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BEDFORD, N. H.
ANNUAL REPORTS

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

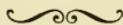


BEDFORD TOWN HALL



SCHOOL DISTRICTS REPORTS

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1976



1977

DATES TO REMEMBER 1977

- January 1** Fiscal Year Begins
- March 2** Annual School District Meeting
- March 8** Annual Town Meeting
- April 1** All property both real and personal, assessed to owner of record this date.
Ban lifted on all night parking
- April 15** Last day for property owners to file property inventory per RSA 77:14
Last day for veterans to file for tax exemption (Blue Card). Applies only to those who have not previously applied.
Last day for filing Elderly Property Exemption
Dog licenses available
- June 1** Last day to license dogs
- Nov. 1** Overnight parking prohibited
12 P.M. to 8 A.M.
- December 31** Fiscal year ends.

ANNUAL REPORT

Of the

SELECTMEN and other TOWN OFFICERS

of the

Town of Bedford New Hampshire

of TOWN AFFAIRS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1976

and SCHOOL AFFAIRS

For the Year Ending June 30, 1976

Population, Official 1971 Census	5,800
Estimated 1977 population	7,100
Valuation for Tax Rate	\$70,817,758.00

Town Tax Rate	\$ 6.40
County	2.70
School District	33.10
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	\$42.20 per thousand

Planning Board

AUBREY G. ROBINSON, JR. (ex-officio)	Term Expires 1977
RAYMOND KIESTLINGER	Term Expires 1977
JOHN R. JACOBSON	Term Expires 1978
PAUL GOLDBERG	Term Expires 1979
JOHN R. NILSON	Term Expires 1979
JOHN TANNER	Term Expires 1980
EUGENE VAN LOAN, JR.	Term Expires 1981

Board of Adjustment

CHARLES L. ABBEE	Term Expires 1977
H. RICHARD SPURWAY	Term Expires 1978
CHARLES S. WOOD (Resigned)	Term Expires 1979
DONALD FOLSOM	Term Expires 1980
ROBERT EATON	Term Expires 1981

Parks & Recreation Commissioners

ROBERT A. HEALY	Term Expires 1977
RUTH BEE	Term Expires 1978
THOMAS TARRANT	Term Expires 1979
BURTON HYMAN	Term Expires 1979
H. RICHARD SPURWAY (resigned)	
ROBERT H. BROOKS, <i>Selectman, Ex Officio Member</i>	

Sewer Commission

W. RAY WALKER (Resigned)	Term Expires 1977
PRESTON D. YERRINGTON, Jr., (Appointed)	
ALEX PATRYN	Term Expires 1978
PAUL GOLDBERG	Term Expires 1979

Town Conservation Committee

JANET LEWIS	Term Expires 1977
ROBERT RAULERSON	Term Expires 1977
CLARK GOTT	Term Expires 1978
PETER FREEDMAN	Term Expires 1978

Historic District Commission

EUGENE M. VAN LOAN, JR. <i>Planning Board</i>	Term Expires 1977
JOY RICHARDSON	Term Expires 1977
JOHN GEYER	Term Expires 1977
ANTHONY JULIANO (re-appointed)	Term Expires 1978
ROBERT VOSE (re-appointed)	Term Expires 1978
W. PAUL NELSON (re-appointed)	Term Expires 1978
ALFRED J. LAMBERT, <i>Selectman (ex-officio)</i>	

*Police Department*RICHARD D. AUDETTE, *Chief**Auditors*ROBERT WHEELER
H. RICHARD SPURWAY*Budget Committee*ROBERT H. BROOKS, *Board of Selectmen*
MARGARET COMISKY, *School Board*

CHARLES LOVELL	Term Expires 1977
ROBERT WHEELER	Term Expires 1977
ROBERT ALLAN	Term Expires 1978
FRED WIGGIN	Term Expires 1978
THOMAS RILEY	Term Expires 1979
JOHN F. BRIDGES	Term Expires 1979

Building Inspector and Health Officer

ANDRE J. COURCHESNE

*Judges of District Court*CHARLES F. MORRILL, *Justice*
JACK B. MIDDLETON, *Associate Justice**Forest Fire Warden and Fire Chief*

RALPH M. WIGGIN, JR.

Civil Defense Director

ROBERT J. BULLOCK

School Board

MARGARET COMISKY	Term Expires 1977
SUE TYRIE	Term Expires 1978
CHARLES SOLMS	Term Expires 1978
EARL LEGACY	Term Expires 1979
LYDIA McINTIRE	Term Expires 1979

*Bicentennial Commission*DAVID QUINN, MAJORIE PETERS, BARBARA QUIRK,
REV. SCOTLAND, ALFRED J. LAMBERT, (ex-officio)

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

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford in the County of Hillsborough in said State of New Hampshire; qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the eighth of March, at 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles number 1 to 10 which shall be by written ballot. Polls are to close no earlier than 6:00 P.M. Action on the remaining articles commencing with Article number 11 will be at the Town Meeting on March 15, 1977, and will be at McKelvie School at 7:30 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. To elect necessary Town officers and School District officers for the ensuing year and ensuing three years.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town is in favor of having the office of Town Clerk combined with the office of Tax Collector in accordance with NHRSA 41:45-a thereby creating a new office of Town Clerk-Tax Collector, to be held by one individual. Said office shall become effective at the next annual meeting and such individual shall serve for a term of three years. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to make it a Town Ordinance and requirement of our B.O.C.A. Building Code, that all new construction, shall require the installation of an adequate number of smoke detectors as determined by the Building Inspector.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to make it a Town Ordinance that it shall be unlawful for any persons to make deposits of refuse, whether boxed, bagged, or otherwise at the entrance to the Town Sanitary Landfill at any time. People utilizing the facilities of the Sanitary Landfill must deposit their refuse where instructed by the landfill operator. Violators of this ordinance shall be subject to a minimum of a \$50.00 fine on the first offense and \$100.00 for the second offense.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to make it a Town Ordinance to control garage and yard sales. It shall be unlawful

for any persons or business to have more than two (2) such sales annually. Sales in excess of two per year will require such licensing by the Board of Selectmen with a minimum fee of \$5.00, not to exceed \$50.00 for Commercial entities. Violators of this Ordinance are subject to a fine of no less than \$25.00 with a maximum of \$100. per offense.

The following Articles are prepared in accordance with RSA 31:63a. 1975, 11:2 and were voted by the Bedford Planning Board at their meeting on February 7, 1977.

ARTICLE 6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

- A. Provide for $\frac{1}{2}$ acre minimum lots, 120 feet frontage, and permit hospitals, sanitoriums, and nursing homes on 5 acre lots in the following area:

Beginning at Rundlett Hill Road and the Goffstown line, south along Rundlett Hill Road to Old Bedford Road, westerly along Old Bedford Road to Route 114, southerly along Route 114 to Route 101 and Boynton Street, southeast along Route 101 to the intersection of a straight line projection of Whittemore Street, north along the projection of Whittemore Street approximately 650 feet to the north boundary of Lot #8 on Map 12 of the Bedford Tax Maps dated February 27, 1976, east along the north boundary of Lot 8 on Map 12 approximately 960 feet to a jog, south approximately 110 feet, then east again 300 feet, then south 400 feet, easterly 900 feet, then north 305 feet to the north line of Lot 8 Map 12 again, said line being parallel to and 1000 feet west of the westerly edge of Route 3. Then north along the line parallel to and 1000 feet west of Route 3 approximately 750 feet to the existing commercial zone, thence west 600 feet and north 940 feet to the Manchester line (around the existing commercial zone), thence west, north and west along the Manchester line to the point of beginning.

- B. Provide for 3 acre minimum lots and lot frontages of 250 feet in the following areas:

- a. The area bounded as follow:

Beginning at Route 114 and the Goffstown line, southerly along Route 114 to New Boston Road, westerly along New Boston Road to Wallace Road, southerly along Wallace Road to N. Amherst Road, westerly along N. Amherst Road

to the Bedford/Amherst Town line, north and east along the Town line to the point of beginning.

b. The area bounded as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the Merrimack/Bedford Town line and Liberty Hill Road, north along Liberty Hill Road to the proposed Highland Drive, westerly along the line between Lots 36, 37, Map 27, and Lots 19, 35-12, 35-16, 35-10, 34, 33, 31, 30, 35-13, Map 26 of the Bedford Tax Maps dated February 27, 1976, to Nashua Road, southerly along Nashua Road, to Wiggin Road, west along Wiggin Road to the power line, north along the power line to Route 101, west on Route 101 to the Amherst/Bedford Town line, then south and east along the Town line to the point of beginning. This area is exclusive of existing commercial areas along Route 101.

ARTICLE 7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Change the classification of approximately 60 acres of land behind J. M. Fields and bounded by Route 101, the extension of Whittemore Street, Kilton Road and a line 1500 feet north of Kilton Road, and a line 1000 feet west of Route 3 (the land being the major portion of Lot 8 on Map 12 of the Bedford Tax Map dated February 27, 1976) to Apartment Residential.

ARTICLE 8. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Change the land on both sides of Route 3 (South River Road) between the existing commercial districts from Residential Agricultural to Limited Commercial. The easterly boundary is to be the F. E. Everett Turnpike and the westerly boundary is to be a line parallel to and 1000 feet west of the westerly edge of Route 3.

ARTICLE 9. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add approximately 9300 sq. ft. to the Mobil Station lot on Route 101. This land would be changed from Residential Agricultural to Highway Commercial.

ARTICLE 10. NON BINDING. Would you be in favor of having a five-acre zone in the northwest corner of Town generally west of Joppa Hill Road at some future date?

VOTING ON PRECEDING ARTICLES SHALL BE BY WRITTEN BALLOT. POLLS ARE TO OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND ARE NOT TO CLOSE EARLIER THAN 6:00 P.M.

ACTION ON THE REMAINING ARTICLES WILL BE AT THE McKELVIE SCHOOL ON MARCH 15, 1977 AT 7:30 P.M.

ARTICLE 11. Are you in favor to have the Town of Bedford take the necessary steps to initiate an effective spraying program in the Town in order to alleviate the excessive mosquito population. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set-offs against budgeted appropriations for the following priority purposes and in amounts indicated or take any other action hereon:

Appropriation	Amount
Bulldozer Repairs	\$13,500.00
Garage Addition	23,000.00
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	\$36,500.00

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to expend \$33,000.00, as final payment for the new fire rescue pumper that was authorized at the March 1976 Town Meeting, \$5,000.00 to be withdrawn from Capital Reserve Fund and the balance of \$28,000.00 on a 5 year note.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes if needed, and to raise and appropriate a sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00) for the payment of interest on such borrowing.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to expend a sum, not to exceed \$23,000.00 for the addition to the Town Highway Garage, to provide shelter for Town Equipment.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 23,625.00
Town Officers' Expenses	31,451.00
Election and Registration	2,270.00
Assessing	2,000.00
Expenses of Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	28,131.00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	23,500.00
Town Clock	100.00
Police Department	193,300.00
Fire Department	63,820.00
Board of Adjustment	475.00
Insurance	48,008.00
Planning & Zoning	2,750.00
Damages & Legal Expense	8,500.00
Civil Defense	1000.00
Health Department & Building Inspector	17,175.00
Vital Statistics	200.00
Sewer Commission	250.00
Landfill	37,632.00
Town Maintenance - Summer & Winter	176,668.00
Street Lighting	6,800.00
Resurfacing & Rebuilding	53,000.00
Town Road Aid	2,116.59
Libraries	38,061.00
Town Poor	10,000.00
Old Age Assistance	8,000.00
Aid to Permanently & Totally Disable	1,000.00
Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day)	130.00
Recreation	19,275.00
Hydrant Rental	6,308.00
Cemeteries	14,000.00
Conservation Commission	200.00
So. N. H. Planning Commission	2,418.50
Principal & Long Term Notes & Bonds	19,000.00
Interest - Long Term Notes & Bonds	4,482.50
Interest on Temporary Loans	8,500.00
Highway Subsidy	39,135.00
Tax Map	1,500.00
Office Equipment	200.00
Special Article (fire truck)	33,000.00
Special Article (highway garage addition)	23,000.00

Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	25,000.00
(Fire Dept. - \$5,000; Trucks - \$4,000; Loader - \$5,000 Grader - \$5,000; Bulldozer - \$6,000)	
Police Dept. - Special Duty	35,000.00
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	\$1,010,981.59

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to close subject to gates and and bars, Pulpit Road to Old Mill Road and including Old Mill Road in accordance with NHRSA 238:2 as amended. Commencing at the Northerly boundary of the properties owned by John B. and Shirley Longval to the New Boston Town Line and including Old Mill Road in its entirety.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to close subject to gates and bars so called Chubbuck Road just South of the entrance to the Sanitary Landfill to Campbell Road.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to close subject to gates and bars, Pulpit Road to Old Mill Road and including Hill Road.

Given under our hands and seal, this 2nd day of February in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Seven.

ALFRED J. LAMBERT, *Chairman*
ROBERT H. BROOKS
AUBREY G. ROBINSON, Jr.
Selectmen of Bedford, N.H.

A true Copy of Warrant Attest:

ALFRED J. LAMBERT, *Chairman*
ROBERT H. BROOKS
AUBREY G. ROBINSON, Jr.
Selectmen of Bedford, N.H.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	BUDGET COMMITTEE		
	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Recom- mended 1977 (1977-78)	Submitted Without Recom- mendation.
<i>General Government:</i>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 20,300.00	\$ 23,625.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	30,016.00	31,451.00	
Election & Registration Expenses	7,500.00	2,270.00	
Assessing	5,500.00	2,000.00	
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	26,063.00	28,131.00	
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	21,500.00	23,500.00	
Bicentennial	1,000.00		
Town Clock	100.00	100.00	
<i>Protection of Persons & Property:</i>			
Police Department	181,150.00	193,300.00	
Fire Department	46,650.00	63,820.00	
Board of Adjustment	450.00	475.00	
Insurance	32,198.00	48,008.00	
Planning & Zoning	3,000.00	2,750.00	
Damages & Legal Expense	7,000.00	8,500.00	
Civil Defense	750.00	1,000.00	
<i>Health Department:</i>			
Building Inspector	11,409.00	17,175.00	
Vital Statistics	200.00	200.00	
Sewer Commission	250.00	250.00	
Landfill	24,845.00	37,632.00	
<i>Highways and Bridges:</i>			
Town Maintenance - Summer & Winter	167,698.00	176,668.00	
Street Lighting	6,500.00	6,800.00	
General Expenses of Highway Department			
— Resurfacing	53,000.00	53,000.00	
Town Road Aid	1,871.82	2,116.59	
<i>Libraries:</i>	32,393.00	38,061.00	
<i>Public Welfare:</i>			
Town Poor	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Old Age Assistance	9,000.00	8,000.00	
Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled	1,000.00	1,000.00	
<i>Patriotic Purposes:</i> (Memorial Day, Etc.)	125.00	130.00	
<i>Recreation:</i>	14,000.00	19,275.00	
<i>Public Service Enterprises:</i>			
Municipal Water—Electric Utilities	3,600.00	6,308.00	
Cemeteries	9,200.00	14,000.00	
Conservation Commission	250.00	200.00	
Advertising & Regional Associations			
So. N. H. Planning	2,050.65	2,418.50	
<i>Debt Service:</i>			
Principal & Long Term Notes & Bonds	23,000.00	19,000.00	
Interest — Long Term Notes & Bonds	805.00	4,482.50	
Interest on Temporary Loans	8,500.00	8,500.00	
<i>Capital Outlay (List Below):</i>			
Highway Subsidy	37,678.08	39,135.00	
Tax Map	5,000.00	1,500.00	
Office Equipment	2,400.00	200.00	
Special Article (fire truck)		33,000.00	
Special Article (Highway Garage Addition)		23,000.00	
Highway Equipment	30,000.00		
Revaluation	65,000.00		
<i>Payment to Capital Reserve Funds:</i>			
Fire—\$5,000, Dozer—\$6,000,			
Loader—\$5,000	25,000.00	25,000.00	
Grader—\$5,000, Trucks—\$4,000			
Police Department (Special Duty)		35,000.00	
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$927,952.55	\$1,010,981.59	

BEDFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Fiscal Year 1977 (1977-78)
<i>From State:</i>			
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 53,090.61	\$ 54,000.00
Police Grant		1,159.00	
Savings Bank Tax	13,000.00	15,438.08	16,000.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	42,000.00	46,018.84	47,000.00
Parks & Rec. (fees)		3,346.00	6,000.00
Highway Subsidy (CL IV & V)	37,678.08	37,678.08	39,135.00
Reimbursement Forest Fires		667.00	
Reimbursement Gas Tax	3,200.00	4,041.00	3,500.00
Reim. A/C Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	32,000.00	32,000.00	33,594.00
Sewer Grant		25,400.00	
Recovery Town Poor		5,741.69	
Police Rec. (Spec. Duty)			35,000.00
Dog Licenses	2,200.00	1,980.00	2,000.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees & Health	10,000.00	6,691.00	7,000.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	118,000.00	172,881.50	150,000.00
Interest on Taxes	5,000.00	9,441.15	5,000.00
Income from Trust Funds Cemetery	2,000.00	2,310.00	2,400.00
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds	31,000.00	32,080.50	9,000.00
Town History	200.00	328.00	200.00
Fines & Forfeits —			
Municipal & District Court	5,500.00	8,680.00	8,500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	250.00	368.25	300.00
Resident Taxes Retained	40,000.00	46,830.00	48,000.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed		691.00	300.00
Rent of Town Property	600.00	980.00	600.00
Sale of Town Property — Cruisers	800.00	1,200.00	800.00
Income from Departments			
Police, Hwy. & Town Off.	2,000.00	6,575.00	5,000.00
Interest on General Funds	20,000.00	15,706.46	15,000.00
Bldg. Permits		13,145.40	13,000.00
Planning Board	750.00	1,348.98	1,000.00
Bond & Note Issues (Contra)			
Highway Garage	30,000.00	30,000.00	23,000.00
Revaluation	65,000.00	65,000.00	
E. P. A. Grant		112,800.00	
<i>From Federal Sources:</i>			
Revenue Sharing	30,000.00	31,319.00	36,226.00
BOR Parks & Recreation		42,271.83	63,676.00
Parks & Rec. Donations		10,980.00	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$539,178.08	\$838,188.37	\$625,231.00

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land Valuation	\$12,631,873.00
Buildings	56,434,893.00
Trailers (20)	99,307.00
Boats (41)	40,325.00
Manchester Gas Co.	36,800.00
Public Service Co.	1,737,110.00
Bedford Water Works (Devco) (Private Company)	30,210.00
Total Valuation (Gross)	71,010,518.00
Less: Exemption, Elderly & Blind	<u>192,760.00</u>
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed	<u>70,817,758.00</u>

Resident Taxes: 4360 at \$10.00 \$43,600.00

Number of Inventories Distributed 2,457

Number of Inventories Returned 1,865

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
AND TAXES ASSESSED**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 20,300.00
Town Officers' Expenses	30,016.00
Election & Registration	7,500.00
Assessing	5,500.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	26,063.00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	21,500.00
Bi-Centennial	1,000.00
Town Clock	50.00
Police Department	181,150.00
Fire Department	46,650.00
Brd. of Adjustment	450.00
Insurance	32,198.00
Planning & Zoning	3,000.00
Damages & Legal Expense	7,000.00
Civil Defense	750.00
Bldg. Inspector & Health Dept.	11,409.00
Vital Statistics	200.00
Sewer Commission	250.00
Landfill	24,845.00
Highway Maintenance	167,698.00
Street Lighting	6,500.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	
Resurfacing & Rebuilding	53,000.00
Town Road Aid	1,871.82
Libraries	32,393.00
Town Poor	10,000.00
Old Age Assistance	9,000.00
Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled	1,000.00
Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day, etc.)	125.00
Recreation (Parks, Playground, etc.)	14,000.00
Hydrant Rental	3,600.00
Cemeteries	9,200.00
Conservation Commission	250.00
So. N. H. Planning Commission	2,050.65
Principal & Long Term Notes & Bonds	23,000.00
Interest - Long Term Notes & Bonds	805.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	8,500.00
Capital Outlay	
Highway Subsidy	37,678.08
Tax Map	5,000.00
Office Equipment	2,400.00
Revaluation	65,000.00

Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	25,000.00	
TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$897,902.55</u>	
Less Estimated Revenues and Credits		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 53,090.00	
Gas Tax Refund	3,200.00	
Savings Bank Tax	15,438.00	
Meals and Rooms Tax	46,018.00	
State Aid for Water Pollution Projects	1,270.00	
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	576.00	
Interest Received on Taxes	11,904.00	
Interest Received on Deposits	15,395.00	
Business Licenses,		
Permits and Filing Fees	20,500.00	
Dog Licenses	2,200.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	150,000.00	
Rent of Town Property & Equipment	4,586.00	
Income from Trust Funds - Cemetery	2,000.00	
Town Poor Refund	3,960.00	
Fines & Forfeits - Municipal Court	5,500.00	
Police Grant	1,059.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	250.00	
Resident Taxes	43,600.00	
Revenue Sharing	30,000.00	
Proceeds of Bonds & Long Term Notes	65,000.00	
Highway Subsidy	37,678.00	
	<u>513,224.00</u>	\$513,224.00
Net Town Appropriations		384,678.55
Net School Appropriations		2,484,230.82
County Tax Assessment		197,695.93
Total of Town, School & County		3,066,605.30
Deduct: Reimb. a/c Property exempted 1970		
Spec. Session		182,369.00
		<u>2,884,236.30</u>
Add: War Service Tax Credits		42,300.00
Overlay		61,973.00
		<u>\$2,988,509.39</u>
Property Taxes to be raised		\$2,988,509.39
Taxes to be committed to Collector		
Gross property taxes	\$2,990,191.85	
Less War Service Credits	42,300.00	
	<u>2,947,891.85</u>	
Total Tax Commitment		\$2,946,209.39

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1976

TOWN OF BEDFORD, N. H.

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TITLE OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdrafts
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 20,300.00	\$ 4,239.50	\$ 24,539.50	\$ 22,379.00	\$ 2,160.50	
Town Officers' Expenses	30,016.00	24.50	30,040.50	28,679.56	1,360.94	
Election & Registration	7,500.00	124.50	7,624.50	7,478.59	145.91	
Reappraisal of Property	5,500.00		5,500.00	5,467.60	32.40	
Expenses — Town Hall & Town Bldgs.	26,063.00	980.00	27,043.00	26,840.22	202.78	
Building Inspector — Health Dept.	11,409.00		11,409.00	11,754.43	(345.43)	
Employees Retirement & Social Security ..	21,500.00	13,760.40	35,260.40	31,500.00	3,760.40	
Police Department	181,150.00	6,550.31	187,700.31	181,348.95	6,352.06	
Fire Department	46,950.00	1,001.04	47,951.04	45,649.50	2,301.54	
Board of Adjustment	450.00	256.00	706.00	465.18	240.82	
Insurance	32,198.00	1,268.10	33,466.10	36,264.84	(2,798.74)	
Planning & Zoning	3,000.00	1,348.98	4,348.98	2,150.46	2,198.52	
Damages & Legal Expenses	7,000.00		7,000.00	8,196.92	(1,196.92)	
Civil Defense	750.00	102.50	852.50	750.00	102.50	
Town Clock	100.00		100.00	100.00		
Vital Statistics	200.00		200.00	204.50	(4.50)	
Town Landfill	24,845.00	383.95	25,228.95	23,441.30	1,787.65	
Street Lighting	6,500.00		6,500.00	6,537.75	(37.75)	
Highway Department	167,698.00	3,108.12	170,806.12	155,080.37	15,725.75	
Resurfacing	53,000.00		53,000.00	46,850.61	6,149.39	
Town Road Aid	1,871.82		1,871.82	1,871.82		
Library	32,393.00		32,393.00	32,393.00		
Town Welfare	10,000.00	5,741.69	15,741.69	15,538.34	203.35	
Old Age Assistance	9,000.00	47.84	9,047.84	9,047.84	1,702.70	
Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled ..	1,000.00		1,000.00	7,345.14	(6,345.14)	
Memorial Day	125.00		125.00	129.00	4.00	
Recreation	14,000.00		14,000.00	12,482.94	1,517.06	
Water Hydrants	3,600.00		3,600.00	3,600.00		
Bi-Centennial Committee	1,000.00		1,000.00	741.99	258.01	
Cemeteries	9,200.00		9,200.00	11,600.15	(2,400.15)	
Conservation Commission	250.00	80.00	330.00	121.13	208.87	
So. N. H. Planning Association	2,050.65		2,050.65	2,050.65		
Principal Long Term Loans	23,000.00		23,000.00	29,000.00	(6,000.00)	
Interest Long Term Loans	805.00		805.00	1,525.00	(719.99)	
Interest Temporary Loans	8,500.00		8,500.00	7,994.84	505.16	
Highway Subsidy	37,678.08		37,678.08	37,678.08		
Tax Map	5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00		
Capital Reserve	25,000.00		25,000.00	25,000.00		
Highway Equipment	30,000.00		30,000.00	30,000.00		
Revaluation	65,000.00		65,000.00	6,780.00	58,220.00	
	\$925,302.55	\$41,422.15	\$966,724.70	\$861,720.16	\$115,816.45	\$10,811.91

BALANCE SHEET*Assets*

Cash	
In hands of Treasurer, December 31, 1976	\$1,040,045.07
Bonds or Long Term notes - Authorized - Unissued	
Sewer	21,800.00
Capital Reserve Funds	
Conservation a/c	2,063.92
Loader	28,319.22
Fire Truck	2,774.93
Truck	440.60
Grader	28,347.44
Bulldozer	6,730.10
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	90,476.21
Accounts due to the Town:	
Due from the State:	
Gasoline tax	747.00
B.O.R. Bedford Memorial Park	70,646.50
Sewer Refund	1,838.00
E.P.A. Sewer Grant	26,130.59
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	99,362.09
Unredeemed Taxes (from tax sale on account)	
Levy of 1975	22,938.11
Levy of 1974	5,307.41
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	28,245.52
Uncollected Taxes	
Levy of 1976, including Resident Taxes	306,412.22
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,586,341.11
Current Surplus, December 31, 1975	2,157.38
Current Surplus, December 31, 1976	3,484.86
Increase of Surplus	1,327.48

Liabilities

Accounts owed by the Town:

Unexpended Balances of Special Appro.	
Pool	13,941.00
Appraisal	58,250.00
Sewer	34,840.79
Unexpended Revenue Sharing	28,420.50
Unexpended State Highway (TRA)	14,196.93

Due to State:

Yield Tax deposit	300.00
School Districts	1,364,230.82

TOTAL Accounts owed by the Town	<u>\$1,514,180.04</u>
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Capital Reserve Funds (Offsets similar Asset Account)	68,676.21
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$1,582,856.25</u>
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Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)	3,484.86
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GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$1,586,341.11</u>
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**SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS ON NOTE
PREPARATION OF REFUSE DISPOSAL AREA**

Town of Bedford, New Hampshire

\$80,000.00 — 3½%

Note Dated December 27, 1971

Interest Payable — June 15, December 15

Principal Payable — December 15

To The Amoskeag National Bank

Amount	Date	Principal Due	Interest Due	Total
\$80,000.00	* 6/15/72		\$1,306.67	\$ 1,306.67
80,000.00	*12/15/72	\$16,000.00	1,400.00	17,400.00
64,000.00	* 6/15/73		1,120.00	1,120.00
64,000.00	*12/15/73	16,000.00	1,120.00	17,120.00
48,000.00	* 6/15/74		840.00	840.00
48,000.00	*12/15/74	16,000.00	840.00	16,840.00
32,000.00	* 6/15/75		560.00	560.00
32,000.00	*12/15/75	16,000.00	560.00	16,560.00
16,000.00	* 6/15/76		280.00	280.00
16,000.00	*12/15/76	16,000.00	280.00	16,280.00
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		\$80,000.00	\$8,306.67	\$88,306.67

*Notes have been Retired

**SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS ON NOTE
WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT STUDY**

Town of Bedford, New Hampshire

\$10,000.00 — 3½%

Note Dated December 27, 1971

Interest Payable — June 15, December 15

Principal Payable — December 15

To The Amoskeag National Bank

Amount	Date	Principal Due	Interest Due	Total
\$10,000.00	* 6/15/72		\$ 163.33	\$ 163.33
10,000.00	*12/15/72	\$ 2,000.00	175.00	2,175.00
8,000.00	* 6/15/73		140.00	140.00
8,000.00	*12/15/73	2,000.00	140.00	2,140.00
6,000.00	* 6/15/74		105.00	105.00
6,000.00	*12/15/74	2,000.00	105.00	2,105.00
4,000.00	* 6/15/75		70.00	70.00
4,000.00	*12/15/75	2,000.00	70.00	2,070.00
2,000.00	* 6/15/76		35.00	35.00
2,000.00	*12/15/76	2,000.00	35.00	2,035.00
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		\$10,000.00	\$1,038.33	\$11,038.33

*Notes have been Retired

**SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS ON NOTE
SEWERAGE STUDY**

Town of Bedford, New Hampshire

\$25,000.00 — 3½%

Note Dated December 27, 1971

Interest Payable — June 15, December 15

Principal Payable — December 15

To The Amoskeag National Bank

Amount	Date	Principal Due	Interest Due	Total
\$25,000.00	* 6/15/72		\$ 408.33	\$ 408.33
25,000.00	*12/15/72	\$ 5,000.00	437.50	5,437.50
20,000.00	* 6/15/73		350.00	350.00
20,000.00	*12/15/73	5,000.00	350.00	5,350.00
15,000.00	* 6/15/74		262.50	262.50
15,000.00	*12/15/74	5,000.00	262.50	5,262.50
10,000.00	* 6/15/75		175.00	175.00
10,000.00	*12/15/75	5,000.00	175.00	5,175.00
5,000.00	* 6/15/76		87.50	87.50
5,000.00	*12/15/76	5,000.00	87.50	5,087.50
		\$25,000.00	\$2,595.83	\$27,595.83

*Notes have been Retired

TOWN OF BEDFORD
AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE FOR NOTE
DATED JUNE 15, 1976
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

Principal Amount — \$30,000

Interest Rate — 5%

Due	Principal	Interest	Total
*Dec. 15, 1976	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 6,750.00
Jun. 15, 1977	—	600.00	600.00
Dec. 15, 1977	6,000.00	600.00	6,600.00
Jun. 15, 1978	—	450.00	450.00
Dec. 15, 1978	6,000.00	450.00	6,450.00
Jun. 15, 1979	—	300.00	300.00
Dec. 15, 1979	6,000.00	300.00	6,300.00
Jun. 15, 1980	—	150.00	150.00
Dec. 15, 1980	6,000.00	150.00	6,150.00
TOTALS	\$30,000.00	\$3,750.00	\$33,750.00

*Notes have been retired

TOWN OF BEDFORD, N. H.
AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE FOR NOTE
DATED NOVEMBER 1, 1976
REVALUATION

Principal Amount — \$65,000

Interest Rate — 4- $\frac{1}{2}$ %

Due	Principal	Interest	Total
June 15, 1977	\$ —	\$1,820.00	\$ 1,820.00
Dec. 15, 1977	13,000.00	1,462.50	14,462.50
June 15, 1978	—	1,170.00	1,170.00
Dec. 15, 1978	13,000.00	1,170.00	14,170.00
June 15, 1979	—	877.50	877.50
Dec. 15, 1979	13,000.00	877.50	13,877.50
June 15, 1980	—	585.00	585.00
Dec. 15, 1980	13,000.00	585.00	13,585.00
June 15, 1981	—	292.50	292.50
Dec. 15, 1981	13,000.00	292.50	13,292.50
TOTALS	\$65,000.00	\$9,132.50	\$74,132.50

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY**As of December 31, 1976; June 30, 1977**

Description	Value
1. Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 330,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	16,500.00
2. Libraries, Lands and Buildings	55,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	110,000.00
3. Police Department, Lands and Buildings	16,500.00
Equipment	33,000.00
4. Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	38,500.00
Equipment	100,000.00
5. Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	30,000.00
Equipment	130,000.00
Materials and Supplies	75,000.00
6. Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	200,000.00
7. Schools, Lands and Buildings	3,164,430.00
Equipment	223,650.00
8. All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collectors deeds	
Gustave E. Richards Lots on Worthley Rd.	2,000.00
Roger Chagnon, 31 Acres Liberty Hill Rd.	15,600.00
John Roux, land on Nashua Rd.	5,500.00
Gayle McInnis, 2 Acres Fitts Land, Back River Rd.	500.00
Frank Enterprises, 1 Acre Hemlock Dr.	3,000.00
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	\$4,549,180.00

REPORT OF TOWN AUDIT**Town of Bedford, New Hampshire****Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977)****REVENUE SHARING FUND****Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, Encumbrances and
Fund Balance**

Available Funds - January 1, 1976 (July 1, 1976)	\$11,056.98
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Add Revenue:

Entitlement Payments	\$31,319.00	
Interest	1,144.52	
	<hr/>	\$32,463.52

TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS	<hr/>	\$43,520.50
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*Less Expenditures:**Operating/Maintenance Expenses:*

Public Safety	\$ _____
Environmental Protection	_____
Public Transportation	_____
Health	_____
Recreation	_____
Libraries	_____
Social Services For Poor and Aged	_____
Financial Administration	_____
TOTAL OPERATING/Maintenance Expenses	\$ _____

Capital Expenditures:

Multipurpose and General Government	\$15,100.00
Education	_____
Health	_____
Transportation	_____
Social Development	_____
Housing and Community Development	_____
Economic Development	_____
Environmental Conservation	_____

Public Safety	_____	
Recreation/Culture	_____	
Others (Specify)	_____	
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES		\$15,100.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$15,100.00

Available Cash - December 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977)		\$28,420.50

Less: Encumbrances (Appropriations Authorized)
 December 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977)

Operating/Maintenance Expenses:

Public Safety	\$ _____
Environmental Protection	_____
Public Transportation	_____
Health	_____
Recreation	_____
Libraries	_____
Social Services For Poor & Aged	_____
Financial Administration	_____
Total Operating Encumbrances	\$ _____

Capital Outlay:

Multipurpose and General Government	\$ _____	
Education	_____	
Health	_____	
Transportation	_____	
Social Development	\$ _____	
Housing & Community Development	_____	
Economic Development	_____	
Environmental Conservation	_____	
Public Safety	_____	
Recreation/Culture	_____	
Others (Specify)	_____	
Total Capital Encumbrances	\$ _____	
Total Encumbrances	\$ _____	
Available Unobligated Funds - December 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977)		\$28,420.50

We have examined the accounts and records of the Revenue Sharing Fund of the Town of Bedford, N.H. for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977).

In our opinion, the above Statement of Revenue, Appropriations, Encumbrances, and Available Unobligated Funds presents fairly the revenue ,expenditures and encumbrances incurred, and status of Revenue Sharing Funds of the Town of Bedford, N. H. for the year ended December 31, 1976 (June 30, 1977).

Signed

H. RICHARD SPURWAY

ROBERT N. WHEELER

Auditors

Town of Bedford, N.H.

February 6, 1977

**ANNUAL REPORT OF TOWN CLERK
AUTOMOBILE ACCOUNT**

	<i>Dr.</i>		
1975 Auto Permits Issued in 1976		\$ 2,169.04	
1976 Auto Permits Issued in 1976		172,881.50	
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TOTAL DEBITS			\$175,050.54
	<i>Cr.</i>		
Remitted to Treasurer			\$175,050.54

DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

	<i>Dr.</i>		
1975 Dog Licenses Issued		20.00	
1976 Dog Licenses Issued		2,003.00	
Penalties Collected		133.00	
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			\$ 2,156.00
Irene M. Hardy - Fees for Issuing			— 176.00
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TOTAL DEBITS			\$ 1,980.00
	<i>Cr.</i>		
Remitted to Treasurer			\$ 1,980.00

BUILDING PERMITS

	<i>Dr.</i>		
136 Dwellings		\$ 9,710.40	
74 Additions & Small Buildings		1,082.00	
2 Commercial Buildings		300.00	
11 Commercial Additions & Renovations		1,078.00	
27 Pools & Tennis Courts		480.00	
33 Miscellaneous Permits		495.00	
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TOTAL DEBITS			\$ 13,145.40
	<i>Cr.</i>		
Remitted to Treasurer			\$ 13,145.40

FILING FEES

	<i>Dr.</i>		
March Meeting Filing Fees		5.00	
September Primary Filing Fees		17.00	
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TOTAL DEBITS			\$ 22.00
	<i>Cr.</i>		
Remitted to Treasurer			\$ 22.00

Respectfully Submitted

IRENE M. HARDY
Town Clerk

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF WARRANT**

Levy of 1976

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$2,946,223.60
Resident Taxes	43,600.00
National Bank	
Stock Taxes	368.25

TOTAL WARRANTS	\$2,990,191.85
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<i>Yield Taxes:</i>	691.59
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	2,789.42
Resident Taxes	580.00

3,369.42

Interest Collected on Property Taxes	96.48
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	80.00
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TOTAL DEBITS

\$2,994,429.34

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$2,633,861.99
Resident Taxes	38,660.00
National Bank	
Stock Taxes	368.25
Yield Taxes	691.59
Interest Collected	96.48
Penalties on	
Resident Taxes	80.00

\$2,673,758.31

Discounts Allowed	46,774.55
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Abatements:

Property Taxes	5,461.10
Resident Taxes	850.00

6,311.10

Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:

(As per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	262,915.38	
Resident Taxes	4,670.00	
	<hr/>	267,585.38

TOTAL CREDITS

\$2,994,429.34

LEVY OF 1975*Dr.**Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1976:*

Property Taxes	\$299,742.22
Resident Taxes	6,670.00

\$306,412.22*Added Taxes:*

Resident Taxes	650.00
Interest Collected	9,441.15
Penalties Collected	655.00

10,746.15

TOTAL DEBITS

\$317,158.37*Cr.**Remittances to Treasurer:*

Property Taxes	\$298,564.22
Resident Taxes	6,570.00
Interest Collected	9,441.15
Penalties Collected	655.00

315,230.37*Abatements:*

Property Taxes	\$ 1,178.00
Resident Taxes	750.00

1,928.00

TOTAL CREDITS

\$317,158.37

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNT
 — As of December 31, 1976 —

Dr.

Tax Sale on Account of Levies of:	1975	1974	1973
Taxes Sold to Town during Year	\$42,653.39		
Balance Unredeemed Tax on January 1, 1976		22,207.40	2,437.59
Interest Collected during Year	658.19	1,481.68	518.67
TOTAL DEBITS	\$43,311.58	\$23,689.08	\$ 2,956.26

Cr.

<i>Remittances to Treasurer:</i>			
Taxes Redeemed during Year	\$19,677.18	\$16,280.43	\$ 2,402.15
Interest Collected during Year	658.19	1,481.68	518.67
Deeded to Town	38.10	37.97	35.44
Abatements during Year		581.59	
Unredeemed Taxes on January 1, 1977	22,938.11	5,307.41	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$43,311.58	\$23,689.08	\$ 2,956.26

**UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES
ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES OF:**

	1975	1974
American National Corp.	\$ 1,713.64	
Blushiy, Ernest & Carleen	1,570.09	
Brooks, Ambrose & Richard	440.26	440.42
Boston & Maine R. R.	222.46	
Chartier, Antonio (Partial)		150.22
Clark, Herbert & Judson Carr		2,656.39
Clancy, Joseph & Cheryl (Partial)	142.62	
Diversified Properties	2,654.67	
Edelberg, Mark & Matsue	642.60	
Georgopoulos, Louis & Aphrodite	2,836.52	
Holden, Amelia & Lee Lane	1,101.20	
Johonnett, Paul		67.26
Leuken, Carlos et al	1,224.52	
MacDonald, Albert P.	67.78	
MacDonald, Albert & Carole	128.00	132.94
MacDonald, Paul & Jean	1,612.47	1,613.46
McBrearty, Robert & Gloria	551.88	
Richards, Ronald & Edward	87.00	
Rossiter, Scott		246.72
Sambo Realty	3,673.87	
Sullivan, John B. & Mildred	1,628.78	
Sullivan, John B. & Mildred	81.18	
Tremblay, Raymond & Helene	1,025.53	
Zerinsky, Jean	1,533.04	
	\$22,938.11	\$5,307.41

Respectfully Submitted

IRENE M. HARDY
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received of:

IRENE M. HARDY, Tax Collector

Current year's Taxes:

Property	\$2,640,671.27
Resident	39,510.00
Interest	96.48
Penalties	80.00
Nat'l Bank Stock	368.25
Yield Taxes	691.59
Discount	-46,774.55

 \$2,728,192.14

Previous year's Taxes:

Property	\$ 299,276.22
Resident	7,320.00
Interest	9,441.15
Penalties	657.00
Abatement on Property Taxes	466.00
Taxes Redeemed plus Interest	41,018.30

 \$ 358,178.67

IRENE M. HARDY, Clerk:

Automobile Permits - 1975	\$ 2,169.04
Automobile Permits - 1976	172,881.50
Dog Licenses	1,980.00
Building Permits	13,145.40
Filing Fees	22.00

 \$190,197.94

NANCY WATT, Clerk of Court:

Merrimack District Court Fees	\$ 8,680.00
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BEDFORD HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

License Fees	\$ 615.00
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UNITED STATES TREASURY:

Revenue Sharing	\$ 31,319.00
E.P.A. Sewer	112,800.00

 \$144,119.00

STATE TREASURER:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 53,090.61
Savings Bank Tax	15,438.08
Rooms and Meals Tax	46,018.84
Highway Subsidy	37,678.08
Business and Profits Tax	182,370.52
Gasoline Tax Refund	4,041.00
Old Age Assistance	47.84
Police Department	1,159.00
Parks and Recreation	42,271.83
Fire Department	667.00
State Aid Grant	25,400.00

\$408,182.80

SELECTMEN:

Rent of Hall	\$ 980.00
Business Licenses and Permits	6,204.50
Sale of Police Date	1,473.00
Parking Fines	555.00
Sale of Check Lists	124.50
Use of Copy Machine and Addressograph	20.75
Commission on Public Telephone	19.11
Bicycle Registration	31.50
Planning Board	1,348.98
Reimbursement to Police Dept.	2,067.31
Reimbursement to Highway Dept.	1,857.12
Reimbursement to Fire Dept.	334.04
Board of Adjustment	250.00
Parks and Recreation	10,980.84
Sale of Metals	383.95
Town Poor - recovery	5,741.69
Cemetary Assoc.	100.00
United Cable	370.87
Civil Defense	102.50
Bicycle Sale	45.00
Stamps	3.75

\$ 32,994.41

REFUNDS - DAMAGE - ADJUSTMENTS:

Insurance Credit	\$ 1,268.10
Conservation Commission - Overpayment	80.00

\$ 1,348.10

OTHER SOURCES:

Amoskeag National Bank		
Tax Anticipation Note	\$475,000.00	
Note for Highway Equipment	30,000.00	
Note for Re-evaluation	65,000.00	
Interest Income	15,706.46	
Bedford Trust Funds		
Income for Cemetary Care	2,310.72	
Bedford Historical Society	328.00	
Capital Reserve Fund	32,080.55	
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		\$620,425.73
Transfer from Parks and Recreation		
Commission a/c ASB#503310	\$ 6,402.49	
Transfer from Parks and Recreation		
Escrow a/c ASB#504110	30,493.30	
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		\$ 36,895.79
Total Receipts		\$4,529,829.58
Bal. 1/76		974,336.89
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TOTAL		\$5,504,166.47
TOTAL CHECKS ISSUED		\$4,364,122.10
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Cash on Hand December 31, 1976		\$1,140,044.37
REVENUE SHARING		
Account ASB#502539		
Balance January 1, 1976	\$ 11,056.98	
Received from U. S. Treasury	31,319.00	
Interest on a/c	1,144.52	
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TOTAL	\$ 43,520.50	
TRANSFER TO GENERAL A/C	15,100.00	
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		\$ 28,420.50
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION:		
Account ASB#503310		
Balance - January 1, 1976	\$ 6,006.87	
Interest on a/c	395.62	
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TOTAL	\$ 6,402.49	

TRANSFER TO GENERAL A/C	\$ 6,402.49	
PARKS AND RECREATION ESCROW:		
Account ASB#504110		
January 1, 1976	\$ 36,371.04	
Contributions Received	7,871.00	
Interest on Account	797.45	
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TOTAL	\$ 45,039.49	
TRANSFER TO GENERAL ACCOUNT	30,493.30	
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		\$ 14,546.19
Balance on Hand December 31, 1976		\$1,183,011.06

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE T. WIGGIN, Jr.
Treasurer

SOCIAL SECURITY REPORT

	Withheld	
January 1, 1976 Balance (Breakage)		\$ 1.56
January - February - March First Quarter Report	\$ 2,707.42	
April - May - June Second Quarter Report	2,431.38	
July - August - September Third Quarter Report	2,605.20	
October - November - December Fourth Quarter Report	3,278.84	
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Town's Share 5.85%	\$11,022.84 11,301.93	
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		\$22,324.77
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		\$22,326.33
 Paid to:		
Treasurer, State of N. H.		\$22,324.77
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December 31, 1976 Balance (Breakage)		\$ 1.56

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE T. WIGGIN, Jr.
Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT
PERMANENT POLICE RETIREMENT

	Wages	Withheld
January	\$ 9,589.46	\$ 924.16
February	9,267.60	899.71
March	10,822.50	1,049.52
April	8,767.17	873.53
May	7,554.17	751.32
June	11,177.15	1,111.51
July	9,903.78	986.72
August	11,138.52	1,108.03
September	9,642.99	963.31
October	10,130.32	1,001.44
November	12,260.22	1,223.75
December	9,737.61	971.24
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	\$120,051.49	\$ 11,864.24
Town's Share 7%		8,560.63
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Paid to N. H. Retirement System		\$ 20,424.87

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE T. WIGGIN, Jr.
Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT
PERMANENT FIREMEN RETIREMENT

	Wages	Withheld
January	\$ 1,502.32	\$ 105.33
February	1,453.92	103.00
March	1,848.65	130.97
April	1,515.36	107.36
May	1,515.36	107.36
June	1,894.20	134.20
July	1,515.36	107.36
August	1,894.20	134.20
September	1,515.36	107.36
October	1,515.36	107.36
November	1,894.20	134.20
December	2,381.76	168.70
	\$20,446.05	\$ 1,447.40
Town's Share 7%		1,458.39
Paid to N. H. Retirement System		\$2,905.79

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE T. WIGGIN, Jr.
Treasurer

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

CURRENT REVENUE:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes - 1976	\$2,687,445.82
Resident Taxes - 1976	39,510.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	368.25
Yield Taxes - 1976	691.59
Interest & Penalties	176.48

Total Current Year's Taxes

Collected and Remitted	\$2,728,192.14
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Property Taxes - Previous Years	299,276.22
Resident Taxes - Previous Years	7,320.00
Interest Received on Delinquent Taxes	9,441.15
Penalties: Resident Taxes	657.00
Tax Sales Redeemed	41,018.30
Abatement on Property Taxes	466.00

358,178.67

From State:

Highway Subsidy	37,678.08
Sewer Grant	25,400.00
Old Age Assistance	47.84
Interest & Dividends Tax	53,090.61
Savings Bank Tax	15,438.08
Parks & Recreation	42,271.83
Fighting Forest Fires	667.00
Reimbursement a/c Gasoline Tax	4,041.00
Reimbursement a/c Police Dept.	1,159.00
Reimbursements a/c Business Profits Tax	182,370.52
Meals & Rooms Tax	46,018.84

408,182.80

From Local Sources:

Cem. Assoc.	100.00
Office Income	532.95
Dog Licenses	1,980.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	19,986.90

District Court	8,680.00	
Rent of Town Property	980.00	
Interest Received on Deposits	15,706.46	
Income from Trust Funds	2,310.72	
Income from Police & Fire Depts.	4,505.85	
Income from Highway Dept.	1,857.12	
Income from Planning Board	1,348.98	
Fees, Board of Adjustment	250.00	
Donations - Parks & Rec.	10,980.84	
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		69,219.82
Motor Vehicle Permits:		
1975	2,169.04	
1976	172,881.50	
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		\$ 175,050.54
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		\$3,738,823.97
Receipts other than Current Revenue:		
Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$475,000.00	
Interest Income		
Insurance credits	1,268.10	
Note for Highway Equipment	30,000.00	
Note for Re-evaluation	65,000.00	
Bedford Historical Society	328.00	
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve	32,080.55	
United Cable	370.87	
Commission of Public Telephone	19.11	
Refunds	182.50	
Town Poor Recovery	5,741.69	
Revenue Sharing from savings	31,319.00	
EPA Grant	112,800.00	
Transfer from Parks & Recreation Savings	36,895.79	
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Total Receipts other than Current Rev.		791,005.61
Total Receipts from all Sources		4,529,829.58
Balance on hand January 1, 1976		974,336.89
GRAND TOTAL		<hr/>
		\$5,504,166.47

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS**For the Year Ending December 31, 1976****CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:**

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	22,379.00
Town Officers' Expenses	28,679.56
Election & Registration Expenses	7,478.59
Clock	100.00
Expenses Town Hall & other Town Bldgs.	26,840.22
Assessing	5,467.60
Bi-Centennial	741.99

 \$ 91,686.96

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	\$ 181,348.25
Fire Department	45,645.50
Board of Adjustment	465.18
Planning and Zoning	2,150.46
Insurance	36,264.84
Civil Defense	750.00
Conservation Commission	121.13

 \$ 266,745.36

Health & Bldg. Inspector

Health Department & Bldg. Inspector	\$ 11,754.43
Vital Statistics	204.50
Landfill	23,441.30
Sewer Commission	122.25

 \$ 35,522.48

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	\$ 1,871.82
Town Maintenance	155,080.37
Street Lighting	6,557.75
Resurfacing	46,850.61

 \$ 210,360.55

Library:

\$ 32,393.00

Public Welfare:

Welfare	\$	15,538.34	
Old Age Assistance		7,345.14	
Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled (none)			
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	\$		22,883.48

Memorial Day:

	\$	129.00
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Parks and Recreation:

Recreation Area	\$	12,482.94	
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	\$		159,348.61

Public Services Enterprises:

Hydrant Rental	\$	3,600.00	
Cemeteries		11,600.45	
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	\$		15,200.45

Unclassified:

Damages and Legal Expenses	\$	8,196.92	
Advertising and Regional Associations		2,050.65	
Taxes bought by Town		43,286.86	
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds		57,038.65	
Employees' Retirement & Social Security		21,183.09	
Tax Sale Costs		811.00	
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	\$		132,567.17

Debt Service:

Interest of Debt:

Paid on Tax Anticipation Notes	\$	7,994.84	
Paid on Long Term Notes		1,555.00	
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	\$		9,549.84

Principal of Debt:

Paid on Tax Anticipation Notes		475,000.00	
Payments on Long Term Notes		29,000.00	
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	\$		504,000.00

Capital Outlay:

Anderson-Nichols	\$ 131,292.36
Highways and Bridges	37,678.08
Office Equipment	2,386.94
Special-Highway Equipment	30,000.00
Payments to Capital Reserve Funds	25,000.00
Tax Map	5,000.00
Special-Fire Truck	19,778.00
Highway Truck	12,302.55
Re-valuation	6,780.00

\$ 270,217.93

Bond and Debt Retirement Taxes 118.59

Taxes paid to County 197,695.93

Payment to Revenue Sharing 31,319.00

Payments to School Districts

1975	1,267,000.00	
1976	1,120,000.00	2,387,000.00

\$2,616,133.52

TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR ALL PURPOSES \$4,379,221.40

Cash on hand December 31, 1976 \$1,040,045.07

REPORT
PUBLIC WORKS & HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT
BEDFORD, N. H.

The Highway Department is now known as the "Public Works and Highways Department" to better describe its' functions incorporating work performed for other town departments. This change is designed primarily to more fully utilize the large investments in heavy highway equipment, as time permits particularly during the summer months.

The following roads were treated under our "Resurfacing and Rebuilding" program this past summer.

ROADS RESURFACED WITH OIL AND SAND

Nashua Road	3.0 Miles	Back River Road	2.0 Miles
Joppa Hill Rd	1.1 Miles	Smith Road	1.1 Miles
County Road	.4 Miles	No. Amherst Road	.2 Miles

ROADS RESURFACED WITH PLANT MIX

Horizon Drive	3,953 Lin. Ft.	(Shim & Surface)
Ministerial Branch	1,947 Lin. Ft.	(Shim & Surface)
Old Farm Road	551 Lin. Ft.	(Shim & Surface)
Stonehenge Road	1,580 Lin. Ft.	(Shim & Surface)
Wildwood Drive	1,442 Lin. Ft.	(Shim & Surface)
Pinecrest Dr. (Bell)	1,320 Lin. Ft.	(Shim & Surface)
Meetinghouse Road	1,696 Lin. Ft.	(Shim Only)

Considerable storm water drainage work was carried out this past summer in many of the problem areas. This work involved the rebuilding of many catch basins, replacement and extensions of culvert piping and asphalt swalling of eroding ditch lines. Much work of this type needs to be done and will be incorporated in this summer's work program.

Strick enforcement and inspection of road construction specifications in new subdivision developments is being carried out to insure the quality of such roads prior to town acceptance. I wish to recommend two changes in our "Minimum Standards" as follows:

1. Widen the minimum required paved travelway from 20 feet to 24 feet.
2. Require a two-course application of bituminous asphalt, rather than one, with a 1½" compacted base (Binder) and a 1" compacted "wearing" surface.

Our community now has approximately 110 miles of roads to maintain, divided into about 210 official streets and roads. Annually, we have been adding additional mileage and this trend seems likely to continue in the future. We are currently updating our department in several areas, with better daily and preventative maintenance programs for our equipment. We have set up a records keeping system and are programming our work loads in advance permitting better scheduling of projects and utilization of equipment.

ARMAND A. DUGAS

Director

REPORT OF THE SEWER COMMISSION

The Sewer Commission administered the design contract for the Phase I Sewer System. Final design was completed in October and approved by appropriate state and federal officials in December. Additional work needed prior to start of construction includes: acquisition of necessary easements, negotiation and execution of an intermunicipal agreement with Manchester for treatment of the sewage, and authorization of a bond issue of approximately \$2 million by the Town.

Financing of Phase I includes two parts: eligible and ineligible items. More specifically, this means those sewer lines that are eligible for federal and State aid, and those that are not eligible. The estimated breakdown is as follows:

Project Cost	(Phase I)	\$ 4,282,000
Eligible Costs		\$ 3,192,000
Ineligible Costs		\$ 1,090,000
Federal Share	(75% eligible)	\$ 2,394,000
State Share	(20% eligible)	\$ 638,400
Town Share	(5% eligible)	\$ 159,600
Town Share	(Ineligible)	\$ 1,090,000
Town Share	(Treatment plant)	\$ 150,400
Estimated Cost to Town:		\$ 1,400,000
State Share		\$ 638,400
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Total Bond Issue		\$ 2,038,400

The above costs are estimates based upon the best available engineering information and are subject to change.

The Town under existing State laws is required to bond the State share of which the State pays the principle and interest on a yearly basis as it comes due.

Many people have asked about the schedule for sewer construction. The timing is dependent upon two factors, (1) an agreement with Manchester and (2) the authorization by the Town for a bond issue. The Sewer Commission will not ask the Town to appropriate funds until an agreement is satisfactorily negotiated with Manchester.

It is expected that this will take six months, therefor the anticipated schedule is as follows:

Jan. — June 1977

- ▶ Negotiate agreement with Manchester
- ▶ Acquire necessary land and easements

July — Sept. 1977

- ▶ Hold special Town Meeting for a bond issue (if the bond issue should fail it would not come up again until March 1978).

Oct. — Dec. 1977

- ▶ Prepare for construction
- ▶ Select engineer for construction phase
- ▶ Place projects out for bid
- ▶ Select contractors for construction

Mar. — April 1978

- ▶ Begin construction

Sept. — 1979

- ▶ Complete construction

If no action is taken on a bond issue until March 1978 then the project could not be completed until late 1980.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEC PATRYN

W. RAY WALKER (resigned)

PAUL GOLDBERG

LANDFILL AREA

The Landfill area located on 100 acres off Wallace Road has now been in operation for 5 years and maintained by Mr. James Simon. The hours for the Landfill are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. There is a 4:00 p.m. deadline for all Commercial dumping. Residents using the area are to obtain a Landfill permit available at the Selectmen's Office before April 1 and should follow the posted signs indicating the separation of material such as large metals, wood, and trash. Persons leaving trash outside the gates will be prosecuted and subject to fine.

BEDFORD CEMETERY TRUSTEES**Income**

	1976
From Town Vote	\$ 9,200.00
From Trust Funds	2,310.72
From Old Cemetery Trustees for Casket Frames	100.00
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	\$11,610.72

EXPENSES

Paul Manning Contract	\$ 9,975.00
Marc Chanaitte (Welding door clamp)	4.00
Paul Manning (stone setting due to vandalism)	45.50
Everseal Vault (Safety straps & new device straps)	72.52
Highway Dept. for stone moving	125.00
Paul Manning (opening new section on west side and care of same)	100.00
Paul Manning (making & placing new markers on west side)	150.00
Paul's Home Service Inc. (installing casket frames)	567.72
Doris Peck (secretary-typing)	25.00
Old Cemetery Trustees (water)	25.00
Estimate-Everseal Vault (for 50 new type markers)	85.00
Everseal Vault (repair to device)	18.75
J. J. Cronin Co. (1½" stone for wall ditch)	66.97
J. J. Cronin Co. (1½" stone for wall ditch)	28.91
Don Wheeler Construction Inc. (Truck, backhoe & labor)	53.50
Paul Manning (Use of truck, tractor, cutting brush, etc.)	206.00
Byron Peck (phone calls on repairs to device, equipment for placing vaults, etc.)	17.58
Byron Peck (gas & mileage at .10¢ mile for 40 miles)	4.00
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	\$11,570.45

Total Income	\$11,610.72
Total Expenses	11,570.45

BALANCE	<hr/> 40.27
Leighton Machine Co. (for turning key for tomb)	30.00
Final Balance	<hr/> 10.27

Respectfully submitted
BYRON PECK

Oct. 3, 1929	George A. Gookin	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.57	3.83
Feb. 19, 1930	Cora H. Beals	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.57	3.83
Feb. 19, 1930	Edw. E. Schneider	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.57	3.83
Nov. 6, 1930	Charles E. Bursiel	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.57	3.83
Apr. 2, 1931	Dennis R. Chase	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.57	3.83
Jan. 27, 1932	Harrist J. Parkhurst	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.57	3.83
Mar. 3, 1932	Mary L. Osgood	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.57	3.83
June 23, 1932	Quincy L. Barnard	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.57	3.83
June 29, 1935	Peter Parker	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.58	3.83
Jan. 24, 1936	Albert P. Watson	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.63	6.58	3.83
Feb. 13, 1936	Charles P. Woodbury	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.63	6.58	3.83
Apr. 2, 1936	John O. Parker	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.63	6.58	3.83
Dec. 5, 1938	Frank H. Waters	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.63	6.58	3.83
Apr. 3, 1940	Fannie R. Clapp (4)	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.63	6.58	3.83
May 31, 1941	Mrs. Wm. E. Felch	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	400.00	2.78	7.15%	7.63	6.58	3.83
Feb. 3, 1942	Gillis & Helen French	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	11.12	7.15%	30.48	26.32	15.28
Jan. 19, 1942	Fred H. Merrill	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.58	3.82
Sept. 15, 1942	Adeline Hanton	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.58	3.82
Apr. 1, 1943	Albert B. McLain	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.58	3.82
Aug. 10, 1943	Hicks & McEadden	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.58	3.82
Oct. 25, 1944	A. J. McKelvie	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.78	7.15%	7.62	6.58	3.82
May 24, 1944	John Leslie	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
Nov. 29, 1944	Hattie Bogue	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
Mar. 18, 1945	Anna C. Holbrook	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
Jan. 29, 1947	Grace B. Hodgman	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
Mar. 16, 1950	John C. Schaller	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
Dec. 15, 1950	Forrest C. Blood	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
Sept. 3, 1957	Arthur N. Hodgman	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
Apr. 24, 1957	Robert A. Hanham	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
May 27, 1960	Arthur J. Bennett	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	200.00	5.58	7.15%	13.16	6.58	3.82
Nov. 24, 1961	Stanley H. Jauroz	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
Feb. 15, 1963	Clinton P. Hodgman	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	2.79	7.15%	7.61	6.58	3.82
Sept. 15, 1966	Bessie M. Hood	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	4.17	7.15%	11.43	9.86	5.74
Aug. 21, 1968	Dorothy Koch	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	4.17	7.15%	11.43	9.86	5.74
Feb. 19, 1969	David Sweet	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	4.17	7.15%	11.43	9.86	5.74
Oct. 31, 1962	Adie L. Gage	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	4.17	7.15%	11.43	9.86	5.74
Nov. 2, 1923	Parkhurst & Atwood	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	4.17	7.15%	11.43	9.86	5.74
Jan. 4, 1932	Thomas E. Barr	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	4.18	7.15%	11.43	9.87	5.74
Apr. 7, 1933	Katherine E. Moore	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	4.18	7.15%	11.43	9.87	5.74
Aug. 4, 1936	George H. Wiggins	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	4.18	7.15%	11.43	9.87	5.74
May 4, 1936	Achshah A. Snell	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	4.18	7.15%	11.43	9.87	5.74
June 18, 1946		Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	4.18	7.15%	11.43	9.87	5.74

July 3, 1967	Harold G. Tillson	Cemetery	150.00	4.18	7½%	11.43	9.87	5.74
Dec. 11, 1903	Shepard Fund	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.28	12.20	7.65
Apr. 13, 1909	William M. Patten	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.28	12.20	7.65
Dec. 31, 1910	Stephen C. Damon	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.29	12.20	7.65
Sept. 21, 1917	Thomas L. Burns	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.29	12.20	7.65
Dec. 12, 1924	Charles Beals	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.29	12.20	7.65
July 27, 1929	John M. Hodgman	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.29	12.20	7.65
June 2, 1943	Dr. G. E. Hoffes	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.29	12.20	7.65
Mar. 5, 1946	Charles Lenx	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.29	12.20	7.65
Mar. 30, 1946	Charles D. Barnard	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.29	12.20	7.65
Mar. 8, 1948	Charles J. Tinker	Cemetery	200.00	5.56	7½%	14.29	12.20	7.65
Sept. 1, 1948	William Currie	Cemetery	200.00	5.57	7½%	14.28	12.20	7.65
Apr. 13, 1949	Jessie P. Howard	Cemetery	200.00	5.57	7½%	14.28	12.20	7.65
Oct. 1, 1952	Samuel H. Pottin	Cemetery	200.00	5.57	7½%	14.28	12.20	7.65
May 22, 1956	Paul H. DeNicola	Cemetery	200.00	5.57	7½%	14.28	12.20	7.65
Apr. 16, 1957	Minnie Esterhous	Cemetery	200.00	5.57	7½%	14.28	12.20	7.65
May 20, 1957	Abbie C. Gault	Cemetery	200.00	5.57	7½%	14.28	12.20	7.65
Apr. 4, 1938	William H. Ward	Cemetery	300.00	8.35	7½%	22.86	19.72	11.48
Jan. 16, 1957	George H. Gault	Cemetery	300.00	8.35	7½%	22.86	19.72	11.48
Feb. 28, 1957	Angeline Campbell	Cemetery	75.00	2.02	7½%	4.94	4.25	2.71
July 24, 1952	Myron L. Stickney	Cemetery	75.00	2.02	7½%	4.94	4.25	2.71
July 2, 1936	Frauk French	Cemetery	125.00	3.95	7½%	9.52	8.45	5.02
Mar. 4, 1954	Lyrman H. Fulton (2)	Cemetery	1,125.00	30.25	7½%	88.07	75.03	43.29
Aug. 7, 1966	Lucas Pecker	Cemetery	1,125.00	30.25	7½%	88.07	75.03	43.29
Jan. 9, 1963	Darrab-Batchelder	Cemetery	250.00	7.41	7½%	18.72	16.37	9.76
Oct. 2, 1927	Charles B. Stowell	Cemetery	500.00	13.70	7½%	37.60	32.79	18.51
Dec. 9, 1924	Charles Beal	Library	500.00	13.70	7½%	37.60	32.79	18.51
Oct. 31, 1888	Adiam Chandler	Library	600.00	15.13	7½%	36.17	32.79	18.51
Nov. 29, 1944	Frances E. Woodbury	Library	1,500.00	40.50	7½%	56.80	45.74	28.51
Nov. 29, 1944	Frank H. Waters	Library	2,000.00	54.15	7½%	113.70	98.37	55.53
June 1, 1970	Edmund & Sran Hall	Library	500.00	15.13	7½%	36.17	32.79	18.51
Nov. 30, 1944	Willis B. Kendall	Library	1,000.00	27.34	7½%	80.93	67.58	40.69

BEDFORD TRUST FUNDS
ANNUAL REPORT REVENUES COLLECTED
EXPENSES PAID AND REVENUE BALANCE

For the Year Ending December 31, 1976

BALANCE OF UNEXPENDED TRUST
 FUND REVENUES AT JAN. 1, 1976

CHECKING ACCOUNT:

School Prize Speaking Fund Revenue	\$ 110.28
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SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

Prize Speaking Fund Revenue	1,233.71	
Library Funds Revenue	179.40	
Church Fund Revenue	273.61	
Cemetery Funds Revenue	1,037.60	
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	2,834.60	\$ 2,834.60

REVENUES COLLECTED:

Interest - Prize Speaking Fund	223.38	
Interest - Church Fund	809.21	
Interest - Library Fund	494.82	
Interest - Cemetery Funds	2,979.20	
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	4,507.20	4,507.20
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		\$ 7,341.80

EXPENSES PAID:

Bedford Presbyterian Church-Revenue from W. B. Kendall Church Fund to G. T. Wiggin, Jr.	675.95
Bedford Public Library to W. P. Varney, Treas.	428.43
Bedford Center Old Cemetery Funds to R. W. Wiggin Jr., Treas.	169.42

Town of Bedford for cemetery care to G. T. Wiggin, Jr., Treas.	2,310.72	
Plants for cemetery lots (4)	24.36	
Prize Speaking Contest-McKelvie School & F. Zito	207.93	
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	\$ 3,816.81	\$ 3,816.81

BALANCE OF UNEXPENDED TRUST FUNDS
AVAILABLE AT DEC. 31, 1976 \$ 3,524.99

CHECKING ACCOUNT:

School Prize Speaking Fund Revenue	162.35	
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SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

Prize Speaking Fund Revenue	1,197.09	
Library Funds Revenue	245.79	
Church Funds Revenue	406.87	
Cemetery Funds Revenue	1,512.89	
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	\$ 3,524.99	\$ 3,524.99

Respectfully submitted

BYRON PECK,
Treasurer

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have examined the balance sheet of the Town of Bedford, New Hampshire as of December 31, 1976 and the related statements of revenues and fund equities for the year then ended. Our examination was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and other auditing procedures as we considered necessary under the circumstances. Our audit included examination of the accounting records of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Treasurer of the Public Library, and Trustees of the Trust Funds.

The Schedule of Town Property and the related Schedule of Note Payments on Notes, payable for Highway Equipment and for Town Re-evaluation are presented separately instead of as an integral part of the balance sheet.

In our opinion except as noted in the preceding paragraph, the balance sheet and related statements of revenues and expenses and fund equities fairly present the financial position of the various funds of the Town of Bedford, New Hampshire on December 31, 1976 and the results of operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting practices used by Municipalities applied on a basis consistent with that of preceding years.

H. RICHARD SPURWAY, *Town Auditor*

ROBERT N. WHEELER, *Town Auditor*

February 6, 1977

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

For the Year 1976

When the time comes to prepare the annual report of the Trustees of the Bedford Public Library, it is a natural procedure to refer to the report of the year before, — to see what we have written, what we have stressed, and what changes have come about during the year just passed.

As we do this, our immediate reaction is that we are indeed fortunate — Bedford citizens are fortunate — to have a well-trained, experienced, and truly dedicated Library staff. They make our Library a worthwhile place for young and old, an important place, a pleasant place. People of all ages feel comfortable in our Library. One sign, on the desk in the John Goffe Room of the Library, says: "BOTHER US FOR INFORMATION." Another, which eliminates the "Hush-hush" attitude prevalent in many libraries, says, "NO SILENCE, PLEASE!"

The Trustees of the Library give our staff the highest praise for their abilities, the conscientious fulfillment of their responsibilities, and their concern for and interest in our Library patrons.

The Library continues to be open for full service forty-five hours per week. The staff includes Librarian Frances Wiggin, Assistant Librarian Doris Peck, and Part-Time Library Assistants Elisabeth Thacher and Barbara Potter. Mrs. Thacher has this year completed the Public Library Techniques Courses at the University of New Hampshire which entitle her to certification. Mrs. Potter is in the process of completing these same Library Techniques Courses.

A group of Volunteer Adult Assistants for 1976 includes Lorraine Danais, Betty Clock, Nancy Larrabee, Terry Trott, Ellen Wenzel, and Jane Woods. Library Pages for the past year have included James Cohen, Janice Danais, Christine Lessard, John Murphy, and Janet Thacher.

Your Bedford Library continues to provide a comprehensive selection of books and other reading material, in all categories: fiction and non-fiction for adults, young people, and children;

reference books, constantly up-dated to provide current information; large-type books; newspapers, pamphlets, and magazines; and films both 8 and 16 mm.

Librarian Frances Wiggin and Assistant Librarian Doris Peck again conducted a full Summer Reading Program for children, including the popular Story Hours for the little folks.

The selection of Art Prints introduced in 1975 continues to be extremely popular. Those Prints not on loan are on display and available for loan in the Bedford Room downstairs at the Library.

The Adult Reading Group, meeting Monday mornings through the winter and spring, continues to prove extremely popular. These sessions are administered by Mrs. Wiggin, Mrs. Peck, and Mrs. Ayer (who directs the Reading.)

In the spring Mrs. Wiggin, Mrs. Peck, and the Trustees attended the Annual Conference of the New Hampshire Library Council, held at the Wayfarer in Bedford. Mrs. Wiggin, Mrs. Peck, and Mrs. Ayer attended the New England Meeting at the Wentworth in the Fall.

American Heritage Dictionary defines a Library as a "repository for literary and artistic materials, such as books, periodicals, newspapers, pamphlets, and prints, kept for reading or reference." It continues further that "a Library is an institution or foundation maintaining such a collection." And there is a further definition, in this same source, that "a *PUBLIC* Library is a non-commercial Library for the use of the general public, often supported by public funds." Your Library Staff and Trustees are trying hard to do their part to maintain and improve our Bedford Public Library. Cannot you, the *Public*, help in the support by voting further Public Funds?

JAMES SCOTLAND, JR., *Chairman*

WILLARD VARNEY, *Treasurer*

ESTHER N. AYER, *Secretary*

**BEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Year Ending December 31, 1976

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 1, 1976	\$ 000.00	
Town Appropriation	32,393.00	
Trust Funds	428.43	
Gifts and Transfer from Special Account	930.01	
	\$33,751.44	

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	17,580.54	
	17,580.54	
Equipment:		
Media (Books, periodicals, records, etc.)	11,135.38	
Furniture	479.65	
Maintenance		
Repairs	55.14	
Bindery	380.98	
	12,051.15	
Operating Expense:		
Telephone	349.02	
Electricity	2,132.20	
Postage	244.13	
Supplies	902.69	
Fees and Dues	344.15	
Other	147.56	
	4,119.75	
Grand Total Expended	\$33,751.44	
Balance on hand December 31, 1976	\$ 000.00	

Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD P. VARNEY
Treasurer

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN
BEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Year Ending December 31, 1976

Library Trustees:	Term Expires:
Esther N. Ayer	1977
James Scotland, Jr.	1978
Willard P. Varney	1979

Library Staff:

Librarian:	Frances M. Wiggin
Ass't Libr.:	Doris B. Peck
Ass't.:	Elisabeth S. Thacher
Ass't.:	Barbara Potter

Library Hours:

Monday	1 - 8:30 P.M.
Tuesday	10 - 8:30 P.M.
Wednesday	1 - 8:30 P.M.
Thursday	10 - 8:30 P.M.
Friday	1 - 6:30 P.M.
Saturday	9:30 - 1:00 P.M.

Books on Accession 12-31-75	21,584
Acquisitions during year (Purchases & Gifts)	
Books and Encyclopedias	1,788
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Withdrawals - 1976	486
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	22,886

Total other Media Owned by the Library:

Magazines	
Circulating	110
Professional	9
Gifts	9

Newspapers	6
Records	971
Prints	33
Films	60
Cassette Tapes	5
Circulation Report:	
Adult Fiction	20,855
Adult Non-Fiction	20,818
Periodicals	5,504
Records	1,441
Films, Filmstrips	348
Prints	185
Juvenile Fiction	10,459
Juvenile Non-Fiction	4,610
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	64,968

This reflects an increase over 1975 of 6,206 books. There were 504 new patrons registered making a total of 5,132 current patrons; 74.3% of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES M. WIGGIN,
Librarian

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation:	\$20,300.00
Revenue:	
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TOTAL	
Selectmen:	
Alfred J. Lambert	\$ 1,800.00
Robert H. Brooks	1,700.00
Aubrey G. Robinson, Jr.	1,600.00
Overseer of Welfare:	
Alfred J. Lambert	200.00
Town Clerk:	
Irene M. Hardy	500.00
Irene M. Hardy, Issuing Auto Permits	4,239.50
Additional Fees	4,239.50
Tax Collector:	
Irene M. Hardy	6,500.00
Clerk of Trust Funds:	
Byron Peck	100.00
Auditors:	
Robert A. Bailey	300.00
H. Richard Spurway	300.00
Treasurer:	
George T. Wiggin, Jr.	600.00
George T. Wiggin, Jr., SS Ret. a/c	300.00
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TOTAL	\$22,379.00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Appropriation: \$30,016.00

Selectmen:

Alfred J. Lambert, use of car	\$ 300.00
Robert H. Brooks, use of car	300.00
Aubrey G. Robinson, Jr., use of car	300.00

Other Expense:

Secretary & Assistants to Collector and Town Office	\$17,596.34
Town Reports & Other Printing	6,111.40
Advertising	491.89
Supplies	1,131.03
Repairs to Office Equipment	135.75
Perambulating Bounds (Survey)	1,285.00
Dues & Miscellaneous	181.25
Binding Books	180.00
Misc. Expense	666.90
TOTAL	\$28,679.56

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Appropriations:	Town	\$ 50,000.00	
	Donations	57,683.00	
	Escrow Acct.	6,402.00	
	Interest	1,696.00	
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		\$115,781.00	
	B.O.R.	\$105,948.34	
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		\$221,729.34	
Test Pits, Architect & Engineer		13,346.00	
Tennis Courts		28,779.00	
Pool, Bathhouse, Septic, Well			
Grading, Pump		162,635.53	
Playground Equipment		2,031.63	
Skating Pond		606.90	
BaseBall Diamond		7,227.61	
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		\$214,626.67	214,626.67
Received from B.O.R.		42,271.83	
Amount due 1977		63,676.51	
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		\$105,948.34	

SO. N.H. PLANNING COMMISSION

Appropriation:	\$2,050.65
So. N.H. Planning Commission	\$2,050.65

TOWN WELFARE

Appropriation:	\$10,000.00
Recovery:	5,741.69
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	\$15,741.69
Aid for Welfare	\$15,538.34

CEMETERIES

Appropriation:	\$ 9,200.00
Revenue:	2,410.72
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	\$11,610.72
Maintenance Contract	\$ 9,975.00
Maintenance Repairs	890.97
Equipment Rental	259.50
Supplies	403.40
Typing & Miscellaneous	46.58
Board Cemetery Association	25.00
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TOTAL	\$11,600.45

PARKS & RECREATION

Appropriation:	\$14,000.00
Membership:	3,346.00
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Payroll	\$ 4,611.40
New Equipment	2,933.90
Equipment Rental	89.41
New England Telephone	47.73
Public Service	530.58
Supplies & Postage	1,199.83
Ground Maintenance	2,045.09
Dues & Legal Fees	1,025.00
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TOTAL	\$12,482.94

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

Appropriation:	\$25,000.00
Fire Truck	\$ 5,000.00
Grader	5,000.00
Loader	5,000.00
Trucks	4,000.00
Dozer	6,000.00
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TOTAL	\$25,000.00

BUILDING INSPECTOR AND HEALTH OFFICER

Appropriation:	\$11,409.00
Salary	\$ 9,236.91
Mileage	1,190.33
Supplies	509.70
Dues	41.69
New England Telephone	564.30
Building Permits, fees for Irene M. Hardy	211.00
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TOTAL	\$11,753.93

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation:	\$750.00
Recovery:	102.50
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TOTAL	\$852.50
State of New Hampshire	\$149.00
Dues	15.00
1-30 Min. Tank	122.10
2 Scott Cylinders	220.00
2-Way Radio	109.49
Misc. Expenses	31.91
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TOTAL	\$647.50

ASSESSING PROPERTY

Appropriation:	\$5,500.00
Assessor	\$4,930.00
Payroll Help	466.20
Work Project Seminar	71.40
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TOTAL	\$ 5,467.60
Appropriation:	\$65,000.00
Eastern Appraisal Contract	\$ 6,780.00

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Appropriation:	\$ 450.00
Revenue:	270.00
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	\$ 720.00
Clerical Salary	\$ 30.00
Advertising	248.48
Postage & Supplies	186.70
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TOTAL	\$ 465.18

DAMAGES & LEGAL FEES

Appropriation:	\$7,000.00
Sheehan, Phinney, Bass & Green	\$ 7,973.92
Animal Hospital	45.00
Devine, Millimet, Stahl & Branch	70.00
Town of Hooksett	108.00
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TOTAL	\$ 8,196.92

OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Appropriation:	\$ 2,400.00
File Cabinet	\$ 501.00
Copy Machine	1,395.00
Catalog File	15.94
Typewriter	475.00
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TOTAL	\$ 2,386.94

TOWN HALL AND OTHER TOWN BUILDINGS

Appropriation:	\$26,063.00
Revenue:	980.00
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TOTAL	27,043.00
Maintenance Man	\$ 8,567.54
Mileage	13.60

New England Telephone	803.33
Public Service	3,088.78
Fuel	4,052.39
Termite Control	40.00
Paint Town Hall and Other Repairs	8,416.19
Supplies	1,078.39
New Equipment	255.00
Lawn Care	525.00
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TOTAL	\$26,840.22

PLANNING BOARD

Appropriation:	\$3,000.00
Revenue:	863.98
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TOTAL	\$3,863.98
Salaries	\$ 427.64
Supplies & Postage	219.50
Advertising	460.86
Registry of Deeds	195.76
Printing	330.70
File Cabinet	501.00
Other Services	15.00
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TOTAL	\$ 2,150.46

LANDFILL

Appropriation:	\$24,845.00
Recovery	383.95
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	\$25,228.95
Payroll	\$14,749.06
New England Telephone	183.56
Public Service	308.40
Landfill Seals	331.98
Equip. Rental	207.00
Fuel	1,213.22
Repair Equipment	822.93
Other Labor	136.50
J. P. Chemical (Rodent control)	131.25

Supplies	13.88
Oil	364.55
Repairs	402.97
Sand	4,137.50
Snow Fence	438.50
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TOTAL	\$23,441.30

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation:	\$181,150.00
Revenue:	10,171.00
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	\$191,321.00

Payroll (including Special Police & Office Help)	\$138,004.00
Clothing Allowance	2,300.00
Gas & Oil	9,326.00
Repairs & Tires	6,590.00
Cruisers & Equipment	9,529.00
New England Telephone	2,923.00
Radio Repairs	1,230.00
New Office Equipment & Supplies	1,759.00
Office Supplies	927.00
Photo Equipment & Supplies	643.00
Misc. Supplies	619.00
Equipment Rental	216.00
Office Maintenance & Repairs	582.00
Petty Cash	139.00
Small Arms & Supplies	871.00
RCA Portable Radios*	1,894.00
Radars*	3,796.00
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	\$181,348.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation:	\$46,650.00
Revenue:	706.04
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TOTAL	\$47,356.04
Permanent Firemen Wages	\$19,500.45
Warden	1,598.76

Payroll Firemen	10,636.51
Vacation Pay	600.00
Clothing	200.00
Public Service	90.00
New England Telephone	1,518.67
Fuel	1,155.63
Equipment Maintenance	1,088.62
Gas	617.10
New Equipment	3,608.41
Special Tires	584.64
Supplies	1,560.09
Radio Repairs	420.17
Answering Service	1,036.00
Fees & Dues	168.00
Dr. Kennard	69.00
Training of Men	153.00
Special Fund - Convention	975.00
Miscellaneous	65.50
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	\$45,645.50

RESURFACE - CLASS V HIGHWAYS

Appropriation:	\$53,000.00
Oiling	\$13,744.23
Asphalt	30,830.28
Cold Patch	2,276.10
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TOTAL	\$46,850.61

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Appropriation:	\$167,698.00
Subsidy:	37,678.08
Recovery:	3,108.12
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TOTAL	\$208,484.20
Payroll	\$ 64,071.86
New Equipment	4,545.23
Truck Rental	18,005.96
Equipment Rental	757.25
Equipment Maintenance	40,114.56
New England Telephone	446.73

Public Service	424.12
Heating	1,136.60
Radio Repair	480.55
Salt	35,118.51
Sand, Gravel & Culvet	11,707.12
Stump Cutting	217.00
Survey	3,887.61
Building Repairs	994.40
Sewerage Reconstruction	5,832.87
Land Acquisition	1,200.00
Misc. Expenses	413.08
TOTAL	\$189,353.45

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Appropriation:	\$7,500.00
Recovery:	124.50
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Moderator, Supervisors and Counters	\$7,624.50
Police Duty	\$4,864.30
Lunch and Meals	393.21
Supplies & Printing	1,066.28
New Polling Booths	1,154.80
TOTAL	\$7,478.59

INSURANCE

Appropriation:	\$32,198.00
N. H. Vermont Hospital, B/C B/S	\$ 5,967.74
Mutual of Omaha (fire)	344.31
General Insurance	29,232.00
Monarch Life (police)	720.79
TOTAL	\$36,264.84

CONSERVATION

Appropriation:	\$250.00
State of New Hampshire (Dues)	\$ 80.00
Expenses	41.13
TOTAL	\$121.13

HYDRANT RENTAL

Appropriation:	\$3,600.00
Manchester Water Works	\$3,600.00

STREET LIGHTING

Appropriation:	\$6,500.00
Public Service Company of New Hampshire	\$6,557.75

TOWN ROAD AID

Appropriation:	\$1,871.82
State of New Hampshire	\$1,871.82

LIBRARY

Appropriation:	\$32,393.00
Willard Varney, as Treasurer and Trustee (not Salary)	\$19,240.33
Frances Wiggin, Librarian (Salary)	7,383.80
Doris Peck, Assistant Librarian (Salary)	5,768.87
TOTAL	\$32,393.00

RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY

Appropriation:	\$21,500.00
Social Security	\$11,164.28
Police and Firemen Retirement	10,018.81
TOTAL	\$21,183.09

INTEREST OF LONG TERM NOTES

Appropriation:	\$805.00
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INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS

Appropriation:	\$8,500.00
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DISCOUNTS AND ABATEMENTS

Irene M. Hardy, Collector	
Abatements & Discounts Allowed	\$55,013.65

Abatements allowed by Selectmen	2,025.00
TOTAL	<u>\$57,038.65</u>

TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

Irene M. Hardy, Collector	\$43,286.86
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COUNTY TAX

County Treasurer	\$197,695.93
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TAX SALE COSTS

Irene M. Hardy, Collector	\$811.00
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AID TO PERMANENTLY & TOTALLY DISABLED

Appropriation:	\$1,000.00
Aid to Families	(no charges against account)

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation:	\$9,000.00
State of New Hampshire	\$7,345.14

VITAL STATISTICS

Appropriation:	\$200.00
Irene M. Hardy, Fees	\$204.50

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation:	\$125.00
Stevens-Buswell Post No. 54 American Legion	\$129.00

CLOCK

Appropriation:	\$100.00
Ralph M. Wiggin, Jr.	\$100.00

TEMPORARY LOANS

Amoskeag National Bank, Loan in Anticipation of Taxes	\$475,000.00
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SCHOOL DISTRICT

H. Richard Spurway, Treasurer

Balance on 1975-76

\$1,267,000.00

On Account 1976

1,120,000.00

\$2,387,000.00**BOND AND DEBT RETIREMENT**

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire

\$118.59

REPORT OF THE BEDFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

In my first year as Chief of Police for the Town of Bedford I have found the cooperation of the citizenry to be top level. This is a most important asset to the Police Department because without your cooperation it would be impossible to keep down the crime rate in the town of Bedford.

With the mobilized world of today, Bedford as all other suburban towns has noticed a sharp increase in the crime rate. National surveys have proved that crime is moving from the cities into the suburbs. Bedford is no exception, if we check back over the last few years we notice an increase of over two hundred criminal complaints filed with the police department each year.

Our goal is to cut down the crime rate and accident rate in the Town of Bedford so that we may be able to protect and serve you better, this is only possible with your cooperation.

I have been employed by the Bedford Police Department for nine years with a total of over fourteen years of police service. I have found Bedford to be an extremely cooperative community and hope that we may continue this perfect working relationship.

Activities for the year follow:

Criminal Arrests	260
Adult	120
Juvenile	140
Motor Vehicle Arrests	968
DE Tags Issued	398
Parking Tickets Issued	100
MV Accidents Investigated	362
Injuries	84
Fatalities	2
Residential Burglaries	42
Business Burglaries	28
Thefts	308
Criminal Mischief (Vandalism)	157
Assaults	15
Assaults on Police Officers	9
Disorderly Conduct	52
Issuing Bad Checks	180
Sex Offenses	7

Prowler Complaints	31
Drug Complaints	16
Family Trouble	71
Stolen Motor Vehicles	55
Stolen Motor Vehicles from Bedford Recovered	35
Stolen Motor Vehicles Recovered in Bedford	12
Sudden Deaths	7
Suicides	1
Missing Persons	37
Missing Persons Located	37
Dog Complaints	429
Fish & Game Complaints	6
Motorcycle, Minibike and Snowmobile Complaints	122
Burglar Alarms Answered	215
Assists at Bedford Fires	69
Assists to Bedford Rescue	161
Arson	4
Bomb Threats	5
Emergency Messages	62
Assists to other Police Depts. (Subpoenas, Investigations, etc.)	642
Emergencies to Hospital	9
Assists to Motorists	555
Suspicious Persons Checked	368
Suspicious Cars Checked	1069
Vacant Homes Checked	387
Business Places Checked Daily	119
Misc. Complaints	466
Total No. of Complaints	7666

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD D. AUDETTE
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE BEDFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Bedford Fire Department has responded to 317 calls during 1976. They included the following:

Building or house	11	Mutual Aid	7
Grass, Brush & Woods	22	Service Calls	39
Automobile	14	False alarms	1
Chimney	9	Needless alarms	9
Rescue	205		

The department had a very good year. We continued our training program with regularly scheduled bi-weekly Tuesday evening sessions in all areas of fire fighting and rescue work under the direction of our training officer, Captain Leo Bongers Jr. Many men augmented this training by attending the annual Fire School at Lilly Pond in Gilford and Meadowood in Fitzwilliam. Several men this year also took the Emergency Medical Training course to receive state certification, enabling them to work on the rescue unit.

This year we celebrated Fire Prevention Week in October with Open House at the station. Programs on home fire safety were presented at the elementary schools and kindergartens under the direction of Captain Bongers and Lt. LeRov Burbank. The department participated in several out of town parades.

The Bedford Fire Department hosted the New Hampshire State Firemen's Association 79th Annual Convention in September. The two-day program began with registration at the fire station, followed by a round table discussion at the Town Hall and the Firemen's Ball at the Carousel Ballroom.

Saturday we continued with a business meeting at the St. Elizabeth Seton Church. This was followed by a large parade along Route 3 with fire trucks, antique cars, marching groups and bands ending at the Carousel Ballroom where a banquet for five hundred firemen and their wives was held. The wives who attended the convention with their husbands were entertained by the Sweet Adelines and a talk on dried arrangements by a local florist. At the business meeting Chief Ralph M. Wiggin Jr. was elected president of the association for 1977.

The Norman Richards Memorial Scholarship Fund established by the fire department awarded four scholarships to the following Bedford students: Mark Fredrickson, Donald VandenBerghe, Matthew Provencher and Valentina Zissi.

As chief, it is again my privilege to thank all the members of the department and the community for their continued support and cooperation. My sincere appreciation is also expressed for a one thousand dollar gift of equipment for the rescue unit given by an anonymous donor. Also, special appreciation to all the members that worked so hard on the fire convention.

Please remember - the **Fire Department Emergency number is 472-3311.**

Respectfully submitted

RALPH M. WIGGIN, Jr.,
Chief

REPORT OF DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF AND TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Since its beginning in 1893, the State Forestry Department has recognized the fact that forest fire prevention and suppression is a joint state and town or city responsibility. Local authorities recommend names of persons to the State Forester, who appoints one person as town or city fire warden and several other persons as town or city deputy fire wardens to a three year term.

The local forest fire warden controls the kindling of all outside fires, when the ground is not covered with snow, by issuing a written permit for kindling a fire. Permits are only issued at such times and in such places as the fire warden deems as safe.

The State Forest Fire Service trains the local forest fire organization in modern forest fire prevention and suppression tactics. The State also provides backup personnel and equipment for suppression and prevention activities.

The combination of State and local forces has resulted in one of the smallest acreage loss due to forest fires in the United States for the past 20 years.

1976 Forest Fire Statistics

	<i>No. of fires</i>	<i>No. of Acres</i>
State	746	294
District	51	37
Town	15	18½

GILBERT TESTA
District Fire Chief

RALPH M. WIGGIN, JR.
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT ON CIVIL DEFENSE

In order to provide better service the Bedford Civil Defense Program must be updated and expanded to conform to federal standards.

Our first step in this program is to relocate the Civil Defense Office from the Town Hall to larger quarters on the second floor of the former Bedford Fire Station. We are, at this time, in the process of moving our communications center to the new office. All radiological equipment has been recently recalibrated and ready for service. A complete set of detection equipment has been given to the fire department to be used in monitoring accident scenes in which unknown materials are involved.

We will be looking for personnel to be in charge of several departments within the Civil Defense operation and will welcome any of those who were formerly involved in Bedford Civil Defense and all those who wish to become part of this organization. The following departments are involved:

Communications	Rescue Service
Engineering Services	Supply Service
Fire Service	Transportation
Health and Medical	Warning Service
Police Services	Welfare Service
Radiological Defense	

This past year Civil Defense has purchased for use by the fire and police departments file cabinets, desks, chairs, typewriters and three spare breathing tanks to be used with Scott Air Packs owned by Civil Defense which are located on the fire department ladder truck.

It is vital that Bedford Civil Defense become an active unit in the Town of Bedford with adequate preparations for all possible situations — an emergency does not come by appointment so we must be ready. This was evident this past year when the seacoast was evacuated and the Bedford Town Hall was used to provide shelter for those with no place to stay.

Civil Defense can be a viable force in benefiting the Town of Bedford but to do so we must have your continued support.

Respectfully,

ROBERT J. BULLOCK
Director, Civil Defense

THE TOWN OF BEDFORD

PLANNING BOARD - ANNUAL REPORT

On Tuesday, the eight of March, the people of Bedford will have the opportunity to vote on a number of proposals which will have a significant effect on the future growth of Bedford. The planning Board is of the opinion, that there is little reason to believe that growth itself is a question. What the question is: can we have growth under control and under conditions which maintain the life-style many of us have enjoyed; or must it be uncontrolled and random? The Board feels that if we truly believe in the principle of majority rule as a democratic principle, the public must be given alternatives or choices from which to make a selection. The written ballot vote on March eight is your opportunity to choose a pattern for some aspects of Bedford's future growth. The voters will be presented with more opportunities to decide on specific matters next year and through the following years.

For those who are not familiar with the legislative processes of the Town, the Planning Board is constituted of appointed members who are charged with the responsibility for the establishment of ordinances for the zoning of the Town in order to promote a harmonious development of the Town and to protect it from scattered or premature subdivision of land which might involve danger or injury to health, safety, or prosperity, by reason of lack of water supply, drainage, transportation, or other public services; or necessitate the excessive expenditure of public funds to supply such services.

In the course of performing such duties, the Board meets two or more times a month, once in public session and once in executive session. In holding these sessions, the right-to-know laws of the State of New Hampshire are carefully observed and decisions reached are a matter of public record. The executive sessions allow the opportunity for opinions to change if the advocate is sufficiently persuasive, but all votes are taken in public and are available.

The issues you have before you, are substantially those necessary to implement the Comprehensive Town Plan presented to the Town in 1962-3. For the record, it is summarized in a report prepared by the Engineering and Planning Firm of Metcalf & Eddy and financed by the Federal Government under Section 701 of the Housing Act of 1954.

Over the years, the Planning Board has proposed certain changes in zoning, lot size, and land use regulations. These have been voted on by the Town in the Annual Town Meetings and the results have been gratifying since the Town has been able to slowly and with a minimum of deprivation of personal rights, approach the goals of the Comprehensive Plan. The proposals we have before you this March represent almost all of the last details to implement the Plan. As a matter of interest to those who are skeptical of long range planning at the age of fifteen years, the projections of the consultants are not very far off and in general, are on the conservative side.

On the specific issues, the Planning Board takes the following positions:

1. *Three-Acre Zoning* - There are many people searching for "estate" type zoning in which they may have isolation and a scenic view. In general, these areas are not capable of supporting high density housing because of soil conditions and terrain problems. As it happens, these areas are generally located in the northwest portion of the Town and in the extreme southern portion. For this reason, these areas have been selected by the Board for zoning in the three-acre category. Such a zoning implies that there may be problems of sewerage disposal and recognizes the fact that this is apt to be the last area of Bedford to connect to public sewerage from a cost effectiveness standpoint. Also, it should be noted, that within these areas, a large percentage of land has already been subdivided based upon current one and one-half acre requirements. In general, these subdivisions are located on those limited lands capable of normal subsurface sewage disposal system.
2. *One-Half Acre Zoning* - On the other hand, the adoption of one and one-half acre zoning in the Town some years ago, has resulted in an unintentional prohibition against the less affluent landowner since there are no lands for him to occupy. The return to high density zoning in areas which are relatively flat and capable of supporting it will open this opportunity, thus one-half acre proposal.

It is the position of the Planning Board that the Town needs some areas of high density housing and some areas of low density housing in order to provide a reasonable mix of land usage. The

area selected for higher density housing is now or will in the near future, be connected to municipal services thus assuring continued value despite possible potential problems with on-site water and sewerage.

3. *Rezoning of Route 3 to Limited Commercial* - There are some aspects of land use which can be controlled and some in which the pressures are so strong that regulation and steering are the only practical course. The Planning Board very strongly feels that, commercial development of Route 3 in the area between the Bedford Mall and the existing commercial zone at the Manchester line cannot be resisted and that the most favorable option for the Town of Bedford, is to restrict its use to endeavors in keeping with the character of the Town.

If this area is left without the protection of zoning and remains as a residential area, a continuing expansion of variance-based usage will be seen. This will see the minimal cost conversion of housing units to totally uncontrolled use as is presently being done. No developer of any substance can afford to develop in an area in which his investment is subject to review every year or two years in order to maintain the variance. By rezoning this stretch of highway, it will be possible to attract developers who have the resources to combine tracts and to make a permanent and attractive contribution to the area.

A major argument of those who are opposed to the rezoning is the loss of value of their investment in land. It is extremely difficult to imagine that the creation of a series of marginal land conversions can improve the land values and that conversely, the establishment of well designed and substantial investments can be accomplished without profit to the existing landowners.

4. *Apartment Zoning* - The first and foremost point which must be made, is that the Town is *NOT* voting for a specific apartment complex, but for a place in which one might be located. In order to invest money in planning for such a development, the developer must know that there will be an area in which his proposal will be considered. The change in requirements for the Apartment Residential Zone which you voted on last year, gives the Planning Board the means to insure that marginal developers and ill-conceived plans may be rejected.

After some years of opposition, the Board is now taking the position, that apartments can be considered in Bedford in the area in which municipal services necessary to support such an endeavor are now feasible. Our endorsement is, of course, dependent upon an orderly development of the sewerage and water facilities. If, for any reason, such facilities will not be available on a programmed schedule, the Board will be obliged to initiate a full review of the options available and will not permit a large-scale concentration of on-site water and sewerage systems as has happened previously.

To summarize our positions, the majority of the Bedford Planning Board are in favor and strongly recommend approval by the Town, of:

1. Three-Acre Zoning in the areas described above.
2. One-Half Acre Zoning in the areas described above.
3. Limited Commercial Zoning of the Route 3 area north of the Bedford Mall and south of the existing Commercial Zone.
4. Apartment zoning in the South River Road area north of Route 101.

Our opinions have been formulated upon a careful consideration of the facts available and are not related to promotional efforts of interested parties. We urge you to support your Planning Board over the arguments presented by a vocal group of self-interests.

Respectfully Submitted,

PAUL M. GOLDBERG, *Chairman*

EUGENE M. VAN LOAN, JR.

JOHN R. NILSON

RAYMOND L. KIESTLINGER

JOHN W. TANNER

JOHN R. JACOBSON

AUBREY G. ROBINSON, JR., *Selectman*

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING COMMISSION

Regional Planning Agencies, such as, the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission are responsible for basic planning activities throughout New Hampshire. Each agency has a specific area for which it is responsible. The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission's geographic area of responsibility includes the following communities:

° Auburn	Deerfield	Londonderry
° Bedford	° Derry	° Manchester
Candia	° Goffstown	° New Boston
Chester	° Hooksett	Raymond
		Weare

°Dues paying community (member community)

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission is responsible for preparing coordinated regional plans of its region for land use, transportation, water supply, sewerage, public buildings and the like. Regional plans to be effective *must provide for future growth* in those areas where such growth can most efficiently occur. The regional planning process *must* include an objective evaluation of differing proposals and *must* include public consideration of unpopular or minority viewpoints.

Regional planning provides up to date data needed by local officials to make decisions regarding zoning amendments, street and road improvements, sewer locations, and location of public facilities, to name a few.

Bedford Representatives

Mr. Eugene VanLoan, Jr., and Mr. Paul Goldberg represent Bedford as voting members of the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission. Mr. VanLoan also serves on the Commission's Executive Committee and as Chairman of the Metropolitan Manchester Transportation Committee.

Technical Assistance

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission Technical Assistance Program provided several direct benefits to Bedford as follows:

- Held seminars for Building Inspector and Budget Committee.
- Prepared composite tax map of Town.
- Prepared soil and slope maps for the Bedford Planning Board.
- Prepared Public Works Applications for the Highway Department and the Sewer Commission.
- Provided support services for the Planning Board as requested.

Regional Planning

Regional planning studies presently being conducted by the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission include:

Land Use: A comprehensive land use plan element for the region is well under way. Each community is being done on separate maps, so that copies can be reviewed by local planning boards. This local review process is expected to begin in April.

Housing: A regional housing study is expected to be completed by December.

Transportation: By far the largest, the Areawide Transportation Plan covers highways, buses, air and rail transportation with the emphasis on highway improvement. The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission is required to prepare a Transportation System Management Plan which includes a five-year improvement program. Then in order for any project to be funded by the Federal Department of Transportation, it must be on the improvement program.

The Year Ahead

1977 regional planning programs will reflect the priorities established by your representatives. The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission will continue to support local management capabilities by developing necessary plans and backup data and provide technical services required by local decision makers.

Every effort will be made by the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission to get needed public services implemented. Any citizen interested in helping solve existing problems and planning for the betterment of the area should contact the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission offices or one of the Town representatives.

THE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION OF MANCHESTER

Visiting Nurse Association Report of Service

Nursing

Skilled Nursing is available in the home by Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical Nurses which includes dressings, injections, special treatments, baths and rehabilitative nursing under the direction of the patient's physician. Homemaker-Home Health Aides assist under the direction of the nurses and therapists.

Therapy

Registered physical, occupational and speech therapists are available for therapy at home. Social worker and nutritionist consultants have been added to the staff this year.

Pre and Post Natal Advice

The nurse is prepared to give advice and guidance to expectant mothers as well as instructions after the baby is born.

Immunization clinics are held periodically during the year and nurses are available daily between 1:30 - 3 P.M. at the Visiting Nurse Association office and at monthly drop in centers to take blood pressure readings.

Policy

This agency is voluntary and non profit and is certified to care for Medicare patients. Although many of the services are paid for through Medicaid, Medicare and other health insurances, there is a fee which is discussed on the initial visit. Adjustments can be made. There is no charge for maternal and child health visits made by the nurses. Anyone may request the service by calling the Visiting Nurse office at 622-3781, Monday thru Friday from 7:30 A.M. to 4 P.M. Necessary services are provided on weekends and holidays.

Visits in 1976 in Bedford

Skilled Nursing	400
Physical Therapy	50
Speech Therapy	39
Home Health Aides	87
Flu Vaccine Clinics	900

Visiting Nurse Association services are available to Bedford residents at no cost to the town. Mrs. Edwin Richmond and Mrs. Parker Wheat represent Bedford on the Board of Directors of the Association.

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER FOR YEAR 1976

Foster homes permits	11
Foster homes inspections	37
Inspections of unsanitary premises	6
Disposal of dead animals	3
Rodent infested properties	5
Illegal plumbing venting	4
Failed septic systems	34
Food service inspections	145
Food service preparation licenses issued	41
Dark inspections (cucaracha)	7
Permit fees collected	\$615.00

Yours in Health,

ANDRE J. COURCHESNE

Health Officer

Town of Bedford, N.H.

**REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR
FOR YEAR 1976**

Your building department exceeded all past records this bicentennial year.

There was more action in every phase of the building industry in our town.

I am proud to report that we had more quality than quantity created.

PERMITS ISSUED

Dwellings	136
Additions & Renovations	74
Pools & Tennis Courts	27
Commercial Additions	11
Commercial Buildings	2
Septic systems, signs & electrical	33
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TOTAL	283
Permanent Electrical meters installed	132
Oil burner permit applications	28
Field inspections	1174
Permit fees collected	\$13,145.40

Yours in Safety,

ANDRE J. COURCHESNE

Certified Building Inspector.

ANNUAL REPORT
BEDFORD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

The past year was an eventful year for the commission with a sincere desire to live up to the purpose of the commission without being an undue burden on those who are affected by its scope or responsibility.

Among those items considered and acted upon in the year 1976 were the following:

Previewed plans for the Amherst Bank branch in the 101 Plaza area.

Finalized plans with Mr. Katz for final landscaping of the 101 Plaza.

Arranged to have constructed rubbish containing areas for the IGA Store to keep the area orderly and inoffensive to the abutting neighbors.

Had a meeting with the town attorney to clarify the extent of the commissions authority.

Met with the Town Building Inspector for a better understanding of the need for complete cooperation.

Approval for Fireplace Village and the construction of a kiosk for the Amherst Bank was granted.

Requests sent to a number of those located within the commissions authority for better care of there grounds and appearance met with a high degree of cooperation.

We wish to thank all affected business owners and abutters, the selectmen and the Planning Board for there cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted

JOHN A. GEYER, *Chairman*

Members:

ANTHONY J. JULIANO

W. PAUL NELSON

JOY RICHARDSON

ROBERT F. VOSE

EUGENE M. VAN LOAN, Jr.

Planning Board

ALFRED J. LAMBERT, *Selectman*

REPORT OF PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

This year the facilities at the Memorial Park were nearly completed. The bath house and pool were opened at the end of July. \$3,346.63 in family memberships and daily admissions were collected. Swimming lessons were offered and taken advantage of by more than 125 individuals.

The tennis courts were used quite extensively. The Parks and Recreation Commission sponsored several tournaments encompassing all age categories. We also sponsored tennis lessons in both the spring and fall with an overwhelming response. McKelvie School gym classes also took advantage of the courts by providing tennis instructions there.

The outdoor skating facilities were completed and utilized throughout the winter. The major league ballfield will be completed for use early this spring complete with underground watering system, sod infield, and canopied backstop. The play equipment is in storage and will be installed as soon as weather permits. The play equipment includes swings, slide, and a giant muscle man physical fitness center.

The Bedford Ball Park was extensively utilized primarily by the little league and the girls' softball league. The demand for facilities by these two groups has created tremendous scheduling burdens. The situation has been discussed with the school board to determine the availability of proper school facilities for this purpose.

In the coming year your Parks and Recreation Commission expects to devote its efforts to the completion of the Memorial Park, the maintenance of our facilities, and the promotion of their use.

Our goal is to maintain these facilities in such a way as to reflect our pride and gratitude toward those people who gave so generously of their time and money in the completion of this project.

BURTON A. HYMAN, - *Chairman*
Parks and Recreation Commission
January 13, 1977

BEDFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

1976 Annual Report

In the past year the Bedford Conservation Commission has conducted a number of varied programs. Most significant of these is the continuation of a project carried out with the cooperation of McKelvie School. Under the direction of Mr. Ray Landry, a second group of students is now monitoring the brooks of Bedford as they enter and leave town. We are hoping to obtain sufficient historical data in order to establish normal seasonal changes and thereby more easily recognized abnormalities. During the course of the year, one significant change was noted, investigated, and found that although not presently critical, it bears careful watching.

Dredge and fill problems were reviewed throughout the year. Some were in the form of legal dredge and fill applications while others were illegal operations initiated without the required approval under RSA Chapter 149:8A. We are attempting to provide equitable solutions to dredge and fill problems in order to provide a balance between growth and a quality environment.

The Commission has spent considerable time attempting to establish open spaces through outright gifts of land to the town or through the more limited Conservation Deed. Through the generosity of Mr. Robert H. Brooks and Joseph W. Armbruster, general partners of Juniper Hill Assoc., we have been granted three parcels totaling 12.2 acres at King James Grant which will be limited to conservation use. We have been continuing to negotiate on several other parcels and request interested individuals contact the Commission for information about Conservation Deeds.

ANNUAL REPORTS

SCHOOL DISTRICT

of

BEDFORD, N.H.

For the year ending June 30, 1976



HENRY A. BLOOD

December 21, 1901 - July 27, 1976

He served as Treasurer of the
Bedford School District
for fifty-two years.

A man of service;
A man of dedication;
A man to whom we are most indebted.

The Bedford School Board

DISTRICT OFFICERS

Moderator

EDWARD J. POWERS (Resigned)

New Moderator

EUGENE VAN LOAN III (Appointed)

Clerk

DORIS PECK

Treasurer

RICHARD SPURWAY

School Board

MARGARET COMISKEY	1977
SUZANNE TYRIE	1978
CHARLES SOLMS III	1978
LYDIA McINTIRE	1979
EARL LEGACY	1979

BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Bedford, New Hampshire qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the eighth day of March 1977 at 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following questions:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for ensuing year.
3. To choose one member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

The polls will be open from 7:00 A.M. and will close no earlier than 6:00 P.M.

Given under our hands at said Bedford this 14th day of February 1977.

Lydia McIntire
 Charles Solms III
 Margaret G. Comiskey
 Earl Legacy
 Suzanne Tyrie
School Board

A true Copy of Warrant-Attest:

Lydia McIntire
 Charles Solms III
 Earl Legacy
 Suzanne Tyrie
 Margaret G. Comiskey
School Board

**BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Bedford, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the McKelvie School in said District on the 2nd day of March, 1977, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following questions:

ARTICLE I. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.) for the purpose of developing outdoor recreation fields on the McKelvie School Site, said expenditures to be contingent upon the approval of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.) to be received from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. (Not recommended by the Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE II. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of the School District and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District.

Given under our hands at said Bedford this 3rd day of February, 1977.

Lydia McIntire
Earl Legacy
Margaret Comiskey
Charles Solms III
Suzanne Tyrie
School Board

A true copy of Warrant Attest:

Lydia McIntire
Earl Legacy
Margaret Comiskey
Charles Solms III
Suzanne Tyrie
School Board

BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

The School Board
Bedford School District
Bedford, New Hampshire 03102

Gentlemen:

We have examined the books and records of the Bedford School District for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1973, June 30, 1974, and June 30, 1975. The report is in the form of Exhibits which are hereafter enclosed.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances. The Bedford School District maintains its financial records using budgetary and single entry cash basis accounting. The financial statements have been prepared under the accrual method of accounting as applied to governmental entities.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of sources of revenue and expenses present fairly the financial position of the Bedford School District at June 30, 1973, June 30, 1974, and June 30, 1975 and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applied on a consistent basis.

Very truly yours,

PLODZIK and SANDERSON

BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

The School Board
Bedford School District
Bedford, New Hampshire 03102

Gentlemen:

We have examined the books and records of the Bedford School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1976 and have prepared the attached exhibits and schedules in conformity with the recommended format prescribed by the Municipal Services Division of the State of New Hampshire. Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the School Board, District Treasurer, School Lunch Director, and McKelvie School Activities Fund.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION**General Fund:****Comparative Balance Sheet: (Exhibit A-1)**

A comparative balance sheet which discloses the financial condition of the general fund as of June 30, 1975 and June 30, 1976, is presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein, the current surplus of the School District increased by \$32,964 in fiscal 1976, from \$4,793 at June 30, 1975 to \$37,757 at June 30, 1976.

**Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition:
(Exhibit A-2)**

An analysis of the factors which caused the change in financial condition of the School District during the fiscal year is contained in Exhibit A-2. These were as follows:

Increase in Current Surplus:

Net Budget Surplus (Exhibit A-4)	\$38,122
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Decrease in Current Surplus:

Surplus Used To Reduce School

District Assessment

\$4,793

Cash Adjustment

365

 5,158
Net Increase

 \$32,964

Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures - Estimated and Actual Revenue:

(Exhibits A-3 and A-4)

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenue for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1976 are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit A-4), a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$37,588, plus a revenue surplus of \$534, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$38,122.

Capital Projects Fund:**Comparative Balance Sheet: (Exhibit A-5)**

A comparative balance sheet disclosing the financial condition of the Capital Projects Fund as of June 30, 1975 and June 30, 1976, is contained in Exhibit A-5. As indicated therein, the fund balance amounted to \$245,420 at June 30, 1975 and \$116,224 at June 30, 1976.

Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures, and Fund Balance: (Exhibit A-6)

A statement of appropriations, expenditures, and fund balance is included in Exhibit A-6.

Long-Term Indebtedness:**Comparative Balance Sheet: (Exhibit A-7)**

A comparative balance sheet, disclosing the long-term indebtedness of the School District as of June 30, 1975 and June 30, 1976, is included in Exhibit A-7. As stated therein, the long-term debt of the School District amounted to \$1,760,000 at June 30, 1975 and \$1,600,000 at June 30, 1976.

Statement of Debt Service Requirements: (Exhibit A-8)

A statement showing annual debt service requirements of principal and interest is included in Exhibit A-8.

Federal Projects Fund:**Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Fund Balance:
(Exhibit A-9)**

A statement disclosing the activity in the Federal Project Fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1976, is included in Exhibit A-9.

OTHER FUNDS AND OFFICIALS' ACCOUNTS

The accompanying supplemental exhibits covering segregated funds and the accounts of those officials' entrusted with the custody, receipt, or expenditure of School District funds, are presented in accordance with the current requirements of the Municipal Services Division of the State of New Hampshire. Although not considered necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements and results of its operations, our examination of these accounts included the same tests and auditing procedures applied in the examination of the aforementioned financial statements. In our opinion, these exhibits are stated fairly in all material respects when considered in conjunction with the financial statements taken as a whole.

We extend our thanks to the officials and the office staff of the Bedford School District for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,

PLODZIK and SANDERSON

EXHIBIT A-3
BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1976

	Appropriations 1975-76	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures 1975-76	Balances		Encum- brances
					Unexpended	Overdrafts	
<i>Administration:</i>							
Salaries	\$ 1,650	\$	1,650	\$ 1,650	\$	\$	\$ 1,500
Contracted Services	3,150		5,150	1,465	2,185		
Other Expenses	1,525	10,111	11,636	12,743		1,107	
<i>Instructions:</i>							
Salaries	920,526	125	920,651	906,218	14,433		
Textbooks	11,954	48	12,002	11,621	381		
Library and Audiovisual Materials	10,000		10,000	9,349	451		
Teaching Supplies	39,500		39,500	40,215		715	
Contracted Services	2,000		2,000	2,000			
Other Expenses	8,500		8,500	6,763	1,737		
<i>Health Services</i>	20,211		20,211	19,041	1,170		
<i>Pupil Transportation</i>	100,455		100,455	100,536		81	
<i>Operation of Plant:</i>							
Salaries	63,995		63,995	64,002		7	
Supplies	9,200		9,200	6,975	2,225		
Contracted Services	2,500		2,500	1,799	701		
Heat	30,520		30,520	24,786	5,735		
Utilities	32,260		32,260	34,074		1,814	
Other Expenses	2,400		2,400	1,769	631		
<i>Maintenance of Plant</i>	16,234	282	16,516	18,922		2,406	

SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXHIBIT A-3 (Continued)

	Appropriations 1975-76	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Balances		Encum- brances
				Expenditures 1975-76	Unexpended-Overdrafts	
<i>Fixed Charges:</i>						
Retirement and Social Security	68,992		68,992	75,558		6,566
Insurance	58,000	157	58,157	41,971	16,186	
School Lunch and Special Milk Program	6,400		6,400	6,400		
Student-Body Activities	11,910		11,910	11,112	798	
<i>Capital Outlay:</i>						
Site	12,500		12,500	16,129		3,629
Equipment	8,000		8,000	7,771	229	
<i>Debt Service:</i>						
Principal of Debt	160,000		160,000	160,000		
Interest on Debt	73,348		73,348	73,348		
<i>Outgoing Transfer Accounts in State:</i>						
Tuition	731,250		731,250	739,769		8,519
Supervisory Union Expenses	36,611		36,611	36,611		
Expenditures To Other Than Public Schools	48,000	374	48,374	37,957	10,417	
Summer School	7,500		7,500	7,444	56	
Dual Enrollment	100		100	100		
Deficit Appropriation	5,000		5,000		5,000	
	(1)					
TOTALS	\$2,506,191	\$11,097	\$2,517,288	\$2,478,200	\$62,432	\$24,844
						\$1,500

(1) Voted at the Annual School District Meeting on March 4, 1976

EXHIBIT A-4
BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund

Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenue and Budget Summary
 Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1976

SOURCE	Revenue		Excess	Deficit
	Estimated	Actual		
<i>Surplus Used To Reduce School District Assessment</i>	\$ 7,739	\$ 4,793	\$	\$2,946
<i>School District Assessment:</i>				
Current Appropriation	2,257,413	2,257,413		
Deficit Appropriation	5,000	5,000		
<i>Revenue From State Sources:</i>				
Sweepstakes	45,531	45,531		
School Building Aid	43,500	43,500		
Driver Education	2,000	1,600		400
Foster Children Aid	400	400		
<i>Revenue From Federal Sources:</i>				
Public Law 874		1,563	1,563	
<i>Other Revenue:</i>				
Tuition and Transportation	7,500	8,421	921	
Elementary Building Fund	137,000	137,000		
Interest on Investments		1,417	1,417	
Rent	100	80		20
Miscellaneous	8	7		1
Totals	\$2,506,191	\$2,506,725	\$3,901	\$3,367

Budget Summary

Unexpended Balances of Appropriations \$	62,432
Overdrafts of Appropriations	24,844

Net Unexpended Balance of Appropriations	\$37,588
Actual Revenue	\$2,506,725
Estimated Revenue	2,506,191

Revenue Surplus	534

Net Budget Surplus	\$38,122

EXHIBIT A-5
BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Capital Projects Fund

Comparative Balance Sheet
 As of June 30, 1975 and June 30, 1976

ASSETS	June 30, 1975	June 30, 1976
<i>Cash:</i>		
Checking Account	\$ 7,421	\$ 2,349
Certificate of Deposit	130,000	
Savings Accounts	104,008	109,884
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$241,429	\$112,233
<i>Accounts Receivable:</i>		
Due From General Fund	\$ 2,991	\$ 2,991
Due From Capital Reserve Fund	1,000	1,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	3,991	3,991
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$245,420</u></u>	<u><u>\$116,224</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

<i>Fund Balance:</i>		
Elementary School Building	\$140,412	\$ 5,533
Land Purchase	105,008	110,691
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	<u><u>\$245,420</u></u>	<u><u>\$116,224</u></u>

EXHIBIT A-7
BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Long-Term Indebtedness

Comparative Balance Sheet
 As of June 30, 1975 and June 30, 1976

ASSETS	June 30, 1975	June 30, 1976
Amount To Be Provided For Retirement of Long-Term Debt	<u>\$1,760,000</u>	<u>\$1,600,000</u>
LIABILITIES		
<i>Bonds Outstanding:</i>		
School Bonds - 1964	\$ 290,000	\$260,000
School Bonds - 1966	385,000	350,000
Land Acquisition Bond - 1972	45,000	30,000
Elementary School Bonds - 1972	1,040,000	960,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$1,760,000</u>	<u>\$1,600,000</u>

EXHIBIT C
BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Lunch and Special Milk Program

Statement of Cash Receipts and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1976

<i>Cash Balance - June 30, 1975</i>		\$ 1,356
<i>Receipts During Year:</i>		
Lunch and Milk Sales	\$53,975	
Federal Reimbursements	25,745	
District Appropriation	1,500	
Miscellaneous	47	
Snack Bar Sales	147	
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<i>Total Receipts</i>		81,414
<i>Total Amount Available</i>		<hr/> \$82,770
<i>Expenditures During Year:</i>		
Food and Milk	\$43,151	
Labor	33,352	
Equipment	506	
Supplies	2,881	
Miscellaneous	251	
Utility and Custodial	247	
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<i>Total Expenditures</i>		80,388
<i>Cash Balance - June 30, 1976</i>		<hr/> <hr/> \$2,382

EXHIBIT A-8
BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Long-Term Indebtedness

Statement of Debt Service Requirements
As of June 30, 1976

Amount of Original Issue Date of Original Issue Principal Payable Date Interest Payable Dates Payable At	School Bonds 3.20%		School Bonds 4.10%	
	\$590,000		\$700,000	
Maturities - Fiscal Year Ending:	May 1, 1964		December 15, 1966	
	November 1		June 15	
	May 1 and November 1		June 15 and December 15	
	New England Merchants National Bank		New England Merchants National Bank	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
June 30, 1977	\$ 30,000	\$ 7,840	\$ 35,000	\$14,350
June 30, 1978	30,000	6,880	35,000	12,915
June 30, 1979	30,000	5,920	35,000	11,480
June 30, 1980	30,000	4,960	35,000	10,045
June 30, 1981	30,000	4,000	35,000	8,610
June 30, 1982	30,000	3,040	35,000	7,175
June 30, 1983	30,000	2,080	35,000	5,740
June 30, 1984	25,000	1,200	35,000	4,305
June 30, 1985	25,000	400	35,000	2,870
June 30, 1986			35,000	1,435
June 30, 1987				
June 30, 1988				
TOTALS	\$260,000	\$36,320	\$350,000	\$78,925

EXHIBIT A-8
BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Long-Term Indebtedness

Statement of Debt Service Requirements
As of June 30, 1976

Land Acquisition Bonds 4.70%		Elementary School Bonds 4.70%		TOTAL	
Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
<u>\$80,000</u>		<u>\$1,200,000</u>			
December 1, 1972		December 1, 1972			
December 1		December 1			
June 1 and December 1		June 1 and December 1			
New England Merchants		New England Merchants			
National Bank		National Bank			
\$15,000	\$1,058	\$ 80,000	\$ 43,240	\$ 160,000	\$ 66,488
15,000	352	80,000	39,480	160,000	59,627
		80,000	35,720	145,000	53,120
		80,000	31,960	145,000	46,965
		80,000	28,200	145,000	40,810
		80,000	24,440	145,000	34,655
		80,000	20,680	145,000	28,500
		80,000	16,920	140,000	22,425
		80,000	13,160	140,000	16,430
		80,000	9,400	115,000	10,835
		80,000	5,640	80,000	5,640
		80,000	1,880	80,000	1,880
\$30,000	\$1,410	\$960,000	\$270,720	\$1,600,000	\$387,375

1976-1977 BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

BUDGET COMMITTEE

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Approved	
	Budget 1976-77	Recommended 1977-78
100. Administration		
110. Salaries	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,650.00
135. Contracted Services	5,250.00	7,350.00
190. Other Expenses	1,575.00	2,125.00
200. Instruction		
210. Salaries	958,883.00	1,059,994.00
215. Textbooks	12,602.00	19,000.00
220. Library & Audiovisual Mat.	11,000.00	12,000.00
230. Teaching Supplies	42,734.00	47,000.00
235. Contracted Services	5,675.00	6,500.00
290. Other Expenses	12,200.00	12,790.00
400. Health Services	20,816.00	21,850.00
500. Pupil Transportation	125,440.00	125,490.00
600. Operation of Plant		
610. Salaries	68,994.00	72,712.00
630. Supplies	9,000.00	8,000.00
635. Contracted Services	2,500.00	2,700.00
640. Heat	35,098.00	37,500.00
645. Utilities	36,909.00	40,000.00
690. Other Expenses	3,700.00	900.00
700. Maintenance of Plant	18,785.00	17,507.00
800. Fixed Charges		
850. Employee Retirement & F.I.C.A.	81,955.00	90,926.00
855. Insurance	50,709.00	55,175.00
900.* School Lunch & Spec. Milk Program	26,400.00	30,400.00
1000. Student-Body Activities	13,373.00	13,623.00
1200. Capital Outlay		
1265. Sites	3,213.00	24,440.00
1266. Buildings	—	3,575.00
1267. Equipment	6,410.00	10,000.00
1300. Debt Service		
1370. Principal of Debt	160,000.00	160,000.00
1371. Interest of Debt	66,488.00	59,628.00
1477. Outgoing Transfer Accounts in State		
1477.1. Tuition	769,500.00	870,000.00
1477.3. Supervisory Union Expenses	38,807.00	41,981.00
1479. Expenditures to other than Pub. Schs.	51,000.00	66,617.00
1700. Summer School	7,500.00	7,500.00
Deficit Approp.	5,000.00	—
1900. Dual Enrollment	100.00	—
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$2,653,266.00	\$2,928,933.00

* Federal & District Funds

OF BEDFORD NEW HAMPSHIRE

	ESTIMATED REVENUES	
	Approved Revenues 1976-77	Budget Committee 1977-78
UNENCUMBERED BALANCE	\$ 40,988.20	\$ —
Revenue from State Sources:	43,500.00	45,000.00
Sweepstakes	59,446.59	62,000.00
School Building Aid		
Driver Education	2,000.00	2,000.00
Other	400.00	500.00
Revenue from Federal Sources:		
Sch. Lunch & Special Milk Program	20,000.00	20,000.00
Local Revenue Except Taxes:		
Rent	100.00	100.00
Other Revenue from Local Sources		
Summer School	—	7,500.00
Interest	—	1,000.00
TOTAL School Revenues and Credits	<u>166,434.79</u>	<u>136,160.00</u>
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	<u>2,486,831.21</u>	<u>2,792,273.00</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$2,653,266.00	\$2,928,933.00

Robert M. Wheeler
 John F. Bridges
 Margaret Comisky
 Robert A. Allan
 Charles Lovell
 Thomas Riley
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BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET 1977-78

	Budgeted 1975-76	Expended 1975-76	Voted 3/4/76	Recommended 1977-78	BC 1977-78
100. ADMINISTRATION					
110. <i>Salaries of District Officers</i>					
110.1 School Board	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	
110.2 Moderator	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	
110.3 Clerk	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	
110.4 Treasurer	350.00	350.00	350.00	350.00	
	<u>1,650.00</u>	<u>1,650.00</u>	<u>1,650.00</u>	<u>1,650.00</u>	<u>1,650.00</u>
135. <i>Contracted Services</i>					
135.1 Auditors	1,500.00	—	1,500.00	800.00	
135.2 Census	600.00	600.00	700.00	800.00	
135.3 Counsel Fees	2,500.00	175.53	2,500.00	5,000.00	
135.4 District Meetings	150.00	229.40	150.00	250.00	
135.5 School Board Secretary	400.00	460.50	400.00	500.00	
	<u>5,150.00</u>	<u>1,465.43</u>	<u>5,250.00</u>	<u>7,350.00</u>	<u>7,350.00</u>
190. <i>Other Expenses</i>					
190.1 NHSBA Dues	250.00	375.00	350.00	350.00	
190.2 Advertising	75.00	462.54	75.00	100.00	
190.3 Treasurer's Expenses	150.00	165.00	150.00	175.00	
190.4 Other	50.00	—	—	—	
190.5 Supplies	1,000.00	1,794.36	1,000.00	1,500.00	
	<u>1,525.00</u>	<u>2,631.90</u>	<u>1,575.00</u>	<u>2,125.00</u>	<u>2,125.00</u>
TOTAL 100 SERIES	\$ 8,325.00	\$ 5,747.33	\$ 8,475.00	\$ 11,125.00	\$ 11,125.00

200. INSTRUCTION

210. <i>Salaries</i>					
* 210.1 Teachers & Principals	\$ 845,517.00	\$ 832,466.04	\$ 881,119.00	\$ 980,174.00	
210.2 Substitutes	14,000.00	13,060.10	14,000.00	14,000.00	
210.3 Clerks	22,711.00	22,231.58	26,573.00	27,776.00	
210.4 Handwriting	1,400.00	1,100.00	1,100.00		
210.5 Department Heads	1,200.00	2,225.00	2,100.00	2,100.00	
210.6 Course Credits	4,500.00	4,325.00	2,500.00	3,300.00	
210.7 Aides	15,940.00	9,680.51	10,491.00	14,644.00	
210.8 Internship Program	16,000.00	21,000.00	21,000.00	18,000.00	
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	920,526.00	906,088.23	958,883.00	1,059,994.00	1,059,994.00
215. <i>Textbooks</i>	11,954.00	11,613.77	12,602.00	19,000.00	19,000.00
220. <i>Library & Audia Visual</i>					
220.1 Library Books	5,041.00	4,780.61	6,050.00	8,000.00	
220.2P AV Rentals	350.00	255.02	350.00	250.00	
220.2I AV Rentals	500.00	217.75	500.00	450.00	
220.3P Filmstrips	399.00	451.00	500.00	400.00	
220.3I Filmstrips	492.00	605.18	680.00	500.00	
220.4P Maps and Globes	147.00	150.53	500.00	500.00	
220.4I Maps and Globes	597.00	708.15	70.00	300.00	
220.5P Other	1,000.00	1,081.31	800.00	600.00	
220.5I Other	1,474.00	1,229.19	1,500.00	1,000.00	
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	10,000.00	9,478.74	11,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
230. <i>Teaching Supplies</i>					
230.1P Replacement	5,980.00	5,961.19	6,090.00	6,230.00	
230.1I Replacement	6,800.00	6,664.34	7,216.00	6,704.00	
230.2P Testing	1,180.00	1,688.27	1,385.00	1,633.00	
230.2I Testing	1,360.00	1,378.51	1,640.00	1,755.00	
230.3 Music	680.00	323.13	726.00	580.00	
230.4 Art	2,556.00	2,861.06	2,662.00	2,710.00	
230.5P Physical Education	500.00	481.12	554.00	653.00	

230.5I Physical Education	\$ 1,058.00	\$ 1,143.30	\$ 984.00	\$ 1,053.00
230.6P Science	1,243.00	1,233.61	1,284.00	1,306.00
230.6I Science	2,225.00	2,661.72	2,296.00	2,457.00
230.7P Language Arts	4,000.00	4,155.04	4,598.00	6,530.00
230.7I Language Arts	2,040.00	2,039.01	2,230.00	2,527.00
230.8P Math	1,700.00	1,742.72	1,662.00	1,959.00
230.8I Math	1,700.00	1,487.21	1,968.00	2,106.00
230.9 Speech Therapy	200.00	192.16		
230.10 Environmental Education	600.00	600.00	677.00	1,000.00
230.11 Social Studies	728.00	774.52	1,210.00	1,355.00
230.12 Home Economics	1,700.00	1,140.74	1,976.00	2,171.00
230.13 Industrial Arts	1,700.00	1,763.01	1,976.00	2,171.00
230.14 Special Services	1,550.00	1,924.11	1,600.00	2,100.00
	<u>39,500.00</u>	<u>39,214.77</u>	<u>42,734.00</u>	<u>47,000.00</u>
235. <i>Contracted Services</i>				
235.2 Curriculum Development	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,800.00	3,500.00
235.3 Psychological Services			1,875.00	3,000.00
	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>5,675.00</u>	<u>6,500.00</u>
290. <i>Other Expenses</i>				
290.1 Office Supplies	65.00	195.06	1,000.00	1,000.00
290.2 Graduation	450.00	450.00	450.00	450.00
290.3 Professional Meetings	1,500.00	2,124.90	450.00	500.00
290.4 Staff Development	4,500.00	2,162.58	8,000.00	8,000.00
290.5 Travel Expenses	200.00	97.20	200.00	200.00
290.6 Professional Publications	385.00	421.50	500.00	500.00
290.7 Report Cards	500.00	415.60	400.00	500.00
290.8 Postage	900.00	900.00	1,000.00	1,200.00
290.9 Professional Memberships			200.00	440.00
	<u>8,500.00</u>	<u>6,766.84</u>	<u>12,200.00</u>	<u>12,790.00</u>
TOTAL 200 SERIES	\$ 992,480.00	\$ 975,162.35	\$ 1,043,094.00	\$ 1,157,284.00

645.	<i>Utilities</i>								
	645.1	Water	\$ 300.00	\$ 246.60	\$ 300.00	\$ 450.00			
	645.2	Gas	300.00	386.87	300.00	450.00			
	645.3	Electricity	27,660.00	29,211.31	31,809.00	36,580.00			
	645.4	Telephone	4,000.00	4,229.21	4,500.00	4,750.00			
			<u>32,260.00</u>	<u>34,073.99</u>	<u>36,909.00</u>	<u>42,230.00</u>			<u>40,000.00</u>
690.	<i>Other Expenses</i>								
	690.1	Other	200.00	123.20	200.00	200.00			
	690.2	Van	2,200.00	1,645.43	3,500.00	700.00			
			<u>2,400.00</u>	<u>1,768.63</u>	<u>3,700.00</u>	<u>900.00</u>			<u>900.00</u>
		TOTAL 600 SERIES	\$ 140,875.00	\$ 133,406.66	\$ 156,201.00	\$ 166,905.00	\$		\$ 161,812.00
700.	MAINTENANCE OF PLANT								
725.	<i>Replacement</i>								
	725.1P	Instructional Equipment	604.00		200.00	370.00			
	725.1I	Instructional Equipment	1,915.00	1,645.72	1,680.00	950.00			
	725.2P	Non-Instructional							
	725.2I	Non-Instructional	1,499.00	979.46	1,325.00	1,965.00			
			<u>4,018.00</u>	<u>2,625.18</u>	<u>3,285.00</u>	<u>3,285.00</u>			<u>3,285.00</u>
726.	<i>Repairs</i>								
	726.1P	Instructional Equipment	580.00	123.55	580.00	500.00			
	726.1I	Instructional Equipment	285.00	747.49	633.00	500.00			
	726.2P	Non-Instructional Equipment	350.00	528.21	350.00	350.00			
	726.2I	Non-Instructional Equipment	590.00	1,052.33	790.00	1,003.00			
			<u>1,805.00</u>	<u>2,451.58</u>	<u>2,353.00</u>	<u>2,353.00</u>			<u>2,353.00</u>
735.	<i>Contracted Services</i>								
	735.1P	Painting	600.00	475.63	1,300.00	1,300.00			
	735.1I	Painting	700.00	508.99	1,000.00	1,000.00			

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735.2P Maintenance	430.00	344.70	730.00	730.00
735.2I Maintenance	900.00	968.34	1,162.00	700.00
735.3 Other	—	—	1,000.00	—
	<u>2,630.00</u>	<u>2,297.66</u>	<u>5,192.00</u>	<u>3,730.00</u>
766. <i>Repair to Buildings</i>				
766.1P Boilers	1,442.00	1,705.26	200.00	200.00
766.2P Other	2,392.00	2,598.00	1,912.00	—
766.2I Other	<u>2,597.00</u>	<u>5,329.03</u>	<u>4,493.00</u>	<u>6,589.00</u>
	6,431.00	9,632.29	6,605.00	6,789.00
790. <i>Other Expenses</i>				
790. Other	<u>1,350.00</u>	<u>1,632.50</u>	<u>1,350.00</u>	<u>1,350.00</u>
	\$ 16,234.00	\$ 18,639.21	\$ 18,785.00	\$ 17,507.00
TOTAL 700 SERIES				\$ 17,507.00
800. FIXED CHARGES				
850. <i>Retirement FICA</i>				
850.1 Retirement	10,283.00	17,046.25	20,992.00	23,300.00
850.2 FICA	53,319.00	53,122.19	54,677.00	58,500.00
850.3 Other FICA	<u>5,390.00</u>	<u>5,390.00</u>	<u>6,286.00</u>	<u>9,126.00</u>
	68,992.00	75,658.44	81,955.00	90,926.00
855. <i>Insurance</i>				
855.1 Fire	15,000.00	15,442.00	16,559.00	17,525.00
855.2 Health & Accident	<u>43,000.00</u>	<u>26,371.90</u>	<u>34,150.00</u>	<u>37,650.00</u>
	58,000.00	41,813.90	50,709.00	55,175.00
TOTAL 800 SERIES	\$ 126,992.00	\$ 117,472.34	\$ 132,664.00	\$ 146,101.00

900. SPECIAL MILK & LUNCH PROGRAM

975. <i>School Lunch</i>							
975.1 Federal Monies	15,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	
975.2 District Support	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
	<u>21,000.00</u>	<u>21,000.00</u>	<u>26,000.00</u>	<u>26,000.00</u>	<u>30,000.00</u>	<u>30,000.00</u>	
990. Other	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	
	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	
TOTAL 900 SERIES	\$ 21,400.00	\$ 21,400.00	\$ 26,400.00	\$ 26,400.00	\$ 30,400.00	\$ 30,400.00	

1000. STUDENT ACTIVITIES

1010. <i>Salaries</i>	4,240.00	4,475.00	3,100.00	3,100.00	3,350.00	3,350.00	
1075. <i>General Support</i>							
1075.2P Fields Trips	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,525.00	1,525.00	
1075.21 Field Trips	1,990.00	1,600.00	2,488.00	2,488.00	2,484.00	2,484.00	
1075.3P Assemblies	300.00	150.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	
1075.31 Assemblies	500.00	350.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	
1075.4 Awards	300.00	193.30	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	
1075.5 Officials	1,100.00	900.00	1,320.00	1,320.00	1,320.00	1,320.00	
1075.6 Equipment	720.00	720.00	1,919.00	1,919.00	1,994.00	1,994.00	
1076.7 Transportation	1,150.00	1,123.27	1,850.00	1,850.00	1,850.00	1,850.00	
	<u>7,670.00</u>	<u>6,636.57</u>	<u>10,273.00</u>	<u>10,273.00</u>	<u>10,273.00</u>	<u>10,273.00</u>	
TOTAL 1000 SERIES	\$ 11,910.00	\$ 11,111.57	\$ 13,373.00	\$ 13,373.00	\$ 13,623.00	\$ 13,623.00	

1200. CAPITAL OUTLAY

1265. <i>Sites</i>	12,500.00	16,129.42	3,213.00	3,213.00	64,440.00	24,440.00	
1266. <i>Buildings</i>					3,575.00	3,575.00	

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1267. <i>Equipment</i>	8,000.00	7,770.78	6,410.00	13,462.00	10,000.00
TOTAL 1200 SERIES	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 23,900.20	\$ 9,623.00	\$ 81,477.00	\$ 38,015.00
1300. DEBT SERIES					
1370. <i>Principal</i>	160,000.00	160,000.00	160,000.00	160,000.00	160,000.00
1371. <i>Interest</i>	73,348.00	73,347.50	66,488.00	59,628.00	59,628.00
TOTAL 1300 SERIES	\$ 233,348.00	\$ 233,347.50	\$ 226,488.00	\$ 219,628.00	\$ 219,628.00
1400. OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS					
1477.1 In St. Tuition 600 x 1450	731,250.00	739,769.72	769,500.00	870,000.00	870,000.00
1477.2 Supervisory Union	36,611.00	36,611.00	38,807.00	41,981.00	41,981.00
1479.1 Other Tuition	30,000.00	26,958.28	35,000.00	37,266.00	37,266.00
1479.2 Tutoring	1,000.00	562.50	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
1479.3 Transportation	17,000.00	10,436.39	15,000.00	24,851.00	24,851.00
1479.4 Special Services				3,500.00	3,500.00
TOTAL 1400 SERIES	\$ 815,861.00	\$ 814,336.89	\$ 859,307.00	\$ 978,598.00	\$ 978,598.00
1700. SUMMER SCHOOL	7,500.00	7,443.53	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
TOTAL 1700 SERIES	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,443.53	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
1900. OTHER					
H. S. Dual Enrollment	100.00		100.00		
Deficit Appropriated			5,000.00		
TOTAL 1900 SERIES	100.00		5,100.00		
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$2,516,191.00	\$2,482,111.78	\$2,653,266.00	\$2,977,488.00	\$2,928,933.00

* NOTE: The sum in #210.1 includes \$42,000.00 which is the amount necessary to fund the Master Agreement between the Bedford Teachers Association and the School Board.

BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**Revenue**

	1976-77	Estimated 1977-78
Unencumbered Balance		None
Sweepstakes		\$62,000.00
School Building Aid		43,500.00
Driver Education		2,000.00
Other State Revenue		500.00
School Lunch		20,000.00
Rent		100.00
Interest		1,000.00
Summer School		7,500.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 166,434.79	\$ 136,660.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	\$2,653,266.00	\$2,928,933.00
TOWN ASSESSMENT	\$2,486,831.21	\$2,792,273.00

REPORT OF THE BEDFORD SCHOOL BOARD

1976-77 has seen a continued emphasis on the "Return to the Basics" in the Bedford School System. Recognizing that children rely predominately on reading, writing, speaking, listening and arithmetic for all future knowledge and learning, the Bedford School Board has placed a renewed stress in these areas of our curriculum. Advanced instruction in all other areas—literature, social studies, science and other languages are based on the ability to use these "survival skills" effectively.

Language Arts monopolizes the time of children in the elementary grades. Through funds appropriated in last year's budget, our Language Arts Curriculum has been restructured. Linguistics is no longer with us. A Basic Spelling Program for grades 1-8 has been introduced. Importance has been given to Handwriting through a school-wide Handwriting program. Greater emphasis is being given in areas of Grammar, Spelling, Handwriting and Study Skills not just in the Language Arts class but in all subject areas as well. This spring final approval will be given to the Language Arts Curriculum. This will be done only when the Board is fully satisfied that the curriculum, including Textbooks, have been closely evaluated and meet the needs of the students in our system. We welcome your suggestions and criticisms of this curriculum before making any final decisions.

Arithmetic Skills demand the next largest amount of time. This has been the second year of a Title I Funding Program in Mathematics. Aides have been trained to work on an individual or small group basis with children, grades 4-6, that have the potential but do not have the necessary foundation in the basic math skills necessary for continued progress. This program has met with great success. Hopefully, funds will be allocated this year to give us an opportunity to strengthen our Math program. The committee has been formed and will have grade level meetings during the school year. The writing committee will work during the summer of 1977 to develop the revised math including the adoption of Metrics into the program. The strengthened Math Curriculum will be completed for initial implementation during the 1977-78 school year.

Though our schools devote the major amount of time and funds to the basic 3 r's, the Bedford School Board along with its administration and staff, suggest that good health and sound body are

basic, an awareness and appreciation for Art and Music are basic, respect for one's self and others is basic, respect for the environment is basic, and a sense of responsibility is basic. To ignore these latter "basics" would be a great injustice to our children. A student needs intellectual skills as well as attitudes, habits and commitments to become a good citizen. These are school responsibilities, too. It is our hope that with proper thought and planning we can effectively build on both kinds of basics.

The Bedford School Board met this year for the first time with representatives from West High School in an effort to establish communications between the two schools as well as assess the preparations of Bedford students tuitioned to West High School. We hope to continue this on an annual basis.

Accountability has been another area of concentration for the Board this year. A new evaluation system has been instituted so basic, an awareness and appreciation for Art and Music are basic, that teachers can be more accurately and constructively evaluated. Job Descriptions for all staff members and administrators have been written so the people are aware of what is expected of them. The process for administration evaluation has been emphasized. A Board subcommittee on Curriculum further reviews and keeps the total Board informed on all areas of curriculum. Questionnaires were sent to parents in June of 1976 to evaluate individual parental opinion of the schools' progress. Administrators, Teachers and School Board gave them careful study and recognized areas where parents were satisfied as well as where they felt attention was needed. Total School Results were published in a special School Board Bulletin. Class results are available in the Bedford Public Library, along with copies of the revised Language Arts and Social Studies Curriculums.

The Board has utilized committees to better meet the District's needs. Through the help of interested citizens we have been able to keep ourselves better informed in critical areas of concern. We greatly appreciate their time and effort.

The Amherst School Board requested that the Bedford School Board join them in an informal study of the possibilities of an Amherst-Bedford Cooperative High School. Thus, the appointment of a High School Alternative Study Group. Bedford is not under pressure at the moment for additional building space. The elementary enrollment projections indicate our present schools should be ade-

quate for several years. Manchester continues to provide our high school education, and there is no indication that the present contract will not be renewed. However, the Amherst request gives the School Board an impetus to study our secondary education. Just as Amherst is exploring several possibilities, the Bedford Board feels we should study all the educational alternatives available to us. These include a cooperative high school, an area high school, continued tuitioning and an independent high school. The Committee is charged with preparing a report for the Board which will guide its recommendations to the School District at future meetings, specifically including;

- (1) review of existing and alternative forms of high school organization,
- (2) development of appropriate supportive rationale and statistical evidence for each, and
- (3) any other assistance that would contribute to future district plans.

A Public Information Committee was established to make recommendations for carrying out an effective public information program. Communication between board and community is essential for building a good school system.

A Bus Safety Committee keeps the Board informed in the area of Transportation and Safety. This committee has saved the Board many many hours as well as giving Bedford a safer more effective transportation system.

Representatives from the Parks and Recreation Committee, sports groups and school personnel joined forces to formulate priorities, alternatives and cost estimates for site development at McKelvie School. Working together gives us a better opportunity to insure the district not just the most for our dollar but the best for our dollar.

The Finance Committee, another subcommittee of the School Board, made the following recommendations for inclusion in this year's budget.

- (1) a salary schedule for supportive personnel,
- (2) a salary schedule for principals and the recognition of

principals as an integral part of the management group,
and

- (3) a salary schedule for nurses.

This report presents some of the actions of the Bedford School Board. It would not be complete without a special thanks to the many parents and citizens of Bedford who give of their time to involve themselves in the education of our children. Their participation with us is greatly appreciated. Your comments and suggestions are always welcomed. We invite you to join us in Building on the Basics.

Respectfully submitted

N. SUZANNE TYRIE

Chairman

1977-78
DISTRIBUTION OF ONE
SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Bedford	32.52% of \$26,500.	\$ 8,617.80
Merrimack	67.48% of \$26,500.	17,882.20
State of New Hampshire		2,500.00
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		\$29,000.00

DISTRIBUTION OF TWO
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARIES

Bedford	32.52% of \$21,000	\$ 6,829.20
Merrimack	67.48% of \$21,000.	14,170.80
State of New Hampshire		2,500.00
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		\$23,500.00

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
To The
SCHOOL BOARD AND CITIZENS OF BEDFORD**

After three consecutive years of declining elementary school enrollments the past September showed an increase.

	1—4	5—8	Total
Sept. 1973	596	668	1264
Sept. 1974	588	668	1256
Sept. 1975	560	663	1223
Sept. 1976	602	671	1273

The major impact in this increase was in grade one where an additional teacher was employed. The current building activity in the district gives one concern for the future of this growth pattern.

In January of 1976, a task force was appointed to bring our district in compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. The task force was charged with undertaking a self-evaluation of education program and employment practices to determine whether any discrimination based on sex existed and to establish grievance procedures. In October, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare advised this office that our District was in compliance.

During the Spring the school board met with the principal and selected staff members of West High School to discuss topics of mutual interest. Principal Charles Quinn, Assistant Principal Richard Healy and others from West discussed the programs of studies and various administrative procedures at West. Members of the board posed various questions. This proved to be a most productive session.

The curriculum study for this year was Language Arts. The Language Arts coordinator, the reading specialists and several staff members worked through the spring and summer to develop a Language Arts curriculum guide which was tentatively approved by the Bedford School Board in August. Work will continue on the guide throughout this school year and will be published in final form during the summer of 1977.

The staff and Social Studies coordinator continue to work on revision and implementation of the Social Studies curriculum guide approved two years ago. It is anticipated that the next area for curriculum study will be mathematics during the spring and summer of 1977. Middle School staff have developed several fairly extensive interdisciplinary units in grades five through eight. These units have been developed in an attempt to unify the instructional program and to incorporate concepts in such areas as Health and Safety, Environmental Education and Career Education. The eighth grade Cardigan Environmental Unit continues to be exemplary, and a field guide produced by staff added an important dimension to the program this year. An interdisciplinary unit in Consumerism has been developed this year with much interest on the part of students and staff.

An inventory of school district equipment was conducted during the summer of 1976. Each piece of equipment was tagged with a metal plate having both the name of the district and a serial number. A copy of this inventory is in each school with the Master file of equipment being housed in the office of the superintendent of schools. As new equipment is purchased, it is added to the inventory listing so that the inventory is constantly updated. The information from the inventory is used during budget preparation, ascertaining proper insurance coverage, and gives a true value in the event of loss.

The past year was not without a time of sadness. Henry A. Blood, our school district treasurer for fifty-two years passed away. Henry had a keen sense of humor and served our district well. His passing is a loss to our entire school community.

Our district enjoys the benefits of an experienced instructional staff and a dedicated school board. The continued support of staff and board assures the children of Bedford a secure educational future.

Respectfully submitted,

CLAUDE H. LEAVITT,
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE PRIMARY UNIT PRINCIPAL

December 28, 1976

The following constitutes my annual report as Principal of the Memorial and Peter Woodbury Schools.

A marked increase in the pupil enrollment of the Primary Unit has taken place during the past year. This was most evident in the first grade where an additional teacher had to be hired to accommodate the increase in students. However, we have had a steady increase at all four grades during the current school year and expect the number to continue to grow. I have recommended through the budgetary process three additional classroom teachers which will permit us to maintain a pupil-teacher ratio of 21 to 1.

An intensive curriculum study in the area of Language Arts was conducted during the past summer. As a result of the study specific recommendations and changes have been instituted in the Primary Unit as stated in the new Language Arts Curriculum Guide. Some of these changes may take two years to implement because of budgetary implications. Specific items include the following:

1. The adoption of a basic spelling program.
2. A move away from the linguistic approach to a more traditional grammar program.
3. The adoption of a formal handwriting program:
Zaner-Bloser.
4. The skills continuum in the area of reading was redesigned along the line of grades, and the levels previously used were eliminated.
5. Specific curriculum components in the areas of listening and speaking were developed.
6. A standard format for written work was developed beginning at grade three. Special emphasis will be placed on the neatness and legibility of all written work.
7. A student profile was developed for use in grades 1-8.

We have established alternative placements for students in grades three and four this year. Self-contained classes, where the students spend most of their instructional time with one teacher, as

well as teaming situations, where two teachers work together and are responsible for the students' program, are available to the students.

Parental and teacher input as well as the student's learning style were taken into consideration prior to the placement of the students. The process has at this point in time proved effective and we plan to continue it in the future.

The Primary Unit teachers and administration have made some revisions on the student evaluation form. They were necessary because of the curriculum changes made in the area of Language Arts. Other changes were made based on specific parent feedback in order to give a clearer understanding of the student's progress. A total assessment of the process of reporting, involving the parents and staff, will be conducted during the latter part of this school year.

Primary Unit administrative objectives for the 1976-77 School Year include:

1. Strive to improve community relations.
2. Strive to improve inter-staff relations.
3. Initiate the new evaluation model with the Primary Unit Staff.
4. Develop a model to evaluate each curriculum area on a yearly basis, data to be analyzed and revisions made as needed.
5. Publish a yearly academic calendar on a monthly basis.
6. Improve the quality of reporting the child's academic and social program to parents.
7. Assist in the process of implementing the revisions in the Language Arts Curriculum.
8. Work with District staff to establish a process for the smooth and effective transfer of students from the Primary Unit 4th grade to McKelvie 5th grade.

I wish to thank all who have helped carry on the educational process in the Primary Unit.

Respectfully submitted,

ARNOLD M. MacDONALD,
Principal Primary Unit

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

January 11, 1977

Mr. Claude Leavitt
Superintendent of Schools
Merrimack, New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Leavitt,

The following constitutes my eleventh annual report, the seventh as principal of the Middle School

It is interesting to note that after a three year respite our enrollments are beginning to rise again. Since September of 1976, we have had a net gain of 27 students. Our projected enrollments for grades seven and eight are running higher than I would like to see i.e. 29 or 30 to 1.

Since September, we have been operating the fifth grade with three small pods instead of the previous "large pod-small pod" arrangement that has been used at the other grades. The arrangement seems to have been quite successful, therefore, we will be using the same format next year. Mr. Rodney Mansfield has been meeting with primary and middle school staff and administration to evaluate and revise (if necessary) the transition process of children from the Peter Woodbury to the McKelvie School.

The Language Arts Curriculum was studied this past school year and monies were provided to employ staff during the summer. Under the supervision of Judith Wildman the curriculum was revised. A very polished product was tentatively approved by the School Board. It is our intent to present the final recommendations to the Board this spring for acceptance.

The Mathematics Curriculum is presently being reviewed by Curtis Lombard, Mathematics Curriculum Coordinator, and selected members of the staff. It is hoped that the citizens of Bedford will continue the on going curriculum evaluation program at the March School District Meeting.

Teachers and Administrators in the Merrimack and Bedford School Districts have been working at the Middle School level to help the classroom teacher with a contemporary problem. Namely, how do you reconcile the so called "Back to Basics" movement with other pressures to provide our students with basic skills and understandings in such areas as Environmental Education, Health and Safety Programs and Career Education. We have been funded by the Federal Government to work at this concern. We have developed a program (Project Umbrella) that is designed to help the Middle School Science and Social Studies teachers to infuse Environmental Education, Health and Safety, and Career Education concepts, skills, and understandings into their existing curricula.

The Parent Teacher Group, under the leadership of Carolyn Richmond continues to bring many services and materials to the students and their teachers. The School Volunteer Programs sponsorships of open houses and evening programs for parents, the purchase of playground equipment and the publication of the Liberty Bell continue to help us immensely.

In summary, "the Bicentennial School Year" was a very rewarding year for our students. We look eagerly towards our coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT P. LITTLE

SCHOOL CENSUS REPORT 1976-1977

Ages as of Sept. 1, 1976	Number of Children			Number of Children Attending			Number of Children Not Attending Any School Because				
	Total	Boys	Girls	Public Schools		Other Private Schools	Outside the District	Outside the District	Excused by Sch. Bd., St., or Com. of Ed.	Reached 14 or 16, Completed Elem., but not High School	Completed High School
				Within the District	Outside the District						
Less than 1 year	29	15	14								
1	47	18	29								
2	65	32	33								
3	70	36	34								
4	90	51	39								
5	109	49	60								
Total Birth — 5	410	201	209	4							
6	154	92	62	149			5				
7	141	73	68	138			3				
8	159	74	85	145			12				
9	143	85	58	138			4		1		
10	176	95	81	166			10				
11	196	105	91	184			8			4	
12	198	102	96	186			8			4	
13	199	111	88	161			19			9	
14	155	72	83	9			123			10	
15	178	87	91	145			18			15	
16	191	106	85	169			11			10	
17	157	86	71	96			12			8	
Through 18	144	79	65	18			2			2	
Total 6 — 18	2191	1167	1024	1276			570	110	64	18	147
Total Birth — 18	2601	1368	1233	1280			570	110	64	18	147

SCHOOL DISTRICT

BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT — RESIDENT ENROLLMENTS

	1	2	3	4	Sp.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	10-18-76 TOTAL	11-3-75 TOTAL
Memorial	180	66												246	217
Peter Woodbury	77	146	144											367	343
McKelvie					158	171	169	179						677	663
St. Raphael	5	1	1	1	3									10	8
Villa Augustina	4	2	5	4		3	1	3						22	20
Kellogg								2	2					2	2
St. Mary's	4	1	6	3	6	5	2	7						34	37
Derryfield							5	6	12	11	11	5	4	43	41
Central High School										2	2	2		6	4
West High School									145	149	142	138		574	577
Trinity High School									16	18	9	13		56	53
Other					21										
TOTAL	193	147	157	152	21	167	179	177	197	173	180	158	157	2058	1984

BEDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**Comparative Enrollment**

	Enrolled 9/76	Enrolled 1/3/77	Estimated 9/77
Readiness	10	16	15
1	163	164	155
2	140	146	165
3	145	142	158
4	144	146	160
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	602	614	653
5	159	161	158
6	171	179	172
7	165	175	188
8	176	180	184
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	671	695	702
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	1273	1309	1355

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Bedford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1976

Date of Birth	Where Born	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
1976				
Jan.	16	Manchester, N.H.	Paul Mac Belliveau	Elaine Rita Poulton
	20	Manchester, N.H.	Pau Cheney Manning	Linda Rogers
	26	Manchester, N.H.	Gaetan Roland Grenier	Suzanne R. LaBranche
Feb.	27	Manchester, N.H.	Alfred Paul Bertagnoll	Kathy A. Bloom
	28	Manchester, N.H.	Ronald Richard Therrien	Diane Marie Hart
	29	Manchester, N.H.	Timothy Michael McDuffey	Suzanne I. Leclerc
	16	Nashua, N.H.	Nephi Edward Berg	Ruth Nielson
	22	Concord, N.H.	Richard Winston Smazelle	Merry S. Middleton
	23	Concord, N.H.	James Peter Cassidy	Joan Holly Weimont
	6	Manchester, N.H.	Neil Arthur Stewart	Jean Ann Buzzell
	14	Nashua, N.H.	Le.e. Arthur Kerslake	Lisa M. McNabb
	16	Manchester, N.H.	Reginald Arnold Ridlon	Carol Lee Swaffield
	3	Manchester, N.H.	Peter Howard Gould	Linda Mary Radulski
5	Manchester, N.H.	Arthur Lewis Tibbetts	Joan Petite Niles	
6	Manchester, N.H.	Gerard Bruno Gagnon	Denise Stella Croteau	
9	Manchester, N.H.	Steven Kenneth Brown	Linda M. Bonney	
17	Manchester, N.H.	Andrew James Martell II	JoAlyce Thyng	
19	Manchester, N.H.	Kenneth Michael Therrien	Joyce Sandra Ploss	
26	Manchester, N.H.	Joseph Francis Peloso	Joan M. Sullivan	
30	Manchester, N.H.	John Philip Flynn, Jr.	Christine D. Kubilus	
April	1	Manchester, N.H.	David Cameron Thibeault	Priscilla A. Morin
	3	Manchester, N.H.	James Clifford Arsenault	Patricia J. Fontaine
	9	Manchester, N.H.	Thomas Dennis Jolicoeur	Kathleen T. Trott
10	Manchester, N.H.	Daniel Dennis Beland	Diane Claire Boulanger	
10	Manchester, N.H.	Richard Patrick Gage	Christine D. Kubilus	
14	Manchester, N.H.	Carl Henry Fischer	Jacqueline R. Vanmass	
5	Nashua, N.H.	Wayland Arthur Kathan	Susan E. Baines	
14	Manchester, N.H.	Harold Jay Wagner	Pamela R. Rowman	
22	Manchester, N.H.	Gerard Joseph Vallee	Imais S. Bennett	
19	Manchester, N.H.	Robert Thomas Tobin	Marie Louise Parsons	
12	Manchester, N.H.	Richard Urbain Clement	Phyllis Chrolewski	
7	Concord, N.H.	Gaston Jean-Francois Morin	Fornie A. Carney	
7	Manchester, N.H.	Scott Carl Patten	Patricia M. Coule	
7	Manchester, N.H.	Charles Paul Gauthier	Caryl A. Parry	
13	Manchester, N.H.	Charles Paul Gauthier	Susan E. Robinson	
23	Manchester, N.H.	James Paul Frenette	Susan E. Robinson	
			Kathleen P. Furness	

June	25	Manchest. N.H.	Leslie Ann	Roger Henry St. Pierre	Yvette C. Delisle
July	4	Manchest. N.H.	Debby Jonnme	Daniel Joseph Bergeron	Diane S. Cournoyer
July	13	Manchest. N.H.	Carolyn Lee	Francis Nelson Moy	Peggy L. Rhodes
July	13	Manchest. N.H.	Christopher Scott	Stacey Brooks Whitney	Patricia E. Griffin
July	21	Manchest. N.H.	Joy Adrienne	William Frank Iller	Christine McGrath
June	27	Nashua, N.H.	Darrell William	Norman Darrell Cox	Donna D. Mack
July	10	Manchest. N.H.	Timothy Todd	Walter Thomas Rider	Gheryl Nan Todd
July	23	Manchest. N.H.	Charles Andrew	Richard Francis Therrien	Elsie Maria Nedjoka
Aug.	29	Manchest. N.H.	Jessica Lynn	Joseph Charles Reilly	Laurel Lee Enos
Aug.	30	Manchest. N.H.	Adam M.	Richard Wayne Morse	Carol Ann Trumble
Aug.	30	Manchest. N.H.	Alex H.	Victor Joseph Villeneuve	Marian E. Weiler
July	7	Manchest. N.H.	Jonathan Michael	William Reed Clapp	Barbara Ann Lazar
July	5	Manchest. N.H.	Jessica Tufts	Donald Roland Labrie	Demise Muriel Filrotte
July	10	Manchest. N.H.	Timothy Philip	Ronald Thomas Shingola	Lorraine D. Beaulieu
July	14	Manchest. N.H.	Jill Heather	Richard Arthur Perreault	Gail J. Lenz
July	14	Manchest. N.H.	Kristopher Arthur	Vance Spaulding	Suzanne Y. Duhaime
July	20	Manchest. N.H.	Aaron Michael	Robert Maurice Duraat	Mary D. Jarvis
July	22	Manchest. N.H.	Kim Marie	Patrick Michand	Suzanne R. Taylor
July	31	Manchest. N.H.	Eric Louis	James Albert Canepa	Patricia K. Russo
Sept.	6	Manchest. N.H.	Jason Austin	John Fisher Bridges	Barbara E. Grueter
Sept.	9	Manchest. N.H.	John Porter	Alfred Arthur Launier	JoAnn H. Poullos
Sept.	16	Manchest. N.H.	Kimberly Ann	George Arvid Winslow	Denise C. Verville
Sept.	16	Manchest. N.H.	John Paul	Andrew John Capanas	Carol E. Kirrane
Sept.	7	Manchest. N.H.	Joseph Andrew	Stephen John Gelinas	Elaine M. Savageau
Oct.	10	Manchest. N.H.	Kristen Amy	Roger Jean Beliveau	Shirley Louise Simon
Oct.	11	Manchest. N.H.	Sheri Lynne	John Henry Hersey	Doris J. Blankenship
Oct.	13	Manchest. N.H.	Shannon Kelly	Mathew Joseph Ciechon, Jr.	Elaine M. Ashburner
Oct.	24	Manchest. N.H.	Whitney	Charles A. Haman	Jane Whitney
Oct.	17	Natick, Mass.	Mary Jane	Cornelius Richard O'Leary	Nancy E. Dawson
Nov.	22	Manchest. N.H.	(Baby Girl)	John Michael Janis	Michelle E. Meyer
Nov.	22	Manchest. N.H.	Amy Maureen	Donald Omar Dionne	Lorraine M. Blondeau
Nov.	3	Manchest. N.H.	Jeffrey William	William Ray Walker	Pamela Louise Schaffer
Nov.	11	Manchest. N.H.	Alyssa Jayne	Bradford Alan Jacobson	Deborah Lee Siek
Nov.	12	Concord, N.H.	Ryan	James Barry Goway	Andrea Lee Poy
Nov.	16	Concord, N.H.	Sari Elizabeth	David Sherman Fisher	Marie-Claire Duquette
Nov.	16	Manchest. N.H.	Nathan Thomas	Bryan Mark Chartier	Diane Marie Zorawowicz
Nov.	24	Manchest. N.H.	Brian Paul	Richard Paul Hamor	Jane M. Larkin
Nov.	27	Manchest. N.H.			

Marriages Registered in the Town of Bedford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1976

Date of Marriage	Where Married	Name of Groom and Bride	By Whom Married
1976			
Jan. 2	Bedford, N.H.	Charles Young Peters and Deborah Lafreniere	George E. Ham R.C. Priest
17	Bedford, N.H.	Anthony J. Cresta and Andrea L. King	Mesgr. Leo F. Hines, Priest
23	Bedford, N.H.	John W. Spielman and Gail H. Wood	Michael McLaughlin, J. P.
31	Manchester, N.H.	Norman F. Albert and Marion J. Leslie	Ezelina Johns, J. P.
31	Manchester, N.H.	Peter A. Daigneault and Jo-Ann Lemon	Patrick Dubreuil, Priest
13	Portsmouth, N.H.	David M. Hayes and Debbie J. Wainwright	P. E. O'Donnell, J. P.
14	Manchester, N.H.	Richard H. Pickel and Roberta A. Vose	A. Edward Dougherty, Pastor
27	Bedford, N.H.	Peter M. Solomon and Estelle M. Negroni	James Scotland Jr., Pastor
13	New Haven, Conn.	Ross G. Palmer and Barbara D. Woodbury	James F. Martin,
27	Bedford, N.H.	Albert E. Philipps and Phyllis E. Barnes	Brian Backstrand, Pastor
17	Bedford, N.H.	James Sysyn and Vivian B. Zerinsky	Cecile Sullivan, J. P.
24	Bedford, N.H.	William G. Moy and Nancy Lynn Fischer	James Scotland Jr., Pastor
7	Manchester, N.H.	John Michael Healy and Muriel Desrochers	David Von Strien, Rev.
8	Manchester, N.H.	Alan Bruce Moore and Linda Leonard	George Desjardins, Priest
8	Manchester, N.H.	Bruce Alan Londenslager and Priscilla Nye	George E. Ham, Priest
14	Manchester, N.H.	Kenneth N. Demers and Kim Jo Rayburn	George Desjardins, Priest
14	Manchester, N.H.	Robert H. Erskine and Madeleine Ray Wolf	Edward Bingham, Pastor
14	Colebrook, N.H.	Bruce Rae Parkhurst and Priscella Smith	Barry Jenkins, J. P.
15	Bedford, N.H.	Robert B. Moore and Pamela S. Norman	Gerard A. Gagnon, J. P.
15	Manchester, N.H.	Michael T. Pidgizon and Debra J. Cote	Francis Kelso, Priest
16	Bedford, N.H.	George D. Dery and Kristine A. Lindgren	James Scotland Jr., Pastor
21	Goffstown, N.H.	Jonathan W. Inglis and Denise B. Corriveau	George Desjardins, Priest
22	Bedford, N.H.	Edward L. Chickering III and Cheryl A. Scott	James Scotland Jr., Pastor
29	Manchester, N.H.	Gary R. Chartrand and Nancy J. Pecuch	Wolfréd E. Houle, Priest
30	Manchester, N.H.	Henry B. Stebbins and Alison W. Finney	David B. Shirley, Rev.
5	Bedford, N.H.	Timothy J. King and Denise S. Hill	Brian E. Backstrand, Pastor
1	Candia, N.H.	Frank F. Buck and Barbara A. LaValley	Robert Loring, Rev.
22	Bedford, N.H.	Douglas A. Ton and Judith E. Ferrulo	James Scotland Jr., Pastor
22	Plainville, N.H.	Mark S. Pride and Barbara J. Dirmig	John C. Weaver, Priest
11	Bedford, N.H.	Lionel A. Tremblay, Jr. and Alice Hannemann	Irene M. Hardy, J. P.
21	Weare, N.H.	Linus F. Deel and Patricia E. Shatney	Terry Martin, J. P.
5	Bedford, N.H.	David P. Dowlé and Lynn C. Stevens	Leo Hines, Priest
11	Manchester, N.H.	Norman M. Grenon and Joanne S. Poisson	Florent R. Bilodeau, Priest
25	Amherst, N.H.	Thomas P. O'Brien and Carole F. Hammerley	Catherine Kruger, J. P.
3	Bedford, N.H.	William F. Toolin and Beverly A. Neugebauer	George E. Ham, Priest
26	Manchester, N.H.	Gary Erwin Schmidchen and Mary L. Craig	Willard B. Soper, Pastor
3	Manchester, N.H.	Roland Cantin and Martha C. Dupont	Mesr. Adrien Verrette, Priest

July	3	Bedford, N.H.	Daniel Kane Richmond and Deynse Lee Bergeron	Marian L. Joy, Religious
	10	Goffstown, N.H.	Joseph John Baranski and Kathleen S. Wieprecht	Donald L. Fowler, J. P.
	17	Bedford, N.H.	James David Bobb and Carole A. Kahnsaur	Mmgr. Leo Hines, Priest
	17	Bedford, N.H.	Timothy F. Gonzales and Vivian M. Levasseur	Mmgr. Leo Hines, Priest
	18	Bedford, N.H.	Michael G. Lirvin and Janice M. Callahan	Saunuel Umen, Rabbi
	31	Bedford, N.H.	Kenneth Michael Karamanogian and Margio Merrow	Harold V. Loydy, Jr., Pastor
Aug.	7	Manchester, N.H.	Arthur N. Bergeron and Nancy E. Drewniak	Raymond Blair, Priest
	7	Bedford, N.H.	Ronald Lee Clark and Jane Rose LaChance	Gerard S. Gagnon, J. P.
	7	Manchester, N.H.	Rickie A. Gagnon and Alexis Dedascalou	Louise A. Kathan, Justice
	7	Bedford, N.H.	James F. Mullen and Linda L. Wundelich	David T. Scotland, Rev.
	21	Bedford, N.H.	Phillip M. Wiggin and Lucia F. Penta	Gerard A. Gagnon, J. P.
	27	Bedford, N.H.	Gary A. Nalette and Linda M. Miller	Mmgr. Leo Hines, Priest
	28	Bedford, N.H.	John F. Browne and Linda A. Allard	Mmgr. Leo Hines, Priest
	7	Franklin, N.H.	Charles R. Caron and Sandra E. Carr	John R. Poirier, Priest
	21	Manchester, N.H.	David J. Dubia and Diane E. Heroux	Florent Bilodeau, Priest
	21	Manchester, N.H.	Mark James Ott and Pamela J. Lazott	John Horan, Priest
	21	Manchester, N.H.	Gerard L. Simooneau and Diane M. Samson	Roger L. Moquin, Priest
	21	Bedford, N.H.	Wesley R. Wheeler and Sally Anne Morgan	Brian E. Backstrand, Rev.
	28	Bedford, N.H.	LaFell D. Bennett and Joan F. Duffett	James Scotland, Jr., Pastor
	28	Bedford, N.H.	Somathan D. Canter and Ronda P. Silberberg	Brian E. Backstrand, Rev.
Sept.	9	Bedford, N.H.	Russell L. Jache and Karen F. Engelhardt	Samuel Umen, Rabbi
	3	Nashua, N.H.	Arthur L. Pruneau and Claire M. Hicks	John R. Beal, Rev.
	4	Bedford, N.H.	Richard J. Gagnon and Carolyn I. Savage	Donald W. Rowley, Rev.
	4	Bedford, N.H.	Robert M. Canasse and Dickey M. Dexter	Lorenzo J. Lacasse, Priest
	8	Bedford, N.H.	James J. Robbins and Patricia A. Whitney	Mmgr. Leo Hines, Priest
	11	Bedford, N.H.	Roger J. Murphy and Lorraine A. Pllotte	George E. Ham, Priest
	11	Manchester, N.H.	Richard B. Cole and Paula M. Morn	Leo Gagnon, Priest
	15	Bedford, N.H.	Edmond Valieres and Albina D. Martel	George E. Ham, Priest
	21	Manchester, N.H.	Leo M. St. Ours and Debra E. Chuuvette	Jean Valieres, Priest
	2	Bedford, N.H.	Donald W. Paradis and Mary B. Shea	Mmgr. Leo Hines, Priest
	5	Manchester, N.H.	Marce R. Bolduc and Theresa S. St. Hilaire	Roland Veillette, Priest
	6	Manchester, N.H.	Robert E. Blandeau and Cynthia A. Albin	Donald L. Martineau, Priest
	16	Manchester, N.H.	Dan H. Makris and Judy P. Tillson	Walter A. Slowakiewicz, Priest
	16	Bedford, N.H.	Robert A. Blanchard and Sandra A. Conklin	Gregory Kelleher, Priest
	29	Bedford, N.H.	Robert A. Russell and Susan N. Krajewski	Robert A. Bailey, Justice
	13	Bedford, N.H.	David A. Jenkins and Anne Bienvenu	Donald L. Fowler, J. P.
	13	Bedford, N.H.	Dennis P. Lagueux and Pauline Y. Morrisette	Paul Blackwood, Rev.
	19	Bedford, N.H.	Walter Kazmarek and Patricia F. MacGivray	Alfred M. Miniti, J. P.
	20	Manchester, N.H.	Craig A. Coplan and Paula Lee Dort	Maurice R. Lagueux, Priest
	27	Bedford, N.H.	Reiner L. Van Rossum and Helen K. Van Rossum	N. E. Boulev, Priest
	11	Bedford, N.H.	Robert Byron Collupy III and Joann Maston	Rosane F. Hanson, J. P.
	17	Manchester, N.H.	George Anthony Goverinos and Claire M. Simard	Ezelina Johns, J. P.
	18	Manchester, N.H.	John James Loranger and Lynda J. Chase	Evelyn Tsiatsios, J. P.
July	31	Hooksett, N.H.	John T. A. Mango Jr. and Ruth A. Klene	Howard A. Gould, Clergyman
Nov.	31	Bedford, N.H.	Robert Lucien Burnor and Pamela J. Litchfield	Humbert M. Oliveira, Ord. Deacon
	28	Bedford, N.H.	Constantine Nicolas Dussias and Dianne M. Scozzatava	David L. Bourque, J. P.
Dec.	30	Manchester, N.H.	William James Wojtkowski and Janet M. Klose	Jerry D. Riasque, Priest
	18	Bedford, N.H.		Michael M. Huard, J. P.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bedford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1976

Date of Death		Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Place of Burial or Cremation	
Jan.	2	Bedford, N.H.	Carrie F. Gage	86	Bedford, N.H.	
	8	Bedford, N.H.	Emma Mildred Moore	85	Manchester, N.H.	
	18	Bedford, N.H.	Charlotte C. Simond	51	Bedford, N.H.	
	26	Manchester, N.H.	Alfred G. Torrisi	38	Bedford, N.H.	
	28	Manchester, N.H.	John Martin	58	Westbury L.I., New York	
Feb.	6	Bedford, N.H.	Mary Goley	86	Bedford, N.H.	
	10	Bedford, N.H.	Catherine MacPhail	86	Concord, N.H.	
Jan. Feb.	16	Bedford, N.H.	Ena M. Read	97	Manchester, N.H.	
	24	Goffstown, N.H.	Eva Hilschey	100	Bedford, N.H.	
Jan. Feb.	7	Manchester, N.H.	Josephine Hastings	90	Bedford, N.H.	
	14	Manchester, N.H.	Craig W. Campbell	13	Concord, N.H.	
	14	Manchester, N.H.	Clinton Barnes DePuy	76	Concord, N.H.	
	15	Manchester, N.H.	Thomas Alexander Griffin	80	Bedford, N.H.	
	18	Bedford, N.H.	Albert J. Cosali	67	Beverly, Mass.	
	21	Manchester, N.H.	John Jacobson Jr.	78	Bedford, N.H.	
	24	Manchester, N.H.	Mary Florence Walter	87	Manchester, N.H.	
	24	Bedford, N.H.	Wilfred Paul Lafond	45	Manchester, N.H.	
	25	Bedford, N.H.	Georgio Desrochers	77	Bloomfield, Conn.	
	26	Manchester, N.H.	Eleanor Cummings	67	Cambridge, Mass.	
	March	1	Bedford, N.H.	Ella Provencher	82	Bedford, N.H.
		2	Bedford, N.H.	Harry August Gellrich	82	Manchester, N.H.
5		Goffstown, N.H.	Martha S. Watson	91	Manchester, N.H.	
9		Bedford, N.H.	Elise Gibson Rockwell	19	Concord, N.H.	
11		Manchester, N.H.	Eva G. Bennett	95	Manchester, N.H.	
April	26	Bedford, N.H.	James Timothy Eldridge	21	Bedford, N.H.	
	27	Manchester, N.H.	Frank A. Lewis	68	Goffstown, N.H.	
April	3	Manchester, N.H.	Frieda Stratton	73	Manchester, N.H.	
	17	Bedford, N.H.	Clatus W. Hilliard	43	Epsom, N.H.	
	17	Bedford, N.H.	Eleanor Tilton Stone	83	Concord, N.H.	
	22	Manchester, N.H.	Genevieve Murray	79	Bedford, N.H.	
	24	Bedford, N.H.	Frederica Wilhelmina Billodeau	79	Manchester, N.H.	
May	9	Manchester, N.H.	Freeman W. Porter	70	Bedford, N.H.	
	27	Bedford, N.H.	Josephine A. Cole	87	Grafton, N.H.	
June	1	Hudson, N.H.	Robert E. Campbell	48	St. Johnsbury Vt.	
	1	Manchester, N.H.	Eric P. Stone	84	Boston, Mass.	
June	20	Manchester, N.H.	Olga T. Sundeen	84	Manchester, N.H.	
	4	Manchester, N.H.	Louis J. Boutot	72	Manchester, N.H.	
	25	Bedford, N.H.	Antala Parenteau	89	Manchester, N.H.	

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- IN AN EMERGENCY - To Report a Fire

BEDFORD PHONES CALL
472-3311

MANCHESTER PHONES CALL
472-3311

**Fire permits can be obtained at the
Bedford Fire Station**

Monday thru Friday 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.
After 5:30 P.M. and Weekends
Call Ralph M. Wiggan, Jr., *Warden*
472-3251

If no answer, call
Leo Bongers, Jr., *Deputy Warden*
623-7064

Permits must be picked up in person

To Call Police

Police Station: Town Office Building 472-5111
Bedford Center Road 472-5112

Town Clerk and Tax Collector

Mrs. Irene M. Hardy
Town Office Building, Bedford Center Road 472-3550

Hours:

Monday through Friday 9:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Office will be open Saturday, March 19 and 26
from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.

Office of the Selectmen

Town Office Building 472-3031

Hours:

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
To get Local and State Police in an Emergency
Call Bedford Police Dept. 472-5111

