000 worth of services, with a cost through local tax dollars of only \$5,400. It isn't often that a town can invest tax monies in a program that can multiply them by six or seven times.

We, the staff of the Franklin Area Community Action Program, would like to thank the people of Tilton for their support in the past and look forward to the continuation of service to you in the future.

Tilton Center
201 Main St.
Tilton, N.H.
286-4211

**ANNUAL FIRE REPORT OF
WINNISQUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT 1976**

Total number of emergency calls - 87	
Mutual Aid calls	17
Town of Belmont calls	27
Town of Meredith calls	1
Town of Sanbornton calls	22
Town of Tilton calls	27
Types of calls:	
Rescue & Vehicle Fires	23
Residential	24
Commercial	3
Stand-by & Cover	13
False Alarms	3
Chimney	12
Electrical	2
Brush Fires	7
Trucks Operated - 1,225 miles	
Man Hours Spent - 1,674	

The present fire equipment consists of:

1 - 1968 - International - 750 gallon pump - 1,000 gallon tank

1 - 1952-G.M.C. - 500 gallon pump - 600 gallon tank

1 - 1958 - Van-type rescue truck

1 - Restored - Government 10 wheel truck - 350 gallon pump - 275 gallon tank

There are thirty-four (34) volunteer firemen enrolled in the department. Regular meetings are held monthly with officers' meetings and drills held regularly. Many members attended Fire Schools, held in the area.

WINNISQUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fuel	\$ 1,525.67
Public Service Co. of N.H.	676.83
New England Telephone	172.90
Department Maintenance	4,087.57
Truck Maintenance	882.00
New Equipment	<u>1,326.62</u>
	\$ 8,671.59
Total Spent	<u>\$ 8,671.59</u>
Bal. Town Fund 1-1-76	297.48
Rec'd Town funds	<u>6,500.00</u>
Total	\$ 6,797.48
Total Spent (1976)	
Total Town Funds Deficit	\$ 1,874.11

Robert V. Brooks, Treas.

The annual Carole Davis Memorial Christmas Party was held in December, with many local children attending.

All of the equipment is being constantly improved, to bring it up to current standards of the fire fighting service.

Annual fund raising events, such as Bingo, dances, suppers etc. have been held throughout the year.

Our number of emergency calls is increasing each year, requiring additional expenses, for maintenance and repairs. The proposed budget is up nearly sixty percent (60%) for 1977. This large increase is partly due to our increased coverage, but mostly because of a vain attempt to hold the line on inflationary costs for several years, in not asking for annual increases in our income appropriations from the towns supporting our department.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy S. Ruggles

Clerk, Winnisquam Fire Dept.

REPORT OF DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF AND TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Since its beginning in 1893, the State Forestry Department has recognized the fact that forest fire prevention and suppression is a joint state and town or city responsibility. Local authorities recommend names of persons to the State Forester, who appoints one person as town or city fire warden and several other persons as town or city deputy fire wardens to a three year term.

The local forest fire warden controls the kindling of all outside fires, when the ground is not covered with snow, by issuing a written permit for kindling a fire. Permits are only issued at such times and in such places as the fire warden deems as safe.

The State Forest Fire Service trains the local forest fire organization in modern forest fire prevention and suppression tactics. The State also provides backup personnel and equipment for suppression and prevention activities.

The combination of State and local forces has resulted in one of the smallest acreage loss due to forest fires in the United States for the past 20 years.

1976 Forest Fire Statistics

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres
State	746	294
District	172	125¼
Town	2	¼

Richard S. Chase
District Fire Chief

George Davidson
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS OF TILTON, N.H.

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning Year	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income Percent	Income During Year Amount	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
CEMETERY FUNDS:										
	Various	Perpetual Trust Care	Stocks & Banks	\$ 129,472.67	\$ 129,472.67	\$ 7,013.50		\$ 8,182.86	\$ 6,667.54	\$ 8,528.82
			Capitol Gains 1976		225.01					
TOTALS A/C CEMETERY FUNDS										
				\$ 129,472.67	\$ 129,697.68	\$ 7,013.50		\$ 8,182.86	\$ 6,667.54	\$ 8,528.82
LIBRARY FUNDS:										
7/22/53	Wm. B. Fellows Hall Mem. Library		Calif. Water Serv. Stock Franklin Sav.	2,349.00	2,349.00			208.80	224.72	
				196.26	196.26			15.92		
TOTAL A/C LIBRARY FUNDS										
				\$ 2,545.26	\$ 2,545.26			\$ 224.72	\$ 224.72	
CHURCH & SCHOOL FUNDS:										
6/30/1869	Schools & Parsonage	Benefit of Church & Schools	Chessie System Am. Tel. & Tel. S. New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Bay Banks Boston Edison	11,342.18	11,342.18			745.61	781.38	
				300.78	300.78			35.77		
				11,642.96	11,642.96			781.38	781.38	
GRAND TOTALS										
				\$ 143,660.89	\$ 143,885.90	\$ 7,013.50		\$ 9,188.96	\$ 7,673.64	\$ 8,528.82

Millicent E. Hoogerzeil, Treasurer
Lester Rutherford, Robert G. Hoogerzeil

TILTON-NORTHFIELD RECREATION COUNCIL 1976 Annual Report

The end of 1976 completes 21 years of organized activities by the citizens of Tilton and Northfield. The accomplishments this year include:

A. Center Activities:

The Center was under the supervision of Council members until April when Craig Curry was hired as Recreation Director. The Hall was open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Ping Pong, pool, tumbling, weight lifting, bumper pool, chess, checkers, and assorted games were available. Mr. Curry also supervised the summer programs and remained as the Recreation Director through the conclusion of the Summer Program in August at which time family illness necessitated the end of his responsibilities. The Center remained open from September through November supervised by a student teacher, Krista Abear.

Due to the lack of response from youngsters, the Teen Council was discontinued.

B. Swimming Program:

Two 4 week periods were provided during the summer months under the direction of Mark DeMello. Three 2 hour sessions were held Monday through Friday and included courses from beginners to advanced lifesaving. Approximately 250 youngsters participated in the program and seven local youngsters were employed in the program.

C. Playground Program:

For 8 weeks under the direction of the Recreation Council and the Recreation Director, Craig Curry, with the help of nine local youngsters, various indoor and outdoor games and arts and crafts were provided for approximately 200 children 3 hours daily Monday through Friday. Special events included a trip to the Enchanted Forest, Tilton 500, Tilton Animal Farm, and a Bike Safety Program held at the playground. The program was concluded with Olympic Day on August 13 at which time ribbons were awarded.

D. Ski Program:

The Council sponsored two 5 week programs at the Highland Ski Area on Saturday mornings. Approximately 35 youngsters participated in this program. The Council coordinates the Ski Program with the Highland Ski Area thereby obtaining a low cost group rate which the participants pay for themselves.

E. Babe Ruth baseball:

The Council in conjunction with the Tilton-Northfield Firemen sponsored a ball team which was coached by Clyde Vittum. One of the participants, Shawn Chandler, was named to the All State All Stars. The season ended with a spaghetti supper for team members and their families and the awarding of trophies.

F. Special Events:

1. Red Sox Baseball. Approximately 100 youngsters attended a Red Sox Baseball game in August. Prior to the game they visited Boston Police Headquarters.

2. Halloween Party. A parade through Main Street brought approximately 250 youngsters to the Union Sanborn Elementary School where they were entertained by a magician and received candy. Later in the evening a live band at Winnisquam Regional High School played to approximately 550 teenagers who also enjoyed free refreshments. Many thanks to the merchants, companies, individuals and organizations who donated funds or provided goods to make this evening possible.

3. Wolfboro Railway Ride. Approximately 300 youngsters and adults (including 25 residents of the Soldiers Home) enjoyed a ride on the Wolfboro Railway from Tilton to Meredith and return.

4. Girls Basketball Clinic. Twelve local girls participated in a basketball clinic run by two college graduates under the sponsorship of the Council. The Council thought this program would be of assistance to the girls in their school basketball program and hope to make this an annual event.

5. Boys Basketball. Approximately 15 boys are participating in a Thursday evening basketball League held at Winnisquam Regional High School and supervised by Dave Mudge and Jon Pike.

“Thank You” to those individuals and groups who have helped the Council provide activities throughout the year. Special thanks to the taxpayers of our communities whose support continues to make recreation programs available.

All interested citizens are welcome to attend our regular monthly meeting on the first Thursday of every month. We meet at 7:30 p.m. at Paquette’s Funeral Home unless otherwise notified.

Respectfully submitted,

R. PAUL PAQUETTE

President

CLYDE VITTUM

Vice President

IRENE MOYERS

Secretary-Treasurer

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Maurice Bolduc

Rita Bolduc

Joseph DeMello

Dave Mudge

Jon Pike

Don Stevens

Chuck Wyman

**TILTON-NORTHFIELD
RECREATION COUNCIL**

	Proposed 1976	Expenses 1976	Proposed 1977
SALARIES & WAGES			
Full-Time Director	\$	\$	\$8,500.00
Part-Time Director	2,640.00	1,535.00	
Swimming Director	900.00	143.64*	
Swimming Instructors	3,120.00	2,773.52	3,880.00
Lifeguard	600.00	555.24	600.00
Playground Supervisor	600.00		550.00
Playground Assistants	2,954.00	3,052.60	3,380.00
Arts & Crafts Director	496.00	497.60	540.00
Employers F.I.C.A.	665.00	492.15	1,019.00
State of N.H.-U.C. Fund	310.00	203.14	472.00
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	\$12,285.00	\$9,252.90	\$18,941.00

*University of New Hampshire Work-Study Program

CONTRACTUAL EXPENSES

Telephone	\$ 175.00	\$ 169.56	\$ 175.00
Bus/Swimming	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Bus/Ski Program	75.00	106.00	100.00
Bus/Playground	80.00	78.40	80.00
Bus/Baseball Trip	250.00	250.00	250.00
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	\$1,580.00	\$1,803.96	\$1,805.00

NEW EQUIPMENT and SUPPLIES

Waterfront Supplies	\$ 200.00	\$ 272.03	\$ 200.00
Center Equipment & Repairs	291.00	183.46	200.00
Center Operation	300.00	665.32	300.00
Trophies & Awards	150.00	116.00	150.00
Playground Supplies & Programs	100.00	100.37	100.00
Babe Ruth Equipment	150.00	233.79	150.00
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	\$1,191.00	\$1,580.97	\$1,100.00

GENERAL EXPENSE

Insurance Council	\$ 29.00	\$ 29.00	\$ 29.00
Insurance, Workmens Comp	150.00	142.00	150.00
Insurance, Fire, Center, Equip.	100.00	97.00	100.00
Insurance, Liability	140.00		
Babe Ruth Baseball Dues	125.00	125.00	125.00
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	\$ 544.00	\$ 393.00	\$ 404.00

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EXPANSION OF NEW PROGRAMS

Renovation of Baseball Field	250.00	250.00	250.00
Basketball Program	150.00	47.00	
Girls Basketball Clinic		295.00	
Wolfeboro Railway		400.00	
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	\$ 400.00	\$ 992.00	\$ 250.00

MISC. PROGRAMS

a. Ski Program		\$ 408.00	
Highland Ski Area		8.00	
Refunds			
b. Swimming Program			
Raft		1,088.00	
c. Halloween Party			
Band		250.00	
Janitor Service		33.00	
Refreshments		164.50	
Entertainment		30.00	
d. Red Sox Ballgame			
Tickets		50.00	
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		\$2,031.50	

SUMMARY

Wages & Salaries	12,285.00	9,252.90	18,941.00
Contractual Expenses	1,580.00	1,803.96	1,805.00
New Equipment &			
Supplies	1,191.00	1,580.97	1,100.00
General Expense	544.00	393.00	404.00
Expansion of New Programs	400.00	992.00	250.00
Misc.		2,031.50	
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	16,000.00	16,054.33	22,500.00

RECEIPTS

Town of Tilton	\$8,000.00
Town of Northfield	8,000.00
Ski Program Regis.	489.75
Swimming Program Regis.	114.95
Halloween Party Donations	107.00
Red Sox Tickets	82.50
Wolfeboro Railway Tickets	400.00
Girls Basketball Clinic	295.00
Playground Trips	120.70
Donations	161.50
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	\$17,771.40

TILTON ANNUAL REPORT

Cash on Hand, Jan. 1, 1976	2,180.98

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$19,952.38
Disbursements	
Dec. 31, 1976	16,054.33

Balance on Hand	
Jan. 1, 1977	\$3,898.05
Prorated Disbursements to	
March 31, 1977	
Director's Salary	\$2,124.98
Telephone	50.00
Ski Bus	100.00
Purchase of New Raft	1,088.00
Center Activities	200.00
Center Equipment &	
Supplies	335.07

	\$3,898.05

Proposed \$22,500.00 is to be raised by both towns,
\$11,250.00 from each town. Plus \$500.00 for the
Building Fund.

BUILDING FUND REPORT

December 31, 1976

Invested Funds		
Iona Savings Bank	\$6,695.40	
Citizens National Bank	754.88	
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Real Estate Owned		
Vacant Land, West Main Street Tilton, Book Value		\$ 4,200.00
Land and Building, East Main Street Tilton, Book Value		\$16,480.00

RECONCILIATION BANK ACCOUNTS

Iona Savings Bank Balance, Dec. 31, 1975	\$15,356.57
Interest Received	857.60
Town of Tilton	500.00
Town of Northfield	500.00
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	\$17,214.17
Disbursements Dec. 31, 1976	10,518.77
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Balance, December 31, 1976	\$ 6,695.40
Citizens National Bank Balance, Dec. 31, 1975	\$ 725.57
Interest Received	29.31
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	\$ 754.88

TILTON-NORTHFIELD RECREATION
BASEBALL FIELD REPORT

Renovation of the Baseball Field at the Northfield Pines

Savings Account	
Iona Savings Bank Balance, Dec. 31, 1975	\$ 2,193.67
Recreation Council	250.00
Bike-A-Thon Donations	18.60
Interest Received	113.95
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	\$ 2,576.22
Transfer to checking account	500.00
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Balance, December 31, 1976	\$ 2,076.22
Checking Account	
Opening Balance, September 31, 1976	\$ 500.00
Disbursements	252.51
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Balance, December 31, 1976	\$ 247.49

HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Report of the Librarian - 1976

Service to all residents of Tilton-Northfield has continued to be the policy at Hall Memorial Library during the Bicentennial year. Irene Gekas was hired in May and has continued as an able assistant librarian. Mrs. Gekas maintained services in the library during July and August when we were operating on a summer schedule of twenty hours per week. Presently, Mrs. Winterbottom and Mrs. Gekas each work approximately twenty hours per week. Sandi Emerson is the substitute librarian for day time hours and for additional assistance when necessary. Rachel Entwistle works evenings as needed. Circulation has increased and it appears that the number of users of the library resources is greater than last year. Many students use the reference area and daily browsers find many newspapers and magazines.

Special exhibits during the year have included the TOUCH ME display of Art for the Visually Handicapped. The objects were touched by nearly all the students at Union Sanborn School as well as by many other visitors at the library. Frank Irwin's collection of miniature books held the attention of many patrons. Robert A.J. Livingston and Joan Canulli, art teachers at Union Sanborn and Winnisquam Regional Middle School, respectively, set up displays of their students' work. Dr. Henry N. Andrews from Sanbornton not only donated an autographed copy of his book, ANCIENT PLANTS AND THE WORLD THEY LIVED IN, but also provided a unique exhibit of Nora Unwin prints and sketches. The beautifully hand-crafted jewelry and the art work of John Dokus filled the display case during much of the summer. Alfred Perez and Clarence Whicher also furnished interesting displays of hand carving. Linwood Bonney's group of Christmas Seals filled the case during the holiday season. Mrs. Robert Hardy from the Tilton-Northfield Garden Club generously provided a walkside garden during the summer months and a Christmas wreath for the holiday season. The art work from the "I'm O-Kay Kindergarten" brought much pleasure to many children during the last week of the year.

A copier has been donated by the Stewart Nelson Agency to the library which is a much appreciated additional service. Volunteers have been available and very much appreciated when the regular staff has had a special need, for example during the visit of the Bookmobile.

The circulation statistics tabulated below are self explanatory for the most part.

Respectfully submitted,
Guenn Winterbottom
Librarian

HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Report of Trustees - 1976

RECEIPTS:

January 1, 1976 Balance on Hand	\$2,623.78
Town of Northfield	6,250.00
Town of Tilton	6,250.00
Endowment Interest	2,300.00
Tilton Trust Funds	208.76
Refunds for Lost Books	102.82

\$ 17,735.36

PAYMENTS:

Guennlyn Winterbottom	\$2,592.00
Irene Gekas	1,474.23
Senga Scott	841.80
Jeanette Smart	846.40
Sharon Hill	83.95
Rachel Entwistle	139.15
Sandra Emerson	87.40

\$6,064.93

Less WH and FICA

489.40

\$ 5,575.53

IRS WH and FICA

489.40

Library share FICA

354.79

	844.19
Levi Gilbert, Janitor	350.00
David Gilbert, Janitor	350.00
Books, Records and Magazines	2,371.14
Insurance - Trachy-Smart Agency	391.80
Norman's Oil	1,121.57
Public Service, New England Telephone and Tilton-Northfield Aqueduct Co.	728.09
NH Library Association	15.00
General Maintenance and Repairs	316.44
Supplies and Miscellaneous	639.71

Total Payments

\$ 12,703.47

Balance on Hand December 31, 1976

\$ 5,031.89

Warren B. Hill, Treasurer
Edna W. Southwick, Secretary
Sally P. Lawrence
Ronald P. Mills
Robin D. Steady,
Trustees

COMPARATIVE CIRCULATION STATISTICS FOR 1975 and 1976

Circulation	1976	1975	
Adult fiction	2,798	2,527	+271
Adult non-fiction	3,062	2,741	+321
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Total Adult Circulation	5,860	5,268	+592
Bookmobile	2,545	1,717	+828
Records	927	1,089	- 162
Periodicals	1,031	714	+317
Juvenile Fiction	3,960	3,653	+307
Juvenile non-fiction	2,313	2,711	- 298
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Total Juvenile Circulation	5,973	6,364	- 391
Inter-Library Loans (Books borrowed from State Library or nearby libraries)	474	272	+202
Paper Backs	532		
Patterns	96		
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Total Circulation	17,438	15,424	+2,012
Magazine Subscriptions	31		
Newspaper Subscriptions	4		
 Accessions			
Adult fiction	151	161	
Adult non-fiction	262	250	
Adult reference	5	28	
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Total Adult	418	439	
Juvenile	224	199	
Records	77	75	
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Total	719	713	
Gifts (included with above figures)	277	325	
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New borrowers	432	427	+ 5
 Schedule of Library Hours:			
WINTER	Mondays	12 Noon to 8:00 p.m.	
	Tuesdays	12 Noon to 5:00 p.m.	
	Wednesdays	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	
	Thursdays	12 Noon to 5:00 p.m.	
	Fridays	12 Noon to 8:00 p.m.	
	Saturdays	Closed as of Oct. 1, 1976	
 SUMMER			
	Mondays	9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	
	Tuesdays	3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	
	Wednesday	9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	
	Thursdays	3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	
	Fridays	Closed	
	Saturdays	Closed	

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DISTRICT NURSE

Fiscal Year January 1, through December 31, 1976

Nursing visits totaled 2,156. 1,441 visits in Tilton, 715 in Northfield. Approximately 2/3 of the visits were to people over 64. The carrying load is 57 as of December 31.

Division of visits as to diagnosis:

Antepartum	2	Arthritis	93
Postpartum	32	Diabetes	53
Premie/high risk	45	E E N T	11
Well child/infant	40	Urological	25
Family Planning	1	Gastro-intestinal	70
Gynecological	1	Peripheral vascular	1
Neurological	40	Allergies	11
Respiratory	60	Mental health	160
Orthopedic	98	Mental retardation	24
C V A	20	Comm. Disease	34
Cardiac	765	Non-Orthopedic	9
Blood dyscrasia	251	Drug/alcohol	2
Cancer	134	Adult health	174

Six immunization clinics were held at Franklin Regional Hospital this year, in cooperation with the Franklin VNA. Mrs. Betty Pellitier, Mrs. Betty Schofield, Mrs. Nan Smart, Mrs. Laura Miles, Mrs. Winnie Finemore, and Mrs. Sandi Emerson assisted, as did Mrs. Ellen Maxwell and myself.

Talks were held with the Franklin VNA about providing needed homemaker services to those persons not able to remain at home without them. These services are provided in Northfield. Talks with Laconia VNA were not as productive for Tilton.

Mrs. Florence Dawson substituted for Mrs. Maxwell the first two weeks in June while Mrs. Maxwell had a vacation.

The Swine Flu Clinic was held Nov. 16, 1976. 508 persons were vaccinated. 383 with monovalent vaccine and 125 with bivalent vaccine. Tilton School donated the gymnasium, and the Red Cross, MacDonalds, the B.P.W., the Women's Club, Nurses, and other individuals also donated time and assistance. Attending physicians were Dr. Robert Beaudet, and Dr. Frank Robinson.

At Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets and gifts were provided for the elderly and the needy by the Rotary Club, the American Legion and Auxiliary, The Franklin Lodge of Elks, The Rebeccas, the Friendly Club of the Congregational Church, the Congregational Church Sunday School, The Grange, and Anon. individual donors. These were distributed by the organizations themselves, the Nursing Board, and the District Nurse.

I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all organizations and individuals assisting me in carrying on the work of the District Nursing Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Deanne L. Stillings, RN

**TILTON-NORTHFIELD
DISTRICT NURSE ASSOCIATION**

Treasurer's Report

Savings Account No. 22297	
Balance in bank January 1, 1976	\$3,925.57
Interest March, June, Sept. & December	210.86
Gift from Tilton-Northfield Woman's Club	150.00
Gift from the Robert H. & Gertrude E. Sedgley Charitable Fund	500.00
Donations (including V.A. checks)	1,065.96
Withdrawal from Savings Account for new car	\$2,200.00
Balance in Savings Account Jan. 1, 1977	\$3,652.39
REGULAR ACCOUNT	
Balance on hand January 1, 1976	\$1,962.19
Town of Northfield Appropriation	4,600.00
Town of Tilton Appropriation	4,100.00
Internal Revenue rebate	21.43
Withdrawal from Savings Account	<u>2,200.00</u>
	\$12,883.62

EXPENDITURES

Ellen Maxwell, R.N.	\$3,750.00	
Florence Dawson, R.N.	300.20	
Deanna L. Stillings, R.N.	1,200.00	
Rent	600.00	
Fred's Service Station	204.50	
Public Service Co. of N.H.	69.55	
N.E. Tel. and Tel.	200.07	
State of New Hampshire	5.00	
Gales Agency	311.00	
Health Co. Medical Supply	53.50	
Town of Northfield	16.50	
Town of Tilton	24.50	
N.H. Motor Vehicle Dept.	26.00	
The Village Press	6.25	
Colburn & Camp Motor Co. Inc.	2,310.95	
State of New Hampshire U.C. Fund	114.45	
Internal Revenue Service	307.13	
Internal Revenue (U.C. Fund)	21.00	
Nyswander, Lord, etc.	427.89	
Trachy & Smart Agency	29.00	
Tilton Pharmacy	13.88	
Irma DeForge (Garage rent)	20.00	
Tilton Gulf	28.50	
Town of Northfield over appropriation	<u>500.00</u>	\$10,539.87
Balance in Checking Account, Jan. 1, 1977		\$ 2,343.75

Respectfully submitted,
Marion P. Dixon Treasurer

**TILTON-NORTHFIELD FIRE DISTRICT
WARRANT**

To the Inhabitants of the Tilton-Northfield Fire District, qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Tilton-Northfield High School Cafetorium, on Monday, March 14, 1977 at 7:30 o'clock in the evening to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a Fireward for the ensuing three (3) years.
5. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.
6. To hear the reports of the Treasurer and Firewards, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To see if the District will vote to renew the Water Contract and raise money for same in the sum of \$11,587.00.
8. To see what action the District will vote to take in regard to payment of Insurance, payroll, school training, alarm system, new equipment, truck upkeep, fire station maintenance, administration, full-time man, land, building and truck funds and other incidental expenses in the sum of \$48,550.56.
9. To see what action the District will vote to raise funds for the purchase of five (5) portable radios (with chargers) and twelve (12) pocket receivers in the amount of \$7,800.00.
10. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Andrew Sleeper
Edward Rose
Roland H. Beaulieu

A True Copy of Warrant Attest:

Andrew Sleeper
Edward Rose
Roland H. Beaulieu
Fire Wards

FIRE DEPARTMENT
Distribution of Expenses, 1976
Proposed Appropriations, 1977

	1976 Appropriation	1976 Expenditures	1977 Proposed Appropriation
Hydrants	\$11,587.00	\$11,587.00	\$11,587.00
Insurance	1,700.00	1,611.00	2,750.00
Payroll	10,000.00	10,559.35	17,800.00
School Training	350.00	296.50	350.00
Alarm System	1,000.00	346.60	750.00
New Equipment	4,600.00	2,246.49	3,000.00
Truck Upkeep	4,000.00	4,218.19	4,000.00
Administration	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
Office Supplies	150.00	108.39	150.00
Tax Collector's Salary	294.00	292.07	
Land & Building Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Truck Payment	7,000.00	20,000.00	12,000.00
Dry Hydrants	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Reimbursement to Towns		10,940.44	
Interest on Loan		268.80	1,538.60
Full-Time Man	7,800.00	7,800.00	
Payroll Tax	456.56	412.59	624.00
Miscellaneous	600.00	739.47	600.00
Radios			7,800.00
TOTALS	\$64,137.56	\$88,068.75	\$75,549.60

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
TILTON-NORTHFIELD FIRE DISTRICT**

Cash on Hand 12/31/75	5,970.84
Receipts:	
Town of Tilton	23,951.16
Town of Northfield	25,000.00
State of New Hampshire	10,156.08
Bank Loan	<u>13,000.00</u>
	\$88,078.08
Expenditures:	
Checks No. 4190-4389	88,068.75
Cash on hand 12/31/76	<u>9.33</u>
	\$88,078.08
Checks Outstanding:	
4369 Franklin Regional Hospital	133.50
4370 Public Service Company	125.70
4372 Tilton Coal & Supply	327.86
4374 Simplex Time Recorder Co.	54.30
4375 Blanchard Associates	327.40
4376 Laconia Fire Equipt. Co.	39.62
4377 Town of Northfield	10,940.44
4380 Town of Tilton	196.20
4381 Byrant & Lawrence, Inc.	72.23
4382 George N. Greenwood	203.25
4383 Laconia Fire Department	121.75
4384 Spear's Garage	25.70
4385 Nick's Auto Service	40.00
4386 Milton Ayotte	115.72
4388 Twin Rivers EMS District	18.00
4389 Blanchard Associates	<u>1,150.00</u>
	\$13,891.67

Auditor's Report

I have examined the foregoing Annual report of the Treasurer and found a balance of \$9.33, with the above listed outstanding checks.

Total Income	\$88,078.08
Less Expenses	<u>88,068.75</u>

9.33

Savings Accounts: Land & Building Fund (No. 500-3235) 10,000
 + Interest \$210.06; Truck Fund (500-3222) \$99.49; and Dry
 Hydrant Fund (500-3594) \$2,000.00.

I have examined the foregoing account of the Treasurer and found a balance of \$9.33, with checks outstanding No. 4364-4370, 4372, 4374-4377, 4380-4386, 4388 and 4389 with a total income of \$88,078.08 and expense of \$88,068.75, as of 12/31/76.

Gaylon L. Finemore

Auditor Fire District 2/4/77

I certify that this report is correct to the best of my ability.

Elinor D. Prescott

Clerk-Treasurer

**TILTON-NORTHFIELD FIRE DISTRICT
PAYMENTS TO TREASURER
As of December 31, 1976**

YEAR	PROPERTY	INTEREST & COST	TOTAL
1974	\$1,238.78	38.94	\$1,277.72 (Town of Tilton)
1974	58.85	7.66	66.51 (Town of Northfield)
1974	84.74		84.74 (Fire Ward-Roland Beaulieu)
	\$1,382.37	46.60	\$1,428.97

Respectfully submitted,
LOUISE P. JOSCELYN,
Tax Collector

**BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF TILTON
for the Year Ending December 31, 1976**

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 8	Laconia	Cara Ann Robbins	F	Randall Thomas Robbins	Barbara Elizabeth Morris
9	Concord	Christina Margaret Noyes	F	Douglas Edward Noyes	Lynn Marie Cote
27	Franklin	Lester Ernest Simpson, Jr.	M	Lester Ernest Simpson, Sr.	Susan Marie Burbank
Feb. 3	Laconia	Elizabeth Ann Taylor	F	James Raymond Taylor	Sandra Jean Larlee
29	Franklin	Jeffrey Michael Jameson	M	Carl Randy Jameson	Lena Marie Peavey
Mar. 1	Laconia	Corcy Alan Bean	M	Bruce Gordon Bean	Donna Rae Ekstrom
2	Franklin	Melissa Helen Phillips	F	Robert Charles Phillips	Ethelyn Carrie Wing

22	Concord	Mary-Elizabeth Katherine Mills	F	Ronald Paul Mills	Judith Ann Gaudrault
24	Laconia	Cindi Linde Newcomb	F	William Robert Newcomb	Gail Lee Heins
25	Laconia	Jennifer Anne Marcoux	F	Ronald Gerard Marcoux	Sally Anne Nelson
31	Concord	Andrew Robert Eastman	M	Elwyn Percy Eastman	Linda Susan Crooker
Apr. 10	Laconia	Shannon Marie Kenerley	F	Willis Michael Kenerley	Carol Ann Lachappelle
May 16	Concord	Jamie Ellen Rowe	F	Danny Clay Rowe	Lorelei Ann Schaefer
18	Laconia	Tina Marie St. Gelais	F	Mark Roland St. Gelais	Marguerite Anne Roche
20	Laconia	Kendra Winter Raynsford	F	James Peter Raynsford	Gail Christine Jones
June 1	Franklin	Dawn Marie Rowell	F	Wayne Freeman Rowell	Linda Marie Folsom
9	Laconia	Ashley Carolyn Aube	F	Richard Armand Aube	Carolyn Degerick
11	Laconia	Corey John King	M	Ronald Dennis King	Susanne Marie Vasseur
14	Laconia	Robert James Brown	M	Calvin Alexander Brown	Elizabeth Ann Mitchell
18	Franklin	Jason Paul Marcoux	M	Roger Wayne Marcoux	Nancy Lena Gilman
26	Concord	Alison Lee Babineau	F	Robert James Babineau	Bernadette Joan St. Gelais
30	Laconia	Timothy Joseph Rapoza Tavares	M	Arthur Rapoza Tavares	Myrtle Marie McAvoy
July 19	Laconia	Kara Myer Possee	F	James Eaton Possee	Kristin Adora Edwards
20	Concor ¹	Benjamin Ralph Dixon	M	Ralph Emmett Dixon, Jr.	Dawn Rae Stickney
20	Laconia	Sarah Kristine Talley	F	Glynn Day Talley	Kristine Ann Walker
24	Concord	Katie Leigh Copp	F	Arthur Charles Copp	JoAnne Leigh Wilder
26	Laconia	Allyson Louise Baker	F	Lewis Vernon Baker	Debra Allyson King
27	Franklin	Mandy Lynn Bickford	F	David Arthur Bickford	Linda Jean Sanborn
Aug. 4	Concord	Scott Erick Greeb	M	Ronald Erich Greeb	Laureen Marie Juliette Berube
30	Laconia	Jennessa Louise Schulze	F	Franz Walter Schulze	Eileen Marie Dore
16	Laconia	Jonathan Erik Page	M	Rodney Guy Page	Leona Louise Dickinson
22	Franklin	Bruce Erim Dimond	M	Leslie Stuart Dimond	Vanessa Gail Jameson
20	Laconia	Keith William Sousa	M	Steven Arnold Sousa	Nancy Lee Higgins
Oct. 2	Laconia	Matthew Simpson	M	Robert Gary Simpson	Cindy Lorraine Creteau
3	Laconia	Penny Kay McLaughlin	F	Glenn Edward McLaughlin	Linda Rose Dyer
6	Hanover	Ethan Andrew Steele	M	David Edwin Steele	Mary Ann Haselton
14	Laconia	Rachael Anna McGrath	F	Paul Robert McGrath	Bonnie Jean O'Brien
23	Franklin	Matthew Raymond Hayes	M	Daniel Raymond Hayes	Cynthia Lynne Williamson
26	Concord	James Thomas Lloyd	M	Donald Henry Lloyd	Cynthia Jane Petell
27	Franklin	Nathaniel Proulx	M	Gregory Maurice Proulx	Karen Lee Stanton
Dec. 18	Concord	J-me Boyce	F	Wayne Sherrill Boyce	Jeanne Rita Morin
20	Hanover	Steven Craig Roberge	M	Wilfred Roland Roberge, Jr.	Nancy Ann Smith
21	Concord	Beth-Ann McCarthy	F	David Anthony McCarthy	Tina Marie Adams

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

GEORGE E. DRAPER
Town Clerk

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF TILTON for the Year Ending December 31, 1976

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of groom and bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Date of Birth of Each	Name, Residence and Official Station of Persons by Whom Married
Jan. 9	Tilton, N.H.	Vinal Eugene Worster Joan Evelyn Belloir	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	Aug. 18, 1953 Feb. 22, 1956	Arthur E. Law, Jr. (J.P.) Tilton, N.H.
17	Contoocook, N.H.	Ernest C. Ball Linda M. Tanner	Tilton, N.H. Contoocook, N.H.	July 1, 1955	Rev. Richard A. Smith
Feb. 3	Tilton, N.H.	Stephen R. Swain Lynn M. Spicer	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	Oct. 18, 1957 Oct. 3, 1943	Henniker, N.H. Arthur E. Law, Jr. (J.P.) Tilton, N.H.
12	Concord, N.H.	Jonathan W. Sands Louise M. Filteau	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	July 25, 1948 May 17, 1947	Marjorie B. Foote (J.P.) Concord, N.H.
14	Tilton, N.H.	Charles B. Brown Robin L. Stickney	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	April 10, 1947 Mar. 11, 1957	Peter Noel Knost, D.D.S.T.D. Wolfeboro, N.H.
April 22	Tilton, N.H.	Daniel F. Keith Susan L. DeCoster	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	June 16, 1950 Feb. 26, 1945	Peter Noel Knost, D.D.S.T.D. Wolfeboro, N.H.
23	Tilton, N.H.	James T. Lamanuzzi Elaine M. Keith	Tilton, N.H. Northfield, N.H.	Nov. 7, 1950 Mar. 20, 1950	Rev. Faith A. Chandler Tilton, N.H.
24	Tilton, N.H.	James J. Connolly Evelyn M. Donnellon	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	Mar. 28, 1911 Aug. 1, 1912	Rev. Arthur Sullivan Tilton, N.H.
24	Sanbornton, N.H.	Roger W. Marcoux Nancy L. Gilman	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	May 25, 1957 Sept. 13, 1956	Rev. Richard D. Crooks Sanbornton, N.H.
May 9	Tilton, N.H.	Dennis Dean Dyer Linda Ann Dussault	Tilton, N.H. Franklin, N.H.	Jan. 21, 1947 Jan. 5, 1952	G. Richard Anderson Meredith, N.H.
June 5	Tilton, N.H.	Dean E. Tilton Jeanne E. Clark	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	Oct. 7, 1954 Dec. 21, 1955	Rev. Richard D. Crooks Sanbornton, N.H.
18	Laconia, N.H.	Donald F. Sprague Beverly S. Senter	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	Mar. 21, 1952 Oct. 9, 1953	Margarete M. Stafford (J.P.) Laconia, N.H.
19	Meredith, N.H.	Dennis W. Goss Mildred A. Weeks	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	Oct. 29, 1946 Sept. 19, 1954	Rev. Patrick C. Finleon Meredith, N.H.
26	Tilton, N.H.	Gary Edward Brooks Kathleen Anne Pucci	Colchester, Vt. Essex Jct., Vt.	June 20, 1955 Sept. 1, 1955	Rev. Arthur Sullivan Tilton, N.H.
26	Franklin, N.H.	Brian D. Peterson Melody J. Connor	Tilton, N.H. Tilton, N.H.	July 27, 1957 July 7, 1956	Rev. E. Frank Clay Franklin, N.H.
26	Franklin, N.H.	Wayne Joseph Barton Karen Sue Tilton	Tilton, N.H. Franklin, N.H.	Jan. 18, 1957 Apr. 30, 1957	Rev. Tyler T. Waterman Franklin, N.H.

26	Laconia, N.H.	Randy Joseph Keith	Tilton, N.H.	Aug. 28, 1954	John S. Allen
26	Tilton, N.H.	Donna Lynn Edgar	Gilford, N.H.	May 2, 1957	Laconia, N.H.
2	Tilton, N.H.	Harold A. Bousquet	Northwood, N.H.	June 13, 1955	Rev. Christopher Drew
4	Concord, N.H.	Tammy M. Hutchinson	Tilton, N.H.	Sept. 4, 1959	Pittsfield, N.H.
10	Tilton, N.H.	Urban S. Tibbetts	Tilton, N.H.	Nov. 20, 1917	Rev. Faith A. Chandler
24	Tilton, N.H.	Patricia Anne Forest	Tilton, N.H.	Aug. 16, 1941	Tilton, N.H.
25	Gilford, N.H.	John Paul Moussette	Tilton, N.H.	Oct. 4, 1947	Rev. Clinton M. Adams
7	Laconia, N.H.	Barbara Jean Hazelton	Tilton, N.H.	Dec. 31, 1957	Concord, N.H.
14	Tilton, N.H.	Walter C. Wilson	Laconia, N.H.	June 20, 1954	Peter Noel Knost, D.D.S.T.D.
14	Tilton, N.H.	Evelyn C. Liebi	Tilton, N.H.	Jan. 8, 1954	Wolfeboro, N.H.
14	Tilton, N.H.	Dale Andrew Rollins	Tilton, N.H.	Apr. 14, 1957	Rev. Richard D. Crooks
25	Gilford, N.H.	Patricia Ann Davis	Laconia, N.H.	Jan. 18, 1958	Sanbornton, N.H.
14	Laconia, N.H.	Allen Roy Blake	Laconia, N.H.	July 5, 1938	David R. Decker (J.P.)
14	Tilton, N.H.	Susan Jane Towle	Tilton, N.H.	Nov. 19, 1948	Laconia, N.H.
27	Tilton, N.H.	Frank Joseph Morin	Laconia, N.H.	Jan. 25, 1954	Rev. George Chicone
28	Sanbornton, N.H.	Judith Ann Lemire	Tilton, N.H.	Feb. 5, 1953	Laconia, N.H.
12	Tuftsboro, N.H.	Craig D. Cherbouneau	N. Bennington, Vt.	Dec. 30, 1955	Rev. Arthur Sullivan
18	Laconia, N.H.	Brenda M. Marcoux	Tilton, N.H.	Apr. 20, 1955	Tilton, N.H.
23	Franklin, N.H.	Gilbert John Manning, III	Tilton, N.H.	Aug. 6, 1951	Rev. Robert K. Jones, Jr.
27	Tilton, N.H.	Joan Louise Kinsley	Franklin, N.H.	Oct. 19, 1951	Franklin, N.H.
28	Sanbornton, N.H.	David Vincent Wood	Tilton, N.H.	Feb. 2, 1957	Peter Noel Knost, D.D.S.T.D.
Sept. 12	Tuftsboro, N.H.	Vicki Lynn Marshall	Tilton, N.H.	Jan. 3, 1953	Wolfeboro, N.H.
18	Laconia, N.H.	Edward T. Cota	Laconia, N.H.	Sept. 19, 1941	Rev. Floyd G. Kinsley
24	Sanbornton, N.H.	Nancy L. Bouffard	Tilton, N.H.	Mar. 16, 1942	Wolfeboro, N.H.
25	Franklin, N.H.	Donald D. Stafford	Tilton, N.H.	Oct. 1, 1952	Rev. David B. Howe
23	Northfield, N.H.	Lisa B. Conant	Tilton, N.H.	May 22, 1949	Melvin Village, N.H.
27	Tilton, N.H.	Bradley William Wood	Gilford, N.H.	Jan. 26, 1953	Rev. Arthur C. Urte
Oct. 23	Northfield, N.H.	Patricia Ireland	Tilton, N.H.	Jan. 13, 1954	Laconia, N.H.
Nov. 27	Tilton, N.H.	Douglas P. Braley	Tilton, N.H.	Jul. 12, 1955	Rev. Richard D. Crooks
		Robert E. Bohaker	Tilton, N.H.	Aug. 20, 1956	Sanbornton, N.H.
		Terri D. DeForge	Tilton, N.H.	May 2, 1944	Reginald P. Glover (J.P.)
		Paul Joseph Hebert	Tilton, N.H.	July 7, 1951	Franklin, N.H.
		Mary Jean Santee	Tilton, N.H.	Nov. 1, 1943	Paul A. Hawthorne, Sr. (J.P.)
		Roland J. Dubord	Tilton, N.H.	Nov. 26, 1942	Northfield, N.H.
		Louise E. Day	Tilton, N.H.	Apr. 2, 1938	Rev. Arthur W. Childs
			Tilton, N.H.	Feb. 10, 1943	Enfield, N.H.

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

GEORGE E. DRAPER
Town Clerk

**DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF TILTON
for the Year Ending December 31, 1976**

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name & Surname of the Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	S/M/W	Occupation	Name of Father	of Mother	Place of Burial
Jan. 16	Laconia	Nellie Higgins	83	New Hampshire	F	W	Office Worker	Not Indicated	Not Indicated	Concord, N.H.
24	Laconia	Blanche H. Avery	81	New Hampshire	F	S	Inspector	Jacob Avery	Sarah Brown	Plymouth, N.H.
25	Concord	James Samuel Dimond	91	New Hampshire	M	M	Farming	George W. Dimond	Amanda Knowlton	Franklin, N.H.
25	Tilton	Albert Edward Lettre	82	Maine	M	S	Salesman	Joseph Lettre	Georgianna Lambert	Tilton, N.H.
26	Boscawen	Ethel Gilman	87	Mass.	F	W	Housewife	Henry Burnham	Sarah Nelson	Concord, N.H.
26	Tilton	Stacy Lyn Rogers	4	New Hampshire	F	W	—	George L. Rogers	Elizabeth Dion	Tilton, N.H.
29	Laconia	Earl Bryenton	84	Massachusetts	M	M	Auto Mechanic	Arnos Bryenton	Sarah Whitfie	Tilton, N.H.
3	Boscawen	Fred Moses	96	New Hampshire	M	W	Farmer	Joseph Moses	Mary Jane Towle	Tilton, N.H.
5	Tilton	Charles E. Dube	67	Canada	M	S	Custodian	Louis Dube	Dossyla Mailleux	Tilton, N.H.
8	Tilton	George Clarence Dicey	98	New Hampshire	M	W	Mason Retired	Charles H. Dicey	Isobele Benton	Bristol, N.H.
15	Franklin	Charles W. Burleigh	74	New Hampshire	M	M	Optical	Walter Burleigh	Carrie Wells	Tilton, N.H.
22	Tilton	Ethel Knapp	83	Canada	F	W	Housewife	Chauncy Magoon	Gertrude Wheelock	Tilton
26	Tilton	Julius M. Burr	80	New Hampshire	M	M	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Gil, Mass.
28	Hanover	George C. Daniels	60	New Hampshire	M	M	Well Driller	Walter Daniels	Mary Therrien	Tilton, N.H.
8	Franklin	Walter T. Blocker	59	New York	M	M	Statistician	Frank Blocker	Sarah Barre	Tilton, N.H.
8	Laconia	Melvin J. Perkins, Sr.	56	Massachusetts	M	M	Truck Driver	Henry Perkins	Evelyn Merrill	Amesbury, Mass.
15	Manchester	Alfred Gilbert	91	Canada	M	W	Weaver	Unknown	Unknown	Tilton, N.H.
16	Franklin	Arthur B. Ingalls	88	New Hampshire	M	W	Meat Cutter	Baragon Ingalls	Alice McCalley	Concord, N.H.
25	Laconia	Stewart J. Ramsay	61	Canada	M	M	Machine Op.	Elmer Ramsay	Mary A. Cryans	Laconia, N.H.
29	Franklin	Charles B. Green	66	Vermont	M	M	Wax Moulder Ret.	Isaac W. Green	Cora Lawson	Tilton, N.H.
30	Laconia	Glenda F. Thompson	52	New Hampshire	F	S	Unknown	Harold Thompson	Alice Pellerin	Tilton, N.H.
1	Manchester	Henry A. Hutchins, Sr.	68	New Hampshire	M	M	Painter	Henry G. Hutchins	Elizabeth Spencer	Concord, N.H.
5	Franklin	Thelma Gilmartin	58	Massachusetts	F	W	Housewife	Carl Werthen	Hulda Olason	Tilton, N.H.
11	Laconia	Jessie Shaw	85	Canada	F	S	LPN	Ernest Bowley	Margaret Sellers	Concord, N.H.
13	Manchester	John Earl Simpson	51	New Hampshire	M	S	Construction	John E. Simpson, Sr.	Clara Trombly	Tilton, N.H.
21	Franklin	Louis J. Croteau	80	Canada	M	M	Retired Weaver	Louis J. Croteau	Elizabeth Bacon	Tilton, N.H.
29	Tilton	John Eastwick	65	Massachusetts	M	M	Civil Eng. (Ret)	Charles H. Eastwick	Belle M. Hedges	Concord, N.H.
7	Tilton	Mildred Watson	68	New Hampshire	F	M	Drawing In.	James Jones	Ada Stearns	Tilton, N.H.
8	Lac- ia	Jamie Stanley	5 hrs.	New Hampshire	F	S	—	Theodore Stanley	Anita LaFrance	Tilton, N.H.

18	Laconia	George Hubert Rand	83	England	M	S	Artist-Journalist	Reuben C. Rand	Lydia Brookman	New Hampton
20	Laconia	John A. Glidden	68	Maine	M	M	Lumberman	Benjamin E. Glidden	Lucy Philbrook	Tilton, N.H.
29	Laconia	John Whalen	72	Massachusetts	M	M	Forester	Michael Whalen	Mildred Belmont	Tilton, N.H.
1	Laconia	Damon Jesse Eastman	78	New Hampshire	M	S	Maintenance	George Eastman	Margaret McCutcheon	Warren
10	Tilton	Ralph L. Bean	78	Vermont	M	S	Unknown	J. B. Bean	Nina Lyon	Thetford, Vt.
10	Tilton	Everett H. Johnson	82	New Hampshire	M	S	Unknown	Charles Johnson	Mary Young	E. Rochester
14	Hanover	Kathleen Collette	52	New Hampshire	F	M	Housewife	Robert Houley	Priscilla Donovan	Tilton, N.H.
16	Tilton	Helmut Hornig	82	New Hampshire	M	S	Florist	Edward Hornig	Marie Zschegeher	Concord, N.H.
18	Tilton	George F. Clark	76	New Hampshire	M	S	Purchasing Agt.	Unknown	Lena M. Gorham	Concord, N.H.
3	Tilton	George Edward Corliss	68	New Hampshire	M	M	Designer	William H. Corliss	Cora Ordway	Barnstead, N.H.
12	Concord	Onia Batchelder	83	New Hampshire	F	S	At home	Osmond Batchelder	Cora Adams	Tilton, N.H.
20	Franklin	Leland Irwin Perthel	76	Massachusetts	M	M	Banker	Goethal Perthel	Wenda Cook	Tilton, N.H.
23	Laconia	Ethel Wiggins	49	New Hampshire	F	M	Unknown	Harry Griffin	Unknown	Tilton, N.H.
8	Manchester	Earl Kimball Chandler	59	New Hampshire	M	M	Fireman Mech.	Guy Chandler	Minnie Kimball	Tilton, N.H.
13	Franklin	James A. Fay	61	Massachusetts	M	M	Fireman	Henry Fay	Alice Dalton	Tilton, N.H.
22	Tilton	Edward J. Webber	85	Massachusetts	M	W	Civil Service	Unknown	Unknown	Concord, N.H.
25	Franklin	Marie "Jacob" Wittig	83	Germany	F	W	Unknown	Ferdinand Jacob	Marie Luderer	Concord, N.H.
31	Tilton	Harry B. Hazelton	87	New Hampshire	M	W	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Port Chester, NY
6	Franklin	Leon E. Griffin	76	New Hampshire	M	W	Carpenter	Frank M. Griffin	Dora F. Hatch	Tilton, N.H.
20	Hartford, VT	Bernard Irving Wooley	71	New Hampshire	M	W	State Worker	Irving Wooley	Grace G. Hubert	Penacook, N.H.
29	Franklin	Dorothea McDonald	79	New Hampshire	F	W	Housekeeper	Harry Bagley	Millie Moody	Tilton, N.H.
27	Concord	Helen Thibodeau	76	Mass.	F	M	Housewife	William Ireland	Franzy Labner	Tilton, N.H.
27	Tilton	Ina Richardson	83	New Hampshire	F	W	Housewife	Oliver Philbrook	Helen Lane	Sanbornton, N.H.
4	Franklin	Mary Louise Cushing	84	New Hampshire	F	W	Housewife	Soloman England	Amelia Geroux	Tilton, N.H.
4	Franklin	Mary D. Gagnon	96	New Hampshire	F	W	Housekeeper	Michael J. Driscoll	Mary A. Bresnan	Tilton, N.H.
9	Laconia	Freemont E. Duplissa	68	Maine	M	W	Weaver	Fred Duplissa	Cora Duplissa	Tilton, N.H.
14	Laconia	Linda Lee Poitras	21	New Hampshire	F	M	Housewife	Gene H. Chase	Evon V. Provencal	Laconia, N.H.
23	Laconia	Francis P. Bennett, Sr.	64	Massachusetts	M	M	Bank Examiner	William Bennett	Ellen Durgin	Franklin, N.H.
25	Franklin	Harland Petengill	89	New Hampshire	M	W	Jeweler	Clarence Petengill	Nellie Maud	Tilton, N.H.
1	Laconia	Mortimer B. Howell	70	New York	M	S	Printer	Walter Howell	Emma Brooks	Concord, N.H.
4	Franklin	George A. Broadley	62	New Hampshire	M	S	Laborer	James Broadley	Mary Baker	Tilton, N.H.
16	Tilton	John S. Nichols	54	New Hampshire	M	M	Clerk	Stephen Nichols	Christina John	Tilton, N.H.

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

GEORGE E. DRAPER
Town Clerk

