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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

TOWN OF

BARNSTEAD

NEW HAMPSHIRE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,1997

INFORMATION ABOUT BARNSTEAD

AREA
STATE SENATOR, DISTRICT 4 Leo Fraser
STATE REPRESENTATIVES, DISTRICT 5 Paul A. Golden Robert K. Boyce Alice Z. Calvert (Districts 5 & 6) Gordon E. Bartlett
UNITED STATES SENATORS Judd Gregg Bob Smith
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVES Charlie Bass
ANNUAL ELECTION 2nd Tuesday in March ANNUAL TOWN MEETING Saturday following election

ABOUT THE COVER

The "WELCOME TO BARNSTEAD" sign on the front cover is a reduced copy of the actual signs that will be going up in the Spring of this year. The 6 signs will be posted in various places around Barnstead and were designed by one of our locals....Karen Gosse.

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Comprising those of the Selectmen, Fire Wardens, Fire Companies, Trustee of the Trust Funds, Treasurer, Collector, Road Agent, Town Clerk, Police Department, Committees, and Commissions

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OUTSTANDING MUNICIPAL VOLUNTEER AWARD

1997



GEORGE R. "RUSTY" KRAUSE, II

George R. Krause, II was one of 10 recipients of the Outstanding Municipal Volunteer Award. The Award recognized the integration of the Barnstead Parade Fire Co. and Center Barnstead Fire Dept. into one municipality, now known as 'Barnstead Fire-Rescue, Inc. '... and for all the hard work involved. Special thanks for the support and cooperation of all the past & present members of the Fire Department.

CONGRATULATIONS RUSTY !!!

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Barnstead in the County of Belknap in said state, qualified to vote in the Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Barnstead Town Hall in said Barnstead on Tuesday, the tenth (10th) day of March, next at 7:00 a.m. of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

- 1. To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.
- 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations of the same.
- 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,000 for the purpose of adding an additional police officer and to authorize the selectmen to make application for federal funding through the COPS grant program for reimbursement of seventy-five percent (75%) of this funding for the first year. Subsequent grant funding for an additional two years will be at a rate of fifty percent (50%) for year two and twenty-five percent (25%) for year three. (Recommended by Selectmen and Not Recommended by Budget Committee)
- 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for the purpose of purchasing a new police cruiser and to authorize the withdrawal of \$16,000 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)
- 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 for the purchase of two (2) new highway sanders. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)
- 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 for the purpose of purchasing additional hydraulic extrication tools. This purchase will be funded by matching funds from grant monies. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)
- 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 and authorize the withdrawal of \$20,000 from the Bosco Bell Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)

- 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of repairing bridges currently on the state red list and to authorize the withdrawal of \$50,000 from the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)
- 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of conducting an architectural study and for other expenses relating to the proposed renovations and additions to the library and to authorize the withdrawal of \$15,000 from the Library Construction Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)
- 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 and place said monies in the library collection development trust fund. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)
- 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be placed in the Library Construction Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)
- 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 to be placed in the Rescue and Fire Fighting Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)
- 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Bridge Construction Capital Reserve Fund. (Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee)
- 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell and/or trade the following surplus equipment:
 - One (1) Austin-Western all wheel drive grader as equipped.
 - One (1) used police cruiser.
- 15. To see if the Town will vote to convey the property of Sandra S. LaRoche and Paul J. LaRoche on Tax Map 1, Lot 9 on 78 Province Rd. to Sandra S. LaRoche and Paul J. LaRoche on payment of all taxes, interest, costs, and expenses of the town in maintaining the property. This property was acquired by tax deed in December 1997. Said conveyance must be completed by August 31, 1998.
- 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept property owned by W.T. Plaxco, Map 41, Lot 321. Owner of said property wishes to donate said property to town in lieu of future taxes.

- 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept property owned by Georgette Moudarri, Map 40, Lot 311. Owner of said property wishes to donate her interest in said property. Owner of said property wishes to donate said property to town in lieu of future taxes.
- 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept property owned by Charles and Mildred Kern, Map 30, Lot 17. Owners of said property wish to donate their interest in said property. The town currently owns an interest in said property taken by tax deed from another individual.
- 19. Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Barnstead, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows:

For a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$10,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80, \$15,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$20,000.

To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$20,000, or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$30,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$55,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

- 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer all funds now held in the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund to the Rescue and Fire Fighting Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize the elimination of the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund.
- 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to Riverview Cemetery Association the sum of Forty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Five Dollars and no/100 (\$48,955.00), as previously transferred to the Trustee of Trust Funds for the Town of Barnstead by Warrant Article #10 passed on Saturday, March 12, 1988, and Warrant Article #13 passed on Saturday, March 18, 1989, and Warrant Article #19 passed on Saturday, March 13, 1993.

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22. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Barnstead Sludge/Biosolids Study Committee and to establish the following town ordinance:

Any person wishing to spread biosolids shall conform with state administrative rules on sludge/biosolids (Env-Ws800). Any site shall be subject to review by a volunteer standing committee appointed by the selectmen for the purpose of reviewing site plans for land spreading sites for accuracy and compliance with the permitting documents. The Town reserves the right to intervene in cases where non-compliance is identified.

This ordinance is adopted in accordance with RSA 31:39.

- 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the elimination of the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund and to transfer all remaining funds into the general fund.
- 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the elimination of the Bosco Bridge Capital Reserve Fund and to transfer all remaining funds into the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund.
- 25. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to sell at public sale all properties now held by the town acquired by tax deed or deeded to the town in lieu of taxes or other means. All proceeds from the sale will be used to reduce taxes.
- 26. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-third (23rd) day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-eight.

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

Selectmen

William A. Gosse John G. Cotton James S. Jennis

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BARNSTEAD, NH Fiscal Year January 1, 1998 to December 31,1998

Budget Committee	Not	Recommended		3 000 00											15,600.00											
Budget C	Recommended	Budget 1998		74 668 00	32,833.00	64,852.00		25,000.00	175,740.00	3,200.00	44,000.00	750.00	32,700.00		198,440.00	197,367.00	143,250.00	12,350.00	7,000.00		387,940.00	2,500.00	11,000.00	59,500.00		132,702.00
	Recommended	Budget 1998		77 668 00	32,833.00	64,852.00		25,000.00	175,740.00	3,200.00	44,000.00	750.00	32,700.00		214,040.00	197,367.00	143,250.00	12,350.00	7,000.00		387,940.00	2,500.00	11,000.00	59,500.00		132,702.00
	Selectmen's	Expend 1997		62 065 00	27,196.00	60,843.00		10,310.00	115,326.00	1,927.00	37,790.00	00.009	25,901.00		187,769.00	99,338.00	140,082.00	11,428.00	4,996.00		357,705.00	2,520.00	5,086.00	51,746.00		132,702.00
	Actual	Prior Year DRA		69 250 00	28,970.00	65,705.00		25,000.00	125,000.00	2,640.00	41,358.00	650.00	29,700.00		182,200.00	100,000.00	143,250.00	11,950.00	3,100.00		349,510.00	2,500.00	5,000.00	59,950.00		132,702.00
	Purpose of Appropriation Approp	W.A.#	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	4130-4139 Executive	4140-4149 Elec/Reg & Vitals	4150-4151 Financial Admin	4152 Revaluation of Property	4153 Legal Expense	4155-4159 Personnel Admin	4191-4193 Planning & Zoning	4194 General Gov't Buildings	4195 Cemeteries	4196 Insurance	PUBLIC SAFETY	4210-4214 Police	4215-4219 Ambulance	4220-4229 Fire	4240-4249 Building Inspection	4290-4298 Emergency Management	HIGHWAYS & STREETS	4312-4312 Adm. & Hgwy & Sts.	4313 Bridges	4316 Street Lighting	4319 Other	SANITATION	4324 Solid Waste Disposal

	739.00	10,500.00	15,500.00	2,918.00		7,500.00	40,700.00	2,000.00	3,500.00		7,500.00				1,697,149.00		10,000.00	100,000.00	5,000.00	60,000.00	175,000.00		30,000.00	18,000.00	6,000.00	20,000.00	50,000.00	15,000.00	139,000.00
	739.00	10,500.00	15,500.00	2,918.00		7,500.00	40,700.00	2,000.00	3,500.00		7,500.00				1,715,749.00		10,000.00	100,000.00	5,000.00	60,000.00	175,000.00		30,000.00	18,000.00	00.000'9	20,000.00	50,000.00	15,000.00	139,000.00
	1,129.00	10,300.00	17,738.00	2,653.00		5,237.00	40,700.00	2,000.00	2,025.00		4,833.00		152,696.00	90,000,06	1,665,141.00														
	1,594.00	10,300.00	15,400.00	2,653.00		5,500.00	40,700.00	2,000.00	2,000.00		15,000.00		154,600.00	90,000,06	1,718,432.00		e	-	0	2			4	2	9	7	8	6	
HEALTH & WELFARE	4411-4414 Administration/Pest Control	4415-4419 Health Agcy/Hosp/Other	4441-4442 Administration/Direct Assist.	Intergov. Welfare Payments	CULTURE & RECREATION	4520-4529 Parks & Recreation	4550-4559 Library	Patriotic Purposes	Other Culture & Recreation	DEBT SERVICE	Interest on TAN's	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	To Enterprises Fund	To Agency Funds		**SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES**	Bridge Const. Cap 13	Lib. Const. Cap. Res. 1	Lib. Coll. Dev. Cap 10	Fire Equip. Cap. Res. 12	SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended	**INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES**	Police Cruiser	Highway Sander (2)	Hyd Extrication Tool	Bosco Bell Bridge	Bridge ReconstructionRes	Withdraw/Library Plan	SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended
HEAL	4411-441	4415-441	4441-444	4444	CULT	4520-452	4550-455	4583	4589	DEBT	4723	OPER	4914	4919	SUBT	**SPECI	4919	4919	4919	4919	SUBT	INDINI	4914	4914	4914	4914	4914	4914	SUBT

18,600.00

Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year	1,000.00 7,000.00 100,000.00	1,000.00 300,000.00 5,000.00 10,000.00 24,000.00	50,000.00 112,095.00 0.00	55,000.00 5,000.00 15,000.00	139,000.00 0.00 824,095.00	1,697,149.00 175,000.00 139,000.00 2,011,149.00 824,095.00 1,187,054.00
Actual Revenue Prior Year	5,890.00 13,118.00 106,713.00	1,696.00 337,991.00 5,692.00 11,365.00	78,429.00 • 34,060.00 112,772.00 0.00	16,146.00* 10,286.00 30,913.00 20,910.00	104,072.00 315.00 901,533.00	1,715,749.00 175,000.00 139,000.00 2,029,740.00 824,095.00 1,205,654.00
Estimated Revenue Prior Year	1,000.00 7,000.00 100,000.00	1,000.00 300,000.00 5,000.00 10,000.00	50,000.00 107,484.00 4,000.00	5,000.00	113,000.00 500.00 718,984.00	ded (page 5) e 5) rom above)
SOURCE OF REVENUE . W.A. NO.	TAXES 3120 Land Use Change Tax 3185 Yield Tax 3190 Interest & Penalties Delinquent	3210 Business Lic & Permits 3220 Motor Vehicle 3230 Other 3311-3319 FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FROM STATE	3351 Shared Revenue 3352 Meals & Room Tax Distribution 3353 Highway Block Grant 3359 Other (Including Railroad Tax) CHARGES FOR SERVICES	3401-3406 Income from Departments MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES 3501 Sale of Town Property 3502 Interest on Investments 3503-3509 Other INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER	3915 Capital Reserve Fund 3915 Capital Reserve Fund 3916 Trust & Agency Funds TOTAL REVENUES& CREDITS TOTAL REvenues from 7/1/97 through 9/30/97 of \$13.560 00 from Ambulance Reimbursements	BUDGET SUMMARY SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 4) SUBTOTAL 2 Special warrant articles Recommended (page 5) SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" warrant article (from page 5) TOTAL Appropriations Recommended Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above) Amount of Taxes to be Raised

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

OVERDRAFT	6154.65 20.00 85.53	243.18	00.00	8424.78
UNEXPENDED BALANCE 7183.42 1934.28 5053.88 1689.96 9674.83 1818.64 3566.54 50.00 9289.41 5356.37 1872.241 3168.25 6215.02	8204.66 210.00 465.00	263.77	41133.84 345.00 927.71 30.68 600.00	138873.67
ACTUAL EXPENDITURE 62066.58 27195.98 60841.39 10310.04 115325.17 115325.17 115325.17 115325.17 1146.00 25900.60 25900.60 187768.45 99337.69 1426.98 4996.42	357704.79 5250.00 5085.53 51745.34 132702.32 500.00 310.00 9000.00 1300.00	17337.77 2653.00 5236.23 40700.00 2000.00	2025.10 833.33 14072.29 83000.00 10000.00 10000.00 15000.00 15000.00 15000.00 15000.00	1665138.79
TOTAL AMT. AVAILABLE 69250.00 29130.26 66885.27 25000.00 1755000.00 3746.00 41358.00 650.00 35190.01 193124.82 118060.10 17642.00 3100.00	351550.14 2500.00 5000.00 59950.00 132702.00 775.00 819.00 9000.00	17094.59 2653.00 5500.00 40700.00 2000.00	45967.17 5000.00 15000.00 15000.00 12000.00 12000.00 15000.00 15000.00 15000.00 15000.00	1795587.36
RECEIPTS & REIMIB. 160.26 160.27 1106.00 1106.00 5490.01 6924.82 8060.10	460.00	2094.59	30967.17	77155.36
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1995 APPROPRIATIONS 69250.00 28970.00 65705.00 25000.00 125000.00 41358.00 650.00 2900.00 182200.00 119950.00 119950.00		15000.00 2653.00 5500.00 40700.00 2000.00		1718432.00 771
	349510.00 2500.00 59950.00 132702.00 250.00 775.00 8 19.00 90000.00		1,2000.00 str 15000.00 str 15000.00 31000.00 31000.00 12000.00 20000.00 20000.00 20000.00 85 15000.00 40000.00	

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Land and Improvements	\$ 544,000.00
Buildings	3,580,000.00
Machinery, Vehicles and Equipment	487,631.00
Town Land Acquired by Tax Deeds	329,804.00

TOTAL \$4,941,435.00

CURRENT USE REPORT

Category	Acres
Discretionary Easement	7.00
Farm Land	1,400.16
Forest Land	13,010.13
Unproductive Land	16.00
Wet Land	1,204.58

TOTAL ACRES IN CURRENT USE 15,637.87



Many thanks to everyone efforts for the new Skating Rink.

INVENTORY OF TOWN

 Land
 \$ 47,130,912.00

 Buildings
 89,002,615.00

 Electric Plants
 2,323,015.00

 Water Company
 219,700.00

Valuations Before Exemptions 138,676,242.00

Elderly/Blind Exemptions 1,609,600.00

Exempt & Non-Taxable Land xxxxxxxx
Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings xxxxxxxx

Net Valuation Which Tax

Rate is Computed 137,066,642.00

TAX RATE INFORMATION

Net Town Appropriation821,281.00Net School Appropriation4,165,363.00County Tax Assessment343,450.00

\$5,325,039.00

Less War Service Credits 33,100.00

Total Property Tax Commitment 5,244,764.00

TAX RATE

 School
 30.39

 Town
 5.99

 County
 2.47

TOTAL 38.85

APPROPRIATIONS 1997

4130 Executive	\$ 69,250.00
4140 Election, Registration & Vital Statistics 4150 Financial Administration 4153 Legal Expense 4155 Personnel Administration 4191 Planning & Zoning 4194 General Government Buildings 4195 Cemeteries 4196 Insurance	28,970.00 65,705.00 25,000.00 125,000.00 2,640.00 41,358.00 650.00 29,700.00
4210 Police 4215 Ambulance 4220 Fire & Rescue 4240 Building Inspection 4290 Emergency Management	182,200.00 100,000.00 143,250.00 11,950.00 3,100.00
4312 Highways and Streets 4313 Bridges 4316 Street Lighting 4319 Highway & Streets Other	349,510.00 2,500.00 5,000.00 59,950.00
4325 Solid Waste Disposal 4329 Stump Dump	132,702.00 250.00
4411 Health Administration 4414 Pest (Animal) Control 4415 Health Agencies and Hospitals 4419 Other Health Agencies	775.00 819.00 9,000.00 1,300.00
4441 Welfare Officer 4442 Direct Assistance 4444 Welfare-Intergovernmental Pay'ts	400.00 15,000.00 2,653.00
4520 Parks and Recreation 4550 Library 4583 Patriotic Purposes 4589 Band Concerts	5,500.00 40,700.00 2,000.00 2,000.00
4723 Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	15,000.00
4902 Mach, Vehicle, Equip. Buildings	139,600.00
4909 Improvements Other	15,000.00
4915 To Capital Reserve Funds	90,000.00
	\$1,718,432.00
Barnstead Elementary School	\$4,202,712.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1,1997 - December 31,1997

RECEIPTS

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$324,232.00	
Motor Vehicle Titles	1,502.00	
Municipal Agent Fees	10,750.00	
Total Motor Vehicle Receipts		\$336,484.00
State Boat Registration Fees	3,211.50	
Town Boat Permit Fees	1,474.58	
Boat Agent Fees	232.50	
Total Boat Registration Receipts		4,918.58
Dog Licenses	3,937.00	
Dog Fines & Penalties	1,125.00	
Total Dog Receipts		5,062.00
Vital Statistics	1,355.00	
Filing Fees	105.00	
UCC/Tax Lien Filings	1,695.75	
Miscellaneous Fees	336.75	
Total Miscellaneous Fees		3,492.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$349,957.08

PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

Motor Vehicle	\$336,484.00
Boats	4,918.58
Dogs	5,062.00
Miscellaneous Fees	3,492.50

TOTAL PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn M. Foss
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

\$349,957.08

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Tax Accounts Fiscal Year Ended: 12/31/97

TOWN OF BARNSTE	AD1997	Levies of 1996	Prior
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Y Property Taxes Land Use Change T Yield Taxes		602,416.64 2,190.00 4,979.06	429.00
Taxes Committed to During Fiscal Year Property Taxes Land Use Change T Yield Taxes	5,286,262.54		
Added Taxes: Property Taxes	5,378.46	100.00	
Overpayments: Property Taxes Land Use Change T Yield Taxes	7,125.38 ax	204.72	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes	5,082.99	36,639.31	33.00
Penalties Collected o Property Taxes Other Taxes	n 15.00	8,640.50 33.50	
TOTAL DEBITS	5,323,910.92	655,203.73	462.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

TOWN OF BARNSTEAD	1997	Levies of 1996	Prior
Remitted to Treasurer- During Fiscal Year: Property Taxes Land Use Change Tax Yield Taxes	4,760,844.60 2,010.00 12,460.09	598,603.65 2,190.00 4,979.06	429.00
Interest on Taxes	5,082.99	36,639.31	33.00
Cost/Penalties	15.00	8,674.00	
Abatements Allowed: Property Taxes Land Use Change Tax Yield Taxes	3,896.00 1,039.00	4,117.71	
Deeded to Town During Year:	9,422.00		
Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year: Property Taxes Land Use Change Tax Yield Taxes	524,603.78 3,880.00 657.46		
TOTAL CREDITS	5,323,910.92	655,203.73	462.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Tax Lien Accounts Fiscal Year Ended: 12/31/97

TOWN OF BARNSTEAD	=======================================	Levies of-	
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:		1995 165,835.93	Prior 106,449.53
Tax Liens Executed to Town During Fiscal Year:	308,255.86		
Subsequent Taxes Paid:			
Over Payments:	159.13		
Interest Collected After Lien Execution:	3,193.74	13,525.48	35,140.71
Collected Redemption Costs:	1,130.08	856.96	2,421.31
TOTAL DEBITS	312,738.81	180,218.37	144,011.55
Remittance to Treasurer - During Fiscal Year: Redemptions	85,724.24	69,909.62	* * * * * * * 88,326.77
Interest and Costs (After Lien Execution)	4,323.82	14,382.44	37,562.02
Abatement Unredeemed Taxes:	1,759.40	1,652.81	1,541.63
Deeded to Town During Year: (Taxes, Interest & Costs)	10,752.21	10,405.11	8,540.50
Unredeemed Taxes - End of Fiscal Year:	210,179.14	83,868.39	8,040.63
TOTAL CREDITS	312,738.81	180,218.37	144,011.55
Respectfully submitted,	***************************************		
Dawn M. Foss			

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand January 1, 1997	\$ 622,721.06
Received from Tax Collector Received from Town Clerk Selectmen's Receipts Capitol Reserve Trust Funds:	5,732,189.61 349,957.08 378,155.51 104,072.29
George Bunker Trust Sale of Town Property	315.36 10,286.47
FARMINGTON NATIONAL BANK: Tax Anticipation Interest on Money Market Account Interest on Payroll Account Interest on Now Account	500,000.00 6,168.60 2,129.68 4,673.35
FLEET BANK: Interest on Savings Savings CITIZENS BANK:	2,483.84 9.46
Interest on Money Market Credit memo NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL:	28.96 25.00
Interest	15,458.28
TOTAL:	7,728,674.55
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Bank Fees Per Order of Selectmen Payroll Transferred to Trust Funds Tax Anticipation Loan	85.00 6,489,516.33 407,545.90 90,000.00 500,000.00
TOTAL:	7,487,147.23
BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1997	246,372.87
Respectfully Submitted,	

Marjorie J Terry, Treasurer

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To The Members of The Board of Selectmen Town of Barnstead Barnstead, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Barnstead as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

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

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Barnstead has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Barnstead, as of December 31, 1997, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Barnstead. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Paul J Mercier Jr., CPA
The Mercier Group, a professional corporation
February 20,1998

(The entire audit report is available for public inspection at the Selectmen's Office)

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS - 1997

Sources of Revenue

From Local Taxes	128,351.75
From State	237,735.95
From Local Sources, Except Taxes	634,602.30

TOTAL 1,000,690.00

STATEMENT OF REVENUES

TAXES		
3120	Land Use Change Taxes	4,200.00
	Yield Taxes	17,439.15
3190	Interest/Penalties on Del. Taxes	106,712.60
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LICENS	ES, PERMITS & FEES	
3210	UCC Filings	1,695.75
3220	Motor Vehicle Agent Fees	10,750.00
	Motor Vehicle Titles	1,502.00
	Motor Vehicle Registrations	324,232.00
	Boat Tax & Agent Fees	1,707.08
	State Boat Registration Fees	3,211.50
3230	Building Permits	5,692.00
3290	Dog Licenses	3,937.00
	Dog License Penalty	490.00
	Vital Records	1,355.00
	Misc. Revenues	441.75
	Dog Fines	635.00
	Pistol Permits	460.00
	Current Use Fees	216.00
	Annual Cable Franchise	7,163.00
FROM S	STATE	
3319	Extrication Tool Grant	4,500.00
	Speed Control Grant	1,309.32
	Mobile Video Camera Grant	6,665.00
3350	Shared Revenue Block Grant	78,429.65
3353	Highway Block Grant	112,772.10
3359	Rooms & Meals Tax Grant	34,059.88
CHARG	ES FOR SERVICES	
3401	Zoning Board Fees	388.00
	Planning Board Fees	718.00
	Stump Dump Fees	460.00
	Ambulance Fees	13,560.10
	Police Reports	899.00
. 3404	Waste Facility Decals	242.00

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MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	10,286.47		
3502	Interest/Temporary Loans	30,977.17		
3503	Rent of Town Hall	120.00		
3504	Court Fines	2,044.00		
3506	Insurance Adjustments & Refunds	5,490.01		
3507	Reimb BC/BS Retired & Cobra	4,129.73		
3508	Donations to Police Dept	35.00		
3509	Miscellaneous Revenues	6,240.14		
	Damage to Interior Cruiser Fine	665.78		
	Overpayment Police Uniforms	250.00		
	Reimb H. Miner Disability	1,709.24		
	Reimb D. Foss Disability	320.53		
	Reimb J. Yeaton Disability	330.90		
	Reimb BC/Dental/Disability	499.85		
	Reimb State Bosco Bell Bridge	83,314.16		
	Maps, Copies, Ordinances, etc.	991.86		
	Misc. Refunds	1,563.85		
	Reimb Assistance	2,094.59		
	Reimb Witness Fees	821.82		
INTEREL	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER			
3915	Income from Capital Reserve			
0010	Purchase Cruiser	15,000.00		
	Purchase Wheel Loader	75,000.00		
	Hartshorn Rd. Bridge	14,072.29		
3916	Income From Trust Funds	,		
	George Bunker Trust	315.36		
OTHER REVENUES				
OTTILITY	Property Tax Delinquent	599,032.65		
	Tax Liens Receivable	243,960.63		
	Property Tax Current Yr	4,760,844.60		
	Tax Anticipation Loans	500,000.00		
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TOTAL REVENUES		7,105,953.51		

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

General G	overnment	
4130	Executive	62,066.58
4140	Election, Registration & Vital Stats	27,195.98
	Financial Administration	60,841.39
4150		
4153	Legal Expense	10,310.04
4155	Personnel Administration	115,325.17
4191	Planning & Zoning	1,927.36
4194	General Government Buildings	37,791.46
4195	Cemeteries	600.00
4196	Insurance	25,900.60
Public Sa	fety ·	
4210	Police	187,768.45
4215	Ambulance	99,337.69
4220	Fire & Rescue	140,081.75
4240	Building Inspection	11,426.98
4290	Emergency Management	4,996.42
	(Civil Defense & Forest Fire)	,
Highways	s, Streets & Bridges	
4311	HSB Administration	2,891.86
4312	Highways & Streets	354,812.93
4313	Bridges	2,520.00
4316	Street Lighting	5,085.53
4319	Highway Other	51,745.34
4313	riigiiway Otilei	31,743.54
Sanitation	ו	
4325	Solid Waste Disposal	132,702.32
4329	Stump Dump	500.00
Health		
4444	Use the Admit State of the	210.00
4411	Health Administration	310.00
4414	Pest (Animal) Control	819.00
4415	Health Agencies	9,000.00
4419	Other Health Agencies	1,300.00
Welfare		
4441	Welfare Officer	400.00
4442	Direct Assistance	17,337.77
4442		2,653.00
4444	Intergovernmental Pmts (CAP)	2,055.00

Culture & Recreation

4520 4550 4583 4589	Parks & Recreation Library Patriotic Purposes Band Concerts	5,236.23 40,700.00 2,000.00 2,025.00
Debt Ser	vice	
4723	Interest on TAN	4,833.33
Capital O	utlay	
4902	Purchase New Cruiser Purchase Hyd. Extrication Tool Purchase Front End Loader Purchase Video Camera/Radar Purchase Boat Motor Trailer	30,969.32 11,400.00 83,000.00 8,255.00 5,000.00
4909	Hartshorn Rd. Bridge Reconstruction	14,072.29
	g Transfers Out al Reserve Funds	
4915	Hwy Dept Heavy Equip Cap Res Police Cruiser Cap Res Library Construction Cap Res Fire Truck Cap Res Library Collection Dev Cap Res	20,000.00 10,000.00 15,000.00 40,000.00 5,000.00
Liabilities		1,665,138.79
2020	Refund for Abatements Refund for Overpayment Taxes Refund for Overpayment Misc. Treasurer State of NH Vitals State of NH MV Dog Licenses/Animal Population Waste Facility Decals Other Misc Liabilities Taxes Bought by Town	3,951.81 7,959.40 211.50 1,247.00 3,211.50 1,860.00 121.00 5,361.95 308,255.86
2070	Belknap County Tax	343,450.00
2075	Barnstead School District TAN Conservation Comm RSA 79A Bosco Bell Bridge Bal. Fire Truck Approp.	4,073,766.00 500,000.00 770.00 104,142.70 121,668.91
TOTAL L	IABILITIES	7,141,116.42

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

GENE	RAL GOVERNME	:NT
4130	EXECUTIVE OFF	ICE
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4130 EXECUTIVE OFFICE	
William A Gosse	2,500.00
John G Cotton	2,500.00
James S Jennis	2,500.00
William A Gosse, expenses	350.00
John G Cotton, expenses	350.00
James S Jennis, expenses	350.00
Union Telephone, Fax	1,914.44
Belknap County Registry of Deeds	1,492.67
GCC Real Estate Information	3,540.00
Northeast Pub. Group, Grants Hotline Sub.	262.89
New England Business Service	97.59
Richard L Golden, Safety Director	240.00
Suncook Valley Sun Inc.	725.50
NH Local Welfare Adm. Assoc. Dues	25.00
Pittsfield Printing	76.65
NHMA, dues, handbooks, conference	1,336.66
Fired Up, Handbook	17.45
Michie Butterworth	383.95
NH Assoc. Assessing Officials	20.00
Sam's Club Direct	357.00
NHGFOA	50.00
Nighswander Martin & Mitchell	15.00
White Ribbon Springwater	325.25
Eleanor Drew, reimb mileage, supplies	189.50
Postmaster, box rental	168.00
M.J. Terry, reimb. Christmas	11.54
Eleanor B Drew, Office Manager	22,999.60
Susan L Barnard, Selectmen's Secretary	5,516.90
Karen Montgomery, Clerical	8,797.50
Shelley J Charron, Budget Committee Sec.	250.00
Child Evang. Fellowship NH Sympathy L. Golder	n 50.00
Susan Barnard, reimb. supplies	22.49
NH Municipal Secretary Assoc.	50.00
LHS Associates inc.	24.20
Conway Office Products Inc.	53.76
CPI Printing Service	95.42
Bob's Quick Print	74.88
Viking Office Products	1111.00
Morley Company .	60.55
Maxfields True Value	40.34
Central Paper Products	255.00

CTS James Jennis, reimb. supplies J P Cooke Co. Philatelic Fulfillment Serv. Selectmens Env. Danis & Huot Enterprises Richard L Golden, Moderator Alton Printing Earl B Clark Unit 42 ALA Edward Kelley	55.14 51.84 119.24 375.40 420.88 125.00 1,447.00 121.35 150.00
TOTAL	\$62,066.58
4140 ELECTION & REGISTRATION	
Cynthia L Treadwell, Deputy Town Clerk	9,268.90
Dawn M Foss, Town Clerk	11,778.62
Dawn Foss, reimb. mileage, law book	100.78
NH City & Town Clerks Assoc.	40.00
Red Jacket Motor Inn	220.14
NHMA	30.00
Cynthia Treadwell, reimb. mileage	19.14
Union Telephone	422.15
Brown's River Bindery Inc.	1,700.00
Suncook Valley Sun	168.00
Pittsfield Printing	35.00
State of NH Treasurer	56.75
Postmaster	279.46
LHS Associates	454.50
Capitol Offset Co.	135.54
Elaine Tedcastle Philatelic Fulfillment Serv. Stamped Envs.	50.00 88 7 .00
Roland Bunker	50.00
Document Security Inc.	500.00
D. Ann Carr	100.00
Louise Vick	100.00
Audrey Tarbox	100.00
Frances Eastman	200.00
Kenneth Lane	100.00
Judith Forsyth	200.00
Marjorie J Terry	200.00

\$27,195.98

TOTAL

	4150 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	
	Karen Montgomery, Treas. Trust Funds	200.00
	Postage	2,096.15
	CTS Incorporated	150.00
	Conway Office Products	2,253.88
	Sam's Club	49.99
	The Mercier Group	4,400.00
	State of NH Treasurer	25.00
	Cynthia Treadwell, reimb. mileage	29.00
	Cartographic Associates	5,816.50
	Danis & Huot Entrps. Tax Bill Stuffers	581.63
	Cynthia Treadwell	9,268.90
	Dawn Foss	11,778.62
	NH Tax Collectors Assoc.	55.00
		70.10
	Dawn Foss, reimb. mileage Philatelic Fulfillment Service	2,311.20
	The Morely Co.	125.74
	NE Reg. Tax Collector & Treas. Assoc.	700.00 460.20
	Union Telephone	
	Staples	111.98
	Mary Corliss, Deputy Treasurer	13.50
	Marjorie J Terry	10,000.00
	BDS, Computer Sys. & Supp. Hrdwr. Maint.	9,838.50
	Obis Co.	386.40
	Central Paper	119.10
	TOTAL	\$60,841.39
	4153 JUDICIAL & LEGAL	7 500 75
	Daniel D Crean	7,503.75
	NH Electric Co-op	396.13
	CFX Mortgage	602.12
	Geico Ins.	101.75
	Rod Gagne & Dan Maltais	1,706.29
	TOTAL	\$10,310.04
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	4155 PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	40.740.54
	NHMA Insurance Trust BC/BS	46,743.51
	Emp. Firefighters Retirement	2,718.23
	Standard Insurance Co.	3,983.45
	NHMA Insurance Trust Dental	4,627.23
	Emp Social Security	25,939.03

Emp Medicare	8,345.00
Emp Police Retirement	2,942.55
Emp Employees Retirement	6,535.35
Emp Highway Retire./Town Portion	
	1,040.00
Compensation Funds of NH Unemployment	3,551.89
Compensation Funds of NH Workers Comp.	8,898.93
TOTAL	\$115,325.17
4191 PLANNING & ZONING	
Diane Wood	941.25
Suncook Valley Sun	754.88
Postmaster	211.27
William Evans, reimb tape recorder	19.96
TOTAL	\$1,927.36
4194 GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	
Public Service of NH	
Town Hall	2,383.11
Library	2,031.36
Police Dept.	2,137.29
Town Shed	1,793.18
Parade	183.98
Rear of Police Dept.	203.19
Johnson & Dix Fuel Corp.	
Town Hall	1,792.40
Library	1,189.08
Police Dept.	486.79
Town Shed	1,123.31
Bradford Sargent	6,200.00
Michelle Treadwell	225.00
Nick Rott	647.57
Wheeler Security Systems	4,600.00
Randall Telecommunication	2,728.53
Gosse Septic Service	100.00
A&B Locksmith	143.75
Home Depot	335.11
Genest Carpentry	4,212.00
BFI Inc.	1,238.40
Brian White	1,054.00
Maxfield's True Value	201.78

1,417.12

E&R Electric

State of NH Treas. Fire Guard of NH Laurent Overhead Door Maintenance Warehouse Laconia Electric Supply Blow Brothers Eleanor Drew, reimb. cleaning supp. blinds Sam's Club Troop #43 BSA	85.00 182.40 244.50 144.19 94.96 236.00 67.70 27.96 50.00
Central Paper Products	231.80
TOTAL	\$37,791.46
4195 CEMETERIES	
Stuart Merrill	564.00
Mower repairs/gas	36.00
TOTAL	\$600.00
4196 INSURANCE	
Ossipee Insurance Agency	
Municipality Pkg.	11,167.00
Automobile	8,398.00
Law Enforcement Liability	2,740.74
Public Officials Liability	2,407.86
Public Officials Bond	1,187.00
TOTAL	\$25,900.60
DUBLIC CAFETY	
PUBLIC SAFETY 4210 POLICE DEPARTMENT	
Paula Oberg	5,328.00
James Barnard	28,684.16
Patricia Heald	8,285.50
Joseph Collins	34,243.72
Richard Bolduc	38,219.90
Seldon Nason Jr.	1,948.90
Paul Paquette	28,752.36
Robert Patterson .	144.31
Robert Tibbetts Jr.	167.58
Loren Ackerman	2,356.93

Barbara Burbank	7,200.00
AT&T	65.00
Bell Atlantic	598.77
Union Telephone	3,888.29
Airtouch Paging	393.15
Xerox Corp	323.00
American Data	448.76
Business Equipment Depot	466.80
Barnstead Information Services	45.00
Sam's Club Direct	169.99
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	913.34
Kustom Signals	3,207.50
Maxfields True Value	237.08
Loren Ackerman	100.00
Fire Guard of NH	20.00
Cybertron Inc.	4,041.38
J&J Printing	276.17
NH Bar Assoc.	30.00
Patricia Heald, reimb mileage, postage scale	252.00
Viking Office Products	31.38
The Morley Co.	2.96
Suncook Sun	30.00
NH Law Library	9.80
James Barnard, reimb. keys, postage, boots	228.15
NH Police Association	29.00
Postmaster	244.03
State of NH, Treasurer	5,001.54
Lawyer's Diary & Manual	210.00
Michie Butterworth	160.97
Concord Hospital	25.00
Alpha Color	370.07
Personal Defense Institute	104.15
Mountains General Store	8.86
Tri State Police	460.00
Piches Ski & Sport Shops	176.00
Casco International	196.35
St. George Auto Body & Repair	586.23
Richard Sherburne Inc.	354.00
Skillpath Seminars	69.00
Information Management Corp.	200.00
Bullseye Shooting Ranges	90.00
Four K's Inc	45.00
Sanel Auto Parts	238.88
Ben's Uniforms	1,575.50
Galls	50.96

Sgt, James Gaudet	10.00
Max A Peck	227.00
NH Chiefs of Police	25.00
Paul King Auto Repairs	704.33
Irwin Motors	1,774.39
Kidders Repair Service	664.21
Sargents Garage	1,150.70
Countryside Repairs	336.10
Staples	40.48
Goodyear Auto Service	1,214.00
Paula Oberg, reimb computer material	26.95
RTZ's Auto	75.00
Quill Co.	22.80
DPW Associates	62.00
Alvah Robinson	100.00
Bosco Bell	30.07
50300 5011	33.37
TOTAL	\$187,768.45
4215 AMBULANCE	
Wellington P Bartels IV	18,984.86
Brian D Tedcastle	12,191.94
James S Lapolla	11,598.82
David A French	10,148.02
Jeffrey L Leduc	5,349.75
John L Drew Jr.	5,202.69
Katharine M P Coolidge	5,184.41
William J Shea	4,024.11
Richard M Gagne	3,775.92
Ryan Ouellette	1,830.89
David A Dumas	1,716.17
Robert L Emory	1,713.20
Kurt O Flynn	1,540.51
Matthew T Johnson	1,124.65
Donna M Morse	755.25
Jacqueline Gardner	618.36
Thomas O'Flaherty	512.55
Michael S Johansson	357.50
Richard A Gilmore	339.68
Bethany A Poole	225.06
Robert M Panit	155.55
James A Clough .	135.58
Rhonda L Roy	109.02
	77.00

75.08

John T McAuliffe

Rachel H Divers	21.45
Christopher J Johnson	15.30
National Registry of Emergency	28.00
Raphaels	1,124.80
Ossipee Mtn. Electronics	5,818.20
Bound Tree Corp	954.44
Industrial Safety	166.08
Moore Medical Corp	1,124.11
Susan Barnard, reimb Express mail	10.75
Physio-Control Corp	160.00
Barnstead Fire/Rescue reimb diesel fuel	500.00
Joe Kings Shoestore	600.00
Embroidery Plus	390.00
Jeff Leduc reimb uniform patches	30.00
Conway Associates	125.00
Wellington Bartels reimb copier	599.99
TOTAL	\$99,337.69
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4220 FIRE DEPARTMENT	
1997 Appropriation	127,250.00
Jessica P Clough, admin. sec.	231.75
George R Krause II	1,000.00
Rodney T Boyd	600.00
Shawn A Mulcahy	600.00
Nicholas C Rott	600.00
John K Drew Jr	500.00
David F Murley	500.00
Roscoe W Tasker II	500.00
Paul E Doucette Jr.	400.00
Kerry Guptill	400.00
Wellington P Bartels IV	300.00
Brian D Tedcastle	300.00
Robert L Emory	300.00
Kurt O Flynn	300.00
Bethany A Poole	300.00
Ronald N Verville	300.00
Peter D Louden	300.00
Brian Wittenberg	300.00
Tania Doucette	300.00
Stephen L Jones	300.00
Timothy V Smith	300.00
Gail J Tasker	300.00
Roscoe W Tasker	300.00

300.00

Norman N Tuttle

Kevin P Enright			300.00
Steven R Piaseczny			300.00
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Mark T Fraser			300.00
Stacy L Mulcahy			300.00
Jason R Leavitt			300.00
C Peter James			300.00
Charles W Roffo			300.00
Katherine M Randall			300.00
John R Ravell			300.00
Ernest Severino			300.00
			300.00
Paul King			300.00
TOTAL	•		\$140,081.75
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4240 BUILDING INSPEC	CTION		
			9,999.60
Paul Richardson			•
Paul Richardson, reimb	. mileage		589.72
Union Telephone			333.66
Paul Richardson reimb	conference		40.00
Boca International			227.00
National Fire Protection	n Assoc.		95.00
Postage			142.00
TOTAL			\$11,426.98
4290 EMERGENCY MA	NAGEMENT		
State of NH Treasurer			100.00
Forest Fires			4,896.42
TOTAL			\$4,996.42
4311/4312/4313 HIGH			
	Gross	Equipment	
Harold Miner Sr.	33,520.70	1,140.00	34,660.70
George L Smith	28,859.43	427.50	29,286.93
James Horan	2,165.00	-0-	2,165.00
Paul Davis	3,505.25	27,679.00	31,184.25
John Yeaton	.,	,	14,759.87
Raymond Welch			12,469.32
Dennis Miner			28,744.42
			12,282.88
Robert J Eastman			•
Michael F Tasker			4,657.52

Michael Tebbetts	29,039.77
George Forsyth	275.00
Russell Emerson	910.00
William Bergeron	990.00
Kerry Locke	3,796.24
Marjorie Miner	2,500.00
Howard Welch	1,620.00
Union Telephone	366.86
E.W. Sleeper	3,575.00
Stevens Construction	8,503.00
Bronnenberg Log/Trucking	4,039.50
Concord Sand & Gravel	1,385.44
Jordan Equipment	201.24
JAF Industries	2,821.01
Pike Industries	6,152.56
Continental Paving	54,613.59
Vermont Chloride	6,013.15
Bruce Dolliver	500.00
Larry's Sales & Service	94.50
Bert Morse	1,840.00
Don's Tree Service	1,000.00
Northeast Earth Mechanics	29,337.50
Timothy Drew	40.00
Claremont Chemicals	179.81
Cohen Steel	1,308.59
State of NH Treas.	2,500.00
Eastern Bearings	1,611.42
J&B Sales of Lee	980.00
Erla Construction	1,000.00
Roy Sargent	6,932.00
Akzo Nobel Salt	3,380.93
Timco	197.12
Brian White	4,167.90
Everett J. Prescott	810.00
NH Good Roads Assoc	25.00
Southworth Milton	1,400.00
Neenah Foundry	236.45
Marjorie Miner	80.00
W A Gosse Septic	345.00
Barnstead Used Auto Parts	200.00
RAT Enterprises	225.00
Gordon Enterprises	960.00
Smitty's Welding	87.50
Sanel Auto Parts	20.47
Cargill Inc - Salt Div	1,232.35

Highway Steel	2,520.00
TOTAL	\$360,224.79
4316 STREET LIGHTING	\$5,085.53
4319 HIGHWAY OTHER	
Sam's Direct	2,133.79
Memphis Equipment	834.95
Sanel Auto Parts	4,855.39
Johnson & Dix	1,000.00
No Lead	1,400.03
Diesel	12,588.96
A.K. Davis & Sons	108.00
E.W. Sleeper	1,844.95
Alstart	350.00
Tires Incorporated	4,593.85
McKenzie Welding	1,589.00
Glass Crafters	104.00
Davis Machine	85.00
Larry's Sales & Service	511.85
Cohen Steel	112.34
Maxfields True Value	247.62
Grappone Auto Jct	525.89
Drolet's Sheet Metal	10.00
KAR Products	226.29
Harry Stoller & Co.	37.75
Lily Pond Communications Industrial Rebuildres	91.00
State Bolt & Supply	295.00
Merriam Graves	601.77
Barton Lumber	991.27
Maine Oxy	15.88
Donbeck Sales	46.00 269.00
Claremont Chemicals	362.88
Clarks Grain Store	73.90
Steve's Sportsmen's Den	42.99
Carparts Distribution Center	340.14
Karen Gosse	875.00
Timothy Drew	85.00
New England Barricade	200.24
Countryside Repair Service	586.40
Southworth Milton .	826.33
Jordan Equipment Co.	1,118.30
Howard Fairfield Inc.	4,602.05

Eastern New England Hydraulic Chadwick BaRoss Inc. Cronatron Welding Systems Donovan Spring Rochester Radiator Loren Eastman ATCO International B-B Chain NAPA Auto Parts KAR Products Patsys GMC South Pittsfield Repairs Lakes Fuel Injection G.A.T. Autoworks Johnson & Martin	570.00 113.07 199.83 1,792.87 155.00 250.00 195.30 1,739.15 173.46 85.61 199.50 2,194.06 89.08 42.60 200.00
State of NH Treasurer	163.00
TOTAL	\$51,745.34
4325 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL B.C.E.P. Solid Waste District	\$132,702.32
4329 OTHER WASTE DISPOSAL James Williams, stump dump Paul Davis, push-over stump dump TOTAL	250.00 250.00 \$500.00
HEALTH & WELFARE 4411 HEALTH ADMINISTRATION Paul A Golden, Health Officer Paul A Golden, expenses Waste Inc	200.00 75.00 35.00
TOTAL	\$310.00
4414 ANIMAL CONTROL Humane Society	\$819.00
4415-4419 OTHER HEALTH AGENCIES Lakes Region Health & Hospice	9,000.00

300.00

Lakes Region Community Service Council

New Beginnings Womens Crisis	1,000.00
TOTAL	\$10,300.00
4441-4444 WELFARE	
Paul A Golden, Salary	400.00
Direct Assistance	17,337.77
Community Action Program	2,653.00
TOTAL	\$20,390.77
4520 PARKS & RECREATION	
Jennifer Bartels, attendant	1,086.00
NH Recreation & Parks Assoc	20.00
Home Depot	1,558.63
Blow Bros	160.00
Michael Trefry	98.06
KWIK Kopy Printing	33.30
Saymore Trophy	53.00
Donovan Spring Co	62.50
Spector Textile Products	213.00
MaryJane Dascoli	41.80
Union Telephone	21.82
Surplus Office Equipment	410.00
Clarks Grain Store	99.00
Robert Eastman	92.00
Roy Sargent	161.00
Citizen Publishing	59.00
Seamans Supply Co	1067.12
TOTAL	\$5,236.23
4550 OSCAR FOSS MEMORIAL LIBRARY	
Susan Conrad	17,141.02
Bonita Brannigan	9,672.60
Mary Thorne	115.50
Susan Giana	650.00
Karen Mountain	198.00
Appropriation	12,804.63
Deborah Randall	118.25
TOTAL	\$40,700.00
4583 PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	
Appropriation	\$2,000.00

4589 BAND CONCERTS	
The Buskers	325.00
Robert Lind, Strummers Concert	200.00
Epsom Band	300.00
The Nevers Band	500.00
2nd Wind Bluegrass Band	500.00
Concord Chapter SPESQSA	200.00
TOTAL	\$2,025.00
4723 DEBT SERVICE	
Interest Tax Anticipation Loan	\$4,833.33
4902-4909 CAPITOL OUTLAY	
Purchase New Cruiser	30,969.32
Purchase Hyd. Extrication Tool	11,400.00
Purchase Video Camera/Radar	8,255.00
Purchase Boat Motor Trailer	5,000.00
Purchase Front End Loader	83,000.00
Hartshorn Rd Bridge Reconstruction	14,072.29
TOTAL	\$152,696.61
4915 TO CAPITOL RESERVE FUNDS	
Hwy Dept Heavy Equipment Fund	20,000.00
Police Cruiser	10,000.00
Library Construction	15,000.00
Fire Truck	40,000.00
Library Collection Dev Trust	5000.00
TOTAL	\$90,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,665,138.79
LIABILITIES	
Refund for Abatements	3,951.81
Refund for Overpayments	7,959.40
Refund for Miscellaneous	211.50
State of NHMV	3,211.50
Dog License/Animal Population	1,860.00
Treasurer State of NH Vitals	1,247.00
Waste Decals	121.00
Taxes Bought by Town	308,255.86
County Tax	343,450.00
Barnstead Elementary School	4,073,766.00

TAN	500,000.00
Other Misc. Liabilities	5,361.95
Conservation Comm. RSA 79A	770.00
Bosco Bell Bridge	104,142.70
Bal. Fire Truck	121,668.91

GRAND TOTAL

\$7,141,116.42

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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE CITY OR TOWN OF BARNSTEAD, N.H. ON DECEMBER 31, 1997

Total Ending Balances	o'	95,554.43	83,025.49	2,777.25	16,953.92	24,317.96	(333.14) 24,294.75 134,294.75	8,427.92	49,220.93	64,035.04	40,000.00	5,005.93	7,467.64	20,540.48	551,621.74
Balance Year End	o	0.00 17,889.43	0.00 32,451.26	0.00 1,277.25	o o	0.00 4,317.96	24,294.75	927.92	o	4,035.04	¢	5.93	467.64	540.48	16,207.66
Total Expenses	21337.68)	0.00	0.00	00.0	(2624.92)	0.00	(333.14)	00.0	(7962.52)	0.00		ó	¢	o,	2,258.26) E
Regular Expenses	(976.14) (21337.68)	4.57	(487.35)	0.00	3.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		o,	¢	o,	1,455.12) (3
Income	2,433.15	3,975.54	5,035.03	144.89	800.49	1,183.60	7,505.45	476.97	1,962.33	3,073.60	¢	5.93	467.64	540.48	27,605.10 (1,455.12)(32,258.26) 86,207.66 551,621.74
Beginning Balance	19,880.67	13,909.32	27,903.58	1,132.36	1,820.63	3,134.36	17,122.44	450.95	6,000.19	961.44	o o	o	o,	o-	92,315.94
Balance Year End	¢	77,665.00		1,500.00	16,953.92	20,000.00	10,000.00	7,500.00	49,220.93	60,000,00	40,000.00	5,000.00	7,000.00	20,000.00	465,414.08
Gains or Loses Sales	(24,325.00)		(14,072.29)		12,375.08)		•		21,374.80}				13,000.00)		
New Funds Created & Additions To Funds	~	15,000.00	_		10,000.00 (12,375.08)				20,000.00 (21,374.80)		40,000.00	5,000.00	20,000.00 (13,000.00)	20,000.00	420,561.25 130000.00 (85147.17)
Beginning	24,325.00	62,665.00	64,646.52	1,500.00	19,329.00	20,000.00	10,000.00	7,500.00	50,595.73	60,000,00	o o	ó	o o	oʻ	120,561.25
How Inves.	CD	CD	CD	00	CD	0	CD	00	CD	0	CD	<u>d</u>	Ы	ط	4
Purpose of Trust Fund 1	Grader	Lib. Con.	Bridge	Welch Bri	Pol. Crus.	New Tnhl	BBell Brdg	School Fnd	Hvy Equip	F & Rescue	Fire Truck	Lib. Dev.	School-Disab.	School-G&T	
Date Name of Trust Fund of	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	Town of Barnstead	
Date	1971	1984	1984	1985	1988	1993	1990	1995	1995	1995	. 1997	. 1997	1997	1997	TOTAL

IP = NH Public Deposit Investment Pool

Report of The Common Trust Fund Investments of the City or Town of Barnstead, NH on December 31, 1997

Grand Total Year End	35,997.68 3,347.63 45,610.94 3,050.00 1,071.09 2,851.26	91,928.60
Balance End Year	2,847.95 297.63 155.94 0.00 719.93 1,851.26	5,872.71
Expended During Year	2,087.03 148.72 2,427.34 163.78 0.00	4,826.87
Income	2,108.36 159.67 2,440.93 163.78 55.88	5,077.37
Beginning Balance	2,826.62 286.68 142.35 0.00 664.05 1,702.51	5,622.21
Balance Year End	33,149.73 3,050.00 45,455.00 3,050.00 351.16 1,000.00	86,055.89
New Funds Created		
Beginning Balance	33,149.73 3,050.00 45,455.00 3,050.00 3,050.00 1,000.00	86,055.89
How Invested	194848 194945 143886 1127 0875	
Purpose of Trust	iank #3340-4 iank #3340-6 iank #3340-6 iank #3340-56 iank #3340-56 iank #3340-56	
Date of Name of Trust Creation	Comm. Fund #1-Citizens Bank #3340-494848 Comm. Fund #2-Citizens Bank #3340-494945 Comm. Fund #3-Citizens Bank #3340-643886 Comm. Fund #4-Bank of NH #1700654127 Vet. Memorial-Citizens Bank #3340-560875 Morrison Fund-Citizens Bank #3340-560867	TOTALS

REPORT OF BARNSTEAD HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The winter of 1997 came early and stayed. The Town crew were kept busy plowing and sanding during and after winter storms and then salting after freezing rain storms.

The Highway crew was very busy this Spring due to high water. They put in a 36"x 40' culvert on New Road and a 30"x 40' culvert on Gray Road, plus several smaller culverts where needed.

They hauled crushed gravel and graded all the dirt roads, put down cold patch on tar roads, cut brush and dead trees along the sides of the road. They cleaned out culverts that were plugged up by beavers.

The Town crew put in a catch basin and culvert on Colony Drive. All of Colony Drive was overlaid with new pavement.

Half of Parade Road was overlaid with new pavement. Approximately 1 mile on White Oak Road was overlaid with new pavement.

The Town crew shimmed several hundred feet on Parade Hill with the Grader and Roller.

They put over 20 tons of magnesium chloride on the dirt roads, trying to keep the dust down.

The Town crew hauled and screened 7000 yards of winter sand. The screening was done by the Towns own screener (built by Brian White). The sand came from Roy Sargent's sand pit.

The crew cut trees and brush and widened the Hartshorn Road (off Gray Road) and put in a 16' \times 30' Bridge with railings. The rebar and cement was done by Clinton Lank.

I want to give thanks to the snowplow drivers for responding to those early morning calls and to my Highway crew for a busy and productive year.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold A. Miner Sr. Road Agent

BARNSTEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT

For the eighth year in a row the Gold Circle Partnership Achievement Award was presented to the Barnstead Elementary School and the Barnstead Police Department for 1997. This department continues to work with the school in an educational partnership for the betterment of the entire community.

Officer Paul Paquette successfully completed the full time Police Academy.

Your Department wrote several grants to the New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency. The grants were for two radars to assist us in speed enforcement, an in- cruiser video system, a "Jaws of Life" tool to assist the Fire Department with motor vehicle accidents, and a grant for additional hours of speed enforcement. All of the department's cruisers are now fully equipped with both a camera and a radar unit. Collectively, we were able to save the community more than \$15,000.00 this year through successful grant applications.

The Barnstead Police Department would like to thank the area departments as well as the New Hampshire State Police for their assistance in the past year.

We continue to hope that our intensive efforts in speed enforcement will eventually reduce the number of motor vehicle accidents and make our streets safer for the entire community. We ask for your support.

Respectfully Submitted,

James A. Barnard Chief of Police

POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

James A. Barnard - Chief of Police Richard R. Bolduc - Sergeant Joseph M. Collins - Patrolman Paul O. Paquette - Patrolman

Part-Time Officers
Loren J. Ackerman
Seldon E. Nason
Sean P. Sweeney
Barbara E. Burbank, Prosecutor

Part-Time Support Patricia A. Heald, Secretary

ACTIVITY REPORT

CALLS FOR SERVICE:

911 Calls	49	Fraud/Bad Checks	26
Accidents	23	Harassment	30
Accidents M/V	69	Lost & found	24
Aid To Dept.	211	Mental	2
Aid To Person	229	Miscellaneous	61
Alarm	67	Missing Person	8
Animal	232	M/V Complaints	132
Assault	15	Narcotics	2
Bad Checks	27	Pawn	1
Burglary	15	Property Checks	83
Civil	64	Stalking	3
Criminal Mischief	32	Subpoena's	20
Criminal Threatening	7	Suspicion	54
Deaths	3	Theft	50
Disorderly Conduct	34	Trespass	29
Domestics	48	Weapons	4
DWI (see Arrests)		Juveniles	35
Fires	11		

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE: 1700

ARRESTS:

Arrest, Resisting	5	DWI	23
Bad Check	2	Felon Poss. Weapon	1
Bail Jumping	1	Fugitive	1
Conduct After AC	2	Intoxicated Subject	9
Criminal Mischief	6	Possess of Alcohol	43
Criminal Threat	4	Prohibited Sales	5
Disorderly Conduct	3	Possess of Drugs	5
Disobey An Officer	2	Reckless Operation	2
Destruction of Prop	0	Sexual Assault	1
D.V. Petition Served	2	Shooting in Comp Arr	1
Domestic Disturb	1	Simple Assault	11
Domestic Violation	1	Theft	3
Driving After Susp	10	Violation of P/O	4
Drugs	2	Warrants (Other Dept)	7

TOTAL ARRESTS: 157

M/V Summons	171
M/V Warnings	663
OHRV Summons	3
Pistol Permits	39

REPORT OF THE OSCAR FOSS MEMORIAL LIBRARY -1997-

The Library continues to provide diversified programs for the public. Candidates Night was held in the winter. Pre-school story hours were held in the spring and fall. The Barnstead and Alton libraries combined their efforts along with "New Beginnings" a Laconia-based crisis center, which provided a story-time with books geared to help children deal with their anger. Two quilt classes were held in the spring and the Country Quilters Guild continues to meet at the library. The Book Discussion Group meets once a month and would love to have you join at any time.

We also had another very successful summer reading program with 37 children participating in the CHILIS statewide program called "Take us to your Readers". Reading certificates and awards were presented in August at a great program called Kid Pop! The program was mostly funded by a grant the library wrote to the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts.

A few statistics for the year. Over 700 acquisitions were added this year. In an effort to meet the needs of the public, we added many new audio books and the result was that circulation in the audio books went from 656 in 1996 to 1240 in 1997. Our circulation for the year was 19,094. 3,000 more than 1996 and the highest ever, and to think, only 10 years ago in 1987 the circulation figure was 8,700!

The Friends of the Library have helped us out again by working on fund-raising projects which help to buy some of the "extra" items for the library. One of the things the Friends purchased for the library this year was a family pass to the Christa McAuliffe Planetarium. The Mother's Day plant sale was once again very successful and the Thanksgiving pie sale was a sell-out in spite of a terrible snow storm! The Friends tried out a couple of new programs this year. First a perennial swap was held in the fall. It was a small group who attended, but a VERY enthusiastic group! We hope to try it again next year. The Friends also had a table at the Barnstead Elementary School's Autumn Crafters Fair. This was a great success for the Friends and they look forward to doing it again next year! Once again, we are all extremely grateful to the Friends of the Barnstead Library for all their continued support!

Two new interior changes were made this year. One was noticed by many because it required some adjustment on their part and the other might not have been noticed at all. First the OLD card catalog was replaced with the computer! Patrons are adjusting rather well to the idea of looking up a book on-line, but it was a bitter-sweet conversion for some.

The unnoticed addition was the replacement of many of the adult non-fiction bookshelves. Because they were done so well and blended in beautifully, we're sure they were not noticed by many..but the staff just LOVES the fact that these shelves are adjustable. The back parking lot is being used by many. The Board of Trustees have encouraged patrons to park there as a safety factor for people getting in and out of their cars rather than on the busy street. A new sign has been made designating the parking in the rear of the library.

In March we regretfully accepted the resignation of Richard L. Golden from the Board of Trustees. Richard has been an avid library supporter exhibited by the fact that he served on the Board of Trustees for 31 years! He was recognized at Town Meeting with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Board of Selectmen and the New Hampshire Library Trustees Association. In April, an Open House was held for Richard at the Library and the staff and Board of Trustees presented him with an oak mantel clock inscribed with thanks for all his years of hard work and dedication. Thank you Richard!!!

Our most exciting news is that we now have an official Building Additions Committee! The first meeting of the committee was held in May and lots of progress has been made. Sub-committees and officers have been established. A survey has been published to find out what the public would like to see in an expansion. Area library visits have been scheduled to see what other additions look like and guests have been invited to our meetings to discuss their building projects. Fund-raising has begun in earnest with the kick-off being a "one-of-a-kind" bird feeder, locally made and stenciled with the library's logo. They are truly "one-ofa-kind" because each one has a number burned in the bottom and in the spring one number will be drawn and the lucky winner will receive a birdhouse. The BIG fund-raiser will be held July 4th, so mark your calendars now. An auction of new goods, and certificates of service will be sponsored by the Building Additions Committee along with food and much, much more. This may be the beginning of the "old-fashioned" July 4th celebration coming back to Barnstead! The Building Additions Committee is working very hard toward the progression of a new and expanded Oscar Foss Memorial Library and we ask for your support and help to make this possible.

This is year 14 for me at the library and Bonnie Brannigan continues as Library Assistant. Our Board of Trustees, Donna Gosse, Suzanne Allison and Nancy Hough, as well as the staff, encourage you to stop by and see what YOUR library is all about!

Respectfully submitted,

Susan T. Conrad, Library Director

OSCAR FOSS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Center Barnstead, N.H. 03225

Report for year ending December 31, 1997.

RECEIPTS:

Balance brought forward, Jan. 1, 1997	\$ 7,248.37
Town Appropriation*	13,045.09
Trust Fund	301.00
Gifts, Fines, Memorials, Donations, etc	3,154.21
Interest	201.92
Copier	253.00
Grant	131.25

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$24,334.84

EXPENDITURES:

Books	\$ 8,222.59
Administration	773.21
Maintenance	581.95
Copier	111.97
Librarian's Materials	182.50
Miscellaneous	1,557.76
Professional Development	192.66
Periodicals	579.39
Outreach	294.70
Major Equipment & Furnishings	2,389.97
Telephone	672.98

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$15,559.68

TOTAL BALANCE ON HAND, JANUARY 1	١,	1998	\$ 8,775.16
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Respectfully submitted,

Donna Gosse Nancy Hough Suzanne Allison BOARD OF TRUSTEES

^{*}For salary figures see Town Report DETAIL STATEMENT under the heading of LIBRARIES.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

During 1997, the Building Inspector's Office performed 212 inspections, collected \$5,615.00 in permit fees and issued a total of 94 permits, of which 4 were renewals. The following is a summary of permits issued in 1997:

New Homes Modular Homes Barns & Garages Sheds Additions Remodel or Repair Decks & Porches	18 9 16 8 8 5
Commercial	4
Electrical	2
Electrical	3
Mechanical	2
Plumbing	1
Demolition	3
Renewals	4
TOTAL	94

Just a reminder- before any modification or new installation of an oil and LP gas heating system can be performed, a mechanical permit application must be applied for at the Building Inspector's Office by the contractor or installer. A mechanical permit is also required for chimneys, fireplaces, vents and solid fuel burning appliances. The Building Inspector will perform the final inspection after installation.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. Richardson Building Inspector

BARNSTEAD PLANNING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

The Barnstead Planning Board would like to introduce our two new members; Paul Authier and David Kelly, who joined the Board in April. We, on the Board, look forward to their continued participation. Speaking of participation, the Board has openings for two alternate members. Alternates occupy seats when regular members are not in attendance and assume all the powers of a regular member. If you have the time and desire to assist, please call the Chairman at the Planning Board Office.

Apparently, there is a misconception in Town that the Zoning Ordinances contain a two acre building lot size. In fact, the Town has three separate lot sizes based on soil classifications. The Planning Board attempted to eliminate some of the confusion by establishing a new lot size that would still meet the objective of accommodating on-site sewage disposal systems with on-site water. After discussions with individuals that have had extensive experience designing septic systems, the Board has recommended a two acre minimum lot size. A series of set backs has been proposed that will reduce any impacts to abutters. Another Feature of the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendments is to provide subdividers an opportunity to petition for lots below the minimum lot size if the subdivision will be serviced with off-site water and sewage disposal. These amendments will be presented to the Town for consideration at the annual Town Meeting.

During the year the Planning Board approved a number of subdivisions and site plan review applications for new businesses. No large subdivision applications were submitted. All applications reflected small parcels that have been subdivided into four or less lots which would indicate that building expansion will remain modest in the future. We had hoped that the Town would experience more industrial growth, but the site plan review applications reflect small cottage industries that will not offer additional employment opportunities for Barnstead residents.

Respectfully submitted,

William Evans, Chairman
David Murley, Vice-Chairman
David Foss, Secretary
James Jennis, Selectmen Representative
Stephen Bell
Paul Authier
David Kelly

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Barnstead Conservation Commission started off 1997 with a full slate of active members and alternates. Unfortunately, we have a vacancy due to the resignation of Sally Cook. Many thanks to you Sally, for your years of dedicated service.

Late in the spring of 1997, the Commission erected a sign at the entrance to the Harrison property, off Beauty Hill Road, aka Gilmanton Road, identifying this 180 acres undeveloped land as the Harrison Woods Natural Area.

The large scale map illustrating all lands currently under the management of the Commission, is now on display at the Town Hall.

The Commission appreciates its partnership with the newly formed Recreation Committee. The Commission will continue to oversee the management of the town recreation area, other town lands and the natural resources of the Town.

As always, the Barnstead Conservation Commission meets on the first Wednesday of each month at the Oscar Foss Memorial library.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Tasker, Chairman Charles Publicover, Treas.

Holly Bickford

William Carpenter Jim Fougere Kevin Riel

CONSERVATION COMMISSION TREASURERS REPORT

BALANCE 1/1/97 29,262.29

Total Deposit 770.00
Total Credit 277.71
Total Expenses 1,479.00

BALANCE 12/31/97 28,831.00

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie J Terry, Treasurer

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are ten Forest Rangers who work for the N.H. Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. State Forest Rangers are available to assist communities with forest fire suppression, prevention and training programs as well as the enforcement of forest fire and timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217.

There are 2400 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The 1997 fire season was a safe period for wildland firefighters with no major injuries reported. The drought conditions experienced during the early summer months was a significant factor resulting in the total number of fires reported during the season.

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

1997 FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru December 23, 1997)

FIRES REPORTED

BY COUNTY:		CAUSES:	
Belknap	58	Smoking	54
Carroll	96	Debris Burning	261
Cheshire	63	Campfire	99
Coos	29	Power Line	33
Grafton	51	Railroad	03
Hillsborough	145	Equipment Use	23
Merrimack	148	Lightning	14
Rockingham	54	Children	60
Strafford	63	OHRV	0
Sullivan	19	Miscellaneous	130
Camvan		Incendiary	33
		Fireworks	16

TOTAL FIRES 726 TOTAL ACRES 177.17

Lee A Gardner George R Krause II
Forest Ranger Forest Fire Warden

BARNSTEAD FIRE-RESCUE, INC. REPORT

The year 1997 was extremely busy for the Town of Barnstead. The Fire-Rescue wants to thank the Residents and Taxpayers for their continued support to allow our Town to be prepared to help each other during emergencies. We would also like to make special mention of the support of the Highway Department, who are always ready to provide their assistance.

The members were very busy during the year responding to 299 emergencies along with all regular department activities. The highlights of the year are:

- * Took delivery of the 1997 International Fire Engine, 1500GP Pump, 1000 Gal. Tank.
- * Implemented the Full-time Fire-Rescue Ambulance.
- * Implemented Full-time, 7 day, 24 hr. staffed Firefighter-Paramedic coverage.
- * Purchased Hydraulic Extrication tool ("Jaws of Life"), Highway Safety Grant.
- * Purchased Inflatable Boat w/Motor and Trailer.
- * Took delivery of the 1997 Fire Safety House Trailer, NH Safety Grant.
- * Built a new 2600 Gallon All Wheel Drive Tanker.
- * Provided over 3000 Hours of Training, Maintenance, Administration and Emergency Response.

Your Fire-Rescue offers a few suggestions:

- 1. Make sure you have your house number clearly visible from the street.
- 2. Make sure you have working smoke detectors (Battery back-up and AC preferred) and change your battery twice a year.
- 3. Make sure to have any new heating system (replacements included) inspected as required by NH RSA.

If you have any questions or want to discuss a home safety issue, contact the Fire Station or the Building Inspector.

The Fire-Rescue wants to recognize Sgt. Richard Bolduc, Barnstead Police Department, and Firefighter Charles Roffo who wrote the successful grants that provided over \$50,000 of assistance to the Town. I would also like to add my sincere appreciation to each member and their families for the dedication and commitment to our organization and the Town of Barnstead.

The Fire-Rescue is always looking for new members and invite those interested in joining to stop at the station or call to discuss joining this dedicated group. It's a lot of work but the rewards of knowing you made a difference is what makes the job all worth while.

Respectfully submitted,

George R. Krause II Fire Chief

1997 STATISTICS

FIRE	SERVICE CALLS	MEDICAL	MVA
82	16	177	24

TOTAL CALLS: 299

STATE REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT LEGISLATURE - 1997

Much of the legislative year was spent on the biennial budget, complicated by less federal money. We have a balanced budget and some new programs. For example, our dam problem brought new and stricter regulations and inspections. Rules have been updated. HMO regulations have been refined. From now on cigarette vending machines will be locked and accessed only by store employees, who must check ID's for age. Teenage drivers have more supervision before driving solo. To prevent the invasion of Zebra Mussels (coming into our lakes on the bottom of boats), the legislature is studying better ways of inspecting and educating boaters about the necessity of carefully cleaning their boats.

Snow early in November bodes well for a good season at Gunstock.

Education funding and location as well as building of a prison will dominate the '98 session. On the human services side, homelessness and health insurance coverage for the uninsured and underinsured adults will be addressed.

Belknap County legislators are pleased with the new Nursing Home. Patients and families are happy with the facility. Bonding costs were highest this year and will be less each ensuing year. The old Nursing Home rooms have been revamped to accommodate the Sheriffs Department and the County Extension Service.

If we can be of service, please let us know.

Rep. Paul A. Golden 269-5511 Barnstead Belknap District 5 Rep. Alice Ziegra Calvert 875-2151 Alton Belknap District 5

Rep. Robert K. Boyce 875-7371 Alton Belknap District 5 Rep. Gordon E. Bartlett 524-6536 Gilmanton Belknap District 6

REPORT OF THE BARNSTEAD NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH COMMITTEE

The Barnstead Neighborhood Watch Committee is a citizens organization formed to heighten community awareness as to ways we can help detect and reduce crime. We have now completed our fourth year and our membership continues to grow.

The Neighborhood Watch hosts several meetings each year to provide information on personal protection as well as how every citizen can help protect our community as a whole.

The speakers this year included James Wheeler of Wheeler Security Systems who demonstrated various types of home security systems; Jane Ann Fuller, who spoke on Medicare and Social Security revisions that touch all citizens regardless of age; and Jack O'Connor, public education and training officer for E 911, who reviewed with the attendees the workings of the system. The final meeting for the 1997 year was held at the Parade Fire Station and was hosted by Chief Krause. We had an opportunity to see the new equipment, meet the ambulance team and hear them review their program. Selectman Gosse and Officer Bolduc attended this meeting as well. All speakers donated their time and we thank them.

Meetings are open to the general public. Dates and times are posted at each post office as well as an article in the Sun Valley News.

The Barnstead Neighborhood Watch would like to thank the Fire Company for their continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marjorie Obrotka Barbara Trantham Richard MacNeill Terry Finch

Jim Trantham Jo-Ann MacNeill Eleanor Smith

BARNSTEAD PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 1997

In July of 1997 the Town of Barnstead Selectmen appointed four new volunteer members to the Parks & Recreation Committee as follows:

Mike Trefry - Mike Akstin Karen Trefry - Mary Jane Dascoli

The new committee members are enthusiastic and have been very busy reorganizing the functions of this committee as well as putting together fun programs and activities for the children of Barnstead.

The first program to be implemented by the Parks & Recreation Committee this year was that of soccer. This proved to be a very successful event enabling 94 children in Kindergarten through grade 4 to have some fun while learning and playing soccer.

In November of 1997 the Committee hosted its first fundraiser held at the Town Hall. The theme "Tex-Mex Chili Night" was a great success drawing a large number of community members. It is nice to see the unity and efforts of many community members at work.

In addition to providing recreational programs, the Parks & Recreation Committee is responsible for the supervision of the Town Recreation Area, Town beaches and the basketball court and its surrounding area located directly behind the police station.

This site located behind the police station has recently been expanded to include a newly constructed ice skating rink large enough to accommodate both the young and old at heart. The tireless efforts of those who volunteered are greatly appreciated and without which this endeavor would not have been so successful. The committee anticipates continued improvements plus some beautification to this site next year.

The Parks & Recreation Committee members would like to thank the Selectmen and Town employees for their support and encouragement, the Fire Department employees for their assistance, and the use of the Barnstead Elementary School facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Trefry, Chairman Mike Akstin, Co-Chairman Karen Trefry, Program Coordinator Mary Jane Dascoli, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE BARNSTEAD SENIOR CITIZENS

The Nighthawk Hollow Senior Citizens will be celebrating their 25th anniversary in 1998. Our organization is independent and self-supporting.

We meet at the Town Hall the first Wednesday of each month for a potluck luncheon. That is followed by a brief business meeting and then a speaker or musical entertainment completes the program. Attendance is between 45 and 50 while the membership is larger.

We aim to serve as a social outlet as well as supplying an opportunity for retirees to become active in a town setting. For more information, please call 269-5081.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale MacKay, President Terry Finch, Vice President George Hetu, Treasurer Polly Finch, Secretary

REPORT OF THE BARNSTEAD SLUDGE/BIOSOLIDS STUDY COMMITTEE

As directed by vote at the Town Meeting March 15, 1997 Article 20, was passed as amended. A committee was formed and documents were reviewed from Federal, States and Municipalities concerning the processing, storage and land spreading of wastewater treatment sludge's. We also reviewed the draft copy (12-3-97 update) of the State of N.H. Env-Ws 800 document and academic studies concerning the land spreading of sewerage sludge's and met several times during the year to discuss and review documents received.

At the last meeting of the committee, January 21, 1998, it was the majority recommendation of the committee that the Town should vote at the next Town Meeting authorizing the Selectmen to permanently adopt the State Administrative Rules on Sludge/Biosolids (Env-Ws 800), by reference, as part of the Town Ordinances. By this action, any new State revisions to Env-Ws 800 shall be automatically incorporated into the Town Ordinances.

The Committee further recommends that a volunteer, standing committee is set-up to assist the Selectmen in reviewing site plans for land spreading sites for accuracy and compliance with the permitting documents. The committee is to report to the Selectmen for their action in cases of non-compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernon 'Chris' Hipkiss, Chairman William A. Gosse, Board of Selectmen

William R. Evans, Planning Board

William T. Carpenter, Conservation Commission

George T. Cheney

BARNSTEAD SLUDGE/BIOSOLIDS STUDY COMMITTEE MINORITY REPORT

January 22, 1998

We agree that the town should adopt regulations to control hazardous waste spreading through sludge/biosolids as a medium. Since we feel that the State Regulations (Env-Ws 800) are not sufficiently protective, we do not support endorsement of the state regulations by reference. We oppose application of materials containing pathogens, high levels of heavy metals and organic compounds within access to our water resources and food supplies. We feel that the citizens petition offers the maximum protection without banning the practice of landspreading of class B sludge/biosolids.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane St. Germain Brian A. White

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BARNSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Year Ending December 31, 1997

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name/Surname of Groom & Bride	Résidence
02-14	Concord	John E. Chappelle Shirley M. Corrow	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
03-01	Dixville	Russell W. McKenzie Nicole Esburnett	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
03-15	Chichester	Peter N. Cimon Ivy R. Tasker	Barnstead Barnstead
03-28	Barnstead	Scott A. Carter Susan J. Belleville	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
04-05	Gilford	Steven C. Byers Jane A. Dorsey	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
04-26	Epsom	Steven D. Costa Patricia I. Jensen	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
05-03	Barnstead	Steven P. Grimes Juddy H. McCarron	Essex, Mass. Ludlow, Mass.
05-25	Concord	Alexander F. Beijer Diane M. Jordan	Ctr. Barnstead Nashua
06-21	Barnstead	Adam L. Young Jennifer A. Emeney	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
07-05	Barnstead	Joseph A. Loporcaro Jr. Terri L. Sullivan	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
07-05	Barnstead	Troy T. Corriveau Heather M. Patterson	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
08-16	Barnstead	Richard D. Redmond Robin A. Howe	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name/Surname of Groom & Bride	Residence
08-16	Barnstead	Ray I. Kelley Patricia Rogers	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
08-23	Belmont	Joseph W. Bicchieri Adrith L. Bedore	Barnstead Tilton
08-31	Auburn	Ryan David Lamarre Lisa J. Beauchesne	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
09-06	Barnstead	Thomas F. Lyons Karen L. Cloonen	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
09-06	Epsom	Keith A. Slater Marilyn J. LaPointe	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
09-06	Barnstead	David J. Kelley Kathy R. Deboer	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
09-12	Barnstead	Randolph W. Hoyt Michele I. Beauregard	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead
09-28	Barnstead	Eric R. Corliss Sherri L. Reynolds	Barnstead Barnstead
11-15	Franklin	Eugene W. Ladd Jr. Robyn Keating	Pittsfield Barnstead
11-15	Bow	Keith R. Pierce Linda A. Smith	Ctr. Barnstead Ctr. Barnstead

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BARNSTEAD NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1997

Maiden Name of Mother	Patricia Broadrick Debra J Locke Joanne S St.Hilaire	Carolyn Cutler Kristina L Conti	Margaret M Burke	Debra L Provencal	Sharen R Goldberg Gail Gonsalves	Cheryl Z Erff	Kelly-Jo A Moore	Jennifer A Schultz	Stacey G Stevens	Kelly L Akerley	Allison J Burritt Nicki I Saltmarsh	Dawn M Bergeron	Jennifer R Blount	Janet A Nadeau	Tamson L Whitehouse	Janet L Winterle	Michelyn E Vien	Bethany A Winterle	Darlene Marie Kouri	Arlene C Tilton	Sylvie L Couture	Valerie IVI MacEachen
Name of Father	Robert D Hunt Steven R Piaseczny Michael P Towle	Donald D Hughes Thomas J Normandin	Richard G Simoneau Philip F Massey	Michael S Bennett	Philip B Hodgdon Donald F McGinnis	James Alfred Bergeron	Todd C Audet	William H Beck	David R Vachon	Todd H Crawford Jr	I homas Arthur Gosse Robert A Perkins Ir	Donald B Farnham	Harry E Reed	Christopher B McKillop	Sage Jason Ladieu	Gregory W Jeanson	Randolph A Vien	John L Drew Jr	Craig Arthur Kordic	Daniel W Kendall	Todd M Workman	Dean N Crosoy
Name of Child	Heather Jane Hunt Jacob Steven Piaseczny Jacob Michael Towle		Kaela Marie Simoneau Jessica Bachel Massey	Alex Michael Bennett	Paul Golda Hodgdon Kathryn Mary McGinnis	James Alfred Osgood Bergeron Jr	Connor Graeme Audet	Judith Anne Marie Beck	Emily E Vachon	Bailey Ann Crawford	Spencer Aaron Gosse Kelci Alexandria Perkins	Nathan Graham Farnham	ad Katelyn Elizabeth Reed	Devin Christopher McKillop	Aspen Taylor Ladieu	Alexandra Severine Jeanson	Jocelyn Brooke Vien	Calyn Elizabeth Drew	Paul Antony Kordic	Alexandria Christine Kendall		bild Jean Crospy
Place of Birth	Concord	Concord	Barnstead Concord	Concord	Laconia Concord	Concord	Concord	Concord	Concord	Concord	Concord	Concord	Ctr Barnste	Concord	Concord	Concord	Concord	Concord	Concord	Concord	Manchester	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF BARNSTEAD NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1997

NAME OF MOTHER	Florence Gray Martha Surrette Rena M Tuttle Magdeline Bilicki Edith E Flagg Alice Pickernell Marie Krieger Lena Cote Mary Defuria Bella McLeod Ethel F Frasier Helen Conroy Madeline Unknown Ida Brewster Mary Fears Helen Horn Theresa Barnes Edna Pickard Alice Guillemette
NAME OF FATHER	Henry Swain Anthony J Foster Percy S Nelson Gerard Larose Henry G Clough George Hanson John Snyder Arthur Morrissette Harry Rossi Leon Parker Leo Myatt Peter Gardner Robert Hellum Arthur Bickford William Cobourn Sr Mark Rupercht John R Johnston Leland Geddes Wilfred Laventure
AGE	78 749 749 747 747 749 759 759 759 759 759 759
NAME OF DECEASED	Esther E Corson Cecelia M Berry Dorothy M Nelson Marion C Johnson Cora E Jenisch Lloyd G Hanson Sr Walter E Snyder Raymond A Morrissette Marie C Jennings Leona C Golden Ronald F Myatt Sr James J Gardner Alexander Romansky James A Hellum George A Bickford William D Cobourn George W Wright Margaret J Locke Louis J Furlong Alan Taylor Geddes Gerard C Russell Laventure
PLACE OF DEATH	Concord Concord Concord Concord Barnstead Concord Barnstead Concord Barnstead Laconia Barnstead Laconia Barnstead Concord Wolfeboro Barnstead Concord
DATE OF DEATH	01-01 01-03 01-03 02-09 02-19 04-01 04-12 05-28 06-01 07-24 08-13 10-07 10-10 11-09 11-24

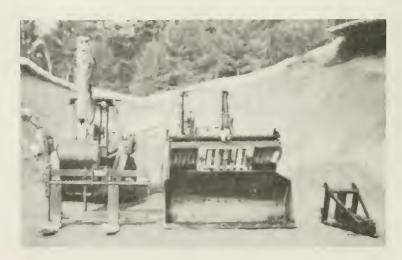
1997 Purchases



Fire Truck



Ambulance



Front End Loader



Town Hall



Police Department

















TOWN OFFICIALS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

[RESCUE 911
BOARD OF SELECTMEN William A. Gosse, Chairman *1998 John G. Cotton *1999 James Jennis *2000 Meetings: Tues. 6:30pm-9:30pm	FIRE & RESCUE George R. Krause II, Chief Emergency 911 Non-Emergency:
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE 269-4071 Eleanor Drew Office Manager Mon. Wed. Thurs. Fri. 8am-4:30pm	Station 1 - Parade 435-6691 Station 2 - Center 269-4121 FIRE WARDEN
Tues. 8am-2:30pm / 6:30pm-9:00pm FAX 269-4072	George R. Krause, II
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLL. 269-4631 Dawn M. Foss *1998 Cynthia Treadwell Deputy Mon. Wed. Thurs. 9am-4:30pm Tues. 9am-7:00pm Fri. 9am-4:00pm	POLICE DEPARTMENT James A. Barnard Chief Emergency: 911 Non-Emergency: 269-8100
OSCAR FOSS LIBRARY 269-3900 Susan T. Conrad Director Bonnie Brannigan Assistant Mon. Tues. 2pm-8:00pm	
Wed. 10am-5:00pm Thurs. 7pm-9:00pm Fri. 2pm-5:00pm Sat. 9am-2:00pm	HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT Harold A. Miner, Road Agent *1998 Town Garage 269-2091
BLDG. INSPECTOR, PLANNING BOARD ZONING BOARD 269-2299 Paul Richardson William Evans Mark Sargent Mon. 8am-Noon 6:30pm-8:30pm	TREASURER 269-4071 Marjorie J. Terry *2000 Mary Corliss Deputy Mon. 8:30am-4:30pm Tues. 8:30pm-4:30pm 6:30pm-9:00pm
Wed. 1pm-4:30pm Fri. 8am-Noon	CONSERVATION COMMISSION Edward Tasker Chairman
SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST Marjorie J, Terry Frances J. Eastman Judith Forsyth *2000	BUDGET COMMITTEE Vernon Hipkiss, Chmn. *1998 Edward A. Tasker *1998 Leonard Faria *1999 George A. Hetu *1999
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS Karen Montgomery, Treas. *1999 Alice LaBrecque *1998	Jon Emerson *2000 Carl Woughter *2000
Stuart Merrill *2000	AUDITOR Paul Mercier
HEALTH OFFICER Paul A. Golden *1998	OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE Paul A. Golden *1998
BCEP (Solid Waste Dist) 435-6237	* = YEAR TERM EXPIRES

