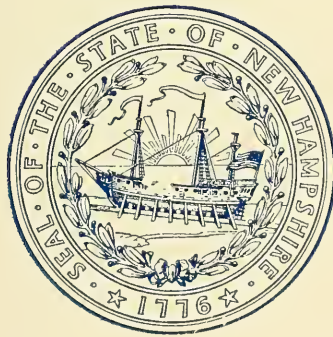



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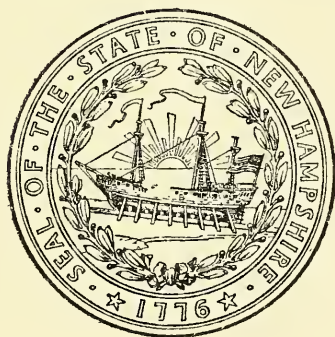


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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

C. DENIS MATTHEWS

Town Clerk

BETTY ANN deMELLO

Selectmen

RUTH ADAMS

LEWIS ALBERT

FRAZER NEWBERRY

Highway Surveyor

EDGAR ALBERT

Treasurer

BONNIE ALBERT

Tax Collector

BETTY ANN deMELLO

Land Agents

SELECTMEN

Librarian

ANNE NETTLETON

Police

LEWIS ALBERT

Health Officers
SELECTMEN

Auditors

TERRY COLBY

DAVID JOSLYN

Trustee of Trust Funds
BARBARA HOBART

Library Trustees

BARBARA HOBART

ZELMA WATTS

Janitor

SELECTMEN

Constable

PETER deMELLO

Fire Warden

C. DENIS MATTHEWS

Deputy Wardens

FLOYD COLBY SR.

PERLEY WOODWARD

EDGAR ALBERT

TOWN WARRANT**State of New Hampshire**

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the County of
Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next at three o'clock in the afternoon 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 give 3% discount for payment of taxes paid within 15 days after Tax Collector's mailing date.
4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of or administer any real estate acquired by Tax Collector's deeds.
5. To see if the Town will vote to continue plowing driveways at \$15.00 per driveway.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$1,000.00 to be put into the Capital Reserve Fund for the Town Truck.
7. To see if the Town will vote to pay a salary to the Trustee of Trust Funds.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$55.00 for the Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency, Inc.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$90.00 for the Lakes Region Mental Health Center, Inc.

10. To see if the Town will vote to establish a building committee. The purpose being to examine Town buildings, make recommendations for repairs, additions, modernizations, etc. Also to make recommendations for new buildings and land options for the drawing of blue prints, etc. These recommendations to be presented as Articles in future Town Meetings along with the estimated cost. The building committee to have not less than six (6) members with officers as follows: Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary.

11. *OLD AGE, SURVIVORS & DISABILITY INS.*
Model Articles Suitable for Insertion in Warrant

Article (1) "To see if the town will vote to adopt a plan for extending to employees of the town the benefits of title 11 of the Federal Social Security Act (Old Age, Survivors, Disability and Health Insurance) as authorized by Chapter 101 of the Revised Statutes Annotated amended by Chapter 302 and 332 of the Laws of 1955 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$———, to defray the town's share of the cost thereof."

Article (2) "To see if the town wishes to exclude from the plan services in any class or classes of positions filled by popular election."

Article (3) "To see if the town wishes to exclude from the plan services in any class or classes of positions the compensation for which is on a fee basis."

Article (4) "To see if the town wishes to exclude from the plan service in any class or classes of positions of election officials or election workers for a calendar quarter in which the remuneration paid for each service is less than \$50.00."

Article (5) "If a plan for Social Security coverage is adopted, to see if the town will authorize the select-

men to execute on behalf of the town the necessary agreement with the State of New Hampshire to carry into effect the plan and to see if the town will designate the * _____ as the officer to be responsible for the administration of the plan.

* The title of the town official or employee who will administer the plan should be inserted here.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$341.51 and the State will contribute \$2,276.73 for Class IV and V construction.

13. (Entered by Petition) To see what action the Town will take on the following: To have the State of New Hampshire make a complete reappraisal made of all taxable property in the Town of Groton.

14. (Entered by Petition) To see what action the Town will take to Rescind Article 11 from previous year to amend as follows: To instruct the Selectmen to assist the road agent in hiring two small Vehicles. One *from* the North end, and one *from* the South end and the dividing line to be the Town dump. The rate of pay not to exceed \$6.50 per hour and town residents vehicles to be used if possible.

15. (Entered by Petition) To see what action the Town will take on the following:

- A. To see if the State of New Hampshire will take over the Dorchester Woods Road from the corner in South Groton to the Dorchester line.
- B. The Orange Brook Road from the corner in South Groton known as the Dorchester Woods Road to the Orange Town line.
- C. The State to use our share of the T. R. A. money to finish either road they decide on.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$800.00 to paint the town hall.

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise the road agents pay to \$2.35 per hour and laborers \$2.25 per hour.

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$1,500.00 for sealing roads.

19. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the office of Constable.

20. A. To see if the Town will vote to hire an accountant to audit Town books.

B. If article A. is adopted — To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the office of Town Auditors.

21. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new Town Truck.

a. If Article 21 is not accepted; to see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money to repair present Town Truck.

22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of Taxes.

23. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

A True copy of Warrant — Attest:

LEWIS ALBERT

FRAZER NEWBERRY

Selectmen of Groton

Note: Polls will be open from 3:00 p. m., to 8:00 p. m.
Supper will be served from 5:00 p. m., to 6:00 p. m.

SUMMARY INVENTORY

Land	\$318,942.00
Buildings	250,050.00
Public Utilities, Electric	229,250.00
House Trailers, Mobile Homes and Travel Trailers (18)	21,700.00
Boats and Launches (9)	1,245.00
Total Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed	<hr/> \$821,187.00
Elderly Exemptions (6)	10,500.00
<i>Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed</i>	<hr/> \$810,687.00
Number of Inventories Distributed in 1970	227
Date 1970 Inventories Were Mailed	March 23, 1970
Number of Inventories Returned in 1970	148

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, N. H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year Jan. 1, 1971 to Dec. 31, 1971 Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year Jan. 1, 1970 to Dec. 31, 1970

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Yr. 1970	Actual Revenue Previous Yr. 1970	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Yr. 1971
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$90.00	\$100.56	\$100.00
Savings Bank Tax		43.74	40.00
		3.36	
Meals and Rooms Tax	490.00	497.72	400.00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal		25.61	
forest lands	200.00		300.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of			
Growing Wood and Timber		5.14	
For Fighting Forest Fires	25.00	26.94	25.00
Reimb. a/c Old Age Assistance	350.00	87.51	100.00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	49.00	49.30	50.00
Bus. Licenses, Permits, Filing Fees		20.00	
Interest Received on Taxes & Deposits		93.10	
Income of Departments:			
Highway, incl. rental of equipment	300.00	300.00	300.00
Duncan Fund		1,557.57	1,564.42
Town Road Aid		4.90	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,200.00	1,349.07	1,350.00
Refund: Overpayment, Selectmens Pay		19.00	
Gift: Longyear Foundation		150.00	
Reimbursement a/c 6% Business Profits			
Tax (Town Portion Only)		153.12	70.88
From Local Taxes Other Than			
Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2	100.00	114.00	100.00
Yield Taxes	700.00	1,244.06	700.00
Total Revenues From All Sources			
Except Property Taxes	\$3,405.00	\$5,849.20	\$5,100.30
Total Revenues			\$5,844.39

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, N. H.

APPROPRIATIONS	Appro-	Actual	Estimated	
	priations	Expendi-	Appropri-	
	Previous	tures Pre-	ations En-	
	Year	vious Yr.	suing Yr.	
	1970	1970	1971	
General Government:				
Town officers' salaries	\$1,600.00	\$1,525.00	\$1,575.00	\$75.00
Town officers' expenses	700.00	1,188.75	800.00	(488.75)
Election & registration exp.	400.00	579.19	200.00	(179.19)
Exp. town hall, other bldgs	300.00	262.63	1,150.00	37.32
Employees' ret., S.S.	650.00		650.00	650.00
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police department	500.00	527.83	500.00	(27.83)
Fire department	250.00	59.63	250.00	190.37
Insurance and bonds	400.00	305.00	400.00	95.00
Damages, legal expenses	200.00	88.12	200.00	111.88
Civil defense			100.00	
Health: Health dept. incl hosp.	50.00	50.00	55.00	
Town dump	400.00	369.75	400.00	30.25
Highways and Bridges:				
Sealing roads	1,500.00	462.84	1,500.00	1,037.16
Town maint.—Summer				
Incl. Duncan fund	5,286.00	4,425.50	4,500.00	866.50
Town maint.—Winter	3,000.00	4,631.42	3,000.00	(1,631.42)
Street lighting	170.00	163.00	170.00	2.00
Gen. exp., highway dept.	1,000.00	979.28	1,500.00	26.72
Town Road Aid	344.15	344.15	341.51	
Libraries	300.00	349.44	350.00	(49.44)
Public Welfare: County poor		170.01		(170.01)
Surplus food	150.00	85.00	150.00	65.00
Old age assistance	1,800.00	2,173.11	2,100.00	(373.11)
Recreation: Com. center	200.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Pub. Serv. Ent.: Cemeteries	150.00	133.35	150.00	16.65
Adv., regional assoc.	50.00	112.20	100.00	(62.20)
Interest: On temp loans	125.00	96.67	125.00	28.33
Payments on Principal of Debt:				
Payment to Cap. Reserve	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Total Appropriations	\$19,850.87 20,525.15	\$20,187.52	\$21,366.51	\$338.65 337.63

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED AND TAX RATE

Town Officers' Salaries		\$ 1,600.00
Town Office Administrative Expenses		700.00
Election and Registration Expenses		400.00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance		300.00
Social Security and Retirement Contributions		650.00
Police Department		500.00
Fire Department		250.00
Insurance		400.00
Damages and Legal Expenses		200.00
Health Department		50.00
Dump and Garbage Collection		400.00
Town Maintenance - Summer	\$ 6,786.00	
Town Maintenance - Winter	3,000.00	
	<hr/>	9,786.00
Street Lighting		170.00
General Expenses of Highway Department		1,000.00
Town Road Aid		344.15
Libraries		300.00
Old Age Assistance		1,800.00
Public Relief (Town Poor)		150.00
Parks and Playgrounds Inc., Band Concerts		200.00
Cemeteries		150.00
Advertising and Regional Association		50.00
Payment on Debt (Interest)		125.00
Capital Reserve Fund		1,000.00
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<i>Total Town Appropriations</i>		\$ 20,525.15
<i>Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:</i>		
Interest and Dividends Tax		\$ 100.00
Savings Bank Tax		44.00
Meals and Rooms Tax		488.00
Reimb. a/c Property Exempted		153.00

Reimb. a/c State and Federal Lands	340.00
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	1,339.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	100.00
Dog Licenses	50.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,150.00
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	255.00
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	50.00
Poll Taxes at \$2.00 (1970) Warrant	104.00
Surplus (Cash \$1,100.00)	1,100.00

Other Revenue:

Duncan Fund	1,567.57
Longyear Hist. Soc.	150.00
Pistol Permits	10.00

Total Revenues and Credits \$ 7,000.57

Net Town Appropriations	13,524.58
Net School Appropriations	16,463.30
County Tax Assessment	2,277.64

Total of Town, School and County \$ 32,265.52

Add: War Service Tax Credits	800.00
Add: Overlay	983.33

Total Taxes to be Committed \$ 34,048.85

Town Tax Rate - \$4.20

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION
Concord, New Hampshire**

March 23, 1970

Board of Selectmen
Groton, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of an examination and audit of the accounts of the board of selectmen as per your request for the period January 1, 1969 through March 10, 1970. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

General Comments:

We were unable to submit a detail schedule of expenditures for the period January 1, 1970 through March 10, 1970 as none of the expenditures made during this period were recorded in the selectmen's record book. Expenditures were checked during this period insofar as possible with the information that was available.

Many manifests did not have supporting data attached, such as bills, etc. All manifests should have proper bills attached.

It is recommended that all automotive repair orders should be signed by the road agent. Also when requesting reimbursement from the town for telephone calls, etc., a detailed statement should be submitted.

During the year 1969, we noted that seven (7) of the road agents payrolls were not attached to the manifest so a complete check of payrolls was impossible.

The selectmen's expenditures register should be maintained currently to adequately determine the expenditures against the various appropriations.

Yours very truly,
O. MAURICE OLESON, Director
Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

Stephen D. Plodzik, Auditor
Robert E. Sanderson, Accountant
John J. Durr, Jr., Accountant

STATE TAX COMMISSION REPORT

August 25, 1970

Selectmen of Groton
c/o Ruth Adams, Chr.
Box 37, Hebron, N.H. 03241

Gentlemen:

Your Summary Inventory of Property Valuation and Statement of Appropriations have been approved. You may proceed with the assessment of 1970 taxes on the basis of the following figures:

Net Assessed Valuation	\$810,687.00
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Taxes Committed to Collector:

Gross Property Taxes Assessed	\$34,048.85
Less: Est. War Service Tax Credits	800.00

Net Property Tax Commitment	33,248.85*
Poll Taxes	104.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	0.00
	<hr/> \$33,352.85

Tax Rate	4.20
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* The amount of property tax commitment is subject to adjustment by reason of any increase or decrease in War

Service Tax Credits which may result based on the above approved rate.

Revenues and credits have been approved as shown on the enclosed copy of the third page of the Statement of Appropriations.

The net amounts approved for School and County are as follows:

Net School Appropriation	\$16,463.30
County Tax Assessment	\$ 2,277.64

In arriving at the above approved rate the Overlay has been set in the amount of \$983.33.

Very truly yours,

STATE TAX COMMISSION
Lawton B. Chandler
Commissioner

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

<i>Description</i>	<i>Value</i>
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 2,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	1,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,500.00
Police Department, Lands and Buildings	350.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	300.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	1,100.00
Equipment	4,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	4,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through	
Tax Collector's deeds	46.91
Town Dump	200.00
Selectmen's Office and Equipment	1,500.00
<i>Total</i>	<hr/> \$ 18,496.91

TOWN OF GROTON**BALANCE***— Assets —**Cash:*

In hands of Treasurer	\$ 8,203.93
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Capital Reserve Funds:

New Truck	2,071.75
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Accounts Due to the Town:

State and Federal Reserve Lands	339.78
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Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1969	19.82
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Levy of 1968	19.86
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Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1970 Property	\$ 4,207.44
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Levy of 1970 Poll	16.00
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Levy of 1970 Yield	677.06
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	<hr/>	4,900.50
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State Head Taxes - Levy of 1970		65.00
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<i>Total Asset</i>		<hr/> \$ 15,620.64
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<i>Grand Total</i>		<hr/> \$ 15,620.64
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Surplus, December 31, 1969	6,036.87
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Surplus, December 31, 1970	3,714.60
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Increase-Decrease of Debt, of Surplus	2,322.27
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SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1970

— Liabilities —

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Pemi Baker Valley	\$ 50.00
Duncan Funds (Unexpended Funds)	995.80

Due to State:

State Head Taxes — 1970	340.00
State Head Taxes — 1970 (Uncollected)	65.00
Yield Tax	207.35
Yield Tax — (Uncollected)	112.84
School District Tax Payable	8,063.30

<i>Capital Reserve Funds:</i>	2,071.75
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<i>Total Liabilities</i>	\$ 11,906.04
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Excess of Assets over Liabilities (Surplus)	3,714.60
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<i>Grand Total</i>	\$15,620.64
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REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Received from Auto Permits: Collected	\$1,349.07
Political Filing Fee	2.00
Received from Dog Licenses:	
Dog Tax Collected	\$54.00
Less Clerk's Fees	4.20
	<hr/> 49.80
Paid to Treasurer	<hr/> \$1,400.87

Respectfully submitted,

BETTY ANN deMELLO

Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Warrant
Property, Poll, Yield Taxes
Levy of 1970

— DR. —

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$33,534.97	
Poll Taxes	104.00	
Total Warrant	—————	\$33,638.97

Yield Taxes		1,606.72
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes		273.00
Interest Collected		.02
Total Debits	—————	\$35,518.71

— CR. —

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$28,544.27	
Poll Taxes	88.00	
Yield Taxes	929.66	
Interest Collected	.02	
	—————	\$29,561.95
Discount Allowed		704.30

Abatements:

Property		351.96
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*Uncollected Taxes - As per
Collector's List:*

Property	\$4,207.44	
Poll	16.00	
Yield	677.06	
	—————	4,900.50
	—————	\$35,518.71

Summary of Warrant
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1969

— DR. —

Uncollected Taxes - as of
January 1, 1970:

Property Taxes	\$ 1,812.80
Poll Taxes	26.00
Yield Taxes	314.40
	\$ 2,153.20

Interest Collected During Fiscal

Year Ended Dec. 31, 1970	33.41
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<i>Total Debits</i>	\$ 2,186.61
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— CR. —

Remittances to Treasurer During
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1970

Property Taxes	\$ 1,779.20
Poll Taxes	26.00
Yield Taxes	314.40
Interest Collected	33.41
	\$ 2,153.01

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	33.60
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<i>Total Credits</i>	\$ 2,186.61
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Summary of Warrant
State Head Tax
Levy of 1970

— DR. —

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Original Warrant	\$ 340.00
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<i>Total Debits</i>	\$ 340.00
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— CR. —

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$ 275.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes - As of Collector's List	65.00	
<i>Total Credits</i>	<hr/>	\$ 340.00

Summary of Warrant
State Head Tax
Levy of 1969

— DR. —

Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1970	\$ 80.00	
Penalties Collected During 1970	8.00	
<i>Total Debits</i>	<hr/>	\$ 88.00

— CR. —

Remittances of Treasurer During 1970:

Head Tax	\$ 80.00	
Penalties	8.00	
<i>Total Credits</i>	<hr/>	\$ 88.00
		\$ 88.00

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS - AS OF DEC. 31, 1970

— DR. —

Tax Sale on Account of Levies of:

	1969	1968	1967	Previous Years
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	\$150.56			
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes January 1, 1970		\$175.21	\$11.43	\$10.52
Interest Collected After Sale	.76	18.66		
Redemption Costs	5.92	1.43		
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$157.24	\$195.35	\$11.43	\$10.52

— CR. —

Remittances to Treasurer During Year	\$124.95	\$163.00		
Abatements During Year				
Deeded to Town During Year	12.47	12.49	\$11.43	\$10.52
Unredeemed Taxes - At Close of Year	19.82	19.86		
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$157.24	\$195.35	\$11.43	\$10.52

Unredeemed Taxes From Tax Sales

On Account of Levies of:

	1969	1968
Lin Carpenter	\$19.82	\$19.86

Unredeemed Taxes Bought By Individuals for 1969

Total - - - - \$184.77

REPORT OF TREASURER*Receipts:*

Betty deMello, Collector:	
1969 Polls	\$ 26.00
1969 Property Tax	1,779.20
1969 Yield Tax	314.40
1969 Interest	33.41
1969 Head Tax	80.00
1969 Penalties	8.00
1969 Cost of Advertising and Tax Sale	62.69
1970 Polls	88.00
1970 Property Tax	28,544.27
1970 Yield Tax	929.66
1970 Interest	.02
1970 Head Tax	275.00
Taxes Redeemed	284.99

State of New Hampshire:

Reimbursement a/c unexpended balance of TRA A Project	4.90
Duncan Fund	1,567.57
Interest and Dividends Tax	100.56
Savings Bank Tax	43.74
Town Share, Rooms and Meals Tax	497.72
Reimbursement of misplaced check of 1956 a/c Federal and State Forest Lands	25.61
Reimbursement a/c Old Age	87.51
States Share of Forest Fire Bill	26.94
Reimbursement a/c Head Tax Expenses	5.14
Reimbursement a/c State Owned Recreational Lands	3.63
Reimbursement a/c Stock and Trade	153.12

Pemigewasset National Bank:

Temporary Loan	6,000.00
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Rent of Equipment:

Plowing Driveways	300.00
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Town Clerk:

Auto Permit Fees	1,349.07
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Dog Tax	49.80
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Political Filing Fee	2.00
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Perley Woodward:

Reimbursement a/c Overpayment of Selectmen Salary	10.00
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Longyear Foundation:

Contribution to Town	150.00
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Selectmen:

Pistol Permit Fees	18.00
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<i>Total</i>	<u>\$ 42,820.68</u>
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Cash in Hand January 1, 1970	9,323.11
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<i>Grand Total</i>	<u>\$ 52,143.79</u>
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Payments:

Selectmen's Orders Paid	\$ 43,879.30
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Bank Mics. Charge, Town Checks	56.95
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Bank Service Charges	3.61
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	<u>\$ 43,939.86</u>
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Balance	\$ 8,203.93
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Respectfully submitted,

BONNIE LEE ALBERT

Treasurer

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

*Current Revenue:**From Local Taxes: (Collected and
Remitted to Treasurer)*

Property Taxes cur. yr., 1970	\$ 28,544.27
Poll Taxes, Current Year, 1970	88.00
Yield Taxes, 1970	929.66
State Head Taxes at \$5, 1970	275.00
Total Current Year's Taxes	————— \$ 29,836.93
Property & Yield Taxes, Previous Years	2,093.60
Poll Taxes, Previous Years	26.00
State Head Taxes at \$5, Previous Years	80.00
Interest Received on Taxes	96.12
Penalties on State Head Taxes	8.00
Tax Sales Redeemed	284.99

From State:

For Town Road Aid	4.90
Duncan Fund (1970)	1,567.57
Interest and Dividends Tax	100.56
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal Forest Lands	43.74
1956 Check	25.61
Reimbursement for 1970 Head Tax Expense	5.14
Fighting Forest Fires (State Share)	26.94
Reimbursement State Recreational Land	3.36
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	87.51
Meals and Rooms Tax	497.72
Reimbursement a/c 6% Business Profits Tax	153.12

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	49.80
Permits and Filing Fees, \$2.00 FF - \$18.00 PP	20.00

Rent of Town Property		300.00
Motor Vehicle Permits		
(1969)	\$ 7.50	
(1970)	1,318.07	
(1971)	23.50	
	<hr/>	1,349.07

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes	6,000.00
Overpayment, Selectmen's Salary, 1969	10.00
Longyear Foundation	150.00
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Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue	\$ 6,160.00
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<i>Total Receipts from All Sources</i>	\$ 42,820.68
Cash on Hand January 1, 1970	9,323.11
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<i>Grand Total</i>	\$ 52,143.79
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SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

*Current Maintenance Expenses:**General Government:*

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,525.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,188.75
Election and Registration Expenses	579.19
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	262.68

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	527.83
Fire Department, Including Forest Fires	59.63
Insurance and Bonds	305.00

Health:

Town Dumps and Garbage Removal	369.75
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Highways and Bridges:

(Sealing Roads)	\$ 462.84	
(Duncan Fund)	1,965.29	
	<hr/>	2,428.13
Town Road Aid		344.15
Town Maintenance		
(Summer \$2,460.21) (Winter \$4,631.42)		7,091.63
Street Lighting		168.00
General Expenses of Highway Department		979.88

<i>Libraries</i>	349.44
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Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	2,173.11
Surplus Food	85.00
County Poor	170.01

Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds	100.00
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Public Service Enterprise:

Cemeteries	133.35
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Unclassified:

Damages and Legal Expenses	88.12
Advertising and Region Associations	112.20
Taxes Bought by Town	150.56
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	89.23

*Total Current Maintenance
Expenses*

\$ 19,280.64

<i>Interest</i>	96.67
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Indebtedness:

Payments on Tax Anticipation		
Loans	6,000.00	
Payments to Capital Reserve		
Funds	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	7,000.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes Paid State Treas.		
(1970)	327.50	
Payments to State a/c Yield Tax		
Debt Retirement	207.35	
Taxes Paid to County	2,277.64	
Payments to School Districts		
(1970) Tax	14,750.06	
	<hr/>	17,562.55

Total Payments for all Purposes

\$ 43,939.86

Cash on Hand December 31, 1970	8,203.93
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Grand Total

\$ 52,143.79

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries:

Ruth Adams, Selectman	\$ 400.00
Frazer Newberry, Selectman	250.00
Lewis Albert, Selectman	250.00
Bonnie Lee Albert, Treasurer	200.00
Betty deMello, Town Clerk	100.00
Betty deMello, Tax Collector	250.00
Betty deMello, Tax Collector	75.00
	\$1,525.00

Town Officers' Expenses:

N. H. City and Town Clerks' Assoc. (Fee)	\$ 6.00
Perley Woodward, Expenses	18.70
Perley Woodward, Postage and Telephone Calls	18.40
Carl Pebbles, Janitor	25.00
Irma Woodward, Closing Selectmen's Books for Town Report	63.00
Betty deMello, Closing Selectmen's Books for Town Report	63.00
Perley Woodward, Postage and Phone Calls	17.40
James and Carol Ashley, Auditing Books	92.25
Brown & Salt Marsh Inc., Office Supplies	15.25
Wheeler & Clark, Dog Tags and Postage	3.92
Perley Woodward, Phone Calls, Postage and Delivering Town Reports	34.20
Bonnie Lee Albert, Postage, Tapes, Trips to Bank	11.83
Betty Ann deMello, Trip to Concord Comm. Office	8.60
Edson C. Eastman Co., Supplies	14.60
Lewis Albert, Trip to Comm. Office to Audit 1969 Books	11.31
Betty Ann deMello, Petty Cash	25.00
Treasurer, State of N. H., Selectmen's Books	5.25
Edson C. Eastman Co., Clerk to Treasurer Book	3.60
Clay's News Stand, Office Supplies	10.84

Bonnie Lee Albert, Phone Calls, Postage, Trips to Bank	23.78
Charles A. Wood, Transfers	7.00
Treasurer, State of N. H. Audit Books	97.97
John C. Ray (Bonds)	58.00
Brown & Saltmarsh, Pistol Permit Book	1.70
Northeast Comm. Service, Annual Check Police Transmitter, 1969	5.50
Anna D. Proctor, Transfer Name	.10
Sears Roebuck, Adding Machine, Selectmen's Office	62.88
Ruth Adams, Telephone Calls	8.15
Homestead Press, Head and Poll Tax Bills	5.47
Bonnie Lee Albert, Phone Calls and Trips to Bank	6.75
The Blue Book, Mobile Homes and Trailer Book	8.00
Richelson's Dept. Store, 2 Shirts, 1 Pants, Postage	16.57
Homestead Press, Supplies	18.10
Ruth Adams, Telephone Calls	12.80
Northeast Comm. Service, Police Equipment	5.50
Bonnie Albert, Postage and Trips to Bank	8.00
Lewis Albert, Trip to Concord for Tax Rate	9.40
Betty deMello, Petty Cash	25.00
Treasurer, State of N. H., Desk, Adding Machine and Generator	40.00
Ruth Adams, Telephone Calls	8.60
Charles A. Wood, Transfers	8.86
Bonnie Albert, Postage and Trips to Bank	8.00
Lewis Albert, Mileage, Taking Clifton Hutchins to County Farm	9.50
W. G. Bowen, Accountant for Withholding	20.00
Branham Publishing Co., Auto Reference Book	8.75
Homestead Press, Property Bills	8.35
State of N. H., Report of Ownership Boats	1.00
Ruth Adams, Telephone Calls	3.50
Bonnie Lee Albert, Office Supplies and Trips to Bank	10.00
Misc. Expense, Town Checks	56.95
Bank Service Charge	3.61

\$ 1,015.94

Betty deMello, Head Tax Fees	\$ 9.75
Betty deMello, Registration Fees	122.00
Carol Ashley, Auditor	47.25
James Ashley, Auditor	42.00
Expenses	3.00

\$ 224.00

Charles A. Wood, Adv. and Sale Redemptions	41.06
Adv. and Regional Assoc.	112.20

Election and Registration:

Floyd Colby, Moderator	\$ 11.40
C. Denis Matthews, Moderator	20.90
Beatrice Smith, Ballot Clerk	25.38
Yvonne Stevens, Ballot Clerk	15.75
Barbara Hobart, Ballot Clerk	15.75
Roland Matthews, Ballot Clerk	14.00
Perley Woodward, Ballot Clerk	8.75
Lillian Colby, Supervisor	63.88
Irma Woodward, Supervisor	53.38
Terry Colby, Supervisor	45.50
Ballots, Bristol Enterprise	304.50

\$ 579.19

Town Hall and Other Town Buildings:

Perley Woodward, Janitor	\$ 15.00
Frazer Newberry, Painting, Putting on Storm Windows, Cleaning Town Hall	15.50
Vernon Matthews, Painting, Putting on Storm Windows, Cleaning Town Hall	15.50
Prescott Lumber, Paint and Brushes	37.63
Charles A. Carr, Oil	17.67
N. H. Electric Coop., Inc., Lights, Town Hall	5.00
Mountain View Oil Co., Oil	156.38

\$ 262.68

*Police Department:**1969 - 1970*

David Joslyn, Patrolling \$ 17.83

1970 - 1971

Lewis Albert, Patrolling 370.50

Kenneth Harmon, Jr., Patrolling 129.50

Pistol Permits 10.00

\$ 510.00

17.83

\$ 527.83*Fire Department:*

Carl Pebbles, Labor on Tool Box \$ 21.00

Perley Woodward, Labor on Tool Box,
Bolts and Nuts 14.60

Perley Woodward, Forest Fire and Telephone Calls 3.00

C. Denis Matthews, Forest Fire and Mileage 2.75

Prescott Lumber, Material for Tool Box 18.28

\$ 59.63*Insurance:*

John Ray, Bonds \$ 305.00

*Interest:*Penigewasset National Bank, Temporary
Loan Interest \$ 96.67

Penigewasset National Bank, Temporary Loan 6,000.00

State Treasurer:

Head Taxes \$ 327.50

County:

W. Bromage, Treasurer Grafton County Tax \$ 2,277.64

Newfound Area School District:

1970 - Appropriation	\$ 14,750.06
Retirement and Social Security	\$ 312.33
<i>State Road Aid:</i>	
State Treasurer (Town Share)	\$ 344.15

Cemeteries:

Joseph Matthews, Mowing	\$ 118.85
Edgar Albert, Clearing Brush	14.00
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	\$ 133.35

Libraries:

N. H. Electric Coop., Inc.	\$ 5.68
Charles A. Carr, (Gas)	43.76
Selectmen to Library Treasurer	300.00
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	\$ 349.44

Street Lighting:

N. H. Electric Cooperative, Inc.	\$ 168.00
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Taxes Bought by the Town:

Betty Ann deMello, 1970 Levy	\$ 150.56
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Health:

Pemi-Baker Health Agent	\$ 50.00
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Parks and Recreation:

Bristol Community Center	\$ 100.00
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Unclassified:

Redeemed Taxes	\$ 284.99
Yield Tax Deb. Ret.	\$ 207.35

Old Age Assistance:

State Treasurer (Town Share)	\$ 2,173.11
Damages and Legal Expenses	\$ 88.12

Town Poor - Surplus Food:

Eulalica Wescott, Bookkeeping	\$ 10.50
Beatrice Smith, Picking up and Delivery	15.00
Eulalica Wescott, Bookkeeping	10.00
Ruth Adams, Picking up and Delivery	6.00
Eulalica Wescott, Bookkeeping	10.50
Frazer Newberry, Picking up and Delivery	3.00
Ruth Adams, Picking up and Delivery	9.00
Eulalica Wescott, Bookkeeping	21.00
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	\$ 85.00

County Poor:

Clifton Hutchins	\$ 170.01
Land, Buildings and New Equipment	\$ 1,000.00

Summer Roads - Edgar Albert:

Edgar Albert, Labor	\$ 370.80
Ernest Matthews, Jr., Labor	92.75
Joseph Matthews, Labor	28.00
Edgar Albert, Tractor	60.00
James Albert, Fill	3.50
Lewis Albert, Labor	215.25
Lewis Albert, Truck	21.00
Paquette Paving, Cold Patch	93.18
Edgar Albert, Truck	18.00
Edgar Albert, Power Saw	6.00
Edward Smith, Gravel	14.00
Edgar Albert, Bridge Planks	16.00
Edgar Albert, Grader	308.00
Frazer Newberry, Labor	5.25
Hebron Village Store, Gas	101.47
Campton Sand & Gravel, Cold Patch	45.05
Edgar Albert, Mowing	137.50
James Albert, Jeep	5.00
Edward Smith, Mowing	44.00
Short's Garage, Straighten and Weld Sander	8.50
Edgar Albert, 2 Shovels	12.14

Lawrence Sharp, Moving Brush	165.00
David Albert, Truck	20.00
James Albert, Labor	10.50
Edgar Albert, Gas	6.74
Paul Adams, Tractor	59.00
David Albert, Labor	12.25
Edgar Albert, Street Brooms	8.96
Paul Adams, Oil, Fittings and Oil Cartridges	20.95
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	\$ 1,908.79
Summer Maint. used with 1969 Duncan Fund	551.42
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	\$ 2,460.21

Winter Roads - Lucien Parris:

Lucien Parris, Labor	\$ 885.40
Carl Pebbles, Labor	344.75
Milton Woodward, Labor	42.00
Lucien Parris, Scout	90.00
Carl Pebbles, Power Saw	3.00
Joseph Matthews, Labor	8.75
James Ashley, Labor	19.25
Blair Matthews, Labor	36.75
David Albert, Labor	236.25
Lucien Parris, Tractor	238.00
Lucien Parris, Power Saw	5.00
Lucien Parris, Snow Plow	24.70
Lucien Parris, Oil	3.40
Lucien Parris, Jeep	16.00
Lucien Parris, Pick-up	111.00
Hebron Village Store, Gas and Oil	34.01
Campers Rest, Gas	102.01
Carroll Kinne, Towing Truck	58.00
Plymouth Tire, Gas	7.00
Delmac Construction, Bulldozing	74.00
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	\$ 2,339.27

Winter Roads - Edgar Albert:

Edgar Albert, Labor	\$ 421.80
Edgar Albert, Truck	30.00
Ernest Matthews, Jr., Labor	189.00
Lewis Albert, Labor	318.50
Paul Adams, Oil	22.95
David Albert, Labor	7.00
Bruce Barnard, Plowing Driveways	22.75
Paul Adams, Tractor	23.00
James Albert, Labor	15.75
Hebron Village Store, Gas	119.55
James Albert, Trip to Campton (truck body)	10.00
Edgar Albert, Plowing (jeep)	604.50
Edgar Albert, Dry Gas	7.20
Edgar Albert, Chain Links	11.66
Campers Rest, Gas and Oil	26.94
Lewis Albert, Plowing (jeep)	396.50
Raymond Davis, Stock Pile	50.00
Edgar Albert, Trip to Concord	10.00
Edgar Albert, 2 Trips to Plymouth	5.00
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	\$ 2,292.10

*General Expense of Highway Department:**Lucien Parris Road Agent:*

Midway Service, Parts and Labor	\$ 123.73
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Edgar Albert, Road Agent

Midway Service, Labors, Parts, Putting Body on	
Town Truck	348.60
Merrimack Farmers Exchange, Salt	208.20
Sanel Auto Parts, Parts, Paint Brushes,	
Rust Remover for Town Truck	25.07
Edgells Garage, Used Dump Body for Town Truck	150.00
Bartlett Auto Co., Repairs, Parts for Town Truck	124.28
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	\$ 979.88

Town Dump:

Edgar Albert, Burning Brush	\$ 192.50
Kerosene	2.00
Cliffton Hutchins, Labor	7.00
Joseph Matthews, Labor	7.00
Ernest Matthews, Jr., Labor	22.75
Lewis Albert, Labor	17.50
Blair Matthews, Labor	7.00
Edgar Albert, Power Saw	6.00
James Albert, Jeep	2.00
Paul Adams, Tractor	21.00
Charles Coffin, Bulldozing	16.00
Delmac Const., Bulldozing	60.00
Frazer Newberry, Picking up Trash	9.00
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	\$ 369.75

Sealing Roads:

Edgar Albert, Grader	\$ 112.00
Edgar Albert, Tractor	155.00
Edgar Albert, Truck	10.00
Lewis Albert, Labor	49.00
Joseph Matthews, Labor	15.75
Frazer Newberry, Labor	17.50
Edgar Albert, Trip to White River and Grantham	20.00
New England Culvert Co.	55.59
Raymond Davis, Digging Culvert	28.00
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	\$ 462.84

1969 Duncan Fund - River Road:

Edgar Albert, Labor	\$ 190.00
Lewis Albert, Labor	197.75
David Albert, Labor	70.00
Joseph Matthews, Labor	70.00
Blair Matthews, Labor	49.00
Cliffton Hutchins, Labor	28.00

James Albert, Labor	29.75
Raymond Davis, Truck and Sander	50.05
Dean Yeaton, Spreader and Truck	67.50
Campton Sand and Gravel, Cold Patch	235.37
N. H. Bituminous Co., Tar	475.67
Delmac Construction, Loader, Truck and Sander	193.45
Edgar Albert, Grader	105.00
Edgar Albert, Power Saw	36.00
James Albert, Power Saw	16.00
Lewis Albert, Brush Saw	20.00
Paul Adams, Tractor	105.00
Campers Rest, Gas	6.40

\$ 1,944.94

State Share \$ 1,393.52

Town Share taken from Summer
Maint. 551.42

\$ 1,944.94

1970 Duncan Fund - Kinnie Road:

Chester Hinkson, Gravel and Machinery	\$ 571.77
Balance to be used on or before July 1, 1971	995.80

Total 1970 Duncan Fund \$ 1,567.57

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS IN THE TOWN OF GROTON, N.H. ON DEC. 31, 1970

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	New Funds Created	Bal. Prin. End of Year	Bal. Inc. Beg. of Year	Income During Year	Expend. During Year	Balance End of Year
Unknown	Cyrus Blood Fund	Care of Cyrus Blood Lot in Rolfe Hill Cem.	The Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank No. 25171		\$50.00	\$77.22	\$6.47	none	\$83.69
Unknown	George Hall Fund	Care of Lot in Union Cemetery	The Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank No. 25172		100.00	125.61	11.48	none	137.09
Unknown	N. Groton Cemetery Fund	Care of Cemetery	The Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank No. 36736		231.98	78.42	15.82	none	91.24
10/29/59	Capital Reserve Fund	Purchase of Town Truck	The Bristol Savings Bank No. 21646	\$1000.00	2000.00	2008.33	63.42	none	2071.75
11/21/60	Marjorie Warner Fund	Purchase of reading matter for Groton Library	The Bristol Savings Bank No. 18952		200.00	259.89	13.19	none	273.08
TOTALS				\$1000.00	\$2581.98	\$2549.47	\$110.38	none	\$2659.85

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BARBARA HOBART, Trustee

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

January 25, 1971

This is to certify that we have examined the books and Accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Trustee of Trust Funds and find the same correctly cast and vouched for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1970.

DAVID A. JOSLYN
TERRY L. CALLEY
Groton Town Auditors

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Books owned January 1970	2390	
Library	4	
State	2	
	—	2396

Books Borrowed from Bookmobile:

Adult Fiction Loaned	73	
Non Fiction	78	
	—	151

Services:

Volumes of Fiction Loaned	94	
Volumes of Non Fiction	41	
Volumes of Juvenile	10	
	—	145
Regular Borrowers		30

ANNE NETTLETON

Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Payments Jan. 1, 1970 to Dec. 31, 1970

Anne Nettleton, Salary	\$ 153.00
Reader's Digest, Books and Subscriptions	29.03
Check Books	5.00
Charles A. Carr Co., Inc., Fuel	56.70
New Hampshire Electric Coop., Inc., Lights	19.74
Sign "Keep off Grass"	1.00
Linda Humphrey, Cleaning Library	5.00
Gordon Matthews, Mowing Lawn	16.00
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<i>Total Payments</i>	\$ 285.47
Balance	47.36
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<i>Grand Total</i>	\$ 332.83

Receipts Jan. 1, 1970 to Dec. 31, 1970

Cash on Hand	\$ 32.83
Selectmen, Appropriation	300.00
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<i>Total</i>	\$ 332.83

Respectfully Submitted,

BARBARA HOBART
Library Treasurer

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

During this past year, the public has shown a great deal of cooperation in the prevention of fires. We wish to express our thanks for a job well done.

Your forest fire warden's job would be easier if everyone understood the State laws that govern the kindling of outdoor fires, a synopsis of these laws follow.

Fire Permits

A fire permit is needed for all outdoor fires in or near woodland anytime the ground is not covered with snow. This includes household waste burning, even if in an incinerator, grass burning, garden trash as well as brush burning (*such burning is restricted by regulation to be prior to 9:00 A.M. and after 5:00 P.M.*)

An Air Pollution regulation forbids the burning of household waste in towns where such rubbish is collected by the town.

Exceptions

Commercial or industrial burning is allowed under normal conditions with permission of the District Fire Chief and a permit from the Fire Warden.

Camp or cooking fires are allowed on your own property with permission of the Fire Warden. On another's property with written permission of the landowner and permission of the Fire Warden. The Warden can forbid such fires if in a hazardous area. Permits for cooking fires in the White

Mountain National Forest can be obtained from the Laconia Office or at the Ranger Stations. Permits are not required in public camp or picnic grounds where fireplaces have been built for this purpose.

Remember! Only You and I Can Prevent Forest Fires

Fires reported:

State	484 fires	—	244 acres
District	18 fires	—	33.6 acres
Town	0 fires		

JOHN Q. RICARD

District Fire Chief

CARROLL D. MATTHEWS

Forest Fire Warden

VITAL STATISTICS

— *Marriages* —

In Winchester, N. H., October 17, 1970 by J. Stanley Dahlman, Religious, David Alfred Joslyn and Sandria Pearl Ritcher, both of Groton, N. H.

— *Births* —

In Plymouth, N. H., December 29, 1970, a son was born to David and Sandria Joslyn of Groton, N. H.

— *Deaths* —

In Plymouth, N. H., June 21, 1970, Myrtle Evelyn Smith, Age 77.

I hereby certify that the above records are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BETTY ANN deMELLO
Town Clerk

