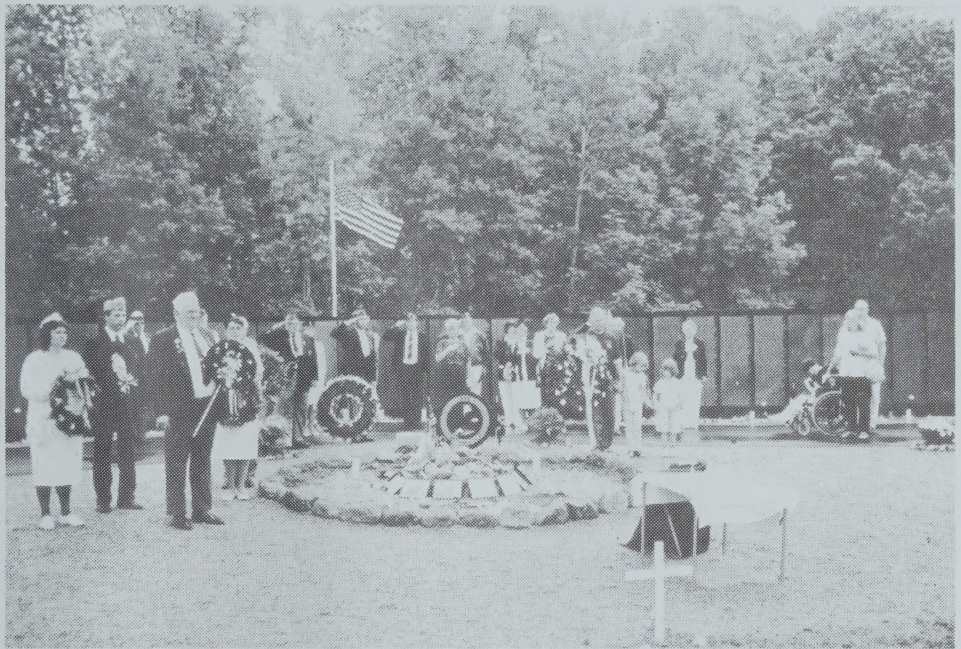


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TOWN OF MEREDITH

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“Veterans’ Ceremony at the Moving Wall”
August, 1995
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TOWN REPORT DEDICATION



Russell C. Hart, 1923 - 1995

Russell C. Hart became a resident of Meredith in 1947 and co-founded Hart's Turkey Farm Restaurant with his brother Larry in 1953.

The restaurant is now run by the younger family, but Russ and Larry's family business was much smaller than what one experiences today.

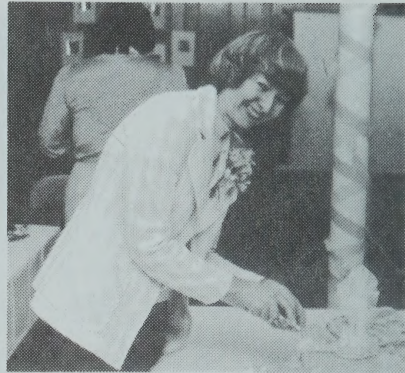
Russ was an enthusiastic supporter of Meredith and the Lakes Region. He was a great supporter of the Town, our residents of all ages and civic organizations. It can be said many former or current residents got their start working for Russ. Many attribute their current profession to Russ either through business training, his being an advisor, mentor or friend.

Our youth, elderly and civic organizations have benefited greatly by Russ's support, both in enthusiasm and funding over many years.

Russ as pictured on this page with his widow Helen, will be long remembered by all.

Although Russ retired in 1987 and could not be found as much at the restaurant, he will still be remembered when we "See You At Hart's"!, by his friends, the Townspeople of Meredith.

IN SPECIAL MEMORIAM



Janice V. Pond

Jan was the daughter of John and Ruth Gilman Beede and a graduate of Meredith Schools.

The Beede history in Meredith could well have been a contributing factor in her and husband Bill's interest in the Meredith Historical Society. Although curator and historian of the society, her artistic talents, no doubt learned at the School of Modern Design in Boston, could be seen in many of the Society displays.

Jan was extremely interested in the arts and she enjoyed singing; she belonged to the First Congregational Church chorus and the New Hampshire Music Festival Chorus.

She was also involved with and was President of the Congregational Women's Fellowship for many years, as well as numerous other organizations.

Jan's wit, humor and dedication will be missed, but never forgotten. Photos of Jan with her husband Bill and Mother Ruth depict her enjoyment of her life.

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Town Officers

December 31, 1995

SELECTMEN

Paul R. Lessard, 1996, Chairman

James F. Hughes, 1998

Edith Sirles Mongo, 1997

Town Manager

Peter G. Russell

Town Planner

John Edgar

Moderator, 1996

Kenneth A. Jollimore

Town Clerk, 1996

Pauline L. Fournier

Deputy Town Clerk

Paula L. Jones

Treasurer, 1996

Steven E. Gregoire

Code Enforcement Officer

John W. Dever, Jr.

Health Officer

John W. Dever, Jr.

Tax Collector

Peter G. Russell

Deputy Tax Collector

Valerie Fogg

Finance Director

Jeffrey C. Towne, CPA

Water & Sewer Superintendent

Robert Hill

Public Works Director

Barry Cotton

Planning & Zoning Clerk

Mary Lee Harvey

Animal Control Officer

Lawrence E. Swain

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT

Meredith, Thomas J. Boriso, 1996

Center Harbor, David M. Lawton, 1996

POLICE DEPARTMENT

John P. Curran, Chief

Bonnie Calzada, Adm. Officer

Paul Dillon, Lieut.

John Egan, Juvenile Officer

Donald E. Belyea, Sgt.

James Cerami, Patrolman

Glenn Rollins, Patrolman

William B. Sipes, Patrolman

Robert E.L. Chance, Patrolman

Kevin Morrow, Patrolman

Keith True, Patrolman

Dispatchers: Debra Bunker, Deborah Lewis, Robert Nichols

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fred E. Copp, Chief

G. Wendell Whitcher, 1st Asst. Chief

Andre Kloetz, 2nd Asst. Chief

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Roy E. Howe, Sr.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Steven R. Bennett

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Louise A. Morin-Casson, Director

Adam Downs, 1998

Dennis V. O'Leary, 1998

Nicholas Houhoulis, 1997

Gale B. White, 1996

Linda Colombine, 1998

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Janice A. Phillips, 1998

Jonathan James, 1996

Kenneth Haley, 1997

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Deborah K. McNeish, Chairman, 1996

Lucienne M. Boulanger, 1998

Brenda L. Thibeault, 2000

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Lydia Torr, Librarian

Virginia Nicoll, 1998

Timothy Cole Smith, 1997*

June Corrigan, 1996

Duncan McNeish, 1997

Sandra Sullivan, 1996

Sarah T. Vogler, 1998*

Kathie York, 1997

Barbara Manson, Appointed 1996

Helen Schoenbelen, Appointed 1996

*resigned

PLANNING BOARD

Marvin P. Keniston, 1997, Chairman

Joseph Nardone, 1996

Sandra Price, 1997

Robert Flanders, 1996

Roger Sorell, 1997

Ray Porcell, 1998

Paul R. Lessard, Selectman, 1996

Alternates: Lawrence Swain, 1996; James Hughes, 1996;

Ralph Losee, 1996; Kim Cedarstrom, 1996; William Bayard, 1997

Clerk: Mary Lee Harvey

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

James Miller, 1997, Chairman

Kenneth Haley, 1997

Janice Joslin, 1998

Rawalt Stedje, 1996

Ralph Losee, 1996

Alternates: Marilyn Plummer, 1996

Clerk: Mary Lee Harvey

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Merritt Webb, 1997, Chairman

Helen W. Bertholet, 1997

Samuel Citron, 1996

Phyllis Hamblet, 1998

Scott Sorell, 1996

Alternates: Anne Kershaw, 1998

REPRESENTATIVES LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

John Hodsdon, 1997

Sandra Price, 1996

Report of the Meredith Board of Selectmen

To the Citizens of Meredith:

We continue to strive to make additional improvements within our community, plan for our future and maintain or improve our level of municipal services while maintaining our municipal portion of the tax rate at its current level.

The budget we are proposing, including all warrant articles we are recommending for 1996, will maintain our 1995 municipal levy.

1995 was an extremely busy year for the Town, our employees and ourselves. We are very pleased with the volunteer civic involvement experienced in Meredith this past year.

The Moving Wall Memorial came to Meredith in August and was a very moving and memorable experience for all that attended. A special note to all the volunteers that made the event and the site what it was, Thank You! Our Town Report Cover is in tribute.

The Let Us Not Forget boulder was placed at the Hesky Park flag pole to remember those supporting our Country.

In an effort to promote economic and community development and revitalize our downtown, we entered a public/private partnership to purchase the former "Rust Building" lot to eventually develop into a Main Street Community Park. We are recommending two warrant articles toward this goal. Firstly, we propose to utilize \$9,100.00 remaining from the Current Use Penalty Assessment Fund toward the Park and secondly, we are proposing an article to begin construction in 1996 on the first phase. We are hoping to see donations toward the completion. We hope to see the community come together to make this park a reality in 1996. Town Planner John Edgar applied for a federal demonstration timber bridge grant to install a one lane vehicular timber bridge allowing us to connect our High Street and Water Street parking lots to make downtown more user friendly. We hope to receive word on our application in March or April of 1996.

The community experienced two very significant grand openings in 1995:

1. the Historical Society Museum on Main Street
2. the extensive renovation and opening of Bay Point

Volunteers (Bev Lapham and Butch Keniston, among others) are hoping the public walkway in front of Bay Point connecting Hesky Park to Scenic Park will be built prior to the Spring or Summer Season of 1996. This will connect all of our Town property on Meredith Bay together!

The Town Manager has been working with the Woodman family on our behalf to obtain a portion of their property to allow Town ownership to meet the School District and allow for future joint opportunities. We expect the land acquisition will take place in 1996; this is a continuation of planning from 1992.

We are including a non-binding warrant article to ask your opinion as to if we should continue to require inventories of taxable property to be filed.

As mentioned in our first paragraph, our proposed 1996 budget and recommended warrant articles will maintain the same level of municipal property tax rate as 1995.

Please review the Town Manager and other departmental reports for more of Meredith's 1995 accomplishments.

It is because of your interest as citizens, volunteers and our dedicated Town employees that Meredith's projects and tasks are successful. Meredith is what it is today because of everyone's involvement.

In closing, we have tried to address all issues brought before us and we wish to thank you citizens for your support and confidence and allowing us to serve you.

Sincerely,
Paul R. Lessard, Chairman
Edith B. Mongo
James F. Hughes
Meredith Board of Selectmen

Town Manager's Report

To the citizens of Meredith, once again, we close a very busy year; I wish to thank you for your input and support, especially our employees and many volunteers.

The Selectmen and other Departmental Reports discuss our many endeavors of 1995, within the Annual Report.

1995 was a difficult and trying year due to personnel and other issues and changes, but 1995 is now behind us.

The Town of Meredith continues to comply with additional unfunded mandates. Compliance is very complex, frustrating, time consuming and most often expensive, but we continue to meet requirements.

1995 was an exciting year for our community with more public/private partnerships emerging to make Meredith an even better community.

The Philbrook Avenue sewer/water project was completed just before Christmas, final punch list items and street paving are planned for conclusion in 1996. This effort was accomplished entirely through grant funding.

Meredith participated in a Small Business Administration tree grant planting program and planted 23 mature trees throughout the community.

An informational sign kiosk was designed by students at Inter-Lakes High School and built in the fall at the Lake Waukewan Boat Launch area on Waukewan Street. Final signage and walkways will be completed in 1996.

Work has been ongoing on Reservoir Park on Parade Road. We hope to open the passive recreation facility in the Summer of 1996.

Our major Public Works projects included reconstruction and repaving of Skyview Circle and Lovejoy Sands Roads. Much reconstruction was completed on Blake Road with final paving to be done in 1996.

The Waukewan Street economic development sewer extension grant did not allow construction in 1995. We expect this will happen in the late summer or fall of 1996. The street reconstruction is only to happen after sewer construction (as voted at Town Meeting), so this would be planned for late 1996 or 1997.

The Routes 3 and 25 Task Force continues to diligently work on the review of options for future improvements. I am hoping to see concepts available for community input in the Summer or Fall of 1996.

We continue to work with NH DOT for their future improvements to Route 3 South and Neal Shore Road and Route 104, Pease and Winona Road's intersection, among others.

This report discusses only a few issues we are working on. As you may recall a property assessment update will be undertaken. The new values should be ready for your review and input in the late summer or fall. Implementation is allowed by the State of N.H. only for the final billing with any tax rate adjustment accordingly. A widely used rule of thumb is approximately 1/3 of taxpayers will see an actual reduction in the property taxes paid, 1/3 will be about the same and 1/3 will receive a property tax increase. This update is necessary to insure equity to all taxpayers. This certainly may be of consequence to you. Please stay tuned!

In closing, I have spoken or worked with many of you citizens or taxpayers, but certainly not everyone. If you have any questions, opinions or concerns, please contact me at the Town Office, 279-4538.

And finally, this is your community, please get involved!

Sincerely,
Peter G. Russell
Town Manager

Record of 1995 Town Meeting

TO THE INHABITANTS OF MEREDITH
QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at St. Charles Auditorium, 281 Daniel Webster Highway, in said Town on the second Tuesday of March next, March 14, 1995, from 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. for the casting of ballots; and at 7:00 P.M., Wednesday, March 15, 1995, at the Inter-Lakes Elementary Gymnasium, 21 Laker Lane, in said Town to act on the following articles:

BALLOT ARTICLES TO BE ACTED UPON

ARTICLE 1

To bring your ballots for:

- One (1) Selectman for three (3) years
- Two (2) Library Trustees for three (3) years
- One (1) Trustee of Trust Funds for three (3) years

Selectman for three years

Elizabeth A. Baker	109
James F. Hughes	374
Ralph Losee	194

Library Trustee for three years

Virginia Nicoll	366
Jacqueline B. Smith	355
Sarah T. Vogler	405

Trustee of Trust Funds for three years

Janice Phillips	5 write-in
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ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Meredith Zoning Ordinance having to do with TEMPORARY SIGNS?

PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT: To provide greater flexibility for the use of temporary signs by eliminating an existing restriction which limits the use of temporary signs to four (4) times a year not exceeding fifteen (15) days at a time.

437 YES

225 NO

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Meredith Zoning Ordinance having to do with CABO BUILDING CODE/ENFORCEMENT RELATIVE TO CONSTRUCTION IN FLOOD PRONE AREAS?

PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT: To provide clarification that a Building Permit is required for all construction in a flood prone area, including docks and boathouses, regardless of the estimated cost of construction.

462 YES

197 NO

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Meredith Zoning Ordinance having to do with EXPANSION OF NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURES?

PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT: To eliminate the need for a Special Exception when installing a foundation which increases the sill height by less than 24" and does not expand the existing footprint or violate the district's height limit.

515 YES

142 NO

TOTAL VOTES CAST 696, INCLUDING 26 ABSENTEES

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

The 1995 Town Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM at the I-LES Gym by Moderator Jollimore. The flag salute was led by Anne Jollimore of the Mary Butler Chapter of D.A.R. The moderator gave his instructions to the voters. He would not entertain a motion for reconsideration unless overruled by the floor.

ARTICLE 5

It was moved by Selectman Mongo and seconded by Selectman Lessard to see if the Town will vote to (i) raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the purpose of a Sewer Extension Improvement at Eastbluff Highlands Association, providing that the property owners of Eastbluff Village authorize a betterment assessment of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) plus interest; said appropriation to be inclusive of State or Federal grants-in-aid, or contributions from other sources; (ii) to authorize the issuance of serial bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, Chapter 33, of the said appropriation, provided, however, that the total amount of bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount of such grants-in-aid, or contributions from other sources; (iii) to authorize the Town Treasurer to make

temporary borrowings, in accordance with the provisions of said Chapter, in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds or notes; and (iv) to authorize the Treasurer to determine the method and manner of sale of such bonds, notes and temporary borrowings, as shall be in the best interest of the Town, including the authority to enter into a Tax Regulatory Agreement containing such representations and covenants as are necessary to maintain such notes and temporary borrowings; to authorize the Selectmen and Town Manager to apply for and accept any or all State or Federal grants-in-aid, or other contributions in aid of the project and to expend the appropriation in accordance herewith. Proposed revenue would include landowner betterment assessments in the amount of \$100,000.00. (Passage requires affirmative vote of two-thirds present and voting as requested by the property owners.)

There was general discussion from the floor. Selectman Mongo explained there would be a betterment assessment to the property owners. The polls opened at 7:10 and closed at 8:25. Results of the secret ballot:

YES 158

NO 10

ARTICLE 6

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and seconded by Selectman Hughes to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$318,500.00) for the purpose of reconstructing a portion of Waukewan Street and Route 104; and to authorize the Selectmen and Town Manager to apply for and accept any or all State or Federal grants-in-aid, or other contributions in aid of the project and to expend the appropriation in accordance herewith. This appropriation would be contingent upon the Waukewan Sewer Construction Project.

There was some discussion relative to where the reconstruction would begin on Waukewan Street. In answer, Mr. Russell explained the portion by the railroad tracks would only be resurfaced.

The moderator declared the article passed in the affirmative by a unanimous voice vote.

ARTICLE 7

It was moved by Mr. Hughes and seconded by Mrs. Mongo to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,490,083.00 for the necessary operational expenses of the Town for the ensuing year's budget.

There were questions from the floor requesting a breakdown of the salaries and benefits of the employees. Mr. Hughes said that was available at the Town Hall and that the public hearings held during the budget process had discussed the budget and there was further information in the handouts. Mr. Noreen commented that the presentations were confusing.

Passed in the affirmative by a voice vote. There were a few nays.

ARTICLE 8

It was moved by Mrs. Mongo, for the purposes of discussion, and seconded by Mr. Lessard to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for a Feasibility Study for a Community Center. (Requested by the Community Center Study Committee) Not recommended.

Robert Valliere made a motion to amend the article not to exceed \$13,000.00. It was seconded by Joe Dever.

There was some discussion on the amendment. The amendment passed in the affirmative by a voice vote with a few nays.

The amended article passed in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 9

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and seconded by Mr. Hughes to see if the Town will vote to create an expendable Library Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a and RSA 202-A, to be known as the Library Maintenance Fund, for the purpose of major Library maintenance items and to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) towards this purpose and appoint the Library Trustees as agent. (Requested by the Library Trustees) Not recommended.

Questions from the floor as to why the article was not recommended. Mr. Hughes explained that the selectmen favored using the trust funds rather than tax funds. Tim Smith, a library trustee, spoke in favor of the article. He said that trust funds are governed by the RSA's and were not for maintenance.

The article passed in the affirmative by a voice vote.

ARTICLE 10

It was moved by Selectman Hughes and seconded by Mrs. Mongo to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the purpose of assisting the Route 3/25 Task Force Committee in their work. Recommended.

There was considerable discussion pro and con on the article. Mr. Fred Hatch, chairman of the Task Force, spoke in favor of the article and explained the need for the funds which include postage and advertising. Mr. Carl Johnson Sr. and other members of the Task Force spoke in favor. Mr. Sam Citron, Michael Hatch and others spoke against the article. After further discussion, a motion was made to move the question.

The moderator was unable to determine the voice vote. A standing vote was taken.

YES 97

NO 75

ARTICLE 11

It was moved by Selectman Mongo, for the purposes of discussion, and seconded by Selectman Lessard to see if the Town will vote to raise and

appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) for an information sign to be placed near the Waukegan Lake Boat Ramp, to be used by the Town of Meredith and the Lake Waukegan Association. (Requested by the Lake Waukegan Association) Not recommended.

Bill Lowth spoke in favor of the article. This money would be used to educate the people that launch boats. The high school will construct the sign.

Moderator Jollimore declared the article passed in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 12

It was moved by Selectman Lessard and seconded by Selectman Hughes to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000.00) for the following purposes:

\$20,000.00 State Aid Reconstruction Program - 2 to 1 match for improvements to various roads under the State Aid Reconstruction Program, provided that the State of New Hampshire appropriates Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00); and

\$ 7,000.00 for the Community Transportation Enhancement Program provided that the State of New Hampshire appropriates a 4 to 1 match of Twenty-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$28,000.00).

Recommended.

There was some discussion from the floor on the enhancement program. Mr. Russell said this would be done on Rt. 3 North up to Jenness Hill Road. He also answered the question of the amount in the state road fund, \$225,000.

Passed unanimously in the affirmative by a voice vote.

ARTICLE 13

It was moved by Selectman Hughes and seconded by Selectman Mongo to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Seventy-Five Dollars (\$11,075.00) for the following community projects and services:

\$5,000.00 Fourth of July
4,000.00 Chamber of Commerce
2,075.00 Lakes Region Association

Recommended.

William Anderson from the Chamber spoke in favor of the article.

Passed in the affirmative by a unanimous voice vote.

ARTICLE 14

It was moved by Mrs. Mongo and seconded by Mr. Lessard to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Fifty Dollars (\$9,050.00) for the following community services:

\$7,050.00 Lakes Region Family Services
2,000.00 Lakes Region General Hospital

Recommended.

Brad Sprague made a motion to amend the article to increase the hospital amount to \$12,000. It was seconded.

Considerable discussion on the amended article regarding how and where the monies were spent. The amendment was defeated.

Karen Thorndike, a Family Service board member, gave an explanation and breakdown of Family Services amount.

Original article passed in the affirmative by a unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 15

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and seconded by Mr. Hughes to see if the Town will vote to discontinue an existing Class VI road (which is subject to gates and bars) known as Drake Road, beginning at the intersection of Drake Road and Hueber Road (private road) and terminate 50 feet from the intersection of Saddle Hill Road and Drake Road (through Tax Map R36, Lot 8; R36, Lot 9; R33, Lot 5; R33, Lot 6). If the Town Meeting approves said discontinuance, it shall be contingent upon the Board of Selectmen's review of necessary access to abutting properties prior to any final approval and/or issuance of any Quitclaim Deed(s). (Requested by the owners of Tax Map R33, Lot 6.)

There was a request made by one of the property owners not to have the road discontinued.

Steve Nedeau made a motion to table the article. Seconded. Motion to table passed in the affirmative.

Moderator Jollimore declared the meeting adjourned at 9:05.

Attest: Pauline L. Fournier
Meredith Town Clerk
03-17-95

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FROM
TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Assessing Department

Lena Watson Bolton, Assessor

The Town of Meredith has a total valuation of \$596,566,921 for 1995 and 5,589 parcels that includes all taxable, non-taxable and divided interest parcels.

This past year has been very busy both for the Town and the State Legislature. Since coming to the Assessing Department, I have concentrated on getting the appraisal files up-to-date in order to do an assessment value update to be implemented on the fall 1996 tax bill, worked on department procedures, and updated the current land use computer program. I made a current land use map so the property owners in Meredith can see which properties are opened to the public for recreational use, such as hunting, snow shoeing, skiing, hiking, fishing, and nature observation.

The State Legislature made some changes with regard to filing deadlines effective January 1, 1996. The legislature has made an attempt to standardize the application and appeal process. Under the new system, after the final tax bill is issued, a taxpayer will have until March 1st to file any application for an abatement, under RSA 76, and all exemptions and credits, plus tax deferral for the elderly and disabled, under RSA 72. The municipality will be required to send a written decision to the taxpayer by July 1. Note, however, that the law still says "failure to respond shall constitute denial." A taxpayer who wishes to appeal must then file an appeal either in Superior Court or at the Board of Tax and Land Appeals by September 1.

A copy of the above mentioned Senate Bill #116 is posted at the Town Hall and the Library if you want to review the Bill in its entirety.

Buildings & Grounds Department

Joseph L. LaFrance, Supervisor

The Buildings and Grounds Department was busy again in 1995. We completed constructing all of the trash/recycling containers that are placed throughout the Town. We also made twenty new picnic tables for use in the Town parks.

In addition to our usual landscaping, we are now maintaining twenty-three additional trees that were planted as part of the Tree Planting Grant Program. With the help of the Community Garden Club of Meredith, we were able to enhance our flower planting this spring. A special thank you to Patti Herrick and Helen Schoenbelen for their assistance in this endeavor.

We expanded our Christmas lighting display this year. Combined with the activities that are sponsored by the Recreation Department, the Town of Meredith residents and visitors are treated to a most festive atmosphere.

Thank you to all who helped make this a successful year!

Conservation Commission

Merritt Webb, Chairman

Your Commission had four Town woodland parcels surveyed in preparation for timberland and wildlife habitat improvements.

Members walked four easements and are happy to report we found no dumping this year. This is an important sign that our citizens are becoming more environmentally oriented.

In addition, we handled 65 Wetlands Board applications, site inspecting the majority. We have five complaints of illegal work and damage resulting from the lack of siltation and erosion controls.

Fire Department

Fred Copp, Chief

Meredith's Fire Department joined the computer age in 1995 with the acquisition of a desktop unit and specialized software which will allow us to better access critical information in a more timely manner.

Ten members achieved their Career or Level I State Certifications this year and we also now have three EMTs in the Department.

We appreciate the help and cooperation we continually receive from Stewart's Ambulance and especially the Meredith Police Department. As always, thank you to the people of Meredith for their support.

Meredith Public Library

Lydia M. Torr, Library Director

Marilyn E. Rushton, Assistant Director

ANNUAL CIRCULATION

Books and Periodicals	87,530	Books	83,774
Audio Visual Materials	19,759	Periodicals	3,756
Interlibrary Loans	1,969	Registered Borrowers	4,049
Costumes	768	Reference Questions Answered	2,606

ACQUISITIONS

Books	2,480	Total Inventory	28,000
Audio Visuals	334	Total Circulation 1994	104,394
Gifts	585	Total Circulation 1995	110,026
Lost/Discarded	2,751	Increase	5,632

A heartfelt thank you to the trustees, staff, volunteers and patrons for continued teamwork and enthusiasm resulting in another banner year!

Planning & Zoning Department

John C. Edgar, Town Planner
John W. Dever, Jr., Code Enforcement Officer
Mary Lee Harvey, Clerk

Planning Board Application Summary - 1995

Comm./Indus. Site Plan Approvals	14	Pre-Application Consultations	5
Home Occ. Site Plan Approvals	0	Scenic Road Tree Cutting Approvals	1
Subdivision Approvals	5	Application Withdrawals	0
Boundary Line Adj. Approvals	9	Revocation and/or Disapprovals	0

Zoning Board Summary - 1995

Variance Applications	31	Special Exceptions Granted	45
Variances Granted	23	Special Exceptions Denied	0
Variances Denied	4	Admin. Decision Appeals	2
Applications Withdrawn	2	Admin. Decision Appeals Denied	1
Special Exception Applications	46	Rehearing Requests Granted	0

Building Permit Activity - 1995

New Single-Family Homes	38	Garages/Storage Buildings	25
New Two-Family Homes	0	Renovations & Repairs	128
Demolition	11	Driveways	14
Fences	10	Docks	22
Swimming Pools	2	Other Misc. Structures/Renovations	33

In addition to the above, the following major commercial construction projects have highlighted 1995:

Meredith Harley-Davidson	Lindsey's General Store
Annalee Dolls Day Care Center	Dunkin Donuts
Comstock's Machine Shop	Meredith Carwash
Inn at Bay Point	Meredith Woods Campground
Vutek	

Police Department

John P. Curran, Chief

1995 has been a busy year for the Police Department. Our Officers have been spending a great deal of time with juvenile issues, both criminal and substance abuse. We are working closely with the schools regarding these youths, confident that with a team approach to the problem, we will be able to make a difference.

Chief John Curran was elected President of the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police this year and has been highly involved serving the

interests of the citizens of the Town and the State on a large scale. Juvenile Officer John Egan has been elected to the Legislative Board of the New Hampshire Police Association, representing the citizens through this organization. These are prestigious positions and indicative of the respect that our Police Department enjoys within the law enforcement community.

All of our officers and employees should be commended for their involvement in community-based projects, as well as their professionalism in law enforcement.

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>
Calls for service	8,724	18,620	23,634
Warnings/Checkups	2,164	1,011	1,253
Summonses	364	163	535
Arrests	242	206	276

Public Works Department

Barry P. Cotton, Public Works Director

The Public Works Department completed numerous projects this past year ranging from road reconstruction to building demolition. The diversity of the work accomplished by this department is evident in the following list of projects completed.

The former Jenney Garage located in the Municipal Parking Lot on Water Street was razed in preparation for major improvements to the surrounding landscape.

Lovejoy Sands Road, located off of Meredith Neck, and Skyview Circle, located off of Pease Road, were both totally reconstructed. This involved reclaiming the old pavement, improving not only the existing road bed but also all drainage structures and repaving the new road bed.

Chase Road received drainage and gravel improvements along with a new asphalt overlay from NH Route 104 to the intersection at Dolloff Brook Road.

The Meredith Village Cemetery storage building was razed in preparation for a new storage building and workshop. Completion of this project is anticipated in the Spring of 1996.

Blake Road is currently under a total reconstruction effort. The old asphalt has been reclaimed, drainage improvements have been installed and much tree/brush cutting has occurred. An asphalt overlay on this road will occur sometime in 1996.

This department continues to spend many hours on routine maintenance tasks such as tree and brush cutting, drainage and roadside improvements,

snow plowing and sanding, road grading, equipment maintenance and street sign replacement.

On behalf of all employees at the Public Works Department, I thank you for your continued support and cooperation.



Lovejoy Sands Road Reconstruction



Cattle Landing Municipal Docks

Recreation Department

Louise A. Casson, Director

The Recreation Department had another active year organizing new programs, special events and working with various committees and projects. Our focus is on organizing and implementing new programs for residents of all ages. We continue to work with local and state agencies, civic groups, schools, parents, volunteers and other municipal departments throughout the year.

We established a trailhead parking lot at the Reservoir Park and development of the trail system is progressing. The target date to open the Park to the public is mid-summer 1996.

The Community Center Search Committee met regularly during the year gathering information from other communities who have centers. They conducted site visits throughout the State looking at community center operations and designs. The project is now in the design phase.

We want to thank the community for its continually growing support and interest in our programs and projects.



1995 Concert In The Park Series

Solid Waste Department

Barry P. Cotton, Public Works Director

1995 has been an extremely volatile year in regards to the legal issues that currently plague the Sullivan County Solid Waste Disposal District. I am pleased to report, however, that several legal issues were resolved during the month of November through the use of arbitration and mitigation measures. Both the Town of Center Harbor and the Town of Meredith transfer household trash to the district's incinerator which is located in Claremont, N.H.

This department continues to not only investigate but also pilot new recycling opportunities that will assist to decrease waste disposal fees. One such pilot program involves stockpiling asphalt shingles, diverting them from

landfills and then transferring them to a recycling outfit in Maine. This drastically reduces the amount of demolition waste that is landfilled and significantly decreases the Town's overall disposal costs.

The Annual Spring Cleanup Weekend was a success this past year. Many residents utilized the service offered by both the Solid Waste and the Public Works Department. I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that this department accepts used motor oil for recycling on a year round basis.

On behalf of the employees of the Solid Waste facility, I would like to thank all residents and taxpayers for your continued support.

Town Clerk Department

Pauline Fournier, Town Clerk

Paula L. Jones, Deputy

Auto Registrations	(7,979)	\$570,066.00
Decals issued	(7,599)	22,829.00
Titles	(908)	1,816.00
Dog Licenses	(887)	4,637.50
Dog Fines	(53)	1,400.00
Marriage Licenses	(58)	2,610.00
Vital Records	(210)	1,878.00
UCC Filings	(300)	4,954.63
Dredge Permits	(75)	806.01
Aquatherms	(100)	50.00
Miscellaneous		2,143.22
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		\$613,190.36

Dog fees: Unaltered \$9.00; Altered \$6.50; Owner over 65 \$2.00/one dog

The new State dog law requires the veterinarian to notify the Town when a dog receives a rabies shot. If the dog is not licensed, the clerk's office must send a letter to the owner. A prompt response stops any further action; please license your dog as soon as possible. RSA 466:1-b.

This office is here to serve you in many areas. Please give a call so we can assist you.

Water and Sewer Department

Robert Hill, Superintendent

The Water and Sewer Department finished out the year with the completion of the Philbrook Avenue water and sewer extension project. The water connection of Inter-Lakes Mobile Home Park was completed, which will serve approximately 125 homes. This connection is in part phase I of the water main loop from Circle Drive to Kelly Lane. A new water main valve was installed on Plymouth Street, as part of the valve replacement program, allowing us increased control of the water system. 4000 feet of sewer mains were cleaned and videotaped to locate and repair any defects in the collection mains.

Planned sewer projects for 1996 include the sewer extension on Wagon Wheel Trail, the sewer extension on Waukegan Street to Route 104, and the videotaping of an additional 4000 feet of sewer mains. Water projects include the completion of the water main loop to Kelly Lane, the water main loop from Canal Street to Avery Street, and valve replacement on Main Street.

A reminder that a backflow device is required on all customer water services.

We would like to thank you for your support and thank the various Departments that have assisted us throughout the year.



Water Main Valve Installation on Plymouth Street

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Animal Control Report

Lawrence W. Swain, Animal Control Officer

Dogs licensed	891	Service Calls	611
Shelter trips	421	Bites reported	43

NH RSA 466:1 requires that all owners and keepers of dogs three months old or over to be licensed annually by April 30 by the Town Clerk. Rabies have been reported in the State of NH and it is important that your pets are vaccinated for the protection of the animal as well as your public.

Forest Fires

Roy F. Howe, Sr., Forest Fire Warden

During 1995, the three leading causes of fires were again children, non-permit fires improperly extinguished and smoking materials. Burning permits may be obtained from the Forest Fire Warden and at the Municipal Office. Violations of RSA 224:27II, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There were 11 fires reported by Belknap County, 465 forest fires state wide with 437 acres burned. Early detection and reports from citizens aid the quick response from the local fire departments.

Inter-Lakes Day Care Center and Nursery School

Connie Pelletier, Director

We wish to thank the Town of Meredith for their continued support of our programs. Inter-Lakes Day Care Center and Nursery School is a private, non-profit child care agency incorporated in 1971 celebrating our 25th anniversary in October 1996.

Full and part-time child care is provided with developmentally appropriate curriculum at two locations for children 13 months to 12 years. During 1995 the Center served 168 children from 132 families. Sliding scale fees are available and USDA approved meals and snacks are included. Our appropriation is used as local support and funding under Title XX through the office of Economic Services of the State of New Hampshire.

Lakes Region Association

Liz Sterns, Executive Director

The Lakes Region Association would like to thank the Town of Meredith for their continued support.

The Lakes Region Association is a broad-based, non-profit tourism marketing organization representing the attractions, campgrounds, lodging, recreation, restaurants, retail and related services of central New Hampshire. It is the Association's goal to create and increase awareness of the Lakes Region as a diversified, four-season vacation destination and increase the number of visitors to the Region.

Thanks again for your help.

Lakes Region Community Services Council

Stephen C. Maguire, Asst. Executive Director

Throughout 1995, the Lakes Region Community Services Council has continued to serve those Meredith residents who have a developmental disability. Services such as: residential, vocational, family support and transportation have long become an inherent part of their lives.

Our transportation system "Greater Laconia Transit Agency" (GLTA) continues to serve the general public as well as the specific transportation needs of disabled individuals.

Funding from the Town has been and will continue to be earmarked for support for this transportation system.

Lakes Region Family Service Assn., Inc.

Kathleen Dotter, Executive Director

Lakes Region Family Service Association is a private, non-profit social service agency which offers supportive services to individuals and families from Meredith. The mission of the agency is to strengthen and support families by offering programs that promote healthy relationships among adults, parents and their children.

The agency has five core programs: Counseling, Mediation, Parent Aide, Child Advocacy and the Family Life Institute. Counseling services are on a sliding scale fee and mediation services are free of charge. Evening and Saturday hours are available.

Anyone interested in any of our programs or for further information should contact 524-5835.

Lakes Region General Hospital

We would like to express appreciation to the residents of Meredith for support received this past year. Your appropriation of \$2,000 helped to support HealthLink, the national award-winning program that provides access to health care for people without insurance.

HealthLink enrollees pay a portion of their medical bills, based on a sliding scale determined by their income. The health care providers of the community give the balance of the bill as donated services. The administrative costs and pharmacy benefits are funded by LRGH.

During the past two years, Meredith residents have received HealthLink benefits totaling \$166,989. HealthLink is an important program. We are most appreciative of your support.

Lakes Region Planning Commission

The Lakes Region Planning Commission is a voluntary, non-profit association of local governments formed for the purpose of bringing area municipalities together. By associating and pooling resources, local governments have access to a highly trained professional staff for a wide variety of services. Your support helps the LRPC maintain a regional presence working on behalf of all local governments in the Lakes Region. Some of our activities this past year were:

- Provided consultation and technical assistance to 31 member communities
- Contracted and coordinated the 11th and largest regional household hazardous waste program in the Lakes Region
- Prepared an analysis for a permanent or semi-permanent household hazardous waste facility for the Lakes Region
- Awarded a grant from the US Environmental Protection Agency and the NH Dept. of Environmental Services to continue technical assistance and publicity efforts for the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Project
- The first annual "Celebrate Your Lakes Day" was held in Meredith on August 1, 1995. This was created to promote water quality protection in a fun and informative setting.

We look forward to continuing to serve the Town of Meredith.

Meredith Chamber of Commerce

Susan Cerutti, Executive Director

The Meredith Chamber of Commerce consists of over two hundred members who are organized to promote and represent the business interests of the community. While the most noticeable activities of the Chamber are tourist related, all segments of the business community make up the membership.

Chamber sponsored events included the Lakes Region Fine Arts and Crafts Festival, the Fourth of July fireworks, Midnight Madness Sale, Christmas Open House, the Theatre Gala, and the Awards Ceremony at the Annual Meeting. Business After Hours was held on a regular basis and members are kept informed of Chamber activities via a monthly newsletter.

In 1995 the Chamber was fortunate to have the services of Doris Stone, Lloyd Sprague, Diane Ruel, Jean Greenlaw and Carol Chatterton at the Information Center. The Center is open weekends in the spring and daily during the summer and fall seasons. The year round answering service continues to serve not only the business interests but the community as a whole as many of the calls are requests for general information.

The Chamber is appreciative of the support given to its activities by the community and the Town of Meredith.

Meredith Community Action Program

Prudence Tylenda, Area Director

The Meredith CAP provided \$274,141.13 in services to Meredith residents. Our major concern has always been and will continue to be the delivery of needed services to the elderly, handicapped and low income residents of the community.

Some of the services we provide are administration of the fuel assistance program, the Women, Infants and Children Program, congregate meals at the Senior Center, Meals on Wheels, emergency food pantry and transportation. For more information, please contact 279-4096.

We wish to thank the Town of Meredith for its continued support of CAP and its programs.

Meredith Emergency Management Agency

Steven R. Bennett, Director

1995 was a very active and productive year for the Meredith Emergency Management Agency. Work has continued from 1994 on the classification and inspection of hazardous materials that are in transit or storage within the Town of Meredith.

In 1995 several meetings were conducted with the New Hampshire Office of Emergency Management in Concord, New Hampshire. These meetings were requested to compile data and to receive guidance for the development of a final draft of the new Hazardous Material Response Plan being developed

for use by the Town of Meredith. Nancy R. Wurtz, Field Representative for the N.H. Office of Emergency Management, has been assigned to assist me with this new requirement. Her assistance and guidance will eventually lead to a final report that will go to the Board of Selectmen early in the Spring of 1996 for approval.

Plans have also been made with N.H. Emergency Management to provide assistance with revisions to the Basic Emergency Response Plan that is presently in effect. By having a revision done, we will be able to have both plans printed and submitted for approval as a single manuscript to serve as the foundation for responses in the future.

I wish to thank all the people in the community that have assisted me over the past year on projects and inspections.

Meredith Historical Society

Helen Schoenbelen, President

This year has been a learning year for the Society in the new museum on Main Street. The tremendous response by visitors has prompted us to plan to keep the museum open on a daily basis in the Summer. We will be inputting our entire collection on computer hopefully to share our collection on line with other museums. We are now soliciting additions to our museum to keep our displays more interesting and ever changing. Our thanks to our past president William Pond and his wife, Janice Pond, for their years of guidance and support, the Town of Meredith and our members for their continued support as well. Thank you to the Community Garden Club of Meredith for making our side garden a showplace. All meetings and programs are held on the first Tuesday of the month and the public is welcome.

Meredith Public Health Nursing Assn.

June A. Plummer, RN, Executive Director

Meredith Public Health Nursing is a Medicare, Medicaid, BCBS approved and state licensed agency that provides skilled nursing, physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, home health aide and homemaker services to Meredith and Center Harbor residents.

Memorial gifts were received in memory of Clarence Bickford, Mr. and Mrs. Minot Bickford, Michael S. Brown, Rev. C. Buker, Evelyn Chandler, James G. Conklin, Alfred G. Davis Jr., Arthur Fletcher, Helene Gleason RN, Robert Gorham, Russell Hart, Florence Horne, Emily Karklin, Reginald Lavelle, Frederick Newell, Mary Plancon, Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Plummer Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Granville Sargent, Janet Stiff, Phil Swett, William VanWie, and Harry Wallace.

Services in Meredith during 1995:

- 2660 RN Home Visits
- 913 Office Visits
- 247 Weekend Visits
- 162 Physical Therapy
- 55 Speech Therapy
- 50 Occupational Therapy
- 1660 Home Health Aide
- 140 Blood pressure readings at monthly clinics

I would like to extend a "Thank You" to everyone who has supported us with their donations, memorial gifts, and also those who responded to our Annual Fund Drive. Your thoughtfulness is sincerely appreciated.

New Beginnings

Kathy Keller, Direct Service Coordinator

We greatly appreciate the solid support of the Meredith Community. We are dedicated to human service, social responsibility and fiscal accountability. New Beginnings staffs a 24-hour crisis line solely with volunteers, operates a full-time shelter for women and children and safe homes for male victims as well as a wide variety of support groups and advocacy with outside agencies.

Our records indicate that we had 34 contacts with Meredith residents in 1993, 55 contacts in 1994, and through November of 1995 we had 139 contacts. Publicity surrounding the issue of domestic and sexual violence and its devastating effects have resulted in a significant increase in requests for service.

We were pleased to start a community outreach in Meredith called "We Can Work It Out." This is a conflict resolution program for grades K-2 and was conducted at the Meredith Public Library.

Volunteers are always needed and the opportunity to serve is fulfilling and satisfying.

New Hampshire Humane Society

Mark J. Ackerman, Executive Director

During 1995, a total of 169 animals were brought to the shelter from Meredith. Your Society's shelter has been inspected and licensed by the State and fulfills your animal shelter requirements. Every town has stray animal problems and we encourage you and especially your Animal Control Officer to call upon us in 1996 if you have any questions.

1995-1996 Meredith Organizations

- ALTRUSA
Mary Anne Skawinski 279-5529
- AMERICAN LEGION POST #33
Jim Woodman 279-8503
- ASTRA
Monica Bennett 279-8933
- BOY SCOUT TROOP #55
Doug Gosling 279-5092
- CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Sue Cerutti 279-6121
- CHOCORUA LODGE #83, F&AM
279-7485
- BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Geo. Alexander
- CALVARY BIBLE CHURCH
Rev. Paul Bertolino 279-6025
- CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Dr. John Betournay 279-6271
- EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. Robin Thomas
- FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
(Meredith Center)
Pastor Brian Blair
- FULL GOSPEL ASSEMBLY
Rev. C. Erlon Buker, Jr.
- ST. CHARLES CATHOLIC CHURCH
Rev. Msgr. F. Pichette 279-4403
- COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM
Pru. Tylenda, Director, 279-4096
- ELLACOYA CHAPTER #43, OES
Doris Lavallee, Sec. 279-8065
- INTER-LAKES ARTS & CRAFTS
Nancy LaFrance 279-8721
- INTER-LAKES DAY CARE CTR.
Connie Pelletier 279-8903
- LAKES REGION BASEBALL LEAGUE
Elizabeth Baker 279-3312
- LAKES REGION SYMPHONY
279-3324
- LAKESIDE REBEKAH LODGE #34
Nancy LaFrance 279-8721
- LATCHKEY CHARITIES, INC.
Chris Williams 279-6513
- MEREDITH GARDEN CLUB
Patti Herrick, Chairman, 279-8995
- MEREDITH HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Helen Schoenbelen, Pres., 279-8704
- MEREDITH LIONS CLUB
Ray Barrett, Pres., 279-6952
- MEREDITH WOMEN'S PROGRESS CLUB
Betty Newell 279-8919
Doris Nevens 279-5832
- MEREDITH KIWANIS
Malcolm Knowles 279-8317
- MEREDITH/INTER-LAKES
ALUMNI ASSN.
R. Joseph Dever, Treasurer, 279-4345
- MEREDITH/LACONIA ARTS & CRAFTS
279-7920
- MEREDITH POLICE ASSOCIATION
John Egan 279-4562
- MEREDITH PUBLIC HEALTH/NURSING
June Plummer 279-6611
- MEREDITH SENIOR CENTER
Jane Flanders 279-5631
- MEREDITH YOUTH BASKETBALL
Jere Burrows 279-6396
- MEREDITH YOUTH SOCCER
Earl Dodge 279-6702
- REACH
Ann Plunkett 279-6734
- ROTARY CLUB
David Almstrom 279-8158
- SNO-STREAKERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB
Tom Joslin 279-7726

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The Moving Wall

In 1993, the American Legion Auxiliary Unit #33 began plans to honor all veterans and bring a renewed sense of patriotism to the Town of Meredith. Charlotte Reed suggested bringing "The Vietnam Veterans' Memorial," known as "The Moving Wall," to Meredith. "The Moving Wall" is built in half-scale replica of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C. There are approximately 58,191 names listed on the wall with about 1,300 of those names being POW or MIA.

With the help of Senator Bob Smith and Vietnam Combat Veterans, Ltd., we started the process. The Memorial is transported all over the world and we were placed on a two-year waiting list.

The Moving Wall Committee was formed and opened to all who wished to participate. Ronald James, a recently retired Naval officer, volunteered to chair our committee of five. Marge Tanner designed the brochures and headed the Administration Committee; Charlotte Reed headed the Fundraising Committee; Michael Hatch volunteered as Publicity Chairman; Peter Newell was in charge of ceremonies; Sue Dearborn handled the Donor Board; and Barbara Manson coordinated with all the committees.

In the spring of 1995 we received confirmation that Mr. Robert Murray, owner of Lincoln Field on Barnard Ridge Road, would donate the use of his fields.

The actual work of preparing for the arrival of "The Wall" began. The committees grew and the Meredith Lion's Club jump started the fundraising efforts. Donations of time, money, equipment, and manpower came from local businesses, organizations and individuals committed to making this project a reality.

"The Moving Wall" arrived in Meredith on August 23, 1995, and was open 24 hours a day for seven days. Events and ceremonies were held during the week. Examples of the events which were held included: opening ceremonies, raising of the Mount Rushmore Flag, POW-MIA Day, Biker Day, Children's Day, Native American tributes, presentations by veterans groups, scheduled speakers and those who were moved to speak through their own experiences, a variety of music, ending with closing ceremonies. During the week-long event, all 58,191 names on "The Wall" were read aloud. An estimated 70,000 people from around the country visited "The Wall." Many who attended will never forget this memorable experience.



As a permanent reminder of “The Wall’s” visit and the pride felt by all, one of the boulders used in landscaping the site has been moved to Hesky Park. The boulder, “Let Us Not Forget,” was placed in the area of Hesky Park that is used for the POW/MIA vigil that is held every Thursday evening at 7:00 PM in recognition of all the POW and MIA veterans whose fates are unknown.

The Committee extends a heartfelt “THANK YOU” to each and every person who gave of themselves to this project. A message was sent to the world that the Town of Meredith residents, businesses, and organizations have a deep sense of patriotism and are proud of our veterans.

Pictures Courtesy of Barbara Manson



Cooperator of the Year Awards

In 1995 the Town of Meredith was the proud recipient of two prestigious environmental awards. The **Belknap County Conservation District** recognized the Town for its accomplishments in environmental planning and natural resource protection. Meredith was chosen as the District’s Cooperator of the Year. The District then forwarded our nomination to the **New Hampshire Association of Conservation Districts** for a statewide competition. In November, Meredith was selected as the recipient of the New Hampshire Cooperator of the Year Award. Representatives from the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment attended a ceremony in Concord to accept the award on behalf of the community.

Several of the community’s environmental accomplishments were highlighted. Among those cited were our on-going efforts to protect the many lakes in Meredith; efforts to protect the Hatch Brook prime wetland complex through the acquisition of conservation easements; extension of municipal sewer lines throughout the Lake Waukewan watershed; implementation of a multi-use forest management plan for Reservoir Park; adoption of a reduced-salt, road maintenance policy; implementation of soil erosion/sedimentation control practices related to road reconstruction projects; operation of a model multi-material recycling center; designation as a Tree City by the National Arbor Day Foundation and co-sponsor of the “Celebrate Your Lakes Day” event.

Tree Planting Program

In 1995 the Town of Meredith participated in a unique tree planting grant program sponsored by the Small Business Administration in conjunction with the NH Division of Forests and Lands. Twenty-three (23) trees were planted on various Town properties by Jurius Associates, a local landscape contractor with assistance from The Family Tree Service, also of Meredith. The objective of the project was to demonstrate proper tree selection, planting technique and after care through a collaboration between local small businesses and Town government. The Buildings and Grounds, Public Works, Water and Planning Departments coordinated to provide in-kind services throughout the project.



Above: A “Chanticleer” Callery Pear planted next to the Town docks and Hesky Park. This species was selected for its upright form, environmental tolerance and its attractive white flowers in Spring.

Dedication of Historical Museum

In May we witnessed the dedication of our new Main Street Historical Museum. This celebration recognized an extraordinary community effort that transformed a vacant store front into a central show piece of local history. Through the determination and commitment of the Meredith Historical Society, the Meredith Rotary Club, the Meredith Village Savings Bank, the Town of Meredith and others, a distant dream soon became a reality. Acquisition of the historic Ladd building and its renaissance as a cultural center will prove to be an invaluable community asset for generations to come.



Above: Ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Main Street Ladd Building officially opening Meredith's new historical museum, May 20, 1995.

Courtesy of Meredith News

Births

1995

Date	Child's Name	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
Feb. 1	Wesley Simpson Rushing	Brad S. Rushing	Heather M. Loghry
Feb. 3	Landon Riley Allen	Brian P. Allen	Jane M. Ruel
Feb. 6	Cortney Rebecca Carroll	Christopher B. Carroll	Tammy J. Bonner
Feb. 24	Tricia Ann Deirossi	Anthony G. Deirossi	Patricia A. Saylor
Feb. 28	Robert Benjamin Grad	Robert K. Grad	Sheila A. Simpson
Mar. 17	Dylan Frederick Bennett	Tracy L. Bennett	Kathryn A. Myrtle
Mar. 23	Cheyenne Mikayla Woods	Jeffrey R. Woods	Patricia L. Veasey
Apr. 6	Morgan Elizabeth Blake	Alan K. Blake	Susan C. Adams
Apr. 13	Jacob Stewart Linville	Paul Jackson Linville Jr.	Vicky Jane Blake
Apr. 18	Timothy Lee Johnson	Carl Robert Johnson Jr.	Linda Egli
Apr. 20	Ryan Paul Snyder	Donald Henry Snyder Jr.	Linda Marie Gray
Apr. 25	John Anthony Connell	John Charles Connell	Mary Ellen Buonfiglio
Apr. 30	Peyton Randy Schroeder	Evan Fredrick Schroeder	Kelly Lyn Kendall
May 23	Mackenzie Lynn Fletcher	James Michael Fletcher	Lynn Ruth Eisenhauer
June 14	Casey Lynn Wigginn	Craig Harold Wigginn	Nancy Ann Carrier
June 26	Ryan Edward Boquist	Edward Boquist	Judith M. Owens
July 5	Nicholas K. Kalioras	Costas Kalioras	Evangelia Roidou
July 5	George K. Kalioras	Costas Kalioras	Evangelia Roidou
July 14	Lexi Pierce Welch	Thomas J. Welch	Karla D. True
July 19	Tyrus King Desjarlais	Mark Desjarlais	Linda D. King
Aug. 6	Taylor Anne Kelly	Christopher J. Kelly	Doreen A. Kimball
Aug. 8	Christopher Joseph Roubo	Michael Roubo	Lynn E. Downs
Aug. 14	Hunter Andrew Secord	Richard T. Secord Jr.	Corinne P. Valcourt
Aug. 29	Andrew Hamilton Fay	Timothy J. Fay	Dori A. Dearborn
Sept. 2	David Cheng Chen	Tong Chen	Jian Ping Qian
Sept. 8	Mitchell F. Jurius	Stephen P. Jurius	Risa L. Josefiak
Sept. 27	Emily R. Boucher	Thomas Boucher	Nicole R. Dandeneau
Oct. 9	Mark A. Phillips	Michael P. Phillips	Melody G. Leach
Oct. 20	Robert P. Euiler	Paul W. Euiler	Elizabeth D. Tinsley
Nov. 14	Melissa M. Martin	David T. Martin	Carlena M. Gray
Nov. 15	Mikaela B. O'Neil	Armand G. O'Neil Jr.	Donna M. Schavone
Nov. 22	Tiffany L. Richards	Peter J. Richards	Tracy L. Brunt

Marriages Recorded in Meredith

1995

Date	Groom's Name	Groom's Residency	Bride's Maiden Name	Bride's Residency
Jan. 1	David L. Elliott	Meredith, NH	Laurie S. Elliott	Meredith, NH
Jan. 1	Donald B. Gordon Jr.	Meredith, NH	Joan W. Cram	Meredith, NH
Jan. 7	John F. Elliott	Meredith, NH	Kathleen M. Bonner	Meredith, NH
Mar. 11	James J. Abbott	Meredith, NH	Jill R. Robitaille	Meredith, NH
Apr. 10	Donald C. Curran Jr.	Meredith, NH	Lisa G. Thompson	Meredith, NH
Apr. 15	Joseph R. Lefebvre	Laconia, NH	Denise M. Pope	Meredith, NH
Apr. 22	Frank P. Knight	Meredith, NH	Charlene M. Miller	Meredith, NH
Apr. 30	Elais Nasis	Meredith, NH	Susan Jane O'Brien	Meredith, NH
May 13	James C. Stewart	Meredith, NH	Aprile D. Tisbert	Raymond, NH
May 20	Philip J. Oaten	Meredith, NH	Kathleen A. Melone	Old Tappan, NJ
June 3	Errol Sinclair Chase Jr.	Meredith, NH	Kelly Rae O'Fourke	Meredith, NH
June 3	Mark Clifford Chase	Meredith, NH	Carrie Bucklin Mudgett	Meredith, NH
June 9	Richard Irving Batstone	Meredith, NH	Margaret E. York	Meredith, NH
June 10	Thomas G. Buskey Jr.	Meredith, NH	Rose Marie Duquette	Meredith, NH
June 10	Jonathan Michael Osier	Meredith, NH	Shannon Marie Zagraniis	Meredith, NH
June 11	Thomas Michael Kuzina Jr.	Meredith, NH	Heidi Lyn Lacaille	Meredith, NH
June 17	James Odell Opella	Providence, RI	Tina Rae Harris	Providence, RI
June 24	James K. Pitt	Meredith, NH	Kathleen S. Shumway	Laconia, NH
July 1	Dana C. Stevens	Meredith, NH	Bonnie L. Moses	Meredith, NH
July 1	George R. Estella	Salem, MA	Nancy B. Rollinson	Salem, MA
July 6	William M. Young	Meredith, NH	Gertrude N. Gagne	Meredith, NH
July 14	Loren D. Hunt III	Meredith, NH	Brenda E. Tilton	Meredith, NH
July 15	James M. St. Jean	Cantin MI	Catherine F. Capowski	Canton, MI
July 22	Scott Lamprey	Meredith, NH	Robin H. O'Callaghan	Meredith, NH
July 29	John R. Sullivan Jr.	Meredith, NH	Carol A. Williams	Meredith, NH
July 29	Mark H. Palome	Boonton, NJ	Jennifer M. Kerstner	Boonton, NJ
July 29	Christopher D. Boothby	Meredith, NH	Maren E. Feltz	Danielson, CT

July 29	Christian J. Schoonmaker	Meredith, NH	Angela M. Booth	Meredith, NH
July 30	William F. Barber	Redington Beach, FL	Muguette R. Cloutier	Redington Beach, FL
Aug. 5	John A. Buletti	Lynnfield, MA	Michelle D. Cavic	Haverhill, MA
Aug. 5	Charles J. Fitzgerald	Meredith, NH	Deborah J. Goodspeed	Meredith, NH
Aug. 6	David L. Watkins	Tarpon Springs, FL	Florence J. Neil	Tarpon Springs, FL
Aug. 10	Robert B. McNab	Meredith, NH	Priscilla L. Burns	Meredith, NH
Aug. 12	Seth L. Wheeler	Meredith, NH	Beatrice A. Lewis	Meredith, NH
Aug. 13	Jose A. Royo	Boston, MA	Susan Stich	Boston, MA
Aug. 17	Roger K. King	Suisun, CA	Carol E. Andrews	Suisun, CA
Aug. 26	Keith A. Mudgett	Meredith, NH	Phyllis A. Colby	Bristol, NH
Aug. 26	Michael J. Glennon	Marstons Mills, MA	Kimberlee K. Acero	Marstons Mills, MA
Sept. 2	Jeremy M. Ambrose	Meredith, NH	Kathryn R. Corso	Meredith, NH
Sept. 8	Jeffrey J. Paddock	Naugatuck, CT	Kathleen E. O'Reilly	Naugatuck, CT
Sept. 9	Richard P. Bennett	Boston, MA	Laurie L. Messina	Boston, MA
Sept. 10	Tobias S. Ball	Alexandria, VA	Deborah L. Walden	Alexandria, VA
Sept. 12	Normand R. Sanschagrín	Meredith, NH	Joanne E. King	Meredith, NH
Sept. 16	Craig S. Johnson	Meredith, NH	Maria L. Minnon	Meredith, NH
Sept. 16	Bryant S. Lehr	Morristown, NJ	Heidi J. Ford	Meredith, NH
Sept. 23	Elwin J. Cochran	Meredith, NH	Robin G. Taylor	Meredith, NH
Oct. 7	Christopher P. Jacobsen	Groveland, MA	Ruth M. Caswell	Groveland, MA
Oct. 14	Douglas E. Maxham	Meredith, NH	Patricia A. O'Connell	Meredith, NH
Oct. 14	Robert D. Giroux	Meredith, NH	Tammy A. Smith	Meredith, NH
Oct. 14	Christopher M. Fitts	Meredith, NH	Beth A. Boutte	Meredith, NH
Oct. 28	R. Christopher Trimmer	Stow, MA	Maureen F. Hutton	Meredith, NH
Oct. 30	Timothy G. Dickinson	Meredith, NH	Stacey L. Hurd	Meredith, NH
Nov. 4	Mark T. Finnegan	Roslindale, MA	Stephanie K. Knowles	Roslindale, MA
Nov. 4	Thomas G. Powers	Meredith, NH	Melinda K. Dunn	Meredith, NH
Nov. 18	John T. Reistrom	Meredith, NH	Tracy L. Collins	Meredith, NH
Dec. 1	William T. Harper	Meredith, NH	Dianna M. Corso	Meredith, NH
Dec. 3	David E. Boston	Tampa, FL	Margaret E. Walsh	Tampa, FL
Dec. 8	James Carmody IV	Albuquerque, NM	Pamela M. Long	Albuquerque, NM
Dec. 23	James E. Clark	Meredith, NH	Donna M. Lurvey	Meredith, NH
Dec. 23	Timothy S. Smith	Meredith, NH	Cassandra A. Lippincott	Meredith, NH

Deaths and Burials Recorded In Meredith 1995

Date	Name	Age	Where Died	Residency	Place of Burial
Jan. 3	Ethel R. Howe	92	Epsom, NH	Moultonboro, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Jan. 6	Ella Virginia Leavitt	94	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Wildwood Cemetery, Ashland, MA
Jan. 9	Silvio Casazza	84	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Jan. 23	Phyllis Alma Huntington	75	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	
Jan. 24	Janet V. Sliff	87	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Edgewood Cemetery, Nashua, NH
Jan. 28	Mary M. Plancoon	84	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Jan. 29	Jon Richard Laubenstein	42	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	
Jan. 31	Irene Della Tauber	87	Meredith, NH	Plymouth, NH	
Feb. 1	Edith P. Pryor	94	Meredith, NH	Ashland, NH	Highland Cemetery, Norwood, MA
Feb. 5	Arthur C. Fletcher	80	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Greengrove Cemetery, Ashland, NH
Feb. 11	Janice Marion Barrett	66	Lebanon, NH	Meredith, NH	Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth, NH
Feb. 14	Ann Napier Cahill	73	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden, MA
Feb. 16	Joseph T. Gnerre, Sr.	62	Gilford, NH	Meredith, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Feb. 18	Unwar J. Samaha	75	Inverness, FL	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Feb. 25	George Frank Alexa	59	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Meetinghouse Hill Cemetery, New Boston, NH
Feb. 25	Henrietta Bertha Brown	91	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Feb. 26	Celia May Amabile	74	Bristol, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Feb. 27	Frederick D. Newell	88	Plymouth, NH	Meredith, NH	Riverside Cemetery, Tamworth, NH
Feb. 27	Frederick Wallace Moore	83	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	
March 4	Emily S. Karlin	93	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
March 7	Gladys Ella Libby	90	Laconia, NH	Laconia, NH	Harmony Cemetery, Georgetown, MA
March 13	Eric C.S. Pearce	89	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Elmont Cemetery, Elmont, NY
March 13	Edith Louise Guenther	92	Meredith, NH	Gilford, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH
March 14	Eileen Mary Mills	73	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	
March 21	Beatrice Mae Campbell	86	Meredith, NH	Laconia, NH	
March 24	Edna E. Russell	-			
March 26	Arthur C. Burns	70	Meredith, NH	Center Sandwich, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
March 26	Dorine E. Neill	74	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Mendham Hilltop Cemetery, Mendham, NJ
March 28	Anne Shane	87	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
					Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden, MA

March 29	Gertrude Jacques Champagne	85	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Sacred Heart Cemetery, Laconia, NH
March 31	Raymond A. Sirtes	60	Lexington, SC	Lexington, SC	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
March 31	Evelyn M. Kenney	84	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	
April 2	Lois Vyrling Ramsey	77	Laconia, NH	Laconia, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
April 3	Sarah Catherine McNeil	87	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Blair Cemetery, Campton, NH
April 3	Gwengolyn Belle Flather	93	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Edgewood Cemetery, Nashua, NH
April 8	Bertha Beatrice Taylor	72	Concord, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
April 21	Eva Mary Bernier	90	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	
April 22	Gertrude Alice Hammel	83	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth, NH
May 4	Harry Woodman	87	Hanover, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
May 4	Florence Louise Home	63	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH
May 9	Florence B. Voebel	76	Meredith, NH	Bristol, NH	Pine Hill Cemetery, Brandon, VT
May 15	Mabel Gladys Eldridge	97	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Bayside Cemetery, Laconia, NH
May 19	Mildred Vernill Higgins	88	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Homeland Cemetery, Bristol, NH
May 22	Marion Ellis Spinney	92	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Homeland Cemetery, Bristol, NH
May 25	Helen Louise Poff	99	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
May 25	Beatrice Goodwin	93	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Puritan Lawn Memorial Park, Peabody, MA
May 29	Thelma E. Dunn	74	Manchester, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
May 29	Michael A. Gagnon	40	Concord, NH	Meredith, NH	
June 2	Mary Ann Woodman	91	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth, NH
June 8	Gladys M. Drew	93	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
June 10	Evelyn F. Larusso	77	Laconia, NH	Alton, NH	
June 13	Lois I. Jordan	95	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Riverside Cemetery, Cape Elizabeth, ME
June 17	Amelia E. Engle	76	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	
July 12	Theodora Vivian Tucker	92	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Varney Cemetery, Brunswick, ME
July 13	Robert J. Haley	67	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	St. Patrick's Cemetery, Lowell, MA
July 16	Theresa Mary Malone	83	Meredith, NH	Northfield, NH	Park Cemetery, Tilton, NH
July 30	Michael S. Tucker	47	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Aug. 1	Anita Marie Cutler	81	Meredith, NH	Melrose, MA	Forest Hills Cemetery, Boston, MA
Aug. 2	Robert Alden Weeks, Sr.	75	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Aug. 2	Robert E. Whaley	81	Concord, NH	Meredith, NH	
Aug. 3	Cynthia Neilson	90	Meredith, NH	Melvin Village, NH	Lakeview Cemetery, Wolfeboro, NH
Aug. 5	John D. Skidds	55	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Aug. 13	Evelyn A. Chandler	71	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Aug. 20	Elmer Paul Keniston	65	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH

Aug. 29	Thomas John Prybylo	89	Meredith, NH	Laconia, NH	St. Mary's Cemetery, Springfield, VT
Aug. 30	Melvin J. Akin	83	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Pineslope Cemetery, Belle Fourche, SD
Sept. 4	Robert S. Seufert	39	Lebanon, NH	Meredith, NH	
Sept. 7	Ross M. Schofield	77	Meredith, NH	Alexandria, NH	Homeland Cemetery, Bristol, NH
Sept. 9	Alberta J. Bowlby	69	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Forestvale Cemetery, Hudson, MA
Sept. 12	Marie N. Carty	83	Meredith, NH	Cherry Hill, NJ	Louctworth Memorial Park, Cherry Hill, NJ
Sept. 26	Ernest A. Terreault	76	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Sept. 30	Velvet L. Arsesi	30	Concord, NH	Center Barnstead, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Oct. 4	Anita Mae Connolly	77	Meredith, NH	Laconia, NH	South Road Cemetery, Belmont, NH
Oct. 4	John V. Keenan	77	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Oct. 6	Bernice L. Boyd	85	Meredith, NH	Moultonboro, NH	Forest Dale Cemetery, Malden, MA
Oct. 24	Elizabeth K. Emery	78	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Pine Grove Cemetery, Gilford, NH
Oct. 26	Maria L. Percy	85	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Southlawn Cemetery, Tucson, AZ
Oct. 29	Vernon H. Fisher	87	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Proctor Cemetery, Andover, NH
Oct. 29	Ella M. Rowe	95	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Putnam Cemetery, Greenwich, CT
Oct. 30	Helen M. Troccoli	84	Franklin, NH	Meredith, NH	
Nov. 13	John F. Grabiec	78	Meredith, NH	Holderness, NH	St. Mary's Cemetery, East Brunswick, NJ
Nov. 16	Lavina T. Pickett	77	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	
Nov. 17	Laura J. Baker	63	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Oakland Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Nov. 21	Janice L. Pond	61	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Nov. 29	Isabel M. McHugh	83	Meredith, NH	Woodside, NY	Calvary Cemetery, Woodside, NY
Dec. 10	Myra Hildreth	105	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Pine Street Cemetery, Whitefield, NH
Dec. 14	Robert Ellery Marriott	65	Derry, NH	Meredith, NH	
Dec. 18	Jean Berete Masterson	92	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	
Dec. 19	Clarence E. Bickford	87	Laconia, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Dec. 21	Elaine T. Maheux	78	Manchester, NH	Meredith, NH	Meredith Village Cemetery, Meredith, NH
Dec. 29	Mildred Lestina Sweeney	83	Meredith, NH	Meredith, NH	Maplewood Cemetery, Antrim, NH

Report of Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

1-1-95 to 12-31-95

DEBITS	1995	1994	1993
Uncollected Taxes 1-1-95			
Property Taxes	\$	\$ 923,866.45	\$
Betterment Assessments		19,598.07	2,129.31
Yield Taxes		1,005.69	
Water Rents		64,092.02	
Sewer Rents		118,448.44	
Taxes Committed to Collector			
Property Taxes	11,214,945.02	7,147.14	
Betterment Assessments	48,089.37		
Land Use Change Taxes	19,100.00		
Yield Taxes	27,468.35		
Water Rents	217,766.60		
Sewer Rents	486,848.21		
Overpayments			
Property Taxes	17,367.93		
Water Rents	35.60	2,164.15	
Sewer Rents	76.10	64.00	
Interest Collected			
Property Taxes	12,126.34	46,314.82	
Betterment Assessments	7.35	388.33	16.72
Yield Taxes	7.59	81.29	
Water Rents	462.86	2,218.94	
Sewer Rents	676.43	3,683.00	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$12,044,977.75	\$1,189,072.34	\$2,146.03
CREDITS			
Remitted to Treasurer			
Property Taxes	\$10,073,662.47	\$ 918,743.33	\$
Betterment Assessments	32,838.33	16,687.51	2,129.31
Land Use Change Taxes	19,100.00	-0-	
Yield Taxes	22,096.15	1,005.69	
Water Rents	124,419.07	64,460.95	
Sewer Rents	294,965.08	117,897.64	
Property Tax Interest	12,126.34	46,314.82	
Betterment Assessment Interest	7.35	388.33	16.72

	1995	1994	1993
Yield Tax Interest	7.59	81.29	
Water Rents Interest	462.86	2,218.94	
Sewer Rents Interest	676.43	3,683.00	
Abatements			
Property Taxes	14,524.42	12,270.26	
Water Rents	11,156.04	1,795.22	
Sewer Rents	18,413.89	614.80	
Uncollected Taxes 12-31-95			
Property Taxes	1,144,126.06	-0-	
Betterment Assessments	15,251.04	2,910.56	-0-
Land Use Change Taxes	-0-		
Yield Taxes	5,372.20	-0-	
Water Rents	82,227.09	-0-	
Sewer Rents	173,545.34	-0-	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$12,044,977.75	\$1,189,072.34	\$2,146.03

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

1-1-95 to 12-31-95

DEBITS	1994	1993	1992	1991
Beginning Balance 1-1-95	\$	\$330,905.44	\$163,566.41	\$ 2,076.83
Liens Executed During 1995	700,600.45			
Interest after Lien	23,321.55	44,704.89	59,098.90	135.41
Redemption Costs	2,687.00	1,505.00	1,883.00	-0-
TOTAL DEBITS	\$726,609.00	\$377,115.33	\$224,548.31	\$ 2,212.24
CREDITS	1994	1993	1992	1991
Remitted to Treasurer				
Redemptions	\$383,223.07	\$195,662.93	\$160,051.09	\$ 913.57
Interest & Costs	26,008.55	46,209.89	60,981.90	135.41
Abatements	3,733.77			
Uncollected Taxes 12-31-95	313,643.61	135,242.51	3,515.32	1,163.26
TOTAL CREDITS	\$726,609.00	\$377,115.33	\$224,548.31	\$ 2,212.24

Independent Auditor's Report On Financial Presentation

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Meredith
Meredith, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Meredith as of and for the year ended December 31, 1994, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

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

As described in Note 1B, the general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the General Fixed Assets Account Group, which should be included to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amount that should be recorded in the General Fixed Assets Account Group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Meredith as of December 31, 1994, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedule listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Meredith. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Plodzick & Sanderson
Professional Association

May 5, 1995

Independent Auditor's Communication Of Reportable Conditions And Other Matters

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Meredith
Meredith, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Meredith for the year ended December 31, 1994, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We are pleased to report that, during the course of our review of internal controls, no material weaknesses in the Town's accounting systems and records were identified. Minor weaknesses or other considerations coming to our attention were generally procedural in nature and dealt with administrative or recordkeeping practices. In these instances, we made specific recommendations or provided instruction to those individuals involved during the course of our audit fieldwork. Areas discussed included:

- A. Public Library Trustees Account - Year-end Summary of Receipts and Disbursements by category
- B. Consolidation of Cash Accounts and Review of bank reconciliations by Treasurer
- C. Accounting for Betterment Assessments
- D. Clarification of the wording and intent of Article 29 of the March 1992 Town Meeting which states, in part, "Any surplus remaining in the land use change tax fund shall not be part of the general fund until such time as the legislative body shall have had the opportunity at an annual meeting to vote to appropriate a specific amount from the land use change tax fund..."

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

May 5, 1995

Plodzick & Sanderson
Professional Association

Combined Balance Sheet

All Fund Types and Account Groups
December 31, 1995

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Types		Account Group		Total Memorandum Only
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust & Agency		General Long-Term Debt		
ASSETS & OTHER DEBITS								
ASSETS								
Cash & Equivalents	\$2,313,439	\$ 171,405	\$ 20,547	\$ 94,830	\$		\$2,600,221	
Investments	1,000,000			313,685			1,313,685	
Receivables (Net of Allowances for Uncollectibles)								
Interest								
Taxes	3,083						5,985	
Accounts	1,489,519						1,489,519	
Special Assessments-Current	24,281	256,489					280,770	
Special Assessments-Noncurrent	18,162						18,162	
Other	303,587						303,587	
Interfund Receivable								
Intergovernmental Receivable	11,758	6,964					376,836	
Statutory Tax Liens Receivable		4,248					64,317	
Statutory Tax Liens Reserved Until Collected	88,414		29,385				33,633	
Prepaid Items	(88,414)						88,414	
	2,043						(88,414)	
OTHER DEBITS								
Amount to be provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt								2,043
TOTAL ASSETS & OTHER DEBITS	<u>\$5,165,872</u>	<u>\$ 439,106</u>	<u>\$ 49,932</u>	<u>\$ 833,848</u>	<u>\$ 3,757,540</u>		<u>3,757,540</u>	<u>\$10,246,298</u>

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group		Total Memorandum Only
	General	Special Revenue		Trust and Agency	General Long-Term Debt	
			Capital Projects			
LIABILITIES & EQUITY						
LIABILITIES						
Accounts Payable	\$ 105,779	\$ 62,227	\$	\$	\$	\$ 188,633
Intergovernmental Payable	3,009,937			3,606		3,013,543
Interfund Payable	22,867	11,758		29,692		64,317
Escrow & Performance Deposits	10,100			54,845		64,945
Deferred Revenue	333,781			376,836		333,781
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable					3,579,997	376,836
General Obligation Debt Payable					177,543	3,579,997
Compensated Absences Payable						177,543
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,482,464	62,227	32,385	464,979	3,757,540	7,799,595
EQUITY						
Fund Balances						
Reserved for Endowments				129,963		129,963
Reserved for Encumbrances	1,018,013	69,834				1,087,847
Reserved for Special Purposes		49,832	20,547	238,906		309,285
Unreserved						
Designated for Special Purposes		257,213				257,213
Undesignated (Deficit)	665,395		(3,000)			662,395
TOTAL EQUITY	1,683,408	376,879	17,547	368,869		2,446,703
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$5,165,872	\$ 439,106	\$ 49,932	\$ 833,848	\$3,757,540	\$10,246,298

Special Revenue Funds

Combining Balance Sheet

December 31, 1995

(Unaudited)

ASSETS	Public Library	Conservation Commission	D.A.R.E. Program	Bay Point Walkway Fund	Community Park	Water Department	Sewer Department	Total
Cash & Equivalents	\$ 32,276	\$ 41,161	\$	\$ 1,000	\$ 95	\$ 72,044	\$ 24,829	\$171,405
Receivables (Net of Allowances For Uncollectibles)			6,964			82,944	173,545	256,489
Accounts							4,248	6,964
Interfund Receivable								4,248
Intergovernmental Receivable								4,248
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 32,276	\$ 41,161	\$ 6,964	\$ 1,000	\$ 95	\$154,988	\$202,622	\$439,106
LIABILITIES & EQUITY								
Liabilities								
Accounts Payable	\$	\$ 2,260	\$	\$	\$	\$ 7,488	\$ 52,479	\$ 62,227
Total Liabilities		2,260				7,488	52,479	62,227
Equity								
Fund Balances								
Reserved For Encumbrances			2,103			59,231	8,500	69,834
Reserved For Special Purposes						22,200	27,632	49,832
Unreserved								
Designated For Special Purposes	32,276	38,901	4,861	1,000	95	66,069	114,011	257,213
Total Equity	32,276	38,901	6,964	1,000	95	147,500	150,143	376,879
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$ 32,276	\$ 41,161	\$ 6,964	\$ 1,000	\$ 95	\$154,988	\$202,622	\$439,106

Capital Project Funds

Combining Balance Sheet — December 31, 1995 (Unaudited)

	Cataldo/ Reservoir Road Sewer Extension	Capital Equipment and Improvements	Philbrook Avenue Sewer Extension	Wagon Wheel Trail Sewer Extension	Total
ASSETS					
Cash & Equivalents	\$ 3,861	\$16,686	\$	\$	\$20,547
Receivables					
Intergovernmental			29,385		29,385
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>3,861</u>	<u>16,686</u>	<u>29,385</u>		<u>49,932</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY					
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable			20,627		20,627
Interfund Payable			8,758	3,000	11,758
TOTAL LIABILITIES			<u>29,385</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>32,385</u>
EQUITY					
Fund Balances					
Reserved for Special Purposes	3,861	16,686			20,547
Unreserved					
Undesignated (Deficit)				(3,000)	(3,000)
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>3,861</u>	<u>16,686</u>		<u>(3,000)</u>	<u>17,547</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>\$ 3,861</u>	<u>\$16,686</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$49,932</u>

Trust and Agency Funds

Combining Balance Sheet — December 31, 1995 (Unaudited)

	Expendable Trust Funds			Non- Expendable Trust	Agency Funds	Total
	Library	Town RSA 31:19-a	Capital Reserve	Funds Town		
Assets						
Cash & Equivalents	\$	\$	\$ 15,030	\$ 24,955	\$ 54,845	\$ 94,830
Investments	91,279		69,090	153,316		313,685
Receivables						
Interest				2,902		2,902
Interfund Receivable		45,595				45,595
Due From Others					376,836	376,836
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>91,279</u>	<u>45,595</u>	<u>84,120</u>	<u>181,173</u>	<u>431,681</u>	<u>833,848</u>
Liabilities & Equity						
Liabilities						
Intergovernmental Payable			3,606			3,606
Interfund Payable				29,692		29,692
Escrow & Performance Deposits					54,845	54,845
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable					376,836	376,836
TOTAL LIABILITIES			<u>3,606</u>	<u>29,692</u>	<u>431,681</u>	<u>464,979</u>
Equity						
Fund Balances						
Reserved For Endowments				129,963		129,963
Reserved For Special Purposes	91,279	45,595	80,514	21,518		238,906
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>91,279</u>	<u>45,595</u>	<u>80,514</u>	<u>151,481</u>		<u>368,869</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>\$ 91,279</u>	<u>\$ 45,595</u>	<u>\$ 84,120</u>	<u>\$181,173</u>	<u>\$431,681</u>	<u>\$833,848</u>

Agency Funds

Combining Statement of Changes in Assets & Liabilities
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995
(Unaudited)

	<u>Balance</u> 1/1/95	<u>Addition</u>	<u>Deduction</u>	<u>Balance</u> 12/31/95
DEVELOPERS' PERFORMANCE				
BOND FUND				
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash & Equivalents	\$ 24,877	\$ 44,505	\$ 14,537	\$ 54,845
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Escrow and Performance Deposits	24,877	44,505	14,537	54,845
 ICMA DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN				
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Due From Others	281,985	102,465	7,614	376,836
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	281,985	102,465	7,614	376,836
 TOTAL - ALL AGENCY FUNDS				
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash & Equivalents	24,877	44,505	14,537	54,845
Due From Others	281,985	102,465	7,614	376,836
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>306,862</u>	<u>146,970</u>	<u>22,151</u>	<u>431,681</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Escrow and Performance Deposits	24,877	44,505	14,537	54,845
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	281,985	102,465	7,614	376,836
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$306,862</u>	<u>\$146,970</u>	<u>\$ 22,151</u>	<u>\$431,681</u>

Summary of Treasurer's Accounts

As of December 31, 1995

GENERAL FUND

Balance 12/31/94	\$ 2,454,163.45	
Receipts	17,024,102.54	
Expenditures	16,153,069.45	
Balance 12/31/95		\$ 3,325,196.54

WATER DEPARTMENT

Balance 12/31/94	\$ 77,883.36	
Receipts	266,749.00	
Expenditures	272,588.57	
Balance 12/31/95		\$ 72,043.79

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Balance 12/31/94	\$ (38,706.47)	
Receipts	434,275.76	
Expenditures	370,739.81	
Balance 12/31/95		\$ 24,829.48

MEREDITH VILLAGE CEMETERY

Balance 12/31/94	\$ (4,096.98)	
Receipts	4,096.98	
Expenditures	.00	
Balance 12/31/95		\$.00

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Balance 12/31/94	\$ 24,697.90	
Receipts	21,465.00	
Expenditures	5,001.90	
Balance 12/31/95		\$ 41,161.00

BAY POINT WALKWAYS

Balance 12/31/94	\$.00	
Receipts	1,000.00	
Expenditures	.00	
Balance 12/31/95		\$ 1,000.00

WAGON WHEEL TRAIL

Balance 12/31/94	\$ (3,000.00)	
Receipts	.00	
Expenditures	.00	
Balance 12/31/95		\$ (3,000.00)

CATALDO/RESERVOIR SEWER

Balance 12/31/94	\$	7,524.80	
Receipts		36.06	
Expenditures		3,700.00	
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Balance 12/31/95	\$		3,860.86

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Balance 12/31/94	\$	16,685.87	
Receipts		.00	
Expenditures		.00	
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Balance 12/31/95	\$		16,685.87

COMMUNITY PARK

Balance 12/31/94	\$.00	
Receipts		100.00	
Expenditures		5.00	
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Balance 12/31/95	\$		95.00

PHILBROOK AVENUE

Balance 12/31/94	\$	(671.70)	
Receipts		213,543.23	
Expenditures		221,629.95	
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Balance 12/31/95	\$		(8,758.42)

EAST BLUFF SEWER

Balance 12/31/94	\$.00	
Receipts		50,314.08	
Expenditures		50,314.08	
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Balance 12/31/95	\$.00

LAND USE CHANGE TAX FUND

Balance 12/31/94	\$.00	
Receipts		9,100.00	
Expenditures		.00	
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Balance 12/31/95	\$		9,100.00

ENGINEERING FUNDS/RETAINAGE

Balance 12/31/94	\$	24,876.56	
Receipts		44,522.60	
Expenditures		14,554.72	
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Balance 12/31/95	\$		54,844.44

BALANCE ALL FUNDS 12/31/95			\$ 3,537,058.56
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PROOF OF BALANCE

FIRST NH

Account 734110967318	\$ 142,450.29
Account Payroll	2,000.00
Account 731213594318	2,101.97
Repurchase Agreement	1,000,000.00

MEREDITH VILLAGE SAVINGS BANK

Account 95300303	\$ 535,719.38
Account 23597814	3,755.48
Account 36587	37.26
Account 36588	37.26

BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Account 1302112800	\$ 1,183.71
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CLAREMONT SAVINGS

Account 3590930718	\$ 2,814.89
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CONCORD SAVINGS

Account 7304890	\$ 1,578.04
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CONNECTICUT RIVER BANK

Account 70099774	\$ 2,601.92
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FLEET BANK

Account 09909957893	\$ 51,088.96
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LACONIA SAVINGS BANK

Account 883023910	\$ 1,135.33
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LANDMARK BANK

Account 276188	\$ 2,739.98
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MASCOMA BANK

Account 930668609	\$ 1,098.52
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SHAWMUT BANK

Account 04-2048-2309	\$ 1,079.03
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VILLAGE BANK & TRUST

Account 040-02105	\$ 1,137.17
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NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL

Account 7338296	\$1,845,216.60
Cash in Hands of Officials	\$ 530.00
Deposits in Transit	\$ 55,157.09
Outstanding Checks	(\$ 116,404.32)

RECONCILED BALANCE 12/31/95

\$3,537,058.56

1995 Estimated Revenues

SOURCE	
TAXES	
Property Taxes (Net of Overlay & Credits)	\$11,015,753
Yield Taxes	22,081
Boat Taxes	33,997
Interest & Penalties	210,000
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE	
Shared Revenue	168,950
Highway Block Grant	120,725
Water Pollution Grants	14,714
State & Federal Forest Land	237
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	
SBA Tree Grant	13,356
LICENSES AND PERMITS	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	555,000
Building Permits	15,000
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	20,000
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	
Department Income	385,000
Other Charges/Res. Prop. Timber	20,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	
Sale of Municipal Property	6,500
Investment Interest	45,000
Insurance Reimbursement	68,000
Betterment Assessment	40,000
Special Revenue Fund	232,210
USE OF FUND BALANCE	
Fund Balance Used to Reduce Taxes	341,700
SUBTOTAL	<u>13,328,228</u>
Sewer	458,939
PROCEEDS OF LONG-TERM DEBT	
Eastbluff Highlands Sewer	281,730
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$14,168,897</u>

1995 Appropriations

Executive	\$ 189,356
Election, Registration	4,475
Financial Administration	179,236
Property Revaluation	40,516
Legal Expense	19,000
Personnel Administration	516,480
Planning & Zoning	126,072
General Government Building	229,948
Cemeteries	48,686
Insurance	245,561
Advertising & Regional Association	6,075
Other General Government	25,000
Police	618,313
Ambulance	195,000
Fire	128,983
Highways & Streets	1,138,980
Street Lighting	43,500
State Aid Road	20,000
Solid Waste Disposal	733,168
Septic System	15,000
Hydrant Rental	52,555
Health & Hospitals	77,547
Agencies	97,988
Welfare	25,000
Parks & Recreation	140,886
Library	247,856
Patriotic Purposes	6,200
Boat Ramp Sign	3,000
Comm. Ctr. Feasibility Study	13,000
Conservation	1,465
Economic Development	27,500
Waukegan Street Reconstruction	318,500
Eastbluff Highlands Betterment	100,000
Principal Long Term Debt	339,651
Interest Long Term Debt	221,147
Interest on TAN	24,000
Spec. Revenue Fund Conservation	1,465
Sewer	458,939
Water	281,730
Trust Funds - Library Maintenance	10,000
Total Town Appropriations	<u>\$ 6,991,708</u>
School Appropriation	<u>6,023,384</u>
County Appropriation	<u>1,153,805</u>
Total	<u>\$14,168,897</u>

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995 (Unaudited)

	1994	1995	1995	1995	Balance
	Encumbered	Appropriation	Expended	Encumbered	(Overdrafts)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Executive	\$ 750	\$ 189,356	\$ 184,554	\$ 1,800	\$ 3,752
Election		4,475	1,738		2,737
Financial Administration	6,470	179,236	175,546	4,270	5,890
Revaluation of Property	70,000	40,516	34,239	70,000	6,277
Legal		19,000	10,589		8,411
Personnel Administration		516,480	480,386		36,094
Planning and Zoning	11,900	126,072	124,933	11,000	2,039
Gen. Government Buildings	23,750	229,948	212,371	22,873	18,454
Cemeteries	5,770	48,686	37,244	7,270	9,942
Insurance		245,561	214,094		31,467
Adv. & Reg. Associations		6,075	6,075		
Other Gen. Government		25,000	22,400		2,600
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police		618,313	613,523		4,790
Ambulance		195,000	194,867		133
Fire	1,292	128,993	117,942		12,343
HIGHWAYS & STREETS					
Highway & Streets	18,700	1,138,980	1,027,359	80,242	50,079
Street Lighting		43,500	40,215		3,285
State Aid Reconstruction	95,066	20,000		115,066	
SANITATION					
Solid Waste Disposal	165,322	733,168	654,843	226,255	17,392
Other Sanitation	4,609	15,000			19,609
WATER DISTRIBUTION					
Hydrant Rental		52,555	52,555		

	1994 Encumbered	1995 Appropriation	1995 Expended	1995 Encumbered	Balance (Overdrafts)
HEALTH					
Health Agencies/Hospital Agencies		77,547	77,547		
		97,908	61,165	28,567	8,176
		25,000	17,280		7,720
WELFARE					
CULTURE & RECREATION					
Recreation/Parks	46,858	140,886	131,608	50,800	5,336
Library	5,886	247,856	223,386		30,356
Patriotic Purposes		6,200	6,200		
Other Culture & Recreation		16,000	5,050	10,580	370
CONSERVATION		1,465			1,465
ECONOMIC DEVEL.		27,500	8,135	13,932	5,433
DEBT SERVICE					
Prim. Long Term Bonds/Notes		359,651	344,797		14,854
Int. Long Term Bonds/Notes		221,147	235,497		(14,350)
Interest TAN		24,000	4,856		19,144
OPERATING TRANSFER OUT TO SPECIAL REVENUE					
Conservation		1,465			
OTHER GOVERNMENTS					
School		6,023,384	6,023,384		
County		1,153,805	1,153,805		
CAPITAL PROJECTS					
Waukegan St. Reconstruction		318,500		318,500	
Water Main Replacements		197,008	140,150	56,858	
TRUST FUNDS					
Library Maintenance Fund		10,000			
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$ 456,373	\$13,525,236	\$12,649,798	\$ 1,018,013	\$ 313,798
Sewer	914	458,939	417,653	8,500	33,700
Water	63,360	281,730	274,227	59,231	11,632
Eastbluff Highlands Betterment		100,000	50,314		49,686
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 520,647	\$14,365,905	\$13,391,992	\$ 1,085,744	\$ 408,816

Comparative Statement of Revenues

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995
(Unaudited)

SOURCE	ESTIMATED	ACTUAL	EXCESS (DEFICIT)
TAXES			
Property Taxes (Net of Overlay & Credits)	\$11,015,758	\$11,095,963	\$ 80,205
Yield Taxes	22,081	27,468	5,387
Boat Taxes	33,997	34,406	409
Interest & Penalties	210,000	208,357	(1,643)
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE			
Shared Revenue	168,950	168,951	1
Highway Block Grant	120,725	120,725	
Water Pollution Grants	14,714	14,714	
State & Federal Forest Land Payment in Lieu of Taxes	237	237	
Other Grants/Reimbursements	197,008	197,008	61
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			
SBA Tree Grant	13,356	7,737	(5,619)
LICENSES AND PERMITS			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	555,000	570,066	15,066
Building Permits	15,000	18,579	3,579
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	20,000	49,558	29,558
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Department Income	385,000	436,960	51,960
Other Charges/Res. Prop. Timber	20,000	19,019	(981)
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Sale of Municipal Property	6,500	10,194	3,694
Investment Interest	45,000	63,902	18,902
Insurance Reimbursement	68,000	76,138	8,138
Betterment Assessment	40,000	46,281	6,281
Special Revenue Fund	232,210	232,210	
USE OF FUND BALANCE			
Fund Balance Used to Reduce Taxes	341,700		(341,700)
SUBTOTAL			
Sewer	\$13,525,236	\$13,398,534	(\$126,702)
Water	458,939	488,055	29,116
	281,730	279,434	(2,296)
PROCEEDS OF LONG-TERM DEBT			
Eastbluff Highlands Sewer	100,000	50,314	(49,686)
TOTAL REVENUES	\$14,365,905	\$14,216,337	(\$149,568)

Summary Inventory of Valuation 1995

Current Use Land	\$ 852,104
Residential	291,979,478
Commercial	21,621,900
Residential Buildings	218,609,531
Manufactured Housing	5,594,550
Commercial Buildings	51,751,500
Electric Utilities	6,098,800
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Value Before Exemptions	\$596,507,863
Exemptions	2,514,600
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Net Valuation	\$593,993,263

Town Property

Town Hall - L/B, Equipment	\$ 411,800
Library - L/B, Equipment	831,000
Police - L/B, Equipment	410,100
Fire - L/B, Equipment	999,900
Public Works - L/B, Equipment	665,100
Parks - L/B, Playgrounds	1,398,300
Water Supply Facility	1,468,300
Sewer Plant & Facilities	694,400
Tax Collector's Deeds	99,100
Solid Waste - L/B, Equipment	855,000
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Total	\$7,833,000

1995 Tax Rate

Town	\$ 6.97
School	10.05
County	1.93
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	\$18.95

Net Appropriations

36.79%	\$ 4,141,060
53.04%	5,970,147
10.17%	1,144,965
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100.00%	\$11,256,172

Long-Term Indebtedness - 12/31/95

Assets:

Amount Provided for Long Term Debt

General Fund \$3,579,997

Liabilities:

Water Systems Improvements \$1,714,874

Road Improvements 240,000

Library II 586,418

Sewer - Cotton Hill 451,028

Sewer - Cataldo/Reservoir 222,885

Water - Meredith Center 103,232

Fire Truck 179,246

Eastbluff Highlands 50,314

Main Street Property 32,000

\$3,579,997

Authorized/Unissued

Sewer - Wagon Wheel Trail \$ 225,000

General Fund Statement of Changes in Unreserved-Undesignated Fund Balance

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1995
(Unaudited)

Unreserved-Undesignated Fund Balance 1/1/95	\$478,299
Less: Revenue Deficit	
(Projected to be deficit of \$341,700)	(126,702)
Add: Unexpended Balance of Appropriations	313,798
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Unreserved-Undesignated Fund Balance 12/31/95	\$665,395

Capital Reserves Report for the Town of Meredith 1995

Purpose	Beginning Balance	Added	Paid	Income	Ending Balance
Fire Truck	\$ 1,760.34	\$	\$	\$ 88.10	\$ 1,848.44
Reconstructive Refuse	32,686.08			1,635.93	34,322.01
Police	20,629.13			1,032.48	21,661.61
Water Department	21,600.46			1,081.10	22,681.56
Inter-Lakes School District	76,676.01	0.00	0.00	3,837.62	80,513.62
	3,496.38			109.47	3,605.85
	3,496.38	0.00	0.00	109.47	3,605.85
Totals	\$80,172.39	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,947.09	\$84,119.47

Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds of the Town of Meredith for 1995

Date	Trust Name	Principal			Income			Ending Balance	Total	
		Beginning Balance	New Funds	Gain (Loss)	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income			Paid Out
1964	Upkeep WW II Memorial	\$ 286.61	\$	\$ 7.88	\$ 294.49	\$ 1,134.50	\$ 90.32	\$ 1,224.82	\$ 1,519.31	
	Oakland Cemetery	3,375.74		92.83	3,468.57	626.56	254.36	880.92	4,349.49	
	Outlying Cemeteries	8,424.14		231.67	8,655.81	7,203.18	993.19	8,196.37	16,852.18	
	Town Cemetery	15,065.50		412.66	15,418.16	3,568.89	1,180.49	4,349.38	19,767.54	
1931	Ebon S. Roberts Library	242.91		6.68	249.59	7.22	15.90	23.12	272.71	
1908	Edwin E. Beede Library	85,234.60		2,343.99	87,578.59	2,253.58	5,560.29	3,516.16	91,094.75	
1915	Samuel W. Rollins Fund Library	3,631.94		99.88	3,731.82	288.36	249.15	537.51	4,269.33	
1927	J. Bennett/Emily Swain Library	559.45		15.39	574.84	16.63	36.61	53.24	628.08	
1901	William E. Bixby Library	121.46		3.34	124.80	3.58	7.95	11.53	136.33	
1915	Hattie R. Erskine Library Clock	86.17		2.37	88.54	66.31	9.69	76.00	164.54	
1883	George S. Fogg Trust School District	1,245.32		34.25	1,279.57	354.07	101.65	455.72	1,735.29	
1988	Town Ce. Appropriation General	2,361.27		64.94	2,426.21	1,473.14	243.69	1,716.83	4,143.04	
1984	Caroline M. Swift Cemetery wreath Oak	365.34		10.05	375.39	65.85	27.40	63.25	438.64	
11/29/94	J. Beede Cemetery Fund Perpetual Care	5,543.84		152.45	5,696.29	57.55	355.99	413.54	6,109.83	
	TOTAL	\$126,484.29	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,478.38	\$129,962.67	\$ 17,119.42	\$ 9,126.67	\$ (4,727.70)	\$ 21,518.39	\$151,481.06
	Expendable									
	Meredith Village	\$ 39,551.65	\$ (24,069.80)	\$ 1,087.69	\$ 16,569.54	\$ 572.65	\$ 2,550.09	\$	\$ 3,122.74	\$ 19,692.28
	Cemetery Maint. Fund	0.00	10,000.00	0.01	10,000.01	0.00	0.03	0.03	10,000.04	
12/29/95	Library Trust Fund	39,551.65	(14,069.80)	1,087.70	26,569.55	572.65	2,550.12	(0.00)	3,122.77	29,692.32
	TOTAL	\$166,035.94	\$ (14,069.80)	\$ 4,566.08	\$156,532.22	\$ 17,692.07	\$ 11,676.79	\$ (4,727.70)	\$ 24,641.16	\$181,173.38

1996 Meredith Town Warrant

State of New Hampshire

TO THE INHABITANTS OF MEREDITH
QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at St. Charles Auditorium, 281 Daniel Webster Highway, in said Town on the second Tuesday of March next, March 12, 1996, from 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. for the casting of ballots; and at 7:00 P.M., Wednesday, March 13, 1996, at the Inter-Lakes Junior/Senior High School Auditorium, 1 Laker Lane, in said Town to act on the following articles:

BALLOT ARTICLES TO BE ACTED UPON

ARTICLE 1

To bring your ballots for:

- One (1) Selectman for three (3) years
- One (1) Town Clerk for three (3) years
- One (1) Treasurer for three (3) years
- One (1) Moderator for two (2) years
- One (1) Trustee of Trust Funds for three (3) years
- One (1) Supervisor of the Checklist for six (6) years
- Two (2) Library Trustees for three (3) years
- One (1) Library Trustee for two (2) years
- Two (2) Library Trustees for one (1) year

ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Meredith Zoning Ordinance having to do with "Bed and Breakfast House" uses?

Purpose of the Proposed Amendment: To allow "Bed and Breakfast House" as a permitted use in the Residential District; to require a Special Exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment if building expansion is involved; and to replace "Lodging Houses" with "Bed and Breakfast House" as a permitted use in the Forestry/Rural, Shoreline, Commercial/Route 3 South and Central Business Districts.

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Meredith Zoning Ordinance having to do with "Recreational Vehicles"?

Purpose of the Proposed Amendment: To prohibit the occupation of a "Recreational Vehicle" on vacant property. The amendment would permit the use of a "Recreational Vehicle" as an accessory use to an existing dwelling unit having utilities including septic or sewage disposal. This requirement would not apply to campgrounds, nor does it change existing provisions concerning duration of use (30 days per calendar year).

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Meredith Zoning Ordinance having to do with structures damaged by accidental means?

Purpose of the Proposed Amendment: To require that any structure damaged by accidental means must be rebuilt, repaired or removed within one (1) year of the date of the occurrence.

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Meredith Zoning Ordinance having to do with "Personal and Professional Offices"?

Purpose of the Proposed Amendment: To allow "Personal and Professional Offices" by Special Exception in the Residential and Shoreline Zoning Districts. The Special Exception requirement would not apply to "Home Occupations" but would apply in situations where a commercial office use exceeds home occupation standards.

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance having to do with requirements for soil erosion and sedimentation control plans?

Purpose of the Proposed Amendment: To require an approved soil erosion and sedimentation control plan for all new construction or lot conversion where "earth disturbing activity" is within 250 feet of a lake or pond; to set forth a flexible framework for the determination of plan requirements; and to require certification from the landowner and contractor acknowledging responsibility to develop the property in accordance with the approved plan.

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Meredith Zoning Ordinance having to do with "cultural uses"?

Purpose of the Proposed Amendment: To define "Cultural Uses" to include galleries, theaters, museums and arts and craft production; and to allow "Cultural Uses" as permitted uses in the Central Business and Commercial/Route 3 South Zoning Districts.

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

ARTICLE 8

To see if the municipality will vote to create an expendable general fund trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Employee Benefits Fund, for the purpose of severance, retirement, and accrued benefit payments and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Four Thousand Dollars (\$34,000) toward this purpose and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend. Funding is already appropriated within the operating budget. **RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

ARTICLE 9

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the necessary operational expenses of the Town for the ensuing year's budget.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable general fund trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Landfill Closure Fund, for the purpose of formally closing the Town owned Landfill on Jenness Hill Road and to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) toward this purpose and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend. **RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable general fund trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Sand/Salt Storage Building Fund, for the purpose of constructing a building to store sand and salt and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) toward this purpose and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend. **RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable general fund trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Municipal Building Fund, for the purpose of providing additional Municipal Office space and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000)

toward this purpose and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable general fund trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Public Works Dump Truck Replacement Fund, for the purpose of purchasing a dump truck and to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) toward this purpose and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend.
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000) to upgrade Dolloff Brook Road to Town specifications. Any cost (initial repairs and maintenance bond) relating to this project could be assessed to the property owners on that road. The betterment assessment is contingent upon the availability of clear deed title. If clear title is not available, said appropriation and betterment assessment shall become null and void. RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote a "Special Warrant Article" to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) for the creation and construction of Community Park, Forty Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$40,900) to be raised by taxation and Nine Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$9,100) to be transferred to the General Fund from the Land Use Change Tax Fund. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the Park is completed or in two years following the end of this fiscal year, whichever is less. RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Six Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$36,700) for the following purposes:

- \$20,000 State Aid Reconstruction Program - 2 to 1 match for improvements to various roads under the State Aid Reconstruction Program, provided that the State of New Hampshire appropriates Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000); and
- \$16,700 Community Enhancement Program - Safety and aesthetic improvements on Route 3 North.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town shall recommend that the Board of Selectmen continue or discontinue the utilization of the Inventory of Taxable Property form.

Board of Selectmen
Meredith, NH
Paul R. Lessard, Chairman
Edith B. Mongo
James F. Hughes

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of February, 1996.

Janet R. Rollins
Notary Public

Received and recorded this 26th day of February, 1996.

Pauline L. Fournier
Town Clerk

We hereby certify that on this date, the 26th day of February, 1996, we caused to be placed an attested copy of the within warrant at the place of meeting specified and a like copy at the Town of Meredith Municipal Building, public places in said Town. We also caused to be placed a true copy at the office of the Town Clerk, Meredith, New Hampshire.

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1996 Meredith Budget

	1995 Appropriation	1995 Expended	1996 Proposed Appropriation
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Executive	\$ 189,356	\$ 184,554	\$ 194,862
Election	4,475	1,738	7,875
Financial Administration	179,236	175,546	184,179
Revaluation of Property	40,516	34,239	49,605
Legal	19,000	10,589	15,000
Personnel Administration WA 8 & 9	516,480	480,386	588,224
Planning and Zoning	126,072	124,933	126,909
General Government Buildings	229,948	212,371	241,538
Cemeteries	48,686	37,244	66,776
Insurance	245,561	214,094	219,000
Adv. & Reg. Associations	6,075	6,075	6,075
Other General Government	25,000	22,400	30,000
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police	618,313	613,523	642,062
Ambulance	195,000	194,867	195,000
Fire	128,993	117,942	129,456
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			
Highways & Streets	1,138,980	1,027,359	1,142,390
Street Lighting	43,500	40,215	43,500
Dolloff Brook Rd. Upgrade WA 14			17,000
State Aid Reconstruction WA 16	20,000		20,000
SANITATION			
Solid Waste Disposal	733,168	654,843	691,593
Other Sanitation	15,000		20,000
WATER DISTRIBUTION			
Hydrant Rental	52,555	52,555	52,555
HEALTH			
Health Agencies/Hospital	77,547	77,547	77,547
Agencies	97,908	61,165	57,082
WELFARE			
	25,000	17,280	36,620
CULTURE & RECREATION			
Recreation/Parks	140,886	131,608	141,167
Library	247,856	223,386	277,070
Patriotic Purposes	6,200	6,200	6,200
Other Culture & Recreation WA 15	16,000	5,050	50,000

CONSERVATION	1,465		
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WA 9 & 16	27,500	8,135	27,200
DEBT SERVICE			
Prin. Long Term Bonds/Notes	359,651	344,797	328,643
Int. Long Term Bonds/Notes	221,147	235,497	197,650
Interest TAN	24,000	4,856	20,000
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT TO SPECIAL REVENUE			
Conservation	1,465	1,465	1,265
CAPITAL PROJECTS			
Waukewan St. Reconstruction	318,500		
Water Main Replacements	197,008	140,150	
TRUST FUNDS			
Trust Funds WA 10, 11, 12, 13	10,000	10,000	265,000
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$6,348,047</u>	<u>\$5,472,609</u>	<u>\$6,169,043</u>
Sewer	458,939	417,653	485,938
Water	281,730	274,227	289,751
Eastbluff Highlands Betterment	100,000	50,314	
GRAND TOTAL	<u><u>\$7,188,716</u></u>	<u><u>\$6,214,803</u></u>	<u><u>\$6,944,732</u></u>
	1995	1995	1996
SOURCE	Estimated	Actual	Estimated
TAXES			
Land Use Change Tax	\$	\$	\$ 9,100
Yield Taxes	22,081	27,468	7,000
Boat Taxes	33,997	34,406	32,000
Interest & Penalties	210,000	208,357	200,000
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE			
Shared Revenue	70,727	70,727	70,727
Highway Block Grant	120,725	120,725	119,140
Water Pollution Grants	14,714	14,714	14,714
State & Federal Forest Land	237	237	237
Payment in Lieu of Taxes		61	
Other Grants/Reimbursements			
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			
SBA Tree Grant	13,356	7,737	
LICENSES AND PERMITS			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	555,000	570,066	565,000
Building Permits	15,000	18,579	15,500
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	20,000	49,558	23,000

CHARGES FOR SERVICES

Department Income	385,000	436,960	400,000
Other Charges/Res. Prop. Timber	20,000	19,019	

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

Sale of Municipal Property	6,500	10,194	1,500
Investment Interest	45,000	63,902	50,000
Insurance Reimbursement	68,000	76,138	76,485
Betterment Assessment	40,000	46,281	67,000
Special Revenue Fund	232,210	232,210	270,710

USE OF FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance Used to			
Reduce Taxes	341,700		348,114

SUBTOTAL

	\$2,214,247	\$2,007,339	\$2,270,227
Sewer	458,939	488,055	485,938
Water	281,730	279,434	298,751

PROCEEDS OF LONG-TERM DEBT

Eastbluff Highlands Sewer	100,000	50,314	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$3,054,916	\$2,825,142	\$3,054,916

MEETINGS OF TOWN BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- MONDAY:** **Board of Selectmen - 7:00 pm, 1st & 3rd Mondays**
 Conference Room, Police Station
- Lakes Region Planning Commission - 279-8171**
 Contact Humiston Building for location/dates
- TUESDAY:** **Planning Board - 7:30 pm, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays**
 Conference Room, Police Station
- Public Health Nursing Association - 3:30 pm, 3rd Tuesday**
 Public Library
- Library Trustees - 7:30 pm, 2nd Tuesday, Public Library**
- WEDNESDAY:** **Parks & Recreation Commission - 6:30 pm, 2nd Wednesday**
 Contact Municipal Building for location - 279-4538
- Economic Development - 7:30 am, 2nd Wednesday**
 Hart's Restaurant
- Rt. 3 & 25 Task Force - 7:00 pm, 1st & 3rd Wednesday**
 Conference Room, Police Station
- THURSDAY:** **Conservation Commission - 7:30 pm, 1st Thursday**
 Conference Room, Police Station
- Board of Adjustment - 7:30 pm, 2nd Thursday**
 Conference Room, Police Station

OFFICE HOURS

Municipal Office	Monday thru Friday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Assessor's Office	Monday thru Friday	10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Town Manager	Monday thru Friday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tax Collector	Monday thru Friday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Health Officer	Monday thru Friday	8:00 am - 12:30 pm
		1:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Planning & Zoning	Monday thru Friday	8:00 am - 12:30 pm
		1:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Welfare Office	Monday thru Thursday	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Highway Department	Monday thru Friday	7:00 am - 3:30 pm
Solid Waste	Daily except Wed. & Holidays	8:00 am - 3:00 pm
Recreation Director	Monday thru Friday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Town Clerk	Monday thru Friday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Public Library	Tuesday & Wednesday	10:00 am - 8:00 pm
	Thursday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
	Friday	8:00 am - 7:00 pm
	Saturday	10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Public Health	Monday thru Friday	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
		1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Registered Nurse	Monday thru Friday	9:00 am - 10:00 am
		1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
TDY	Telephone No.	279-4538
Public Announcements	Telephone No.	279-5373
FAX	Telephone No.	279-1042

TOWN OF MEREDITH
All Emergency Calls
DIAL "911"

HOSPITAL

Lakes Region General Hospital 524-3211

POISON INFORMATION CENTER

Hanover 1-800-562-8236

Boston 1-617-232-2120

POLICE — FIRE BUSINESS NUMBERS

Meredith Police Department 279-4561

Belknap County Sheriff's Department 524-3830

State Police (Tamworth) 323-8112

State Police (Concord) 1-800-852-3411

Forest Fire Warden 279-5652

Municipal Office 279-4538

(Burning Permits)

Emergency Management Director 279-8933

We now have the following available services for the general public with sight or hearing impairments at the Municipal Office.

TDD 279-4538

Public Announcements 279-5373

FAX 279-1042