

# Annual Report

LACONIA, N. H.

1956 • 1957

Because we consider Laconia to be an unusual city — unusual in that we have so much here of which we can be justly proud and thankful — we decided that our City Report this year should reflect the forward-looking progress that has been made these last few months. We have endeavored through the use of this new format to present a clear picture of our municipal accomplishments and to emphasize the strong financial position of our city; in other words, knowing how important it is that our citizens be properly informed, we have made every effort to present a report that is not only attractive, but is factual, informative and easily understood.

In this era of rapid transportation, communications and transition, no community can afford to stand still—facilities must keep pace to insure a happy, prosperous community in which to live and to raise our families. We must recognize that we are on the threshold of a new period in history and do our utmost to prepare ourselves for it.

This past year has been an extremely active one and has been truly rewarding because of the excellent cooperation of our city officials, our department heads and employees—as well as the understanding of the people of Laconia. We would, therefore, like to take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation to all those who have aided in the governing of our city and to those who have given so generously of their time in helping solve some of our many problems.





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### ADMINISTRATION

There were 12 regular monthly meetings of the Council; 16 special meetings; and 4 hearings. There were 10 ordinances passed and 11 resolutions adopted.

Attendance at all council meetings was practically 100%; the prevailing spirit of friendly cooperation resulted in many accomplishments.

Regular council meetings are held on the last Monday of each month—7:30 p.m. at City Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

# THE LACONIA CITY COUNCIL

Inaugurated March 26, 1957



THE HONORABLE BERNARD L. BOUTIN, MAYOR



DR. MELVIN L. STONE



WARD 2 ATTY, PAUL L. NORMANDIN



WARD 3 THOMAS W. O'CONNOR



WARD 4 ALBERT F. LAHAIE



WARD 5 JOHN G. RUEL



WARD 6 HAROLD E. TEFFT

AUI	OITOR	Dana S. Beane, Jr.
BUI	LDING INSPECTOR	Merle B. Sargent
CIT	Y CLERK	Kenneth R. Dunlap
ENG	GINEER	Arnold J. O'Mara
FIR	E CHIEF	Merle B. Sargent
DEP	PUTY FIRE CHIEF	Edmund Mitchell
HEA	ALTH OFFICER	C. Frank Mowers
LIBI	RARIAN	Barbara B. Cotton
PHY	SICIAN	Dr. Edward S. Morris
PLA	NNING DIRECTOR	Jason C. Sloan
POL	ICE CHIEF	Charles E. Dunleavy
DEP	PUTY POLICE CHIEF	Norman P. Drouin
	GISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES	Kenneth R. Dunlap
	LER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	Charles J. Goss
SOL	ICITOR	Thomas P. Cheney
	PERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS	Rhoden B. Eddy (succeeded by Kenneth L. Sherman)
TAX	COLLECTOR	Richard F. Shelley
TRE	EASURER	Clarence S. Newell
WEI	LFARE DIRECTOR	Bertrand Morin

# ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

### BOARD OF ASSESSORS

NORMAN G. PERREAULT Chairman

PETER S. KARAGIANIS
ALBERT LUCIER

### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

Dr. Leonard J. Slovack Chairman

Dr. Frederick C. Fillmore Joseph C. Boulanger

### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Edward J. Gallagher Chairman

REV. THOMAS J. CATE
ALICE S. HARRIMAN
AGNES M. TILTON
DR. M. ALICE NORMANDIN
DR. KENNETH ACHBER

### TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

KENNETH D. HOPKINS Chairman

Laurette B. Johnson Secretary-Treasurer Frank D. Brisse

### FIRE COMMISSION

ARTHUR C. TROMBLY Chairman

ALLEN G. VEAZEY ARTHUR R. PLOURDE

### **BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

WALTER D. McLaughlin Chairman

> HARRY L. SMITH A. W. SIMONEAU

### BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

### PARK COMMISSION

Dr. Robinson W. Smith Chairman

ARTHUR CLAIRMONT
E. J. DUPONT
Maintenance
GENERIA MORIN
FRANCES FOSTER
Recreation

### WATER COMMISSION

F. A. NORMANDIN Chairman

JOHN H. DOW Succeeded by BERNARD P. BRISSE 6-24-57 JOHN MCINTYRE

### PLANNING BOARD

ROBERT J. CLAIRMONT
Chairman

LLOYD L. BAKER
CHARLES D. DOCKHAM
HOWARD O. DECOSTER
RICHARD VAREY
LUCIEN R. DULAC

### Ex-officio:

Bernard L. Boutin Mayor Paul L. Normandin Arnold J. O'Mara

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

BERNARD P. EMERY Chairman

RENE J. GILBERT WILLIAM R. VOSE J. ALFRED PAQUETTE Resigned 4-24-57 Succeeded by CEDRIC N. WITHAM WALTER A. HARKINS

### POLICE COMMISSION

KENNETH D. HOPKINS
Chairman

GUY C. RICHARDS F. E. NORMANDIN

Total gross valuation \$28,983,154—a gain of \$713,039 over previous year.

Items showing greatest increase: New construction \$460,325.

Stock-in-trade

158,060.

### **DEPUTY TAX ASSESSORS FOR 1957**

Ward 1: ROMEO J. FOURNIER

Ward 2: ROBERT A. GIGUERE

Ward 3: CHARLES E. LORD

Ward 4: Frances D. Follett

Ward 5: CASIMIRA McGOWAN

Ward 6: ROBERT D. SEDERQUIST

Mr. Carl Blaisdell, oldest staff member, retired as City Map Supervisor on December 28, 1956. Mr. Philip M. Hodgkins, formerly of the State Highway Department, was appointed to the position on February 18, 1957.

Total cash and securities as of June 30, 1957 New trust funds for year ending June 30, 1957

\$145,974.41 4,937.50

These funds have been carefully invested by the trustees in various savings institutions and banks in accordance with legal requirements. The trustees this year were given the responsibility of the full care of Hillside Cemetery in Lakeport. Under their supervision, this has become one of our best kept and most beautiful cemeteries in the area.

### ASSESSORS OFFICE

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

## 1 9 5 7 L E V Y

VALUATION \$28,983,154		Valuation	Percentage
One-family units		\$ 8,418,200	29.05
Two-family units		2,630,000	9.07
Apartment units		1,794,200	6.19
Industrial units		1,191,112	4.11
Commercial units		4,886,700	16.86
Seasonal residence		1,288,730	4.45
Commercial recreation		1,572,200	5.42
Utilities		816,640	2.82
Land only		634,785	2.19
Buildings only		236,850	.82
Farms		271,050	.93
Stock-in-trade		3,502,035	12.08
Boats and launches		343,950	1.19
Machinery		1,251,336	4.32
		28,837,788	99.50
Miscellaneous		145,366	.50
TOTAL		\$28,983,154	100%

### TAX COLLECTOR

### REVENUE RECEIVED:

Real Estate, Personal Property and Poll Taxes	\$1,436,524.37
Interest	3,975.07
Head Taxes	37,294.25
Head Tax Fines	811.50
Sanitary Sewage Rental Receipts	34,017.23
Sanitary Sewage Rental Fines	431.29
Timber Taxes—1956	1,219.06
Parking Meter Receipts	36,448.00
Parking Lots Receipts	3,012.50
Bicycle Licenses	289.25
Cost and Fees	1,179.19
Taxes Redeemed (Taxes purchased by city at Tax	
Sale 1953-1954-1955-1956)	19,800.64

### BALANCES DUE:

Taxes Unredeemed (Taxes purchased by city at Tax Sale 1954-1955-1956)	24,341.98
Uncollected Real Estate, Personal Property and Poll	
Taxes 1953-1954-1955-1956	6,990.29
Uncollected Head Taxes—1954-1955-1956	1,448.49

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

INSPECTIONS MADE BY	Farm and plant	1,121
HEALTH OFFICER	Slaughter	50
	Market	303
	Restaurant	88
	Cabin colony	405
NUMBER OF	Bacteria analyses (milk)	2,846
LABORATORY TESTS	Water analyses	275
CITY PHYSICIAN	Police cases	85
	Office calls	32
	House calls	12
	Hospital visits	32
	Examinations for State Hospital	4
	Attendance at fires	. 2
	Alcometer demonstrations	1
CITY NURSE	Medical	1,094
IMMARY OF VISITS MADE	Surgical	474
	Pre-school	85
	Crippled children	26
	Post-natal	4
	Infant care	76
	Home visits—instruction	123

MILK LICENSES ISSUED

93

MAYOR BERNARD L. BOUTIN, Chairman

JOSEPH F. SMITH NORMAN HUBBARD ROBERT E. ALDRICH FLOYD B. MILLER

A.D. VAUGHAN, Airport Manager



New Administration Building at Laconia Airport

Under the supervision of the Airport Authority, a new administration building was constructed and many other improvements made to the airport.

The Laconia Airport is served by Northeast Airlines, Inc. There are four planes available at the airport for taxi service and ten privately owned aircraft based there. Don Vaughan, the airport manager, conducts full-time air taxi service to all points in the country.

### AIRPORT AUTHORITY

SCHOOL

DEPARTMENT



### Photo by Allan Ayre

### SCHOOL BOARD

ROBERT V. JOHNSON, Chairman

Mrs. Esther Nighswander — Oliva Huot Donald W. Mac Isaac — Dr. Roger P. Brassard Stephen S. Jewett

### Total enrollment by grades:

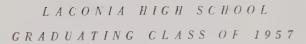
Elementary:		
Kindergarten	209	
I	193	
II	175	
III	182	
IV	190	
V	170	
VI	162	
Special class	17	
Total		1,298
Junior High School:		1,490
VII	192	
V'III	198	
Total		390
Senior High School:		330
IX	243	
X	192	
XI	167	
XII	140	
Total		742
Total for the city		2,430

### Parochial School enrollment:

St. John's	431
Sacred Heart	550
Total	981

### Revenue:

From taxation	\$603,600
Tuition receipts	79,160
From the state for vocational home	
economic reimbursement	900
Adult education	1,800
Misc. receipts—sale of supplies,	
rental of auditorium, etc.	3,000
Athletic receipts (app.)	4,500





Betty Lou Amaral Bruce Andrew Anthony Jeanne Louise Baillargeon Payson Beryl Bean Leo Belanger Andre Amedee Belisle Elaine Ruth Bickford Elinor Lee Bickford John Newell Bishop Philip John Blanchette, Jr. Raymond Russell Boissoneau Carol Louise Bowker Michael Dennis Brady Patricia Lee Brady Patricia Jean Brooks Judy Ann Brown Ruth Evelyn Brunelle Judith Elenora Burbank Ethel Bushey James Walter Carignan Sandra Mae Cassavaugh John Leo Chandronait Anita Cecilia Clement John Roland Cloud Sheridan Winfield Codman Rebecca Sue Coffin Ruth Vernonica Conly Joan Cookman Charles Leonard Corbin Jane Olive Corriveau Gail Brenda Crain

John Blakeman Crawford, Jr. Richard Herbert Cray Wallace Andrew Daigneau, Jr. Charlene Beth Darling Beverly Fay Davis Elaine Frances Dearborn Donna de Goev Millicent Jennie Dickie Ruth Doan Roger Joseph Doucet Sara-Jane Dowling Patrick John Dunleavy Jill Gertrude Edwards Marilyn Mae Fielders Shirley Sheila Fitts Francis William Foley, Jr. Marshall Herbert Ford Donald Robert Anthony Fortin Reginald Lawrence Fountain Helen Nancy Fournier Shirley Ann Gagne Leo Arthur Gagnon Jean Anne Garceau Carol Adair George Norman Ronald Giguere Olive June Goodwin Patricia Mary Ann Goulet Leo Rene Covette Roger Leo Guay Jerrilyn K. Gunn Earl Edmund Guyer, Jr.

Richard Daniel Guyer Christopher Errol Haines Allan Carter Hale Carol Ann Hammond Judith Ann Harriman John Conrad Haven Patrice Ann Hayes Nena May Heath Norman Richard Hildreth Dorothy Pauline Hiltz Charles Oliver Hopkins Francis John Horne Joylyn Gladys Houle Carole Jean Hunt Robert Irvina Hunt Arthur Carlton Johnson Robert Veiling Johnson II Carole Ann Jordan Victor Emanuel Joyce Ellen Sandra Kaplan Peter Ronald Karatsanos Patricia Ann Karsten Patricia Joyce Kelly Evelyn Gail Knight Philip Dennis LaBonte June Viola LaClair Robert Peter Laflamme Jean Lakeman Joan Lakeman Roger Larry Landry James Alfred Lessard

Dolores Leona Levesque Thomas Charles Lindsey Claire Simone Marquis Janet Dev Martin Anna Vaseleke Mastoras Louise McArdle Patricia Annette McCormack Mary Ann Mc Grath Bruce Ellsworth McLellan William Stanley Metcalf Joseph Paul Miller Donald Roberts Minor Warren Neal Mitchell Kathy Mary-Marie Mooney Rene Alfred Nadeau Claire Irene Ouellette Carroll Lawrence Page Michael Norman Perreault Frances Ellen Perry Joanne Therese Phelps Richard Ellis Plaisted Elizabeth Margaret Plante Agnes Decla Porter John Harley Prescott Natalie Jean Price Edward Alexander Provencal George Bernard Roberts, Jr. Joseph Roland John Samson Marjorie Carol Sanborn Carol Hinckley Saunders Nancy Ann Sawyer

Ramona Virginia Shattuck Nancy Jordan Simonds Carol Barbara Sisson George Eddy Smith Janice Smith Jeanne Irene Smith Juan Bradley Smith Maureen Ann Smith Richard Erwin Smith Sally Burnham Smith Marina Demetres Sobliros Mary Regina Stafford Irene Helen Sullivan Paul Emery Swenson Robert Henry Tardif Duncan Norton Taylor Edith Rena Taylor Ronald Clayton Tebbetts Richard Pierce Tilton Verna-Jo Twombly Lucien Roger Virgin Priscilla Evelyn Walker Francis Clifford White Allan Douglas Whitney William Bernard Wilkens, Jr. Anne Joyce Winkler Marilyn Jean Woodward Maureen Joyce Wright



### WATER WORKS



Domestic metered customers—		
Laconia-Weirs-Gilford		2,206
Domestic unmetered customers		290
Commercial metered customers		862
Commercial unmetered customers		23
Municipal metered customers		42
Municipal unmetered customers		4
Hydrants	214	
Sprinkler customers	35	
New meters installed	49	
Meters replaced	430	
New mains laid	1,546 feet	
Added to existing mains	960 feet	
Water mains in the city: Cast iron	127,765 fe	et
Cement lined	35,432 fe	et
Copper tube	1,310 fe	et
Wrought iron	94,493 fe	et
Total	259,000 fee	et



### LACONIA'S THREE FIRE STATIONS:

Central — Lakeport — Weirs Beach

Personnel: 9 Officers

58 Firemen, including call men

Appropriation for year \_\_\_\_\_\$100,059.39

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Laconia's Fire Department and Personnel are Comparable to the BEST in the State.

During 1956-1957 there were 309 alarms, of which 115 were dwellings, 10 stores, 9 factories, 3 garages, 82 brush fires and 80 miscellaneous calls.

Estimated loss \$ 9,450.00

Insurance paid 16,382.82



### POLICE DEPARTMENT

ERSONNEL:		Falsifying age to buy beer	9
Chief		Following too close	· .
Deputy Chief		Insane person	10
Captain		Larceny	14
Lieutenant		Lascivious behavior	15
3 Sergeants		Misuse of plates	4
29 Patrolmen			2
2 Cruisers		Making false statements to get license false crime report	1
		A A	14
ARRESTS:		Neglecting to stop for signal	10
Males 755 — Females 41		Non-support of family	4
		Obstructing officer	
CAUSES OF ARRESTS:		Offensive language	2
Allowing unlicensed person to operate	10	Operating auto without license	30
Arrested for out-of-town officers	15	auto recklessly	7
Assault	8	auto under influence of liquor	43
Assault of officer	11	auto without adequate brakes	7
		auto without proper lights	
Bastardy	2	auto after license is revoked	11
Breaking, entering and larceny		auto without muffler	1
Careless and negligent driving	21	auto with windshield obstructed	1
Carrying loaded rifle in car	1	auto with siren	]
Contributing to juvenile delinquency	5	truck without flag on load	1
Deserters — Army and Navy	6	Overspeeding auto	218
Destroying city property	2	Parking violations in court	11
Disorderly person	28	Passing over centerline	36
Drunkenness (residents)	101	worthless checks	7
Drunkenness (non-residents)	42	Procuring liquor for minors	11
Escaped convicts	2	Selling liquor to minors	7
Failing to show license	1	Taking auto without permission	1
to give hand signal	1	Throwing rubbish in street	7
to keep to the right of the road	6	Traffic lights violation	7
to have car registered	11	Uninspected auto	5
to stop after accident	15	Vagrancy	9
Failing to stop for stop sign	29		
to show financial responsibility	1	TOTAL	796

TOTAL

796

### HOW DISPOSED OF:

Appealed to Superior Court	9
Bail forfeited	15
Bound over to Superior Court	7
Committed to House of Correction	24
Committed to State Hospital	10
Complaints placed on file	16
Complaints nol-prossed	3
Continued for sentence	9
Delivered to out-of-town officers	21
Discharged by the court	14
Paid fines	644
Suspended sentences	24
TOTAL	796
Parking Violations	7,290
Fees Collected	\$7,290

### INCIDENTAL SERVICES:

Assistance rendered	146
Assisted out-of-town officers	50
Auto accidents reported	163
Auto reported stolen	6
Auto reported stolen recovered	6
Blood relays	27
Burglaries reported	8
Complaints received and investigated	1,922
Fires attended	12
Fires extinguished without alarm given	2
Larcenies reported	18
Lost children restored to parents	5
Number of persons furnished lodging	65
Police radio calls	3,165
Store doors and windows found open and secured	1,747
Street lights reported out	1,497
Telephone duty calls	31,285

Grading and seeding at all parks. General repairs to clubhouses, roads and driveways.

### Memorial Park:

Fill added.

Street leading off Pearl Street conditioned and resurfaced.

Fence installed around baseball diamond.

### COMPLETED PROJECTS

### Weirs Beach:

Installation of hand rail beside the sidewalk entrance; second application of penetrating seal oil to parking area; additional settees purchased.

### Leavitt Park:

\*Community house insulated and pine panelled; kitchen renovated and brought up to date; new lighting system installed.

Beach and parking area enlarged; new raft acquired; road leading from club house to beach regraded and improved.

ALL PARK CLUBS ARE TO BE CONGRATULATED FOR THEIR INTEREST AND COOPERATION IN THESE IMPROVEMENTS.

### PARK COMMISSION

Supervised by full-time director, Malcolm Bownes, during July and August. Experienced attendants on duty.

### PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

The new bookmobile was much appreciated and was very popular with the children.

Tennis lessons were given; swimming races conducted; skating rinks were kept in operation during the winter months at all parks.

At Opechee and Leavitt Parks Red Cross certificates were is sued to 78 beginners; 40 intermediates; 13 swimmers; 2 advance swimmers; 13 junior life savers; and 1 senior life saver.

\*Paid from the Leavitt Fund









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### HOARD OF BUILLIC WORKS

AN EXTREMELY ACTIVE AND BUSY YEAR FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT — THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS WERE INCLUDED IN ITS REPORT:

Repairs made to Messer Street Bridge.

Completion of large portion of Main Street sewer project, including pumping station on Lawrence Court.

Following streets resurfaced: Union Avenue from Church Street to Main Street;

Fair Street from Court to Academy Street; Pine Street from Main Street to

Merrimack Street; Highland Street from Pine Street to Gilford Avenue;

Winter Street from Highland Street to Union Avenue; Messer Street from

Union Avenue to Messer Street bridge.

Sidewalks completed on Province and Rowell Streets.

Lakeside Avenue at Weirs Beach widened, a concrete bumper wall built, and 120 parking meters installed.

Surface water drains installed in Jackson Street to Opechee Park; in Olive Place and Holman Street extension; from Downing Street to end of street as laid out.

Junction of Pine and Highland Streets widened; granite curb installed.

Granite curbs installed on Pine and Highland Streets.

1600 elm trees sprayed, preventing spread of Dutch Elm disease.

Construction of Beacon Street and Rowe Court parking lots.

Installation of two-way radios in Public Works Department cars.



Resurfacing of Messer Street Bridge



Start of New Beacon Street Parking Lot

John A. Smith, an employee of the Public Works Department for 26 years, died on May 27, 1956. He has been greatly missed by everyone.

### P L A N N I N G B O A R D

The primary duty of the Planning Board is to prepare long range plans for the improvement and betterment of the city, to make studies of any proposals that are presented to the Mayor and Council, and to advise on various projects and undertakings.

Of the many and varied projects and problems of major importance this past year, the following are of greatest general interest:

Participation by the City of Laconia in a Federal Urban Assistance Program which includes a Land Use study, Traffic Circulation plan, Aerial Photographic survey, Industrial Site survey, and a study of present and future sewer and water systems.

A complete review of Traffic Rules and Regulations, resulting in a number of changes and improvements to be included in the Revised Ordinances of 1957.

An extensive study and recommendation for a by-pass for Laconia on a carefully selected route to be presented to the State Highway authorities for approval and action.

Study and recommendation for the purchase of the Boston & Maine Railroad property at Veterans Square and Lakeport for street protection and possible use of present station at Veterans Square as a new City Hall.

Very close cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce Industrial, Transportation and Civic Committees on subjects affecting the betterment and future growth of the city.

There were 11 meetings held. The Planning Director also attended many council meetings, various public hearings and statewide meetings.

# CIVIL

There were 30 observers on duty at the Ground Observer Corps tower on Taylor Street, averaging 90 hours per week.

In one period of 110 days, there were 1,829 planes reported to the filter center in Manchester.

The GOC in Laconia is the *only* post in New Hampshire or Maine which prints its own bulletin.

Alerts have found Laconia well prepared and public response good.

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

It is the duty of this board to make decisions on petitions presented by persons wishing to construct, alter or use property in areas where such use is contrary to the zoning ordinances.

There were 11 meetings held—13 petitions acted upon—11 granted, 2 denied.

### Permits issued for DWELLING UNITS ONLY:

		ADDED	
YEAR	NEW HOMES	APARTMENTS	TRAILER HOMES
1950	46	14	0
1951	44	13	1
1952	25	6	0
1953	34	14	3
1954	47	17	1
1955	53	14	5
1956	43	15	7
1957	42	9	15
	334	102	32

# BUILDING INSPECTOR



New Addition to Scott & Williams



Signs of Progress on Main Street

Through a stipulation in the will of Martha A. Prescott, funds in the amount of nearly \$50,000 were made available for the construction of a new addition to the Gale Memorial Library. The Gale Trust Fund will provide enough money each year to pay nearly all principal and interest costs. Work started on this project October 9, 1956.



On March 15, 1957 the first books were loaned from the new bookmobile, acquired through the funds supplied by the Perkins Estate. The total cost of \$10,000 will be paid over a six-year period.

### CIRCULATION:

Gale Memorial Library:	Books	62,843
	Recordings	2,436
Goss Reading Room:	Books	9,831
Bookmobile	Books	2,587
Total		77,697

Increase in books and recordings over previous year: 7,510. Over 1500 reference questions answered.

### COLLECTION:

Books added	1,767	Total book collection	47,112
Books withdrawn	203	Total record Collection	704



### P U B L I C L I B R A R Y



### UNITED NATIONS TOWN MEETING OF THE WORLD — October 13, 1956

This highly successful affair was organized in order that Laconia might get to know the UN better—and that the foreign UN officials might learn about the United States by visiting a small American community.

Moderator for the meeting: Laurence F. Whittemore.

Selectmen: Christopher H. Phillips, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State.

Eliezer Yapou, representing Israel.

Rikhi Jaipal, representing India.

Dr. Mohammed Ali Massoud-Ansari, representing Iran.

### S P E C I A L E V E N T S

In January, 1957, Laconia was chosen as the one city in the state for the "Great Decisions—1957" program; a series of well planned meetings where the major issues in foreign policy facing the United States in 1957 were discussed.

This program led to another important event in our city—a hearing on April 5, 1957 on American foreign policy by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, the *first hearing of its kind* ever held outside Washington.

UN Delegates Arriving at Laconia Airport





Mayor Boutin Testifying at Hearing





### C O M P L E T E D P R O J E C T S

- **PARKING LOTS**
- LIBRARY ADDITION
- **BOOKMOBILE**
- WIDENING OF PINE STREET
- NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT AIRPORT
- . NEW SEWER MAINS
- SEWAGE PUMPING STATION
- **BOAT LAUNCHING RAMPS**
- ENLARGEMENT AND ALTERATION OF ASSESSORS' OFFICE



**Aerial View of Laconia Showing Parking Lots** 

Photo by Robert Sanborn, Tyler Advertising Inc

# SPECIAL THANKS TO

The members of the Clergy who have taken time from their busy schedules to give the invocations at our regular City Council meetings.

The Laconia Evening Citizen for its fine articles, editorials and write-ups.

Earl Anderson of the Manchester Union Leader for his excellent coverage of city news and for his splendid pictures.

Arthur Rothafel and the staff of WLNH for their many fine programs in the interest of the city and its projects.

Attorney Arthur Nighswander for his assistance in making funds from the Martha Prescott Estate available, resulting in the new library addition.

Judge Theo Jewett for making it possible to acquire the new Bookmobile through funds from the Perkins Estate.

The members of the Garden Club known as the "Green Thumbers" for their attractive plantings in Bank Square and Depot Square.

Mrs. Annabelle Whittemore who has so generously supplied the Mayor's office with beautiful flowers.

All those who served on special committees during the year and who gave freely of their time in helping solve some of our many problems.

All department heads and office personnel who so often have gone beyond the call of their regular duties in helping provide the services of which we are justly proud.

# RESOLUTIONS







### CITY OF LACONIA

In the Year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty six.

A RESOLUTION on the death of Judge Harry. E. Trapp.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Laconia are saddened at the untimely death of Judge Harry E. Trapp, and

WHEREAS, Judge Harry E. Trapp was held in the highest esteem by all those who knew him because of his conscientious service to this community, and

WHEREAS, Judge Trapp's memory will be greatly honored by all his associates at City Hall,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council extend to the family of Judge Harry E. Trapp their deepest sympathy and express their sincere appreciation for what he through his untiring efforts accomplished for the city, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be engrossed upon the permanent records of the City of Laconia and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Judge Harry E. Trapp.

Passed and approved this  $30 \mathrm{th}\,\mathrm{day}$  of July, 1956.

's/ Bernard L. Boutin Mayor

### CITY OF LACONIA

In the Year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

A RESOLUTION on the Death of Arthur C. Kinsman.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follow:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Laconia are saddened by the untimely death of Arthur C. Kinsman, and

WHEREAS, Arthur C. Kinsman was a highly regarded citizen of this community and was held in the greatest esteem by all those who came in contact with him, and

WHEREAS, it is felt that his death represents a great loss to the City of Laconia, and

WHEREAS, his memory will be honored by all those who knew him,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council extend to the family of Arthur C. Kinsman an expression of deepest sympathy, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be engrossed upon the permanent records of the City of Laconia and that a copy be sent to the family of Arthur C. Kinsman.

Passed and approved this 26th day of December, 1956.

/s/ Bernard L. Boutin Mayor

### CITY OF LACONIA

In the Year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven.

A RESOLUTION on the death of Monsignor Sliney.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia as follows:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Laconia are saddened by the untimely death of Monsignor Sliney, and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Sliney was respected and beloved by everyone in the community and

WHEREAS, a sense of great loss is felt by all those who knew him, and

WHEREAS, his teachings will long be remembered by everyone who came in contact with him.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council extend to the family of Monsignor Sliney an expression of deepest sympathy, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be engrossed upon the permanent records of the City of Laconia and that a copy be sent to the family of Monsignor Sliney.

Passed and approved this 7th day of February, 1957.

/s/Bernard L. Boutin Mayor

# WELFARE

### DIRECT RELIEF:

34 families (141 persons) 29 single persons	\$ 4,968.16 4,071.14
8 veterans' families (48 persons)	1,558.06
Total	\$10,597.36

### **BREAKDOWN:**

Food	\$	1,836.64
Gas and electricity		127.15
Clothing		199.30
Fuel		759.32
Rent and lodging		641.51
Board and care (adults)		747.10
Board and care (children)		1,109.24
Medical care		2,023.35
Hospital		2,993.75
Ambulance and funerals		160.00
Total	\$1	0.597.36

Old age assistance, alien old age assistance, and aid to the permanently and totally disabled . . . . . . \$44,565.66

Those people receiving aid who were able to work furnished the city with 1,275 hours; their work included repairing of voting booths, painting and repairing at City Hall, painting of hydrants, maintenance work at Memorial, Leavitt, and Opechee Parks, painting of rest rooms at Weirs Beach.

An average of 185 families per month were recipients of surplus food.

### LACONIA CITY BUDGET • 1957 - 1958

### ASSESSED VALUATIONS • 1957 - 1958



Assessors' Department	.099	.029	Miscellaneous
Athletic Floodlights	.002	.039	Municipal Court
Capital Improvements	.016	.031	Parks & Playgrounds
City Clerk	.096	.008	Patriotic Purposes
City Hall Maintenance	.055	.034	Planning Board
Civil Defense	.002	.014	School Bldg. Committee
Elections	.005	.024	State Education Tax
Health Department	.077	.051	State of N. H. Retirement
Hydrant Service	.073	.065	Tax Collector Dept.
Insurance	.054	.052	Weirs Beach
Laconia Airport Authority	.005	.014	Weirs Municipal Building
Laconia Hospital	.068	.002	White Pine Blister Rust
Lakes Region Association	.003	.001	Zoning Board of Adjust.



### MISCELLANEOUS

	11113	FEFFAIAFOOD	
House Trailers	38,250	2,400	Horses
Wharves & Ferries	21,300	18,025	Cows
Gasoline Pumps & Tanks	40,455	700	Other Neat Stock
Wood & Lumber, Etc.	6,746	115	Sheep & Goats
Vehicles	3,600	200	Hogs
Petroleum & Gas Trans.		1,300	Fowl
Lines (incl. bldgs.)	70,000		
Road Building Machinery	/		
& Well Drilling Mach.	7,875		

### SUMMARY

Net Valuation	28,101,954	=	96.96%
Veteran Exemptions	881,200	=	3.04%
Gross Valuation	28,983,154	=	100.00%

# CITY AUDIT

City of Laconia, New Hampshire

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION — THE GENERAL FUND as of June 30, 1957

### ASSETS

Cash: In depositories Petty cash	\$ 81,182.90 650.00	\$ 81,832.90
Escrowed Cash: On deposit—Belknap Superior Court On deposit—retirement, bond coupons	12,000.00 240.00	12,240.00
Taxes Receivable: Due city—current year Due city—delinquent (not liens)	4,713.15 2,269.14	6,982.29
Tax Liens—Delinquent Taxes on property deeded to city Uncollected delinquent State of N. H. Head Taxes		24,335.66 799.96 1,438.49
Other Receivables: Reimbursement due General Fund on balance of Accounts Receivable advance to Laconia Water Works Miscellaneous	563.97 156.00	719.97
Total current working assets		\$128,349.27

### LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Department Unexpended Balances Retained: Uniform allowances—Fire Department Uniform allowances—Police Department Land damages paid by N. H. re: Opechee Park Project		71.47 641.98 400.00	
damanger part by the tell of pooling rath rioject			\$ 2,113.45
Advance Revenue Collections: Tax collections—1957 levy	3,	,032.00	
Merchant and business contributions to be applied to parking bond issue payments	3,	,012.50	6,044.50
Accounts Payable:  Due State of N. H.—advance 1957 head tax collections  Trust deposits due City Trustees of trust funds		366.00 216.00	582.00
Escrowed Funds: On land purchase court case On bond coupons due but not cashed	12	,000.00 240.00	12,240.00
Total liabilities against current working funds			\$ 20,979.95
Surplus: General fund surplus unappropriated Parking meter fund surplus unappropriated			\$ 93,064.43 14,304.89
Total Liabilities and Surplus			\$128,349.27

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES OTHER THAN PROPERTY OR POLL TAXES OF THE GENERAL FUND Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1957

From surplus beginning of year	Net Receipts - \$ 38,000.00	Estimated in Budget \$ 38,000.00	Excess	Deficiency
Fees—City Clerk	3,108.87	2,400.00	\$ 708.87	
Dog licenses	1,965.25	1,500.00	465.25	
Income—election material	63.50	None	63.50	
Health Department	469.75	500.00		\$ 30.25
Business licenses	2,105.75	2,000.00	105.75	
Miscellaneous receipts	118.44	None	118.44	
Motor vehicle taxes	77,294.94	75,000.00	2,294.94	
Municipal Court—retained by city	15,060.76	11,500.00	3,560.76	
Planning Board	1.00	None	1.00	
Police Department—paint sold	6.00	None	6.00	
New Hampshire railroad tax	1,228.06	1,100.00	128.06	
New Hampshire Savings Bank tax	4,471.57	5,000.00		528.43
New Hampshire contribution—school bonds	1,059.20	None	1,059.20	
New Hampshire per capita education tax—partial	957.80	None	957.80	
Sealer of Weights and Measures fees	209.83	250.00		40.17
Weirs municipal buildings—services	3,385.37	3,000.00	385.37	
Weirs Beach services	8,367.54	9,000.00		632.46
Tax Collector's fees	1,062.14	650.00	412.14	
N. H. reimbursement to Tax Collector for head tax supplies	202.72	None	202.72	
Interest on taxes	3,973.96	3,000.00	973.96	
Welfare Department	1,416.56	None	1,416.56	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	100.00	150.00		50.00
Reimbursement—growing wood, timber tax for current year (after 2% to New Hampshire) (Continued of	1,015.88 on Next Page)	100.00	915.88	

		Estimated		
	Net	in		
	Receipts	Budget	Excess	Deficiency
Reserve growing wood and timber (prior years withheld funds)	1,222.34	None	1,222.34	
New Hampshire interest and dividends tax	24,045.23	24,045.23		
Interest on U. S. Treasury Notes (prior year)	1,796.81	1,796.81		
Premium on bond issues (prior year)	4,355.73	4,355.73		
Interest on bond issues (prior year)	2,384.56	2,384.56		
Parks and playgrounds rentals, etc.	695.35	None	695.35	
New Hampshire fees for collecting head tax	3,503.00	3,100.00	403.00	
Sanitary sewerage fund surplus—to apply on sewer bond paymen	its 20,000.00	20,000.00		
Accrued interest and premium bond issues—current	865.82	None	865.82(*)	
	\$224,513.73	\$208,832.33	\$16,962.71	\$1,281.31
(*) Less—retained to apply '57-'58 budget (in bond funds)			865.82	
Increase to General Fund Surplus			\$16,096.89	
Decrease to General Fund Surplus				\$1,281.31
Net Increase to General Fund Surplus			\$14,815.58	

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Department or Account	Budget and Credits	Expenditures and Debits	Excess	Deficiency
Overlay for abatements	\$22,246.62	\$13,207.81	\$9,038.81	
Athletic floodlights	671.66	653.66	18.00	
Laconia Airport Authority	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Administration	27,149.01	24,447.37	2,701.64	
Assessors' Department	16,318.99	15,484.28	834.71	
Bonded debt—principal (includes water works bonds principal)	175,500.00	175,500.00		
Maintenance—City Hall	9,476.97	8,787.60	689.37	
City Clerk's Department	15,808.17	15,660.72	147.45	
Civil Defense	782.50	744.92	37.58	
Belknap County tax	76,132.52	76,132.52		
State educational tax (See revenues for partial reimbursement)	4,176.00	4,176.00		
Elections	6,338.14	6,145.19	192.95	
Fire Department	102,818.70	102,952.75		\$134.05
Health Department Hydrant service	13,317.71 21,658.01	13,280.38 21,658.01	37.33	
Insurance	8,145.36	7,664.78	480.58	
Interest on perm. and temp. debts (incl. water works bond int.)	52,633.25	49,951.58	2,681.67	
Laconia Hospital	12,000.00	12,000.00		
Industrial promotion	4,000.00	2,898.79	1,101.21	
Cemetery care—Hillside	350.00	318.91	31.09	
Spraying poison ivy	150.00	91.00	59.00	
Spraying ragweed	96.34	86.00	10.34	
Lakeport clock	228.66	228.66		
Taxes—Gilford sandbank	50.00	42.55	7.45	
(Continued on	Next Page)			

	Budget	Expenditures		
	and	and		
Department or Account	Credits	Debits	Excess	Deficiency
United Nations meeting	1,991.59	1,904.68	86.91	
Rent—public wharves	250.00	250.00		
Miscellaneous advertising and donations	150.00	176.48		26.48
Municipal Court	4,450.00	3,941.32	508.68	
Parks and playgrounds	23,141.55	21,558.87	1,582.68	
Patriotic purposes	1,500.00	1,084.45	415.55	
Planning Board	9,054.00	8,224.83	829.17	
Police Department	118,944.03	117,689.89	1,254.14	
Public Library and Gale Park	25,165.34	25,165.34		
Public Works Department	233,106.11	218,095.22	15,010.89	
State New Hampshire Retirement contribution	15,000.00	11,266.33	3,733.67	
School Building Committee	2,500.00	962.41	1,537.59	
Schools	655,532.10	655,300.22	231.88	
Social Security retroactive payment	8,400.00	7,118.97	1,281.03	
Street Lighting	38,573.44	37,050.92	1,522.52	
Tax Collector Department	12,357.47	11,872.47	485.00	
Weirs Beach Operations	9,327.00	7,733.91	1,593.09	
Weirs Municipal Buildings	8,470.90	8,427.53	43.37	
Welfare Department	75,000.00	60,710.58	14,289.42	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	502.40	109.55	392.85	
	\$1,814,464.54	\$1,751,757.45	\$62,867.62	\$160.32
Less—Portion of excess representing Police Department unif-	orm			
allowance retained			641.98	
Die Terror in defeience nemeronting Fire Deportment				
Plus—Increase in deficiency representing Fire Department	um-			
form allowance retained				71.47
			\$62,225.64	\$232.00
Net Increase to Surplus			\$61,993.64	

# THE BOARD TONE OF THE ACCOUNTS ACCOUNTS

		\$	Received 8,309.50		Expended
1.	Laconia Airport—bal. brought forward on Champlin gift	φ	6,309.30	\$	8,309.50
	a. Disbursed to Laconia Airport Authority for administration building construction use			Ψ	0,000,00
2.	Aid in construction of Library addition: From Estate of Martha Prescott From sale of salvaged brick From fire loss claim on construction	\$	49,403.11 120.00 1,546.39		
	a. Disbursed toward contract payments on library addition	\$	51,069.50		51,069.50
3.	Laconia Water Works: Share of fire insurance costs Interest on their bonds Principal on their bonds	\$	358.00 24,215.00 30,000.00		
	a. Added to the amount budgeted for all bond payments	\$	54,573.00		54,573.00
4.	Land damages—from N. H. for strip of land at Opechee Park for state road project  a. Transferred to General Fund liabilities to carry into next fiscal year for park improvement up	\$ se	1,400.00		1,400.00
5.	Merchant contributions to off-street parking  a. Transferred to General Fund liabilities to carry into next fiscal year for parking lot bon debt retirements	<b>\$</b>	3,012.50		3,012.50
6.	Cemetery Trust Funds	\$	5,568.70		5,568.70
7.	a. Transferred to trustees of trust funds for their management and investment  Receipts—Tax Anticipation Notes	\$	250,000.00		3,300.70
,	a. Paid off such notes	7		2	50,000.00

## SANITARY SEWERAGE FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30, 1957

### **ASSETS**

### Cash in banks:

Peoples National Bank	\$ 5,387.13	
Laconia Federal Savings & Loan Association	16,424.66 \$ 21,81	1 70
	φ 21,01	1.73
Accounts Receivable—Sewer rentals	1,58	4.98
Total assets	\$ 23,39	6.77
LIABILITIES, RESERVES, SURPLUS		
Reserve for depreciation—replacements plant and equipment *Unappropriated or available surplus	\$ 13,94 9,44	
Total liabilities, reserves, surplus	\$ 23,39	6.77

<sup>\*</sup> As shown in the following statement of analysis of the surplus account of this fund, twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) of this surplus was used during the past fiscal year to apply against the thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) yearly payment on the bonds to construct the sewerage plant. The balance above is after deducting the \$20,000 for such payment from the cash accounts of this fund.

No expenditures were made this past year out of the depreciation replacement fund—\$2,975.00 of revenue was allocated to increase this replacement account during this year.

# ANALYSIS OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL INCOME AND EXPENSE OF SEWERAGE PLANT AND FACILITIES for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1957

INCOME		A00 475 00
Estimated Amount to be Raised		\$32,475.00
Less—Income earned, actual:  1. From (2) six months sewer rental bills 2. Interest on late bill payments 3. Interest on invested surplus and depreciation funds 4. Miscellaneous income—fees and licenses	\$33,405.59 431.29 604.94 170.00	34,611.82
Excess of income earned over estimate		\$ 2,136.82
EXPENSE		<b>#20 475 00</b>
Estimated Budgeted Expenses Less—Actual expenses Printing, envelopes and supplies Abatements and refunds Plant operation Sewer maintenance Keasor Court pumping station	\$ 1,225.00 368.27 38.55 16,008.37 10,461.75 483.95	-\$32,475.00
Depreciation—transferred to reserve	2,975.00	31,560.89
Excess of Estimated Expense over Actual		\$ 914.11
SUMMARY OF SEWERAGE FUND SURPLUS CHANGES  Balance, Surplus, July 1, 1956  Plus—Above excess of income earned over estimate  Above excess of estimated expense over actual		\$26,334.26 2,136.82 914.11
Less—Amount of surplus applied toward the retirement of bonds issued to construct the sew	erage treatment pl	\$29,385.19 ant 20,000.00
Plus—Bookkeeping adjustments by auditor		\$ 9,385.19 62.62
Balance, Surplus, June 30, 1957		\$ 9,447.81

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF ALL BOND FUNDS SEPARATE FROM GENERAL FUND

as of June 30, 1957

### **ASSETS**

Cash in Depositories	\$280,541.27
LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENCY RESERVES	
Permanent Project Balances:	
1950 Sewer Plant Construction Bonds	\$ 8,249.61
1952 Public Improvements	169.20
1953 Serial Notes	3.71
1954 Public Improvement and Equipment	2,468.93
1954 Serial Bonds	20.60
1955 Lakeport Fire Station	300.00
1955 Public Improvement and Equipment	18,020.90
1955 Sewer Extensions	70,269.43
1957 Public Improvement	181,038.89
Total Liabilities and Reserves	\$280,541.27

Note: (1) Please refer to following statements of financial condition of each individual bond fund.

(2) \$2,566.89 of above bond unexpended balances of projects completed is being applied toward purchase of a public works road grader in the 1957-1958 budget year.

## AND IN THE TAXABLE PARTY.

	Balance Due 7-1-56	Bonds New	Paid Off	Balance Due 6-30-57
Public Improvement Bonds 1946 Public Improvement Bonds 1947 Public Improvement Bonds 1948 Weirs Beach Bonds Sewer bonds (plant) 1952 Parking lot Issue Public Improvement Bonds 1952 School Bonds 1952 Public Improvement and Equipment 1954 Serial Notes 1954 Public Works Equipment Notes 1954 Laconia Airport Authority Notes 1955 Lakeport Fire Station Bonds 1955 Serial Notes 1953 Airport Improvement Bonds 1955 Public Improvement and Equipment Bonds 1955 Sewer Bonds (Extensions) 1955	7-1-56 \$ 6,000.00 20,000.00 130,000.00 10,000.00 700,000.00 8,000.00 24,000.00 42,000.00 12,000.00 12,000.00 12,000.00 76,000.00 11,000.00 40,000.00	Bonds New	Paid Off \$ 6,000.00 10,000.00 10,000.00 5,000.00 30,000.00 12,000.00 12,000.00 14,000.00 4,000.00 2,000.00 4,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00 10,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00	
*Water plant bonds 1955	850,000.00		*30,000.00	820,000.00
Public Improvement and Parking Lots 1957 Bookmobile Notes 1956 Totals	\$2,184,000.00	\$440,000.00 6,000.00 \$446,000.00	None None \$175,500.00	440,000.00 6,000.00 \$2,454,500.00

<sup>\*</sup> Water Plant Bonds—Although these bonds are general obligations of Laconia, the Laconia Water Works is charged with the retirement of the principal and interest from its revenues. The principal payment of \$30,000.00 above, together with interest, was turned over to the city by the Water Works.

## LACONIA CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30, 1957

~	ASSETS		
Cash in Banks: City Savings Bank Laconia Savings Bank Laconia Federal Savings & Loan Association Lakeport National Bank		\$ 37,839.62 47,741.93 16,266.93 334.46	\$100 100 <b>0</b> 4
Investments—Common Trust Funds (at cost):			\$102,182.94
Mass. Investors Trust 728	O shares B shares B shares A shares	10,418.59 11,696.65 5,363.14 4,981.74	
Chemical Fund, Inc. 883	3 shares	11,331.35	49 701 47
			43,791.47
Total Assets			\$145,974.41
Principal Trust Funds Available Dividends and Accrued Interest	L'IABILITIES		\$137,108.07 8,866.34
Total Liabilities Increases in Principal During Year: New trust funds deposited in savings account Capital gains from investments Interest transferred to principal—request o			\$145,974.41 \$ 4,937.50 1,753.10 65.53
			\$ 6,756.13
Unexpended Income, July 1, 1956 Plus—Interest on savings accounts Dividends from investments			\$ 8,371.09 2,958.17 1,929.81
Less—Income expended Transfer of interest to principal (contra)		\$ 4,327.20 65.53	\$ 13,259.07 4,392.73
Unexpended Income, June 30, 1957			\$ 8,866.34

## LEAVITT PARK TRUST FUNDS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30 ,1957

Cash in Banks: Laconia Federal Savings & Loan Associ	ation		\$ 2,267.46
Investments—Stocks (at cost): Eaton & Howard Bal. Fund Fidelity Fund, Inc. New England Telephone & Telegraph Broad Street Investment Corp.	223 shares 607 shares 8 shares 512 shares	\$ 3,609.96 5,558.79 800.00 12,464.67	22,433.42
Total Assets			\$24,700.88
	LIABILITIES		
Principal Trust Funds Available Dividends and Accrued Interest			\$22,763.71 1,937.17
Total Liabilities Balance, Principal Funds, July 1, 1956 Plus—Capital gains from investments			\$24,700.88 \$22,084.78 678.93
Balance, Principal Funds, June 30, 1957 Unexpended Income, July 1, 1956 Plus—Interest on savings account		\$ 152.87 744.34	\$22,763.71 \$ 4,290.38
Dividends from investments  Less—Expenditures		777.31	897.21 \$ 5,187.59 3,250.42
Unexpended Income, June 30, 1957			\$ 1,937.17

## CHARLES H. PERKINS HIGH SCHOOL TRUST FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30 ,1957

Cash in Bank: Laconia Savings Bank		\$ 523.46
Investments—Stocks (at cost): Eaton & Howard Bal. Fund Fidelity Fund, Inc.	165 shares 336 shares	\$2,667.96 3,072.25
Total Assets		5,740.21 \$6,263.67
	LIABILITIES	
Principal Trust Funds Available Dividends and Accrued Interest		\$5,923.38 340.29
Total Liabilities  Balance, Principal Fund, July 1, 1956  Plus—Capital gains from investments		\$6,263.67 \$5,667.42 255.96
Balance, Principal Fund, June 30, 1957 Unexpended Income, July 1, 1956 Plus—Dividends and interest received		\$5,923.38 \$ 342.60 297.69
Less—expended—2 scholarships		\$ 640.29 300.00
Unexpended Income, June 30, 1957		\$ 340.29

### OSSIAN W. GOSS FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30, 1957

ASSETS		
Cash—Laconia Savings Bank		\$ 331.20
LIABILITIES		
Principal Trust Fund Available Accrued Interest		\$ 200.00 131.20
New trust fund received December 1956 Bank interest received plus interest received upon fund transfer in December	\$ 200.00 131.20 \$ 331.20	\$ 331.20
HILLSIDE CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS		
ASSETS		
Cash—Peoples National Bank		\$ 266.39
LIABILITIES		
Maintenance Use—Hillside Cemetery Balance of cash, July 1, 1956 Plus—Received from treasurer Hillside Cemetery Association Income from cemetery trust funds Annual dues		\$ 266.39 None 27.92 245.00 10.00
Cash Available Less—Wages for care Miscellaneous (gas)	\$ 16.00 .53	\$ 282.92
Balance of cash, June 30, 1957		16.53 \$ 266.39

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS

June 30, 1957

Cash in Banks—Savings Accounts		\$15,196.03
Investments (at cost):  U. S. Government bonds Stocks and bonds Coupons due and receivable	\$ 6,500.00 2,500.00 43.75	
Total assets		9,043.75 \$24,239.78
LIABILITIES		
Regular Principal Trust Funds Principal and Interest—Gale Building Fund Available Accrued Interest and Coupons—General		\$19,726.97 4,391.68 121.13
Total liabilities		\$24,239.78
Notes: (1) Transactions of Building Fund:		
Cash balance, July 1, 1956  Plus—from N. Gale Estate funds  From excess general budget funds  From savings account interest	\$4,770.79 3,789.51 602.73 185.36	
	\$9,348.39	
Less—Architect and other costs of new addition to library	4,956.71	
	\$4,391.68	
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(2) The bookmobile funds on hand July 1, 1956 of \$4,020.00 were disbursed in full:

Cash bal. July 1, 1956		\$4,020.00
Plus—interest		60.30
		\$4,080.30
Less—Transferred to city bond funds toward purchase of		
bookmobile	\$4,000.00	
Purchase of supplies for bookmobile	80.30	
		4,080.30
Cash balance, June 30, 1957		None

<sup>(3) \$25.00</sup> government bond matured and transferred to a savings account.

# DAY OF LACONIA WATER WORKS - DECONIA AND WERE STITTED -

Desember 21, 1955

Fixed Assets—Total Investment—Water and other Property		\$828,365.58
Current Assets: Cash in banks and on hand Materials and supplies Accounts receivable—water 33,	616.87 734.74 ,095.21 ,061.67 8.40	65,516.89
		\$893,882.47
LIABILITIES		
Capital Liabilities: Acquisition bond issue—30 years		\$821,500.00
Current Liabilities: Accounts payable Note payable—Laconia National Bank Customer deposits (water bills) Advance revenue—Laconia fire protection charges  6,5	027.42 453.45 100.00 500.00 592.87	
Reserves:		9,673.74
Depreciation Provided for 1956		18,572.15
Contributions in Aid of Construction:		10,381.76
Earnings Retained for Bond Principal Retirement and other Outlays		33,754.82
Total Liabilities, Reserves, and Retained Earnings		\$893,882.47

## DETAIL OF PROPERTY ACCOUNTS

Desember 31, 1956

## CITY OF LACONIA WATER WORKS

## Statement of Income and Expense for the Year Ended December 31, 1956

Operating Revenues—Water: Residential sales—metered	\$46,009.09		
Residential sales—unmetered	3,000.79		
		\$49,009.88	
Commercial sales—metered	43,271.05	. ,	
Commercial sales—unmetered	6,110.81		
*Dublic fire protection	05,400,00	49,381.86	
*Public fire protection Municipal sales—other	25,402.62		
Muncipal sales—other	5,490.91	30,893.53	
Forfeited discounts	701.41	30,093.33	
Miscellaneous sales	3,020.66		
		3,722.07	
Total Operating Revenues—Water			\$133,007.34
Less—Operation and Maintenance—Water:			,,
WATER SUPPLY			
Pumping labor	¢ / 715 0/		
Purification supplies and expense	\$ 4,715.84 367.28		
Power	6,946.81		
Maintenance—pumps and structures	1,289.41		
Maintenance—purification equipment	142.37		
	112.07	\$13,461.71	
		<b>410,101</b>	
DISTRIBUTION			
Superintendence	\$ 6,000.00		
Maintenance—general structures	144.05		
Maintenance—mains	5,329.79		
Maintenance—water storage equipment	1.34		
Maintenance—services	1,357.55		
Maintenance—hydrants	912.79		
Maintenance—meters	6,177.87		
Maintenance—miscellaneous equipment	1,884.41		
Meter reading	1,937.10	00 111 00	
		23,744.90	
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-	AM RES 2 2 4	<b>EXPENSES</b>
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OTTER EXTENSES			
Salaries of commissioners Salaries, office Customer billing Sewerage billing General office expenses Maintenance—office equipment General expense Heat Payroll taxes Insurance Truck expense	\$ 2,100.00 6,900.54 3,426.48 378.34 474.03 248.22 2,842.01 1,408.96 768.33 1,363.11 625.09	20,535.11	
Operating Expense Before Depreciation		57,741.72	
Plus—Depreciation—all fixed assets		18,492.49	
Total Operating Expenses—Water			\$76,234.21
Water Operating Income Plus—Other Income: Discounts on purchases Non-operating property income (net)		84.86 1,546.83	56,773.13
			1,051.05
Gross Income Less—Interest paid on acquisition bond issue			\$58,404.82 24,650.00
Net Income (available for retirement of bonds)			\$33,754.82

\$30,000.00 of earnings were applied in 1956 to reduce the principal outstanding of the acquisition bond issue.

## \* Municipal fire protection—City of Laconia:

As contemplated at the present time, the Laconia Water Works will receive in 1957 \$13,000.00 from the City of Laconia for hydrant fire protection. This is an approximate \$11,000.00 decrease in the amount received in the year 1956.



## City Clerk

## VITAL STATISTICS:

Births	608 more of the contraction
Stillbirths	5 · CI
Marriages	170
Deaths	285

Number of Automobile Permits Issued:	7.192
Revenue from Automobile Permits (as compared with \$16,333.04 in 1947)	
revenue from tratemostic retinus (as compared with \$10,353.04 in 1947)	\$77,579.26

## OTHER REVENUE:

Amusements:	\$ 303.00	Marriage Licenses:	\$ 408.00
Taxi Licenses:	370.00	Recordings	2,843.00
Beano Licenses:	676.00	Certified Certificates:	212.75
Dog Licenses:	1,965.25		

Total Revenue: \$84,357.26

Total number of registered voters:	8,215
Number of votes cast at last municipal election: (60% of total)	5,092
Absentee Ballots:	445

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Aerial View of Laconia, New Hampshire