

LACONIA. NEW HAMPSHIRE





CITY OF LACONIA

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

A RESOLUTION on the Death of Joseph T. Guay. Resolved by the City Council of the City of Laconia, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are saddened by the death of Joseph T. Guay, and

WHEREAS, the City of Laconia has lost a respected and dearly beloved citizen, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Guay was noted for his unselfish desire at all times to be of service to his friends and his community and for his interest in the civic life of Laconia, and

WHEREAS, he will be greatly missed by all those who were fortunate enough to have known him,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council extend to the family of Joseph T. Guay 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 Joseph T. Guay.

Passed and approved this 30th day of June, 1958.

/s/ Bernard L. Boutin Mayor

CITY OF LACONIA

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

A RESOLUTION on the Death of Edward L. Lydiard.

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor and members of the City Council are saddened by the untimely death of Edward L. Lydiard, and

WHEREAS, Edward L. Lydiard was noted for his conscientious adherence to his duties as Industrial Agent for the City of Laconia, and

WHEREAS, he was held in the highest esteem by the community for his kindliness, for his cheerful outlook on life, and for the warmth of his personality, and

WHEREAS, the members of the city government realize that the city has lost an important and valued public servant as well as a good and sincere friend,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council extend to the family of Edward L. Lydiard their deepest sympathy at this time, 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 Edward L. Lydiard.

Passed and approved this 30th day of April, 1958.

/s/ Bernard L. Boutin Mayor

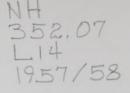


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ADMINISTRATION

Regular monthly meetings of Council
Special meetings
Public Hearings
Ordinances passed 5
Resolutions adopted 10

Because of lack of space in City Hall, all meetings of the City Council are now held at the Martha Prescott Auditorium.



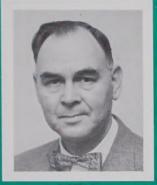
City Solicitor Thomas P. Cheney at work with his secretary, Mrs. Harold E. Johnson.

THE LACONIA CITY COUNCIL

Inaugurated March 26, 1957



THE HONORABLE BERNARD L. BOUTIN, MAYOR



DR. MELVIN L. STONE

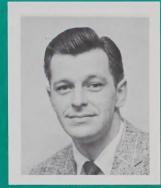


WARD 4 ALBERT F. LAHAIE



WARD 2 ATTY. PAUL L. NORMANDIN

WARD 5 JOHN G. RUEL



WARD S THOMAS W. O'CONNOR



WARD 6 HAROLD E. TEFFT

AUDITOR	.Dana S. Beane, Jr.
BUILDING INSPECTOR	.Merle B. Sargent
CITY CLERK	Kenneth R. Dunlap
ENGINEER	Arnold J. O'Mara
FIRE CHIEF	Merle B. Sargent
DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF	Edmund Mitchell
FISCAL OFFICER	Roland J. Morin
HEALTH OFFICER	C. Frank Mowers
INDUSTRIAL AGENT	Jason C. Sloan
LIBRARIAN	Barbara B. Cotton
PHYSICIAN	Dr. Edward S. Morris
PLANNING DIRECTOR	.Jason C. Sloan
POLICE CHIEF	Charles E. Dunleavy
DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF	Norman P. Drouin
REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES	Kenneth R. Dunlap
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	Charles J. Goss
SOLICITOR	Thomas P. Cheney
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS	Kenneth L. Sherman
TAX COLLECTOR	Richard F. Shelley
TREASURER	Clarence S. Newell
WELFARE DIRECTOR	Bertrand Morin

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

NORMAN G. PERREAULT Chairman

PETER S. KARAGIANIS ALBERT LUCIER Succeeded by ROBERT A. HOUGH

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 Succeeded by CHARLES P. RAYMOND

Dr. M. Alice Normandin Dr. Kenneth Achber

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

KENNETH D. HOPKINS Chairman

LAURETTE B. JOHNSON Secretary-Treasurer Succeeded by ARLENE E. ROWE FRANK D. BRISSE

FIRE COMMISSION

ARTHUR C. TROMBLY Chairman

ALLEN G. VEAZEY ARTHUR R. PLOURDE Succeeded by ORVILLE D. LINDSEY

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 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 CEDRIC N. WITHAM WALTER A. HARKINS

POLICE COMMISSION

KENNETH D. HOPKINS Chairman

GUY C. RICHARDS F. E. NORMANDIN Harrison E. Morin, Office Manager Philip M. Hodgkins, Map Supervisor and Engineer Gladys K. Ryan, Secretary-Clerk

Total gross valuation \$29,508,254-a gain of \$525,100 over previous year.

DEPUTY TAX ASSESSORS FOR 1958

Ward 1:	Romeo J. Fournier
Ward 3:	CHARLES E. LORD
Ward 5:	CASIMIRA MCGOWAN

Ward 2: ROBERT A. GIGUERE Ward 4: FRANCES D. FOLLETT Ward 6: Scott S. Holmes

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, 1958 New trust funds for year ending June 30, 1958 \$152,401.36 4,225.00

After nine years of service as Secretary-Treasurer of Trustees of Trust Funds, Mrs. Laurette Johnson resigned in March, 1958. She was succeeded by Mrs. Arlene E. Rowe.

There were 34 trust funds accepted by the city during this past year.

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

ASSESSORS'

OFFICE

1958 LEVY

GROSS VALUATION \$29,508,254

ITEMS	TOTALS	PERCEN
One Family Units	8,705,750	29.5
Two Family Units	2,678,500	9.0
Apartment Units	1,869,400	6.3
Industrial Units	1,441,028	4.9
Commercial Units	4,940,857	16.7
Seasonal Residence	1,212,930	4.1
Commercial Recreation	1,547,850	5.3
Land (only)	668,962	2.3
Utilities (Electric & Gas, Etc.)	762,700	2.6
Stock in Trade	3,303,844	11.2
Boats & Launches	375,375	1.3
Machinery	1,346,810	4.6
	28,854,006	97.8
Miscellaneous	654,248	2.2
GROSS VALUATION	29,508,254	100%
Net Valuations	28,579,104	96.85
Veteran & Blind Exemptions	929,150	3.15

Richard F. Shelley, Collector Susie M. Lawrence, Deputy Collector Doris C. Carpenter, Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR

REVENUE RECEIVED:

Real Estate, Personal Property and Poll Taxes	1,473,694.09
Interest	4,708.69
Head Taxes	38,514.87
Head Tax Fines	999.00
Sanitary Sewage Rental Receipts	36,255.83
Sanitary Sewage Rental Fines	478.84
Timber Taxes—1957	883.76
Parking Meter Receipts	39,939.00
Parking Lots Receipts	9,112.50
Bicycle Licenses	211.50
Cost and Fees	1,161.99
Taxes Redeemed (Taxes purchased by city at Tax Sale 1954-1955-1956-1957)	18,215.07
BALANCES DUE:	
Taxes Unredeemed (Taxes purchased by city at Tax Sale 1955-1956-1957)	24,813.38
Uncollected Real Estate, Personal Property and Poll	
Taxes 1954-1955-1956-1957)	4,036.66
Uncollected Head Taxes—1955-1956-1957	715.00

C. Frank Mowers, Health Officer

Barbara J. Sisson, Laboratory Technician

Julia Periard, Nurse

Dr. Edward S. Morris, Physician

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

SPECTIONS MADE BY HEALTH OFFICER	Farm and plant	1,099
	Slaughter	32
	Market	201
	Restaurant	97
	Cabin colony	399
NUMBER OF LABORATORY TESTS	Bacteria analyses (milk)	3,094
	Water analyses	253
CITY PHYSICIAN	Police cases	79
	Office calls	25
	House calls	11
	Hospital visits	16
	Examinations for State Hospital	£
	Attendance at fires	2

CITY NURSE SUMMARY OF VISITS MADE

IN

Medical	952
Surgical	455
Pre-school	77
Crippled children	40
Pre-natal	1
Infant care	42
Home visits-instruction	144

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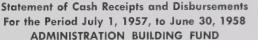
LACONIA AIRPORT AUTHORITY

- A. D. VAUGHAN, Airport Manager

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

MAYOR BERNARD L. BOUTIN, Chairman

The people of Laconia should be very proud of their municipal airport since it is one of the best in its class in New England. . . . It has two 3500' paved, lighted runways with a CAA approved radio approach for weather minimums of 1000 ft. ceiling and $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles visibility. . . There have been many improvements during the past few years, including a new runway lighting system, obstruction lights on three hills and a taxiway to the east end of the runways. In 1957 a new administration building was completed with car parking areas. This building contains a lobby, restrooms, a Northeast Airlines ticket counter, and a restaurant. 1958 saw the completion of a new multiple hangar and parking areas for aircraft by Winnipesaukee Aviation, Inc., the fixed base operator. . . There are now 15 private airplanes based at the field—five years ago there were three. There is an active flying club with a membership of 26... During the past five months there have been 5,712 passengers in or out of the airport in private or executive aircraft and 4,057 by Northeast Airlines. During this period there have been 4,459 aircraft movements exclusive of Northeast Airlines. . . . In the past five years Laconia Airport has never been closed to traffic during the winter months because of runway conditions something which cannot be said by ANY OTHER AIRPORT in New England. . . . Northeast Airlines passengers have shown a steady increase in numbers and distance traveled. . . With the outmoding and eventual removal of DC-3's from service, it will be necessary to lengthen the E/W runway at least 700 feet. The land is now owned by the city and we should be looking ahead and planning for this extension within the next few years.



Balance of cash, July 1, 1957		\$1,469.84
Plus—Receipts:		
Federal partial share of cost #6	\$1,127.46	
Federal partial share of cost #7 final	2,558.09	
Transfer from General Fund	393.60	
		4,079.15
		\$5,548.99
Less—Disbursements:		
Final payments to contractor	\$5,467.00	
Final payments to architects (supervision)	81.99	
		5,548.99

Balance of cash, June 30, 1958 (Project completed) None Since the inception of this project to construct the administration building at the airport, the following funds were received for such purposes:

Ciy of Laconia—Champlin gift	\$ 9,000.00
City of Laconia—Bond issues	10,500.00
U. S. Government share	17,642.00
General Fund transfer	393.60
Total	\$37,535.60
Total construction costs:	
Contractor	\$35,644.00
Architects	1,798.95
Bid advertising, photostats	92.65
	\$37,535.60



Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements For the Period July 1, 1957, to June 30, 1958 GENERAL FUND

GENERAL FOND		
Balance of cash, July 1, 1957 Plus—Receipts:		\$ 778.36
	\$2,000.00	
Belknap County 1957 appropriation	1,000.00	
City of Laconia 1957 appropriation	1,000.00	
Northeast Airlines revenue (airport	2,696.33	
facilities and landing fees)	2,000.00	
*Belknap County 1958 appropriation	300.00	
State of N. H. airway toll funds	300.00	7,996.33
Cash Available		
		\$8,774.69
Less—Disbursements:	¢ 679.91	
Heating	\$ 672.81	
Electricity (incl. runway, beacon lights, etc		
Supplies	119.84	
Electrical repairs	484.40	
Repairs, pump and water supply	361.40	
General repairs	25.95	
Snowplowing	2,426.50	
Insurance (2 years)	895.45	
Signs, directory, advertising	373.94	
Accounting and interim reports	156.50	
Building furniture	284.80	
Restaurant wiring	350.00	
Miscellaneous, bids, drawings	66.56	
Transfer to Admin. Bldg. Fund	393.60	
		7,912.04
Balance of cash, June 30, 1958		\$ 862.65
* City of Laconia appropriation of \$3,000.00	for 1958 wa	

* City of Laconia appropriation of \$3,000.00 for 1958 was received by the authority on July 29, 1958.



Kenneth L. Sherman, Superintendent of Schools

S C H O O L D E P A R T M E N T

SCHOOL BOARD

ROBERT V. JOHNSON, Chairman Succeeded by Donald W. MacIsaac Mrs. Esther Nighswander Succeeded by Elva O. McIntyre J. Oliva Huot — Dr. Roger P. Brassard Stephen S. Jewett

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Total enrollment by grades:

Elementary:		
Kindergarten	204	
I	194	
11	180	
111	185	
IV	190	
V	175	
VI	166	
Special class	16	
Total		1,310
Junior High School:		
VII (inc. sp. class)	190	
VIII	188	
Total		378
Senior High School:		
IX	229	
X	188	
XI	163	
XII	129	
Total		709
Total for the city		2,397

Parochial School enrollment:

St. John's	475
Sacred Heart	560
Total	1,035

Revenue:

From taxation	\$603,600		
Tuition receipts	83,000		
Vocational home economic reimbursement			
State	800		
Federal government	2,600		
Adult education	1,300		
Misc. receipts—sale of supplies,			
rental of auditorium, etc.	2,800		
Athletic receipts (app.)	3,700		



LACONIA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS OF 1958

Marjorie Mildred Adams Evangeline Mae Alcorn Roberta Ann Aldrich Robert Lee Andrews Preston Timothy Arnold Joseph Arruda III Linda Christine Avery Virginia Mae Bastraw Donald Lee Bates JoAnn Theresa Belair Elaine Lena Bilodeau James Albert Blanchard Armand Antonio Bolduc Gary Allen Bossey Rose Louise Brake Russell Melvyn Brown Janet Anne Canney Annette Alice Carignan Lawrence Clay Carpenter Lance Davis Chase Milton Vlacis Christy **Richard Clarence Clark** Lela Wright Clayton Leon Alfred Cloutier, Jr. John Louis Collins, Jr. Mary Francesca Conly Merrilyn Mildred Cook

Gloria Jean Cote Grace Ann Cousins Roger Arthur Couture Mary Ellen Coyne Edyth Marian Davis Stuart Ian Davis Arnold Silva Dion Frances Jean Doane **Richard Albert Dore** Dwight Dickerman Dow, Jr. Nancy Lou Dow **Doris Anne Dudley** Jane Ruth Dunlap **Eleanor Madeline DuPont** Edward Paul Dupuis Jane Elizabeth Erickson Gwendolyn Elizabeth Fannin Gail Diane Faribault Margaret Dorothy Fay **Richard James Fields** Winnifred Anne Fletcher Judith Ann Fortin Carol Ann Fournier Nancy Ellen Fournier Patrick James Joseph Freo Elizabeth Ann Gale Wyllys Gannett, Jr.

Betty Ann Worth Gardner Jack Gary Garneau John Michael Garneau William Samuel Gaskell Warren Lovelace Gifford Sandra Jean Gilman Martha Goodwin Judith Sharon Haddock Heather Lee Haines Linda K. Hall **Betty Patricia Hanson** Angus B. Hiltz David Wesley Hinds Frances Adelle Hutchinson Frank Edward Hyslop Arthur Charles Jewett Kenneth Alan Johnson Eugene Robert Jorgensen Edward Ellsworth Kyle Jane Ryan Lahey John Francis Langlois **Ronald Albert Laramie Roger Edward Lawrence** Judith Ann Leach Joan Mary Levesque Marcia Wheeler Lewis Murray William Lindsay

Alan Lines Joan Anne Little Caroline Barrett Lord James Ernest Lucas Carroll Anthony MacArthur Loraine Marilyn MacDonald Claire Marie Maheux John Arthur Marshall Lorna Riber McEwen Alvan Michael Melnick Henderson Ireland Miller Anne Milliken **Richard Eugene Morin** MaryBerniece Mae Morrison Marjorie Sue Muehlke John Richard Murphy William Hazen Nadon, Jr. Anne Louise Oehlschlaeger John Patrick O'Neill Allan Robert Perley **Carolyn Ruth Pringle** Patricia Jean Ramsay Mary Emma Robie Kathryn Lee Rollins Judith Arlene Senter Frank William Shaw Joanne Frances Shaw

Mary Anne Skeats **Royal William Smith Thomas Roger Smith** Linda Mary Snow Janet Elva Stafford **Robert Grant Stinson** Thomas Albert Sullivan Suzanne Alice Tardif Constance Ann Taylor **Robert Berne Titus** Dorothy Ann Wadsworth Robert Henry Wakefield Jeanne Elizabeth Weeks Stephen Earl Weeks Thomas Staffeld Wheeler Nancy June Ann White **Eleanor Custis Wiley** Elise Joanne Wilkens Virginia Ann Wilkie Elizabeth Chadwell Wyman Irad Irving Young



WATER WORKS



Theodore L. Cate, Superintendent John R. Stetson, Asst. Superintendent Marjorie C. Connel, Office Manager Jean A. St. Clair, Secretary

Domestic Metered Customers-Laconia-Weirs-Gilford		2,287
Domestic Unmetered Customers-Laconia-Weirs-Gilford		29 0
Commercial Metered Customers-Laconia-Weirs-Gilford		870
Commercial Unmetered Customers-Laconia-Weirs-Gilford		23
Municipal Metered Customers-Laconia-Weirs-Gilford		42
Municipal Unmetered Customers-Laconia-Weirs-Gilford		4
Hydrants—Laconia-Weirs-Gilford		216
Sprinkler Customers-Laconia		35
New Meters installed this year		52
Meters replaced		250
No. of feet of main replaced		2,765
No. of feet of new mains laid		3,465
No. of feet of pipe added		5,256
No. of feet of water mains in Laconia, Weirs-Gilford		264,256
Cast Iron	130,605	
Cement Lined	35,432	
Copper Tubing	1,310	
Wrought Iron	96,909	
	264 256	



LACONIA'S THREE FIRE STATIONS:

Central - Lakeport - Weirs Beach

Personnel: Merle B. Sargent, Chief Edmund Mitchell, Deputy

> Captains: Arthur J. LaTulippe Omer J. Fortin W. D. McAllister

Clyde Bishop Elwin J. Bennett Robert W. Lumbra

10 drivers — 2 mechanics — 40 call men.

Appropriation for year ______ \$106,520.67

FIRE DEPARTMENT

During 1957-1958 there were 430 alarms, of which 140 were dwellings, 7 stores, 8 factories, 2 garages, 115 brush fires and 158 miscellaneous calls.

Estimated loss\$	116,660.00
Insurance paid	96,972.96
Cost of Fire Protection Per Capita	7.41
Fire Loss Per Capita	6.58



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Falsifying age to buy beer **PERSONNEL:** Following too closely Charles E. Dunleavy, Chief Failing to keep right 6 Norman P. Drouin, Deputy Giving liquor to minors 8 Walter E. Mont, Captain Insane persons 11 Paul A. Swenson, Lieutenant 9 Larcenv **3** Sergeants Neglecting to stop for officer 9 26 Patrolmen Non-support 6 2 Cruisers Obstructing an officer 9 Obstructing traffic ARRESTS: Operating automobile without glasses 1 22 automobile without license Males 693 8 automobile without lights Females 31 9 automobile without brakes 4 automobile recklessly Total 724 automobile under the influence of liquor 16 automobile after suspension 14 CAUSES OF ARRESTS: 2 automobile on one way street 10 5 Allowing unlicensed person to operate automobile without muffler 2 Aggravated assault boat without lights Arrests for out-of-town officers 15 boat without fire extinguisher Assault 8 Overspeeding automobile 217 Assault on officer 13 Parking violations in court 9 Bastardy 1 Parking on highway Parking on highway without lights Breaking, Entering and Larceny Passing over center line 27 Burning rubbish without permit 1 20 Stop sign violations 49 Careless and negligent operation Contributing to juvenile delinquency 1 Selling liquor to minor Taking automobile without owner's permission Concealing property Deserters: Army-Navy 5 Traffic lights violations 9 Disorderly persons 23 Uninspected automobile 117 Drunkenness, residents Violations of health laws 3 42 Violation zoning laws Drunkenness, non-residents 2 Violation city ordinance Escaped convicts Failing to register automobile 5 Vagrants 5 4 to stop after accident 724 to give signal

HOW DISPOSED OF:

Appealed to Superior Court	5
Bail forfeited	10
Bound over to Superior Court	5
Committed to House of Correction	20
Committed to State Hospital	11
Complaints placed on file	16
Complaints Nol-Prossed	3
Continued for sentence	12
Delivered to out-of-town officers	19
Fine suspended	1
Discharged by the Court	10
Paid fines	581
Suspended sentence	81
Total	724

INCIDENTAL SERVICES:

Automobile accidents reported	171
Assistance rendered	190
Assistance rendered to out-of-town officers	64
Automobile reported stolen	2
Stolen automobile recovered	2
Burglaries reported	17
Complaints received and investigated	2,228
Fires attended	24
Fires extinguished without alarm given	1
Larcenies reported	22
Lost children restored to parents	9
Number of persons furnished lodging	58
Police radio calls	2,851
Store doors and windows found opened and secured	2,068
Street lights reported out	1,216
Telephone duty calls	32,278
Watchmen calls from factories	44,260
PARKING VIOLATIONS	7,132
Fees collected from violations	57,132.00

The recreational program for the summer season of 1958 began on June 23rd and closed August 30th. Park contests and tournaments were held in each park, thereby eliminating inter-park competition. Swimming instruction was given as usual at Leavitt and Opechee Parks and some of the other activities included checker, tennis, and horse-shoe tournaments, bicycle and doll carriage parades. Arts and crafts, conducted in the mornings, provided a very worthwhile program.

It was apparent that many of the younger children preferred to use the pools at Tardif and Memorial Parks rather than the park beaches and because of this, the pools were in great use throughout the summer.

Increased interest in the parks and the various activities was noted by the supervisors and attendants—and it was evident that the children of the city are beginning to realize how much the municipal parks have to offer in the way of recreation and guidance.

Each of the parks had a full-time staff and Malcolm Bownes again served as Director of Recreation during the summer months.



In February, 1958, authorization was given the Parks and Commons Committee to work with the members of the Park Commission for the purpose of investigating the recreational needs of the city and to consider the possibility of the establishment and formation of a Recreation Council with a full time director. Since that time an active committee, headed by James G. Noucas, has been formed and is currently conducting a survey, and as soon as adequate information is compiled, will bring a recommendation before the City Council.





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BOARD OF PUBLIC MORE

MAJOR PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN AND OR COMPLETED DURING YEAR:

Parking lots . . .

Beacon Street Water Street Rowe Court

Sewers . . .

Lawrence Court to Main Street California Court and Mill Street Reconstructed section of North Main Street main Additional chlorinator installed at Weirs beach

Repairs to Messer Street bridge completed.

Following streets resurfaced with bituminous concrete . . .

Entire length of Church Street Union Avenue from Stark Street to the junction of Route #11 Pine Street Pleasant Street from New Salem Street to Folsom Street Court Street from Main Street to Keasor Court Mill Street 72,000 gals. liquid applied to other streets

Widened Union Avenue and constructed retaining wall at High Street.

Streets accepted . . . Pine Brook Lane Anthony Drive Elizabeth Terrace

Furnished surveys, estimates and data to School Board and other departments.

2,000 elm trees sprayed to control spread of Dutch Elm disease.

The Public Works Department suffered the loss of two valued employees: Herve G. Champagne died on November 29, 1957. He served the city for 30 years, ten of which he was foreman of the department.

Horace C. Goyette, who worked for the city four years, died on February 9, 1958.



Start of Construction New Mill Street Bridge



Arnold J. O'Mara, City Engineer Robert E. Pitman, Asst. Engineer Harold E. Johnson, Asst. Engineer Herbert Gale, Asst. Engineer Henry J. Chabot, Foreman Harold E. Moulton, Sanitary Engineer Arline Haddock, Secretary

PLANNING BOARD

Jason C. Sloan, Director Joyce E. Olsen, Assistant A great deal of continuous study concerning the possible conversion of the Boston & Maine Railroad station in Laconia has been made and the Planning Board has recommended that the city proceed to make this conversion as expeditiously as possible.

Upon recommendation of the Planning Board, the city saw fit to provide funds to allow the State Highway Department to make a complete traffic survey of the city. The results are to be used as a basis for future traffic planning, especially as concerns a possible by-pass or relief highway.

Two members of the board and the director attended ten meetings of a seminar held in Concord under the auspices of the State Planning & Development Commission, the New Hampshire Planning & Zoning Association, and the University of New Hampshire. Certificates were awarded upon completion of the course.

Upon recommendation of the Planning Board, portions of the so-called Busiel property on Ghurch Street were offered for sale to the U. S. postal authorities and to private interests—retaining only enough property to allow proper access from Church Street to the Beacon Street parking lot.

The Planning Board has studied the possibility of developing a local "Industrial Park" on land owned by the city at the Laconia Airport and with completion of a new section of Route 11 from McIntyre Circle to Glendale, construction now in progress, an immediate excellent industrial site of three to five acres will be provided. There is also a substantial amount of other land owned by the city which could be developed for industrial use at the airport. Further study on this will continue. Twelve meetings of the Planning Board were held.

The board acted upon two conditional use zoning requests. One concerned location of a Public Service Company sub-station and one concerned location of a neighborhood store. Both were approved after careful study.

TRAFFIC . . .

Changes in the Traffic Ordinance as recommended by the Planning Board and approved by the Mayor and City Council included 2-hour parking on a portion of Pleasant Street; 2-hour parking on a portion of North Main Street; additional 15-minute parking spaces opposite Post Office; "No Parking" on Union Avenue to allow better access for right turns onto Main Street; "No Parking" spaces on Court Street adjoining entrances to Rowe Court parking lot. All these changes were for the betterment of traffic flow and convenience of the public.

It was also recommended and approved that a traffic control stand be placed in Normandin Square for use of the Police Department. This has proved very effective in the control of traffic at this intersection.

ZONING . . .

After careful study, several re-zoning changes were recommended by the Planning Board, subsequently approved and passed by the Mayor and Council. These included changes to Commercial Zones of areas along Union Avenue to conform with reasonable future use, as well as a change from Agricultural to One-Family Zones of a large area at the entrance of Governor's Island to give reasonable protection from possible commercial use. This action was taken upon a petition signed by the residents of this area.

A most important Zoning Ordinance change recommended by the board was that of house trailer location control. The Zoning Ordinance was finally amended to allow house trailers in non-residential zones only. By making this as an ordinance amendment, it was not necessary to write a complete separate ordinance which in many cities has proven complicated and not too effective.

GENERAL . . .

Continuing study and recommendations have been made by the Planning Board on land use, possible zoning changes, traffic and parking improvements, and use of city-owned land and buildings. Close cooperation has been maintained with the Laconia Chamber of Commerce on all matters concerning the improvement of the city and its future development. An example of the latter is the careful attention given by the board and the Chamber Transportation Committee regarding the proposed by-pass or relief highway for Laconia both as to location and possible effect upon the economy of the area. Careful consideration, too, has been given to the adoption by the city of a Building Code. It is felt that this would be beneficial to our community and a recommended code will be presented to the Mayor and Council in the near future.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Lou Athanas, Director

After maintaining one of the finest G.O.C. towers in the state, this portion of the Civil Defense program was curtailed by order of the federal government on January 1, 1958. The G.O.C. tower has since been on a standby basis and the facilities kept in condition so that the program could be activated within a matter of not more than two or three hours. However, the G.O.C. program has now been entirely discontinued and Laconia has received permission to abandon its tower facilities.

Under the Civil Defense program during the past fiscal year, the city has been able to acquire surplus government property at a small fraction of its true value. Among the items secured by the city are various pieces of small equipment for the Fire Department, an army duck which will be used for rescue work as well as by the Public Works Department in the necessary engineering for our future sewerage projects, and a stand-by generator at approximately 50% of its total cost by the Laconia Hospital.

The Civil Defense program and its philosophy are rapidly changing. Because Laconia has been designated a reception center, within the next year there will unquestionably be developed strong auxiliary units for our Police and Fire Departments in particular, as well as a first aid unit.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Jason C. Sloan, Clerk

The Board of Adjustment has faithfully performed its duties during the past year and the decisions made have been reached only in accordance with the law and after careful deliberation. The number of petitions presented to the board followed closely the pattern of previous years. Since a petition is presented only when the petitioner feels that strict accordance with the zoning ordinance will work a hardship on him, particular care is exercised to see that the denial of any petition will be for the greatest good of the greatest number and will be in the best interest of good planning for the future.

Again, it should be called to the attention of all citizens that this board has a most difficult task, all members serve without remuneration, and their sincere efforts should be appreciated.

Meetings	held	
Petitions		
Petitions	denied	

Conditional use—approved 1 Location—approved 1 Petitions withdrawn 1 Edward L. Lydiard served as Industrial Agent for the City of Laconia from July 1, 1956 until his untimely death in April, 1958. He was replaced by Planning Director Jason C. Sloan.

The Industrial Agent worked closely with local industry in efforts to obtain suitable government defense work contracts and at the same time endeavored to secure new industries for Laconia.

A very welcome addition to the industrial picture in Laconia was the establishment of the Browning Laboratories, Inc., formerly located in Winchester, Massachusetts. This electronics concern found adequate space in a portion of the Guild-Northland Mill property on Union Avenue. Mr. Lydiard was largely responsible for our success in attracting this new industry to our city.

The Industial Agent kept close contact with the Laconia Industrial Development Corporation, the Chamber of Commerce Industrial Committees, the Laconia Planning Board and the various state agencies, including the State Planning & Development Commission in his work to promote industrial interest in Laconia.

INDUSTRIAL AGENT



New Telephone Building



Room for Industrial Growth

Photo by Loran Percy

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Completion of the new addition has made the greatest change in the history of the library since it was built in 1903. Dedication exercises were held on Sunday, November 17, 1957. On the following day 195 books were borrowed from the children's room. The circulation totals 14.040 books for the past six and one-half months. The children's room is very attractive with the addition of furniture given by the families of three former library trustees, General William H. Knight, Henry T. Turner, and Max Chertok.

The Martha Prescott auditorium has been used for over fifty meetings. It has been very satisfactory for large gatherings such as the Authors' Tea, the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Library Association, and the convention of Veterans of World War I. It has been reserved for special meetings of smaller clubs-League of Women Voters. Mary Butler Chapter, DAR, American Association of University Women, and Council of Church Women. The auditorium has proved to be equally suited for concerts, film programs, or art exhibits. The Senior Citizens Club meets weekly with an average attendance of 45 members



The Bookmobile visits four schools, St. Francis Home, Taylor Home, Wyatt Park, and the Weirs. During 186 stops, 8,523 books were loaned to library patrons.

Through the cooperation of the Canadian Consulate General colored travel films and French films were available at the library. They were loaned for club programs and school use with a total attendance of 3200 viewers

CIRCULATION

Gale Memorial Library	
Adult circulation desk	49,866
Children's room	14,040
Goss Reading Room	11,190
Bookmobile	8,523
Recordings	2,641
Films	59
	86,319
Increase in circulation over previous year	8,622

Increase in circulation over previous year

COLLECTION

Books added	2,053
Books withdrawn	367
Total book collection	48,798
Total record collection	729



Margaret K. White



An enthusiastic group of people filled St. John's auditorium to capacity on the night of November 6th, 1957 in recognition of City Engineer Arnold J. O'Mara's completion of 35 years in the service of the city. The testimonials to Arnold's devotion to the city were many—and it was agreed by everyone that the affair was a well deserved tribute to one of the most outstanding city engineers and public servants to be found anywhere in the State of New Hampshire.

The citizens of Laconia have long been recognized as a people imbued with a strong sense of patriotism and it was fitting, therefore, that on May 17, 1958, with the cooperation of our local National Guard Unit, a very successful Armed Forces Day was observed.

One of the finest and most spectacular events ever to take place in Laconia was conducted the weekend of June 28 and 29, 1958. This was "Boat-O-Rama", sponsored by the Boston Herald Traveler Corporation, assisted by the Laconia and Weirs Beach Chambers of Commerce. So much interest was evinced in this event that traffic was exceedingly heavy on all routes leading to Laconia and it was a weekend long to be remembered by the thousands of people who crowded into the area. It was so very well managed and so successful in every way, it is hoped the event will be repeated in succeeding years. We are assured of its continuance at least through 1959.







PROGRESS REPORT

TRAFFIC SURVEY—Authorized by the City Council upon the recommendation of the Planning Director. Conducted on all principal streets in Laconia with the cooperation of the State Highway Department and the State Planning & Development Commission. Provides the City Engineer's office with the necessary information essential to proper routing of traffic and improvement and redevelopment of our city streets; also the data necessary for studying the feasibility of a by-pass of Laconia as a part of the state highway system.

CHANGE IN PARKING REGULATIONS ON MAIN AND PLEASANT STREETS---From diagonal to parallel parking. This has improved the traffic flow and should help in the future expansion of our business district.

IMPROVEMENTS AT WEIRS BEACH—Additional street lights, new flood lights at Endicott Park, repair of existing wharves, improvements in the board walk, expansion of wharf facilities (this work has been awarded to the Floyd Miller Construction Co. of Laconia).

NEW MILL STREET BRIDGE—After a controversy lasting for many years, the old bridge was finally demolished and replaced with a new steel and concrete pedestrian bridge. Work was done entirely by the Public Works Department.

NEW PARKING LOT—The Sakansky property on Water Street was acquired by the city in the spring of 1958, the buildings demolished and an additional parking area developed. This, together with the lots completed in 1956 and 1957, provides Laconia with the best off-street parking of any community of comparable size in the country. Officials from other cities and towns have visited Laconia for the purpose of studying our methods of reclaiming property for public use and securing the necessary funds without recourse to public taxes.

SCHOOLS—A new School Building Committee jointly named by the City Council and the School Board has been formed and plans have been completed for a modern elementary school to be located on Pleasant Street. It is anticipated this will be ready for occupancy during the latter part of 1959. It is hoped that before long the Building Committee will also have plans for new high school facilities, so badly needed.

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY—The city acquired from St. Joseph's Parish the Busiel property-so-called, on Church Street. This will provide an access from Church Street to the new Beacon Street parking lot—the remainder of the land to be sold to the United States government for an addition to the Post Office and to a private concern for construction of a modern office building.

SEWER EXTENSION—The project authorized in 1957 to complete the sanitary sewerage system at the lower end of Laconia's business district, including construction of a new pumping station, has been completed by the Public Works Department.

ALGAE—During the past year, Laconia entered into a co-operative arrangement with neighboring communities, resulting in the engagement of Dr. Armand Bebeau, a noted biologist, for the study of the algae problem which has become particularly acute in Lake Winnisquam. It is hoped that in the next session of the legislature, the State of New Hampshire will authorize a comprehensive study and the necessary funds to alleviate the serious algae condition which prevails in many bodies of water throughout the state.



DEPARTMENT

After a great deal of thought and study, it was unanimously recommended by the Finance Committee and the City Auditor that a centralized accounting system be established by the city to take care of accounting for all departments, with the exception of the Water Department.

In March, 1958, this plan met with the unanimous approval of the City Council and the Mayor was authorized to sign a contract with the Burroughs Corporation (the low bidder) for a Typing Sensimatic Accounting Machine. Such a machine was subsequently installed in the former council chamber and a new department was added to the city—the Accounting Department. Roland J. Morin was made department head, and Mrs. Mae Caverly was transferred from the school office to City Hall as his assistant.

In the words of City Auditor Dana S. Beane, Jr.: "During the past fiscal year, the Mayor and Council have, in our opinion, taken one of the most important forward steps in municipal accounting and finance in Laconia's history. They have elevated to departmental status the accounting office of the city, completed the mechanization of all accounting and payroll functions, combined in this department the bookkeeping and payroll functions of the Laconia School District and Gale Memorial Library, and provided the city in this action with a much greater degree of financial internal control both in the field of audit and management."

Plans are being made to centralize all purchasing done by the city within this same department. This should further improve our business procedure and result in substantial savings.

CITY CLERK

Kenneth R. Dunlap, City Clerk Maude E. Lemere, Asst. City Clerk Ethel M. Aldrich, Typist-Clerk

Janitors:

Wilfred Vandel Rudolph St. Jacques

VITAL STATISTICS:

Births	607
Still Births	17
Marriages	262
Deaths	318

Number of Automobile Permits issued	6,999
Revenue from Automobile Permits (as compared with \$53,994.11 in 1953)	\$75,685.60

OTHER REVENUE:

Amusements	\$ 196.25	Marriage Licenses	426.00
Taxi Licenses	90.00	Recordings	2,584.65
Beano Licenses	670.00	Certified Certificates	469.76
Dog Licenses	2,480.75		
	Total	\$6,917.41	
Total number of register	red voters:	8,300	

DEPARTMENT

Bertrand Morin, Director Laurette B. Johnson, Secretary

DIRECT RELIEF:	
35 Families (150 persons)	\$ 3,515.06
19 Single persons	3,644.76
21 Veteran families (98 persons)	3,721.55
2 Single veterans	334.00
Total	\$11,215.37
BREAKDOWN:	
Food	\$ 3,152.43
Gas and electricity	142.19
Clothing	398.09
Fuel	427.57
Rent	591.4 6
Board and Care: adult	705.74
child	3,341.80
Medical, hospital and funerals	2,456.09
Total	\$11,215.37

Old age assistance, alien old age assistance, and aid to permanently and totally disabled amounted to \$37,072.32.

People receiving assistance who are able to work again this year furnished the city with more than 2,000 hours; their work included maintenance work at Leavitt, Opechee and Memorial Parks, painting double fence at the Laconia Water Works Reservoir, cleaning up the several cemeteries within the boundary line of the city.

An average of 400 families per month were recipients of surplus food.

LACONIA CITY BUDGET • 1958 - 1959

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Assessors Department	09
City Clerk Office	.07
City Hall Maintenance	.06
Civilian Defense	
Elections	.03
Fiscal Office	.07
Health Department	.08
Insurance	.04
Miscellaneous Budget	.05
Municipal Court	.03
Parks & Playgrounds	.10
Patriotic Purposes	01

.06	Planning Board
.06	Tax Collector
.04	Weirs Beach
.02	Weirs Municipal Bldgs.
1 · 1	Zoning Board of Adjust.
.002	Athletic Floodlights
.02	State Education Tax
.07	Hydrant Service
.07	Laconia Hospital
.01	School Bldg. Committee
.02	Airport Authority

Retirement

Adjusted Totals 1 1 1

ASSESSED VALUATIONS • 1958 - 1959



MISCELLANEOUS

Land & Bldgs.	75.00189%
Mills & Machinery	9.44770%
Canals & Wharves	.07221%
Electric Plants	2.34751%
House Trailers	.17922%
Petroleum & Gas Tr	rans.
Lines	.23725%
Stock in Trade	11.19630%
Vehicles	.01180%
Boats & Launches	1.27214%
Horses	.00510%

.06486%	Cows
.00376%	Neat Stock
.00007%	Sheep & Goats
.00060%	Hogs
.00450%	Fowls
.13956%	Gas Pumps & Tanks
.01147%	Well Drilling Mach.
.00412%	Wood & Lumber

SUMMARY

Net Valuation	28,579,104		96.8512%
Veteran Exemptions	929,150	=	3.1488%
Gross Valuation	29,508,254	=	100.00%

CITY AUDIT

City of Laconia, New Hampshire

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION - THE GENERAL FUND

as of June 30, 1958

ASSETS

Cash in Banks and on Hand Petty Cash	\$ 81,653.80 650.00	\$ 82,303.8 0
Escrowed Cash: On Deposit—Belknap Superior Court		12,000.00
Taxes Receivable. Due City—Current Year Due City—Delinquent (not liens)	3,286.90 747.76	4,034.66
Tax Liens—Delinquent Taxes on Property Deeded to City Uncollected Delinquent State N. H. Head Taxes		24,807.06 596.55 715.00
Other Assets—Receivables: Laconia Water Works State of New Hampshire (class 4 and 5 roads) Past due—Parking Lot Contract Payments	560.32 360.85 1,300.00	
Less-Provision for uncollected parking lot payments	2,221.17 350.00	1,871.17
Total Current Working Assets		\$126,328.24

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Department Unexpended Balances Retained:			
Uniform allowance—Fire Department	\$ 244.66		
Uniform allowance—Police Department	549.17		
City employees parking spaces	500.00		
Memorial Park improvements	1,013.20		
Public Works Department equipment	3,933.11		
Opechee Park improvements	853.99	~ F	00110
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Advance Revenue Collections:	9 404 CE		
Tax Collections—1958 Levy Bond premiums and interest—1958-1959 budget	3,424.65 700.27		
Contract payments—parking lots	2,975.00		
Contract payments - parking lots	 2,575.00	7	099.92
Accounts Payable:		* ,	000.04
Due State of New Hampshire—Advance 1958 Head Tax Collections	405.00		
Trust Deposits due City Trustees of Trust Funds	300.00		
Tax Refunds	25.00		
	 		730.00
Escrowed Funds:	11.000.00		
On Land Purchase Court Case (Beacon Lot)	11,000.00		
On Demand	1,000.00	10	000.00
	 	12,	000.000
Total Liabilities Against Current Working Funds		\$ 26,	924.05
Surplus: (retained revenues)		07	
General Fund Surplus Unappropriated (Schedule A-1)			775.51
Parking Meter Fund Surplus Unappropriated (Schedule A-4)			628.68
Total Liabilities and Surplus		\$ 126,	328.24

STATEMENT OF REVENUES OTHER THAN PROPERTY OR POLL TAXES OF THE GENERAL FUND Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1958

	Net Receipts Retained	Estimated in Budget	Added to Surplus	Subtracted from Surplus
From surplus, beginning of year	\$ 69,000.00	\$ 69,000.00	\$	\$
Athletic floodlights	54.00		54.00	
Administration, miscellaneous	131.35		131.35	
Assessors, sale equipment, etc.	765.55		765.55	
Debt interest, Water Works	1,333.00		1,333.00	
City Hall Maintenance—sales, etc.	33.73		33.73	
Educational tax-refund, New Hampshire	426.74		426.74	
Parkhouse rentals, (partial)	1,414.72		1,414.72	
Police Department	568.83		568.83	
Public Library, for bond retirement	3,000.00		3,000.00	
Public Library, 1956-1957 excess	701.09		701.09	
New Hampshire reimbursement, head tax supplies	212.32		212.32	
Welfare Department, City relief reimbursement, miscellaneous	854.90		854.90	
Welfare Department, New Hampshire Old Age Assistance			0.040.05	
reimbursement	3,610.95		3,610.95	
New Hampshire interest and dividends tax	27,572.78	27,572.78		
Growing wood and timber tax	670.28	500.00	170.28	
Premium and interest, 1-15-57 bonds, prior year	865.82	865.82		
New Hampshire School building aid	1,588.80	1,500.00	88.80	
Interest, temporary investments	1,473.33		1,473.33	
Premium and interest, 12-15-57 bonds (1)	700.27		700.27	
Goss Trust Fund, bookmobile notes, principal and interest				
retirement	1,165.00		1,165.00	
Water Works-employees retirement	982.16		982.16	
Water Works-insurance reimbursement	555.82		555.82	
New Hampshire Savings bank tax	3,177.54	4,500.00		1,322.46
Sealer of weights and measures fees	274.25	250.00	24.25	

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	Net Receipts Retained	Estimated in Budget	Added to Surplus	Subtracted from Surplus
New Hampshire railroad tax	1,285.27	1,100.00	185.27	
Tax title property sold (2)	910.92		910.92	
New Hampshire, for collecting head taxes	3,558.00	3,500.00	58.00	
Fees, City Clerk	3,185.37	2,600.00	585.37	
Motor vehicle permits	75,567.62	77,000.00		1,432.38
Dog licenses	2,525.00	1,000.00	1,525.00	
Business licenses	1,875.50	1,800.00	75.50	
Health Department	542.20	500.00	42.20	
Municipal Court, retained by City	15,889.20	16,600.00		710.80
Tax Collector's fees	994.29	850.00	144.29	
Interest on delinquent taxes	4,708.15	3,000.00	1,708.15	
Weirs beach services	8,392.18	9,000.00		607.82
Weirs buildings services	3,481.16	3,700.00		218.84
Zoning Board of Adjustment	130.00	100.00	30.00	
Miscellaneous receipts	377.80		377.80	
	\$244,555.89	\$224,938.60	\$23,909.59	\$4,292.30
(1) less-retained to apply on the 1958-1959 budget			700.27	
(2) less-transfer of portion of revenue to offset previous inc	curred expenses and	taxes	567.00	
Increase to General Fund Surplus			\$22,642.32	
Decrease to General Fund Surplus				\$4,292.30
Net Increase to General Fund Surplus			\$18,350.02	

CONDENSED TRATINITY - CEPTERAL FUND BUDDET ACCOUNTS

for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1958

	Budget and	Receipts Applied to	Total	Transfers Out	Spent	Excess or Deficiency*
Department or Account	Transfers	Budget	Available			,
New Hampshire—Wood and timber taxes	\$	\$	\$ 0.00	\$	\$ 147.29	\$ 147.29*
Bicycle license plates			0.00		146.47	146.47*
Land damage award—Airport—Transferred to Airport						
Authority		300.00	300.00		300.00	
Athletic floodlights	526.12		526.12		544.12	18.00*
Airport Authority	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00	
Administration	28,439.70		28,439.70		26,979.49	1,460.21
Assessors	17,561.35		17,561.35		15,825.88	1,735.47
Bonded debt principal: (budget)	135,382.85					
Surplus, Sanitary Sewerage Fund Cash		5,000.00				
Parking Meter Fund	22,117.15					
Laconia Water Works		30,000.00	192,500.00		192,500.00	
Bonded debt interest: (budget)	29,474.31					
Parking Meter Fund	10,055.94					
Laconia Water Works		23,345.00	62,875.25		61,791.38	1,083.87
Overlay for Abatements (a) Abatements, non-cash	24,390.56	39.00	24,429.56	11,547.08(a)) 1,686.70	11,195.78
City Clerk's Department	17,074.84	5.65	17,080.49		16,818.37	262.12
City Hall maintenance	9,668.24		9,668.24		7,884.11	1,784.13 (1)
Civilian defense	440.00	359.06	799.06		646.52	152.54
Belknap County tax	72,011.37		72,011.37		72,011.37	
State educational tax	4,316.00		4,316.00		4,316.00	
Elections	945.25		945.25		803.94	141.31
Fire Department	106,560.22	2,733.11	109,293.33		108,518.49	774.84 (2)
Health Department	13,760.14	20.65	13,780.79		13,762.20	18.59
Hydrant service	13,000.00		13,000.00		13,000.00	
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	Budget and	Receipts Applied to	Total	Transfers		Excess or
Department or Account	Transfers	Budget	Available	Out	Spent	Deficiency*
Insurance	9,655.00		9,655.00		9,102.38	552.62
Laconia Hospital	12,000.00		12,000.00		12,000.00	
Miscellaneous and industrial promotion	6,091.73		6,091.73	400.00	4,724.36	967.37
Municipal Court	6,935.75		6,935.75	56.84	5,828.03	1,050.88
Parks and playgrounds	19,575.00	720.05	20,295.05	484.52	18,338.54	1,471.99 (3)
Patriotic purposes	1,450.00		1,450.00		1,201.97	248.03
Planning Board	6,094.50		6,094.50		5,500.36	594.14
Police Department	125,700.71		125,700.71		124,589.56	1,111.15 (4)
Public Library, Gale Park	32,097.25		32,097.25		32,097.25	
Public Works Department: Budget operations Outside operations	239,762.81 360.85	154,577.33	239,762.81 154,938.18		237,530.75 154,938.18	2,232.06
Retirement, employees	9,000.00		9,000.00		8,181.68	818.32
School building committee	2,500.00		2,500.00		1,067.00	1,433.00
School District	603,600.00	95,481.06	699,081.06		698,933.96	147.10
Street lighting	39,000.00		39,000.00		38,691.48	308.52
Tax Collector's Department	11,545.02	1,229.10	12,774.12		12,464.26	309.86
Weirs Beach	9,570.00		9,570.00		8,159.82	1,410.18
Weirs Beach buildings	2,486.00		2,486.00		2,200.30	285.70
Welfare Department	76,467.45		76,467.45		53,285.82	23,181.63
Zoning Board of Adjustment	250.00		250.00		139.00	111.00

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		Receipts	Total	Transfers		Excess
Department or Account	Budget and Transfers	Applied to Budget	Available	Out	Spent	Deficiency*
Capital improvements:						050.00 (5)
Opechee Park	1,700.00		1,700.00		846.01	853.99 (5)
Wyatt Park	700.00		700.00		312.00	388.00
Tardif Park	937.19		937.19		937.19	
Public Library (paving)	1,800.00		1,800.00	758.99	1,041.01	
Fire engine (new) Farrar Co.	10,465.00		10,465.00		10,465.00	
Public Works equipment	3,933.11		3,933.11		0.00	3,933.11 (6)
Memorial Park	1,097.33		1,097.33		247.33	850.00 (7)
Leavitt Park	550.00		550.00		447.00	103.00
Fire Department—replace 38 alarm boxes	6,600.00		6,600.00		6,595.00	5.00
Fire Department—47 new alarm boxes	5,000.00		5,000.00		3,680.00	1,320.00
	\$1,753,648.74	\$313,810.01	\$2,067,458.75	\$13,247.43 \$	1,992,227.57	\$61,983.75
Less-Portions of unexpended budgets held over to I	958-1959 year:					
(1) City Hall maintenance—employees parking						— 500.00
(2) Fire Department—uniform allowance						244.66
(3) Parks Department—Memorial Park diamond im	provements					— 163.20
(4) Police Department—uniform allowance						— 549.17
(5) Opechee Park						- 853.99
(6) Public Works Department						
						050.00

(7) Memorial Park

Excess transferred to Surplus

- 850.00

\$54,889.62

SANITARY SEWERAGE FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30, 1958

ASSETS

Peoples National Bank	\$ 9,085.76	
Laconia Federal Savings and Loan Association	16,962.81	
		\$ 26,048.57
Accounts Receivable-Sewer rentals		1,543.56
Total Assets		\$ 27,592.13
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND ALLOCATIONS		
*Provision for Replacement of Plant and Equipment		\$ 16,923.96
Unappropriated Surplus		10,668.17
Total Surplus and Surplus Allocations		\$ 27,592.13

• \$2,975.00 was again added this year to the replacement fund for future outlays which will occur as equipment deteriorates from usage.

Cash in Banks:

ANALYSIS OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL INCOME AND EXPENSE OF SEWERAGE PLANT AND FACILITIES for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1958

INCOME		
 Estimated Amount to be Raised Less—Revenue Earned, Actual: From sewer rental charges to users Interest on late bill payments Interest on invested surplus and depreciation funds Miscellaneous income—fees and licenses 	\$36,277.20 478.84 538.15 245.50	\$32,475.00 37,539.69
Excess of Income Earned over Estimate		\$ 5,064.69
EXPENSE		
Estimated Budgeted Expenses Less—Actual Expenses: Clerical assistance (to tax collector's office) Printing, envelopes, supplies Abatements and refunds Plant operation Sewer system maintenance Keasor Court pumping station Lawrence Street pumping station Depreciation—transferred to reserve	\$ 1,225.00 207.11 67.44 15,857.66 10,098.03 453.98 435.11 2,975.00	\$32,475.00 31,319.33
Excess of Estimated Expense Over Actual		\$ 1,155.67
SUMMARY OF SEWERAGE FUND SURPLUS CHANGES		
Balance, Surplus, July 1, 1957 Plus—above excess of income earned over estimate above excess of budgeted expense over actual		\$ 9,447.81 5,064.69 1,155.67
		\$15,668.17
Less—amount of cash surplus applied toward the retirement of bonds issued to construct the sewerage treatment plant		5,000.00
Balance, Surplus, June 30, 1958		\$10,668.17

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

as of June 30, 1958

ASSETS

Cash in Depositories

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Perman	ent Project and Equipment Balances Unexpended:	
1950	Sewer Plant and Construction Bonds	\$ 8,249.61
1952	Public Improvements	169.20
1953	Serial Notes	3.71
1954	Public Improvements and Equipment	2,468.93
1954	Serial Bonds	20.60
1955	Lakeport Fire Station	300.00
1955	Public Improvements and Equipment	8,381.81
1955	Sewer Extensions	43,933.99
1957	Public Improvement	43,594.95
1957	Boston & Maine Land Acquisition	54,000.00
1957	Water Works Public Improvement	60,950.30

\$222,073.10

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NOTES:

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

(2) Reference to the individual statements will disclose that certain unexpended balances on completed projects have been allocated by council vote and public hearing to other permanent capital outlays.

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

July 1, 1957 - June 30, 1958

	Balance Due 7-1-57	Bonds New		Paid Off Principal	Balance Due 6-30-58
D 1 1047	\$ 10,000.00	1100		\$ 10,000.00	\$ none
Public Improvement Bonds 1947	120,000.00			10,000.00	110,000.00
Public Improvement Bonds 1948	,			5,000.00	none
Weirs Beach Bonds	5,000.00		(5)	30,000.00	640,000.00
(5) Sewer Bonds (plant)	670,000.00		(.))	12,000.00	none
Public Improvement Bonds 1952	12,000.00			10,000.00	20,000.00
School Bonds 1952	30,000.00			14,000.00	14,000.00
Public Improvement and Equipment 1954	28,000.00				4,000.00
Serial Notes 1954	8,000.00			4,000.00	4,000.00
Public Works Equipment Notes 1954	6,000.00			2,000.00	4,000.00
Laconia Airport Authority Notes 1955	8,000.00			4,000.00	
Lakeport Fire Station Bonds 1955	71,000.00			5,000.00	66,000.00
Serial Notes 1953	5,500.00			5,500.00	none
Airport Improvement Bonds 1955	35,000.00			5,000.00	30,000.00
Public Improvement and Equipment Bonds 1955	50,000.00			10,000.00	40,000.00
Sewer Bonds (Extensions) 1955	130,000.00			5,000.00	125,000.00
(1) Water Works acquisition bonds 1955	820,000.00		(1)	30,000.00	790,000.00
(2) Public Improvement and Parking Lots 1957	440,000.00		(2)	30,000.00	410,000.00
(3) Bookmobile Notes 1956	6,000.00		(3)	1,000.00	5,000.00
(4) Water Works Public Improvement Bonds 1957		86,000.00	(4)	none	86,000.00
Boston & Maine Land Acquisition Bonds—1957	none	60,000.00		none	60,000.00
-	\$2,454,500.00	\$146,000.00		\$192,500.00	\$2,408,000.00

NOTES:

Although these bonds are general obligations of the City of Laconia, principal and interest payments are in whole or part paid from sources other than general property taxation:

- (1) Paid entirely from Laconia Water Works revenue, principal \$30,000, interest \$23,345.
- (2) Portion of issue used for parking lots is being retired from Parking Meter Fund revenue, business contributions. During past year \$22,-117.15 of above principal, and \$10,055.94 of interest.
- (3) Although above \$1,000 principal and \$165 interest was in budget of City, Goss Trust Funds reimbursed City for such amounts.
- (4) To be retired from revenue of the Laconia Water Works.
- (5) \$5,000 of above \$30,000 principal paid from excess funds in the Sanitary Sewerage Fund.

LACONIA CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30, 1958

ASSETS

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Cash in Banks: City Savings Bank Laconia Savings Bank Laconia Federal Savings & Loan Association Lakeport National Bank	\$39,701.59 50,439.42 16,701.51 335.43	@107.177.05
Investments—Common Trust Funds (at cost):Eaton & Howard Balanced Funds622 sharesFidelity Fund, Inc.1207 sharesMassachusetts Investors Trust740 sharesThe George Putnam Fund486 sharesChemical Fund, Inc.915 shares	10,655.35 12,154.12 5,482.18 5,113.26 11,819.47	\$107,177.95 45,224.38
Total Assets		\$152,402.33
LIABILITIES Principal Trust Funds Available Dividends and Accrued Interest		\$142,806.07 9,596.26
Total Liabilities Increase in Principal During Year: New trust funds deposited in savings accounts Capital gains from investments		\$152,402.33 \$4,225.00 1,473.00
Unexpended Income, July 1, 1957 Plus—Interest on savings accounts Dividends from investments	\$ 3,332.63 1,952.74	\$ 5,698.00 \$ 8,866.34 5,285.37
LessIncome expended		\$ 14,151.71 4,555.45
Unexpended Income, June 30, 1958		\$ 9,596.26

LEAVITT PARK TRUST FUNDS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30, 1958

ASSETS

Cash in Banks: Laconia Federal Savings & Loan Association Investments—Stocks (at cost): Eaton & Howard Balanced Fund 227 shares Fidelity Fund, Inc. 627 shares New England Tel. & Tel. Co. 9 shares Broad Street Investing Corp. 524 shares	\$ 3,688.88 5,793.39 900.00 12,702.15	\$ 3,164.74 23,084.42
Total Assets		\$26,249.16
LIABILITIES		
Principal Trust Funds Available Dividends and Accrued Interest		\$23,338.58 2,910.58
Total Liabilities Balance, Principal Funds, July 1, 1957 Plus—Capital gains from investments *Purchase of one (1) New England Tel. & Tel Co. share	\$ 474.87 100.00	\$26,249.16 \$22,763.71 574.87
Balance, Principal Funds, June 30, 1958 Unexpended Income, July 1, 1957 Plus—Interest on savings account Dividends from investments	\$ 84.48 1,095.73	\$23,338.58 \$ 1,937.17
Less—Expenditures		\$ 3,117.38 206.80
Unexpended Income, June 30, 1958		\$ 2,910.58

NOTE:

* One (1) share of New England Tel. & Tel. Co. stock was purchased in June, 1958, by exercising one Stock Right. The other stock rights were sold in July, 1958, for \$23.10 which will appear as an increase to Principal Funds in the next fiscal year.

CHARLES H. PERKINS HIGH SCHOOL TRUST FUNC STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30, 1958

ASSETS

Cash in Bank: Laconia Savings Bank Investments—Stocks (at cost):		\$ 533.79
Eaton & Howard Balanced Fund 168 shares Fidelity Fund, Inc. 347 shares	\$2,727.15 3,201.28	5,928.43
Total Assets		\$6,462.22
LIABILITIES		
Principal Trust Funds Available Dividends and Accrued Interest		\$6,125.43 336.79
Total Liabilities Balance, Principal Fund, July 1, 1957 Plus—Capital gains from investments		\$6,462.22 \$5,923.38 202.05
Balance, Principal Fund, June 30, 1958 Unexpended Income, July 1, 1957 Plus—Dividends and interest received		\$6,125.43 \$ 340.29 296.50
Less—Expended—scholarships		\$ 636.79 300.00
Unexpended Income, June 30, 1958		\$ 336.79

OSSIAN W. GOSS FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

June 30, 1958

ASSETS	
Cash—Laconia Savings Bank	\$ 342.46
LIABILITIES	
Principal Trust Fund Available Accrued Interest	\$ 200.00 142.46
	\$ 342.46

HILLSIDE CEMETERY TRUST FUND

ASSETS		
Cash—Peoples National Bank		\$ 327.66
LIABILITIES		
Thus—Theome from confectory trast rundo	375.50 63.00	 327.66 266.39
Annual dues		 438.50
Cash available Less—Expense of maintenance		\$ 704.89 377.23
Balance of Cash, June 30, 1958		\$ 327.66

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS

June 30, 1958

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Cash in Banks-Savings Accounts	\$11,925.59
Investments (at cost):	
U. S. Government Bonds	\$5,500.00
Other Stocks and Bonds	2,500.00
Total Assets	\$19,925.59

LIABILITIES

Regular Principal Trust Funds (1)	\$19,201.97
Gale Building Fund (2)	577.97
Available Accrued Interest	145.65
Total Liabilities	\$19,925.59

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(1) Balance, Regular Principal Funds, July 1, 1957 Plus—Additional gift "Chertok Fund"		\$19,726.97 572.97
		\$20,299.94
Less—Original Gilford Avenue School bond cash transferred to library general fund cash Principal portion of "Chertok Fund" transferred to library general fund cash	\$ 25.00 1,072.97	1,097.97
Balance, Regular Principal Funds, June 30, 1958, as above		\$19,201.97
 (2) Balance, Gale Building Fund, July 1, 1957 Plus—deposit of portion of Gale Estate income savings interest income 		\$ 4,391.68 1,025.84 40.45
0		\$ 5,457.97
Less-Transferred to library general fund cash		4,880.00
Balance, Gale Building Fund, June 30, 1958 as above		\$ 577.97

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ASSETS

Fixed Assets—Total Investment Water and Other Property—Schedule A		\$883,403.90
Current Assets:		4000,100.00
Cash in Banks and on Hand	\$ 9,302.15	
Cash in Savings Account-see collateral note payable	26,110.00	
Materials and Supplies	21,853.09	
Accounts Receivable-Water	22,663.85	
Accounts Receivable-Miscellaneous Sales	1,576.28	
Contract Receivable-Main extension reimbursement		81,505.37
Contract Receivable—Main extension reimbursement		2,500.00
Total Assets		\$967,409.27
LIABILITIES		φ507,105.27
Capital Liabilities:		
Acquisition Bond Issue-30 years	\$790,000.00	
Acquisition Loan—City of Laconia	1,500.00	
		\$791,500.00
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$ 6,827.15	
Collateral Note Payable on Savings Account	26,000.00	
Notes Payable—Bank Customer Deposits	3,179.63	
Advance Revenue—Laconia Fire Protection Charges	300.00	
Due Laconia on Accounts Receivable	6,500.00	
Due Dacoma on Accounts Acceivable	560.32	42 267 10
Reserves:		43,367.10
Accumulated Depreciation since January 1, 1956		36,773.45
Contributions in Aid of Construction (see report)		28,504.30
Earnings Retained for Bond Principal Retirement and Other Outlays:		
Balance, January 1, 1957	33,754.82	
Plus—Net earnings for 1957, Exhibit B	33,509.60	
		67,264.42
Total Liabilities, Reserves, and Retained Earnings		\$967,409.27
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Approximately \$11,000,00 of fixed asset additions in 1957 will be reimbursed to the Laconia Water Works from the City of Laconia bond funds.

LACONIA WATER WORKS DETAIL OF PROPERTY ACCOUNTS

December 31, 1957

		Asset	Asset	
	Balance	Additions	Retirements	
	12-31-56	1957	1957	12-31-57
Power, Pumping and transmission land	\$ 3,025.00	\$	\$	\$ 3,025.00
Reservoir and standpipe land	4,766.87			4,766.87
Distribution system land	100.00			100.00
Source of supply structures	936.77			936.77
	19,981.10			19,981.10
Power and pumping structures	67,862.46			67,862.46
Reservoir and standpipe structures	1,220.00			1,220.00
Reservoir fence General and Miscellaneous structures	21,078.75			21,078.75
	6,594.59			6,594.59
Electric pumping equipment	1,402.08			1,402.08
Oil engine pumping equipment	1,285.98	225.00		1,510.98
Purification equipment	9,799.28	110100		9,799.28
Transmission mains	498,533.07	*48,093.92	574.89	546,052.10
Distributions mains	96,754.12	10,000.02	07 2100	96,754.12
Services	21,368.86	1,508.46	287.63	22,589.69
Hydrants	5,524.98	1,500.10	207.00	5,524.98
Sprinkler services	30,082.73	1,378.05		31,460.78
Meters	4,901.78	3,480.00	147.21	8,234.57
Transportation equipment	2,721.92	565.52	1 1 / • 4 1	3,287.44
Miscellaneous equipment—general	4,196.58	354.15	57.05	4,493.68
Office equipment	228.66	JJT.1J	57.05	228.66
Miscellaneous tangible property		500.00		26,500.00
Non-utility property	26,000.00			20,300.00
Totals—Exhibit A	\$828,365.58	\$56,105.10	\$1,066.78	\$883,403.90

NOTES:

* Includes \$1,422.81 of main extensions constructed in 1956 but not connected to distribution system until 1957.

\$18,122.54 of the \$56,105.10 of asset additions for 1957 was received or receivable from customers and included in Contributions in Aid of Construction. The balance of **mains and hydrant** construction paid direct by the Laconia Water Works without user reimbursement consists mainly of:

1. \$24,041.67 cost of North Main St. replaced line, Oak St. corner to junction of Pleasant St.

2. \$5,080.21 balance not charged to developer user on No. Main St. extension to development.

3. \$2,230.77 miscellaneous mains and hydrants on Busiel, Lewis, Folsom, River Streets.

CITY OF LACONIA WATER WORKS

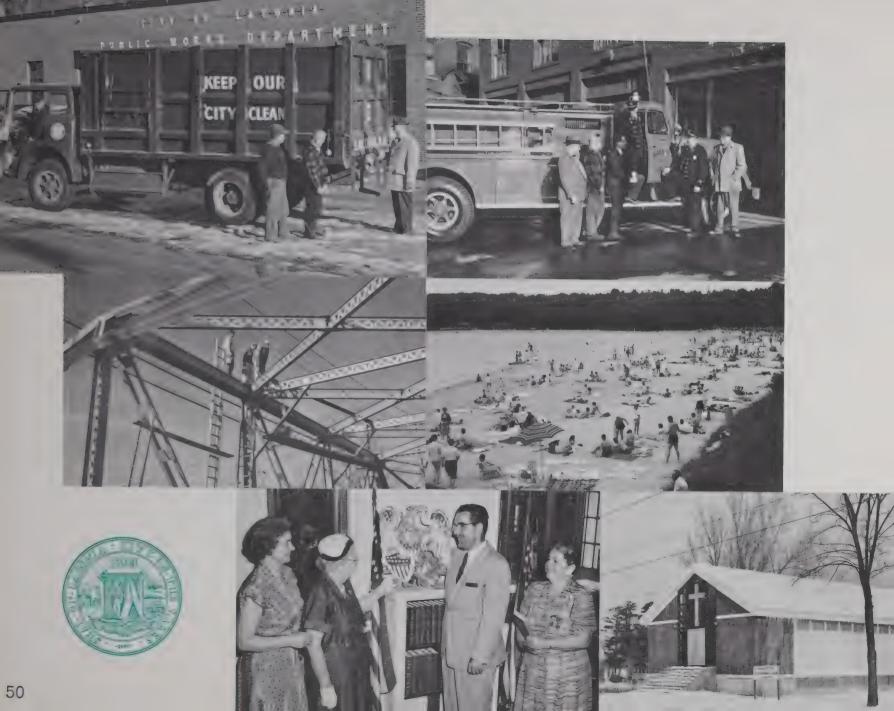
Statement of Income and Expense for the Year Ended December 31, 1957

\$51,975.75 2,792.27		
48,325.70	\$ 54,768.02	
	54,157.84	
6,096.54	20,293.26	
1,065.71 3,119.32		
	4,185.03	
		\$133,404.15
\$ 4,914.40 344.68 6,880.05 919.43 250.59	\$13,309.15	
$\begin{array}{r} 6,000.00\\ 184.18\\ 5,899.29\\ 115.87\\ 425.11\\ 1,612.24\\ 3,140.05\\ 1,538.71\\ 1,639.70\\ \end{array}$	\$20,555.15	
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OTHER EXPENSES

Salaries of commissioners Salaries, office Customer Billing Sewage Billing General office expenses Maintenance—office equipment General expense Heat Payroll taxes Employer share retirement cost Insurance Truck expense (net)		\$ 2,100.00 6,589.49 2,743.02 570.19 325.68 338.24 3,767.48 1,166.53 971.28 982.16 1,956.43 833.90	\$00.044.40	
Operating Expense Before Depreciation Plus—Depreciation—fixed assets, water Total Operating Expense—Water Water Operating Income Plus—Other Income:			\$22,344.40 56,208.70 17,074.60	\$ 73,283.30 60,120.85
Discounts on purchases Adjustment of book inventory to actual			177.16 605.27	782.43
Gross Income Less—Other Charges:			45.00	60,903.28
Loss—Trade-in of equipment Loss—Abandonments—mains and hydrants Net loss on non-operating property			45.66 781.82	
Gross rentals Repairs, painting	3,120.88	1,860.00		
Depreciation	1,300.00	4,420.88	2,560.88	
Interest paid on acquisition bond issue Short term interest			23,780.00 225.32	27,393.68
Net Income (available for bond principal retirement and outlays)				\$ 33,509.60

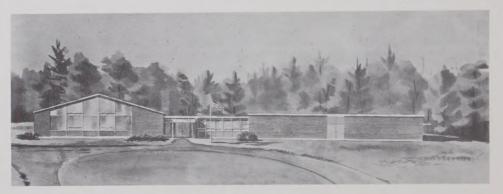


Our greatest needs for additional or improved municipal facilities fall primarily into three categories:

(a) Schools-this problem is presently in the hands of the new School Building Committee.

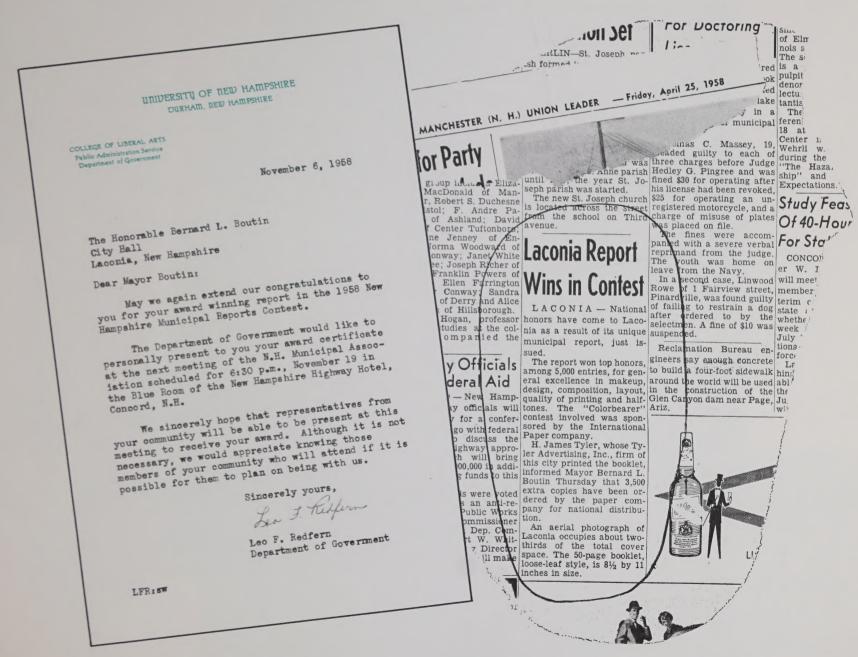
(b) Expansion of sewerage system—Three areas in particular have reached the stage where immediate action is called for: Weirs Boulevard and Weirs proper, the Shore Drive area, the North Main Street area, including the new developments between Lewis Street and the intersection of the new state highway and Elm Street. The City Engineer has completed preliminary studies and the city has applied to the federal government for a loan grant to provide money for the surveys, engineering plans and specifications necessary for these contemplated projects.

(c) New City Hall facilities—In 1929 the present City Hall was termed by the City Council "inadequate" and not worth remodeling. In 1958, nearly thirty years later, with our work load tremendously increased and almost triple the number of city employees housed in the building, we still have practically the same facilities which were deemed inadequate in 1929. It is hoped a solution will be found whereby new construction or possible remodeling of the building acquired by the city from the Boston & Maine Railroad will be undertaken in the near future.



Architect's Drawing of New Elementary School

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE...



A city is like an oak tree—unless its roots are being strengthened, new branches grown and all parts of the tree kept healthy, it will soon die. Recognizing this, the Mayor and Council have made every effort to encourage the growth and well being of the city by improvements within the various departments, by authorizing needed projects, by formulating long range plans to insure the orderly progress of the community, by operating the city government as efficiently as possible, and by rendering to the public, to business and to industry the services essential to their welfare and future prosperity.

In actuality, the Mayor and Council are no different than the President and Board of Directors of a large corporation. The city report, like an annual corporation report, should show a sound financial condition, a year of progress, and a healthy condition of physical assets. We believe this report will show conclusively that much has been accomplished in the past year in improved municipal facilities, that the city's finances are indeed in excellent condition, and that our public buildings and equipment have been maintained at a very high standard.

All city employees have diligently performed their duties, the City Council has been most cooperative, and the citizens of Laconia have contributed a great deal by their interest and help in making this one of the finest communities in the nation. I am proud to have served Laconia as its Mayor, and I know that all of our people share this pride in our wonderful city.

Mayor



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