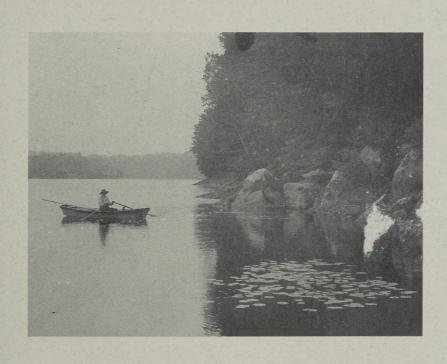
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Annual Reports

The Selectmen And Other Town Officers of the Town of

ALSTEAD, NH



FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

2008

TOWN MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2009



TOWN OFFICIALS 2008

Matthew D. Saxton Joel C. McCarty William M. Moran Peter Rhoades Gloria Seddon Hans Waldmann David Crosby Robert Bromley Kim Kercewich Jack Michnovez Barbara Davis Bruce A. Bellows Reginald Clark Roberta (Suzie) Young Almut Yakovleff Mary Lou Huffling Jeanne Moody Library Trustee Term End 2010 Alternate Inspector of Elections Moderator Term End 2011 Term End 2011 Term End 2010 Term End 2010 Term End 2010 Term End 2011 Appointed Ap			
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Rosemarie Caffrey	Planning Board	Term End 2009
Joyce Curll	Planning Board	Term End 2009
Gloria Seddon	Ex-Officio Member	Term End 2009
Michael Balamuth	Alternate	Term End 2009
Richard Nalevanko	Planning Board	Term End 2010
David Konesko	Planning Board	Term End 2010
Randall F. Rhoades	Planning Board	Term End 2011
Peter Rhoades	Planning Board	Term End 2011
Thomas E. Dowling	Alternate	Term End 2011
Richard Minard	Zoning Board of Adjustment	Term End 2009
Dirk Doughty	Zoning Board of Adjustment	Term End 2009
Samuel Sutcliffe	Zoning Board of Adjustment	Term End 2010
Joseph H. Cartwright	Zoning Board of Adjustment	Term End 2010
Dennis Molesky	Zoning Board of Adjustment	Term End 2011
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Marilou Blaine	Conservation Commission	Term End 2009
Sarah Webb	Conservation Commission	Term End 2010
Joy Nalevanko	Conservation Commission	Term End 2010
W. Daniel Hall	Conservation Commission	Term End 2011
David W. Moody	Conservation Commission	Term End 2011
Joyce Curll	Alternate	Term End 2011
John Mann	Alternate	Term End 2011
John Wahn	Attendate	Term End 2011
Bruce Bellows	Cemetery Commission	Term End 2009
Reginald Clark	Cemetery Commission	Term End 2010
Roberta (Suzie) Young	Cemetery Commission	Term End 2011
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Robert Pearson	School Board Member	Term End 2010
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	Consolidated School Officer	
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Alan Dustin	FMRSD Budget Committee	Term End 2010

2009 BALLOT TOWN OF ALSTEAD

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: Place a cross (x) in either the YES or NO box after each article.

Article 2. "Shall the Town of Alstead vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$1,397,646? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$1,431,013 which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Alstead or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Majority vote required.

YES

ARTICLE 3: "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred eighty-six thousand five hundred twelve dollars (\$186,512) for paving work on Thayer Brook Road with seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) from fund balance (surplus) with the remainder of one hundred eleven thousand five hundred twelve dollars (\$111,512) to be raised by taxation?

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

ARTICLE 4: "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the following Capital Reserve Funds?

Highway Capital Reserve Fund (est.1988)	\$20,000
Fire Department Capital Reserve (est. 1992)	\$40,000
Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund (est. 1992)	\$10,000
Cemetery Capital Reserve Fund (est.2004)	\$ 5,000

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

YES

ARTICLE 5: "Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a new Town Hall and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) with fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to come from fund balance (surplus) to be placed in this Fund?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Majority vote required.
This article will result in no new taxation.

ARTICLE 6: "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to twenty three thousand dollars (\$23,000) to purchase and install two generators, one at the East Fire station and one at the Town Hall/Fire Station?

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

YES NO

ARTICLE 7: "Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty seven thousand five hundred twenty four dollars (\$27,524) to purchase a 2009 Ford Explorer for the Police Department and to authorize the withdrawal of eighteen thousand five hundred twenty four dollars (\$18,524) from the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund established in 1992 for that purpose, with the remainder of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) from fund balance (surplus)?

Majority vote required.

This article will result in no new taxation.

YES NO

ARTICLE 8:"Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the repair of stones and monuments in the Town Cemeteries?

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

ARTICLE 9:"Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for the Town's Land Conservation Fund established in 1988 for the acquisition of land, easements, and development rights determined to be of significant environmental value to the Town? Under RSA 36-a amounts from this fund may be spent for these purposes without further town meeting approval, if approved by the Selectmen, and by the Conservation Commission, after holding a public hearing.

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

YES NO

ARTICLE 10:"Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to forty five thousand (\$45,000) to purchase a used, roll-off truck to haul transfer station materials, and to authorize the withdrawal of up to forty five thousand dollars (\$45,000) from the Recycling Special Revenue Fund established in 2005 for that purpose?

Majority vote required.
This article will result in no new taxation.

ARTICLE 11:"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town's Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amendment No. 1 adds "Pet Crematoriums" as a use which is to be prohibited in the Lake and Village zoning districts, and allowed as a special exception in the Rural Residential district."

Majority vote required.

YES NO

ARTICLE 12:"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town's Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amendment No. 2 adds the word "petroleum" before the phrase "fuel farms" as it appears in the list of uses in Article 3(D), which are prohibited anywhere in Alstead. This change will make it clear that facilities involving non-petroleum fuels are not covered by the prohibition.

Majority vote required.

YES NO

ARTICLE 13: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town's Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amendment No. 3 adds the phrase "and/or to State and Federal Law" to Article VII (A) of the Ordinance, to make it clear that the Zoning Officer should issue permits only for applications which are in compliance with State and Federal laws, as well as with the Alstead Zoning Ordinance."

Majority vote required.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 14: "Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, I(b) to authorize the Conservation Commission to expend funds for contributions to "qualified organizations," as defined in section 170(h)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, for the purchase of property interests or facilitating transactions relative thereto to be held by the qualified organization, when such purchase carries out the purposes of this chapter, subject to approval of the Selectmen following a public hearing? Because such contributions further the protection of the state's natural resources, they are hereby declared to be a public purpose.

Majority vote required.

YES NO

ARTICLE 15: "Shall the Town vote to discontinue the following Capital Reserve Funds? These funds have a zero balance. This is a housekeeping article requested by the Department of Revenue Administration

Town Office Building ETF created in 1994 Vilas Pool Bridge ETF created in 1997

Majority vote required.

YES

NO

ARTICLE 16: "Shall the Town vote to discontinue the Maybelle Still Memorial Building Committee established in 1972?

Majority vote required.

YES

NO

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		62762	60334	66792	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics		32537	33134	30141	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		44799	41275	49971	
4152	Revaluation of Property		24000	18318	21000	
4153	Legal Expense		15000	11391	15000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		157218	151829	151500	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		8550	7388	8950	
4194	General Government Buildings		161400	143866	161400	
4195	Cemeteries		3500	3500	3500	
4196	Insurance		17000	16706	18350	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		4000	5934	6000	
4199	Other General Government					
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		174642	138634	138943	
4215-4219	Ambulance		36050	29425	34700	
4220-4229	Fire		56200	53122	62800	
4240-4249	Building Inspection					
4290-4298	Emergency Management		18500	3363	15300	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)		4000	160	2000	
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4311	Administration		50406	50391	52749	
4312	Highways & Streets		353000	338633	344000	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting		13000	11976	13000	
4319	Other					
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4321	Administration		26575	25314	27075	
4323	Solid Waste Collection					
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		66975	68170	69475	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up					
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other					

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		OP Bud.	Appropriations	Actual	Appropriations	Appropriations
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Expenditures Prior Year	Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	TER DISTRIBUTION & TREATM	ENT	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other					
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
	HEALTH		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		14000	12437	14000	
4414	Pest Control					
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other					
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		20600	24578	30000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		11500	9398	11500	
4550-4559	Library		30000	30000	30000	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		3000	889	3000	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation					
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources		1200	1200	1500	
4619	Other Conservation		10000	10000	12000	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		15000	1761	15000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					

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^{*} Use special warrant article section on next page.

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3/NI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	Historical Buildiong		\$18,900	\$18,900		
	Waste Oil Furnace		\$10,407	\$10,407	(
	22 High Street		\$245,000	\$233,144		
SI	PECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMEND	ED	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXX

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature y ou wish to address individually.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	Thayer Brook Road	\$3	\$103,885	\$107,670	\$150,000	
	Generators	\$6			\$23,000	
	Police Vehicle	\$7			\$27,524	
	Cemetery Stone Stone Repair	\$8	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	
	Transfer Station	\$10			\$45,000	
IND	IVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMEN	DED	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	\$205 524	XXXXXXXXX

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		5000	4700	5000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		8000	9876	8000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		18000	39770	3500
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)				
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		26000	264146	25000
3230	Building Permits		500	775	25
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		2400	2881	240
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		17000	13654	1350
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		77000	90003	7500
3353	Highway Block Grant		80357	80079	8007
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)				
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		60000	84560	6000
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		65000		
3502	Interest on Investments		10000	18461	1500

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SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
NTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS I	N	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
From Special Revenue Funds				45 000
From Capital Projects Funds				
From Enterprise Funds				
Sewer - (Offset)				
Water - (Offset)				
Electric · (Offset)				
Airport · (Offset)				
From Capital Reserve Funds		24900	20000	18524
From Trust & Fiduciary Funds		65000	77711	65000
Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")		215000	215000	99000
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			90000	
TAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS	3		1022022	771753
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BUDGET SUMMARY

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	1402126	1597646
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	457992	250524
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)		
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1860118	1848170
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	1022022	771753
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	838096	1076417

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWN OF ALSTEAD

To the inhabitants of the Town of Alstead in the County of Cheshire, in said State qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Municipal Building in said Alstead on Tuesday, the 20th day of January, 2009 next at 7:00 PM for public hearing on the proposed operating budget and the Town Meeting warrant.

The first session will be held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of February, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the Alstead Town Hall for final explanation, discussion, or amendment, if necessary, of the articles on the warrant.

The final session of the annual Town Meeting will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the 10th day of March, 2009 for the election of town officers and for voting by ballot on all warrant articles. The polls will be open on Tuesday, March 10th, from 10:00 AM until 7:00 PM.

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2:

Shall the Town of Alstead vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$1,397,646? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$1,431,013, which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Alstead or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

a) E	Executive	66,792
b) E	Election, Registration & Vitals	30,141
c) F	inancial Administration	49,971
d) F	Revaluation of Property	21,000
e) L	egal Expense	15,000
f) F	Personnel Administration	151,500
g) F	Planning & Zoning	8,950
h) (General Government Buildings	161,400
i) (Cemeteries	3,500
j)	nsurance	18,350
k) A	Advertising and Regional Associations	6,000
	Police	138,943
m) A	Ambulance	34,700
n) F	Fire & Forest Fire	62,800
o) E	Emergency Management	15,300

p) Communications	2,000
g) Street Lighting	13,000
r) Highways & Streets	396,749
s) Sanitation / Solid Waste	96,550
t) Health Agencies	14,000
u) Welfare / Direct Assistance	30,000
v) Parks & Recreation	11,500
w) Library	30,000
x) Patriotic Purposes	3,000
y) Conservation Commission	1,500
z) Interest on T.A.N.s	15,000

Majority vote required.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to pave part of Thayer Brook Road and to authorize the withdrawal of seventy five thousand dollars (\$75,000) from the current fund balance (surplus), with the remainder of seventy five thousand dollars (\$75,000) to be raised by taxation.

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty eight thousand dollars (\$158,000) to be placed in the following Capital Reserve Funds.

Highway Capital Reserve Fund (est. 1988)	\$45,000
Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund (est. 1992)	\$85,000
Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund (est. 1992)	\$20,000
Cemetery Capital Reserve Fund (est. 2004)	\$ 8,000

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a new Town Hall, and to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) and to authorize the withdrawal of fifteen thousand dollars (15,000) from fund balance (surplus), with the remainder of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be raised from taxation, to be placed in that Fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to twenty three thousand dollars (\$23,000) to purchase and install two generators; one at the East Fire station and one at the Town Hall/Fire Station.

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty seven thousand five hundred twenty four dollars (\$27,524) to purchase a 2009 Ford Explorer for the Police Department and to authorize the withdrawal of eighteen thousand five hundred twenty four dollars (\$18,524) from the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund established in 1992 for that purpose, and to further authorize the withdrawal of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) from current fund balance (surplus).

Majority vote required.

This article will result in no new taxation.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the repair of stones and monuments in the Town Cemeteries.

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for the Town's Land Conservation Fund established in 1988 for the acquisition of land, easements, and development rights determined to be of significant environmental value to the Town. Under RSA 36-A amounts from this fund may be spent for these purposes without further town meeting approval, if approved by the Selectmen, and by the Conservation Commission, after holding a public hearing.

Majority vote required.

This appropriation is in addition to Article 2, the operating budget.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to forty five thousand (\$45,000) to purchase a used, roll-off truck to haul transfer station materials, and to authorize the withdrawal of up to forty five thousand dollars (\$45,000) from the Recycling Special Revenue Fund established in 2005 for that purpose.

Majority vote required.

This article will result in no new taxation.

Article 11: To see whether the Town will vote to adopt Zoning Amendment No. 1, (pet crematoriums) as proposed by the Planning Board. A copy of the complete text of the proposal is on file and available for review at the Town Office.

Majority vote required.

Article 12: To see whether the Town will vote to adopt Zoning Amendment No. 2, (petroleum fuel farms) as proposed by the Planning Board. A copy of the complete text of the proposal is on file and available for review at the Town Office.

Majority vote required.

Article 13: To see whether the Town will vote to adopt Zoning Amendment No. 3, (Compliance with State and Federal laws) as proposed by the Planning Board. A copy of the complete text of the proposal is on file and available at the Town Office.

Majority vote required

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, I(b) to authorize the Conservation Commission to expend funds for contributions to "qualified organizations," as defined in section 170(h)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, for the purchase of property interests or facilitating transactions relative thereto to be held by the qualified organization, when such purchase carries out the purposes of this chapter, subject to approval of the Selectmen following a public hearing. Because such contributions further the protection of the state's natural resources, they are hereby declared to be a public purpose.

Majority vote required.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the following Capital Reserve Funds. These funds have a zero balance. This is a housekeeping article requested by the Department of Revenue Administration.

Town Office Building ETF created in 1994 Vilas Pool Bridge ETF created in 1997

Majority vote required.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Maybelle Still Memorial Building Committee established in 1972.

Majority vote required.

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY VALUES

	2007	2008
Land Buildings	\$61,003,007 \$113,074,300	\$61,233,827 \$113,902,700
Public Utilities		
Less Elderly & Blind Exemptions	\$605,000	605,000
Net Assessed Valuation	\$166,340,507	\$166,340,507
Taxes Committed to Tax Collector		
Town Property Taxes Assessed	\$3,626,577	\$3,912,114
Less War Service Credit	8,500	8,450
Net Property Tax Commitment	3,618,027	3,903,664
Tax Rate	\$21.83	\$23.41
Net School Apportionment	\$ 1,909,285	2,004,253
County Tax Assessment	373,876	480,548

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall/Offices Furniture & Equipment	\$ 37,000
Library Furniture & Equipment	30.000
Police Dept. Furniture & Equipment	45,000
Fire Department Equipment	432,050
Park Equipment	8,000
Cemetery Equipment	7,000
Highway Department Equipment	368,000

TOWN OF ALSTEAD CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN

	Town Hall Capital Reserve \$30,000	Land Conscrvation \$12,000	Cometery Capital Reserve \$8,000	Ambulance Capital Reserve \$20,000	Fire Dept Capital Reserve \$45,000 Rescue Truck purchase For \$210,000 (take \$50,000 from CR)	Highway Capital Reserve \$45,000	Paving Capital Reserve \$200,000
Rebuild 1.2 miles of Gilsum Mine Road (4 corners to Pine Cliff Road) \$200,000	Town Hall Capital Reserve \$30,000	Land Conservation \$14,000	Cemetery Capital Reserve \$9,000	Ambulance Capital Reserve \$20,000	Fire Dept Capital Reserve \$50,000 se	Highway Capital Reserve \$50,000 Purchase 550 for \$75,000 (take all from Capital Reserve)	Paving Capital Expenditure \$200,000
	Town Hall Capital Rescrue \$30,000	Land Conservation \$14,000	Cemetery Capital Reserve \$9,000	Ambulance Capital Reserve \$20,000 Purchase Ambulance For \$135,000 (take \$100,000 from CR)	Fire Dept Capital Reserve \$50,000	Highway Capital Reserve \$50,000 Purchase 550 for \$75,000 (take all from Capital Reserve)	Paving Capital Expenditure \$200,000
	Town Hall Capital Reserve \$30,000	Land Conservation \$14,000		Ambulance Capital Reserve \$20,000	Fire Dept Capital Reserve \$50,000 Fire Pumper purchase for \$400,000 (take \$200,000 from CR)	Highway Capital Reserve \$50,000	Paving Capital Expenditure \$200,000
	Town Hall Capital Reserve \$30,000	Land Conservation \$14,000		Ambulance Capital Reserve \$20,000	Fire Dept Capital Reserve \$50,000	Highway Capital Reserve \$50,000 Purchase 10-wheeler for \$200,000 (take \$100,000 from CR)	Paving Capital Expenditure \$200,000
	Town Hall Capital Reserve \$30,000	Land Conservation \$14,000		Ambulance Capital Reserve \$20,000	Fire Dept. Capital Reserve \$50,000	Highway Capital Reserve \$50,000	Paving Capital Expenditure \$200,000

Library Roof Capital Reserve \$

Bridge Work Capital Reserve \$

2009 Annual Report Alstead Board of Selectmen

2008 was generally a quiet year in the Selectmen's Office, as compared to the last few. We were back to the more typical business for a small New England town.

In March, the Town voted to pass every article on the Town Warrant, for the third year in a row. Bill Moran was re-elected to the Board, and Matt Saxton, in the third year of his term, was elected Chairman.

The Town voted to purchase the Bragg Lane property across the river from Millot Green, which is a great step toward future needs for Alstead's public infrastructure. In 2009 we hope there will be the time and the interest to begin the process of planning uses for the land. The first thing will be to decide what should become of the Bragg house, which is empty. We took sealed bids on the trailer that was beside the house, and were pleased with the result. It is now in Unity, NH.

Langdon residents have been using the Alstead Transfer Station for 18 months, and we are pleased that the arrangement is working well. Langdon currently pays \$2500 per month. We continue to monitor the finances of the Transfer Station, and the effect that Langdon's participation has on the place, to be sure that the fee for Langdon is appropriate.

The electrical wiring in the Town Hall/ Fire Station has been brought up to code. The building is tired, but limping along.

Vilas Pool was robbed! Someone(s) crawled under the buildings there and swiped all the copper plumbing! So we replaced the plumbing with plastic, freeze-protected pipe. (And we hope that the price for scrap plastic never goes out of control). The culprits have been apprehended and restitution has begun.

Joel spent a lot of time with the representative from Comcast last year. Eventually it came time for the last meeting before signing a new 10-year agreement. Everyone was very charming and jolly, promises were asked for and made, and there were signatures all around. And now Comcast won't return our repeated calls. Efforts, however, continue on alternate fronts to extend internet service in town.

We installed new doors on the Town Hall, which makes the New Hampshire Attorney General very happy. We were told that our old doors didn't meet the requirements of the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act).

June brought dizzying fuel prices, and we began to be concerned about our budget. With so much of the largest budget in Town---the highway budget--- potentially needed in the last couple months of a year, depending on the weather, we put on the brakes. We eliminated the part-time positions in the Department of Public Works, and hoped we would not eventually be required to cut any full-time positions.

Thankfully fuel prices relaxed (who honestly expected that?), and we got to the end of the year within budget, as we are required to do.

In August we had a snap inspection of all the Town buildings by the New Hampshire Department of Labor. We were told that we did very well for a small town. And we were surprised to hear how so many ordinary objects can be dangerous! Among the many improvements we've been required to make, all of our office chairs now have five legs.

In November we got down to serious effort to put together the 2009 Town Warrant. (YOU WILL VOTE MARCH 10, WE TRUST!) We began by asking the department heads for their budget requests to be 5% less than

last year. We had many meetings, a more than average number of citizens contributing their opinions and priorities, and a good result. Oh, if only prices would go down enough to make up for the lousy economy!

The Historical Society Building was painted (the steeple was painted last year) and looks terrific! We were disappointed to see birds sitting on the weathervane the other day. We were under the impression that we had trained them not to---they are backsliding.

Alstead is in the third year of a five year contract for property re- evaluation. This will be the next to last of four years of measuring and listing. In 2011 the information from the measuring and listing years will be analyzed, the history of actual sales of property in the prior years will be factored in, and the new assessments will be made and sent out. It is probably true that EVERYONE'S assessment is too high right now as compared to supposed market value. The main thing is that Alstead's assessments are proportional one to the other. And they are. The Town is not receiving by taxation any more money than the voters decided should be raised, by their votes on the Warrant last March.

The sealed bids we received for the 12.5 acre Townowned lot on Gilsum Mine Road were all too low, and were rejected. We plan to offer it again in May, when we hope for better results.

We are still waiting for the auditor's report, and, as reported in this space last year, Auditor's Reports will not be included in the Town Reports. The Town Report must go to press before there is even hope of getting the documents from the auditors. Anyone may request a copy of the Auditor's Report at the Municipal Offices---it is a public document---and as soon as we have it, so can you. Just ask.

A group is forming NOW to put together the Alstead Festival 2009! We thank the dedicated volunteers who have participated in this work in the past, and thank especially Lisa Robichaud, and Tammy Gendron who are volunteering again this year. Call one of them if you would like to help out. The effort is to some extent compartmentalized---someone could be helping in just a piece of the larger effort. Volunteering need not be overwhelming!

We continue to be honored to work with a truly great team of Town employees and volunteers! We are grateful for an approachable, open process, where all can share their viewpoints and ideas. The cooperation engendered is key to moving forward as a successfully functioning community. And we are that!

Matt

Joel

Bill

2008 Annual Report Alstead Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Please note that 1995 model cars and up require a title to be registered. If you purchase vehicles in this age bracket from an individual, make sure they have the title.

For older vehicles - in addition to the bill of sale you need one of the following documents:

- a. Previously issued N.H. Registration.
- b. Valid Out of State Title.
- c. Verification of VIN (Form 19A).

If you have any question regarding a new registration, you may call the office. It is important to have the proper paperwork. I can process renewal registrations by mail if necessary. Please call for the amounts due. This information is very important; therefore, I have it in my report every year.

The State made changes in the Motor Vehicle program this year. A new registration form is now in use, and there continue to be modifications in the processing of registrations. These changes have not created as many problems as in previous years. On occasion we do have to seek assistance, and unfortunately this creates delays.

Reminder! Dog licenses must be renewed by April 30. For a new license, please bring a rabies certificate with you. Also if the dog has had an update of rabies vaccination since the last registration, please bring a copy of the certificate.

For those unable to pay all their taxes at once please note that any payment even if not the full amount due will reduce the interest to be paid.

I thank you for your support this year.

Respectfully submitted, Gloria Seddon Town Clerk/Tax Collector

2008 Annual Report Highway Division Public Works Department

The ten wheeler dump truck purchased following approval at the 2007 Town Meeting was put to work saving the Town lots of money this year. This truck was used to haul in our own sand and gravel, instead of hiring an outside contractor to do the hauling. Also this truck has been a big help in plowing and sanding our 50 miles of road.

Again every roadside in town was mowed by Alan Dustin using our own tractor and mower, creating important savings in the process.

Roadside ditching was done on all of Corbin Road, part of North Road, and part of lower Old Settlers Road.

This year Thayer Brook Road was finished to the Marlow line except for some cosmetic work which will be done when the poles and wires are moved by the phone and power companies.

A budget shortfall caused the part-time employees to be laid off as of September 1st, 2008. This in turn meant that we did not get as much done as I had hoped we would.

Heavy snowfall caused the winter of 2008 to be very expensive. The Department used more sand and salt than in any previous year. During the "ice storm" of December 11th and 12th, the Department of Public Works used 858 yards of sand and 80 tons of salt in about 36 hours to keep Alstead roads passable. There will be FEMA reimbursement for most of the labor and materials used. Additional funds will be available in the spring of "09" from FEMA to clean-up the debris left by the storm.

Respectfully submitted, David Crosby Public Works Superintendent

ALSTEAD ROADS

63.25 miles of maintained roads
14.9 miles are State maintained, all paved.
(Routes 12A, 123, and 123A)
48.35 miles are Town maintained.
31.15 dirt
17.20 paved

Starting in 1996 David Crosby, Road Public Works Superintendent, developed a Ten-Year Paving Plan. He divided the Town's paved roads into 10 segments and planned to do one segment of paving each year in a recurring cycle. This process of regular paving represented the most cost effective method of maintaining these roads. Each segment could be competitively bid in advance, coordinated with adjoining Towns where appropriate for further economies, and maintained with a simple top coating (avoiding the need for expensive rebuilding projects).

Unfortunately, this plan has not been consistently implemented, and now two of the segments will require a full, and much more expensive, rebuilding effort. It is hoped that the Revised Ten-Year Paving Plan outlined below will be approved, followed as outlined, and kept on schedule. As a point of comparison, the State-maintained paved roads in Alstead have been resurfaced on average every seven years.

REVISED TEN-YEAR PAVING PLAN

YEAR	<u>SEGMENT</u>	LOCATION	MILEAGE
2009	1	Thayer Brook Road	1.9 miles
2010	2	North Road and Gilsum Mine Road to Pine Cliff Road	2.1 miles
2011	3	Gilsum Mine Road from Pine Cliff Road to ledge corner	1.4 miles

2012	4	Gilsum Mine Road from ledge Corner to Gilsum line and Baine Road	1.45 miles
2013	5	Walpole Valley Road and March Hill Road	2.6 miles
2014	6	Alstead Village & Parking Lots, Fire Station/Town Hall, Library Avenue, Summer Street, and Hill Road to Cook Hill	2.35 miles
2015	7	Drewsville Road and Homestead Road	1.3 miles
2016	8	Hill Road (from Cook Hill to 12A)	1.7 miles
2017	9	Pine Cliff Road	1.4 miles
2018	10	Pleasant Street, Vilas Road and Prospect Street	.9 mile

Beginning in 2009, each of the ten paved segments would be resurfaced in the order listed above, one segment in succession each year with a simple top coating until completed in 2018. This cycle would be repeated and continued for the future, thus fulfilling a true **TEN-YEAR PAVING PLAN**.

2008 Annual Report Alstead Fire Department

It was another busy year at the Fire Department with calls up again over 10%. Combined with last year's increase of 20%, this means an increase of 30% over the last two years. This trend will likely continue into the foreseeable future as population and traffic increase and many families seek alternative ways to heat their homes during the winter months.

Luckily, Alstead was spared from the severe damage suffered by other towns during the ice storm in December but still many residents were without power, some for many days. Because of the ice storm there is an increased risk of brush and forest fires starting this spring, so I would remind everyone that fire permits are required except when there is sufficient snow cover. This danger will likely last for several years and will be substantially increased during dry periods. Also during the ice storm in other parts of the state there were many close calls with carbon monoxide poisoning, and I would urge everyone to have working smoke detectors and CO detectors in their homes. If battery operated detectors are used, the batteries should be changed with the time changes in the spring and in the fall. Also, I would like to request everyone to have their house numbers posted where they will be visible and easily read by emergency services should the need arise. There have been several instances of delays to the scene of an emergency due to the time wasted having to search for the correct address.

This year saw an increase in brush fires in the Alstead, Langdon, Acworth and Charlestown areas even before the ice storm damage.

Several members attended training in the Spring and in the Fall at Meadowood, and four members attended the statewide weekend forest fire training in Gilmanton.

I would like to thank the members of the department and the community for their support and assistance over the last year. Also, we are always looking to enlarge our roster. Anyone wishing to join the department may contact a member of the department or the Municipal Offices for information.

Activity Report 2008

Meetings	12
Drills	13
Trainings	5
Structure Fires	3
Chimney Fires	4
Car Fires	1
MVA	17
Automatic Alarms	8
CO alarms	1
Smoke Investigation	4
Trees, Wires down	12
Mutual Aid	19
Illegal Burns	2
Brush Fires	3
Flooded Cellars	1
Haz. Mat.	1
Subject stuck in elevator	2
ATV Accident	1
Odor Investigation	2

Respectfully submitted, Kim J. Kercewich Chief, Alstead Fire Department

2008 Annual Report Alstead Ambulance

The Ambulance Squad responded to 114 calls over the course of the year. We had 28 trauma calls with transport, and 39 medical calls with transport. Forty-six of the calls did not require transport, and one call was a fire standby. Thirteen calls of the total were for motor vehicle accidents and 10 calls were public assists.

The squad currently has 15 members who logged 669 hours responding to calls, 88 meeting hours, and 306 hours in training. We are fortunate to have both of our police officers responding to calls while they are on duty during the day, and they are often the first responders on the scene. For the time being we are continuing to operate with the ambulance stationed in the Fire Station in East Alstead and the Rescue Truck responding from the Village Station when appropriate. We are always interested in having new members join the Ambulance Squad. If interested, please talk to me, or one of our members; one can also inquire at the town office.

Respectfully submitted,

Anton Elbers Captain, Alstead Ambulance

2008 Annual Report Alstead Police Department

Police Department requests for service continue to increase. We handled a total of 489 incidents. A partial breakdown of this figure shows 14 arrests, 13 accidents, 21 traffic tickets, 90 traffic warnings, and 81 suspicious activity. Additional services were 19 verification of VIN numbers, 15 fingerprinting, 26 pistol permits, and 16 vacant house checks.

Although we requested a grant for "in car video" and the town residents authorized the expenditure of \$11,000, the grant did not come through so those funds were not spent. In addition, the department had set aside \$20,000 to cover expected traffic control during the completion of the flood restoration project; however, these funds were not used. The department sold its 2003 Ford Crown Victoria to the Fall Mountain School District for \$6,000 and those funds have been placed into the Fund Balance (Surplus).

Sgt. D'Alessandro was promoted to Lieutenant in September. He has completed the National Child Passenger Safety course and is a certified CPS Technician. Citizens can contact Lt. D'Alessandro for further information on Child Passenger Safety or to schedule a child car seat checkup. He can also provide information as to the best safety seats for parents to purchase and can also offer assistance on the proper installation of the seat.

The Alstead Explorer Youth Program continues to grow. Currently the program has 7 members. The program focuses on career education, leadership, responsibility, and team building. The co-ed program serves local youths ages 14 to 20. Meetings are held two or three times per month at the

police department and members get emergency services related training. The members also participate in State-wide events where Alstead members meet young people from other Explorer posts. The Alstead Explorers,

specifically Cameron Prior, Joshua McGarvey, and former Explorer Matt Merlin deserve special recognition in 2008 after winning 2nd place at the annual Law Enforcement Weekend Challenge. It was Alstead's first time participating in the competition and many months of training paid off with a trophy! If you know a youth who is interested in joining, or learning more about the Explorer Post, please contact the Alstead Police Department.

In closing we would like to recognize the dedicated service of our ACO, Russell Pope. Russ has been an invaluable member of our department, and it was with much regret that we accepted his resignation as Animal Control Officer. His experience, knowledge, and compassion for animals will be hard to replace. That being said, the department is still committed to enforcing the dog licensing law. We urge all residents to make sure their pets are up to date on their rabies shots and licenses.

Respectfully submitted, Robert Bromley Police Chief

2008 Annual Report Alstead's Office of Emergency Management

Alstead's Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) has been submitted to and accepted by the state. In addition to the state provided guidelines Alstead has developed its own detailed process for a Point Of Distribution (POD) clinic and a guide for locating lost/missing persons.

A monthly planning meeting is supported by Alstead's Police Chief, Fire Chief, Ambulance Captain, Road Agent, Safety Officer, Selectmen's Office and the Emergency Management Director.

The recent ice storm and power outages prompted the opening of Alstead's Emergency Operation Center (EOC). At the same time the East Alstead Fire house was manned. Alstead's Emergency Services have a standing policy stating "If the power or phone service (widespread) is out for more than four hours the East and Village Fire Stations will be manned for communication/information purposes". There were several welfare checks dispatched from the East Fire Station. We also had a few people stop in at the EOC (Police station) to warm up and to volunteer temporary housing for residents who might need it. This storm highlighted a principal passed down by the US Department of Homeland Security. Alstead as a municipality must plan to be self-sufficient for 72 hours - no meaningful mutual aid. This guideline should encourage each family to consider how they would cope for a minimum of 72 hours with only the resources they have available at their homes (this would include food, water, medicine and any other special needs their families may require).

Small towns all share a common issue when planning for a large scale emergency. We have a limited number of trained Emergency Responders who would be quickly overwhelmed trying to staff the multitude of functions needed to assure a successful outcome for a large scale emergency. A town letter/survey will soon be sent out requesting residents to join a citizen volunteer group. This group will receive training that will enable them to support our emergency services personnel during a large scale emergency event.

Respectfully submitted, Jack Michnovez Emergency Management Director

2008 Annual Report Transfer Station

The old Transfer Station haul truck transported a total of 109 truck loads. The trash from the compactor was transported to Claremont, the steel to Claremont Advanced Recycling, and the Construction Waste to Keene.

Hauling our own trash and recyclables proved to be cost effective for the Town this year. We are hoping to be able to find a more reliable second hand haul truck, so that we can haul paper and other materials as well, saving even more in trucking fees.

The collaboration with Langdon residents using Alstead's Transfer Station continues to work well. We are exploring further benefits in this collaborative arrangement.

Our recycling efforts are important. Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA) has congratulated the Town of Alstead.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2008
Paper	111.98 tons
Scrap Metal	70.35 tons
Comingled	46.66 tons
Tires	316

Respectfully submitted, David Crosby Superintendent DPW

2008 Annual Report Alstead Planning Board

The Alstead Planning Board had another busy year with twenty-four meetings, three of which included joint Meetings with the Zoning Board of Adjustment to discuss a few amendment proposals to the Town's Zoning Ordinance, and to hold a Municipal Law Update session with the Town Attorney.

Throughout the year, the Planning Board took notes on areas of the Subdivision Regulations that are in need of being updated, and as time allows plans to begin that process in 2009. The Planning Board also focused their work on the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) with different Department Heads and the Select Board, and plans to continue that work in 2009. The Planning Board began to review and establish Rules of Procedures, and was busy with follow-up issues on previously approved Applications with conditional approvals.

The Alstead Planning Board received and approved six minor subdivisions, and one Site Plan Review; one of the approved Subdivisions was unable to meet one of the conditions set, and is being re-pursued with an alternate Plan in 2009. There were a number of preconceptual consultations throughout the year, regarding both the before-mentioned Applications, as well as many other potential Applications.

The regular meeting of the Alstead Planning Board is held on the second Monday of each month at the Alstead Municipal Offices at 7:00PM. Work meetings are scheduled, as needed, on the fourth Monday of the month. Anyone interested in participating is welcome.

The Board would like to welcome Tom Dowling to the Board. The Board has openings for Alternate Members. If interested, please contact any Member of the Planning Board, or Members of the Select Board, for more information. We would welcome your participation and input!

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Marsden/Administrative Assistant

Peter Rhoades, Chairman

Randy Rhoades
Rich Nalevanko
Joyce Curll
Michael Balamuth-Alternate

Gloria Seddon David Konesko Rose Marie Caffrey Tom Dowling - Alternate

2008 Annual Report Alstead Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment had fourteen meetings this year, and received two Variance requests, and two Special Exception requests – all of which were approved. The Board held three of these meetings as joint meetings with the Planning Board, to discuss a few amendment proposals to the Town's Zoning Ordinance, and to hold a Municipal Law Update session with the Town Attorney. Discussion to start creating a Planned Residential Development Plan also took place.

The ZBA meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30PM, at the Alstead Municipal Building. The public is always welcome.

The Board would like to welcome David Konesko as a new Alternate Member. The Board is currently looking for one additional Alternate Member. Any citizen interested in becoming a Member is encouraged to contact any Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, a Member of the Select Board, or the Town Clerk. Your participation would be welcomed!

Dennis Molesky, Chairman
Joseph Cartwright, Vice Chairman
Richard Minard, Member
Samuel Sutcliffe, Member
Dirk Doughty, Member
Hans Waldmann, Alternate Member
David Konesko, Alternate Member

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Marsden, Administrative Assistant

2008 Annual Report Trustees of Trust Funds

After experiencing a good year in 2007, we are all aware of what has transpired in 2008. We did not suffer a loss on the principal amounts of our trust funds, but the income revenue was reduced by 45+%. We will have ample income to continue cemetery maintenance, but the income from the library funds dropped from just over \$6,000 to around \$3,500.

New cemetery funds established during 2008:

Wendy Ward	\$200.00
Robert and Madeline Batchelder	\$400.00
Ross Ramsey	\$300.00
Adam & Ashley Goss	\$400.00

Cemetery lots are available and may be acquired by contacting Reginald Clark, Cemetery Commissioner, at 835-6007.

Respectfully Submitted, Trustees of Trust Funds

Bruce Bellows Reginald Clark Roberta Young

2008 Annual Report Cemetery Commission

Annual upkeep of Alstead's seven cemeteries consisted of mowing, trimming, fall clean-up of leaves, and removal of brush and dead trees. Reginald Clark and William and Jean Rhoades perform 95% of these jobs. Occasionally the highway department and other companies assist in the maintenance of our cemeteries.

This past year, work continued on the stone and monument repairs, stabilization and straightening at Mapleside, Alstead Center, and Slade Cemeteries. The main gate and wing gates at the entrance to Mapleside Cemetery (donated by Charles Vilas) were sandblasted and painted. This had not been done, to the best of our knowledge, since they were installed and was long since due.

A large maple tree to the right of the Route 12A entrance to Alstead Center cemetery was taken down. A large portion of this tree came down in high winds in the spring and was removed by the highway department. It is a shame to loose such a large, beautiful tree, but the center of it was rotten and it needed to be removed before it fell and damaged stones and/or the gate.

Respectfully submitted, Alstead Cemetery Commission

Bruce A. Bellows Reginald Clark Roberta Young

2008 Annual Report Alstead Historical Society

This past year was a busy one for the historical society; to some of us, the years seem to be getting shorter and shorter. We are delighted that the flood book, *Too Much Water, Too Much Rain*, continues to sell well both locally and nationally. We have gotten back the trust funds invested in the two printings of the book. The proceeds from future sales will be used to defray the costs of archival materials and preparing exhibits in our restored exhibit hall.

In December 2007, we received a matching LCHIP grant of \$35,240 for the rehabilitation of the Maybelle Still Memorial Building. This amount is matched by funds from the Town and the Historical Society. During 2007 and 2008, Foster's Pro Painting Plus painted the steeple, shutters, and building and gilded the weather vane and finial. Jancewicz & Son inspected and repaired the slate roof. Inside the building, Bellows Construction replaced the floor of the first-floor exhibit room with yellow pine flooring, and repaired the rear wall of the room. Cindy Hendrick and Lark Leonard painted the walls and trim. J.A. Allen & Son Electric upgraded the wiring in the room with additional electric outlets and gallery track lighting. This work will greatly improve the lighting of exhibitions held in the room. Finally, Stanwood Oil installed a new, efficient oil furnace in the utility room. Bruce Bellows also added a considerable amount of storage space in the utility room. At the northeast corner of the building, Bruce replaced a decayed sill, and installed a new three-foot wide door to provide handicap access to the second-floor exhibition space.

In December 2008, we received the first half of the grant from LCHIP following an inspection of the work already accomplished. In 2009 we plan to renovate the research room into a library and

meeting room and to build additional shelving for the storage of artifacts. This space will also provide a place for members to catalogue collections and to prepare material for exhibits.

During the year, we held a number of programs. Nancy Bradford-Sisson spoke on the history of the New Hampshire Cooperative Extension Service. Paul and Maggie Garatoni demonstrated their great skill at preparing colonial era meals over an open fire at Vilas Pool, and Steve Woods, supported by a grant from the New Hampshire Humanities Council, presented "A Visit with Abraham Lincoln." In August, the Society held an art show of Alstead artists in the new exhibition space, in conjunction with the Shedd-Porter Memorial Library's "Music on the Millot" festival. We hope that we can repeat this collaboration in the future.

Ian Relihan returned for a second year to work for the society scanning photographs and glass negatives from the society's collection, a project that is now complete. We are very grateful for his assistance. We also welcome Margaret Perry to the society to take charge of genealogical materials and research. For a number of years, we have not had anyone to field genealogical questions addressed to the society.

We look forward to holding four programs in 2009 and to participating in other community events. The trustees of the Society are grateful for the support of the community and encourage all that are interested to get involved in helping us to preserve our past for future generations.

Respectfully submitted, Bruce A. Bellows President, Alstead Historical Society

2008 Annual Report Shedd Porter Memorial Library

What a great year for the library! A big "thank you" to everyone who signed up as a patron this year. While we did not win the challenge put forth by the Finlay Foundation, we did increase the number of patrons by 454, bringing the total number to 689. It's never too late to sign up for a card – come in any time.

This year saw many changes in the library. The biggest change being the donation of two computers and internet access (Thank you Comcast and local consultant Cindi Nadelman.) which are now available to everyone. Come check your email or work on your research paper. All you need to do is sign in at the desk for your 45 minute slot. There has been more shifting of the books so that now we have an audio visual room that holds the recorded books and the movies. Thanks to Margaret Perry, we have a very organized reference and genealogy section.

We have a new assistant librarian – Gaale Klein from East Alstead. You can find her behind the desk on Wednesday evenings and every other Saturday. A former library substitute, Gaale can help you find what you need – she is a computer whiz as well.

There have been a number of regular programs instituted. We now have an early childhood story hour on Thursday mornings at 10:30. The reader is Jessie Dussalt who arrives with a smile and an activity as well as some great stories. Starting last November there is a second Saturday morning arts and crafts day every month. We also have a monthly newsletter that lists new acquisitions and monthly events thanks to Colleen Hiedorn. A new homeschool group will be meeting once a month with seven families participating. This past month they all helped move the fiction and non-fiction sections so it will be easier to find books – complete with new labels.

There were so many great programs last year: a poetry writing workshop, Coffee house, craft fair/plant sale, book sale, Music on the Millot, and a card stamping workshop to mention a few. The summer reading program had 18 participants who enjoyed the activities that included a visit from Mad Science, a walkabout through Alstead, a music concert and story teller, not to mention a party at the end.

The Alstead Primary grades 1-3 visit the library every other week for story time and book check out. I also visit the Sarah Porter School every other week as the traveling librarian.

Plans are underway for the Centennial Celebration in 2010. The only thing that has been planned for sure is the Alstead Area Artists Exhibit, which will feature the library. This is a multimedia art show that will take place in August of 2010. If interested call or come into the library - all ideas are welcome as well.

All these changes and events have been made possible due in part to the dedication of all the volunteers. Some come every week, some every other week and some just come when I call for help - a big thank you to all of them. If you would like to be part of the volunteer staff, please let me know; there is plenty of work for everyone. It's local, it's free, and it's fun – it's your library!

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Davis Librarian

Library Hours: Wed: 12-4 & 6-8, Thurs, 10-4, Fri. 12-6, Sat.9-12

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2008 Annual Report Shedd-Porter Memorial Library Trustees

The year 2008 saw many additional programs conducted by the library under the inspired leadership of librarian Barb Davis. The trustees are indeed grateful for her contributions to the social fabric of our community. We also welcomed this year Gaale Kline of East Alstead who is serving as assistant librarian.

Work continued during the year on repairing parts of the library roof. This is a long and expensive process that is necessary to protect the fabric of our historic building. The repairs have suggested the need for a capital reserve fund to cover future repairs. We have also begun investigating ways in which to make the building more energy efficient.

For the second year in a row the library and the Alstead Historical Society shared a table at the Orchard School Christmas Fair. We sold nearly all of our tapestry afghans. We do have a few remaining, so purchase yours while the supply lasts.

Signage of the library has been greatly improved by the installation of a sign showing the hours of operation on the book drop-off box. Keene Signworks created the sign, and Bruce Bellows installed it. A larger sign identifying the library building and providing information on upcoming events is also being created by Signworks using a generous gift to the library by Mr. David Porter Schweppes, a great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Shedd. This sign will be installed on the library lawn after the new Alstead Village Bridge is completed.

The Trustees would like to thank Carol Renzelman for her service on the board. She completed her term on the board in March and was replaced by Tafi Brown. As always, we are grateful to Sam Kong for his excellent maintenance of the library's building and grounds and to the volunteers who assist with the programs at the library and our outreach to the schools. We are increasingly mindful of the important role that our library plays in the community, and we are grateful for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

The Shedd-Porter Memorial Library Board of Trustees Jeanne Moody, Chair Mary Lou Huffling, Treasurer Erin Heidorn, Secretary Tafi Brown Almut Yakovleff

2008 Annual Report Alstead Conservation Commission

In early 2008, the Conservation Commission learned that Alstead was one of five towns selected in the Monadnock Region to participate in the Community Conservancy Partnership. With cooperation from the Monadnock Conservancy, Antioch, NE, Southwest Regional Planning Commission and NH Fish and Game, we began the process of gathering information from NH natural resource databases, our Natural Resource Inventory, and the NH Wildlife Action Plan to guide us in prioritizing the special places in Alstead that should be considered when conserving land.

In May, we held a Town Forum to obtain an assessment by residents as to where their special place priorities are. Through the summer, the Commission and volunteers from a number of community organizations assisted by staff members of the Monadnock Conservancy and natural resource specialists from UNH took the goals and values developed at the community forum in May and made a "first cut" at identifying areas in Town that have exceptional value for water resources, wildlife, farming, forestry, and recreation.

A second community forum in November provided for public review of the goals established in May and gathered additional ideas about Town priorities for conserving special places in Alstead and protecting natural resources for the future. We are in the process of incorporating these results into a draft Open Space Plan as called for in the Alstead Master Plan adopted in 2007.

This year Commission members committed to attending a myriad of meetings and workshops on conservation issues to expand their knowledge to better serve the Alstead community. Some of these workshops included: Revisions to the Shoreland Protection Act (DES), Invasive Species (UNH Cooperative Extension), Saving Special Places (SPNHF), Agriculture Culture (Sterling College – 4-day program), and NH Assn Conservation Commissioners Annual Meeting (full day). These events alone totaled more than 200 volunteer hours of training. Added to this, in November and December, five people received 30 hours of conservation leadership training led by the Monadnock Conservancy, Society For the Protection of NH Forests, UNH, Fish and Game, and the Harris Center.

Alstead also was chosen as a pilot project to receive assistance of wildlife specialists from the UNH Cooperative Extension Service to better understand information contained in the NH Wildlife Action Plan to better protect the habitat of NH wild animals at risk.

The National Arbor Day Foundation awarded the Town of Alstead "Tree City" status for the sixth consecutive year. During the Arbor Day celebration in April

at the Alstead Primary School, the Conservation Commission received a new Tree City flag and a 6-year sticker for the Town sign. Nikos Leone received Honorable Mention for his poster that was submitted to the National Arbor Day Foundation Poster Contest. Students read poems and essays about trees, and the Kindergarteners and first graders sang. A Creeping Larch was planted in front of the Primary School. A re-certification application for Tree City status for 2008 has been submitted to the National Arbor Day Foundation.

Approximately 175 people participated in the Earth Day Cleanup on April 26. Residents attended a community breakfast at the fire station and then joined work crews to pick up trash along 55 miles of road. In return for our efforts, "Litter Free New Hampshire" donated two Liberty Elm trees to Alstead. Both were planted to replace trees that had been removed, one to the left of the Town office and the other along the row of trees at Alstead Center.

In September, the Commission sponsored a walk on the 100-acre Steven's property whose owners have recently donated a conservation easement on their land. Participants observed a peat bog, unusual acid loving plants and the serenity of an old growth woodland.

In September and early October, Commissioners monitored conservation easements held by the town by walking the properties and filing the reports with the Society for the Protection of NH Forests and the NH Office of State Planning.

We are currently revising our Cultural/Recreational Resource Maps of Alstead and plan to have a second printing soon.

The Conservation Commission meets at the Municipal offices at 5 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. We now have six Conservation Commissioners and two Alternates. Our meetings are open to the public, and we welcome interested residents.

Respectfully submitted,

The Alstead Conservation Commission: Marilou Blaine, Dan Hall, John Mann, David Moody, Sarah Webb, and Joy Nalevanko, Chair; Alternates: Nan Montgomery and Joyce Curll

The Alstead Conservation Commission aims to work in partnership with the community to assess and conserve natural resources by providing education and encouraging outdoor recreation, wise land use, and our best land management practices.

2008 Annual Report The Cold River Local Advisory Committee: Acworth, Alstead, Langdon, Lempster, and Walpole

The Cold River Local Advisory Committee (CRLAC) consists of citizens appointed by select boards from Acworth, Alstead, Langdon, Lempster and Walpole. These representatives volunteer their time to help municipal boards and residents manage the natural, cultural, scenic and scientific resources of the Cold River watershed. The CRLAC also reviews river corridor projects needing state and federal permits and evaluates water-related issues of local or statewide significance.

CRLAC ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2008:

1. Municipal Conservation, Planning & Health Assistance

- Assisted residents/boards/business owners with the resolution of a variety of potential water quality degradation issues.
- Reviewed and commented on stream debris removal, a stream buffer property transfer and road/bridge/gravel pit projects.
- Participated in the Alstead Community Conservation Partnership Task Force and Land Conservation Leadership Course.
 - Supported local and state efforts to fund stream restoration projects in Flood-damaged areas and develop partnerships with federal wildlife officials for habitat improvements.
- Advised Lempster officials on potential impacts to Dodge Pond of a contaminated site and proposed subdivision.

2. Workshops, Events & Education

- Participated in the 2008 NH Watershed Conference.
- Completed presentations on water quality testing and ground water resource challenges for Conservation Commissions in Acworth, Alstead, Lempster and Walpole.
- Published/distributed a brief public summary of the 2007 water sampling results.

3. Water Quality & Quantity Monitoring

Completed the sixth year of our voluntary sampling program, including three "routine" and three additional water quality and water level monitoring events on the Cold River, its tributaries and two ponds (Newell/Dodge).

Analyzed over 125 water samples in the field for pH, dissolved

oxygen, conductivity, turbidity and temperature.

Raised additional funds for over 150 bacteria, nutrient, metal and salt analyses conducted by the state laboratory.

Completed a winter road salt impact study in Alstead & Walpole including 70 additional field and lab samples.

Added 29 new sampling sites on: Warren Brook and Camp Brook (Alstead); Honey Brook (Marlow/Acworth); Dodge Brook and its tributaries (Lempster); and Great Brook and its tributaries including Ram, Brush Meadow and Jewett Brooks (Langdon/Walpole).

Assisted state/federal officials with the site selection process

for a new flow gauging station on the Cold River.

The Advisory Committee welcomes your participation in any of our projects and is actively seeking new members/alternates. We meet the fourth Thursday of each month, 7- 9PM, usually in the Alstead Municipal Offices. Please contact any CRLAC member for more info.

Respectfully Submitted,

Acworth: Deborah Hinman (Chair)

Alstead: Mike Heidorn (Water Quality Monitoring), Carol

Drummond,

And Sam Sutcliffe (Treasurer)

Langdon: Jennifer Polcari (Vice Chair) and Cathy MacDonald

Lempster: Susan Lichty

Walpole: Charles Montgomery (Scribe) and Austin Hunter

2008 Annual Report

Alstead Energy Committee

An ad-hoc energy committee organized itself early this year and met several times. The committee's aim is to contribute helpfully to the Town's response and its citizens' response to the prospects of global climate change, peak oil (predictions of fuel/energy shortages and/or price increases), and burdensome energy costs. The goals this year have been to gain understanding of the whole subject area, to collect data on municipal energy use, to offer opportunities to learn about energy and energy conservation, and to try to arrange for volunteer efforts or mutual assistance to improve the energy use of residences. The committee has been most successful at the first two goals and much less successful at the latter two. Books have been given or recommended to the Library. Individuals in the committee have performed some volunteer home weatherization under the state's "Stay Warm NH" initiative, but none of it was done in Alstead. Moreover, the housing involved often was in such poor condition and the kinds of work an untrained and uninsured volunteer can do is so limited as to be hardly worth the time. We have noticed and commented to the governor's Climate Action Task Force about the significant lack of professionally trained building analysts in the state, along with a lack of training opportunities for people interested in such work - in contrast (for example) to the availability of

education, funding, and trained professionals in New York State and Vermont.

A very positive initiative this year was the development of relationships with the energy committees in "sister" towns of Acworth and Walpole, with some success in regional efforts especially in learning and defining regional goals.

Future goals include finding ways for the Town to reduce energy expenditures; expanding outreach (learning) to Alstead and/or regional citizens; finding ways to get more trained professionals in our region; and identifying actions and policies that the Town, region, and State can adopt. The challenges are many, but the Town has valuable assets as well. including what seems to be a tradition of and skills in getting by in straitened* circumstances. The committee is grateful to the strong material and moral support, assistance, and advice given by its members and (e-)mailing list, as well as Cool Monadnock, town officials, and employees, the selectmen, and volunteers. Thanks also to Tim Stevenson of "Post-Oil Solutions", Keith Abbott of ThermalHouse, Harold Schmidke of SEVCA (Vermonters all) and Bruce Boucher of Southwest Community Services for invaluable information and guidance. Thanks as well as to the many State of NH officials who similarly helped and listened.

Respectfully submitted,

John Mann

2008 Annual Report Fall Mountain Foodshelf and Friendly Meals

The Fall Mt. Foodshelf is an all-volunteer food pantry that has served the people of the Fall Mt. area for the past 30 years. We are presently located at the Langdon Town Office building at 122 Rt. 12A in Langdon and in Charlestown on Main St. behind the Heritage Restaurant.

2008 was by far the busiest year we have ever had. We have never had so many families from all the towns we serve in need of help with food. It even exceed the year of the flood. We have provided the 25,784 families that came to us for help with over 557,442 meals. We also provided 854 huge Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner boxes. It has felt like a miracle that with the help of our Great Provider and the love and outpouring of generosity by the people of the Fall Mt. area we have been able to meet this need.

We receive a small FEMA grant annually. The rest of the funds to purchase food comes from the generous, loving gifts from our local people, local businesses, the towns, churches, organizations, the schools, and people from other states that have connections here and want to help meet the need. This year we had more food donated than ever before. Many churches, schools, community organizations, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4H Groups, businesses, and many other groups did food collections for us, and many of them did it regularly. It all added up to be totally wonderful. We did not have to turn anyone away without food. We were able to provide good, wholesome food to all who came to us for help.

In 2008 we initiated our new program, Grow A Row, to provide fresh locally grown vegetables for families who

come to the Foodshelf and for the Friendly Meals. The response was fantastic. We received wonderful produce from so many local people all summer and into late fall. INTERACT, a group from the high school, grew a whole garden for us. The children at the Orchard School planted a garden for us also. People were so excited to have fresh vegetables to eat; and many canned and froze some for the winter. We do hope people will once again this year Grow A Row for the Foodshelf. It is a wonderful gift to our neighbors.

We will be doing our major annual fundraising during March and April. For the 12th year we will be participating in the Feinstein Foundation Million Dollar Challenge Against Hunger. The Friendly Meals will also participate. Every dollar each organization raises counts toward the grant. We can also count each food item donated as a dollar toward the grant. We hope many will do food collections during this time.

The Friendly Meals serves meals every Tuesday and Thursday at 11 o'clock at the Alstead Fire Station. We are in our 21st year of providing congregate meals and meals on wheels. We served over 28,400 meals last year. We averaged 170 meals on wheels each day. Our volunteers deliver in all the towns of the Fall Mt. area. This, too, is an all-volunteer organization. We are grateful for all the support and caring of the communities. We are truly blest to live in an area where the people care so much about the well-being of their neighbors.

May 2009 be a good year in every way for all our people.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Lou Huffling

2008 BIRTHS

	Mother's Name	Smith Amy	Brehio, Savanna	Olmstead, Donna	Yanick, Tracy	Lyman, Amanda	Chase, Jessica	Robichaud, Lisa	Wood, Shannon	Campbell, Kristin	Nichols, Monica	Crowson, Rebecca	Morse, Dawn	Bowen, Erin	Spadjinske, Kathryn	Giandalone, Sarah	D'Alessandro, Aimee	D'Alessandro, Aimee	Tweedy, Jessica	Ring, Jennifer
	Father's Name	King. Raymond	Cheeney, Bryan	Olmstead, David	Smith, Dean	Lyman, John	Carter, Christopher	Robichaud, Christopher	Keegan, Patrick	Nichols, Jason	Nichols, Stephen	Crowson, Matthew	Lovejoy, Benjamin	Bowen, Mark	Pratt, Brian	Maguire, Reece	D'Alessandro, Marcello	D'Alessandro, Marcello	Ware, Jeremey	Royce-Blaine, Jordan
	Child's Name	King, Natalie Lynn	Cheeney, Devyn Joseph	Olmstead, Dayna Elaine	Smith, Angela Rose	Lyman, Kate Margaret	Chase, Brianna Lynn	Robichaud, Hailey Theresa	Keegan, Deirdre Wood	Nichols, Kiley Beth	Nichols, Denise Elizabeth Rose	Crowson, Arabella Lynn	Lovejoy, Dustin Alan	Bowen, Rebekah Leigh	Pratt, Caden Alan	Maguire, Freyja Mary-Lee	D'Alessandro, Sophia	D'Alessandro, Olivia	Ware, Seth Manning	Royce, Hannah Paige
Place of	Birth	Keene	Keene	Keene	Keene	Swanzey	Keene	Keene	Lebanon	Keene	Keene	Lebanon	Keene	Keene	Keene	Keene	Keene	Keene	Keene	Keene
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2008 MARRIAGES

Date	01/19 05/24 07/26 08/05 08/16 08/16 08/23 08/23 09/20 10/11	
Place of Marriage	Alstead Walpole Chesterfield Alstead Walpole Croyden Keene Alstead Sullivan Rindge	
Residence	Alstead Alstead Chesterfield Alstead Walpole Alstead Alstead Alstead Alstead Alstead Alstead Ludlow, VT	
Bride	Gordon, Leah C. Morrison, Hsiao Yen A. Mitchell, Emily A. Moreau, Monique A. Michaud, Karen P. Maynard, Heather E. Ramsey, Denise A. Cassidy, Michelle D. Williams, Charlene B. Nalevanko, Jillian M. Todt, Destini M.	
Residence	Alstead	
Groom	Weber, Thomas B. Meek, Richard F. Esslinger, Gregory R. Readey, Cameron D. Hayman, Richard C. Stoddard, Joel M. Kellogg, Rodney M. Morel, Buddy L. Pierson, Christopher R. Ward, Daniel S. Ingoldsby, Joshua	

2008 Deaths

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