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**TOWN REPORT — 1974 — GROTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**



PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING CORRECTIONS IN YOUR 1974 GROTON TOWN REPORT OR INSERT  
THIS CORRECTION SHEET IN THE REPORT:

Page 9: Total Valuation before Exemptions allowed - Reads as \$ 1,786,999  
(Printers error) Should read as \$ 1,780,999

Page 10: Health Dept. (Incl. Hosp. & Amb.) - Reads blank in 3 columns  
(Printers error) Should read - Col. 1 \$500.00 Col. 2 \$345.00 Col. 3 \$500.00

Page 11: Revenue Sharing - Center Column - Reads as \$3,900.00 Should read \$3,400.00  
Surplus in Col. 3 - Reads as 10,000.00 Should read \$5,000.00  
Total for Col. 2 - reads as \$24,944.15 Should read \$26,035.13  
Total for Col. 3 - reads as \$35,588.22 Should read \$30,588.22  
Amount to be raised by property taxes reads as \$43,727.86 Should read \$48,727.86

Page 13: Total Revenues and Credits - Reads as \$22,747.00 Should read \$22,747.02  
DEDUCT: Reimb. a/c Property Exempted 1970 Spec. Session Reads as \$126.00  
Should read \$186.00

PROPERTY TAXES TO BE RAISED - Reads as \$68,073.36 Should read \$68,083.26  
Gross Property Taxes - Reads as \$68073.36 - Should read \$68,083.36

Page 26: Add line under receipts: 1974 Property Tax \$53,184.17  
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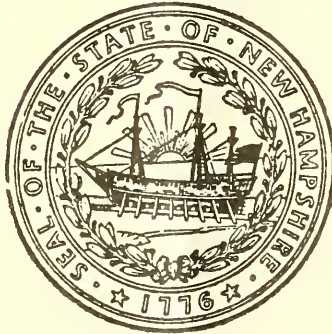
**FOR THE**

**TOWN**

**OF**

# **GROTON**

## **New Hampshire**



**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING**

**DECEMBER 31, 1974**

**MOUNTAIN MEDIA**

**PLYMOUTH, N. H.**

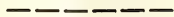
"I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives - I like to see a man live so his place may be proud of him"

Abraham Lincoln

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**TOWN OFFICERS**



**Moderator**

RALPH DILL

**Selectmen**

C. DENIS MATTHEWS, CHAIRMAN

DAVID J. ALBERT

WENDELL GILCHRIST

**Town Clerk**

BETTY ANN deMELLO

**Tax Collector**

BETTY ANN deMELLO

**Treasurer**

BONNIE LEE ALBERT

**Road Agent**

LEWIS ALBERT

**Land Agents**

SELECTMEN

**Librarian**

KATHERINE BUCK

**Police**

CARL J. PEBBLES, SR.

**Health Officers**

SELECTMEN

**Auditor:**

PAUL BUCK

**Trustee of Trust Funds**

BONNIE LEE ALBERT

**Library Trustees**

HELEN ALBERT

BONNIE LEE ALBERT

VERNA C. MATTHEWS

**Constable**

PETER deMELLO

**Fire Warden**

C. DENIS MATTHEWS

**Deputy Wardens**

JAMES PARRIS

JAMES ALBERT

PERLEY WOODWARD

FLOYD COLBY, SR.

DAVID ALBERT

**Secretary to Selectmen**  
VERNA C. MATTHEWS  
**Supervisors**  
YVONNE STEVENS

JUDITH DILL

ELAINE KARKHECK

**Surplus Food Agent**  
JUDITH DILL



**TOWN WARRANT**  
**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the fourth day of March, 1975 next, at 3:00 of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the Town will vote to give a two (2) percent discount for payment of taxes paid within fifteen (15) days after Tax Collector's mailing date.
4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of or administer any real estate acquired by the Tax Collector's deeds.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for a new truck.
6. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.
7. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to apply for, contract for and accept aid relative to State and Federal disaster money.
8. To see if the Town will raise the sum of two hundred ninety-one dollars and twenty-eight cents (\$291.28) and the State to contribute one thousand nine hundred forty dollars and thirty-five cents (\$1,940.35) for Class IV and V constructions.
9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw from the Revenue Sharing Fund all monies available for the purpose of reducing taxation.

10. To see if the Town will vote to continue plowing driveways at the fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars per driveway.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise two thousand, five hundred (\$2,500.00) dollars for sealing the following roads:

- a. North Groton Road
- b. Sculptured Rocks Road
- c. River Road

12. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Planning Board of five (or seven) members with duties set forth in Chapter 36, N.H. Revised Statutes Annotated, to make a study of the Town's development and report to the Town appropriate recommendations for the promotions and maintenance of the Town's best development. The Board shall consist of one Selectman and four (or six) other citizens appointed by the Selectmen, as provided in Chapter 36, N.H. Revised Statutes Annotated.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Town Planning Board to approve or disapprove in its discretion and subdivisions and plate thereof as provided N.H. RSA Chapter 36: Section 19-29 inclusive and Section 34.

a. To see if the Town will vote to grant site plan review authority to the Planning Board in accordance with RSA 36:19s. This will provide the Town with an opportunity to review and approve or disapprove plans for non-residential development.

14. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Building Inspector and fix his compensation, pursuant to N.H. RSA 156:1-5.

15. To see if the Town agrees to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program by directing the Board of Selectmen to complete the eligibility application and submit the required information to the Federal Insurance Administration.

16. (by petition) To see if the Town will vote to rescind Article 20 of last year for a 100% revaluation of the Town by the State Tax Commission or any other qualified person or persons. The sum of seven thousand five hundred (\$7,500.00) dollars that was raised last year for this article will be brought over for the 1975 taxes.

17. (by petition) To see if the Town will vote to have the Town Clerk and the Tax Collector hold office hours at the Selectmen's Office a minimum of two (2) hours a week. The time to be agreed upon by the Selectmen, Town Clerk and Tax Collector.

18. To see if the Town will raise eight thousand (\$8,000.00) dollars for the purpose of building a Town Garage on the Hutchin's property.

19. To see if the Town will vote to sell the Groton School House or make necessary repairs.

20. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of:

a. one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars for extensive repairs on the Town House.

b. two hundred (\$200.00) dollars for new lighting for the library.

21. To see if the Town will vote to establish a permit system pertaining to all new buildings and trailers. The purpose of this permit being to allow the Board of Selectmen to know what is being built or moved into Town. Said permit to be issued by the Board of Selectmen for a fee of one (\$1.00) dollar. If this article is adopted, a copy is to be mailed with each inventory mailed March, 1975.

22. To see if the Town will vote to ordaine that no more Mobile Homes be moved into the Town of Groton, except to replace existing mobile homes at their exact same location. This article to be effective June, 1975.

23. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of a Tax Maps and raise the sum of two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars a year.

24. To see if the Town will decide whether the sum of fourteen dollars and forty cents (\$14.40) shall be set aside for the Lakes Region Bicentennial Arts Committee for its use in coordinating the 1976 Bicentennial plans of the Lakes Region (12 cents per person)

25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty-five (\$155.00) dollars to defray one-half of the Town's share (on a per capita basis) of the estimated cost of the celebration of the Bicentennial Era.

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

C. DENIS MATTHEWS  
DAVID J. ALBERT  
WENDELL GILCHRIST  
Board of Selectmen

Polls opened 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. business meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.

## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

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Land	905,099.00
Buildings	522,350.00
Factory Buildings	6,300.00
Public Utilities, Electric	276,600.00
House Trailers, Mobile Homes and Travel Trailers Assessed as Personal Property (51)	67,550.00
Boats & Launches (8)	3,100.00
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TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED	\$1,786,999
Elderly exemptions (6)	12,600
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NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$1,768,399.00

**Electric Company Operating Plant**

New England Power	\$264,000.00
N.H. Electric	12,600.00
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Total	\$276,600.00

**Electric Non-Operating Plant**

New England Power (Land)	\$22,850
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Number of Inventories Distributed in 1974 — 285  
 Date 1974 Inventories Were Mailed — March 25, 1974  
 Number of Inventories Returned in 1973 — 210

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GROTON**  
**Appropriations and Estimates of Revenues for the Ensuing Year**  
**January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975**

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	Approp. Previous Year 1974	Actual Expend. Previous Year	Approp. Ensuing Year [1975-76]
<b>PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION:</b>			
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,945.11	\$ 3,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,200.00	1,680.07	1,600.00
Elect. & Reg. Exp.	650.00	658.55	250.00
Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs.	1,200.00	766.06	1,000.00
<b>Protection of Persons &amp; Property:</b>			
Police Dept.	850.00	568.00	850.00
Fire Department	500.00	295.50	750.00
Insurance	700.00	1,760.00	1,200.00
Planning & Zoning			200.00
Damages & Legal Expenses	250.00	160.00	250.00
<b>Health Dept. [Incl. Hosp. &amp; Amb.]:</b>			
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	1,000.00	1,030.75	1,000.00
<b>Highways &amp; Bridges:</b>			
Town Maint. — Summer & Winter	12,000.00	10,940.86	12,000.00
Street Lighting	225.00	165.18	225.00
Gen. Exp. Highway Dept.	1,800.00	3,210.44	1,800.00
Town Road Aid	294.28	294.28	291.08
<b>Libraries:</b>	300.00	300.00	500.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>	100.00	101.90	
Town Poor		385.00	250.00
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00	1,097.73	1,200.00
<b>Patriotic Purposes [Mem. Day etc.]:</b>			200.00
<b>Recreation</b>	250.00		250.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	300.00	95.29	300.00
<b>Debt Service:</b>			
Interest on Temporary Loans	500.00	610.22	500.00
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>			
Sealing Roads	2,500.00	463.62	2,500.00
New Const., Rep. to Town Bldg.	5,000.00	4,197.84	9,200.00
County Tax	7,000.00	7,237.00	7,500.00
School Tax	23,960.00	19,163.97	25,000.00
100% Reevaluation	7,500.00		4,000.00
TRA Work done by Town		2,458.05	
Hutchins' Prop.	2,300.00	1,990.00	
New Equipment	8,000.00	5,055.69	
Flood Disaster Work Done		2,337.62	
Payment to Cap. Reserve Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	3,000.00
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 83,779.28</b>	<b>\$ 71,313.73</b>	<b>\$ 79,316.08</b>

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year	Actual Revenue Previous Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year [1975-76]
<b>SOURCES OF REVENUE:</b>			
<b>From State:</b>			
Int. & Dividends Tax	\$ 200.00	\$ 84.59	\$ 100.00
Savings Bank Tax	110.00	101.45	100.00
Meals & Rooms Tax		913.07	800.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	276.90	267.90	220.52
Reimb. Forest Conservation Aid	160.00	57.75	100.00
Reimb. Acct. Bus. Profits Tax (Town Portion)	180.00	186.16	200.00
Reimb. TRA		2,457.25	
Grant Police Radio		1,102.00	
Gas Tax	3,512.12	3,512.12	3,492.70
<b>From Local Sources:</b>			
Dog Licenses	80.00	98.00	100.00
Business Licenses			
Permits & Filing Fees	15.00	30.00	25.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,000.00	1,858.54	2,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	200.00	279.75	200.00
Withdrawal Cap. Res. Funds		3,000.00	
Resident Taxes Retained	1,000.00	1,127.00	1,000.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	500.00	1,673.91	1,000.00
Snow Plowing	1,000.00	1,050.00	1,000.00
Sale of Town Property		540.74	100.00
Longyear Foundation	150.00	150.00	150.00
Merrimack Valley Trail Pickup		40.00	
Bond & Note Issues (Contra) Refund		4.90	
Refund—Overpayment		100.00	
<b>Surplus</b>	6,723.91	4,000.00	10,000.00
<b>From Federal Sources:</b>			
Revenue Sharing		3,900.00	5,000.00
Reimb. a/c Flood Disaster	5,240.00		10,000.00
<b>*TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 21,347.93</b>	<b>\$ 24,944.15</b>	<b>\$ 35,588.22</b>
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<b>*Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes</b>			<b>\$ 43,727.86</b>
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<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>			<b>\$ 79,316.08</b>

\*Total estimated "Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year gives "Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes".

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND  
TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE TAX YEAR 1974**

**Appropriations:**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,400.00
Town Office Administrative Expenses	1,200.00
Election & Registration Expenses	650.00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	1,200.00
Police	850.00
Fire Department	500.00
Insurance	700.00
Damages & Legal Expenses	250.00
Health Dept	500.00
Dump and Garbage Collection	1,000.00
Town Maintenance - Summer & Winter	12,000.00
Street Lighting	225.00
General Expense of Highway Dept.	1,800.00
Town Road Aid	294.00
Libraries	300.00
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00
Public Relief (Town Poor)	100.00
Parks & Playgrounds inc. Band Concerts	250.00
Cemeteries	300.00
Sealing	2,500.00
Repair Town Building	4,500.00
Hutchin's Prop.	2,300.00
New Equipment	12,338.80
Payment on Debt (Interest)	550.00
Capital Reserve Fund - to be raised by Taxation	1,000.00
100% Revaluation State Tax Commission	7,500.00

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**Total Town Appropriation** **\$ 56,707.80**

**Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:**

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 85.00
Savings Bank Tax	101.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	913.00
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	3,075.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	139.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	24.00
Dog Licenses	71.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,800.00
Rent of Town Property & Equipment	1,000.00



Sale of Tax Deeded Property	60.00
Cl. IV & V Duncan Fund	276.90
Gas Tax	3,512.12
Resident Taxes Retained	1,140.00
Surplus	4,000.00
Other Revenue:	
Revenue Sharing	3,400.00
Capital Reserve Fund	3,000.00
Longyear Foundation	150.00
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<b>Total Revenues and Credits</b>	<b>\$ 22,747.00</b>
Net Town Appropriations	\$ 33,960.80
Net School Appropriations	23,762.46
County Tax Assessment	7,237.00
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<b>Total Town, School and County</b>	<b>\$ 64,960.26</b>
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<b>Deduct:</b> Reimb. a/c Property Exempted 1970 Spec. Session	126.00
<b>Add:</b> War Service Tax Credits	1,275.00
<b>Add:</b> Overlay	2,034.00
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<b>Property Taxes to be Raised</b>	<b>\$ 68,073.36</b>

TOWN TAX RATE - \$3.85

**Property Taxes to be Committed to Collector:**

Gross Property Taxes	\$ 68,073.36
Less: w/ Serv. Tax Cr.	1,275.00
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<b>Total Tax Commitment</b>	<b>\$ 66,808.36</b>

Summary of Valuations and Taxes to be assessed for the tax year 1974 by Precincts, Village Districts and School Districts where valuation is not identical with that of the Town or City.

School District:	
Newfound Area	\$23,762.46

**War Service Tax Credits**

Paraplegic, double amputees owning specially adapted homesteads with V.A. assistance. (Unlimited - 1)	\$ 275.00
All other qualified persons (\$50 - 20)	
<b>Total number and amount</b>	21 \$1,275.00

Resident Taxes @ \$10 - 114 assessed	\$1,140
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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

Concord, N. H. 03301  
October 16, 1974

Patricia Provencher, Chm.  
Newfound Area School District  
Box 211  
Ashland, N. H. 03217

Your report of appropriations voted and property taxes to be raised for the 1974-75 school year has been approved on the following basis:

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$1,171,532.63

**Revenues and Credits**

Unencumbered Balance	\$ 5,723.13
Sweepstakes	14,060.36
School Building Aid	24,288.74
Driver Education	2,500.00
Other Revenue from State Sources	
Coop. Incentive Aid	9,252.59
School Lunch & Special Milk Program	8,000.00
PL-8910 (ESEA)	20,000.00
Tuition	2,500.00
Trust Fund Income	164.00
Other Revenue from Local Sources	
Pre-paymnt of Alex. Trust Funds	98.48

TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS \$ 86,587.30

DISTRICT ASSESSMENT 1974 \$1,084,945.33

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$1,171,532.63

Alexandria	\$108,080.39
Bridgewater	95,809.37
Bristol	406,131.90
Danbury	119,246.31
Groton	23,762.46
Hebron	41,014.66
New Hampton	290,900.24

Very truly yours,  
LLOYD M. PRICE  
Commissioner

October 31, 1974

Selectmen of Groton  
c/o C. Denis Matthews  
Groton, N. H. 03241

Gentlemen:

Your Summary Inventory of Property Valuation and Statement of Appropriations have been approved. You may proceed with the assessment of 1974 taxes on the basis of the following figures:

Net Assessed Valuation \$1,768,399.00

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Town Property Taxes Assessed \$ 68,083.36

Precinct Taxes Assessed

Total Gross Property Taxes \$ 68,083.36

Less: Est. War Service Tax Credits 1,275.00

Net Property Tax Commitment\*\* \$ 66,808.36

Tax Rate \$ 3.85

\* The Amount of property tax commitment is subject to adjustment by reason of any increase or decrease in War Service Tax Credits which may result based on the above approved rate.

In the event any adjustment was made in the Appropriations Section we have enclosed a copy of the changes. Revenues and Credits have been approved as shown on the enclosed copy of the third page of the Statement of Appropriations.

The net amounts approved for school and county are as follows:

Net School Appropriations \$ 23,762.46

County Tax Assessment \$ 7,237.00

In arriving at the above approved rate the Overlay has been set in the amount of \$2,034.10.

Very truly yours,  
LLOYD M. PRICE  
Commissioner

## BREAKDOWN OF 1974 TAX RATES

Municipal	\$2.10
County	.41
School	1.34
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Combined Rate	\$3.85

**RSA 76:11** provides for delivery of the list (warrant) to the collector within thirty days of receipt of approval of the tax rate unless for good cause the time is extended by the department. The collector shall within thirty days after receipt of the warrant from the selectmen (assessors) send out the tax bills unless for good cause the time is extended by this department.

**RSA 76:11-a Information Required.** The tax bill which is sent to every person taxed, or his agent, if known, is provided in section 11, shall show the rate of municipal, school and county taxes separately. **The 1974 rate breakdown reflects a proportionate share of the Reimbursement a/c Property Exempted by 1970 Special Session for each unit of government.**

**RSA 76:13** provides that if tax bills are mailed on or before November 1 interest is not charged if payment is made on or before December 1. However, if tax bills are mailed between November 2 and 15 inclusive, interest is not charged if payment is made on or before December 15. In the event that tax bills are not sent until after November 15 interest shall not be charged on taxes paid on or before December 30.

The tax bill which you mail must contain the date from which interest will be charged and this date is determined by the date you send the last bill on the list committed to you. It is also required by statute that you notify this department in writing of the date on which you send the last bill. There is enclosed a form for this purpose.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE Adm.  
By: Lloyd M. Price, Commissioner

October 31, 1974

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 1974

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Town Hall, Lands & Buildings	\$ 3,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,900.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	1,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Police Dept., Equipment	200.00
Fire Dept., Equipment	200.00
Highway Dept., Lands & Buildings	500.00
Equipment	9,000.00
School, Land & Buildings	1,000.00
Selectmen's Office	1,500.00
Equipment	600.00
Town Dump	1,000.00
All other Property & Equipment	\$ 21,900

### Itemization of Qualifying Current Use, Acreages & Assessments

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	No. of Acres	Assessed Value	Current Use Value
Forest Lands	305.00	9,150	3,844
			-----
Total of all land valuations improved & unimproved			\$910,405
Assessed value minus Current use value			5,306
			-----
Inventory of Valuation			\$905,099

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**TOWN OF GROTON**  
**12-31-74**

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**ASSETS**

Cash		\$ 10,608.72
Uncollected Taxes:		
Property	\$ 13,464.07	
Yield	2,075.06	
Residents	270.00	
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<b>Accounts Receivable:</b>		15,809.13
State of N.H.	220.52	
Kelly's Shell	100.00	
Louis Albert	53.85	
Dodge Road Residents	39.56	
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		413.93
<b>Federal Flood Relief Receivable</b>		10,000.00
<b>Prepaid Insurance</b>		1,121.00
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<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>\$ 37,952.78</b>

**LIABILITIES & SURPLUS**

School District Tax Payable		\$ 12,136.01
Allocated Funds:		
Tax valuation	7,500.00	
Heater	500.00	
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		8,000.00
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<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>\$ 20,136.01</b>
Current Surplus		17,816.77
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; SURPLUS</b>		<b>\$ 37,952.78</b>

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENSES

## TOWN OF GROTON

YEAR ENDED 12-31-74

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### Revenues:

1974 Property Tax	\$ 66,648.24
State of N.H. & Fed. Gov't.	18,634.91
1974 Yield Tax	3,748.97
Registration of M.V.	1,858.54
1974 Resident's Tax	1,120.00
Snowplowing - Driveways	1,050.00
Interest - 1973 Property Tax.	279.75
Tax Sales redeemed	276.36
Sale of Town Property	160.00
Gifts	150.00
Dog Licenses	98.00
1973 Resident's Tax	60.00
Licenses & Permits	30.00
Resident's Tax Penalties	27.00

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\$ 94,141.77

### Expenditures:

School District Tax	\$ 23,762.46
State & County	7,795.60
Approp. for tax valuation	7,500.00
New Equipment	5,055.69
Gas Tax	4,454.25
Town Building Repairs	4,197.84
Summer Roads	3,413.73
Winter Roads	3,072.88
Town Officers' Salaries	2,942.11
General Highway Expenses	2,873.55
TRA	2,458.05
Flood Repairs	2,337.62
Purchase of Clifton Hutchin's Prop	1,990.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,676.89
Town Dump	1,038.75
Old Age Assistance	1,027.48
Capital Reserve Fund	1,000.00

Insurance	832.77	
Town Building Mtse.	766.06	
Election & Registration	658.55	
Interest Expense	610.22	
Police	528.00	
Sealing	463.62	
Abatements & Refunds	411.67	
Town Poor	385.00	
Health	345.00	
Libraries	300.00	
Fire & Defense	295.50	
Taxes	212.97	
Street Lighting	165.18	
Legal & Professional	160.00	
Interest Transfer - Rev. Sharing	120.28	
Surplus Food	101.90	
Cemeteries	95.29	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 83,048.91
<b>Excess of Revenues over Expenditures</b>		<u>          </u> <b>\$ 11,092.86</b>

**STATEMENT OF SURPLUS**

**TOWN OF GROTON**

**12-31-74**

	<u>          </u>	
Surplus @ 12/31/73		\$ 6,723.91
Add: Excess of revenues over expenditures y/e 12/31/74		11,092.86
<b>Surplus = 12/31/74</b>		<u>          </u> <b>\$ 17,816.77</b>



## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1974

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Motor Vehicles	1,940.04	
Less Clerk's Fees	81.50	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,858.54
Dog Licenses	107.00	
Less Clerk's Fees	9.00	
	<u>          </u>	98.00
Snowplowing Driveways		1,050.00
		<u>          </u>
Paid to Treasurer		\$3,006.54
		Respectfully submitted
		BETTY ANN deMELLO
		Town Clerk

## PETTY CASH REPORT

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Cash on hand, January 1, 1974		\$ 6.35
Cash received from Selectmen on		
4/ 8	35.00	
11/18	40.00	
	<u>          </u>	75.00
Expenditures		
Stamps for auditors, dog notices, residents taxes, snowplowing and tax (property) bills.	62.30	
Certified mailing on notices for Tax Sale Property	12.80	
	<u>          </u>	75.10
Balance on hand as of Dec. 31, 1974		<u>          </u> \$ 6.25

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

**LEVY OF 1974**

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**DEBITS**

**Taxes Committed to Collector:**

Property Taxes	\$ 66,808.36
Resident Taxes	1,150.00

Total Warrants	\$ 67,958.36
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Yield Taxes	3,748.97
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**Added Taxes:**

Property Taxes	1,228.39
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	2.00
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<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$ 72,937.72</b>
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**CREDITS**

**Remittances to Treasurer:**

Property Taxes	\$ 53,184.17
Resident Taxes	850.00
Yield Taxes	1,673.91
Penalties on Resident Taxes	2.00

	\$ 55,710.08
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Discounts Allowed	785.46
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**Abatements Made During Year:**

Property Taxes	603.05
Resident Taxes	30.00

	633.05
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**Uncollected Taxes - Dec. 31, 1974:**

**[As Per collector's List]**

Property Taxes	\$ 13,464.07
Resident Taxes	270.00
Yield Taxes	2,075.06

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15,809.13  
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**TOTAL CREDITS**

\$ 72,937.72

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS**

**PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES**

**LEVY OF 1973**

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**DEBIT**

**Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1974:**

Property Taxes	\$ 13,518.25
Resident Taxes	190.00

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\$ 13,708.25

**Added Taxes:**

Resident Taxes	60.00
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**Interest Collected on Delinquent**

Property Taxes	279.75
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**Penaltied Collected on Resident**

Taxes	25.00
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304.75  
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**TOTAL DEBITS**

\$ 14,073.00

## CREDITS

**Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year  
Ended December 31, 1974:**

Property Taxes	\$ 13,330.22	
Resident Taxes	250.00	
Interest Collected During Year	279.75	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	25.00	
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		\$ 13,884.97

**Abatements Made During Year:**

Property Taxes		188.03
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**TOTAL CREDITS** \$ 14,073.00

## SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1974**

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### DEBIT

	Tax Sale on Account of Levies of	
	1973	1972
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of Jan. 1, 1974		\$ 183.45
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	212.97	
Interest Collected After Sale	1.37	20.10
Redemptions Costs	1.48	1.48
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<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$ 215.82</b>	<b>\$ 205.03</b>

## CREDITS

### Remittances to Treasurer

#### During Year:

Redemptions	68.48	183.45
Interest & Costs After Sale	2.85	21.58
Unredeemed Taxes - Dec. 31, 1974	144.49	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$ 215.82</b>	<b>\$ 205.03</b>

## UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES

DECEMBER 31, 1974

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	Levies of 1973
Matthews, Charles & Carol	\$ 144.49

## REPORT OF TREASURER

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<b>Receipts:</b>	
<b>Betty deMello, Collector:</b>	
1973 Residents Tax	\$ 250.00
1973 Property Tax	13,266.42
1973 Interest	121.30
1973 Interest and Cost of Advertising Tax Sale	158.45
1973 Resident Tax Penalties	25.00
1974 Residents Tax	850.00
1974 Yield Tax	1,673.91
1974 Residents Tax Penalties	2.00
Taxes Redeemed	276.36
1974 Property Tax	53,184.17
<b>State of New Hampshire:</b>	
Gasoline Tax	3,512.12
Grant for Police Radio	1,102.00
Duncan Fund	267.90
Business Profits Tax	186.16
Bank Tax	101.45
Interest and Dividends Tax	84.59
Meals and Rooms Tax	913.07
Reimb a/c TRA	2,457.25
Reimb. a/c State Owned Rec. Lands	57.75
<b>Pemigewasset National Bank</b>	
Temporary Loans	25,000.00
<b>Town Clerk:</b>	
1973 Motor Vehicle Permits	33.43
1974 Motor Vehicle Permits	1,825.11
Dog Tax	98.00
Plowing Driveways	1,050.00
<b>Residents of Dodge Road:</b>	
Reimb. for Culverts	197.75
<b>Individual Taxpayers:</b>	
Redeposit of Returned Checks	65.08
<b>Selectmen:</b>	
Pistol Permits	30.00

<b>Longyear Foundation:</b>		
Contribution to Town		150.00
<b>Betty deMello:</b>		
Refund on Overpaid Salary		3.00
<b>Myron C. Braley:</b>		
Culverts bought from Town (TRA Rejects)		60.00
<b>Bonnie Albert, Trustee:</b>		
Revenue Sharing Fund		3,400.00
Capital Reserve Fund		3,000.00
<b>Bonnie Lee Albert, Treasurer:</b>		
Redeposits of Uncashed Check of Aug. 1973		1.90
<b>David Albert:</b>		
Reimb. to Town for Tires Purchased through Car-Go		233.04
<b>Wakefield &amp; Ray:</b>		
Refund from Overpayment		100.00
<b>Merrimack Valley Trail Riders:</b>		
Payment for Carl Pebbles Police Duties		40.00
<b>Edward Smith:</b>		
Purchase of Revolving Light		50.00
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Total		\$113,827.21
Cash on Hand, January 1, 1974		10,204.17
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Grand Total		\$124,031.38

<b>Payments:</b>		
Selectmen's Orders Paid	\$113,356.29	
Bank Charges—Printed Checks	65.09	
Bank Charges—Insufficient Funds	1.28	
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		\$113,422.66
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Balance		\$ 10,608.72

Respectfully submitted,  
 Bonnie Lee Albert  
 Treasurer  
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## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

### CURRENT REVENUE:

#### From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes, Current Yr. 1974	\$ 53,184.17	\$
Resident Taxes, Current Yr. 1974	850.00	
Yield Taxes, Current Yr. 1974	1,673.91	
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Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted	55,708.08
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes - Previous Yrs.	13,266.42
Resident Taxes - Previous Yrs.	250.00
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes	279.75
Penalties: Resident Taxes	27.00
Tax Sales Redeemed	276.36

#### From State:

For Town Road Aid	2,457.25
For Class V Highway maintenance	267.90
Highway Subsidy	3,512.12
Interest and dividends tax	84.59
Savings Bank Tax	101.45
Reimbursement a-c State and Federal Forest Lands	57.75
Meals & Rooms Tax	913.07
Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax	186.16

#### From Local Sources, Except Taxes

Dog Licenses	98.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	30.00
Rent of town property	1,050.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	
1973	\$ .33.43
1974	1,825.11
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	1,858.54

<b>Total Current Revenue Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 80,424.44</b>
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**Receipts Other than Current Revenue:**

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes		
Pemigewasset National Bank	25,000.00	
Refunds	169.98	
Gifts - Long year Foundation	150.00	
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds	3,000.00	
Sale of Town Property	343.04	
Grants from U.S.A.		
Revenue Sharing	3,400.00	
Governor's Commission on Crime & Delinquency (Police Radio)	1,102.00	
Merrimack Trail Riders	40.00	
Reimbursement-Culverts	197.75	
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<b>Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue</b>		<b>\$113,827.21</b>
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<b>Total Receipts from All Sources</b>		<b>\$113,827.21</b>
Cash on hand, January 1, 1974		10,204.17
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<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$124,031.38</b>

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

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### CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:

#### General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	2,945.11
Town Officers' Expenses	1,680.07
Election & Registration Expenses	658.55
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	766.06

#### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	568.00
Fire Department, including forest fires	295.50
Insurance	1,760.00

#### Health:

Health Dept. inc. Hospitals & ambulance	345.00
Town Dumps and garbage removal	1,038.75

#### Highways & Bridges:

Gas Tax	4,454.25
Town Road Aid	294.28
Town Maintenance	
Summer	\$3,413.73
Winter	3,072.88

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	6,486.61
Street Lighting	165.18
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	3,210.44
Sealing	463.62

<b>Libraries</b>	300.00
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#### Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	1,097.73
Town Poor	385.00
Surplus Food	101.90

#### Public Services Enterprises:

Cemeteries, including hearse hire	95.29
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**Unclassified:**

Damages and legal expenses	160.00
Taxes bought by town	212.97
Discounts, Abatements and refunds	223.64

**Total Current Maintenance Expenses**

**\$ 27,707.95**

**Debt Service:**

Paid on Tax Anticipation Notes	610.22
<b>Principal of Debt:</b>	
Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	35,000.00

**Capital Outlay:**

Highways & Bridges - Flood	2,337.62
Highways & Bridges - Town Construction	
T.R.A.	2,458.05
Hutchin's Prop.	1,990.00
Land & Buildings	4,197.84
New Equipment	
Highways	9,400.00
Other	2,055.69

11,455.69

Payments to capital reserve funds

1,000.00

**Total Outlay Payments**

**23,439.20**

**Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:**

Payment to State a-c 2% Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes	262.32
Taxes paid to County	7,237.00
Boat Tax	2.00
Payments to School Districts	
1973 Tax	7,550.66
1974 Tax	11,613.31

19,163.97

**Total Payments to Other Gov't Divisions**

**26,665.29**

**Total Payments for all Purposes**

**\$113,422.66**

Cash on Hand, Dec. 31, 1974

**10,608.72**

**GRAND TOTAL**

**\$124,031.38**

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS**  
**Selectmen's Paid Vouchers — Year of 1974**

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**TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES**

C. Denis Matthews, Chairman Selectman	\$	500.00
David J. Albert, Selectman		400.00
Wendell Gilchrist, Selectman		400.00
Betty Ann deMello, Collector		
%1973		159.53
%1974		531.84
Verna C. Matthews, Secretary		400.00
Bonnie Lee Albert, Trustee of Trust Fund		20.00
Bonnie Lee Albert, Treasurer		300.00
Betty Ann deMello, Town Clerk		200.00
Betty Ann deMello, Collector 1974 Res. T. Fee		17.00
Betty Ann deMello, Collector 1974 Yield Tax		16.74
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		\$2,945.11

**TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES**

Wendell Gilchrist, trips, labor, call, supplies	\$	42.06
Betty deMello, petty cash		35.00
Betty deMello, resident tax fees		1.60
Betty deMello, reimbursement medical expenses		140.00
Betty deMello, tax stamps		40.00
New England Telephone		39.21
Bonnie Albert, trips and postage		49.87
C. Denis Matthews, trip, supplies, 1 elbow, flood inspection.		71.08
Verna Matthews, trips, stamps, supplies, calls, government work.		187.27
Brown & Saltmarsh, tax, payment, abatement books, payment sheets, supplies		47.85
Mountain Media, selectmen notices		19.20
Mountain Media, town reports		368.00
Enterprise Press, letter heads & notices		117.80
David Albert, flood meeting & office supplies		23.88
Thomas Jaques, P.O. Box rental		4.50
N.H. City & Town Clerk's Assoc., dues		8.00
Paul Buck, auditing		105.00
N.H. Municipal's Assoc., dues		100.00
N.H. Assoc. of City & Town Clerk's, dues		5.00

Wheeler & Clark, 50 dog tags	5.99
N.H. Tax Collector's Assoc., dues	10.00
Drews Flowers & Greenhouse, flowers Peter deMello	15.00
Charles A. Wood, Reg. Deeds, tax notices & redemptions	23.90
A.E. Esty Machine & Tool, Inc., repair safe handle	32.50
Harold Brundrett, cleaning and repairing safe	59.82
Phyllis Reader, 650, 1973 flood daily & monthly sheets	13.00
Fred Emmons, flowers for Carl Pebbles son	20.00
Homestead Press, 500 prop. tax bills	11.27
Branham Publishing Co., auto ref. book	9.90
Grafton Superior Court, flood payment decree	7.00
Service Charge, printed checks	65.09
Service Charge, returned check insuf. funds	1.28
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	\$ 1,680.07

### ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Elaine Karkheck, Supervisor	\$ 105.38
Judith Dill, Supervisor	95.99
Yvonne Stevens, Supervisor	86.63
Ralph Dill, Moderator	60.00
Ruth Adams, Ballot Clerk	43.88
Deanna Joslyn, Ballot Clerk	55.13
Emily Elliott, Ballot Clerk	13.50
Barbara Hobart, Ballot Clerk	36.56
Zelma Watts, Ballot Clerk	30.38
Enterprise Press, 50 Checklists & Notices	54.40
Mt. Media, 50 Ballots & Notices	76.70
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	\$ 658.55

### TOWN HALL & OTHER BUILDINGS

Charles A. Carr Co., Oil	\$ 432.14
N.H. Electric Coop., Inc., Lights	121.75
Nicholas Adams, Pond	5.00
Katherine Buck, Supplies	33.04
Fred Harris, Mowing	19.25
Roland Matthews, Labor	75.25
Rand's Materials	48.13
Vernon Matthews, Labor	31.50
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	\$ 766.06

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Carl Pebbles, Patrolling & Etc.,	568.00
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**FIRE,INC. FOREST FIRES**

James Parris, Meeting;	\$	24.50
Hebron Fire Department Improvement Fund		220.00
Town of Hebron, Red Phone		51.00

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\$ 295.50

**INSURANCE:**

John C. Ray, Ins. Agency, Town House	\$	25.00
John C. Ray, Ins. Agency, Bonds Town Officers		130.00
John C. Ray, Ins. Agency, Auto Lib., & Community Build.		119.00
John C. Ray, Ins. Agency, Truck Ins.		71.00
John C. Ray, Ins. Agency, Workman's Comp.		207.00
John C. Ray, Ins. Agency, Total Package		1,208.00

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\$ 1,760.00

**CEMETERIES**

Gordon Matthews, Mowing	\$	16.88
Stephen Riordon, Mowing		29.26
Roland Matthews, Mowing		44.00
Flags		5.15

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\$ 95.29

**HEALTH**

Pemigewasset Baker Health Agency	\$	120.00
Newfound Ambulance Service		225.00

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\$ 345.00

**FLOOD WORK[According To Government Reports]**

Labor	\$	766.50
Materials		725.12
Equipment		846.00

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\$ 2,337.62

**STREET LIGHTING**

N.H. Electric Coop., Inc., Lights	\$	165.18
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**LIBRARIES**

Barbara Hobart, Trustee	\$	300.00
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**OLD AGE ASSISTANCE**

State Of New Hampshire	\$ 1,097.73
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**SURPLUS FOOD**

Judith Dill, Agent	\$ 101.90
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**TOWN POOR**

Clarence Poitras	\$ 150.00
Ernest Matthews, Jr.,	235.00
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	\$ 385.00

**DAMAGES & LEGAL EXPENSES**

Pauline Merrill, Letter Re Conduct Town Meeting	10.00
Wakefield & Ray, Investigating & Attending School Meeting	150.00
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	\$ 160.00

**DUMP**

Lewis Albert, Labor	\$ 173.25
Lewis Albert, Dozing	243.00
Ernest Matthews, Jr., Labor	8.25
Ronald Gill, Labor	20.25
Everett Hobart, Labor	234.00
James Albert, Labor	41.25
Kenneth Martell, Labor	5.50
Everett Smith, Gravel & Loader	34.50
Paul Adams, Labor	79.75
Norman Waldron, Labor	40.25
Nicholas Adams, Labor	95.50
Stephen Riordon, Labor	18.00
Wendell Gilchrist, Spectacle Pond Labor	4.50
Gordon Matthews, Labor	8.25
C. Denis Matthews, Labor	4.50
Irving MacDonald, Backhoe	28.00
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	\$ 1,038.75

**GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAY**

Brooks Auto, Truck Parts	\$ 152.24
Yeaton Oil, Gas	619.57
N.H. Explosives, Pump and Parts for Sander	213.98

Bartlett Auto, Pump & Anti Freeze	134.02
Bartlett Auto, Truck Repairs	245.66
R.C. Hazleton, Wing Box	200.00
O'Rourke Signs, Truck Lettering & Road Signs	145.00
Edward Smith, Labor & Repairs, Mounting Wing	235.50
Sanel Auto, Truck Parts	169.06
CarGo, Tires	612.58
Trumbull Hardware, Tools For Truck	26.90
Raymond Davis, Pick-Up Plow Kelly's	15.00
Harris Brothers, Shovel	3.99
Short's Garage, Truck Parts, Repair Wheel Bearing	14.15
International Machinery, Bearing & Seals For Rake	15.27
Kelley's Shell, Gas	24.46
Kelley's Shell, Welding	49.00
Kelley's Shell, Truck Light	234.88
Midway Service, Inspection & Welding	13.00
Charles Gould, Bolts, & Angle Iron	51.28
Lewis Albert, Labor	34.90
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	\$ 3,210.44

#### T. R. A.

Lewis Albert, Labor	\$ 275.00
Kenneth Martell, Labor	114.00
Irving MacDonald, Truck	306.00
C. Denis Matthews & Son, Truck	342.00
James Albert, Truck	296.40
Lee Adams, Labor	12.00
Edward Smith, Loader	524.20
Edward Smith, Crawler	403.80
Town of Rumney, Equipment Rental	114.45
Norman Waldron, Labor	18.00
James Speed, Truck	52.20
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	\$ 2,458.05

#### SEALING

Lewis Albert, Labor	\$ 217.50
Lee Adams, Labor	136.12
Norman Waldron	110.00
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	\$ 463.62



## SUMMER ROADS

Edward Smith, Equipment & Gravel	\$	119.25
John Hemeon, Backhoe		318.00
Charles Robb, Mowing		66.50
Fred Harris, Mowing		49.50
Douglas Clark, Removing Brush		180.00
Edward Smith, Mowing		42.00
Lewis Albert, Labor		787.50
Lewis Albert, Power Saws		281.62
Ernest Matthews, Jr., Labor		77.00
Arthur Brown, Labor		95.85
Kenneth Martell, Labor		66.00
John Vigneau, Labor		74.25
James Albert, Labor		101.75
Nicholas Adams, labor		49.50
Lee Adams, Labor		178.75
Everett Hobart, Labor		63.25
Michael Hobart, Labor		41.25
Norman Waldron, Labor		323.13
Norman Waldron, Power Saw		89.00
Fred Shantell, Labor		181.50
David Albert, Truck		64.00
Raymond Carter, Labor		103.13
Raymond Carter, Power Saw		11.00
Shortt's Garage, Power Saw		50.00
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	\$	3,413.73

## WINTER ROADS

Edward Smith, Labor	\$	553.95
Edward Smith, Loader		86.00
Edward Smith, Sand		33.30
Edward Smith, Truck		70.00
Edward Smith, Plowing		400.00
David Albert, Labor		247.50
David Albert, Truck		61.00
Lewis Albert, Labor		896.25
Lewis Albert, Power Saw		2.00
Joseph Matthews, Labor		112.50
Ernest Matthews, Jr., Labor		108.63
James Albert, Labor		249.75
James Parris, Plowing		75.00
Kenneth Martell, Labor		22.00
Nicholas Adams, Labor		16.50

Arthur Brown, Labor	13.75
Norman Waldron, Labor	16.50
Roland Matthews, Labor	8.25
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	\$ 3,072.88

**GAS TAX**

David Albert, Truck	\$ 904.00
James Albert, Grader	24.00
James Albert, Truck	112.00
Lewis Albert, Dozer	117.00
Lewis Albert, Power Saws	204.38
Raymond Conkey, Truck	64.00
Edward Smith, Loader	86.00
Edward Smith, Gravel & Equipment	82.00
Edward Smith, Gravel	100.00
Edward Smith, Gravel & Tar	76.00
Edward Smith, Jeep	82.50
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, Inc., Salt	379.50
Whitehall Chemical Corp., 55 Gal. Drum Form	590.76
Douglas Clark, Brush Removal	609.00
Campton Sand & Gravel, Cold Patch	734.15
Town Of Rumney, Equipment Rental	114.45
International Salt Co., Salt	174.51
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	\$ 4,454.25

**TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN**

Betty Ann deMello, Collector Tax Sale	\$ 212.97
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**DISCOUNTS & ABATEMENTS & REFUNDS**

Henry Gilchrist, Refund Property Tax	\$ 83.12
Land Vest, Refund Property Tax	140.52
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	\$ 223.64

**INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE**

Income Withheld	\$ 640.70
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**INTEREST**

Interest Flood Loan	37.92
Betty deMello, Tax Sale	79.00
Pemigewasset National Bank	493.30
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	\$ 610.22

## **NEW CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR TOWN BUILDING**

Paul Hazelton, Foundation	\$ 2,845.00
John Matthews, Labor & Materials	934.55
Paul Hazelton, Chimney	380.00
Rand's, Materials	38.29
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	\$ 4,197.84

## **NEW EQUIPMENT**

David Albert, 20 Chairs	79.80
Spears Garage, New Truck	8,400.00
Sanel, Mower	67.89
Fred Kelly, Plow Blade	1,000.00
Inter. Bus. Mach. Corp., Typewriter	477.00
Joseph Lane, Calculator & Check Printer	220.00
Gen. Electric, Police Radio	1,211.00
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	\$ 11,455.69

## **TEMPORARY LOANS**

Pemigewasset National Bank	\$ 35,000.00
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## **CAPITAL RESERVE**

Bonnie Albert, Trustee	\$ 1,000.00
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## **STATE & COUNTY**

Grafton County, Tax	\$ 7,237.00
State of N.H., Boat Tax	2.00
1/6 Collected Yields Tax	262.32
State of N.H. T.R.A.	294.28
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	\$ 7,795.60

## **SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Newfound Area School District	\$ 19,163.97
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## **PURCHASE OF BARNEY HUTCHINS PROPERTY**

Karl T. Bruckner, Atty.,	\$ 1,990.00
Total Paid Selectmen's Vouchers	\$113,422.66

**REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS  
IN THE TOWN OF GROTON, N. H. ON DEC. 31, 1974**

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Began. Year	New Funds Created	Uses	Balance End Year	Accrued Int.	Expand. Durling Year	Balance End Year
Unknown	Cyrus Blood Fund	Care of Cyrus Blood Lot in Rolfe Hill Cem.	The Plymouth Guar. Sav. Bank #25171	\$50.00			\$50.00	\$7.84		115.14
Unknown	George Hall Fund	Care of Lot in Union Cemetery	The Plymouth Guar. Sav. Bank #23172	100.00			100.00	13.92		192.98
Unknown	North Groton Cemetery Fund	Care of Cemetery	The Plymouth Guar. Sav. Bank #36736	231.98			231.98	19.16		171.18
Oct. 29, 1969	Cap. Reserve Fund	Purchase of Town Truck	The Plymouth Guar. Sav. Bank #50683	2,000.00	1,000.00	3,000.00		47.71		338.67
Nov. 21, 1960	Marjorie Warner Fund	Purchase of Reading Matter Groton Library	The Bristol Sav. Bank #18952	200.00			200.00	16.33	76.62	60.51
Apr. 1974	Revenue Shar. Fund	Purchase New Equip.	Ply. Guar. Sav. Bk.	3,280.00	4,713.00	3,400.00	4,593.00	212.40		332.68
	Totals			\$5,861.98	\$5,713.00	\$6,400.00	\$5,174.98	\$317.36	\$76.62	\$1,211.16

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

Bonnie Lee Albert  
Trustee

January 20, 1975

## AUDITOR'S OPINION

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I did not perform a certified audit for the town of Groton as regards the financial statements at December 31, 1974. However, I did perform a town audit following all procedures as prescribed by the division of Municipal Accounting of the State of New Hampshire and found no material misstatements.

PAUL M. BUCK

## REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Payments Jan. 1, 1974 to Dec. 31, 1974

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Kathy Buck, Mat'ls., Services, & Cataloging books	\$ 130.10
New Hampshire Electric Coop., Inc., Lights	10.94
Prescott Lumber Co., Paint & Sander	41.53
Charles A. Carr Co., Inc., Fuel	49.55
Verna Matthews, Books	15.00
Leisure Books, Books	36.95
Groton Library, Transfer check account to Plymouth Bank	11.93
Merrimack Farmers Exc., Suset Books (\$113.85)	37.23
Amount paid by Marjorie Warner Fund (\$76.62)	
Bank Service Charge	1.57
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Total Payments	\$ 334.80
Balance	-
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Grand Total	\$ 334.80

Receipts Jan. 1, 1974 to Dec. 31, 1974

Cash on Hand	\$ 22.87
Selectmen's Appropriation	300.00
Transfer to Checking Account	11.93
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Total	\$ 334.80
Marjorie Warner Fund	\$337.13
Expended for Sunset Books	76.62
Balance to Purchase Books	-----
with in 1975	\$ 260.51

Respectfully submitted,

BONNIE LEE ALBERT  
Library Treasurer

## LIBRARY REPORT

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Early in March, 1974, clean-up work began on the library which had been closed since the flooding early in the summer of 1973. The library was a dismal sight with piles of moldy, mildewed books stacked on every table, caked mud on the floors, cobwebs and spiders everywhere, and an overwhelming musty odor. We decided to start from the ceiling down, and with the help of many of Groton's teenagers the library received several coats of fresh paint. The next step was to remove the books which had been badly water-damaged, and for which the state was reimbursing us over \$1,000.00. Upon the advice of our state library consultant, some out-dated and badly worn volumes were also eliminated to make room for new materials. The furniture was painted, the floor sanded and sealed, and then the very time-consuming job of book ordering and processing was begun. On August 29, six months after beginning the clean-up operation, the library re-opened with a well-attended open house. Library hours have been held regularly since September, and twenty-five cards have been issued.

My thanks go to the following persons who contributed much time and labor in our community effort to reopen the library: Verna Matthews, who helped throughout the entire clean-up operation, and provided the spark which started the project; Lee Adams, Diane Albert, Paul Buck, Carol Colby, Robert Colby, Hazel Harman, Frank Hobart, Michael Hobart, Richard Humphrey, Richard Kaiser, Dana Newberry, and Terry Newberry.

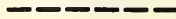
Looking to the future, there are a few things that could be improved. The library should have additional wall plugs and lights, as the present lighting is very inadequate. The heater is also very weak, and barely takes the frost off on some of these cold winter days. As it is only on during library hours, the dampness has begun to warp some of our new books.

When the last of our 1974 book orders have arrived, and are processed and placed on the shelves, another open house will be held. There will be notices in the paper, and I certainly hope you'll be there!

Respectfully submitted

KATHERINE BUCK  
Librarian

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT



### Books Purchased - 1974

Adult fiction . . . . .	40
Adult non-fiction . . . . .	164
Juvenile fiction . . . . .	327
Juvenile non-fiction . . . . .	154
Juvenile records . . . . .	5
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	690
1-22 volume set of encyclopedias . . . . .	22
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	712

### Books Donated - 1974

#### from Peckett Memorial Library at Sugar Hill, Franconia

Adult fiction . . . . .	138
Adult non-fiction . . . . .	34
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	172

### Other Sources:

Adult fiction . . . . .	12
Adult non-fiction . . . . .	6
Juvenile fiction . . . . .	3
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	21

**TOTAL BOOKS . . . . .905**



**Books Borrowed from Bookmobile**

Adult fiction .....	206
Adult non-fiction .....	206
Juvenile .....	793
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	1,205

**Services from 8/29 - 12/31**

Adult fiction loaned .....	36
Adult non-fiction loaned .....	44
Juvenile fiction loaned .....	231
Juvenile non-fiction loaned .....	18
Juvenile records loaned .....	11
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	340

## POLICE REPORT

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Hall Brook Rd. being closed, cut down on Police patrolling. The new radio equipment, could check with State Police, on the east end of that road.

There was quite a bit of patrolling of Groton roads with unmarked cars, by State Police and Sherrif's Department.

Groton Wood's Road has been patrolled a lot more than usual illegal camping and campfires.

Spectacle Pond and Sculptured Rock have been a source of complaints.

Swimming and parking at the Bridge near the Selectmen's office has been a source of complaints.

Dogs have still been a source of complaints in the Town of Groton.

CARL J. PEEBLES  
Chief of Police

## **PEMI-BAKER HOME HEALTH AGENCY, INC.**

### **ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TOWN OF PLYMOUTH**

The Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency, Inc. is a non-profit organization, (Inc. 7/17/67), supported in part by an annual appropriation in the budget of each member town. The Board of Directors is made up of an appointed member from each town; ministerial representative; nurses and a physician. Its purpose is to provide part-time nursing service in the home, under the supervision of a licensed physician. A Medical Advisory Committee determines and approves medical policies for nursing care and interprets the Agency's services to the public.

There is a standard fee covering each visit. Patients are expected to pay this fee if they are able to. However, under certain conditions fees can be adjusted to reflect the financial ability of the patient, by the Agency Nurse.

The scope of care by the Agency ranges from new-borns to the elderly. The Agency is equipped to handle Medicare; Blue Cross/Blue Shield '65'; Medicaid and private patients.

The Nurses work on a salary basis and all fees are turned over to the Agency. They are on duty Monday-Friday from eight to four. There are two full-time RN's; one part-time RN; and two Homemaker/Home Health Aides.

The office is staffed by a part-time secretary/bookkeeper. She is available Monday-Friday to answer any calls. The telephone number is 536-2232. For your convenience, when there is no one in the office, the Agency has installed a Codaphone to receive any messages.

Anyone living in one of the eleven member towns may ask for a visit from the Nurse. However, treatment and continuing care can be provided for a patient only under doctor's orders.

Under the supervision of the Agency Nurse, a Homemaker/Home Health Aide service is now available through this Agency. This service is a community-wide program designed to place a trained, responsible worker in the home where illness, disability or other problems may threaten normal family living. Please feel free to ask about this additional service.

It has been the Agency's pleasure to serve your community.

1974 Statistics for Groton

Nursing visits:	138
Homemaker/ Home Health Aide Visits:	19

# NEWFOUND AREA AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION

1974

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Amount received from Towns in Association	\$3,500.00
Ambulance equipment, supplies and replacement of supplies	667.63
Gas, oil, labor and tires	1,359.57
Insurance	949.00
Drivers & attendants (not incl. Fred Emmons)	936.00
Licenses and training of attendants	277.00

Total calls	165
Paid calls	128
Unpaid calls	26
False calls	11

Alexandria	25
Bridgewater	8
Bristol	86
Danbury	4
Groton	6
Hebron	10
Hill	8
New Hampton	18

# REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

## REPORT TO TOWNS

All open burning when the ground is not covered with snow is controlled by the Town Forest Fire Warden in cooperation with the New Hampshire Forest Fire Service. Anyone wishing to kindle a fire out-of-doors when the ground is not covered with snow must have a written permit signed by the Town Forest Fire Warden. If the fire is to be kindled on land not owned by the person kindling the fire then he must have the permission of the landowner. No outdoor fires can be kindled between 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. unless it is raining, without the additional approval of the District Forest Fire Chief.

The 1974 forest fire season was one of the worst in the past two decades. Woodlands in central and southern New Hampshire became so dry in mid August that the Governor and Council, upon the recommendation of the State Forester, enacted a partial woodlands closure in Sullivan, Cheshire, Hillsborough, Merrimack and Belknap Counties and a complete woodland closure in Strafford and Rockingham Counties plus the Towns of Barnstead, Gilmanton and Alton in Belknap County. Through the excellent cooperation of the citizens of our State no major forest fire occurred at any time during the year.

### 1974 FOREST FIRE STATISTICS

	NO. OF FIRES	NO. OF ACRES
State	871	915
District	21	91.0
Town	1	1/160
Forest Fire Warden Carroll A. Matthews		District Fire Chief John Q. Ricard

## VITAL STATISTICS

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### Births

In Laconia, N. H. on Feb. 14, 1974, Jannie Marie Martell, daughter of Kenneth and Louise Martell.

In Hanover, N. H., on July 9, 1974, Amanda Bicknell King, daughter of Warren and Katharine King.

In Plymouth, N. H., on Aug. 21, 1974, Ernest Clifton Matthews, son of Ernest and Paula Matthews.

### Deaths

In Woodsville, N. H., Feb. 12, 1974, Alice Jewell—Age 98.

In Plymouth, N. H., June 7, 1974, Ernest E. Matthews, Sr.—Age 71.

In Groton, N. H., June 7, 1974, Peter G. deMello—Age 49.

In Woodsville, N. H., July 11, 1974, Clifton Hutchins—Age 73.

### Marriages

In Hebron, N. H., March 27, 1974, by John Fischer, Clergyman, Raymond H. Lamos and Inge Carlson.







