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Town of Piermont New Hampshire

Annual Report of Officers



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For The Year Ending
December 31, 2010

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS FOR YOUR REFERENCE

Police Station 272-9351
(Chief Robert Garvin)

Fire Station 272-9149
(Chief Bruce Henry)

“Piermont Public Safety”
general number
272-4911*
(24/7/365)

*calls will be answered directly at Grafton Country Dispatch

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Board of Selectmen 2010 Annual Report

LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Dear neighbors:

Another year has passed since our last annual town meeting and I am pleased to provide you with an overview of what has transpired and what still needs to be done to continue improving our community and its governance.

As I'm sure you recall, the Bean Brook Bridge project was finally completed over a year ago (with a sigh of relief) and, although the total overall costs were a disappointment, the end result is a sturdy, attractive bridge that will endure spanning Bean Brook and accepting truck and car traffic daily without restrictions. Unfortunately, the notion that we might be given a respite from "bridge building" the state of NH (DOT) managed to sneak one in on us and ordered the Barton Road bridge to be closed immediately due to permanent deterioration lending itself to extremely hazardous conditions incapable of carrying any traffic. Since that notice the Board has diligently explored a multitude of possibilities including simply not erecting a replacement bridge. We have also spent considerable time discussing with NHDOT the state programs available to communities to assist in the erection of new bridges utilizing state funds. Are there any perfect solutions to this problem? In our opinion the answer would be a resounding "NO" – unfortunately, the Board feels strongly that the bridge must be replaced and presumably the warrant article included within this report and to be voted on will provide a mandate to replace the bridge utilizing state funds at a cost that can be managed by the taxpayers of the community. For those of you who are skeptical of the Board's motives on this topic, it bears mentioning that each member of the Board is also a taxpayer and feels the same pain you do. We don't make our recommendation lightly and we haven't made this one without knowing what the ramifications are to all of us from a tax perspective.

There continues to be a level of concern about the internal management of the Board vis-a-vis the updating of computer systems, both hardware and software. Quite frankly, the times have caught up to us and the days of running 3 million dollar budgets with various versions of QuickBooks; lagging in our ability to maintain timely and accurate property tax information; reacting rather than actively managing the related timely tax assessment records; financial records that are not reconcilable in a consistently timely manner; failure to interface revenues with expenditures; and, having data that fails to interface with all of the various components related to managing the town's finances are coming to a close. It is time to move to another level of managing our finances – for all the financial components of the town's record-keeping, to upgrading skills and, provide to us, the taxpayers, clearly defined, timely data that helps us all understand where and what is going on with our tax dollars. In all honesty, this does not exist today and the Review and Audit performed by our auditing company verifies what was instinctively believed. We need to step up to the plate and get the job done and move on knowing we control our own finances with certainty rather than a "gut hunch." We have managed to get by applying band-aids whenever necessary but we should not accept "getting by" or "close enough" when it's our collective tax dollars that we are talking about.

As to the Town's Audit, we would appreciate you taking the time to review the Audit itself, the management letter that is attached to it and the Board's Management Discussion and Analysis that is made a part of the Audit itself. We will rely on your judgment as to the appropriateness of our decision to correct the acknowledged deficiencies and comments of our handling of records and money as they are identified in the material provided by the auditing company. Melanson, Heath and Company will begin the process of the audit for the year 2010 soon after the town meeting. This year the Board's goal is to have the audit completed in a much more timely fashion, hopefully prior to the end of summer. We feel quite strongly this is attainable due to the fact we have been working with them for some time and can anticipate what they need and in what order. They, further, will be involved in the training of all personnel as to financial matters inclusive of our transition to new software/hardware alongside the vendors we have chosen to provide us with the software we will be utilizing.

Some of you may have heard that the Board has decided to change and upgrade the assessing software simultaneously with the beginning of the Town's 5-year valuation process that will be beginning this calendar year. After meeting with many companies and evaluating these candidates, we have chosen a company that has a significant client base, the experience doing the process as well as provide the matching software to maintain the records for not only the assessment side of the process but also the tax collection side of the formula. The goal is to reduce the man-hours required to produce accurate, timely records and to provide a working interface between assessment and tax collection

– one database of records to accomplish both sets of requirements. The DRA has been actively engaged in helping us sort thru the maze of setting the path and is fully aware of our goals. Additionally, the DRA has appointed an individual who will be overseeing and partaking in the entire process of the valuation and be able to assist us in the implementation of the software as well.

Another goal we set out to accomplish this past year was to review our financial management capabilities – although we have managed to make do (thanks to Liz and her bookkeeping skills) it's time to move up and on. The Town needs to move into “fund” accounting rather than conventional accounting and we have spent considerable time and effort evaluating the process and the software vendors that can meet the challenge. We have not taken this step lightly and are aware of the hurdles that are part and parcel of converting to a new/different approach to managing our accounting/finances. But the Board feels quite strongly that upgrading and converting, along with the headaches and hand-wringing of doing such a task while we also work on the tax/revenue side has significant benefit that far outweigh any difficulties that we may encounter.

In all of the above mentioned areas we have incorporated the costs of these processes into the budget enclosed and we assure you that in all instances we followed our own policies of seeking and evaluating vendors prior to making any decisions.

As noted above, we now must consider the unfortunate situation regarding the Barton Road Bridge. There are no easy answers to this dilemma, only tough expensive ones that we have to sort thru. A knee jerk response that we ourselves had upon receipt of the order to close the bridge was to leave it closed and move on with life. Too easy a choice and one we quickly realized was not a choice without costs associated. We collectively decided we had to do something and began the process of investigating what choices might exist. Without becoming too lengthy, the Board is recommending the replacement of the bridge utilizing a combination of state (80%) and community (20%) funds. It is expensive and requires the town to borrow funds to accomplish the task but in the end we do manage to recoup 80% of the costs from the state, albeit in 6-8 years. The entire process is set into a contract by and between the State and Town defining the costs, the time of reimbursement and the amount to the town. Utilizing this process, however, requires that we build the bridge with our money according to their specs, using state certified engineers and “bond-able” construction companies and accomplish the project in a manner that is acceptable to all parties. This is a tough choice that requires hard-nosed decisions on our part. Fortunately, money is “cheap” for the town to borrow at this point in time and the Board would spend nearly as much time negotiating with banks as with contractors to get the right terms to minimize the costs to the town until we are reimbursed. The entire process would use an extremely stringent bidding process of choosing the appropriate construction company. Fortunately we engaged an engineering firm immediately following the news from the state to help us thru the process. We feel quite strongly we have narrowed down the costs and have chosen to utilize a process of “not-to-exceed” pricing so we can minimize/ eliminate any cost over-runs on this project. The Board asks you to carefully weigh the options made available to you and to keep in mind your Board has spent months working on this project and feels quite strongly we have recommended the best of paths of an untimely project.

Recently we also took the step of upgrading communications for law enforcement and first responders by changing our dispatch service for Piermont. On February 1st, the town became a “customer” of the Grafton County Dispatch. In conversation with those individuals who are responsible for responding to incidents, calls and alarms the improvement is already noticeable and we feel confident that it will continue to improve as time goes by. It is worth noting that we simultaneously established a new “Public Safety” phone number for the town (please see the inside front cover of this document) – it was a goal that in any instance you felt it necessary to reach someone (perhaps after hours) with NON-emergency concerns someone would in fact answer your call dialing 272-4911 will be answered by the dispatch center 24/7/365. This is not meant or intended to be a replacement number for any emergency you may have - so please remember THAT IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS – DIAL 911. All the numbers to reach any department in town are listed inside the back cover – perhaps you might want to note them some place you can access them when needed.

And finally, we are requesting you make a decision on how we do business as related to the “Highway” department. After much conversation with our Road Agent, Frank, we have decided to ask you to change the position from an elected one to an appointed one. This is not a consolidation of “power” by the Selectmen as some folks have suggested. Consider for a moment that currently anyone can be elected to this position including someone who has no knowledge of actually caring for our roads, paved or unpaved. The costs associated with road maintenance are very high and being negligent for any period of time could be disastrous. Further, the problem could be compounded by the

election of a person who has no or minimally suitable equipment – part II of the issues we are facing at the moment. We are also asking you to consider the purchase of specific equipment from Frank's company (at no profit to him). A truck, a backhoe, a sander – we need to either purchase or rent if we intend to continue doing our job of taking care of our road system. For those of you who live on a state road we realize this discussion may not have the same importance as for those of us who actually live on a town road. As road agent, this position is a constant in the responsibility to provide us with passable, acceptable roads. We as a town need to take the next step forward. Your decision to approve this change as related to the position would take place one year from this meeting in order we make necessary changes and inform the state of your decision. The equipment would be purchased immediately upon your approval to move forward. Your vote to approve these changes is requested.

Your Board of Selectmen has worked diligently and long hours to bring about change in governance, financial reporting and management of information you, as the tax payer, are entitled to. The State of NH is relentless in its pursuit to move all communities into a standard – it is time consuming and can be costly if we do not adhere to these standards as they are now defined and as they are constantly being changed/updated. It matters not if we drag our feet, if we persist in doing it “our way,” whether or not we like it, or think the state has the rights to insist we go “along with the program.” We realize that it may have been simpler in the “good old days” but in all honesty those days simply meant that few of us knew what was going on and fewer of us made or had any effect on the governance or expenditures of town treasury – as a matter of fact only a few individuals made those decision with little oversight. Those days are gone and the state isn't interested in how we view or believe those days may have been. The Board of Selectmen has a fiduciary responsibility we take seriously and have no intention of overlooking them to accommodate days long gone by. All our decisions, our meetings, our actions have been from the standpoint of fulfilling our responsibilities.

The Board appreciates your time in reading this lengthy letter but many items of a significant nature are before us and we felt a discussion on the most important ones would be helpful.

On a personal note – I would like to thank the many individuals who asked I run again and complimented me on the job done – you vastly outnumber my detractors. However, it is now time to re-devote my energies to my businesses, manage my non-profit, and get back to traveling with Ora – thank you!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Dion, PhD
Chair, Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
State of New Hampshire

Town Personnel & Officers (as of 12/31/10)

Board of Selectmen	Richard Dion, Chairman (2011) Frederick Shipman (2012) Robert Lang (2013)
Executive Assist to the Board of Selectmen	Jennifer Collins
Tax Collector	Linda Lambert (2012)
Deputy Tax Collector	Bernadette Ratel
Town Clerk	Linda Lambert (2012)
Deputy Town Clerk	Bernadette Ratel
Treasurer	Jean Daley (2011)
Deputy Treasurer	Eric Wagstaff
Bookkeeper	Elizabeth Bayne
Road Agent	Frank Rodimon (2011)
Police Chief	Robert Garvin
Animal Control Officer	Wayne Godfrey
Fire Chief	Bruce Henry
Forest Fire Warden	Roy Belyea
Health Officer	Alex Medlicott
Welfare Administrator	Jennifer Collins
Emergency Management	Richard Dion
Supervisors of the Checklist	Veja Jenks (2016) Russell Woodard (2012) Peggy Fullerton (2014)
Trustee of Trust Funds & Cemetery	Andy Mauchly, Chairman (2011)
Trustees	Jean Underhill (2013) Abby Metcalf (2012)
Cemetery Sexton	John Metcalf
Moderator	Joyce Tompkins (2012)

Library Trustees

Helga Mueller, Chairman (2011)	Stephanie Gordon (2011)
Nancy Sandell (2013)	Joe Medlicott (2013)
Marian Shields (2012)	Joyce Tompkins (2012)
Kristi Medill (2012)	
Margaret Ladd, Librarian	
Jim Meddaugh, Assistant Librarian	

Historical Society

Helga Mueller, President	Joyce Tompkins, Secretary
Frederick Shipman, Treasurer	Betty Hall, Director at Large
Gary Danielson, Vice President	

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Steve Daly, Chairman (2012)
Helga Mueller (2011)
Fred Shipman (2013)

Charles Brown (2011)
George Tompkins (2011)
Ora Schwartzberg, Alternate (2013)

Zoning Administrator

Terry Robie

Planning Board

Peter Labounty, Chairman (2012)
Peggy Fullerton (2011)
Suzanne Woodard (2013)
Jean Daley (2012)
Ora Schwartzberg, Alternate (2011)

Frederick Shipman (2012)
Edward French (2011)
William Morris (2013)
Helga Mueller, Secretary

Conservation Commission

Helga Mueller, Chairman (2011)
David Ritchie (2013)
Frank Rodimon (2012)

Eric Underhill (2011)
Karen Brown (2013)
Ernie Hartley (2012)

Capital Improvement Program Committee

Fred Shipman, BOS
George Tompkins, ZBA
Ora Schwartzberg, Planning Board

School Board (rotating between members)
Ernest Hartley, Conservation Commission
Bernie Marvin, Member-at-Large

Helga Mueller, Member-at-Large, Secretary

Transfer Station & Recycle Center

Wayne Godfrey, Manager
John Metcalf, Assistant Manager

Sewer Department

Plant Operator
Back-up Operator
Sewer Commissioners

John Metcalf
Ed Moser
Board of Selectmen

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 9, 2010
TOWN OF PIERMONT

Polls opened at 10:00 AM in the old church building. There were 142 voters who voted on Articles One, Two and Article One for the Village School. Polls closed at 6:30 PM. After counted the results, when preceded to the Village School for the remaining Town Meeting voting.

Joyce Tompkins, Town Moderator, reopened the meeting at 7:45 in the school auditorium and explained rules for voting tonight plus pointed out the fire exits per code.

She announced results of article one and two for the town and article one for school. All newly elected members for the Town and the school who were present were sworn in. (Everyone was present.)

ARTICLE ONE: (To choose by non-partisan ballot a selectman for a term of 3 years; a Treasurer for a term of 1 year, Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of 3years; a moderator for a term of 2 years, a Supervisor of the checklist for a term of 6 years; 2 Library Trustees for s term of 3 years each.

One Selectman	term of three years	Robert Lang
Moderator	term of two years	Joyce Tompkins
A Treasurer	term of one year	Jean Daley
One Trustee of Trust Funds	term of three years	Jean Underhill
Two Library Trustees	term of three years	Joe Medicott
		Nancy Sandell
Supervisor of Cklist	term of six years	Vea Jenks

ARTICLE TWO: (By official ballot) "Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.1 as proposed by the Planning Board, that will require the Zoning Board of Adjustment to seek a written opinion from the Conservation Commission, on all applications received by the ZBA for Special Exceptions and/or Variances that involve properties that are subject to the provisions of the N.H. Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act?"

YES 80 NO 62 Passed

A motion made by Joe Medicott seconded by Bill Hamilton not to read the entire warrant was made passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE THREE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Thirty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Four dollars (\$738,724.) for general municipal operations. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. (The selectmen recommends this article.)

Moderator Tompkins introduced the Board of Selectmen. The Board made a statement explaining the three handouts the board gave out tonight. This information isn't in the town report and the MS 6 form for the State are the correct figures we vote on tonight.

MOVED BY: Gary Danielson

SECONDED BY: Sam Rounds

DISCUSSION: Fred Shipman moved to amend article to read \$736,225.

George Tompkins seconded. No discussion voice passed amendment.
Abby Metcalf amends article to increase budget by \$1,000.to increase treasurers pay. Jean Underhill seconds amendment Voice passed amendment. Rebecca Ladd amends article to decrease the health insurance line by \$17,871., Seconded. Fred explained there is a reverse entry on revenue side of budget so employee not by the town except for Chief Garvin the only employee eligible pays this but chose not to take it. Jim Lambert stated that this shouldn't be part of the bottom line because it is a zero line item. Rebecca withdraws amendment. Rob Elder asks for clarification in police budget for prosecutor @\$5,000. a year. Chief Garvin says this is for a lawyer to fight court cases in court for the town instead of him. This is cheaper than paying \$250. per case for a lawyer. Final amended article equals \$737,225..

Voice passed a few nos

ARTICLE FOUR: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand dollars(\$5,000) to add to the Town Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (The selectmen recommends this article.)

MOVED BY: Abigale Underhill

SECONDED BY: Rob Elder

DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED No Nays

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of Five Thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Town Recycling Center/Transfer Station Expendable Trust. This sum is to come from fund balance and not and no amount to be raised from taxation. (The selectmen recommends this article.)

MOVED BY: John Metcalf

SECONDED BY: S. Arnold Shields

DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED No Nays

ARTICLE SIX: : To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be paid into Town Fire and Emergency Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund. (The selectmen recommends this article.)

MOVED BY: Steve Daly

SECONDED BY: Gary Danielson

DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED

ARTICLE SEVEN: : To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum Five Thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. (The selectmen recommends this article)

MOVED BY: Abby Metcalf

SECONDED BY: Sam Rounds

DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED No Nays

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Town Building Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. (The selectmen recommends this article)

MOVED BY: Helga Mueller

SECONDED BY: Joe Medlicott

DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED

ARTICLE NINE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. (The selectmen recommends this article)

MOVED BY: George Tompkins

SECONDED BY: Nancy Sandell

DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED

ARTICLE TEN: To see if the town will vote to create an Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Fire Department SCBA and Bunker Gear Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of periodically replacing bunker gear and self-contained breathing apparatus within the fire Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for this fund. The Board of selectmen shall be named agents to expend for this fund. (The selectmen recommends this article)

MOVED BY: Billie French

SECONDED BY: Arron Rich

DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED

ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the town will vote to create an Expandable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Police Training Expendable Trust Fund, for the purpose of training new and existing officers and to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Hundred Sixty dollars (\$3,360.). This sum is to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. The Board of Selectmen shall be named agents to expend for this fund. Note: These funds are the proceeds from the sale of a town owned firearm in 2009. (The selectmen recommends this article)

MOVED BY: Mark Fagnant

SECONDED BY: Jean Daley

DISCUSSION: Rob Elder asks what gun did the town own? It was a machine gun left by Bill Deal.

Voice PASSED

ARTICLE TWELVE: To see if the town will vote to purchase RADER UNIT FOR THE Police Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty dollars (\$8,520.). Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty dollars (\$4,260.) will come from a 50/50 matching Highway Safety State Grant, One Thousand Seven Hundred dollars (\$1,700.) to come from fund balance and the balance of Two Thousand Five Hundred Sixty dollars (\$2,560.) to come from general taxation. (The selectmen recommends this article)

MOVED: Jean Daley

SECONDED BY: Greg Collins

DISCUSSION: Abby Metcalf states she is not in favor of this article. We have a full time police officer on the road all the time, this would be a waste of money, and he can do this. Where are we going to house this and the cost to keep up with maintance is another

expense we don't need. Fred stated that it would be housed in the cruiser garage, the radar works by itself so no officer is needed to run it. Bob Lang states that it has a computer to note speed and time so the police department can get accrue time and speed of offences to know where to set up a speed trap. Billie French asks what the cost per year to keep unit caliphated? Chief Garvin stated that it is \$30.00 per year for someone to come here and do all the calibrations for all of the police department's equipment.
Voice was unsure - Hand vote Yes 57 No35 PASSED

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifty dollars (\$3,250) for the Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice of Vt and NH of Vermont and New Hampshire. (The selectmen recommends this article)
MOVED BY: Marian Shields
SECONDED BY: Meg Cleaves
DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred dollars (\$1,200.) for the Tri-County Action. (The selectmen recommends this article)
MOVED BY: S. Arnold Shields
SECONDED BY: Jean Daley
DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED

ARTICLE FIVETEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred dollars (\$1,400) for the Grafton County Senior Citizen Council,Inc. (The selectmen recommends this article)
MOVED BY: Suzanne Woodard
SECONDED BY: S. Arnold Shields
DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Forty dollars (\$340.) for the Support Center at Burch House. (The selectmen recommends this article)
MOVED BY: Carolyn Danielson
SECONDED BY: Sam Rounds
DISCUSSION: Meg Cleaves asks what is this Burch house. Fred states that on page 62 is a complete summary of this organization. Voice PASSED

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Seventy Eight dollars (\$878.) for the Northern Human Services, White Mountain Health. (The selectmen recommends this article)
MOVED BY: Gary Danielson

SECONDED BY: Sam Rounds
DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred dollars (\$500) for the Woodsville Area 4TH of July Committee. (The selectmen recommends this article)

MOVED BY: John Metcalf
SECONDED BY: Jean Daley
DISCUSSION: None Voice PASSED

ARTICLE NINETEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred dollars (\$500.) for Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA). (The selectmen recommends this article)

MOVED BY: Mary Musty
SECONDED BY: Wendy Cahill
DISCUSSION: Rob Elder asks if someone here can speak for CASA? None- Mary Musty suggested that if anyone has any question to contact Susan Brown, she is an advocate living in Haverhill. Voice PASSED

ARTICLE TWENTY: To see if the Town will vote to create a Capital Reserve Fund under provisions of RSA 31:5, to be known as the Town Land Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing land for the town and to raise and appropriate the sum of One dollar (\$1.) for this fund. The Board of Selectmen shall be named agents to expend for this fund. (The selectmen recommends this article)

MOVED BY: Helga Mueller
SECONDED BY: Kelly Fitzpatrick
DISCUSSION: Rebecca Ladd what is the meaning of only a dollar amount and what does this article mean? The reason for this article is the fact that an adjoining landowner approached the board for a possibility of selling the town owned 'school lot'. The board is exploring the idea because the lot is in the flood plains and the road costs the town a lot of money in the last flood of 2008 to keep maintained. Two landowners are interested and the town would put the sale money into this fund. Ladd asks- to purchase any land would the board have to come before the town for approval? YES
Voice PASSED few Nays

ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE: (Petitioned Article) We the People of Piermont New Hampshire would like to see Subsidized housing and Section 8 housing in the town of Piermont New Hampshire on the warrant.

MOVED BY: Helga Mueller
SECONDED BY: Rebecca Ladd
DISCUSSION: Billie French asks if there is something that we have now and how does this affect us? This is handled by the Federal program in supporting rent subsidies through HUD. No one who signed petition was there to answer question of why it's on the warrant.

Voice NAY no yeses

ARTICLE TWENTY-TWO To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

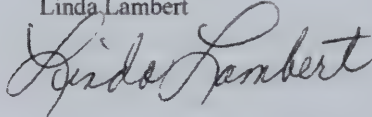
1. Jean Daley thanked everyone for voting for her today.
2. Arnold Shields read a statement. Last year we went through a traumatic period re the town clerk Linda Lambert. Members of the select board questioned her integrity and effectiveness. Linda was exonerated rightfully so. The process for getting to her exoneration was painful for her, her many friends and the community. The February 16 minutes of the BOS lead me to believe that these who questioned her actions last year are again attempting to harass and damage her character and competence. Linda is an elected officer for the town of Piermont. Her critics are engaged in disrespectful and improper procedures. The issue that has appeared in print should have been resolved behind closed doors. I call upon wiser heads on the BOS to stop this character assassination. They are elected officers, as is Linda. She has been shown to work diligently to benefit the town. They however do not seem to share her diligence to Piermont. They seem more concerned about promoting their own agendas. Thank you.
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4. Abby Metcalf introduced new Fire Chief Aaron Rich.
5. Why weren't the yellow handouts (handed out this night) in the Town Report so we could have had time to look at them sooner and closer? The board was trying to save mailing fees by cutting some pages. It was brought up that these pages should have been available to the voters somewhere in town before town meeting date. Board agreed they would try harder next time.
6. Abby Metcalf feels that the firemen who burnt the house without the proper permits- not the town should have paid the fine for the burning of McDonald's house.
7. Will Priestly wanted to thank Wayne Godfry for management of the recycling center – an outstanding job. He also wanted clarification of the Fire Code that was adopted but who will handle the enforcement? The code addresses 3 units per building so it will be the main concern for renters. Board states we will do our own inspections without the State coming in. The town can level fines for the town when trained to be AHJ and this will be done by the end of August. Will states concerns with the 635 pages of the code. It's quite an undertaking- for legal action against the town, code enforcement, permits issues it's a complex code. Burners need an inspection now. Concerned about cost to enforce this code. Will also states that Camp Walt Whitman goes to Concord tomorrow (March 10,2010) to settle the on going case with the town. The Camp is no longer a small family business it is a part of Camp Group Inc. and they have 7 camps all over the United States. Its passed options need to work for a resolution!
8. Rebecca Ladd asks why wasn't the petition and Abby Metcalf's letter in the Town Report as part of the minutes? No reason just missed. Also, she would like a sense of the meeting on a State reform on marriage being one man and one woman. Many towns had this on their warrants. Hands for were few, hands were many against.

9. Abigale Underhill recognized Bob Lang for another term as Selectmen.
10. Roy Belyea asks why the forestry report didn't make the town report. He did hand it in. Fred says he lost the report. Bill Hamilton asks who is responsible for taking town minutes-town clerk . Who is suppose to get them into the town report-town clerk gives to town report but everyone thought they were complete.
11. Asa Metcalf would like a moment of silence for those who have passed this past year and to the men and women in the armed forces.
12. Rob Elder stated that what the town gave to his son(who just passed) couldn't be touched. He is so grateful. This town gives to the children of this town and thank you town's people for that.
13. Joyce Tompkins would like to thank Veia Jenks for giving and Andy Maunchy for making the podium for the towns use. Veia wants this dedicated to all residents in town who have passed along including her husband Allen.

S. Arnold Shields moved to adjourn, seconded by Gary Danielson
Voice passed meeting adjourned at 9:05

Selectmen, Chairman

Submitted by Town Clerk,
Linda Lambert



EXPENSE BUDGET				
Account		2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
	Operating Budget			
4130	Executive	97,122	91,565	99,287
4140	Town Clerk and Elections	45,971	40,655	52,694
4150	Tax Collector and Financial	42,464	53,204	56,864
4152	Assessing	26,241	35,392	46,507
4191	Planning and Zoning	3,646	4,129	3,708
4194	Buildings and Grounds	38,358	35,526	44,858
4195	Cemeteries	20,535	17,560	19,512
4199	Other General Government	1	1	1
4210	Police Department	82,166	70,683	83,673
4212	Animal Control	1,550	1,777	2,500
4215	Ambulance	13,800	13,800	13,450
4220	Fire Department	31,600	38,136	39,150
4225	Fast Squad	2,800	1,317	3,000
4290	Emergency Management	1	850	3,192
4312	Highways, Bridges, street lights	143,257	178,463	175,685
4324	Solid Waste Department	49,528	47,535	47,390
4326	Sewer District	21,535	17,338	19,404
4441	Welfare	15,780	7,269	13,505
4520	Parks and Recreation	9,902	7,281	7,930
4550	Library	38,958	38,958	38,958
4583	Patriotic	500	402	500
4611	Conservation	1,500	1,800	1,600
4711	Debt Service	50,010	39,616	23,049
	Not classified above			
	TOTAL	737,225	743,257	796,417
	WARRANT ARTICLES			
	Highway Equipment	n/a	n/a	68,600
	Barton Road Bridge	n/a	n/a	400,000
	Indian Pond Road	n/a	n/a	30,900
	Town Equipment CRF	5,000	5,000	5,000
	Recycling/Transfer Station ETF	5,000	5,000	5,000
	Fire/Emergency Vehicles CRF	10,000	10,000	5,000
	Revaluation CRF	5,000	5,000	5,000
	Town Building Improvement CRF	5,000	5,000	5,000
	Town Bridge CRF	5,000	5,000	10,000
	Town Land CRF	1	1	0
	Fire SCBA/Bunker Gear ETF	5,000	5,000	5,000
	Police Training ETF	3,360	3,360	0
	Police Department Radar Trailer	8,520	8,520	0
	VNA & Hospice of VT & NH	3,250	3,250	3,250
	Tri-County Community Action	1,200	1,200	1,200
	Grafton County Senior Citizens	1,400	1,400	1,400
	Burch House	345	345	345
	Northern Human/White Mtn Health	878	878	878
	Woodsville 4th of July Parade	500	500	500
	CASA	500	500	0
	American Red Cross			250
	Lower Cohase Regional C of C			173
	Mascoma Valley Health Initiative			547
	TOTAL	59,954	59,954	548,043
	GRAND SUB-TOTAL	797,179	803,211	1,344,460
	Grafton County Tax	140,000	125,945	140,000
	GRAND TOTAL	937,179	929,156	1,484,460

To the inhabitants of the Town of Piermont, in the County of Grafton, State of new Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Old Church Building in Piermont on Tuesday March 8, 2011 at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following matters. Articles one through four will be decided by official ballot. The polling booths will be open from 10:00 AM to 6:60 PM. At 6:30 PM the meeting will adjourn to reconvene at 7:30 PM at the Piermont Village School in said Town of Piermont for consideration of the remaining articles on this WARRANT:

ARTICLE ONE: To choose by non-partisan ballot a Selectman for a term of three (3) years; a Treasurer for a term of one (1) year; a Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years; a road agent for a term of three (3) years; a Supervisor of the Checklist for a term of three (3) years; two Library Trustees for a term of three (3) years each.

ARTICLE TWO: To vote by non-partisan ballot to see if the residents are in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.1 as proposed by the Planning Board that will add the following definitions?

- a. "Residence: One or more rooms providing complete living facilities."
- b. "Residential building: A building that is constructed for or designed or used as one or more residences."

ARTICLE THREE: To vote by non-partisan ballot to see if the residents are in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board that will add the following paragraph to Article VIII, Section 2.9(b)?
"No more than one residential building is permitted on a lot unless specifically permitted under this Ordinance."

ARTICLE FOUR: To vote by non-partisan ballot to see if the residents are in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board that will amend Article V, Section 5, VARIANCE to conform to the new RSA 674:33,1(b) that became effective January 1, 2010?

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Four Hundred Thousand dollars** (\$400,000.00) for the construction of a new bridge on Barton Road over Eastman Brook, and authorize the issuance of not more than **Three Hundred Eighty Thousand dollars** (\$380,000.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) with the remaining **Twenty Thousand dollars** (\$20,000.00) to come from the Town Bridge Emergency Repairs EFT and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest and payment terms thereon. 80% of the capital cost of this project will be reimbursed by the NH DOT State Aid Bridge Program with the "Advanced Constriction" option. (2/3 Ballot vote required) (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE SIX: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Seven Hundred Ninety Six Thousand Four Hundred Seventeen dollars** (\$796,417.00) for general municipal operations. This does not include special or individual articles addresses. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Road Agent under the authority of RSA 231:62. Such authorization shall continue in effect until changed by a majority vote at an annual or special Town meeting. Said change to take effect in March 2012.

ARTICLE EIGHT: (This article to be voted on only if Article Five is defeated) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ninety Thousand One Hundred Seventy Eight dollars** (\$90,178.00) for the removal and clean-up of the existing Barton Road Bridge over Eastman Brook, and to construct a turn-around at the West End of such road, and authorize the issuance of not more than **Ninety Thousand One Hundred Seventy Eight dollars** (\$90,178.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest and payment terms thereon. Further, to authorize the purchase of a parcel of land on which to locate the turn-around, the exact location of which will be determined by the Selectmen (2/3 Ballot vote required) (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article if Article 4 fails)

ARTICLE NINE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Sixty Eight Thousand dollars** (\$68,000.00) for the purchase of a backhoe/loader, dump truck and sander for the use by the Highway Department and other Town purposes as the Board of Selectmen deem appropriate. This appropriation shall be funded by authorizing the withdrawal of **Thirty Thousand dollars** (\$30,000.00) to come from the Town Equipment Capital Reserve Fund with the balance to be raised by taxes. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE TEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred dollars** (\$30,900.00) for the reconstruction of Indian Pond Road starting at the entrance to the Putnam pasture/pit and going in a southeasterly direction approximately 1000 linear feet. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand dollars** (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Town Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE TWELVE: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand dollars** (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Town Recycling Center/Transfer Station Expendable Trust Fund. This sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand dollars** (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Town Fire and Emergency Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand dollars** (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Town Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand dollars** (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Town Building Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand dollars** (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand dollars** (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Fire Department SCBA and Bunker Gear Expendable Trust Fund. (The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Eight Thousand Five Hundred Sixty dollars and thirty-one cents** (\$8,560.31) for the following charitable organizations:

Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice of VT and NH	\$3,250.00
Tri-County Community Action	\$1,200.00
Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.	\$1,400.00
Support Center at Burch House	\$345.00
Northern Human Services, White Mountain Health	\$895.56
Woodsville Area 4 th of July Committee	\$500.00
Lower Cohase Regional Chamber of Commerce	\$173.00
American Red Cross of Vermont and the New Hampshire Valley	\$250.00
Mascoma Valley Health Initiative	<u>\$546.75</u>
 Total Charitable Organizations	 <u><u>\$8,560.31</u></u>

(The Selectmen **RECOMMEND** this article)

ARTICLE NINETEEN: To see if the residents will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to rent or lease Town owned property for a term of up to five years without further vote of the Town, under the authority of RSA 41:11-a. Once adopted, this authority shall remain in effect until specifically rescinded by the legislative body at any duly warned meeting provided that the term of any lease entered into prior to the rescission shall remain in effect.

ARTICLE TWENTY: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:1-c, which authorizes any town or city to elect NOT to assess, levy and collect a resident tax?

ARTICLE TWENTY ONE: To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Given under our hand and seals this 17th day of February, 2011

PIERMONT SELECTBOARD

Richard Dion, Chairman

Frederick W. Shipman

Robert J. Lang

PIERMONT REVENUE BUDGET

Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
Taxes				
3111	Property taxes - prior years		160,010	
3120	Land use change taxes	500	4,947	2000
3180	Resident taxes	4500	3290	3300
3185	Yield taxes	7500	5546	5000
3186	Payments in lieu of taxes	5300	0	0
3187	Excavation taxes	300	34	50
3189	Other taxes		770	0
3190	Interest and penalties on delinquent tax	20000	19350	19000
Fees				
3220	Motor vehicle registrations	115000	118529	118000
3290	Other permits and fees	7800	3592	3000
Federal				
3320	All Federal grants and/or reimbursement	12000	12797	0
State				
3350	Shared revenue			
3352	Meals and rooms tax distribution	30000	32359	30000
3353	Highway block grant	12500	34607	34000
3354	Water pollution grants	879	0	0
3356	State & Federal forest & land reimbursement	6260	5366	5000
3359	Other State grants		4260	0
Services				
3401	Sewer user charges	25500	23722	23000
3402	Solid waste disposal		17806	17800
3403	Solid waste recycling sales	1600	7,055	7,000
Misc.				
3500	Sale of Town property		1374	0
3501	Trust Fund income	15300	16180	16180
3502	Interest on investments	19851	0	0
3503	Bank interest	850	818	800
3504	Rent of Town property	325	800	1700
3505	Fines and forfeits	25	812	800
3506	Insurance Rebates		850	800
3507	Welfare reimbursements		115	200
3508	Contributions and donations		800	500
3509	Other misc. sources	1100	2662	2000
3510	Police Special Detail		202	500
3511	Health Insurance Reimbursement		17655	17655
3707	Cemetery Fees		705	700
Other Financing Sources				
3934		10060		0
	TOTAL	297150	337,003	308,985

Account 4130-xxx Executive					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4130.011	Salary, Selectmen	6800	6800	6800
GEN	4130.021	Salary, Admin (includes Welfare Admin)	18200	23710	18200
GEN	4130.031	FICA/Medicare	1913	2334	1913
GEN	4130.051	Office supplies and furniture	2500	3417	3000
GEN	4130.061	Postage	1200	947	1000
GEN	4130.071	State and Federal forms	250	14	100
GEN	4130.081	Printing	2925	2310	2500
GEN	4130.091	Newspaper notices. Ads	1000	156	500
GEN	4130.101	Books, periodicals	827	197	500
GEN	4130.111	Training, seminars, workshops	750	408	1000
GEN	4130.121	Mileage reimbursement	2000	357	1500
GEN	4130.131	Office equipment purchase	2500	2994	2000
GEN	4130.141	Office equipment maint.	20	1530	1500
GEN	4130.151	Perambulation	250		250
GEN	4130.161	Fines		300	1
GEN	4130.171	Dues	773	579	800
GEN	4130.180	Legal fees	20000	11492	15000
GEN	4130.191	PO Box Rents	250	289	300
GEN	4130.201	Dispatch and alarm monitoring	9800	9632	8500
GEN	4130.211	Property and liability insurance	8580	8829	9000
GEN	4130.221	Unemployment compensation	1185	280	500
GEN	4130.231	Workmen's comp insurance	2428	2428	2500
GEN	4130.241	Employee Health Insurance (Reimbursed)	12871	12400	21623
GEN	4130.261	Grafton County Registry fees	100	8	100
GEN	4130.271	On-line Back-up	0	154	200
Total			97122	91565	99287

Account 4140-xxx Town Clerk and Elections					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4140.011	Salary, Town Clerk	20500	20171	20500
GEN	4140.021	Salary, Deputy Town Clerk	7280	7588	7280
GEN	4140.031	FICA/Medicare	2011		2126
GEN	4140.051	Office supplies	900	666	500
GEN	4140.061	Postage	500	400	600
GEN	4140.081	Wages, Election day	3000	3411	1000
GEN	4140.091	Newspaper notices, ads	500	287	300
GEN	4140.101	Books, periodicals	100	60	100
GEN	4140.111	Training, seminars, workshops	1000	110	750
GEN	4140.121	Mileage reimbursement		400	600
GEN	4140.131	Computers, printers, copiers, fax		415	100
GEN	4140.141	Computer software			5000
GEN	4140.151	Vital Records		365	350
GEN	4140.161	MA fees		663	
GEN	4140.171	Dues	100	60	100
GEN	4140.181	Dog tags and licenses		692	700
GEN	4140.191	Printing	100	62	50
GEN	4140.201	Records Preservation	3000	2407	3000
GEN	4140.211	Computer and software for MA			300
GEN	4140.221	Other State fees		75	
GEN	4140.241	Employee health ins (reimbursed)	6980	2179	9238
GEN	4140.261	Election Day meals	0	59	100
GEN	4140.291	Motor Vehicle Refunds		585	
Total			45971	40655	52694

Account 4150-xxx Financial					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4150.005	Salary, Treasurer	3500	3252	3500
GEN	4150.006	Salary, Deputy Treasurer	500	78	500
GEN	4150.007	Salary, Town Bookkeeper	3500	3030	5408
GEN	4150.008	Salary, Trustee of Trust Funds Bookkeeper	400	400	400
GEN	4150.011	Salary, Tax Collector	10844	9940	9957
GEN	4150.021	Salary, Deputy Tax Collector	2184	651	3000
GEN	4150.031	FICA/Medicare	1486		1742
GEN	4150.051	Office supplies	600	347	600
GEN	4150.061	Postage	1400	953	1000
GEN	4150.111	Training, seminars, workshops	1000	345	1000
GEN	4150.121	Mileage reimbursement		579	750
GEN	4150.141	Computer software		1492	11280
GEN	4150.151	Auditor Fees	15000	24604	15000
GEN	4150.161	BMSI license fees	1600	1598	1177
GEN	4150.171	Dues	100	45	100
GEN	4150.181	Bank fees and SD box rent		28	
GEN	4150.191	Printing	350		400
GEN	4150.201	Tax liens		646	750
GEN	4150.211	Deed Research		135	150
GEN	4150.221	Grafton County recording fees		119	150
GEN	4150.241	Employee health insurance (reimbursed)		4450	
GEN	4150.291	Prpoerty Tax Refund		512	
Total			42464	53204	56864

Account 4152-xxx Assessing					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4152.011	Salary	2500		4300
GEN	4152.031	FICA/Medicare	191		329
GEN	4152.051	Office supplies		60	250
GEN	4152.061	Postage		38	1000
GEN	4152.081	Assessor cyclical revaluation contract	12800	22200	23123
GN	4152.082	Assossor pick-ups	7000	5150	1000
GEN	4152.091	Newspaper notices, ads			200
GEN	4152.111	Training, seminars, workshops	100	773	500
GEN	4152.121	Mileage reimbursement		195	200
GEN	4152.141	Computer software and support		399	5750
GEN	4152.151	Property Maps	2000		5000
GEN	4152.161	Manatron license fees - Proval	1600	1721	
GEN	4152.171	Dues		20	
GEN	4152.181	General Assessing work		4772	4750
GEN	4152.211	Property Transfer records fees	50	3	50
GEN	4152.221	Grafton County fees		61	55
Total			26241	35392	46507

Account 4191-xxx Planning and Zoning					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4191.011	Zoning Administrator	1000	1000	1000
GEN	4191.021	Recording secretary	750	750	750
GEN	4191.031	FICA/Medicare	158		158
GEN	4191.051	Supplies	50	89	100
GEN	4191.061	Postage	50		50
GEN	4191.091	Newspaper notices, ads	300	286	300
GEN	4191.101	Books, periodicals	150	136	150
GEN	4191.111	Training, seminars, workshops	150		150
GEN	4191.121	Mileage reimbursement	55		50
GEN	4191.171	Dues, UVLSRPC	883	1781	900
GEN	4191.191	Printing		21	30
GEN	4191.221	Grafton County recording fees	100	66	70
GEN	4191.231				
Total			3646	4129	3708

Account 4194-xxx Buildings and Grounds					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4194.011	Salary	425	371	425
GEN	4194.021	Salary		2600	3600
GEN	4194.031	FICA/Medicare	33	227	308
GEN	4194.051	Office supplies		11	
GEN	4194.071	Heating fuel	8000	2839	7500
GEN	4194.081	Sewer fees	2900	1965	2500
GEN	4194.121	Mileage reimbursement		10	25
GEN	4194.131	Port-a-potty rental	1300	1260	1300
GEN	4194.141	Building repair and upgrades	10000	10604	10000
GEN	4194.142	Grounds repair and upgrades		475	
GEN	4194.151	Mowing and grounds care, non-payroll	2100	2195	2700
GEN	4194.180	Legal fees		32	
GEN	4194.181	Supplies	500	129	400
GEN	4194.191	Signage		225	500
GEN	4194.201	Telephone service	2800	5306	6000
GEN	4194.211	Internet service	700	562	600
GEN	4194.221	Electrical service	6000	6495	7000
GEN	4194.231	Janitorial service	3600	220	
GEN	4194.261	Holding tank pumping			1500
GEN	4194.281	Fencing at TS/RC			500
Total			38358	35526	44858

Account 4195-xxx Cemeteries					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4195.011	Salary, Sexton	600	600	600
GEN	4195.031	FICA/Medicare	46		45
GEN	4195.071	Supplies	1000	657	1050
GEN	4195.081	Burial charges	1125	516	600
GEN	4195.131	Cemetery expansion	4450	2169	3000
GEN	4195.141	Corner stones & markers, replace/repair	750	914	800
GEN	4195.151	Mowing & grounds care, non-payroll	3600	3720	3400
GEN	4195.161	Fences and stone walls, replace/repair	550	570	700
GEN	4195.181	Annual maint. contract	8414	8414	9317
Total			20535	17560	19512

Account 4199-xxx Other General Govt					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4199.900	Tri-County Community Action	1200	1200	1200
		Grafton County Seniors	1400	1400	1400
		Northern Human Services	878	878	878
		CASA of NH	500	500	500
		Burch House	345	345	345
		Visiting Nurse/Hospice	3250	3250	3250
		Woodsville Area 4th of July	500	500	500
		American Red Cross			250
		Mascoma Valley Health Initiative			547
		Lower Cohase Regional C of C			173
Total			8073	8073	9043

Account 4120-xxx Police					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4210.011	Salary, Chief	49864	49473	49864
GEN	4210.021	Salary, officers	7448	672	7488
GEN	4210.025	Wages, Special Detail		120	1
GEN	4210.031	FICA/Medicare	1300		1300
GEN	4210.041	Retirement	6323	4524	7000
GEN	4210.051	Office supplies		593	
GEN	4210.081	Prosecutor	5100	1300	2000
GEN	4210.101	Books, periodicals	200		150
GEN	4210.111	Training	280		
GEN	4210.131	Computers, printers, copiers, fax		226	
GEN	4210.151	Cruiser maint. and repairs	900	1584	700
GEN	4210.161	Gasoline	3400	3097	3400
GEN	4210.171	Dues	800	100	100
GEN	4210.181	Uniforms	850	920	750
GEN	4210.191	Gear- personal		334	1000
GEN	4210.201	Equipment	1000	972	
GEN	4210.211	Firearms and ammo	800	1504	700
GEN	4210.241	Employee health insurance	2000	3790	7400
GEN	4210.251	Radio, pager, cell phone services	900	755	750
GEN	4210.261	Radar certification		170	170
GEN	4210.281	Community programs	200	159	100
GEN	4210.291	Contingency	500	90	500
GEN	4210.301	Crimestar support	250	300	300
GEN	4210.311	Medical fees	50		
Total			82165	70683	83673

Account 4212-xxx Animal Control					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4212.011	Salary		300	
GEN	4212.051	Supplies		130	100
GEN	4212.081	Fees for calls	700	65	550
GEN	4212.111	Training		809	500
GEN	4212.121	Mileage reimbursement	300	284	400
GEN	4212.131	Boarding and vet fees	550	105	400
GEN	4212.181	Uniforms			75
GEN	4212.191	Gear - personal			75
GEN	4212.201	Firearms		84	400
Total			1550	1777	2500

Account 4215-xxx Ambulance					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4215.181	Contracted ambulance service	13800	13800	13450
Total			13800	13800	13450

Account 4220-xxx Fire					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4220.011	Salary, Chief	2500	2500	2500
GEN	4220.021	Salary, Firefighters	6000	5155	6000
GEN	4220.031	FICA/Medicare	650		650
GEN	4220.040	Forestry reimbursement for Firefighters	2900	5080	1200
GEN	4220.051	Office Supplies	250	200	
GEN	4220.101	Books, periodicals			250
GEN	4220.111	Training	2000	752	3500
GEN	4220.131	Computers, printers, copiers, fax		100	
GEN	4220.151	Truck repairs and upgrades	3000	4488	4000
GEN	4220.161	Batteries	100	93	1000
GEN	4220.171	Dues and mutual aid	350	550	600
GEN	4220.191	Firefighting equipment & repairs & testing	6400	9871	6400
GEN	4220.201	Firefighting supplies, oxygen, foam, etc	250	1922	850
GEN	4220.211	Supplies and gasoline	1200	409	750
GEN	4220.221	Radios, pagers and repairs	800	963	1500
GEN	4220.231	Forestry burn permits paid to Warden	100	189	200
GEN	4220.251	Fire ponds		316	500
GEN	4220.261	Liability insurance	4800	4794	4800
GEN	4220.271	State inspections and fees	50	458	50
GEN	4220.281	Contingency	250	296	400
GEN	4220.291	Pump Testing			1500
GEN	4220.301	Hose Replacement			2500
Total			31600	38136	39150

Account 4225-xxx FAST Squad					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4225.061	Postage		5	20
GEN	4225.071	Medical supplies	1000	697	300
GEN	4225.072	Oxygen		20	50
GEN	4225.081	Other supplies			280
GEN	4225.111	Training	1000	370	2100
GEN	4225.191	Equipment and repairs and testing	300	225	250
GEN	4225.221	Radios, pagers and repairs	500		
Total			2800	1317	3000

Account 4290-xxx Emergency Management					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4290.011	Salary			2500
GEN	4290.031	FICA/Medicare			192
GEN	4290.071	Licensing Fees		850	
GEN	4290.121	Communications Equipment	1		
GEN	4290.151	E-911 program			500
Total			1	850	3192

Account 4312-xxx Highways					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4312.011	Salary, Road Agent	30000	28075	45500
GEN	4312.021	Salary, road crew	21520	19348	32760
GEN	4312.031	FICA/Medicare	3940		6260
GEN	4312.051	Office supplies and equipment		250	250
GEN	4312.091	Newspaper notices, ads	90		90
GEN	4312.111	Training, seminars, workshops	150		150
GEN	4312.121	Mileage reimbursement	150	35	150
GEN	4312.125	Contracted services	4000	24660	8000
GEN	4312.151	Supplies	500	1968	1200
GEN	4312.161	Signs, posts, delineators	500	1755	1500
GEN	4312.171	Dues		50	25
GEN	4312.190	Small equipment purchase		625	1000
GEN	4312.191	Equipment and repairs, maint.	5200	6780	6000
GEN	4312.211	Salt	7200	4216	5000
GEN	4312.221	Sand	3000	2850	3000
GEN	4312.251	Gravel	5500	4417	5500
GEN	4312.261	Ledge products	4800	1890	2000
GEN	4312.271	Diesel fuel, gasoline	3000	5264	5500
GEN	4312.281	Paving and cold patch	900	3020	22000
GEN	4312.291	Concrete			500
GEN	4312.301	Culverts and pipe	2000	2806	3000
GEN	4312.311	Guard rails		95	0
GEN	4312.321	Tools	100		200
GEN	4312.331	Bridge concrete treatment	2000	352	400
GEN	4312.341	Rental: Backhoe/loader, summer	7000	7060	0
GEN	4312.342	Rental: Backhoe/loader, winter	10000	10350	0
GEN	4312.351	Rental: Excavator	8000	11575	8000
GEN	4312.371	Rental: Chipper	500	523	1500
GEN	4312.381	Rental: Truck, 6 wheel	11620	7595	0
GEN	4312.382	Rental: Truck, 6 wheel w/ plow and sander	2500	15113	0
GEN	4312.383	Rental: Truck, 3/4 ton w/ plow	2500	125	100
GEN	4312.384	Rental: Truck, 3/4 ton		2655	2500
GEN	4312.385	Rental: Truck, 10 wheel		4975	5000
GEN	4312.391	Rental: Roller/compactor		2070	2500
GEN	4312.401	Rental: Mower	4000	3110	3000
GEN	4312.431	Rental: Other		309	500
GEN	4312.451	Street lights and blinkers	2587	4482	2600
GEN	4312.461	Contingency		65	
Total			143257	178463	175685

Account 4324-xxx Solid Waste					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4324.011	Salary, Manager	11407	1375	1400
GEN	4324.021	Salary, Assistants		10242	11298
GEN	4324.031	FICA/Medicare	874	889	972
GEN	4324.051	Office supplies	75	66	70
GEN	4324.055	Other supplies	305	284	300
GEN	4324.061	Postage	20		
GEN	4324.091	Newspaper notices, ads	150	92	100
GEN	4324.111	Training, seminars, workshops		164	350
GEN	4324.121	Mileage reimbursement	275	270	375
GEN	4324.141	Computer software			75
GEN	4324.151	Tools			75
GEN	4324.161	Pay-to-throw bags	2335	2035	2050
GEN	4324.171	Dues and fees	650	37	75
GEN	4324.181	Burn and mowing fuel	20	22	30
GEN	4324.191	Equipment and repairs, maint.	950	457	600
GEN	4324.201	Trash hauling and tipping fees	14882	13672	11895
GEN	4324.211	Recycling fees	5425	3385	3500
GEN	4324.212	Hauling and Rental		786	
GEN	4324.221	Closed landfill maint. & Well monitoring	9300	11731	12000
GEN	4324.231	Tire removal	975	1281	1300
GEN	4324.251	Hazmat fees	750	747	750
GEN	4324.261	Site maint., non-payroll			175
GEN	4324.271	Machine hire and dumpster rental	175		
GEN	4324.272	Dumpster rental	960		
		Total	49528	47535	47390

Account 4326-xxx Sewer District					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
SEW	4326.011	Salary, Plant Operator	8041	6017	7020
SEW	4326.021	Salary, Back-up Operator	200	100	200
SEW	4326.023	Salary, Bookkeeper	325	325	140
SEW	4326.025	Salary, Tax Collector	325	325	140
SEW	4326.031	FICA/Medicare	680	518	600
SEW	4326.071	NH loan admin. fees	1312	1261	1300
SEW	4326.081	Wastewater testing	650	180	500
SEW	4326.111	Training and certifications	100	0	100
SEW	4326.121	Mileage reimbursement	850	290	300
SEW	4326.131	Land lease	1712	1712	1789
SEW	4326.141	Tank, D-box, manhole pumping & inspect	3850	3045	3500
SEW	4326.151	Mowing and grounds care, non-payroll	1480	1974	2000
SEW	4326.161	Supplies, tools	300	125	200
SEW	4326.171	Dues	140	115	125
SEW	4326.191	Snow removal, non-payroll	700	225	300
SEW	4326.201	Repairs and maint.	600	851	900
SEW	4326.211	Road maint.	120	118	130
SEW	4326.221	Electricity	150	157	160
		Total	21535	17338	19404
		See: 4711.110 for Sewer long term debt principal			
		4711.120 for Sewer long term debt interest			

Account 4441-xxx Welfare					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4441.051	Office supplies	100	4	25
GEN	4441.061	Postage	50	12	25
GEN	4441.111	Training, seminars, workshops	200	76	150
GEN	4441.121	Mileage reimbursement	400	273	275
GEN	4441.151	Vendor payments	15000	6874	13000
GEN	4441.171	Dues and Fees		30	30
GEN	4441.180	Legal fees	30		
Total			15780	7269	13505

Account 4520-xxx Parks and Recreation					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4520.011	Salary	550	455	500
GEN	4520.031	FICA/Medicare	42		40
GEN	4520.071	Sports equipment and repairs	1100	133	500
GEN	4520.081	Trophies	525		300
GEN	4520.131	Orford Swim Program	1600	1500	1500
GEN	4520.141	Bean Brook Swimming pond	1100	200	500
GEN	4520.151	Medical supplies	425		
GEN	4520.191	Mowing and grounds care, non payroll	3360	2844	3490
GEN	4520.211	Baseball diamond maint.	900	794	500
GEN	4520.221	Softball program	300	592	300
GEN	4520.231	Baseball Program		763	300
Total			9902	7281	7930

Account 4550-xxx Library					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4550.010	All Library	38958	38958	38958
Total			38958	38958	38958

Account 4583-xxx Patriotic					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4583.131	Memorial Day	500	402	500
Total			500	402	500

Account 4611-xxx Conservation					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4611.017	Equipment		480	
GEN	4611.091	Newspaper notices, ads		75	75
GEN	4611.101	Books, periodicals		36	50
GEN	4611.111	Training, seminars, workshops	125		100
GEN	4611.131	Lake water testing	900	637	800
GEN	4611.151	NH Lake Host Program	300	300	300
GEN	4611.161	Open Trails Day		97	100
GEN	4611.171	Dues	175	175	175
GEN	4611.180	Legal fees			
Total			1500	1800	1600

Account 4711-xxx Debt Service					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4711.010	Fire Truck loan principal	34675	28893	n/a
GEN	4711.020	Fire Truck loan interest	1387	1148	n/a
GEN	4711.210	Tax Anticipation note interest	1500	0	750
GEN	4711.012	Barton Road Bridge Project interest			9900
SEW	4711.110	Sewer Project principal			
		USDA loan	2158	2158	2158
		NH SRF loan	2608	2608	2695
		NHMBB loan	1510	1510	1510
SEW	4711.120	Sewer project interest			
		USDA loan	4484	2282	4484
		NH SRF loan	1483	852	1421
		NHMBB loan	206	165	130
Total			50010	39616	23049

Account 4931-xxx County Tax					
Fund	Account	Description	2010 Budget	2010 Actual	2011 Budget
GEN	4931.010	Grafton County	140000	125945	140000
Total			140000	125945	140000

Town Clerk 2010 Annual Report

(Submitted to the Treasurer)

Motor Vehicle Registrations (1193)	\$115,198.02
Motor Vehicles Titles (116)	\$232.00
Dog Licenses (242+2Kennels)	\$1,769.00
Fines, Copies, Regs, Etc	\$620.65
State Sticker Fees	\$3,443.00
Vital Records	\$555.00
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	\$121,817.67

REMINDER***** All dogs over 4 months old must be licensed by May 1, 2011.

Summary of Inventory Valuation – 2010

Land	Current Use (at C.U. Values)	\$1,706,360.00
	Conservation Restrictions	\$18,300.00
	Residential	\$32,384,310.00
	Commercial/Industrial	\$1,548,260.00
Buildings	Residential	\$51,122,680.00
	Manufactured Housing	\$944,910.00
	Commercial/Industrial	\$4,639,990.00
Public Utilities	Electric (includes Phone-no land)	\$1,017,272.00
Valuation Before Exemptions		\$93,382,082.00
	Elderly Exemptions	\$380,000.00
	Solar Exemption	\$6,950.00
	Blind Exemptions	\$0.00
Total Exemptions		(\$386,950.00)
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is computed		\$92,995,132.00
Utilities	Central Vermont Public Service	\$1,244.00
	New England Power Company	\$64,184.00
	New Hampshire Electric Co-op	\$401,175.00
	Peer Electric LLC	\$116,749.00
	Public Service of New Hampshire	\$401,633.00
	Transcanada Hydro Northeast Inc	\$32,287.00
Total		\$1,017,272.00

Statement of Appropriations and Tax Rate – 2010

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division
2010 Tax Rate Calculation**

TOWN/CITY: PIERMONT

Barbara J. Robinson
11/2/10

Gross Appropriations	797,174
Less: Revenues	305,861
Less: Shared Revenues	0
Add: Overlay	4,993
War Service Credits	22,200

Net Town Appropriation	518,506
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	518,506
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**TOWN RATE
5.58**

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget:			
Gross Approp. - Revenue	2,012,555	254,279	1,758,276
Regional School Apportionment			0
Less: Adequate Education Grant			(389,186)

State Education Taxes	(234,623)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	1,134,467

**LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
12.20**

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$2.19	
107,133,934		234,623
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
91,977,860		
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State		
Pay to State →		0

**STATE
SCHOOL RATE
2.55**

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	125,945
Less: Shared Revenues	0

Approved County Tax Effort	125,945
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**COUNTY RATE
1.35**

**TOTAL RATE
21.68**

Total Property Taxes Assessed	2,013,541
Less: War Service Credits	(22,200)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	1,991,341

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	91,977,860	2.55	234,623
All Other Taxes	92,995,132	19.13	1,778,918
			2,013,541

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Statement of Payments 2010

Ace Blueprint Service	47.50
Advanced Emergency Service	8,520.00
A.H. Harris & Sons, Inc	3,154.66
Airgas East	246.29
American Home Mortgage Services, Inc	276.06
ANCO Signs & Stamps, Inc.	65.00
Beauregard Equipment, Inc.	2,070.00
Belyea, Roy	630.00
Belyea, Susan	97.35
Best Buy Business Advantage Account	1,140.00
Better Roads	24.95
Blackmount Equipment, Inc.	1,104.45
Blasdell Sand & Gravel	1,800.00
Blaktop	3,020.12
Bound Tree Medical	473.92
Bridge Weekly Sho-Case	350.90
Brown, Charles	800.00
Brown's River Marotti Co.	2,282.00
Bruce Taylor Appraisal	2,500.00
Burch House	345.00
Business Management Systems, Inc.	1,492.24
Cabela's	498.00
Cargill, Inc.	4,215.88
Carroll Concrete	1,035.00
CASA of NH	500.00
CGNet	225.50
Charter Communications	562.40
Cheaper Than Dirt	85.16
Chief Corporation	62.00
Chief Logging & Construction, Inc.	11,941.63
Chief Supply Corp.	350.98
C.M. Whitcher Rubbish Removal	408.70
Collins, Greg	160.00
Collins, Jennifer	759.48
Complete Recycling Solutions, LLC	177.47
Connecticut Valley Trucking, Inc.	807.50
Copies & More	18.26
Crimestar Corporation	300.00
Cummerford Nieder Perkins, LLC	29,621.50
Daley, Jean	42.20
Davidson, Chris	151.26
Dead River Company	9,211.50
Deluxe For Business	300.55

Dingee, Larry	2,441.01
Dion, Richard	2,331.48
Don's Auto Repair	2,712.46
Eastern Analytical, Inc.	1,500.00
Estes + Gallup, Inc.	70.46
E-Z Steel & Fabrication	1,695.00
Fairlee Fire Brigade	250.00
FairPoint Communications	5,305.76
Ferguson Waterworks	2,805.60
Fillian, Randy	60.43
Fitzpatrick, Barbara	195.00
Flags USA	686.10
Foto Factory	29.90
Four Corners Store	849.25
French, William	585.00
Gall's Inc.	1,621.06
Gardner Fulton & Waugh	3,958.22
Garvin, Robert	144.30
Gatekeeper Lock & Safe, LLC	6.00
Godfrey Enterprises	50.00
Godfrey, Wayne	894.91
Grafton County	126,235.01
Grafton County Senior Citizens Council	1,400.00
Granite State Rural Water Association	115.00
Green Insurance Associates	4,794.00
Hadeka Stone Corp.	375.00
Hartley, Ernest	70.00
H.E. Bergeron Engineers, Inc.	37,770.00
Henry, Bruce	630.00
Hilltop Quarry, LLC	805.00
Hogan Electric	8,749.13
Hogan, Austin	150.00
Hogan, Michael	160.00
Hood's Plumbing & Heating, Inc.	188.00
Horne Excavating, LLC	4,416.50
Huntington's North Haverhill Agway	370.00
IDS	108.19
Interstate Arms Corp.	361.45
Jay's Septic Tank Cleaning	2,050.00
John's Carpet Cleaning	85.00
Journal Opinion	377.83
K&R Portable Toilets	1,260.00
Kibby Equipment, Inc.	673.92
Knapp's Custom Cropping	150.00
L&M Specialties	45.00
Lackie, David	3,746.25

Lambert, Linda	928.63
Lang, Robert	251.23
Lavoie's AutoCare Center, LLC	1,676.07
Lawson Products, Inc.	147.70
Lereta Extraordinary Services	6.00
LexisNexis Matthew Bender	290.00
LGC - HealthTrust, LLC	21,348.63
LGC - Property-Liability Trust, LLC	8,829.36
Local Government Center	100.00
Lyme Town Band	250.00
M & K Trucking, LLC	495.00
Macy, Gerald	124.10
Madison K. Boemig, Esq.	1,721.33
Martin's Quarry	2,458.93
Mauchly, Andrew	560.00
MB Tractor & Equipment	522.50
Medlicott, Alex	219.35
Melanson Heath & Company	24,500.00
Metcalf, Abby	1,711.75
Metcalf, John	369.65
Metcalf, Michelle	100.00
Mitchell Municipal Group PA	7,533.78
Morrill Construction, Inc.	4,707.93
Morrill, Gary	1,652.29
Mosher, Ed	43.50
MSC, dba Best Buy	2,424.23
Mueller, Helga	80.26
NAPA of Bradford	1,703.18
New England Association of City & Town Clerks	40.00
New England Document Systems	125.00
New England Emergency Equipment, LLC	7,529.72
New England Power Company	416.23
New Hampshire Association of Assessing Officials	200.00
New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police	100.00
New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions	211.00
New Hampshire Association of Assessors	20.00
New Hampshire City & Town Clerks Association	20.00
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc.	585.22
New Hampshire Government Finance Officers Association	140.00
New Hampshire Lakes Association	300.00
New Hampshire Local Welfare Administrators Association	42.00
New Hampshire Municipal Association	25.00
New Hampshire Public Works Mutual Aid Program	50.00
New Hampshire Tax Collectors Association	100.00
New Hampshire Town Clerks Association	265.00
Nobis Engineering, Inc.	8,900.00

Normandeau Trucking	13,671.70
Northeast Resource Recovery Association	1,532.78
Northern Human Services	878.00
Oakes Bros.	1,401.00
Ore Hill Excavation & Trucking, Inc.	68,374.00
Owens Leasing Company	3,110.00
Paige Computer Systems	75.00
Patten's Gas	392.29
People's United Bank	164.60
Perry's Oil Service	1,363.37
Piermont Plant Pantry	26,851.86
Piermont Public Library	29,735.00
Piermont School District	1,566,014.00
Pike Industries	235.85
Plymouth State University	637.00
Plymouth Village Water & Sewer District	100.00
Powers Generator Service	27,862.00
Presby Construction, Inc.	690.00
Prest, Cameron	94.95
Prince, Matthew	250.00
Public Service of New Hampshire	11,404.54
Putnam, Ellen	188.85
Piermont Village School DC Trip 2011	152.00
Quartermaster	49.98
Rapidfire Design	80.00
Ratel, Bernadette	668.05
Recycling Mechanical of New England, Inc.	456.68
Resourceful Bag & Tag, Inc.	2,035.00
Rich, Aaron	140.00
Rinkers Communications	390.00
Robie, Cheryl	88.00
Rodimon, Frank	68.17
Ross Business Center	490.49
Safeware, Inc.	446.15
Schwaab, Inc.	377.41
Shipman, Fred	601.91
Shipman, Jared	283.00
Smith, George	1,050.00
Southworth-Milton, Inc.	2,373.24
Speare Memorial Hospital	132.24
Staples	3,709.90
State of NH Department of Agriculture	583.50
State of NH Department of Corrections	1,351.72
State of NH Department of Environmental Services	2,462.94
State of NH Department of Labor	300.00
State of NH Department of Safety	437.15

State of NH Department of State	544.00
State of NH Department of Transportation	2,839.11
State of NH Unemployment Compensation	280.08
Stateline Sports, LLC	1,336.50
Straight, Terry	1,080.00
Stubbings, Colin	28.90
Sunny Communications, Inc.	2,320.00
TAC-2 Communications, Inc.	2,130.64
The Bridge Printing	1,939.50
The Computer Hut	227.80
The Neat Company	399.80
The Shipman Company	225.00
TMDE Calibration Labs, Inc.	140.00
Tompkins, Joyce	117.00
Tool Barn	576.10
Total Notice, LLC	781.00
Town of Hanover	9,632.17
Town of Orford	1,500.00
Tri-County Community Action	1,200.00
Twin State Mutual Aid Fire Assoc	450.00
United Water	180.00
Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc.	13,820.00
Upper Valley Equipment Rentals, Inc.	181.50
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission	2,466.70
Upper Valley Regional Emergency Services	2,446.70
US Department of Agriculture	2,281.77
US Postal Service	1,818.24
Verizon Wireless	365.07
Vermont Fire Academy	51.97
Vermont Wholesale Granite	100.00
VISA Card	2,805.06
Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice of VT & NH	3,250.00
Whellan, Martin	1,688.00
White Heron Management Company, LLC	250.00
White Mountain Spring Workshop	70.00
White River Paper Company	133.10
Williams Quality Builders	4,625.53
Woodard, Russell	32.00
Woodsville Area Fourth of July Committee	500.00
Woodsville Eye Care	190.90
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	5,413.69
Yeager, Karl	75.00

TOTAL 2,263,224.35

Does not include transfers to other Funds.

Town Payroll Expense

Abbey, Jonathan	18,198.00
Bayne, Elizabeth	3,362.50
Belyea, Susan	1,466.56
Collins, Greg	336.00
Collins, Jennifer	24,528.52
Conroy, Evelyn	200.00
Daley, Jean	3,250.00
Dion, Richard	2,475.00
Dunbar, Randy	424.00
Fadden Ernestine	2,750.00
Fagnant, Justin	982.24
Fullerton, Peggy	130.00
Gaetz, Joshua	336.00
Garvin, Robert	55,300.98
Gitchel, ML	95.00
Godfrey, Wayne	5,337.53
Henry, Bruce	1,250.00
Hogan, Austin	600.00
Jenks, Veal	370.00
Ladd, Rebecca	50.00
Lambert, Linda	33,030.56
Lang, Robert	2,225.00
Mauchly, J Andrew	400.00
Metcalf, Abby	262.20
Metcalf, John	8,977.20
Metcalf, Tom	27.06
Mosher, Edward	100.00
Mueller, Helga	750.00
Prince, Matt	300.00
Ratel, Bernadette	8,689.00
Rich, Aaron	1,250.00
Robie, Terry	1,000.00
Rodimon, Frank	29,562.50
Rounds, Sandra	100.00
Shipman, Frederick	2,100.00
Stygles, Rick	2,470.10
Tompkins, Joyce	460.00
Wagstaff, Eric	77.63
Wood, Geraldine	95.00
Woodard, Russell	415.00
Woodard, Suzanne	360.00
	214,093.58
Sub-Total	214,093.58
Payroll Taxes and Retirement	20,231.60
	234,325.18
Grand Total	234,325.18

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
 MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
 P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Piermont Year Ending 12/31/2010

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)					
			2009	2008	2007-			
Property Taxes	#3110		370857.05					
Resident Taxes	#3180		580	140	30			
Land Use Change	#3120		2850					
Yield Taxes	#3185							
Excavation Tax @ \$ 02/yd	#3187							
Utility Charges	#3189		3602.34					
Property Tax Credit Balance**		< >						
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**		< >						
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR			For DRA Use Only					
Property Taxes	#3110	1995171.21						
Resident Taxes	#3180	4880						
Land Use Change	#3120	4350						
Yield Taxes	#3185	4728.51				3196.84		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	28045.42						
Utility Charges	#3189							
OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS								
Property Taxes	#3110	5393.69	95.33					
Resident Taxes	#3180							
Land Use Change	#3120							
Yield Taxes	#3185							
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187							
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	6948.42	11201.08					
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190	2	45	9				
TOTAL DEBITS		2049519.25	392427.64	149	30			

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

**Enter as a negative. This is the amount of this year's amounts pre-paid last year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a

**The amount is already included in the warrant & therefore in line #3110 as positive amount for this year's levy

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Piermont Year Ending 12/31/10

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for Year of This Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2009	2008	2007-
Property Taxes	1788193.33	271954.27		
Resident Taxes	3030	450	90	
Land Use Change	2430	2516.9		
Yield Taxes	2555.85	2990.46		
Interest (Include lien conversion)	5466.89	9872.34		
Penalties	2	45	9	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges	20071.51	3233.23		
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		97901.39		
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				
ABATEMENTS MADE				
Property Taxes	1405.1	3077.67		
Resident Taxes		90	20	
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	369.34			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
INTEREST/PEN	215.63	50		
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED				
UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080				
Property Taxes	209295.08			
Resident Taxes	1850	40	30	30
Land Use Change	1920			
Yield Taxes	1803.32	206.38		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges	7973.91			
Property Tax Credit Balance**	< >			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**	2937.29			
TOTAL CREDITS	2049519.25	392427.64	149	30

**Enter as a negative. This is the amount of taxes pre-paid for next year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a
(Be sure to include a positive amount in the appropriate taxes or charges actually remitted to the treasurer).

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

PIERMONT

12/31/2010

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)			
	2009	2008	2007	2006-	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beg Of Year	0	53955.61	25240.8	8686.19	
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	103453.07		2646.86		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	1006.41	3041.86	8148.12	623.7	
TOTAL DEBITS	104459.48	56997.47	36035.78	9309.89	

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)			
		2009	2008	2007	2006-	
Redemptions		22264.29	17460.65	22043.15	902.12	
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190		940.99	3169.46	8148.12	623.7	
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens						
Liens Deeded to Municipality						
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110		81254.2	36367.36	5844.51	7784.07	
TOTAL CREDITS		104459.48	56997.47	36035.78	9309.89	

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a)? Yes

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE Linda Lambert DATE 2/9/2011

2010 TREASURER'S REPORT

The State Department of Revenue uses a specific list of accounts to identify each item recorded in the accounting records. During 2010, the Board of Selectmen changed our accounting system to use the same numbers as the State. This was done to facilitate preparing the reports required by the State. This required a change in recording the distributions of income and expenses the town had previously used. Some of the accounts previously listed as separate items are now combined into one. For example, we used to identify fees received on a more individual basis, such as dog licenses and fines, Planning Board and Board of Adjustment fees, various permits. These are now all combined under one account. . For the year 2010 report I have listed some of these separately but will not be able to in the future. Property taxes are now listed under one item instead of by current year, prior year, liens redeemed and abatements or refunds issued. Motor Vehicle registrations, titles and municipal agent fees are now combined into one account.

Our town bookkeeper, Liz Bayne, deserves a great deal of credit for her dedication and hard work to make this transition work. Thank you, Liz, for a great job well done!

Jean D Daley

Treasurer

Treasurer 2010 Annual Report

Property Taxes	2,118,024.90
Resident Taxes	3,530.00
Yield Taxes	5,546.31
Gravel Taxes	23.90
Current Use Release	4,649.90
In Lieu of Taxes	5,366.00
Interest & Penalties	19,582.36
Redemptions	0.00
Tax Liens	704.91
Abatements/Refunds	0.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	32,358.88
Highway Subsidy	34,607.16
State Grant for Police Radar Trailor	4,260.00
State Grant for Flooding	12,796.89
Recycling Fees & Sales	7,054.82
Pay as You Throw Income	17,806.18
Health Insurance reimbursements	17,654.80
Forestry Reimbursement	0.00
Sale of Town Property	1,374.00
Rent of Town Property	800.00
Insurance Rebate	850.00
Motor Vehicle Registrations	117,010.42
Burial Fees	705.00
Planning Board/ZBA Fees	429.00
Vital Records	478.20
Permits & Fees	3,972.04
Cemetery Trust Fund Income	2,973.09
Trust Fund Income	13,206.77
Interest on Deposits	817.93
Dog Licenses and Fines	1,769.50
Trust Fund Reimbursements	554.45
Library Electricity & Internet	76.75
Donations for Police Dept.	800.00
Police Dept. Fees	202.00
Recycling Expendable Trust	0.00
South Lawn #2 reimbursements	439.40
Total Receipts	2,430,425.56
Beginning Balance	531,398.38
Total	2,961,823.94
Less Expenditures	2,546,556.34
Ending Balance 12/31/10	415,267.60
WGSB Checking Account	164,676.29
Mascoma Saving Account	250,463.41
NH PDIP Account	127.90
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Total Balance	415,267.60

ROAD AGENTS REPORT 2010

Another year has past with no major storm event, excluding a couple of impressive snow storms in December. We started off the year 2010 by rebuilding the blade and the circle on the grader, it was a great improvement and should add many years of life to the machine.

We did have to replace two large culverts this year, one on Rivervale and the other on Indian Pond road. Both were metal culverts that had completely rotted away on the bottoms, allowing the road base to become undermined.

Chief Bogie from Wells River was hired to crush the waste material at the town garage along with the stock pile that was on Indian Pond road. This gave us about 2600 yards of useable material for our upcoming road projects at a substantial savings over having to purchase the material outright. I plan to use a large portion of this material on Indian Pond road this summer and some on Cole Hill road. We are also planning to shim and sand seal most of Lily Pond road this summer.

This year there is something new on the warrant list, an article to see if the towns people wish to purchase their own highway equipment in an effort to save money and make the highway dept. more cost effective. Over the last ten years we have averaged over \$50,000.00 a year in rental of equipment from the road agent. This is a very large portion of the budget and in my opinion, could be better spent on material and labor. It would also be much easier for the town to hire someone new in the event something should happen to the current road agent, (accident / untimely demise) if they didn't have to find someone who already owned their own equipment.

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PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY
 “Small Town Perfect”
 ANNUAL REPORT for 2010



Piermont Public Library hosted a number of exciting programs in the year 2010. Helena Saarion shared experiences, pictures, and artifacts, collected as a volunteer for the Alaska Iditarod Trail Dog Sled Race. With the Piermont Village School’s reading program, we co-sponsored author and artist David Macaulay. Thank you, Sue Martin, Reading instructor, for arranging this amazing event. In late fall, the library’s “Loon Program” was an enjoyable talk.

To kick off the “Piermont Farms: Now and Then” exhibit, the Piermont Historical Society and the library co-hosted the NH Humanities Council program by Steve Taylor, “The Great Sheep Boom.” When Memorial Day arrived, over 100 people enjoyed the myriad kiosks displaying Piermont farms then and now. This was a high point for us as a community in celebrating our farms. Thank you to those who participated, shared and viewed the exhibit.

Other events included the following.

- Summer Reading Program, *Catch the Wave; READ* , had 36 readers from ages 2-14 with t-shirts and ice cream certificates as prizes. Over 200 books were read.
- Our annual Memorial Day Book Sale brought in \$580.25, the best we have ever done.

New at PPL:

- We have a Kindle e-reader to loan to patrons. A variety of books are downloaded onto it for your reading pleasure.
- E-books are now available to download through NH Downloadable Books. All you need is your e-book and your library card to download at home. Come in for the code.
- Ancestry.com is available free at our library. Come in and research your ancestors.

Special services provided by the library:

- LUV COOP rotating audio books and DVDs collections with 27 other libraries;
- ILL, Interlibrary Loan, offering patrons more choices from other town and college libraries;
- PPL blog: <http://piermontlibrary.blogspot.com>.

Thank you, to the PPL Board of Trustees for their volunteer hours at meetings, on special programs, and opening the library every Sunday: Chairman Helga Mueller, Treasurer Joyce Tompkins, Secretary Stephanie Gordon, Kristi Medill, Joe Medlicott, Nancy Sandell, and Marian Shields. Welcome, Jean Daley, our great accountant.

Circulation of PPL: ‘10:	8744
Piermont Village School	1600
Total	10,344
2010 Materials acquired: (books, CDs, DVDs, etc.)	448
[# of items added to collection which were donated] ...	205
Total of Collection’2010	15238
Patron visits 2009:	7203

Respectfully Submitted,
 Margaret Ladd, Librarian
 James Meddaugh, Assistant Librarian
 Librarian@PiermontLibrary.com

Police Department 2010 Annual Report

The Piermont Police Department continues to become busier as expected. In 2010, we observed an increase in crimes against people and property. The police department closed 2009 with 19 arrests and closed 2010 with 36 arrests. This type of increase shows how the economy affects crime within our area and the proactive and dedicated police work within the community. We closed two of our burglaries with several successful felony indictments before the Grand Jury in December. We continue to monitor and deter vehicle infractions with our radar trailer purchased in 2010. We have seen a decrease in motor vehicle crashes and speeds with the implementation of this trailer. As warmer weather comes, our trailer will be our monitoring traffic. If you wish to have this in your area please contact the police department.

We have continued with our annual Child I.D. Day and introduced the bike rodeo for the children. We requested from the Brain Injury Center, located in Concord, extra bike helmets to give to our Piermont residence under the age of 18. They returned with 20 additional helmets to add to our 25 already given from the State of New Hampshire through a grant. The Piermont Police were also involved in the Piermont Village School "Red Ribbon Week". We visited Piermont Village School and helped with the assembly held that day.

The Piermont Police Department would like to thank you most of all. We appreciate the support you have given your police department this past year. I would like to remind you of our open door policy with comments and suggestions. Without your confidential information, our jobs of keeping our community safe would become that much more difficult.

Fire Department 2010 Annual Report

Being elected by my fellow firefighters last July when Aaron Rich stepped down, I took on the P.F.D. chief's position with confidence, we can bring our department up to a wonderful team of enthusiasts.

The P.F.D. team members at present are, Terry Straight our deputy chief, James Mockley, captain, Jared Shipman, Lieutenant, Michael Hogan Jr., Safety Officer, Mathew Hogan, F.F., Mathew Prince, F.F., president, Roy Belyea, Fire Warden, Carl Yeager, F.F. Aaron Rich, F.F., Chris Yeager, Jr. F.F., Greg Collins, F.F.

We had 34 fire calls in 2010. Grass and brush fires, structure fires and car accidents. Thanks! Go to the Warren State crew for helping to remove trees during the wind storm.

Kudos to Jared Shipman for earning his Level 1 firefighter training.

Kudos also go out to all the firefighters and Fast Squad members, throughout our community include Haverhill Corner, we volunteer a three day weekend for the Hybrid Vehicle Training. This weekend was conducted at the Old Gould store Parking lot and WGSBank.

White river Toyota and McGoff Salvage donated cars for real life simulation. Christopher Yeager was a wonderful patient as his car was crashed into with air bag deployment. Dartmouth Hitchcock Dart team and ambulance helped with this training as well as the Grafton County Dispatch unit.

The P.F.D. team would like to extend a big THANK-YOU to Rich Dion for coordinating this training. All benefitted this training. Thank-you to D.H.M.C. and Grafton County Dispatch for their help and TJ's barbecue for keeping everyone fed.

In July we voted to try something different and have our annual barbecue in the fall. It was a great turnout. Good Idea!

We tried a different event at the P.F.D. and had our own little Operation Santa Claus in town. Donation response was overwhelming and the folks receiving packages were astounded as to what a great community we have! Many thanks to ALL who helped! We're going to try to make this annual.

We have changed our dispatch communications over from Hanover to Twin State, which brings us much better reception, which brings better response. All firefighters have beepers.

There's been a little remodeling at the station. Part of the upstairs (unused space) is being turned into an office. Much needed space as paperwork and training so not get any less.

As I close this report the P.F.D. would like to extend our deepest thanks to Austin Hogan for his many years of service to our community and to the Piermont Fire Department. Austin has been "chief of our annual barbecues" for years; and the chicken is always superb! Thanks again Austin!

Rich Dion became a member of the P.F.D. in 2006. Rich has brought many benefits to our department and donated a lot of his time. Many thanks to him as well.

We would like to invite anyone interested in joining our team to contact an F.F., or come to a meeting. We meet the first Monday of each month. Junior firefighters are needed too, you need to be 14 years old.

We invite any community members to call when they need help, or stop by the station anytime!

I personally would like to thank the community and the P.F.D. for their support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Bruce Henry

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfi.org.

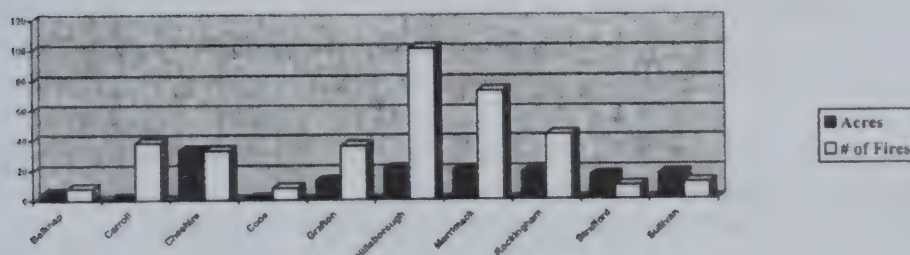
This past fire season had a slightly lower number of fires, as well as lower number of acres burned than the 5 year average. What made this fire season somewhat unusual was that it lasted most of the summer. New Hampshire typically has a fairly active spring fire season and then the summer rains tend to dampen fire activity later in the season. This year virtually all areas of the state had fires throughout the summer due to the periodic dry spells throughout the season. As has been the case over the last few years, state budget constraints have limited the staffing of our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers to Class III or higher fire danger days. Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by contracted aircraft and the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. The largest fire for the season was 10.3 acre fire in Charlestown. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2010 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2010 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2010)

(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	5	8
Carroll	1	38
Cheshire	33	33
Coos	1	8
Grafton	13	36
Hillsborough	21	101
Merrimack	20	73
Rockingham	18	43
Strafford	16	9
Sullivan	17	11



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

		Total Fires	Total Acres
Arson	3	2010	360
Debris	146	2009	334
Campfire	35	2008	455
Children	13	2007	437
Smoking	13	2006	500
Railroad	0		
Equipment	18		
Lightning	4		
Misc.*	128		

(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc)

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

PLANNING BOARD 2010 ANNUAL REPORT

Meetings of the board are held on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Church Building on Route 10. Members of the Board at year-end were:

Peter Labounty, Chairman
Jean Daley, Vice Chairman
Ed French
Ora Schwartzberg, alternate

Peggy Fullerton
William Morris
Suzanne Woodard
Fred Shipman, ex-officio

At the April election of officers Peter Labounty was elected chairman and Jean Daley, vice chairman.

The Board took the following actions in 2010:

Zoning Amendments - On January 18, 2010, the Board held a public hearing on an amendment proposed by the Board that provides that an application to the Zoning Board seeking a special exception or variance for property that is subject to the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act shall be sent to the Conservation Commission for review. The amendment was passed by the voters at the 2010 Town Meeting.

On November 17, 2010, the Board held a public hearing on the following three amendments to the Zoning Ordinance proposed by the Board which will be on the ballot at the March 8, 2011 Town Meeting:

Amendment 1: Under Article IV, Definitions. Amend the Article to add the following definitions:

- a. "Residence: One or more rooms providing complete living facilities."
- b. "Residential Building: A building that is constructed for or designed or used as one or more residences."

Amendment 2: Under Article VIII, Section 2.9(b). Amend the Article by adding a new paragraph "(b)" and renumber existing 3 paragraphs: "No more than one residential building is permitted on a lot unless specifically permitted under this Ordinance."

Amendment 3: Under Article V, Section 5. Amend the article pertaining to "Variance" to conform to the amended State of New Hampshire RSA 674:33, I(b).

The Board is proposing the above amendments on the advice of Town Counsel. While the Zoning Ordinance implies "one house on a lot" Amendments 1 and 2 will clarify the intent of the Ordinance.

Master Plan - During the year the Board finished the Conservation and Preservation Section and at year-end is in the process of reviewing the final draft of the Master Plan.

The Board anticipates having the Plan ready for public review and comment in 2011.

Other Business - In June, the Board held a public hearing at the request of Public Service of New Hampshire regarding the firm's intent to trim trees on Routes 25C and 10, both designated as scenic roads.

In order to have a record for each lot in a subdivision in the town files, the Board amended the Subdivision Regulations by changing the number of required paper prints for final plat submissions for Lot Line Adjustments and Boundary Agreements, and Minor and Major Subdivisions from three to one for each lot, plus one.

Approvals granted by the Board in 2010 - Major Subdivision (7 lot) by Peggy Fullerton on Knapp Road/Lily Pond Road, Tax Map R-17, Lot 14; Lot Line Adjustment by Quentin Faulkner/Bertrand Keniston, Tax Map R-13, Lots 9A/8; Voluntary Merger by Gary Spiess, Tax Map R3, Lot 4 and Tax Map R-8, Lot 12.

In addition two informal meetings were held on a proposed 2-lot subdivision on 25C, Tax Map R-9, Lot 26 by Christa Davis, and a proposed 2-lot subdivision on Route 10, Tax Map R-1, Lot 7 by Lee Robie.

Peter Labounty, Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 2010 ANNUAL REPORT

Meetings of the Board are held on demand. Members of the Board at year-end were: Steven Daly, chairman; Fred Shipman; Helga Mueller; Charles Brown; George Tompkins; and Ora Schwartzberg, alternate.

Camp Walt Whitman Update:

In December 2009, Camp Walt Whitman and the abutters agreed to mediation of their lawsuit versus the Town at the suggestion of the NH Supreme Court. Under the terms of the mediation agreement, the Town did not participate in the mediation process. During a mediation session on March 10, 2010, conducted by a retired judge, the parties failed to reach an agreement to settle which meant the case continued in Supreme Court.

In December 2010 the parties were notified that oral arguments will be heard before the Court on January 13, 2011.

Actions taken by the Board in 2010:

The Board approved with conditions a request by Timothy Lanctot for an amended Variance on his property at Cross Road, Tax Map R-18, Lot 18, stipulating that the north/east corner of a new structure to be built is no closer than approximately 44 feet from an unnamed brook.

The Board approved with conditions a request for a Variance by Berkley Nicol to add an 8x8 foot extension to an existing porch at his property on Lake Armington, Tax Map U-2, Lot 56 stipulating that the side set-back is 20 feet or more and that the porch extension is no closer to the lake than the existing porch.

The Board approved with conditions a request by Fred Shipman for an extension of a Special Exception until December 31, 2010 to lease his property at the corner of Route 25 and River

Road, Tax Map R-10, Lot 27, to a communications contractor to use as a staging and storage area. The Board stipulated that all conditions of the previously granted Special Exception apply.

The Board held an informal meeting with Hal Covert regarding the farm stand with kitchen facilities Covert is constructing at his property on Route 25. Following a review of the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance, the Board determined that an accessory farm structure is permitted under Article VIII, Section 2.2c and does not require a zoning permit.

Steven Daly, Chairman

PIERMONT CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2010

Monthly meetings of the Commission are held on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Old Church Building on Route 10. Members of the Commission at year-end were: Helga Mueller, chairman; David Ritchie treasurer; Eric Underhill; Ernie Hartley; Frank Rodimon; and Karen Brown. Charles Grant resigned from the Commission in July. We would like to thank Charles for his contribution to the Commission and the Town and wish him and his family good luck in their new home in St. Johnsbury. In July, the selectmen appointed Karen Brown to the Commission.

As of December 31, 2010, the Conservation Fund contains \$1,829.56. The Underhill Canoe Site Fund, in a CD at the Woodsville Guarantee Savings Bank, contains \$3,967.00. This fund helps maintain both the Underhill site as well as the Sarah Moore Canoe Access. In addition, the Expendable Trust Fund for the maintenance of the Piermont Town Forest and Trails on Bedford Road contains \$4,564.80. Contributing to the Conservation Fund are 10% of revenues from current use changes and 10% from logging at town-owned properties. Monies from the Conservation Fund can only be spent for the proper utilization and protection of natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources. To use monies from the Fund for the acquisition of or interest in property, such as a conservation easement, approval of the voters at Town Meeting is needed.

Piermont Town Forest and Trails – The site on Bedford Road is managed by the Commission for recreational and educational purposes. It serves as an outdoor science lab for Village students to learn about nature and forest stewardship.

On September 25, the Commission held an Open Trails Day at the site. Forty Piermont residents enjoyed guided hikes along the four color-coded trails followed by a barbecue.

Canoe Campsites – Both the Underhill Canoe site and the Sara Moore Canoe Access, which are managed by the Commission, were enjoyed by many canoeists. The sites are open from May 1 to November 1. We are still exploring the possibility of developing a cartop canoe access to the river and are in the discussion stage with a landowner for a 5 to 6 car site.

Water Quality Monitoring – A member of the Commission together with members of the Lake Tarleton and Lake Armington Associations monitored the water quality of Lakes Tarleton, Armington, and Katherine in June, July, and August. In past years, there have been minor spikes

of e-coli during July at the state park beach, but overall the water quality of the three lakes has been excellent and stable.

Lake Host Program – This year marked the 7th year that members of the Lake Tarleton and Armington Associations are protecting “Piermont’s Jewels” from milfoil and other invasive plants by participating in the N.H. Lakes Association’s “Lake Host Program.” The summer of 2010 has been particularly busy for the volunteer and (one) paid lake hosts at the Lake Tarleton Boat Access making 1015 courtesy boat inspections (twice as many as in 2009) and educating boaters on the dangers of milfoil. There has been a tremendous increase this year in boats, especially kayaks.

Kudos go to all the volunteers, but especially to the 15 campers from Camp Kingswood who volunteered 63 hours at the Lake Tarleton Boat Access, the 20 campers from Camp Walt Whitman, who volunteered 15 hours at the Lake Armington Boat Access, and to Piermont high school student Michael Langley, who volunteered 60 hours at the Armington Access.

The program is made possible through funding from the N.H. Lakes Association, the Lakes Tarleton and Armington Associations, and \$300 from the Town of Piermont.

Other matters – In June, the Commission sponsored a program “New Hampshire’s Wild History: 350 years of New Hampshire Wildlife,” presented by Linda Brownson, a N.H. Coverts volunteer.

During the year, the Commission monitored logging activities and wetland projects in town. We would like to remind property owners that permits from the DES Wetlands Bureau are required for any projects that seek to excavate, remove, dredge, fill or construct any structure in or on the bank of any surface waters or wetlands. We are available to assist property owners with complaints about violations, wetland applications, establishing conservation easements or any other conservation concerns.

Helga Mueller, Chairman

Piermont Historical Society 2010 Annual Report

The Piermont Historical Society was founded in 1974 as a non-profit society to preserve the heritage of the people of Piermont. The Society is not supported by the town’s taxpayers, but relies on yearly dues collected from members, fundraisers, and donations from generous benefactors. In 2009 we celebrated our 35th anniversary.

The 2011 Annual meeting will be held in May or June. Look for notices. We encourage any interested Piermont residents to join the society and be as active as you choose.

Current officers are:

President - Helga Mueller

Vice-president – Gary Danielson

Secretary – Joyce Tompkins

Treasurer – Fred Shipman

Director at Large – Betty Hall

The Society enjoys its quarters in the Old Church Building and still maintains part of its collection in the upper rooms at the Library. The rooms are open for special exhibits, but anyone interested in visiting may do so by arranging to have the rooms open. Call Helga Mueller at 272-4359 or Joyce Tompkins at 989-5804.

During the last few years, one focus has been on organizing a vast collection of donated memorabilia as well as restoring old photos and preparing CD collections, which are available to the public. There is always work to be done.

Our other focus has been on the development of town wide research projects. In 2007 and 2008 we hosted the Adopt-a-Piermont School Project. Piermont residents chose schools to research and then prepared marvelous displays showcasing their research. In 2010 we once again undertook a vast project of researching Piermont Farms, Then and Now. Once again the residents of our town came forward and did a wonderful job of researching and preparing displays showcasing over sixteen farms in Piermont. The exhibition debuted on Memorial Day, 2010 and was thoroughly enjoyed by many visitors. We plan to open this exhibit to the public again on Memorial Day 2011 and would like to include additional farms. If you are interested in participating please contact Helga or Joyce.

In conjunction with our focus on farms the Society sponsored two programs featuring Steve Taylor, former NH Secretary of Agriculture, Cows and Communities and The Great Sheep Boom.

We enthusiastically invite you to become a member of the Historical Society. Membership dues remain at \$5.00 for a regular member. Donations are always welcome. Dues and donations can be sent to the Society's treasurer Fred Shipman at PO Box 273, Piermont, NH 03779.

Since it is never too early to plan we would like to remind you that Piermont celebrates its 250th anniversary in 2014 along with other towns in the Upper Valley. The Historical Society encourages anyone with ideas of how we can prepare for this significant event to come forward.

Please plan on viewing our exhibit Piermont Farms, Then and Now on Memorial Day.

Joyce Tompkins - Secretary

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Annual Report for 2010

This past year the Capital Improvements Program Committee explored the possibility of instituting an Impact Fees Ordinance as part of the Town's Zoning Ordinance. Our goal was to have any future residential, commercial or industrial development within the Town pay its fair share of any capital improvements the development might require of the Town in needed infrastructure such as schools, recreation, public safety, etc.

We contacted the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission – of whom we are a member – and our Town attorney, Mitchell Municipal Group, requesting any and all advice they could offer on impact fee ordinances. While it is not uncommon for larger town and most cities to have enacted such ordinances, it appears that it is not the case for towns our size.

State law is very specific regarding the implementation and administration of impact fees. If fees are to be levied, there must be a clear, proven and documented need supported by a current (no older than 6 years), professionally developed study documenting the need and the costs to satisfy the need. The fees can only be collected at the time of occupancy and must apply to any and all development. This would require any current owner as well as a new owner to pay a fee for new construction.

After considerable and lengthy discussions, and upon the advice from our “experts” the Committee voted to abandon efforts to implement an impact fee proposal. Among the reasons for this were the following:

- Current owners/taxpayers would also be subject to the fees
- Up-front and high cost for short-lived studies necessary to document need and support fees
- Occupancy required to collect fees
- Planning Board currently has power to collect Exaction Fees for roads, etc.
- Fee must be returned with interest if not used for stated need within 6 years
- High maintenance and administrative requirements for the Ordinance

Respectfully Submitted,
Frederick W. Shipman

CIP Committee members appointed by Board of Selectmen are as follows:

Representing: Zoning Board, George Tompkins
Conservation Committee, Ernest Hartley
Planning Board, Ora Schwartzberg
School Board, varies from meeting to meeting
Member at Large, Bernie Marvin
Member at Large and Secretary, Helga Mueller
Board of Selectmen, Fred Shipman

Transfer and Recycling Center 2010 Annual Report

Dear Piermont Residents.

I submit my 2010 recycling/transfer report. Prices this year have improved over last on all items except plastic but I can still move a load of plastic for about \$90.00 less a ton then what it would cost to put in trash.

We saw an increase in paper recycling this year an increase of 8.29 tons over last year we were able to get rid of all out paper at no cost after paying trucking we actually made about 1.00 a ton.

Steel we had 18.17 tons, an increase of 1.66 tons over last year after paying trucking we made over \$2,400.00 on steel no wonder we have people who say they will take it off our hands for free

Plastic showed a slight increase over last year of .70 ton it cost \$337.10 to recycle 10.70 tons a reduction from last year by \$104.25 last year's average cost to recycle plastic was \$44.13 this year 31.50 I also was able to ship every load with a paper load so another savings on trucking of \$1350.00

We also sold 1.62 tons of other metals which brought the town \$837.00

Glass showed a drop last year we had 19.51 tons this year 15.87 tons

We had 2.55 tons of tvs etc. recycled we took in \$509.00 in fee's to help cover the cost of this total cost was \$583.38 so you can see I'm not ripping anyone off when I charge for these items many places charge a lot more than we do

We also added about 5 tons of matter to the compost pile.

Total recycled for the year 106.84 tons

Trash showed an increase of about 15 tons

We took in \$19,091.00 in bag sales and other fees

We also had \$1,306.55 bottle returns we took over

After paying trucking and fees for recycled items the town cleared \$2,069.63 so once again we had a good year in recycling. In other words we got paid to recycle 106 tons or about \$19.50 per ton, to dispose of this would have cost \$12,720.00

Respectfully submitted

Wayne Godfrey
Transfer/Recycling manager

Annual Report for Piermont Sewer District Year 2010

The State of NH DES again did not pay the 30% grant promised when the direct ground discharge process was put in place. However, the operation and maintenance costs paid by sewer users was able to be reduced by just over 5% of the annual cost.

I will try to lower operation and maintenance costs. However, to ensure that the plant operates in the manner it should and will last its designed life, it costs money to meet these objectives.

A SPECIFIC way sewer users will help meet the life and use objective is to REDUCE the amount of GREASE that they allow to enter the collection system.

If anyone has questions or wishes to tour the Sewer District system please contact me.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Metcalf
Plant Operator

Welfare Department 2010 Annual Report

It is the town's responsibility to make sure that a person's basic needs can be met. By basic needs, we mean shelter, heat, electricity and food. The difficulty in administering these basic needs arises when an applicant's views of what "basic" should consist of conflicts with what is set forth in the guidelines and state statutes. Over this past year, I received applications that covered a variety of requests from fuel assistance to needing a place to live. The town provided local assistance just under \$7,000 during last year.

Based on the actual figures for the past two years, I requested a decrease in the general assistance budget of \$2,000. It is important to keep in mind that the town is required by state statute to provide assistance to an individual if they meet the guidelines. What this means for the town is that even if that Welfare Budget has been completely expended the town is still obligated to assist qualified individuals. If this situation were to occur the town would have to pull the funds from other departments to provide the needed assistance or go back to the town at a special meeting to request additional funds as some of the town had to do in previous years.

Piermont has been fortunate that we haven't seen the large number of requests that some of our neighboring towns have seen. Having said that, I would be remiss if I didn't mention the fact that in January of 2011, I received a larger than expected number of applications for assistance.

I would like to extend many thanks to Rob Elder and the Piermont Congregation Church for the help and assistance that they have been able to provide to applications when our guidelines have not been able to provide the needed assistance. I would also like to thank Dan McGregor at Tri-County Community Action in Woodsville for his help in assisting residents with fuel assistance and electrical assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer L. Collins
Welfare Administrator

TOWN of PIERMONT 2010 TRUST FUNDS TRUSTEES REPORT

2010 saw a combination of historic low interest rates and excellent market growth. Our capital reserve funds have earned only modest income, while the managed trust funds have been rebounding from the crash of 2008 very nicely. Our investment policy remains a prudent conservative approach with an eye on the long term. Our funds are held at Stifel Nicolaus and Company, Incorporated and are managed by the Kinder Financial Group of St. Johnsbury VT. We are very pleased by the help and support they have given us.

Respectfully submitted,
 Trustees of Trust Funds:
 Abby Metcalf
 Jean Underhill
 Andy Mauchly

TOWN OF PIERMONT TRUST FUNDS

Town of Piermont Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds	Beginning value 12/31/2010	Dividends/ Interest	Deposits/ withdrawals	Ending value 12/31/2011
Building Improvement CRF	\$33,878.53	\$45.56	\$5,000.00	\$38,942.09
Bridge ETF	\$54,133.42	\$70.95	\$5,000.00	\$59,204.37
Equipment CRF	\$27,222.89	\$37.21	\$5,000.00	\$32,260.10
Fire and Emergency Vehicles CRF	\$35,478.94	\$50.70	\$10,000.00	\$45,529.64
Revaluation CRF	\$14,502.47	\$21.23	\$5,000.00	\$19,523.70
Bedford Lot ETF	\$4,564.80	\$5.42	-\$689.74	\$3,880.48
Recycling Center/Station ETF	\$7,567.51	\$12.56	\$5,000.00	\$12,580.70
Recreational Facilities ETF	\$10,068.38	\$12.60	\$0.00	\$10,080.98
Land CRF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
SCBA and Bunker Gear ETF	\$0.00	\$1.44	\$5,000.00	\$5,001.44
Police Training ETF	\$0.00	\$0.95	\$3,360.00	\$3,360.95

Town of Piermont sustaining Trust Funds	Net Portfolio value 12/31/2010	Capital Gains Reinvested	Dividends paid to town	Net Portfolio value 12/31/2011
Herbert A. Clark	\$715,744.25	\$8,051.22	\$15,049.74	\$784,187.90
Cemetery	\$154,935.81	\$1,413.24	\$3,369.48	\$167,571.36

Annual Report of Piermont's Cemetery Association

In 2006 the Cemetery Trustee began the expansion of South Lawn Cemetery, utilizing the 3 acres purchased from Alfred Steven in 1973.

See the 2009 Annual Report for the years 2007-2009 steps taken to open the South Lawn Expansion.

In 2010, Mr. Rutherford finished the blue print for grave/lot layout and it was accepted with minor adjustments. The fence for that section was completed.

Pins were placed in the first six rows of lots to be utilized.

The stakes you see in the new section indicate roads, a round-a-bout and a center walkway.

In 2011 the new section work will continue. The plans include fixing the road through the lower section of the old part of South Lawn. Putting in approximately 100' of road on each side of the new part and completing the round-a-bout and tying in the existing roads to the round-a-bout.

Lots are not yet available in the new section. There are still lots available to be purchased in the original section of South Lawn.

The Cross-Rodimon Cemetery clean up (a 3 year project) has been completed. The next step in that cemetery is to raise and repair stones.

Mowing and maintenance continue in East Piermont (Cape Moonshine), River Road, Clay Hollow, Cedar Grove and South Lawn. The mowing season for 2010 was the longest in the past 30 years.

The budget for 2011 was reduced by approximately 5% under the 2010 budget.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Metcalf,
Sexton

Vital Records 2010

Births

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Father</u>	<u>Mother</u>
Laura Stearns	02/25	Derrick Stearns	Lauren Ann Noyes
Eli Henry Prince	04/09	Matthew Prince	Elizabeth Macaulay
Ella Jean Putnam	04/09	Glen Putnam	Meredith Hartshorn
Tristen Evan Lamarre	06/16	Timothy Lamarre	Hannah Lamarre
Ellis Coleman Robie	07/19	Neil Robie	Janene Robie

Marriage

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom's Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Bride's Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>
04/16	Michael J Lackie	Piermont	Shelby Beard	Piermont
10/16	Quentin Faulkner	Piermont	Violetta Krol	Hanover
11/26	Wilbert Hill	Piermont	Bethany Clay	Canaan

Death

<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>
Ben Elder	02/25	Bradford, Vermont
Richard Peterson	06/05	Lebanon, NH
Diane Wilkins	07/20	Piermont, NH
Charles Lyons	11/03	Piermont, NH



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Horse Meadow Senior Center
(N. Haverhill 787-2539)

Linwood Area Senior Services
(Lincoln 745-4705)

Littleton Area Senior Center
(Littleton 444-6050)

Mascoma Area Senior Center
(Canaan 523-4333)

Orford Area Senior Services
(Orford 353-9107)

Plymouth Regional Senior Center
(Plymouth 536-1204)

Upper Valley Senior Center
(Lebanon 448-4213)

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RSVP & The Volunteer Center
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ServiceLink of Grafton County
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October 30, 2010

Robert Lang, Chair
Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
PO Box 67
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Mr. Lang:

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$1,400.00 from the Town of Piermont for Fiscal Year 2011. This represents a per capita amount of \$10.22 for each of the 137 Piermont residents aged 60 and older.

During FY 2010, 58 elders from your community received congregate or home delivered meals, used our transportation service, assistance from our outreach worker or one or more of our other services designed to support the independence of older adults. On July 1, 2009, we initiated the adult in-home care program for frail and vulnerable adults in northern Grafton County. Piermont is being served by this new program. In addition, 10 Piermont residents were assisted by Grafton County ServiceLink last year. GCSCC's cost to provide services for Piermont residents in 2010 was \$22,600.36.

Enclosed is a report detailing services provided to your community during 2010. Should you have questions or concerns about this report or our request, I would be most happy to meet with you to discuss our services in more detail.

We very much appreciate Piermont's support and look forward to serving older individuals in your community this coming year.

Sincerely,

Roberta Berner
Executive Director

Enclosures

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GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC. ANNUAL REPORT 2010

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Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our communities' older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln; operates adult in-home care from offices in Lebanon and Haverhill; and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink Resource Center and RSVP and the Volunteer Center. Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, community dining programs, transportation, counseling, elder care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2010, 58 older residents of Piermont were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Orford and Horse Meadow Senior Centers or the adult in-home care program. Ten Piermont residents were assisted by ServiceLink.

- Older adults from Piermont enjoyed 641 balanced meals in the company of friends in the senior dining rooms.
- They received 2,026 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Piermont residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 23 occasions by our lift-equipped bus or volunteers.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 18 visits with an outreach worker and 24 contacts with ServiceLink.
- Piermont residents benefited from 28 hours of care through GCSCC's new adult in-home care program, initiated in July 2009.
- Piermont's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 651.5 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide GCSCC services for Piermont residents in 2010 was \$22,600.36.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Piermont's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner, Executive Director

A United Way Agency providing services to older adults in Grafton County

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.

Statistics for the Town of Piermont
October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010

During the fiscal year, GCSCC served 58 Piermont residents (out of 137 residents over 60, 2000 Census). ServiceLink served 10 Piermont residents.

<u>Services</u>	<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Units of Service</u>	x	<u>Unit (1) Cost</u>	=	<u>Total Cost of Service</u>
Congregate/Home Delivered	Meals	2,667	x	\$7.83	\$	20,882.61
Transportation	Trips	23	x	\$11.35	\$	261.05
Adult In-Home Care	Hours	28	x	\$20.30	\$	568.40
Social Services	Half-hours	18	x	\$21.15	\$	380.70
ServiceLink	Contacts	24	x	\$21.15	\$	507.60
Activities		492		N/A		

Number of Piermont volunteers 6. Number of Volunteer Hours: 651.5.

GCSCC cost to provide services for Piermont residents only	\$	<u>22,600.36</u>
Request for Senior Services for 2010	\$	1,400.00
Received from Town of Piermont for 2010	\$	1,400.00
Request for Senior Services for 2011	\$	<u>1,400.00</u>

NOTE:

1. Unit cost from GCSCC Statement of Revenue and Expenses for October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010.
2. Services were funded by Federal and State programs 58%; municipalities, county and United Way 11%; Client donations for services 8%; Charitable contributions 21%; Other 2%.

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**To: Jennifer Collins, Executive Assistant
Town of Piermont
PO Box 167
Piermont, NH 03779**

**Mascoma Valley Health Initiative
Request for Town of Piermont Budget Allocation for Fiscal Year 2011
October 27, 2010**

We want to thank the Town of Piermont for recognizing the need for public health at the local level. As we continue to fulfill our mission and expand our programming, we ask for your consideration of our agency's request for funding for 2011.

Agency Description

MVHI is a nonprofit public health organization serving the Upper Valley of New Hampshire. Our goal is to protect and promote the health of our community. MVHI was formed in 2001 by the Turning Point Initiative, a program funded by the Robert Wood Johnson and W.K. Kellogg Foundations to transform the nation's public health system. We began with the mission of improving the health of the residents of five rural Mascoma Valley towns, and have grown to serve the towns of Canaan, Cornish, Dorchester, Enfield, Grafton, Grantham, Hanover, Lebanon, Lyme, Orange, Orford, Piermont, and Plainfield.

As of 2010, MVHI supports programming in the areas of core public health service and substance abuse prevention. MVHI serves as the New Hampshire Immunization Program regional site. We are also implementing a federally-funded rural health planning grant, the Upper Valley Healthy Community Program, with the goal of improving rural access to primary care and preventive health services. MVHI is implementing two substance abuse prevention initiatives in the Mascoma Valley towns of Canaan, Enfield, Dorchester, Grafton, and Orange: 1) the Indian River Youth 2 Youth after-school program, and 2) MVHI serves as coordinating agency for the Mascoma Valley Prevention Network, a developing community-based substance abuse prevention coalition focused on reducing youth alcohol and drug abuse.

MVHI is operated by a Board of Directors made up of professionals with experience in health care, education, town government, law enforcement and human services. Our Board represents a number of prominent local and regional organizations including Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, Dartmouth Medical School, the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth, Alice Peck Day Memorial Hospital, and local business and government.

MVHI has built strong collaboration with school administrators and teachers; local police, fire and emergency management officials; corporations and small business owners; health care providers, community and school nurses; academics and researchers; town officials; mental health and substance abuse professionals; and leaders of regional hospitals and community service agencies. Our goal is to partner with community members and organizations who share

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our commitment to community health, to build a strong and effective public health system that serves the needs of the residents of the Upper Valley.

Funding Request

For 2011, we are requesting financial support from all 13 towns and municipalities in our region at the level of 75 cents per capita. Based on this formula, our funding request of the Town of Piermont (population: 729) is \$546.75. This funding will permit us to sustain service to the residents of Piermont throughout the coming year.

Contact Information

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Marion Pawlek (West Lebanon)
Betty Ann Trought (Dorchester)

Programs

Immunization: As the Upper Valley coordinating organization for the "New Hampshire Immunization Initiative" our goals are to: 1) improve immunization coverage for the entire population (children, adolescents, and adults); 2) assess regional immunization capacity, needs, and gaps in coverage, 3) support regional emergency preparedness and response, and 4) encourage immunization best practices.

- During the 2010/2011 school year, MVHI will organize school-based seasonal flu vaccinations to Piermont children in the Rivendell School District.
- In October of 2009, MVHI, in partnership with Dartmouth Medical School, sponsored free public flu vaccination clinics at the Enfield Community Center. These clinics are scheduled for October and November of 2010 as well.

Rural Health Planning: In Spring 2010, MVHI received a one-year planning grant from the US Health Resources and Services Administration to conduct a rural health needs assessment. The goal of the Upper Valley Healthy Community Project is to determine the priority health needs of the thirteen New Hampshire Upper Valley communities, identify the barriers to accessing services, and develop creative partnerships to meet those needs.

- At least one meeting to gain community input were held for northern Upper Valley residents in Orford in September 2010;
- Benefits to the residents of Piermont include community member input into a regional rural health needs assessment; potential benefits will accrue if MVHI is successful in receiving a follow-on Rural Health Network Development Grant, which would support implementation of projects to improve access to health and health-related services for the residents of Piermont, along with other Upper Valley towns.

Indian River Youth 2 Youth Program: MVHI implements the Indian River Youth 2 Youth (Y2Y) after-school program. Y2Y is a substance abuse prevention program that involves youth in understanding the impact of advertising, public policies, and community attitudes about alcohol and drug use on young people's choices to use or not use. They become aware of their environment and work to make it a healthier place for themselves and their peers. Y2Y launched in March 2010 with of fourteen (14) fifth- through seventh-graders; as of October 18, 2010, 21 youth have signed up to participate during the 2010/2011 school year.

- This after-school program for 5th to 8th is based on a model developed in Dover, NH, and it has been replicated in communities throughout New Hampshire. The program model can easily serve students in 5th to 12th grade. MVHI plans to approach the Rivendell School District about implementing the program there for the 2011/2012 school year.

Mascoma Valley Prevention Network: MVPN is a growing community-based substance abuse prevention coalition with leadership support from MVHI, Dartmouth Hitchcock, Bridges to Prevention Regional Network, Mascoma Valley Regional School District, and West Central Behavioral Health. Coalition membership currently includes representatives of local law enforcement agencies, civic organizations, Indian River Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA), elected officials, and parents. The goal of the coalition is to increase the age at which young people in our communities begin drinking alcoholic beverages and using illicit drugs. MVPN has established the following objectives for the coming year:

- Educate adults, especially parents and liquor licensees/retailers, about the harm caused by alcohol and drug abuse and the laws that effect us all;
- Provide information and resources for parents who want to prevent their teens and pre-teens from starting to use alcohol and drugs; and
- Support those parents concerned that their child may already be using alcohol or drugs.

MVHI has the capacity and expertise to consult with communities such as Piermont to identify alcohol and drug abuse related concerns and facilitate a process to begin addressing them.

General Public Health Involvement: MVHI staff participate on numerous committees and workgroups throughout the Upper Valley to provide expertise, coordinate resources, and look for opportunities to further meet the needs of the people in our service area. This includes the Upper Valley All Health Hazards Regional Coordinating Committee, the HEAL Committee (Healthy

Eating/Active Living), the Upper Valley Child Care Association, and the Mascoma Valley Regional School District Wellness Committee.

Other Support

MVHI's programs are largely supported by grants, although we do receive some income from individual donations and private foundations, such as the NH Charitable Foundation. Our immunization program is funded through the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, New Hampshire Immunization Program. The Upper Valley Healthy Community Project is supported by the US Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration. Indian River Youth 2 Youth and the Mascoma Valley Prevention Network are supported by the State of New Hampshire and the NH Charitable Foundation via contracts with the Bridges to Prevention Regional Network.

In order to continue developing programs and services for Piermont, and our other Upper Valley towns, it is essential that MVHI secure unrestricted funds to support program development, operating expenses, and mission-related projects not covered by grant funding. Your contribution sustains us and allows us to develop new approaches to encouraging healthy choices, delivering outreach, information and community health education, and building coalitions to engage the community in solving our public health problems.

I look forward to meeting with you at your convenience. As we continue to deliver services and expand our programming, we thank the Town of Piermont for your thoughtful consideration of our request for financial support. Please contact me if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,



Alice R. Ely, MPH
Executive Director



The Lower Cohase Regional Chamber of Commerce

Serving the towns of Haverhill and Piermont, NH and Bradford and Newbury, VT

1 December, 2010

Town of Piermont
130 Route 10
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Selectboard,

I am writing to you to thank you for your town's financial support in 2010 and to request your continued financial support for 2011. Several years ago we dropped our request from \$0.50 per capita down to \$0.25 per capita acknowledging the tough time all towns are having balancing their budgets. We respectfully request that you consider funding the Cohase Chamber of Commerce again this year at the rate of \$0.25 per capita for 2011.

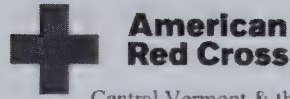
2010 was an active year for the chamber in an increasingly challenging economic environment. We worked on a number of projects to increase our effectiveness in attracting those outside our region, as well as local residents, to take advantage of what the Lower Cohase region offers.

Enclosed please find our report for the year 2010 which highlights these accomplishments.

Sincerely,

Mark Nielsen
Executive Director

Our Mission: *The Lower Cohase Regional Chamber of Commerce is committed to fostering a vibrant economic climate by encouraging cooperation and communication among the region's communities, while ensuring a high quality of life.*



Central Vermont & the New Hampshire Valley

October 26, 2010

Linda Lambert
Town of Piermont
PO Box 27
Piermont, NH 3779


Dear Linda,

The American Red Cross of Vermont and the New Hampshire Valley welcomes the opportunity to serve the residents of Piermont each and every day of the year. Consisting primarily of local volunteers, the Red Cross provides emergency support for victims of fire, flood and other disasters as well as instruction in health, safety and aquatics courses. Whether we are supporting one displaced family after a home fire, mass sheltering and food service for many families after a major disaster, or food and beverages for first responders and emergency volunteers at local fires and traffic accidents, we have historically been a vital part of the local community. This past year alone, the Vermont and New Hampshire Valley Region of the Red Cross responded to over 100 major incidents and served approximately 5,000 people in our area. Although the media gives the greatest attention to larger disasters, the vast majority of responses occur at the local level.

Since the Red Cross is not a government agency, we rely on individuals and communities to support our efforts in helping to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies. Toward that end, we are asking for funding in the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) this year. We are also requesting that you consider adding a yearly contribution as a line item on your budget of \$250 per year for three successive years commencing fiscal year 2011 to the American Red Cross. This contribution will help ensure that Piermont and surrounding communities continue to receive the assistance needed when disaster occurs.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



Larry Crist
Vermont & the New Hampshire Valley Region

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2010 Northern Human Services Director's Report

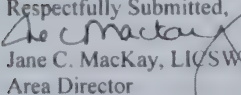
White Mountain Mental Health and Common Ground

In a difficult financial environment for human service organizations, I am happy to report that there has been a great deal of positive activity this year at Northern Human Services. Both our mental health and our developmental services programs have been able to look upon the challenges of the past year as opportunities to develop creative, efficient, accountable innovations. Some highlights:

- Telemedicine expanded to serve local hospital emergency rooms. In partnership with all seven hospitals in the NHS service area, we have begun offering emergency mental health evaluations via video. Hours of wait time and costly and dangerous travel will be eliminated by this service, made possible by a federal HRSA grant.
- Children in need of expert evaluation by a child psychiatrist continue to be seen by a Dartmouth Child Psychiatrist, via video, from our Littleton office. Feedback from children and their families has been very positive.
- Grafton County, in collaboration with our organization, West Central Services in Lebanon, local law enforcement and courts, has been awarded a federal grant for initiating a Mental Health Court. This means that people who commit non-violent crimes as the result of mental illness will be offered support, resources and treatment.
- In this tough economy, employment is a huge challenge for many of our clients. To respond to this need, we have hired a supported employment specialist who is specially trained in assisting persons with mental illness to seek, obtain and keep jobs. This is one of the "evidence-based practices" we have implemented, using methods that have been proven to be effective in studies across the country.
- Common Ground hosted the director of an organization in Adelaide, Australia. This is the latest in a series of visits from agencies around the world. These organizations have been referred to visit us due to the quality of our services and our individualized approach to meeting people's needs.
- We have implemented training via the internet for our staff, saving substantial money and time and offering our employees a huge array of educational options.
- Our student services program continues to provide extensive supports to school-aged children whose families and schools want them to remain in the community. This service prevents costly and disruptive placements away from family and friends.
- Our Woodsville Common Ground office, located at St. Luke's Hall, has grown substantially this year, with three service coordinators, a nurse and a housing specialist providing services in the southern part of our service area.

All of these varied activities depend on the support of our towns. **This year our mental health offices served 9 people from the Town of Piermont, providing 36.50 hours of counseling.** Our developmental services program, Common Ground serves 102 throughout the area.

Thank you for your continued support of our services. We want to be here when you need us.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane C. MacKay, LICSW
Area Director

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December 20, 2010

Board of Selectmen
 PO Box 27
 Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Select Board:

Tri-County Community Action Program is a private, non-profit agency that is requesting, at your 2011 Town Meeting, \$1,200 in funding from the Town of Piermont to help support its Community Contact Division.

The following is a report of services provided in fiscal year 2009-2010:

Services Provided:	# of HH	Dollar Amount
Fuel Assistance	31	\$28,770
Weatherization & Electric Conservation	1	\$5,106
State Wide Electrical Assistance Program	12	\$9,983
Food Pantry (121 people receiving 3 days worth of food)	53	\$2,210
Referrals (i.e.: Health, Budgeting, Legal Aid, Clothing...)	61	
Homeless Benefits		\$658

THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION, THE CITIZENS OF PIERMONT HAS RECEIVED A TOTAL OF \$46,727 IN ASSISTANCE BETWEEN JULY 1, 2009 AND JUNE 30, 2010.

Community Contact provides these and other necessary services for the less fortunate citizens in your town and surrounding vicinities. We are depending upon funding from your town and others countywide.

We sincerely appreciate the Town of Piermont's past support and look forward to our continuing partnership to provide essential services to your residence.

Very truly yours,

Dan McGregor
 Woodsville Community Contact Manager

WEATHERIZATION
752-7105

ADMINISTRATION
752-7001

COMMUNITY CONTACT
752-3248

FUEL ASSISTANCE
752-7100

AMERICORPS
752-5760

CT. DIVERSION-YTH. ALTERNATIVES
752-1872

R.S.V.P.
752-4103

PLANNING & ADMIN.
752-7165



Support Center at Burch House

Direct Services and Shelter for Victims and Survivors
of Domestic and Sexual Violence and Stalking in Northern Grafton County, NH

PO Box 965 Littleton, NH 03561 Phone: (603) 444-0624 Fax: (603) 444-0646

Town of Piermont
PO Box 27
Piermont, NH 03779

November 8, 2010

Dear Board of Selectmen,

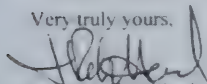
The Support Center at Burch House is a private, non-profit agency that provides direct services and emergency shelter to victims of domestic and sexual violence and stalking in Northern Grafton County. We respectfully request that you place \$345 in funding, the equivalent of .50 per resident, either in your 2011 budget or on the 2011 town warrant to support the essential services that we provide in your community. We are very grateful for the generous support of the voters last year and are hopeful that Piermont will continue to support our program.

In fiscal year 2010, the Support Center at Burch House provided services to 447 victims of violence in our catchment area, including the Town of Piermont. Our agency also responded to 284 requests for information, referrals, food pantry items, and general assistance. All of our services are provided at no cost to the recipient.

Community Services FY10: Support Center at Burch House				
	# Recipients receiving service	Units of service delivered	Value per unit of service	TOTAL
Shelter Services				
Shelter bed nights (food, utilities, supplies, staff)	61	3,960	\$75	\$297,000
Other Direct Services				
Crisis Counseling and Hotline	464	1,024	\$15	\$15,360
Legal/Court Advocacy	381	644	\$15	\$9,660
Medical/Police & other Advocacy	220	672	\$15	\$10,080
Case Management & Support	717	5,631	\$15	\$84,465
Support Group	61	423	\$15	\$6,345
Information and referral	731	2,470	\$15	\$37,050
School Prevention Programs*	637	867	\$30	\$26,010
Food Pantry/Material goods ^	601	5,409	\$3	\$16,227
Transportation ^^	85	4,700	\$1.50	\$7,050
GRAND TOTAL:	3,958	25,800		\$509,247

* violence prevention classes in grades K-12 ^ meals ^^ miles
a service unit is a classroom hour

With the support of the town of Piermont and other municipalities in our service area, we can continue to provide high quality services to those in need. We sincerely appreciate your support and thank the citizens of Piermont in advance for their consideration.

Very truly yours,

Jeanne L. Robillard
Director, Support Center at Burch House

*A Program of Tri-County Community Action, Inc.,
and Member of the New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence*



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www.wvr4thofjuly.com



November 29, 2010

Board of Selectman
 Town of Piermont
 PO Box 67
 Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Board of Selectman,

Please accept this letter as the Woodsville/Wells River Fourth of July Committee request for continued financial support for the 2010 celebration. Each year we have requested contributions from the area towns, and are overwhelmed at the generosity we have received. These tax deductible donations allow us to continue to offer the local municipalities a safe, exciting place to celebrate our nation's birth.

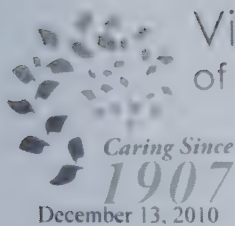
The parade, day long events on the Community Field and fireworks display in the evening; are the only full day and evening celebration within the entire Upper Valley in both Vermont and New Hampshire. As you can well image the event is very costly. It may surprise many people to know that it costs over \$25,000.00 each year and the funds are raised by less then a handful of dedicated volunteers.

We have many wonderful things planned for the celebration this year, and are hoping to count on your continued support. For your convenience we are including our 501(C)3# which is 02-0358694, as we are a non-profit organization and all donations are tax deductible.

Once again, thank you for your time and support. If you should have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Colleen Strout, Secretary
 Woodsville/Wells River Fourth of July Celebration
 PO Box 50
 Woodsville, NH 03785
 (603) 747-2878



Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Vermont and New Hampshire

Town of Piermont
c/o Jennifer Collins, Executive Assistant
P.O. Box 67
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Selectboard and Citizens of Piermont,

We appreciate and thank the Town of Piermont for its longstanding tradition of supporting the work of the Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice of VT and NH and request a funding allocation of \$3,250 this coming year.

The VNA & Hospice is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home healthcare and hospice support services to individuals and their families. Our agency provides short-term care for those who need skilled services after hospital discharge in addition to long term care for people who have chronic medical problems. As the largest provider of hospice services in the area, we provide 24/7 comprehensive and team based hospice care, wherever our patients may be – at home, in the hospital, assisted living facility, or nursing home. Our hospice services also include pediatric hospice, community bereavement and grief groups.

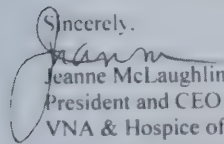
VNA & Hospice clients are of all ages, from all backgrounds, and at all stages in life. The one commonality is a desire to be cared for at home in case of illness or injury. Just like the local rescue squad or fire department, the VNA & Hospice provides a measure of security, a safety net for the community. By keeping residents out of emergency rooms and hospitals and reducing the need for relocation to nursing homes, our care offers significant savings in the town's emergency services and other medical expenses.

Services are provided to all in need regardless of ability to pay. Last year, the VNA & Hospice made approximately 130,000 home visits resulting in over 4.8 million dollars in unreimbursed charges for care to individuals. *In Piermont, we made 662 homecare visits to residents and absorbed approximately \$17,998 in unreimbursed charges to Piermont residents.*

We are grateful to the Town of Piermont for partnering with the VNA & Hospice to ensure that the town's most vulnerable citizens—the frail elderly and disabled, people with terminal illnesses, those recovering from a major surgery or illness, mothers with high-risk pregnancies, children with high-tech medical needs, and the uninsured and underinsured—have access to skilled home health care and support.

Thank you for considering our request of \$3,250 from the Town of Piermont.

Sincerely,


Jeanne McLaughlin
President and CEO
VNA & Hospice of VT and NH
66 Benning Street, Suite 6
West Lebanon, NH 03784

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TOWN OF PIERMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Annual Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

2010 audit still in progress. For a complete copy of the 2009 audit please contact the Board of Selectmen's office



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Piermont, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

The government-wide financial statements do not include any of the Town's capital assets, accumulated depreciation, nor depreciation expense related to those assets. These amounts have not been determined. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that capital assets be capitalized and depreciated, which would increase the assets, net assets and expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the assets, net assets and expenses of the governmental activities is not reasonably determined.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the financial position of the governmental activities of the Town of Piermont, as of December 31, 2009, and the changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Additional Offices:
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Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Piermont, as of December 31, 2009, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Town has not presented management's discussion and analysis, that under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Melanson, Heath + Company P.C.

Nashua, New Hampshire
February 15, 2011

TOWN OF PIERMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 2009

ASSETS	<u>General</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>Permanent Funds</u>	<u>Nonmajor Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 529,225	\$ 31,187	\$ -	\$ 34,478	\$ 594,890
Investments	-	275,548	870,680	187,417	1,333,645
Receivables:					
Taxes	450,220	-	-	-	450,220
Sewer	-	-	-	3,602	3,602
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 979,445	\$ 306,735	\$ 870,680	\$ 225,497	\$ 2,382,357
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 6,013	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 91	\$ 6,104
Accrued liabilities	-	-	-	3,602	3,602
Deferred revenue	234,934	-	-	-	234,934
Due to School District	766,014	-	-	-	766,014
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,006,961	-	-	3,693	1,010,654
Fund Balances:					
Reserved for:					
Encumbrances and continuing appropriations	56,261	-	-	-	56,261
Perpetual (non-expendable) permanent funds	-	-	866,727	-	866,727
Unreserved:					
Undesignated, reported in:					
General fund	(83,777)	-	-	-	(83,777)
Special revenue fund	-	306,735	-	221,804	528,539
Permanent funds (expendable)	-	-	3,953	-	3,953
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	(27,516)	306,735	870,680	221,804	1,371,703
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 979,445	\$ 306,735	\$ 870,680	\$ 225,497	\$ 2,382,357

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF PIERMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
 AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

	<u>General</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>Permanent Funds</u>	<u>Nonmajor Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues:					
Property taxes	\$ 501,040	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 501,040
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	40,053	-	-	-	40,053
Charges for services	23,734	1,510	-	805	26,049
Intergovernmental	104,248	2,311	-	38,343	144,902
Licenses and permits	124,628	-	-	16,754	141,382
Investment income	542	53,907	(103,485)	145	(48,891)
Miscellaneous	<u>2,687</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>2,714</u>
Total Revenues	796,932	57,728	(103,485)	56,074	807,249
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government	210,760	-	3,613	-	214,373
Public safety	143,311	-	-	-	143,311
Public works	500,572	-	-	20,319	520,891
Health and human services	16,147	-	-	-	16,147
Culture and recreation	6,705	39,033	-	361	46,099
Debt service	<u>38,727</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,120</u>	<u>51,847</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>916,222</u>	<u>39,033</u>	<u>3,613</u>	<u>33,800</u>	<u>992,668</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(119,290)	18,695	(107,098)	22,274	(185,419)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in	16,301	33,500	-	-	49,801
Transfers out	<u>(33,500)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(12,701)</u>	<u>(3,600)</u>	<u>(49,801)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(17,199)</u>	<u>33,500</u>	<u>(12,701)</u>	<u>(3,600)</u>	<u>-</u>
Change in fund balance	(136,489)	52,195	(119,799)	18,674	(185,419)
Fund Equity, at Beginning of Year, as restated	<u>108,973</u>	<u>254,540</u>	<u>990,479</u>	<u>203,130</u>	<u>1,557,122</u>
Fund Equity, at End of Year	<u>\$ (27,516)</u>	<u>\$ 306,735</u>	<u>\$ 870,680</u>	<u>\$ 221,804</u>	<u>\$ 1,371,703</u>

See Accountants Compilation Report.

Management Discussion and Analysis

Upon review of both the 2009 Audit as well as the 2008 Review with Agreed Upon Procedures, the Board of Selectmen take this opportunity to respond to issues raised in your audit and within the audit report and review themselves.

Prior to receipt of your reports, the Board believed the Town was in compliance and in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted and referred to as GAAP as well as defined by the State of New Hampshire by laws enunciated within the RSA's as well as rules defined by the DRA. The Board believes that it has within the periods indicated disclosed all pertinent and required information regarding the actual financial status of the Town of Piermont.

The Board, however, notes the shortcomings and deficiencies you've identified requiring our attention and action. We have further taken your advice and identified cause and determination to the systems in place during this time period. Our first determination is that of a dis-jointed approach to managing our financial information; the second determination is the lack of sophistication of our financial software and the erratic/sporadic methodologies of maintaining the software current with appropriate updates; the third determination is the fact that there is an excessive dependence on manual transfer of data/ information between key functions leading to the potential failure to carry accurate data between system applications; the fourth determination is the lack of support and training offered to utilize to the fullest extent those capabilities that are part of the software; the fifth determination is the inherent conflict between elected positions making mandatory practices difficult to implement; and, the sixth determination is either the lack of or failure of policies inherent in implementing consistency and mandatory practices.

Now that we have received your audit materials and investigated causal issues related to our identifying shortcomings and discrepancies, the Board has decided on a course of action that we believe will address most if not all of these issues. As a Board, we have subscribed to a practice commonly referred to as "Best Practices" which to the Board means a course of action that best serves the taxpayer of Piermont – consistency in reporting, accuracy in financial data, timeliness in data collected, transparency in methodologies, financial reports that are readable and pertinent to all taxpayers, and, in a manner that meets the requirements of GAAP, the State of NH and the DRA.

Although the Board one year ago finally converted to the DRA recommended account numbering system, we discovered that numbering accounts/activities in and of themselves only solved one of the many issues. In our final opinion the issues were systemic in nature and it would take much more action on our part. To those ends, the Board has made a decision as to a course of action reflecting those goals regardless of officeholder or employee. Beginning with the year 2011, the Board is embarking on an ambitious plan of action that will replace our QuickBooks approach to accounting with an actual Fund Accounting process; will replace our tax assessment methodologies with a more fully automated system that specifically ties data between two key functions – property assessment and tax collections; and, upgrades software and training across the functions/offices to the point all is data-centric as opposed to person/office-centric.

This is an aggressive approach, we are working on two fronts, but we also believe it will address not only your concerns enumerated within your reports provided but put in place systems (hardware – software – methodologies) that will transcend people, positions and time. We also believe that we can accomplish this task within the year - perhaps less.

As part of this plan, we have entered into talks with your organization to assist in providing training to build basic skills and enhance the capabilities of all who will be a part of this transition – we will conclude our discussion with the firm following our town meeting in developing strategic schedules at the onset of these conversions. Your assistance is key and instrumental in accomplishing this ambitious plan as well as assisting us to develop operating policy necessary to maintain the long term integrity of these goals and plans.

The Board appreciates your work in reviewing and auditing not only our financial data but our practices as well. We proceed cautiously, continuously evaluating the risks associated with this level of upgrade and monitoring our progress in the implementation. There are, admittedly, no contingencies in place – we will do what needs to be done to make this successful. It is our intent that when you do perform the 2011 audit all your concerns will have been addressed and corrected.

Respectfully

The Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
State of New Hampshire

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL BOARD
of the
PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
for the
FISCAL YEAR
JULY 1, 2009 to JUNE 30, 2010

ORGANIZATION OF THE PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD

Vernon Jones - Chair
Abigail Underhill
Monica Adams-Foster

Term Expires 2011
Term Expires 2013
Term Expires 2012

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Joyce Tompkins

CLERK

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HEALTH OFFICER

Alex Medicott

TREASURER

Frederick Shipman

AUDITORS

Plodzick & Sanderson

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Bruce C. Labs

2009-2010 STAFF

Jonann Torsey - Principal
Eileen Dohrman - Kindergarten
Brenda Bianchi - Grades 1-2
Cassandra Spaulding - Grades 3-4
Nancy Sandell - Grades 5-6
Lydia Hill - 7/8 Math & Language Arts
Jonann Torsey - 7/8 Science
Heather Caldwell - Math
Paula Poirier - Art Education
John Whitney - Music
Sue Martin - Reading Specialist
Cindy Valence - Special Education Teacher
Kenneth Marier - Physical Education/Health Education
Pam Hartley - Instructional Assistant
Sanjuanita Jones - Instructional Assistant
Billie Lamarre - Instructional Assistant
Tricia Griswold - Guidance
Maira Debois - School Psychologist
Caitlin Vogt - Special Education IA
Margaret Ladd - Librarian
Deborah Garvin - School Nurse
Cindy Jackson - School Secretary
Jim Raper - Custodian
Linda Lea - Lunch Director

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
MARCH 16, 2010**

Moderator Joyce Tompkins called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The meeting began with the pledge of allegiance and instruction on the types of votes and discussion procedures. The new podium was pointed out with a suggestion from Veia Jenks to dedicate it to all Piermont residents who have passed.

Present along with Moderator Tompkins were School Board members: Vernon Jones, Abigail Metcalf-Underhill, Monica Adams-Foster, Pat Amsden, Superintendent Bruce Labs, District Clerk Billie Jo French, Counters: Town Clerk Linda Lambert and Jerry Wood and the many members of the fine town of Piermont.

Ballots were distributed to residents by the counters as they entered the meeting after confirmation of the check list.

Motion by Fred Shipman to read the entire warrant, seconded by Gary Danielson

ARTICLE 1: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Motion by Jean Daley, second by Rebecca Ladd Article 1 passed over, voice vote, all in favor.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate one million nine hundred ninety thousand four hundred thirty-nine dollars (\$1,990,439) for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district. This article is exclusive of any other article on this warrant. (The school board recommends this article).

Motion for amendment by Jennifer Collins to give teachers their steps increasing the total to \$2,005,761.00, second by Greg Collins.

Discussion heard from Fred Shipman, Abigail Metcalf-Underhill, Abby Metcalf. Amendment failed in ballot count of 42/39.

Motion for amendment by Matt Prince to increase Article 2 by 1% to give the teachers a 1% raise increasing the total to \$1,997,555.00, second by Greg Collins.

Call to question was motioned by John Metcalf.

Amendment passed in ballot count 47/35.

Motion by Helga Mueller second by Ellen Belyea

Arnold Shields moved the article, second by Jeff Underhill

Article 2 passed with the added 1% by voice vote as read with the approved second amendment.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to upgrade the fire alarm system in Piermont Village School and authorize the withdrawal of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) from the Building Capital Reserve Fund for that purpose. (The school board recommends this article.)

Fred Shipman moved the article, second by Sam Rounds. Article 3 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) to be added to the previously established Special Education Expendable Trust Fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2010. (The school board does not recommend this article.)

Moved by Arnold Shields, second by Margaret Ritchie-Cleaves.

Discussions were heard from town member Sam Rounds and school board members Abigail Metcalf-Underhill and Monica Adams-Foster

Article 4 defeated by voice vote.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) to be added to the previously established Tuition Expendable Trust Fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2010, (The school board does not recommend this article.)

Moved by Jennifer Collins, seconded by Margaret Ritchie-Cleaves. Article 5 defeated by voice vote.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the district will vote to offer choice for Piermont high school students to attend any accredited public secondary school or approved public academy as defined in RSA 194:27 instead of the current policy that limits choice based on tuition cost. And further to raise and appropriate forty-six thousand two hundred dollars (\$46,200) for the 2010-2011 school year for estimated increase in tuition costs. (The school board does not recommend this article.)

Submitted by petition.

Moved by Jennifer Collins, second by Margaret Ritchie-Cleaves.

There were lengthy discussions on this article. Discussions were heard from town members: Margaret Ritchie-Cleaves, George Smith, Rebecca Ladd, Fred Shipman, Matt Prince, Bernadette Ratel, Susan Woodward, Vicky Latona, Wanda Kievla and Hal Covert. School Board members: Abigail Metcalf-Underhill and Superintendent Bruce Labs.

Call to Question by Rebecca Ladd, second by George Smith. Article 6 failed by ballot vote 24/59

ARTICLE 7: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Arnold Shields on last discussion for article six. Stated that this is same conversation the town had 15 years ago. Arnold urged citizens to contact our senators to help change our legislation in regards to tuition caps and differentials.

Rebecca Ladd asked for a show of hand generalization to tuition out the seventh and eighth grade students.

Joan Osgood wished to express her feelings that Piermont has a marvelous school. Motion to adjourn by Fred Shipman at 9:30p.m, second by Arnold Shields. Motion passed by voice vote, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Billie Jo French
School District Clerk

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
2011 SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Piermont, County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Old Church Building in said district on the 8th day of March 2011, polls to be open for election of officers at 10:00 o'clock in the morning and to close not earlier than 6:30 o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a Moderator for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a School District Clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, one School Board Member for a term of three years expiring in 2014.

Given under our hands at Piermont this ____ day of February 2011.

A True Copy of Warrant--Attest:

Vernon Jones, Chairperson

Abigail Metcalf Underhill

Monica Adams-Foster

PIERMONT SCHOOL BOARD

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
2011 SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Piermont, County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Piermont Village School in Piermont on the 15th day of March 2011, action on the Articles in this Warrant to be taken commencing at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate two million one hundred seventy thousand nine hundred eighty-two dollars (\$2,170,982.00) for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district. This article is exclusive of any other article on this warrant. (The school board recommends this article).

ARTICLE 3: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the previously established Special Education Expendable Trust Fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2011. (The school board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the previously established Tuition Expendable Trust Fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2011. (The school board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 5: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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PIERMONT SCHOOL BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I am pleased to once again have the opportunity to address the voters and taxpayers of the Town of Piermont about the educational progress taking place at Piermont Village School.

It has been a wonderful sight to watch Jonann Torsey's leadership in organizing and unifying the staff around sustained and direct instruction every day in reading and math. The staff at Piermont Village School has embraced these efforts and has worked hard to emphasize the fundamentals that lead to improvement of skills. The results show improvements have taken place these last two years but the staff would say they still have work to do.

I want to acknowledge those groups that have expressed their concern over higher taxes for the school. We are receiving less funds from the State to aid in the cost of education and it especially manifests itself in towns like Piermont that are somewhat in between the well to do and needy districts. Please be aware that as a school district we are doing all we can to contain costs and still keep the programs for our students.

With the passage of HB18 the law was changed in the State of New Hampshire this year requiring students to attend school until the age of 18 instead of 16. Because of this change the drop out rate across the state should continue to improve. We know, however, that we must continue to keep students engaged with safe schools and excellent teaching.

In 2010 each school district received stimulus funds to help continue to carry on our work in the face of difficult economic times. For the most part, we have used these funds to purchase long term equipment as we knew we would not be able to rely on this money over a long period of time. Many of the school districts in the state are expressing concern for funding long term due to lack of revenue in the form of adequacy money sent to us by the state. We continue to take a very conservative approach as we are unsure of the long term shift that is taking place in Concord and in Washington.

I must tell you I continue to be impressed with the staff in each of our schools in SAU #23. Each and every one of them go out of their way to do whatever it takes to assist our students to do the best they can do and stay engaged in learning.

I urge you to visit our website, www.sau23.org; it contains a lot of information about our schools and the work going on there.

I want to once again thank the voters and taxpayers for their continued support of the students, staff and administration. We will continue to work hard to earn and keep your trust and support and I can assure you we will never take it for granted.

It continues to be a privilege and an honor to serve you. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce C. Labs
Superintendent of Schools

ANNUAL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I am pleased to submit the 2010 annual Piermont Village School report to you, the Piermont community.

We currently have 67 students in grades K-8 at PVS. Inspired by an unusually small Kindergarten class of three students this fall, we added a pre-Kindergarten program 3 days a week. There are 5 students participating in our pre-Kindergarten program. Sixth grade student Tucker Trapp and fifth grade student Renee Jones won the 2009-2010 Geography and Spelling Bees respectively. The annual all-school play, *The Emperor's New Clothes*, was produced with the expert help of a theater group in residence. We extended play week to include a Saturday rehearsal and performance this year. The year culminated as ten students graduated from the 8th grade in June: Alexis Abare, Zachary Brick, Jacqueline Chubbuck, Dylan Gaudette, William Hynes, Helen Mae Metcalf, John Michael Murphy, Michael Parker, Joshua Pollner, and Jonathan Ratel. These students joined other Piermont Village School graduates at area high schools, bringing our current high school and vocational program enrollment to 37.6.

Continuous improvement of individual student achievement is our main focus at Piermont Village School. Our teachers concentrate on bringing swift intervention to all readers in general and to early readers in Kindergarten through Grade 3 in specific. Struggling readers need *more* instruction in *smaller groups* in order to realize catch up growth; we are utilizing our Reading Specialist, Teachers, and Instructional Assistants to achieve early intervention instruction. Likewise, proficiency in math and writing skills are also at the center of our attention. As a school we performed below the state average in reading and ahead of the state average in mathematics according to Fall 2009 NECAP testing. PVS students demonstrated the following proficiency levels: 68% for reading and 82% for math. The state averages were 77%, 66%. While we continue to be challenged by the catch-up reading growth of our oldest students, students in grades 3-6 demonstrated 81% proficiency in reading. We will continue to strive to increase individual student achievement using standardized test data to inform instruction.

Piermont Village School appreciates community support toward the goal of retaining our excellent and experienced staff. While we retained 100% of our full-time teaching staff, we did hire Samantha Prindiville to teach music and the school board approved increasing her time to accommodate adding instrumental and advanced chorus programs. We also replaced our School Nurse and three Instructional Assistants this year, hiring Judy Kertis, Jessica Piccone, Melody Emerson, and Shari Tkac.

During this past summer (2010) the School Board approved the following facility improvements: 6' folding accordion dividing wall for the lobby to provide privacy for tutorial/small group instruction; replaced gym door; built cricket roof over Kindergarten side door; hanging pads for walls of the gym; and, replacement tops and benches for 10 benches in Community Room. Further, the Town of Piermont voted to raise and appropriate fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to upgrade the fire alarm system. While the bidding and approval process were slow at the start, it is possible this upgrade will be completed prior to the School District Meeting in March.

Piermont boasts an active Parent Teacher Organization representing approximately 30% of our families. This group produces an annual community calendar and sponsors many community based activities such as a Halloween Party, Holiday Craft Fair, and concession stands at sports games. Piermont's support for the school and thriving spirit of volunteerism is clearly evident during our evening programs including our November Open House, Winter Concert, Science Fair, Spring Musicals, and Eighth Grade Graduation; our community fills our gym to standing room only several times each year.

Back To School Night, Whole School Hike, Pumpkin Carving for the Metcalf Farm Pumpkin Lighting, Halloween Party, Veteran's Day Assembly & Luncheon, Honor Roll Breakfast, monthly birthday celebrations, Holiday Food Drive, Concert and Stations Day, whole-school play, DC Trip, etc., contribute to the sense of community and expectation of rituals that excite and inspire all members of our school. Continuing to set a strong example of service and leadership across all grades, Student Council has raised funds to support playground improvements, collected and distributed food for the Food Pantry, and decorated the school for the holidays already this year. Our staff members creatively and expertly organize and elicit support for these traditions; their tremendous experience is our priceless endowment.

On behalf of the 7th and 8th graders, thank you for supporting the Washington, D.C. fundraising activities in preparation for the 13th trip (1987-2011). Our trip goes commemorated Arlington National Cemetery and The Tomb of the Unknowns with their float in this year's Memorial Day Parade. Students will participate in the Wreath Ceremony at The Tomb of the Unknowns on April 12, 2011. These students and their families are eagerly anticipating their Washington adventure in April. Thank you for serving and supporting your community school; your constant involvement in the daily life of our school makes our Piermont Village School exceptional.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonann M. Torsey, Principal

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

HONOR ROLL THIRD TRIMESTER 2009-2010

Grade Five

Renee Jones*
Adam Nelson*
Christopher Nelson
Lydia Whitaker*

Grade Six

Etta Covert*
Telrizeon French*
Noah Gaudette*
Chase Miller*
Eve Monaghan*
Tucker Trapp*

Grade Seven

Jenna Bingham
Reilly Davis
Trevor Garvin
Danny Jones*
Amber Koch*
Kathleen Metcalf*
Emily Neves*
Andrew Paton*
Darby Sherbert
Matthew Thomson

Grade Eight

Dylan Gaudette*
Helen Mae Metcalf*
Michael Parker*
Jonny Ratel*

*Indicates students who were on the honor roll all three marking periods.

In order to be named to the honor roll a student must be in grades five through eight and receive A's and B's in all subject areas, social adjustment and work habits.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATING SENIORS 2009-2010

Alexander Kivela – Plymouth State University
Kris Klunder – University of Alaska
Shannon Page – University of NH
Zachery Smith – Plymouth State University
Myrrhanda Wentworth – Lee-McRay College, NC

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STUDENTS TUITIONED TO OTHER DISTRICTS
2009-2010**

Hartford	1	2%
Haverhill Cooperative	9	21%
Oxbow*	13	31%
King Street School	1	2%
Rivendell	7	17%
St. Johnsbury Academy	7	17%
Thetford Academy	2	6%
Becket School	1	2%
Lebanon	1	2%
TOTAL TUITION STUDENTS	42	100%

* Have students attending River Bend Tech

**SUPERINTENDENT'S ENROLLMENT REPORT
2009-2010**

October 1, 2009 Enrollment	69
Average Daily Membership	69.39
Percentage of Daily Attendance	95.9%

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
	7	8	8	7	7	5	9	9	9	69

**PIERMONT VILLAGE SCHOOL
TEACHER QUALITY REPORT
2009-2010**

Education Level of Faculty and Administration
(In Full Time Equivalents)

	BA	BA+15	MA	MA+15	MA+30
TEACHERS	2.6	1	4	1	1
ADMINISTRATION	0	0	0	0	1

Number of Teachers with Emergency/Provisional Certification - 0
Number of Core Academic Courses Not Taught By Highly Qualified Teachers - 0

PARENTS RIGHT TO KNOW

As a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or legal guardian,
you have the right to know:

1. Who is teaching your child
2. The qualifications and experience of your child's teacher(s)

For information concerning your child's teacher(s),
please contact the Superintendent's Office at:

SAU #23
2975 Dartmouth College Highway
North Haverhill, NH 03774
603-787-2113

A copy of the Piermont Village School Title One Report Card
is available at the school.

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET 6/30/09**

Fund 10 Fund 21 Fund 22 Fund 70
GENERAL FUND FOOD SERVICE SPECIAL REVENUE TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

Current Assets

CASH	100	61,439.80			
INVESTMENTS	110				315,606.90
INTERFUND RECEIVABLE	130	4,745.07			
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RECEIVABLE	140	4,212.77	1,849.37	2,938.14	
OTHER RECEIVABLES	150	5,194.16			
PREPAID EXPENSES	180	224.50			
Total Current Assets		<u>75,816.30</u>	<u>1,849.37</u>	<u>2,938.14</u>	<u>315,606.90</u>

LIABILITY & FUND EQUITY

Current Liabilities

INTERFUND PAYABLES	400		1,806.93	2,938.14	
OTHER PAYABLES	420	17,340.63	42.44		
ACCRUED EXPENSES	460	1,936.80			
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	470	308.25			
DEFERRED REVENUES	480				
Total Current Liabilities		<u>19,585.68</u>	<u>1,849.37</u>	<u>2,938.14</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Fund Equity

RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES	753	5,006.60			
RESERVED FOR SPECIAL PURPOSE	760				
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE	770	51,224.02			315,606.90
Total Fund Equity		<u>56,230.62</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>315,606.90</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity		<u>75,816.30</u>	<u>1,849.37</u>	<u>2,938.14</u>	<u>315,606.90</u>

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOND PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

Fiscal Year Ending	Principal	Interest	Total
2010	40,000	5,400	45,400
2011	40,000	2,700	42,700
TOTALS	80,000	8,100	88,100

**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
For The Fiscal Year July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010**

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 2009	\$ 33,572.86
Plus Receipts	2,059,033.20
Less School Board Orders	<u>-2,031,266.26</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 2010	\$ 613,339.80

**TOWN OF PIERMONT SCHOLARSHIP FUND
July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010**

Balance – June 30, 2009	\$9,564.50
Interest from Money Market	0.18
Income from Mutual Funds	473.65
Checks Issued	(596.81)
 Balance – June 30, 2010	 \$ 10,524.09

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
CAPITAL RESERVE AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010**

Fund Name	Beginning Value	Dividends/ Interest	Withdrawals/ Deposits	Ending Value
Building CRF	\$ 95,655.95	\$ 68.83	\$ 0.00	\$ 95,724.78
Building Emergency Repairs ETF	31,334.96	22.52	0.00	31,357.48
Special Education Emerg. ETF	38,166.51	36.69	15,000.00	53,203.20
Technology ETF	10,412.54	8.46	(3,390.00)	7,031.00
Technology ETF	7,031.00	0	5,000.00	12,031.00
Tuition ETF	43,896.27	35.26	6,000.00	49931.53

**TOWN OF PIERMONT SCHOOL ENRICHMENT FUND
July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010**

Portfolio Name	Beginning Value	Dividends	Capital Gains	Withdrawals	Advisory Fees	Ending Value
	\$71,950.18	\$921.74	\$153.08	(\$9,531.01)	(\$171.34)	Transfer
Stifel Nicolaus Managed Portfolio	\$75,669.63	\$524.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$303.61)	\$73,358.91
Total	\$71,950.18	\$1,446.24	\$153.08	(\$9,531.01)	(474.95)	\$73,358.91

Audit Report

The Piermont School District has been audited by the Plodzick & Sanderson Professional Association. Copies of the audit are available for public review at the Superintendent's Office at the James R. Morrill Municipal Building, North Haverhill, NH.

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT REVENUES

	2010-2011	2011-2012	
	<u>REVISED</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>+/-</u>
GENERAL FUND			
770 Fund Balance (to reduce taxes)	51,224	20,000	(31,224)
<u>Revenue From Local Sources</u>			
1111 Current Appropriation	1,134,467	1,279,805	145,338
1320 Tuition from Other LEA's			-
1510 Interest on Investments	400	400	-
1980 Refund from prior year	-		-
1990 Miscellaneous	1,400	1,400	-
5251 Transfer from Capital Reserve (for)	15,000		(15,000)
5252 Transfer from Trust funds	2,961	54,528	51,567
<u>Revenues From State Sources</u>			
3111 State Adequacy Grant *	389,186	395,459	6,273
3112 State Adequacy Tax	234,623	234,623	-
3210 School Building Aid	12,000	-	(12,000)
3230 Catastrophic Aid	30,514	34,410	3,896
3241 Vocational Tuition	34,984	22,406	(12,578)
		5 STUDENTS	
<u>Revenues From Federal Sources</u>			
4580 Medicaid	26,000	13,000	(13,000)
NEW EDUCATION JOBS FUNDING		13,466	13,466
4810 National Forest Reserve	1,552	1,552	-
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES	1,883,087	2,051,049	167,962
GRANTS			
4500	35,486	56,360	20,874
TOTAL GRANTS	35,486	56,360	20,874
FOOD SERVICE			
1610 Food Service Sales	10,000	10,000	-
3260 State Reimbursement	350	350	-
4560 Federal Reimbursement	9,200	11,000	1,800
5221 Transfer from General Fund*	23,208	22,223	(985)
TOTAL FOOD SERVICE	42,758	43,573	815
	2,012,555	2,012,555	-
Transfer to Trusts			-
TOTAL BUDGET	2,012,555	2,170,982	158,427

SCHOOL TAX RATE PER \$1,000

	ACTUAL	ESTIMATED		CURRENT
	<u>2010 - 2011</u>	<u>2011-2012</u>	<u>+/-</u>	<u>VALUATION</u>
Local Education Tax	12.20	13.76	1.56	92,995 = \$1.00
State Education Tax	2.55	2.55	-	91,978 = \$1.00
TOTAL SCHOOL TAX RATE	14.75	16.31	1.56	per \$1,000
change from prior year	(0.99)	1.56		
CHANGE OVER TWO YEARS		0.57		

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY

		2009-2010	APPROVED 2010-11	PROPOSED 2011-2012	INCREASE/ (DECREASE)
		EXPENSES	BUDGET	BUDGET	
GENERAL FUND					
110	PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	455,846	464,709	462,709	(2,000)
111	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	1,478	1,422	1,423	1
112	SUPPORT STAFF SALARIES	128,551	133,731	120,534	(13,197)
113	SUMMER SCHOOL SALARIES	4,332	6,432	6,432	-
120	TEMPORARY SALARIES	11,779	5,100	5,525	425
122	CO-CURRICULAR SALARIES	750	2,000	2,000	-
210	HEALTH INS	69,817	80,953	86,446	5,493
212	DENTAL INSURANCE	4,589	5,450	5,024	(426)
213	LIFE INSURANCE	293	295	255	(40)
214	DISABILITY INSURANCE	1,180	1,209	1,027	(182)
220	FICA	46,770	47,429	46,195	(1,234)
231	EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	10,016	12,366	13,499	1,133
232	PROFESSIONAL RETIREMENT	32,839	36,099	47,010	10,911
240	TEACHER TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	6,583	12,850	12,850	-
250	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	438	434	593	159
260	WORKERS COMP	3,063	3,082	2,760	(322)
310	SAU MANAGEMENT SERVICES	77,986	77,986	83,317	5,331
320	PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION SERVIC	47,189	47,949	46,374	(1,575)
330	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	46,451	49,032	56,254	7,222
411	WATER & SEWAGE	6,337	7,500	7,000	(500)
421	RUBBISH REMOVAL	1,858	2,100	2,100	-
422	SNOW REMOVAL	1,540	3,000	3,000	-
430	CONTRACTED REPAIRS/MAINT	19,301	11,750	11,750	-
432	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS	4,963	5,864	5,864	-
440	RENTALS	7,135	7,019	7,019	-
490	SECURITY	1,038	1,100	1,100	-
510	STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	52,577	66,168	50,434	(15,734)
520	PROPERTY/LIABILITY INSURANCE	3,918	3,843	3,367	(476)
531	TELEPHONE	2,236	2,600	2,600	-
532	DATA COMMUNICATIONS	1,063	2,112	1,224	(888)
534	POSTAGE	1,024	1,200	1,100	(100)
540	ADVERTISING	1,317	1,030	1,100	70
550	PRINTING	210	1,050	350	(700)
561	TUITION & SERVICES/IN-STATE	170,940	129,195	115,719	(13,476)
562	TUITION & SERVICES/OUT OF STATE	449,894	483,321	600,226	116,905
564	TUITION & SERVICES - PRIVATE	106,474	68,100	166,230	98,130
580	TRAVEL, LODGING, FOOD	259	500	500	-
610	SUPPLIES	21,842	21,130	21,170	40
622	ELECTRICITY	11,552	13,300	12,300	(1,000)
623	PROPANE	11,859	15,000	16,000	1,000
640	BOOKS	9,119	9,140	9,040	(100)
643	ON-LINE SERVICES	99	68	78	10
650	SOFTWARE	1,093	1,205	1,205	-
733	ADDITIONAL FURNITURE	801	-	-	-
734	ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT	2,754	1,000	1,000	-
738	REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	187	15,650	650	(15,000)
810	DUES/FEES	6,194	6,147	6,473	326
830	INTEREST	5,400	2,700	-	(2,700)
910	PRINCIPAL	40,000	40,000	-	(40,000)
930	FUND TRANSFERS	43,983	22,991	22,223	(768)
SUBTOTAL GENERAL FUND		1,936,917	1,934,311	2,071,049	136,738

	2009-2010 EXPENSES	APPROVED 2010-11 BUDGET	PROPOSED 2011-2012 BUDGET	INCREASE/ (DECREASE)	
FOOD SERVICE					
112	SUPPORT STAFF SALARIES	18,480	18,665	19,062	397
120	TEMPORARY SALARIES	46	650	650	-
210	HEALTH INS. STIPEND	1,300	1,300	1,300	-
213	LIFE INSURANCE	19	19	18	(1)
214	DISABILITY INSURANCE	39	40	35	(5)
220	FICA	1,517	1,578	1,608	30
231	EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	1,693	1,710	2,114	404
250	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	15	15	20	5
260	WORKERS COMP	107	106	91	(15)
430	CONTRACTED REPAIRS/MAINT.	562	1,000	1,000	-
580	TRAVEL, LODGING, FOOD	-	100	100	-
610	SUPPLIES	959	1,300	1,300	-
630	FOOD FOR LUNCH PROGRAM	15,302	15,225	15,225	-
738	REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	-	1,000	1,000	-
810	DUES/FEES	133	50	50	-
SUBTOTAL FOOD SERVICE		40,172	42,758	43,573	815
GRANTS		65,122	35,486	56,360	20,874
TOTAL BUDGET		2,042,211	2,012,555	2,170,982	158,427
WARRANT ARTICLES FOR TRANSFERS TO TRUST FUNDS ONLY IF THERE IS ENOUGH FUND BALANCE:					
3	Special Education Fund		-	25,000	
4	Tuition Expendable Trust Fund		-	25,000	
TOTAL BUDGET AND WARRANT ARTICLES		2,042,211	2,012,555	2,220,982	208,427

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS
PREVIOUS TWO FISCAL YEARS PER RSA 32:11-a**

		<u>2008-2009</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
<u>Special Education Expenses</u>			
1200	Special Programs	280,767	350,414
1430	Summer School	2,709	15,326
2150/2159	Speech and Audiology	19,732	20,644
2162	Physical Therapy	213	2,065
2163	Occupational Therapy	6,668	10,349
2722	Special Transportation	13,500	9,321
Total Special Education Expenses		323,589	408,119
 <u>Special Education Revenue</u>			
1322	Special Education tuition	-	-
3110	Special Ed. portion Adequacy funds	39,358	24,852
3240	Catastrophic Aid	4,430	8,085
4580	Medicaid	33,004	26,646
Total Special Education Revenue		76,792	59,583
 NET COST TO TAXPAYERS		 246,797	 348,536
 IDEA Entitlement Grant Funds received and spent through SAU 23			
Part A - Preschool		523	523
Part B - Special Education		20,065	21,525

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT'S
SALARY**

One half of the School Administrative Unit expenses are prorated among the school districts on the basis of adjusted valuation. One-half is prorated on the basis of average daily membership in the schools for the previous school year ending June 30. The Superintendent of SAU #23, during the 2010-2011 school year, will receive a salary of \$98,262. There is no Assistant Superintendent or Business Administrator position at SAU #23 at this time.

The table below shows the pro-ration of the salary to each school district:

Superintendent Salary		
Bath	\$11,506	11.71%
Benton	\$1,906	1.94%
Haverhill Cooperative	\$63,654	64.78%
Piermont	\$10,789	10.98%
Warren	\$10,406	10.59%
TOTAL	\$98,262	100%

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #23 APPROVED BUDGET - SUMMARY

<u>DEPARTMENT NUMBER / DESCRIPTION</u>	2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012	<u>INCREASE/ (DECREASE)</u>
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	
1100 ITINERANT TEACHERS	166,320	177,512	11,192
1230 FRENCH POND PROGRAM	216,246	222,585	6,339
1231 KING STREET PROGRAM	188,418	199,457	11,039
1430 FRENCH POND SUMMER SCHOOL	8,434	9,762	1,328
1431 KING STREET SUMMER SCHOOL	2,544	1,301	(1,243)
2120 ITINERANT GUIDANCE	28,325	29,880	1,555
2150 SPEECH/LANGUAGE	204,111	215,292	11,181
2162 PHYSICAL THERAPY**	-	26,500	26,500
2163 OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	108,466	98,800	(9,666)
2212 CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	289	538	249
2213 STAFF DEVELOPMENT	450	450	-
2220 TECHNOLOGY SUPERVISION	85,246	51,355	(33,891)
2311 SCHOOL BOARD	6,034	6,577	543
2313 DISTRICT TREASURER	2,567	3,079	512
2317 AUDIT	5,700	5,900	200
2318 LEGAL COUNSEL	800	800	-
2321 OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	415,853	542,546	126,693
2330 SPECIAL PROGRAMS ADMIN.	167,143	175,102	7,959
2540 SAU-WIDE PUBLIC RELATIONS	1,200	1,000	(200)
2620 BUILDING & RENT	39,348	30,000	(9,348)
2640 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE & INS.	4,580	4,480	(100)
2810 RESEARCH, PLANNING, DEVELPMT	3,100	3,100	-
2820 COMPUTER NETWORK	22,180	22,452	272
2832 RECRUITMENT ADVERTISING	500	500	-
2835 STAFF PHYSICALS	150	150	-
SUBTOTAL GENERAL FUND	1,678,004	1,829,118	151,114

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SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #23 REVENUES

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>+/-</u>
	2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012	
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN ASSESSMENT			
1320 Tuition - French Pond	113,556	113,556	-
1321 Tuition - King Street School	208,186	227,112	18,926
1325 Tuition -French Pond/King St. Summer S	10,978	11,063	85
1950 Itinerants	273,334	254,797	(18,537)
1951 Speech/ Language	204,111	215,292	11,181
1951 Occupational Therapy	107,746	98,800	(8,946)
1951 Physical Therapy		26,500	26,500
1990 Other local revenue (town internet line fee	900	-	(900)
1510 Interest	5,000	2,000	(3,000)
5210 Indirect Costs from SAU IDEA Grant	6,900	-	(6,900)
Use of Fund Balance	<u>61,399</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>13,601</u>
Total Other Revenue General Fund	992,110	1,024,120	32,010
1111 DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS	685,894	804,998	119,104
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	1,678,004	1,829,118	151,114

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